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MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

Crown Hardware Co. Secures Franchise New Aladdin Lamp

The announcement by the Crown Hardware Co. elsewhere in this paper is of particular interest to every home owner who is without electricity for lighting. They have just secured the local franchise for the famous new instant-light Aladdin kerosene mantle lamp, which gives a beautiful modern white light equal to ten ordinary oil lamps. It is said to be over four times as economical as the best open-flame lamp, the reason being that it burns only 6 per cent kerosene to 94 per cent air. It will save its cost in a few months' time.

The Aladdin is simplicity itself in operation—anyone (even children) can run it. It is perfectly safe. Does not require generating, pumping-up, or pre-heating. It gives off no offensive odor, does not sputter, hiss or make the slightest noise—burns without smoke.

These new Aladdins may be secured in either bronze or nickel finish and are available in either table, hanging, bracket or floor lamp styles. The Aladdin Floor Lamp is something new and distinctly different—never before available in an oil lamp.

All Aladdins may be equipped with either plain glass shades or decorated glass or parchment shades, except the floor lamp which comes with parchment shades only. All decorated shades are beautifully designed and are in five colors.

Every home not equipped with electricity should have at least one Aladdin. It would be advisable to visit this store at as early a date as possible while the line is complete so that you may secure a wider choice.

Chevrolet Places 1,200,000 Cars on Road This Year

Detroit, Oct. 10.—The Chevrolet Motor Company announced here today that more than 1,200,000 of the new six cylinder Chevrolet cars have been placed on the road since the first of the year.

This achievement, accomplished in little over nine months, is three times the best showing of any other manufacturer of six cylinder cars in a calendar year and tops Chevrolet's record total for the entire year of 1928.

It is now certain that six cylinder production will set a world record this year, surpassing for the first time in the history of the industry the output of four cylinder cars. This leadership of the sixes will come about chiefly because of Chevrolet's record showing this year.

Chevrolet factory officials declare that the dominating reason back of the leadership of the sixes is the public preference for the advantages which this type of construction affords. They point out, too, the influence of great volume production, which has enabled the industry to get six cylinder prices down to the lowest on record and has made it possible for Chevrolet through maximum volume to offer six cylinder performance at a price that formerly bought only a four.

With a new yearly record already assured, Chevrolet factories are continuing on the biggest fall production program ever undertaken by the company. Nine assembly plants and seven large manufacturing plants are facing the busiest final quarter that Chevrolet has ever known.

The heavy fall factory program was made necessary, it was explained, to bring production up to the level of the demand and make possible quicker deliveries to owners.

Blair Items

Mr. and Mrs. Fairrier and family of Hamlin were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Mayfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walker and daughter of Merkel motored over to spend Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cavette.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks and family returned the end of the week from a trip to Southland, Texas, and were accompanied back by their mother, Mrs. R. J. Meeks.

Mrs. May of Loraine, Texas, was the guest of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cavette, on Monday.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions, and you also know the merchants appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offers.

In 1927 there were 116,763 industrial wage earners in Texas who drew in wages \$116,535,580.

Cities Now Being Served By WTU Co. Reach Total of 111

Abilene, Texas, Oct. 10.—The town of Lakeview has been added to the list of advancing cities serviced by the West Texas Utilities Co. The steady growth and increasing power demands of Lakeview had made it necessary for the company to extend its lines to this town and constantly expand them for the convenience of the customers. The addition of this town brings the total number of cities, towns and communities served by the West Texas Utilities Co. to 111.

Lakeview, which is located southwest of Memphis in Hall County, has a population of 600 people. Thirteen miles of power transmission lines were extended from Memphis to this town to serve the 85 customers now on the list with light and power.

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You save both when you patronize us. Our quality oils and Conoco gasoline save you time by making your car operation perfect, and time saved is money in your pocket. Motoring satisfaction comes from knowing that your oil and greases are functioning perfectly, and we guarantee our products to do this very thing. Our garage service is up to the same high standard.

