# THE MERKEL MAIL

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### LIONS PULL FOR **NEW DEPOT AND CLEAN-UP WEEK**

Henry West Gives Favorable Report on Project and Club Will Get Behind the Movement; Clean-Up Week Proposed.

It was proposed at the weekly luncheon of the Lions club to invite the president and other officials directly concerned in affairs of this division of the Texas and Pacific railroad to be the guests of the club at some date to suit themselves so that further steps may be taken, if they are necessary, to bring to a realization the new depot, which is one of the improvements said to be in prospect for Merkel withn the very near future.

Henry West, former mayor and one of the prominent business men of this city, talked on the subject of the new STEPHENS HOTEL by the toastmaster, and his remarks were of more than passing interest. It has been known for sometime that the status of the new depot was very favorable and it is the opinion of & P. look with approval on the pro- owner, W. B. Stephens, to Mrs. Seth "If the old document was good ject.

Week for Merkel, referring to the completed. weeds growing on vacant lots, standquitces, and proposed in a formal modernizing the hotel will be made at way the Lions club sponsor a Clean- once. Up Week. It was added that the business firms should be urged to provide L. R. Thompson. barrels as containers for trash to be

and sanitary departments.

President Booth Warren stated the committee on civic welfare would take up this matter at once and refer committee consists of Henry West, next Sunday evening. It has stead- the governor unless it was provided the Texas Bar association at the joint main closed.

### Seven Months Old Already Has Record 2,000 Miles in Air

All of seven months old, she has traveled 2,000 miles by air route That is the unique distinction of Jaculyn Lockwood, only seven months old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lockwood, and now a guest with her mother of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. McCall in the Groene apartments. Her father is an air mail plot flying between Chicago and Kansas City and Jaculyn flew with her mother from Tulsa, Okla. to Sweetwater on July Fourth, via Southwestern Air Express.

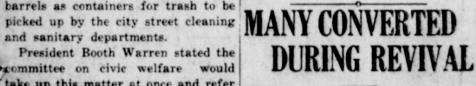
One of the new ships of the N. A. T. has been named "Jaculyn Lockwood" in honor of the little miss, whose record as an air passenger at her age probably stands without any rival competition.



Sale of the Stephens Hotel, south of was a difficult task to get authorized Mr. West that the officials of the T. the T. & P. railroad tracks, by the an alteration.

Mr. Stephens bought the property

Negotiations were handled through



**VOTE TUESDAY ON TWO AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION** 

MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY,

Governor's Salary to \$10,000 when he stepped into water over his and Increase Supreme Court to head. Nine Members.

Austin, July 11 .- Texans, nearly al- union at Alvarado on August 14. ways adverse to amending the state constitution under which they have died as the result of the third grade o'clock, and following the slow, lived so peacefully and happily crossing accident within a week where ground-soaking rain of the previous throughout many years, are now ask- Parker street crosses the Southern Monday night, July 1, makes a total ed to make changes in two portions Pacific tracks in that city. which have been unaltered since the document was first penned.

On July 16 the voters will pass on Fisher county's first "guest" in its the propositions of raising the salary new \$60,000 county jail, which is nearof the governor from \$4,000 to \$10,000 ing completion. annually and increasing the memberto nine.

stitution in order to pay the governor the prison system to Governor Moody. with light rains when other sections until lately, Texans had an aversion to amending the constitution, and it

Hamilton, was announced during the enough for my father and grandfath-Dr. W. A. Buckner, one of the oth- early part of the week and possession er it is good enough for me," is an er speakers on the program, suggest- will be given just as soon as the papers expression frequently heard when the ed the advisability of a Clean-Up in connection with the transfer are matter of amending the constitution is broached.

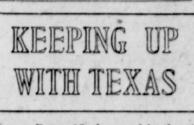
But, the fact that the "old docuing water, tin cans and other rubbish in 1925 and the new owner states that ment" provides for a \$4,000 salary which could be carried away, thereby the purchase was made as an invest- for the governor indicates that times linger was elected president of the removing the breeding places for mos- ment. Improvements wth the view of have changed considerably since it was Sheriffs' association of Texas and El argue.

. In the event the amendment in- Antonio.

Governor Moody's term.

cutive mansion has repeatedly declar- labor at Austin.

chairman; Mat Dillingham, C. R. Tit- ily grown in interest from the begin- it would not take effect until the term session with the New Mexico Bar as- The new building is being erected 15c) 30 cents; jury fund, 8 cents; for which he had been elected had



JULY 12, 1929.

Homer Page, 13, drowned in the city Ballots Will Be Cast on Raise in reservoir at Brownwood Sunday night

> E. G. Senter has announced that he will open his campaign for governor with an address at the old settlers re-

Nearly two inches of rain fell here Saturday night, beginning about 8 Horace G. Alexander, 61, of Houston of 2 1-2 inches of rain for the first

week of the month, according to the W. H. Hodge, charged with breakrecords of B. M. Black, volunteer weaing into a box car at McCauley, is ther observer, who very kindly keeps the Merkel Mail posted on matters of this kind.

With 5019 persons doing time for ship of the supreme court from three the state, the Texas penitentiary popumuch gratified over the beneficial rains that have visited this section and

lation is greater now than it has ever that have been general all over this A previous effort to amend the con- been, according to the daily reports of belt. Some places that were visited Albert Mitchell, president of the got plentiful downpours were later American Hereford Breeders associa- favored with heavier rains and the tion, will take up his duties as field sections previously visited got only man for Texas and the southwest at light showers. So that, altogether, reonce with headquarters at Sweetwater ports show that good rains have fallen

> bank robber, must die in the electric chair by formal sentence of District New Building Being

place at the convention held in San which will house the Ritz Community said.

adopted it will not become effective history of Wink that all grocery and ford, manager of the Gafton theatre for the 1924 issue of road bonds at 16 until January, 1931, at the end of dry goods stores remained closed all of Trent. The Gafton is closed tempo- cents-9 cents less than last yearday, as the result of a visit there by a rarily so that Manager Gafford may and levied 2 cents for the permanent The present occupant of the exe- representative of the department of take a two or three week's vacation improvement fund-1 cent higher than

back to the club its suggestions and The revival now in progress at the olution calling for advancing the ted president and San Antonio was time before the new theatre is com- posed of the following listed items: plans for a Clean-Up Week. This Methodist church is scheduled to close amount of remuneration received by chosen as the 1930 convention city for pleted or whether the Gafton will re- general fund, 25 cents; road and

5c PER COPY

## TAYLOR COUNTY TAX **RATE FOR THIS YEAR SLASHED EIGHT CENTS**

On the "Broadway of America"

**MERKEL VISITED** 

**BY 2-INCH RAIN** 

Farmers and ranchmen are all very

Erected at Trent For

**County Commissioners Fix Ad** Valorem Tax at 94 Cents: No Change in Road Taxes.

Eight cents was clipped from the Taylor county ad valorem tax Tuesday when the county commissioners set the 1929 county tax rate at 94 cents on the \$100 valuation. The 1928 rate was \$1.02, which was 2 cents higher than the 1927 rate.

There was no change in road district taxes, the levies being the same as last year. All school district tax levies remained the same this year as last year, with the exception of two districts: Castle Peak's maintenance tax was raised from 50 cents to \$1 and Elmdale's rate was increased from 75 cents to \$1, the 25-cent raise being made to provide a sinking fund for bonds recently elected.

The total assessed valuation of taxable property in Taylor county, on which the court based the levies, is \$24,576,290. That figure reflects an increase of \$459,625 in total valuation over 1926 when the total was \$24,116,-665. The 1929 rendition is not final, Assessor J. T. Howard said, but is the preliminary total prepared for the Ritz Movie Theatre state comptroller and the county commissioners court. The final figure, af-A new two-story building is beng ter the rolls are checked, is expected erected in Trent on Front street be- to be slightly higher than the prelimadopted, advocates of alterations Paso was selected as the next meeting tween the postoffice and Main street, inary total, \$24,576,290, Mr. Howard

theatre, according to the announce- In levying the county tax Tuesday creasing the governor's salary is Sunday was the first time in the ment made Thursday by George Gaf- the commissioners court set the tax and it is not definitely decided wheth- in 1928.

ed that he would not approve any res- C. S. Bradley of Groesbeck was elec- er he will re-open the Gafton for the The 94-cent county wide tax is combridge fund (regular, 15c; special,

land. Sheriff R. E. McWilliams of Bal-

Judge George L. Davenport of East-

September 6 has been set as the date throughout this section within the when Henry Helms, convicted Cisco past ten days.

tle. S. D. Gamble and B. T. Sublett. ning and many have been greatly ben-Dr. M. Armstrong presided as toast- efitted spiritually by the meeting, expired. master and Byers Petty delivered the with a number of conversions as the invocation.

Two pleasing numbers were renand Mrs. L. B. Scott, Charlie Jones further: and Miss Mona Margaret Jones, with Miss Lucy Tracy as accompanist. The Boat."

Guests who were welcomed and who Abilene and Roy Upchurch, with R. C. Winters and company, certified these seasons of grace with us." public accountants, also of Abilene.

"t was a busy meeting of the Lions Picture of African club and interesting as well and, besides the subjects of the new depot and Clean-Up Week, two other topics were also brought to the attention of the Lions. One matter was brought up by Sam Swann, secretary, who referred to the feature of attendance. He stated that it was the rule in other clubs, where 100 per cent attendance was not unusual, to not charge week at the Queen theatre here, Wedabsence when a member was compelled nesday, Thursday and Friday, July 17, 18 and 19. to be out of the city on luncheon day and gave notice to the secretary in filed a print of this picture for hisadvance of his absence.

Charlie Jones asked for the privilege to make the request of parents to keep their children away from under electric wires, especially where a fire was droves of wild animals, hundreds being fought and the danger was con- fighting for their own. It is a wondersequently great of the wires burning ful picture of Africa and every one into.

Charlie Jones will be toastmaster standpoint as well as being an interat the next luncheon, with the pro- esting exhibition. gram committee consisting of Dr. M. Armstrong and R. A. Burgess and the Return From Postal toastmaster.

Many From Merkel

Among those from Merkel who are association, part of sessions of which in attendance or who have been in at- were held in Greenville and the clos- Dick Deeder in Abilene on the Fourth. tendance at some of the sessions of the ing session of which was held in Dal-Presbyterian Encampment at Buffalo las. On their way home they went by Rio are visiting with Mrs. Tom Coats ton. Gap are: Miss Ola Smith, Mrs. Jim DeLeon, where Mrs. J. M. Bankhead, and other relatives. Tucker, Edna Tucker, A. J. Tucker, mother of Mrs. Adcock, visited while Mrs. Jack Anderson, Miss Flora Mrs. Bankhead returned with them. Frances Anderson, Mrs. Marvin Rural Carriers R. L. Adcock and visit to Coleman last week where Mr. Smith, Miss Mary Derstine, Mr. and W. S. Slayden, who attended the meet- Young is employed in drilling. Mrs. W. M. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. W. ing of the Rural Letter Carriers' as-D. Butler, Rev. R. A. Walker, Mrs. sociation at Dallas, also returned the Abilene of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. James Sears, Miss Norma Shannon, latter part of the week. Mr. Slayden Preston Rister. Mr. and Mrs. Emery Jones and Mrs. was accompanied by his wife and two J. N. Shelton.

direct result of the services.

amendment increasing the member-In speaking of the revival services, ship of the supreme court to nine. dered by a quartet consisting of Mr. Rev. T. C. Willett, the pastor, said The present court consists of three

Jungles is Booked

"Simba," the picture which is said

torical reference and it is claimed that

there never has been a picture like

this one before. In it you will see large

should see it from an educational

members, a supreme justice and two "The pastor is greatly encouraged associates. But, in addition there are and is expecting the meeting to bring two commissions of appeals, consisting first number was "Oh, Sweet the a blessing to many more before the of three judges each. These commis-Mystery of Life" and the other num- close. Miss Swisher is doing great sions were created in recent years ber "The Lonesome Road" from "Show work with the young people and chil- to take from the overworked court dren and in directing the music for the a part of the official load. To the revival. We are hoping to make the commissions are referred cases by the responded briefly were N. P. Deavours remaining days the best of the meet- court and after the commission works, of the legislature. of the Deavours-Ware company of ing and we are very anxius to have out a case and files its findings the every one in the community to enjoy court reviews the opinion and either Hunt county, including county and city mother's spinning wheel, which had approves or disapproves.

> constitute a quorum and it would re- Mrs. J. N. Brumley, was found asleep At Queen Next Week cision.

> > The terms of the members would be for six years.

TUESDAY ELECTION DAY.

to have astounded America by showing All plans have been completed in led Monday morning at Fort Worth. the jungles of Africa as they truly are, Taylor county for holding the election It is believed Keeton was thrown from will be presented for three days next voting box. block. The United States government has

sociation held in Amarillo. Texas' 1929 cotton acreage was es-Many lawyers are advocating the

timated at 18,697,000 acres in the July report of H. H. Schutz of the division of crops and livestock estimates, being two per cent larger than the crop planted and standing one year ago.

Representative Edwin Gerron of Waxahachie has announced his candidacy for commissioner of the general land office subject to the democrat-

After more than 100 citizens of

authorities, had searched all night, none the worse for its adventure.

Hurled from a speeding fire truck under the wheels of a street car, Ben-

jamin O. Keeton, 26, fireman, was kil-

to carry sound and talking pictures. cents; permanent improvements fund, It will be constructed of brick and 2 cents; road bonds sinking fund hollow tile, with stucco and terra cot- (\$350,000 issue of 1923), 8 cents; road ta front, and will be modern in every bonds sinking fund (\$1,000,000 issue respect. The second story will be oc- of 1924-\$875,000 issued and sold) 16 cupied by business or lodge quarters. cents.