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STATEMENT of CONDITION

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

Merkel, Texas

Close of Business October 4, 1929

RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand	\$289,769.62
Bills of Exchange, Cotton	35,440.10
Overdrafts	334.68
Furniture and Fixtures	6,750.00
Real Estate on Hand	2,733.69
5% Redemption Fund	312.50
Stock in Fed. Res. Bank	2,250.00
U. S. Bonds (owned), Cash and Sight Exchange	\$236,804.58
Total	\$574,395.17

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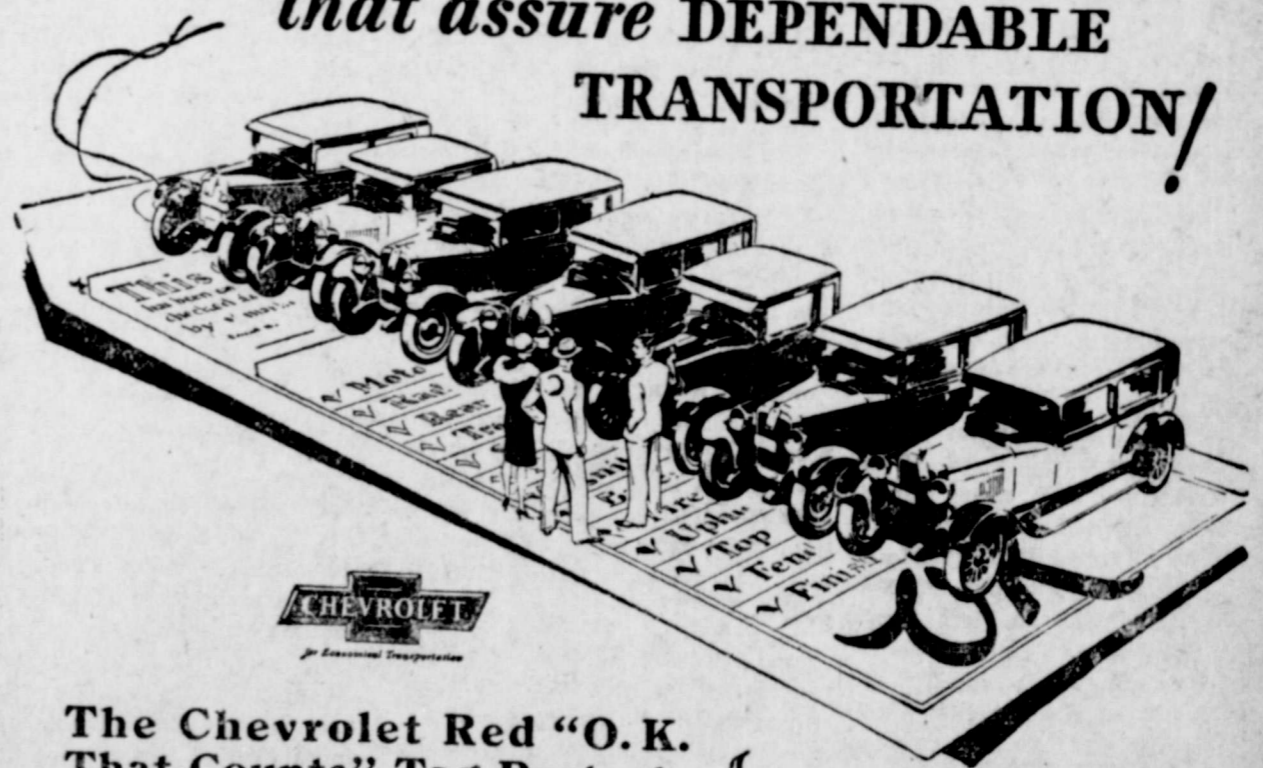
Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided Profits	17,960.50
Circulation	6,250.00
Bills Payable	NONE
Rediscounts	NONE
Other Borrowed Money	NONE
DEPOSITS	\$475,184.67
Total	\$574,395.17

Upon the strength, solidarity and merit of the above statement we respectfully solicit your account and patronage, assuring you of our sincere desire to serve your interests, and the interests of our community, faithfully and well, pledging our untiring effort to this end.

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Booth Warren, Cashier.
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The Chevrolet Red "O.K. That Counts" Tag Protects Your Used Car Purchase.

Every reconditioned car we offer for sale is identified by means of the Chevrolet red "O.K. that Counts" tag. This tag is the purchaser's assurance that the car to which it is attached has been gone over carefully by expert mechanics—that it has been thoroughly reconditioned—and that the price is based on the car's actual ability to render service.

Due to the overwhelming popularity of the new Chevrolet Six, we have on hand at this time an unusually large group of these "O.K.'d" cars. Come in! You are certain to find the car you want—at a price that will save you money. Make a small down payment and drive your car away!