#### Has Grandmother's Old Spinning Wheel

ic primaries next July. Gerron, who is visit to Water Valley, Miss., his old cents; District No. Five, 23 cents; Dis-22 years old, is the youngest member family home, Stanley King, one of the rural route carriers from the postoffice, brought with him his grand- Enjoyable Visit to been stored in a log crib for 28 years. Five members of the court would "Buddy," 2-year-old son of Mr. and It had been used during the Civil War and its history probably dates prior returned from a very interesting visit quire the assent of at least five mem- in underbrush about two and one-half to that time. Mr. King has set the covering more than three weeks, durbers of the court to establish a de- miles from where he had disappeared, spinning wheel up at his home, where ing which they visited their son, Clarit has been put back in operation just ence Huddleston and family at San as if its use had not been interrupted. Diego, also spending several days in

#### Offices Remodeled.

After improvements and alterations that have been in progress for several weeks, the officers of the Merkel Lumon these two constitutional amend- the truck as it rounded a street cor- ber company now present a most inments. J. P. Sharp, the mayor, will be ner and his comrades did not miss viting appearance. The business office home. Dr. and Mrs. Miller joined in the presiding officer at the Merkel him until they had driven nearly a has been enlarged by the removal of making the visit of the Huddlestons all partitions, new office furniture unusually pleasant. has been installed and the increased display rooms give better opportunity to feature the various paints and household conveniences which are carried in stock by this company. The in-pendicitis at the Merkel sanitarium terior has been painted and decorated Saturday and it is reported that he is in appropriate style.

#### Diploma As Pharmacist. Warren Smith, popular employe of week-end guest in the home of Mr. the Merkel Drug company, receved advice last Saturday that he had success-

fully passed the examination before the State Board of Pharmacy, at Waco May 21 to 24, inclusive, and that his diploma was being sent to him. His friends in Merkel will be glad to were passing guests of Mr. and Mrs. learn of this fact, especially in view of the report that only a small per Mr. and Mrs. Quay Hamblet are cent of the entrants at this exami-

New Arrivals.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith are of Fort Worth are visiting Mrs. announcing the birth of a seven and one-half pound baby boy on Saturday, Mrs. W. C. Calvert and daughter July 6, at the Merkel sanitarium. The of Sweetwater were Sunday dinner new pharmacist is receiving a hearty

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thornton are Abilene last week where she had been the happy parents of a baby girl, weighing 10 1-2 pounds, born July 1. The young lady has been name Frances Nan.

for a theatre, built acoustically correct court house bonds (sinking fund) 5

Levies for road districts were made as follows: District No. One, 4 cents; District No. Two, 8 cents; District No. When he returned from a summer Three, 8 cents; District No. Four, 18 trict No. Six, 26 cents.

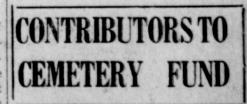
## Son in California

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Huddleston have Los Angeles and Long Beach, Calif., visiting Beverly Hill and crossing into Mexico from California.

In San Diego they saw Dr. George L. Miller and family, who formerly lived in Merkel, and visited in their

Undergoes Operation.

A. J. Pannell, who resides 6 miles north of town, was operated on for apdoing nicely.



Following is the list of co	ntributors
and the amount of each to	the ceme-
tery fund, as reported to th	e commit-
tee up to Thursday morning	, together
with the amount previously	collected:
Mrs. Jenkins	\$10.00
Mrs. J. M. Morris	1.00
Dee Bland	3.00
J. H. Blackburn	2.00
Mrs. J. P. Sutphen	2.50
J. C .White	
W. L. Diltz, Sr.	5.00
Mrs. H. C. Williams	5.00
Total for week	\$31.50
Previously reported	\$400.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$431.50

Miss Mary Kenny visited relatives | for a ten days' vacation in Canyon to | in Fort Worth last week. visit with Cecil Newberry, who is a

**PERSONAL NEWS NOTES** 

are in Lamesa on business. Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Edie are visiting

with relatives in Oklahoma. Miss Sallie Brown visited friends in Meetings at Dallas Coleman last Thursday.

Mrs. E. D. Coats and John D. Coats are spending the summer in Del Rio. Miss Lucy Tracy and Mrs. Holland the meeting of the Texas Postmasters' Teaff were visitors in Baird last week. Mary Elizabeth Grimes visited Mrs. Mrs. Ollie Smith and children of Del spending the week in Dallas and Den- nation were awarded diplomas.

Curtis Wilcox has returned from Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson, Mr. and the others were at the convention, and several weeks spent at Corpus Christi. Moore's father, J. S. Hutson. Mrs. S. Young and children made a

visiting her daughter, Mrs. Greene. Harold Trantham will leave Monday

Messrs, M. R. Hail and Tom Coats son of Mrs. Robins. Mrs. W. A. Cook of Palestine was a

and Mrs. James Doan. Mrs. Ernest Hill and baby, Boyd,

of Burleson were recent houseguests of Mrs. Hugh Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. George B. Spencer

George Caple last week.