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at these Outstanding Used Car Values

- 1927—Buick Sport Coupe, good tires, good paint, at a bargain.
- 3 1926—Dodge will sell cheap or trade for cheaper cars; motors overhauled, new paint.
- 1929—Chevrolet Coupe traded in on 5 passenger Sedan; best of condition; will sell with a guarantee.
- 1926—Ford Coupe; A-1 condition, new tires, good paint.
- 1928—Chevrolet Sedan, new seat covers, bumpers, 6 ply federal tires; best of condition.

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USED CARS with an *OK* that counts

LIVE STOCK

PIGS EXACT MANAGEMENT

Fall Run on Forage After Weaning to Get Start.

Fall pigs should be given a chance to run on forage crops for a time after weaning, says the animal husbandry department of the Ohio State university. This practice will give them a better start for the long winter months. Fall pigs demand the best of attention to feeding and handling if they are to be profitable to the grower.

During the growing and fattening periods concentrates fed to the pigs should be of high energy value with some protein supplement, or a combination of protein supplements. Corn probably is the best feed from the point of energy value, but must be balanced with high protein foods. Skim milk and buttermilk, both of them high in protein and mineral matter, are good to balance grains. Two and one-half to three pounds of milk should be fed with one pound of corn for 50-pound pigs. As the animals grow the proportion of milk may be decreased.

Tankage, fish meal, alfalfa meal or oil meal should be fed where milk is not available. A combination of 50 per cent fish meal or tankage, 25 per cent oil meal, and 25 per cent alfalfa meal has been successfully used with corn or other feed to start the pigs. About 15 to 20 per cent of the protein supplement should be fed in the beginning, and gradually decreased until at the finishing period only about 5 per cent is fed.

Tried Sows Found Most Profitable as Breeders

Old sows may be more profitable than gilts for next spring's crop of pigs, says E. F. Ferrin of the animal husbandry department at University Farm.

"The spring pigs grown this year have had very scanty grain allowances, consequently most of the gilts are small and undersized," he says. "These gilts are more miniature and undeveloped than during ordinary seasons. The litters from gilts such as these are apt to be disappointing next spring."

"On some farms there are thin sows still in the prime of breeding efficiency that have not yet been fattened for market because of the scarcity of grain during the summer. These sows will yield a good profit if bred to farrow next spring, providing they take the place of the undersized gilts. The sows can be bred to farrow earlier than the gilts and accordingly late farrowing of next year's crop can be avoided."

"A yearling or two-year-old sow will farrow and raise more pigs than a gilt because she is a selected brood sow. There is always an uncertainty as to how a gilt will suckle her litter, while the old sows which have been disappointing go to market. On the average from one and one-half to two pigs more per litter can be raised to weaning age from tried sows than from gilts."

Frequent Attention Is Needed by Self-Feeder

One advantage of the self-feeder is that it will probably save some labor, but the amount of labor saved depends somewhat on the size and type of the feeder. A small feeder requires frequent filling, and practically all feeders require considerable attention to see that the feed is feeding down properly. Frequent attention should be given to see that feed is not being nosed out and wasted and that, if the feeds are in separate compartments, the hogs are not eating too much of the protein feeds and not enough of the others, or vice versa.

Live Stock Notes

A shade for the hogs pays.

Cattle given free access to corn silage and alfalfa will balance their own rations.

The greatest mistake in feeding orphan lambs, is in feeding too much and too often.

Nothing will solve as many problems of the pork producer as will plenty of good pasture.

Many stockmen fail to balance their rations because they feel it necessary to feed what they have at hand.

Where pastures supplement grain rations for hogs, a saving in concentrate feed is made, the ration is improved from a dietetic angle, healthfulness is promoted, and the hog is brought to a marketable age at a lower cost than where grain feeding or dry lot prevails.

Many farms a small flock of sheep should be profitable. It does not cost a great deal in either money or labor to keep a flock of sheep, and is a double return from them in form of mutton and wool.

New Commander of Legion Native of Little Texas City

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 10.—A school teacher who enlisted during the World War as a private and was discharged as a major is the story of O. L. Bodenhamer of El Dorado, Ark., who was elected national commander of the American Legion at the annual meeting here.

Bodenhamer is 39 years old and is not married.

As a member of the Legion's national executive committee, the new commander long has been active in Legion work, especially its rehabilitation, legislative and child welfare schedules. He is a past commander of the Arkansas department and was chairman of the national legislative committee in 1924-1925.

A native of Goldthwaite, Texas Commander Bodenhamer was educated at Howard Payne College and Baylor University. After receiving his degree he became a professor of English and dean of San Marcos College, acting as coach of athletics on the side.

The election was made unanimous upon motion of Albert L. Cox of Raleigh, N. C., who had been regarded as the only other serious contender for the commandship. When nominations were started Alabama yielded to North Carolina and Cox rose and placed Bodenhamer in nomination and asked that his election be made unanimous. It was done in a burst of applause.

Bodenhamer is the first man in the history of the legion ever to be elected without a roll call.

The delegates staged a demonstration which resembled that of a national political convention. State banners were carried to the stage after Bodenhamer's nomination and he was also carried to the platform on the shoulders of Arkansas delegates. He was presented to Paul V. McNutt, the retiring commander.

The Little Rock drum and bugle

corps suddenly appeared on the stage and played vigorously. There was a joyous pandemonium for about 10 minutes.

McNutt introduced Bodenhamer as "an outstanding legionaire and a real man, your new national commander."

Salt Branch News

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson and children were the Sunday night guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wood Turner of Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Coates spent Saturday and Sunday with their daughter and sons, Mrs. Ethel Barbee, and Charlie and Arthur Coates of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Castleberry of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Lindsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harrison and daughter, Betty Jo, of Buffalo Gap were the Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Pressley.

Misses Melia Riggan, Bessie Bailey and Grace Lindsey accompanied J. Bailey and son, Forrest, to Big Spring Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Lindsey are the proud parents of a nine pound girl, who arrived the third of October. Mother and baby are doing nicely. The little lady's name is Wanda Joyce.

EASY MONEY.

If you want that cheap, long-time Federal Land Bank money, only 5 1/2 percent, on farm and ranch land, see W. Homer Shanks, Room 1, Penney Bldg., Abilene, Texas.

Sore Bleeding Gums

Only one bottle Leto's Pyorrhoea Remedy is needed to convince anyone. No matter how bad your case, get a bottle, use as directed, and if you are not satisfied druggists will return your money. Phillips Drug Store.

Life Worth Living Now, He Declares

Wichita Falls Man Gains Seven Pounds on Orgatone and Strength and Energy Returns.

"I've gained seven pounds on Orgatone already and feel better than I have in two years," said J. W. Beasley, a well known painter and paper hanger residing at 506 Adams St., Wichita Falls, Texas, a few days ago, in a conversation with the Orgatone representative, in Allison's Drug Store.

"I was bothered almost constantly with my stomach for about two years," Mr. Beasley continued, "and I would have severe sick headaches almost all the time. Sometimes I could hardly bear to stand up, I suffered so, and even when I would lie down it didn't seem like I could get relief. I felt dull and listless and without any strength or energy and I was so racked by the pain that I kept on falling off in weight and my nerves started going to pieces so that I couldn't sleep hardly any. Then on top of all these troubles I suffered from gas formation, which just made life miserable for me and no matter what I did or what treatment I took, nothing seemed to do me any good, but I just kept going down hill and getting worse from day to day."

"I read a lot of statements in the papers about Orgatone from Wichita Falls people that I knew or had heard of and some of them described their troubles just like mine, so I decided to try the medicine, too. Well, Sir, it did me a lot more good than I ever hoped it would. After the first few doses my stomach eased so I could eat without suffering any afterwards and I began feeling better every day. The pain stopped and my nerves didn't seem to be on edges like they had been and I could sleep in peace once more. I have just finished my first bottle and I can truthfully say I am feeling one hundred per cent better and I have gained several pounds in weight and my strength and energy is coming back and I feel fine—like life is worth living again. All those pains in my head, which I have been trying to get rid of for two long years are gone and my stomach seems all right now. It didn't take me long to see that Orgatone was the right medicine and was just the thing I had been looking for all the time and I am always ready to pass the good word on and let others know what Orgatone will do."

Genuine Orgatone may be bought in Merkel at Phillips Drug Store.

Applications for Civil Service Open Until November 2nd

Washington, D. C., October 10.—The United States Civil Service Commission has announced that it will receive applications until November 2, for certain temporary positions in the Bureau of the Census in Washington, D. C., in connection with the Fifteenth Census.