Mrs. R. N. Moore and son, Wayne,

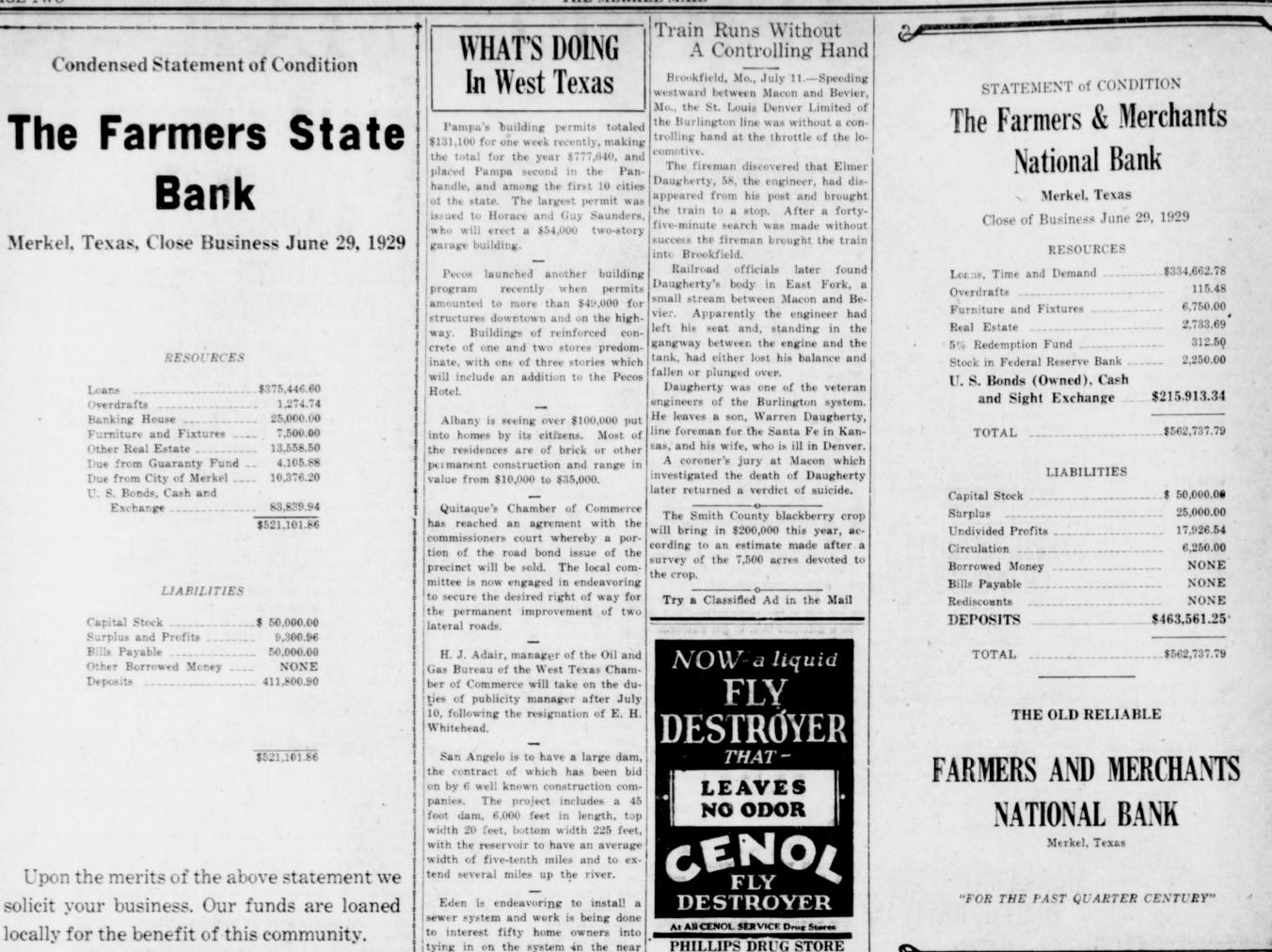
guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Russell. welcome. Mrs. N. E. Sandlin returned from

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Miss Agnes Rister is the guest in

Mrs. L. R. Robins and Mr. and Mrs

Postmaster O. J. Adcock with his Attend Encampment family returned Frday evening from PAGE TWO



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HERBERT PATTERSON, **Assistant Cashier** B. L. HAMILTON. Assistant Cashier

rest event of its kind ever held in Texas west of Lubbock on July 12 and 13. The leading features of the program are a free barbecue, rodeo, baseball, dancing and state wide known speakers. Judge Hamlin of Farwell, manager of the Capitol Reservation lands, will speak on the opening day.

Bledsoe plans to celebrate the big-

future so that work may start.

Hamilton now has 6 miles of natural Uvalde rock asphalt paved streets and the county will vote on a \$500,000 road bond issue on July 16th. The town will burn natural gas supplied by the Lone Star Gas Company by October 15. The Hamilton Fair and Race meet will be held in Hamilton July 24, 25 and 26.

Turkey is adding the finishing touches to the large 200,000 gallon reservoir for the city; the contractor is furnishing the pump houses which complete one of the most modern, upto-the-minute water supply plants in West Texas.

Ballinger, the starting place of the Fourth Annual Motorcade sponsored by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, is planning an elaborate luncheon for those who start the protracted tour of the scenic spots of West Texas and eastern New Mexico. The dates for the motorcade are from July 10 to July 20. B. M. Whiteker is in charge.

Brady's historic town bell will ring again but no more from the old court house steeple. It has been donated to the Richards Park and placed in the athletic stadium to toll out the time of the horseraces and other races at various celebrations.

Man on Trial Inherits \$10,000. Beaumont, Texas, July 11 .- Edwin McHugh, 18, was made \$10,000 richer through notice of his inheritance during his trial in District Court on a charge of attempted robbery of a street car motorman with a toy pistol two months ago. County Attorney Bob Sullivan told the Court his department would not prosecute the defendant and gave McHugh the letter summoning him to Mobile for division of a \$30,000 estate with two brothers.

Donley County has produced more than a half-million baby chicks and four-fifths of them have gone to Donley County farmers.

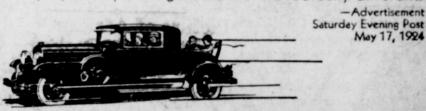
Typewriting paper at Merkel Mail

### A FACT FIVE YEARS AGO AND STILL A FACT TODAY



Merkel, Texas

"Out of a clear sky, the Chrysler has brought the motor car industry to the point invariably reached in any industry of economic importance. + That is the point where revolutionary improvements and advancements begin to render the original invention obsolete-when previous practice is brought to a full stop. + That never happens until the newest product proves its right to precedence, by reason of greatly simplified design, greater efficiency and operating results that are radically different."



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Where it has taken the average automobile ten to twenty-five years of gradual, plodding growth to achieve public acclaim, Chrysler has risen swiftly to a foremost and topmost place in the industry in less than five short years!

What Chrysler has done is without parallel. Overnight, a name became a symbol of speed, quality, beauty and safety. At Christmas, 1923, the Chrysler emblem meant nothing in the public mind. By Easter, 1924, it had come to stand for leadership-a claim undenied to this day.

Fads come and go. Some motor cars have their brief hour of popularity and then are forgotten. Chrysler's unprecedented leap into a position in the van of the industry was neither forced nor accidental. That place was won by inherent worth and undeniable value. Today, Chrysler is firmly entrenched at the top, offering the finest performance in its history. A ride is a revelation.

CHRYSLER "75"-\$1535 to \$1795-Eight Body Styles. CHRYSLER "65"-\$1040 to \$1145-Six Body Styles. All prices f. o. b. factory. Chrysler dealers extend convenient time payments.

CHRYSLER MOTORS PRODUCT

MAVERICK **MOTOR COMPANY Chrysler-Plymouth Sales and Service**  Friday, July 12, 1929.

### **Dora Doings**

### The singing at the Baptist church

Sunday night was well attended. A. W. Cook and family made a business trip to Merkel Monday.

We are glad to report little Joyce ness with scarlet fever.

Mrs. Ben Jenkins of Merkel visited G. W. Whiteaker family.

Miss Ruth Coward of Clyde was a and Mrs. James Doan. pleasant visitor here for a few days Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Adcock of Merlast week.

Mrs. J. T. Terry visited relatives in T. J. Melton home.

Tye and Clyde over the week-end. th's vacation.

ceived the announcement of the birth Campbell home.

George Hawkins of Stanton and Rev. J. W. Hawkins of Hawley spent the Fourth here with their father, G. W. Hawkins.

are Sy Dennis and Mr. Scroggins.