The positions for which examinations are to be held are junior clerk, junior calculating machine operator, and junior tabulating machine operator, with an entrance salary of \$1,440 a year, and under card-punch operator with an entrance salary of \$1,260 a year.

These examinations are open to all citizens of the United States, both men and women, who meet the requirements.

It is expected that a large number

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of appointments will be made. The length of service will probably range from one to two years in most cases but in no case will it extend beyond December 31, 1932.

Full information regarding these examinations can be obtained from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board at the post office or custom house in any city.

A LETTER FROM HOME.

Your son or daughter off at college or finishing school will welcome the home paper just like a letter from home. The subscription price for nine months for the Merkel Mail is \$1.50 for towns and cities outside of Taylor County. (In Abilene \$1.15 for term.) Subscribe now.

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"I got so nervous my stomach felt like it was jumping. Vinol entirely relieved the trouble. I feel better than in years."—J. C. Duke.

Vinol is a compound of iron, phosphate, cod liver peptone, etc. The very FIRST bottle makes you sleep better and have a BIG appetite. Nervous, easily tired people are surprised how QUICK the iron, phosphates, etc., give new life and pep. Vinol tastes delicious. Merkel Drug Co.

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About Sweaters

"The sweaters that the ladies wear."
Says Dapper Dan, "Look very swell;
"But I have heard, both here and there,
"They do not launder very well!"

The only way to clean a sweater so that it will retain its shape, and without injury to the texture, is by the dry-cleaning process. We clean and dye sweaters for men, women and children, and our work has always given the utmost satisfaction.

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HERE, there, everywhere, above the din of traffic is heard the shrill cries of the newsboy . . . "Paper, Wanta Paper Mister?" . . . "Sure Sonny," a shining nickle is dropped into the eager newsboy's hand . . . the transfer is made . . . one nickle for one paper.

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—Approximately \$28.98 is spent each year by the average family for lighting.

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West Texas Utilities Company

SIFTED ADS

FOR SALE

SALE OR TRADE—My house on Oak street; ideal location on Merkel's only paved residence street; will sacrifice for quick sale. L. B. Howard, Stamford, Texas.

TENTS, BEDDING and all kinds of stoves, new and second hand, for less at City Furniture. Joe Garland.

FOR SALE OR WILL RENT—Modern, 5-room stucco house. Call Riddle Garage. Phone 53.

PIANO FOR SALE. Mrs. W. A. McSpadden. Phone 115.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Modern 4 room house, just off of paved street; modern conveniences. Phone 165. Mrs. R. I. Grimes.

FOR RENT—Six room house, with all modern conveniences; could be made in two apartments; also garage; close in. S. F. Haynes.

FOR RENT—Desirable furnished apartment; close in on pavement. Lights, gas, telephone and garage furnished. See Jim West at West Company.

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished apartment. Riddle Garage. Phone 53.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms, modern conveniences. B. M. Black.

FURNISHED APARTMENT for rent. Mrs. W. A. McSpadden. Phone 115.

WANTED—Cotton pickers. 8 or 10 bales to pick. See Dr. Armstrong.

LODGE NOTICES

Merkel Chapter Royal Arch Masons meets on first Thursday night of each month. Visitors cordially invited.
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City Council Fixes Scale Sewer Charges

At the regular meeting of the city council, which was held Monday night, a resolution was adopted fixing a regular monthly service charge for all sewer connections, effective Nov. 1, as follows:

In the residence district the sewer charge will be 50 cents per month;

In the business district, the sewer charge will be \$1.00 for the first connection, with a charge of 50 cents for each additional connection.

The bills are to be paid monthly, just like the water bills, at the city hall, between the first and tenth of each month, and if not paid on or before the 10th of the month, the charge will be doubled in each case.

The above charges will apply to all existing connections.

A resolution was also adopted creating an initial charge for tapping sewer line. This charge will amount to \$10.00 for business district and residences on Oak street and \$7.50 for all other portions of the town. In the future, it will be necessary to make this payment and obtain permit at the office of the city secretary before the main may be tapped.

The additional charge is made on Oak street in order to reimburse the city for laying lateral lines ahead of pavement.

The revenue obtained from above charges will be used in sewer maintenance.

Funeral Services for Infant.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Eoff of Noodle have the sympathy of the entire community in the sad loss of their infant baby girl. Funeral services were held at their home Wednesday afternoon, with O. J. Adcock of Merkel conducting the services and interment at Merkel cemetery.