#### Junior League Program.

Finding and Following Jesus. Opening. Scripture-Matthew 3:18-20 by leader, Nell Hughes. Taking Christ as Our Leader-John 10:9-14, by Mildred Richardson. Jesus Our Companion -Matthew 28:19-20, by Opal Buzbee. Spending Sunday With Our Master-Mark 3:1-4, by Lois Whiteley. Helping Jesus-Matthew 25:34-40 by Marie Stanford. Working Without Getting Tired-Galatians 6:9-10, Imogene Middleton. Praying-Matthew 6:9-13, by Duncan Briggs. Benediction.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. No Sunday school or preaching service Sunday on account of the Presbyterian Encampment at Buffalo Gap. Sunday school for all the church at the Encampment. The Merkel choir will have charge of the song service at the Encampment Friday night. The local church is caring for one of the children from the Reynolds home.

> W. M. Elliott, Supt. W. A. Walker, Pastor.

CARD OF THANKS. We wish to express our sincere thanks to one and all who were so good and kind to give or help us

Mrs. D. C. Doan, who has been real day. sick, is getting along nicely at this writing

**Blair** Items

Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Cook and daugh- 200 bushels to the acre this year and here a few days last week with the ters, Misses Vicilla and Helen, of the crop was valued at a half million Palestine spent the week-end with Mr. dollars.

kel were dinner guests Sunday in the

Messrs. Jim Campbell, Will Camp-Mr. and Mrs. Rube Chapman of Del bell and Pat Addison attended the July Rio are guests at the Bruce Brown Fourth picnic at Sweetwater. home this week, Miss Barcy Brown | Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hand and child-

Abilene Saturday.

coming home with them after a mon- ren of White Flats and Mrs. Boyce Balew and baby, Bettie Joe, of Abi-Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hardy have re- lene were visitors recently in the Hugh

of a granddaughter born to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kendrick at Abilene.

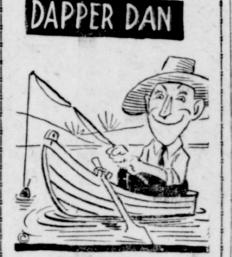
H. S. Wright, accompanied by his father, was a visitor in Haskell Sunday and Monday.

Reported on the sick list this week

a visit with relatives on the plains. Billie Campbell celebrated his birth-

Zeb Moore was a business visitor in

Roy Abbott returned Saturday after



#### Just Fishin'

"Some people fish for fish," says Dan.

We fish for trade from morn plan:

We fish for trade from morn till night-

Your patronage is our delight." Yessir, we are always fishing for new business. And we use good bait, too-efficient work, quick service and fair prices. And beccause the people like this policy, we are doing the

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day Friday entertaining a host of his little friends. O. L. Mayfield and Bennett Walker World Peace." "Cause of War," War-,

of Merkel were seen in our midst Sun- ren Tittle. "Cost of War," Christine Rister. "If There are Future Wars."

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

Subject: "The Young Christian and

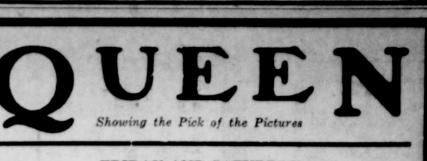
Harry Boaz. "How Can War Be Abol-What probably was the largest "po- ished," H. C. Toombs. "What Can We Mrs. J. W. Mayfield has gone for a tato patch" in the world was the 2,- Do About World Peace?" Irene Rister. Dudley much improved after an ill- month's visit with relatives in 150-acre potato field of the Sugarland All are cordially invited to the Inter-Industries at Sugarland. It produced mediate B. Y. P. U. at 7:30.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

# Satisfaction Is Mutual

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#### FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

**BOB STEELE** 

-IN-

## **"LIGHTNING SPEED"**

One of the greatest pictures Bob ever made. Also Mystery Serial, "The Mystery Rider" And Two Reel Comedy "Those Two Boys"

#### MONDAY AND TUESDAY

#### BUSTER KEATON

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## **"SPITE MARRIAGE"**

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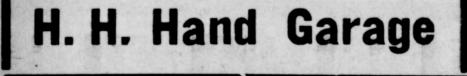
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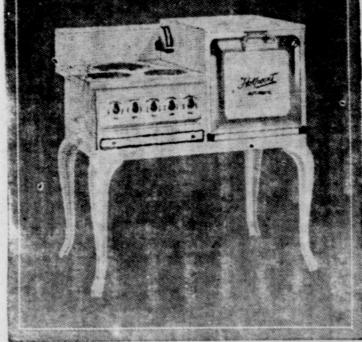
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#### PAGE SIX

#### THE MERKEL MAIL Trent News and Published Every Friday Morning Glover and Caple, Publishers. **Personal Notes** SUBSCRIPTION RATES Taylor and Jones counties \_\_\_\_\$1.50 Mrs. E. W. Altman of Roscoe, was

Mrs. Adams, who has been here for

Joe Alexander of Lubbock, an old

Mrs. Dale Estep of Goose Creek is

Mrs. Phoebe Green of Merkel visit-

and attended the Baptist revival last

Mrs. Robinson of Ranger was called

to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs.

erford, of Ackerly. On her return she

The Baptist revival closed here last

Sunday night. The results of the meet-

ing were good; there were seventeen

ter, making about 30 additions in all.

John Payne move back in our midst.

Jack Kite left for New Mexico this

Mr. and Mrs. John Pruitt left last

week-end for a visit with relatives at

joined by baptism and several by let-

We are glad to have Mr. and Mrs.

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sherman.

Christi for the summer.

Murphey, last Monday.

Sweetwater last Saturday.

day at Cisco.

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Edgewood

sometime visiting with her daughter,

Mrs. M. G. Scotth, returned to her

ing a few days with Mr. Beckham.

home last Sunday.

Anywhere else \$2.00 the guest of her parents, Rev. and (In Advance) Mrs. Watson, here Sunday.

#### **TELEPHONE No. 61**

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### Zion Chapel News

Farmers in this vicinity are rejoicing over the nice rain which fell C. Hale. last week and are all busy working

George Stout is on the sick list this ed her daughter, Mrs. Shelby Howell, week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Burton and week children have returned to their home, in Seminole, Okla., after visiting the is spending a few weeks with her parformer's sister, Mrs. E. C. Tarvin.

Several from here attended the auto races in Abilene on the 4th.

Rev. and Mrs. Berryhill and Mrs. McGee of Rochester were calling on friends here Monday.

Frank Terry and family are home from a visit at Levelland and other points on the Plains. They reported a nice time and that crops were looking good in those sections.

Mrs. Lucas of Noodle visited her daughter, Mrs. Ben Adkins, last week. Lige Rains is spending the week

with his daughter, Mrs. L. V. Spurgin, and relatives. Quite a number from here are at-

tending the meeting at Hope Church day. He is assisting Rev. Watson in a this week. meeting at Eskota.

We wish to announce that Haley Shelton and the Jones' quartet of Abilene will sing at Zion Chapel Presbyterian church Sunday July 14 at 2:30 p. m. You are cordially invited to come and bring some one with you.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bonds of Blair were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Merritt and kel this week. little son were visiting here the 4th.

Houston Lanier and Addison Curry who have been visiting their brother and cousin, Jack Lanier, have return- visited over the week-end with her vices. ed to their home in McKinney. Mr. grandmother, Mrs. Smith of Sweet-Lanier accompanied them home for a few days visit.

Mrs. Lillian Armstrong and babyJ spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. L. V. Spurgin.

Miss Carrie Whittier of Abilene spent the week-end with her sister. Mrs. T. K. Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Horton made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Allred entertained with a lawn party last Thurs-

Friends will be glad to know that Mrs. Lester who was carried to the Abilene hospital for treatment last home from a trip to points in central Sunday is rapidly improving. Miss Maurine Faulkner of Ft. friends and relatives in Brownwood, Worth is here for a visit with her Round Rock, Austin and Port Lavaca grandmother, Mrs. Archer.

LAUNDRY WORK WANTED.

bay. They planned to visit at Ganado We are located on street leading and Palacios but heavy rains and north from Broadway Service Sta- high water made a detour east of tion, last house on west side of street. Victoria impassable. They report a Drive by and see us or call 294J and great time and come back home let us talk with you. Don't send your more in love with this country than ime friend of C. T. Beckham, is spend- laundry work away when you can get ever. In fact, the Rev. Mr. Parrack it done just as well and just as cheap says the best part of the trip was com-

at home. With your aid we are here ing home. visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. to stay and to please. Treat us right by giving us a tryout. Flat work, finished 7c per lb. Rough Dried work, 6c per lb.

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started. Your patronage and influence ing in Grace." B. Y. P. U. service at Marvin Howard has gone to Corpus will be greatly appreciated. 7:30 p. m. We call for and deliver your work. The pastor will be glad to greet a

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neil spent Sun- Phone 294J. Merkel Home Laundry

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#### METHODIST CHURCH.

Our church was well filled last Sun- kel after an absence of several months, J. A. Bland and family moved to day morning with Christians of all during which he visited with his two denominations. Many visitors from our daughters at Uvalde, Mrs. J. H. Hunt-Grand pappy Terry of Meadow is visiting his son, A. C. Terry, this week. neighboring churches spent the hour er and Mrs. Prentice Rice, also with Emma Nalley is spending a few with us. We sincerely welcome every his sister in Waco, Mrs. C. B. Smith, one who wishes to attend our services and later with another daughter, Mrs. weeks in Breckenridge with friends at any time.

Reverend Willett preached a very in-Rev. G. C. Williams of Dressy visited with M. G. Scott and family Mon- teresting and appropriate sermon about prevailing prayer. Prayer is ndeed the miracle worker of today. Visitors for last Sunday were: Mr. number of his little friends with their Mr. and Mrs. Alex Williamson and on Marvin have gone to Mineral and Mrs. Delmer, recently from Rising mothers to spend the afternoon with Wells where they will spend a few Star, who have made Merkel their him. W. C. Melton and children, Marhome; Miss Mattie Swisher, of Can- gie and Junior, from Blackwell, Mrs.

weeks and they will probably visit difyon, who is doing great work as our E. M. Sherman from Trent and Mr. ferent parts of Ark., before their resong leader, and among our young and Mrs. G. W. Moore of Merkel were people Mrs. J. I. Leamon is visiting her Mrs. F. C. Church and four children lemonade were served and Billie was daughter, Mrs. T. E. Collins of Mer-

are back from Sedalia, Mo., for a visit remembered with a number of presamong relatives and friends. Viola Smith has returned from a You will miss a great blessing if visit with her sister, Mrs. E. M. Ruth-

Conservative estimate is that Texas' you fail to attend our revival serwealth is increasing at the rate of more than \$1,000,000 a day. -Reporter.

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#### RESOURCES

Victoria impassable. They report a	Loans and discounts, on personal or collateral security	\$124,028.49	
great time and come back home	Loans secured by real estate	3,483.00	
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says the best part of the trip was com-	Commition of I. C. ann Otate an nalitical subdivision they ast	300.00	
	Banking House \$4000.00, Furniture and Fixtures \$1400.00	5,400.00	
ng home.	Cash in bank	3,877.01	
BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS.	Due from approved reserve agents	72,339.29	
Pastor Parrack is back from his va-	Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand	558.76	
ation trip to south Texas and will be			
n the pulpit Sunday. He announces all	TOTAL	\$230,712.06	

#### LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	25,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits, net	12,271.97
Individual Deposits subject to check, including time deposits due	
in 30 days	177,711.63
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	728.46
TOTAL	230,712.06

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Taylor:

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

J. T. WARREN, President. L. E. ADRIAN, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of July, A. D. 1929.

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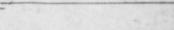
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and spent a few days at Magnolia

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full house Sunday both at the Sunday

R. J. Adcock Back Home.

Birthday Party at Blair

fourth birthday June 28 and invited a

also present. Cream and cake and

Little Billie Campbell celebrated his

R. J. Adcock has returned to Mer-

school and at the preaching hour.

R. E. Kunze, in Fort Worth.

Rev. Ira L. Parrack and family are

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Friday, July 12, 1929.

Texas Winner Edison Contest Tells About **Examination** Tests

Corsicana, July 11 .- The hardest of many tests put to Thurman Evans in by members of the Senate as a part- The lion, attendants said, had gone his successful contests for the honor ing gift will be carried by him "as mad from its long imprisonment and of representing Texas in the National an inspiration and, I trust, as an bit his owner on the leg, the injury Edison contest was physics examina- omen of good fortune" he declared in causing blood poison. tion, despite the fact that he held the an acceptance speech. Accepted as Robinson was a native of Waterloo, Jucky" number 13 during examina- a prophecy of his contemplated guber- Iowa.

"We had our choice of chemistry said: or physics and I chose physics." he said after returning to his home here traveling." from Austin where the eliminations questions were in the book but I had abra and a beaded bag were given him forgotten most of them.

answer correctly required a knowledge but was not here at the close. of carpentry, mechanics, mathematics, chemistry, electricity, shop practice and practically everything else.

called back. I went back to Austin days. and the 13 boys who returned were interviewed separately by the committee. They asked us personal questions as well as technical ones. I was examined second so I was not in suspense as long as most of the boys. While awaiting the verdict, we discussed general relativity, the atomic theory, X-ray and everything else we could think of, including girls."

When the eliminations first began, the entrants were numbered and "I got number 13," Evans said. The last day of the contest it was announced that number 13 had won and number 4, Gifford White, of Fredericksburg was second. White will be the Texas alternate in the national contest.