THE MERKEL HOME LAUNDRY.

We want the people of Merkel to know that our business is still growing. If you are not a customer of ours, we want you to give us the opportunity to show you the kind of work we can do and the prompt service we render. You will find that our prices are reasonable. Phone 294J and let us call for your bundle.

THE MERKEL HOME LAUNDRY.
Mrs. Jay, Manager.

Personal Mention

Claude Comegys is confined to his room with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Nesmith were in Abilene Wednesday.

Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. Josie Roas is ill at her home.

Bob Hicks was confined to his bed two days of this week with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bourn are spending ten days with relatives in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Windham have again taken apartments with Mrs. C. L. Boswell.

Miss Vivian Berger from Noodle Dome was the week-end guest of Miss Fannie Bell Boaz.

B. F. Thomas of Pasadena, Calif., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Walsh and other relatives this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Esker Curtis of Ranger spent Sunday with Mrs. Curtis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Angus.

Miss Johnnie Sears has returned from a visit with relatives in White-wright.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Morton and daughter, Miss Mabel Corrinne, visited last Sunday in Roby with Mrs. Morton's parents.

Mrs. J. H. Jackson returned Monday from a week-end visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Houston, of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jones and daughter, Miss Mona Margaret spent last week-end in Lubbock, the guests of relatives.

Mrs. Mattie Richie, Mrs. W. H. Dunning and Mrs. McConnell were Sunday guests in the home of Mrs. W. J. Campbell.

Mrs. C. E. Thomas of the Stith community has gone to Little Rock, Ark., for an extended visit with her son and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Quay Hamblet have removed to Abilene where Mr. Hamblet has accepted a position with the Linton Drug company.

Miss Melba West of Baird, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry West, for the week-end.

Miss Johnnie Sears is entertaining Mrs. Anderson of Whitesboro as her house guest for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. W. R. Watkins, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Ben Campbell, for the past month returned to her home in Bonham Tuesday.

Principal M. S. Davis of the Merkel High school accompanied by Mrs. Davis, and Ralph Duke attended the T. C. U.-Simmons game at Breckenridge Saturday.

Mrs. H. T. Hodge, mother of Mrs. S. P. Nesmith, and her brothers, H. J. Hodge and wife, and Norman Hodge all of Abilene, were visitors in Merkel Monday.

Mrs. Roy Largent and two little sons of Brownwood were the guests of Mrs. Largent's mother, Mrs. W. L. Harkrider this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Guthrie have returned from an extended visit to Tulsa and Oklahoma City and other points in Oklahoma. While away, Mr. Guthrie attended the Oil Show in Tulsa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Harris, who formerly lived in Merkel but who have been residing in Abilene for sometime, have removed to Merkel and have taken one of the R. O. Anderson duplex apartments on West Elm Street. Mr. Harris is connected with the Midwest Oil Co.

BAPTIST ANNOUNCEMENTS.

All regular services Sunday and during the week. Sunday school 10 a. m. with a place for every earnest Bible student. The pastor will speak at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Our attendance was off several last Sunday. We hope to see all absentees back in their places Sunday. Will also be glad to welcome new members for any department of the work. Our B. Y. P. U. service will begin at 6:30 Sunday evening and we are counting on an increase in our training work.

Strangers and visitors will be welcomed in any of our services.

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As a hostess, Elizabeth Ann decided that she was a grand success. She glanced happily about the tables of modish guests in the living room.

"This was a party," she thought. "One they'd talk about for many a day. Everything was going beautifully."

She giggled as one of the group at the nearest table trumped her partner's ace. The hum of conversation rose and fell.

"And then... the telephone rang!" "Yes, he's here," she answered, "but he can't come to the 'phone. He's in the garage working on the car... Oh!... Long Distance... very well... I'll call him."

Her heart sank. The sparkle left her eyes. Too well she knew what to expect when her husband "worked on the car."

"And things had been going so well," she thought bitterly, as Ed, red-faced and perspiring, oil and grease from head to foot, paused in embarrassment at the door.

Ed was waiting in the hall when she closed the door miserably behind the last guest. He slipped a consoling arm about her.

"I'm sorry, honey!" he soothed. "It won't happen again. Tomorrow I'll order an extension telephone for that kitchen."

Telephones where you need them save time, patience, housewifely strength—even prevent minor social disasters.