### CANYON NEWS

In this section of the country, Independence Day was celebrated by a 9th annual picnic on Elm Creek in the Butman Ranch pasture. A bounteous dinner was spread in the shades and everyone ate according to his own conscience. Those who were present with their families were: W. C. Mathews, Uncle Dan Mathews, Los Proitt. Tommie Russom, Sleve Bush, Jack Latimer, Ruble Johnson, Dewell McLean, Sam Butman, Sr., Joe Swinney, Sam Butman, Jr., Will But-Fang Earl Williams, Eli Cordell, natorial campaign Lieut. Gov. Miller

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by Senator Margie E. Neal for Mrs. "They gave us standardized intelli- Miller on behalf of employes and ofgence tests for about three hours. The ficers of the Senate. Mrs. Miller was hardest one was a technical one. To in Austin during the earlier sessions,

Senator Walter C. Woodward said a parasol and a cane were being presented by the Senators to the Rev. "The papers were graded and the W. H. Doss, chaplain, who has been at highest one-fourth of the boys were the sick bed of his wife for several

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ing bag given Lieut. Gov. Earry Miller ger of the Robinson Shows.

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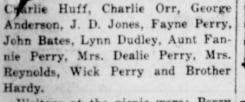
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Visitors at the picnic were: Perry Bradley and family of Tuscola, Mrs.. Sallie Clark of Clovis, New Mexico, Pauline and Ruth Hudson of Los Angeles, Calif., and Oscar Perry of Tye.

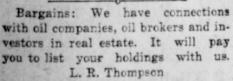
We are sorry to state at this writing that Mrs. Butman's cousin, Hannah, Jane Struble, died July 1 in Pennsylvania. She was 86 years of age.

The Pentecostal Revival is still in progress at the tabernacle. Everybody is invited to come and hear Sister Nelia Hudson deliver her fine messages. The meeting will close Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Johnson of the Trent community and Ollie and J. D. Huff of the Dora community spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Russom.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Huff of Dora spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Blackburn.

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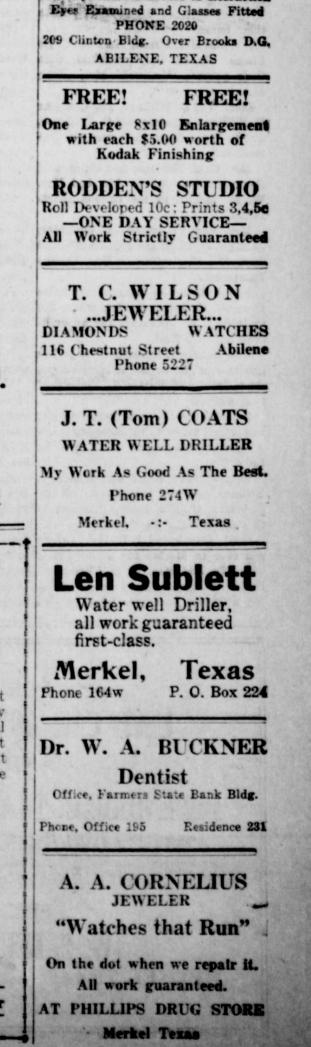
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### **Personal Mention**

(Continued from Page One)

Choc Jones of Pecos was visiting with old friends in Merkel on the Fourth.

Sterling Sheppard was a guest at the Gambile's camp during the past week.

Mrs. Billy Sheppard and daughter, Modene, visited Mr. Sheppard at Dallas over the week-end.

Miss Mona Margaret Jones has returned from a pleasant trip to Houston and Galveston.

this week Miss Thelma Barrett of Comanche.

Mrs. May Moore, mother of Mrs. Jim Sears, has returned to Dallas to ty, grandfather of Mrs. L. B. Scott, make her home.

Mrs. McBean and daughters are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown.

rado. Miss Bounds in Stamford for the Fourth.

Misses Lennah, Rose Black and Margaret Brittle of Big Spring are guests of Miss Louise Booth.

John Hughes and family have gone to Corpus Christi for a two weeks' outing. vacation.

Miss Nina McAninch has returned from a two weeks' visit with Miss Oleta McClesky of Bronte.

Mrs. Stanley King is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. Oliver Calloway, of Amarillo.

Mrs. S. Young has as her guests end guests her sister, Mrs. L. A. Jerher grandmother, Mrs. Z. L. Crossley den, of Big Spring and her mother, of Eastland, and her aunt, Mrs. S. R. Mrs. Taylor, from Merkel. Kitchens of Colorado.

W. A. Whiteley, Jr., is in Del Rio grass of Roby were visitors during the where he is employed for the summer week with Mr. and Mrs. A. Morton. by the Central Power and Light Com- Miss Chance is Mrs. Morton's sister. Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Nesmith of this pany.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin, parents of city, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hodge of Abi-Mrs. Gene Harvey, are leaving for lene, and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Scales Abilene. Merkel regrets to give up of Ballinger were a party to spend the good citizens like these. Fourth at Del Rio.

Bob McAnulty and his sister, Mrs. Mrs. J. T. Morgan of Dallas spent a S. E. Ashby, of Gatesville are visiting part of last week visiting her sisters, with their sister, Mrs. J. M. Bankhead Mrs. C. K. Russell, Mrs. F. H. Latham in the O. J. Adcock home. and Mrs. Bob Martin, and her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson, Dr. Mrs. Calvert.

and Mrs. W. T. Sadler were guests of The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Young of Abi- Gean Harvey will regret to know that Mr. Harvey has been sent to Oklahoma lene for the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Zetic Johnson and Mr. City and that he with his family left Johnson's brother-in-law, and Her- Thursday. bert Dennis left Wednesday for sever- Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb have al days' outing to the Devil's river. returned from a delightful summer

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren have trip to Corpus Christi and the Rio their grandsons, Henry Warren and Grande valley. Returning home they Tommy Coit, of Dallas visiting in visited in Dallas with their daughter. Miss Berdelle Adcock returned home their home.

in charge of the state bank at Kress, day on an automobile trip to Ker-Mr. Joseph having been assistant ville, San Antonio, Lampasas, Waco cashier and Mr. Hobbs being one of and Fort Worth. In Lampasas they the regular customers. will visit with Mr. Bird's sister, Mrs. Miss Ruby Hughes, the very effi-Dr. Garrett Townsen.

cient head nurse of the Merkel sanitarium, has returned from a week's vacation to Corpus Christi. Lige Gambill, Frank McFarland and

family and Henry West and family spent the Fourth at the Gambile camp on the Boaz ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery McDonald and Mrs. T. G. Bragg took their mother, Mrs. Barnes, of Stanton for a visit

to relatives in Waco. W. I. Crane of the Merkel Motor Miss Lola Dennis has as her guest company, accompanied by his family,

left Wednesday for Fort Worth for a short visit with his father. W. W. Bain of Ferris, Dallas coun-

is spending a month or two with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scott.

Miss Mollye Shannon and Mrs. Verner Sublett left Monday for an ex-Miss Lola Dennis was the guest of tended trip through the state of Colo-

> Visitors for the week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Caple are Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Cobb, Mrs. Cobb being a sister of Mrs. Caple.

Antonio for several days. Mrs. O. R. Douglas had as her week-

Misses Iva Chance and Melba Snod-

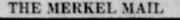
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Leon Ross, 8 years old.

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has returned home after spending a MRS. SWAFFORD ENTERTAINS few days with his mother, Mrs. George Mrs. T. J. R. Swafford was a grac . Reeves. He was accompanied by his jous hostess to members of the Alethbrothers, Jesse and Dock, while Mrs. ean class last week. Mother Swafford Reeves and children stayed for a con- led the devotional and, as several oftinued visit with relatives and friends. ficers were absent, no business was Motor Co.

A. R. Booth and family, Judd Shep- transacted. A pleasant social hour was pard and family, Earl Lassiter and enjoyed at the end of which Mrs. FOR SALE-80 acres, 2 miles east family, Bob Mayfield and Helen, J. E. Swafford served a lovely salad and and 1 mile north of Rising Star, 40 and Sis Boaz, Verna T. Beaseley, Luke punch to the following: Mesdames acres in cultivation; house, well and Huddleston and family of Abilene Frank Hamm, Pick Allen, O. B. Boden, barn. Will trade for Merkel property and Opal Dillingham of Abilene spent Bradshaw, Polly, Carson, Renfro and or farm. David Hendricks.

CARD OF THANKS.

from Beardstown, leaving Miss pressing our gratitude and sincerest sympathy and for the very beautiful floral offerings. We wish also to thank the doctors and attendants of Funeral services for little Mary the Merkel sanitarium for their ser-

Mr. and Mrs. Custer G. Ross.

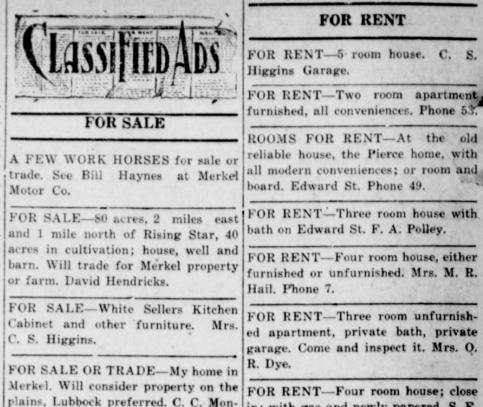
#### Name Omitted by Error.

Due to one of those mistakes that Causseaux are visiting in Dallas this sanitarium Monday afternoon, July will happen occasionally in a newsweek and later they will go to San 8, 1929, at 4 o'clock. She was the paper office, the name of the City Dry daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Ross. Cleaners was inadvertently omitted She was born in Garber, Okla., Mon- from the list of names of Merkel merday, December 17, 1917. She trusted chants who closed their places of busi-Jesus as her personal Savior at the ness last Thursday for a full day age of 9 and was a member of the M. holiday on account of July Fourth. E. church at Tonkawa, Okla. Little Tom Allday is one of our merchants Mary died as she lived, a true Christ- who can be counted on to co-operate in ian and was loved by all who knew her. all worthwhile movements and the Mr. Ross and family are former Merkel Mail regrets the omission of residents of Tonkawa, Okla., having the name of his firm from the publish-

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Texas is sixth in winter wheat production this year, according to Department of Agriculture estimates, which place the Texas crop at 31,013,000 bushels out of an expected total of 622,148,000 bushels, based on June 1 condition report of 79.6. The five-When thirsty, try our fountain-the year average is 549,257,000 bushels.

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Friday, July 12, 1929.



Maimie for a further visit. In thanks to our friends who helped in FOR SALE OR TRADE-My home in passing through Clyde, they saw the any way in the sickness and loss of Merkel. Will consider property on the school building there burning, which our beloved daughter, Mary, for all plains, Lubbock preferred. C. C. Monwas destroyed by fire and which is kind deeds and every expression of tandon. to be rebuilt at once.

W. O. Reeves of Woodbury, N. J.

The Death of Mary Ross.

Miss Rose Laney, popular employe Eliza Ross were held Tuesday after- vices and kindly consideration. of the Farmers and Merchants Nat- noon at 3 o'clock in the M. E. church, ional Bank, is away on a two weeks' Rev. T. C. Willett, the pastor offici-

ating, with interment in Merkel ceme-Mrs. P. B. Causseaux and Paul tery. Little Mary died at the Merkel

resided in Merkel since January 1. Mr. ed list.

Company. Mary is survived by her father and mother and little brother, Phillips Drug Store.

-A Friend.

Merkel Fruit and Vegetable company. S. K. Eckerd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moore of Cross Sunday from a visit with relatives in Plains visited last week-end with Waco. She was a member of a camptheir parents, Mr. and Mrs. John ing party at Belton over the July Fourth holidays. Moore.

Mrs. Will D. Williams and Clarence Mrs. George Smith, Mrs. H. F. B. Williams accompanied C. J. Glover, Groene, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Under-Jr., to Waco for a visit over the last wood and Misses Willie McGarr and Anne Laurie Smith were guests Monweek-end.

Mrs. C. C. Williams and children of day of Misses Bobbe and Tommie Beaumont are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clack of Abilene. W. M. McCall in the Groene apart-| Mrs. Carson Miles of San Angelo,

ments.

Mrs. Earl Rockwood and daughter, Swann of Amarillo and Lewis Swann Jaculyn, of Tulsa are visiting Mr. and of Ballinger were guests this week in Mrs. W. M. McCall in the Groene the home of their parents Mr. and apartments.

Mrs. J. S. Swann.

Miss Lucille Cole has returned home J. T. Morgan of Dallas, accompanfrom the Merkel sanitarium where she ied by Miss Lenis Douglas and Simunderwent an operation for appendi- son Burguoise, visited with friends citis on July first.

and relatives here Sunday. Mrs. Mor-Miss Elizabeth Harkrider had as her gan returned with them after a visit

Mrs. Forrest Sears of Snyder, James

guests over the week-end Miss Velma, with her mother and sisters. Ann, June and Homer J. Tippett of Mrs. J. M. Dry and two daughters, San Angelo. Misses Lorena and Lois, returned the

Mr. and Mrs. Gean Harvey and Mr. end of the week from an extended and Mrs. Marvin, in company with auto trip to Missouri and other states. Abilene friends, spent the Fourth at Miss Lois Dry has since returned to Lake Cisco. her home at Clarksville.

Mrs. Thomas Bittle and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Walters and Eleanor, who are houseguests of Mr. Jim Laney of Wills Point are visitors and Mrs. Charlie Jones, returned to in Merkel. Mr. and Mrs. Walters are San Antonio for the Fourth. the parents of Mrs. Robert Hicks and

O. R. Joseph and J. R. Hobbs stop- formerly lived in Merkel. Mr. Laney ped over in Merkel for a short visit is an uncle of Mrs. Hicks and also a with Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Thompson. brother of W. H. Laney of this city. Both of these gentlemen were associa- | Ben F. Bird, accompanied by his ted with Mr. Thompson when he was mother, Mrs. S. M. Bird, left Thurs-



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