Few know that one or two additional instruments cost considerably less than the single telephone they now have!

By a wisely-placed "extension" or two, and perhaps a rearrangement of the equipment you already have, an expert telephone man can often double the convenience of your telephone service.



"And things had been going so well!"

Manager, Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., City.

I'd like to know how to get more value out of my telephone service. Please send me free, a copy of your booklet, "Modern Telephone Service for the Home."

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Revival Meeting at Trent.

Supplying for the Dr. E. E. White, presiding elder of the Abilene district, who was not able to be present at the early services of the Methodist revival meeting, now being held at Trent, Rev. T. C. Willett, pastor of the Merkel Methodist church, has been holding services at the Trent church since

Sunday. Rev. J. P. Watson is pastor of the Methodist church there and Presiding Elder White arrived on Thursday to take charge of the meeting.

According to a recent report of the insular auditor the total resources of the Philippine Government are \$124,500,000.

Specials for Friday and Saturday

- COFFEE, Wamba, 3 lb. cans with 1-4 lb. Tea free \$1.35
- LARD, compound, Armstrongs 8 lb. pail \$1.10
- SPUDS, Idaho Russets, 10 lbs. 30c
- CORN, Primrose, No. 2 cans, 6 cans 84c
- SALMON, Nile brand, tall cans 17c
- OATS, 3 minute, large package 19c
- BACON, Dry salt, Northern pickle cured Good to fry or boil, lb. 20c
- BACON, Sugar cured, Wisconsin, none better, lb. 27c
- CAKES, Fay sugar wafers, fine for school lunches, lb. 20c
- RICE, whole grain, the best, 3 lb. bulk 22c
- HAMS, picnic's shankless, not salty, lb. 20c
- SAUSAGE, link all pork, lb. 25c
- CLEANSER, Old Dutch, 2 cans 15c
- CLEANSER, Sun Bright, 2 cans 9c
- SYRUP, cane crush, gallon cans 87c
- SYRUP, pure ribbon, gallon cans 90c
- ORANGES, good and juicy, 288's, doz. 20c
- GRAPES, Tokays, lb. 10c
- GRAPE FRUIT, nice yellow, Texas stock each 10c
- BANANAS, nice yellow, green tips, doz. 25c
- CABBAGE, good and crisp, lb. 4c
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- HONEY, pure extracted, 10 lb. tins \$1.25
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LIVE STOCK NEWS

ALFALFA HAY IS GOOD FOR HORSES

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Alfalfa hay can safely be fed either as the sole roughage for horses, or to replace half or more of timothy or prairie hays, according to A. O. Rhoads of the New York state college of agriculture. Experiments have shown that horses at hard work and fed alfalfa hay as the sole roughage, maintained their weight on 20 to 22 per cent less grain than others fed timothy hay.

Alfalfa makes a well-balanced ration when fed with corn alone. Timothy hay may not be fed with corn alone, as this ration is low in protein and needs a supplement to balance it. With grains other than corn—such as oats, barley, peas and bran, which in themselves contain considerable protein—alfalfa should not be used as the sole roughage. Under such circumstances lower the amount of alfalfa fed; use, for example, half alfalfa and half timothy.

For horses, the first cutting of alfalfa is more beneficial than the second and third cuttings. Second and third cuttings are preferable for dairy cattle because the stems are not as coarse and there is a larger proportion of leaf area. For horses, however, the first cutting is better as it is not "washy" and is coarser. It is commonly advised to cut alfalfa when one-third in bloom and this is highly desirable for the dairy cow. Alfalfa is better as a feed for horses, however, if it is cut at a later stage—when almost mature.

No better roughage exists for growing colts than alfalfa hay. The high protein and lime content of this hay is just what the growing animal needs to build firm muscle and dense bone.

Ensilage Is Essential to Cattle and Sheep

Feeders of beef cattle and sheep have even more reason to build a silo and feed silage than the dairymen, according to experiment station results. Yet nearly all dairymen feed silage, while the majority of beef men and sheep men do not.

After summarizing the results of all experimental data available Prof. F. H. Morrison, director of the New York Experiment station, finds that the average ton value of silage for dairy cows is approximately one-third that of good mixed hay, while the per acre yield of silage is four or five times greater than that of hay. For beef cattle, he finds silage worth half as much per ton as clover hay, and for sheep more than half as much.

In an average of 20 trials with two-year-old steers, gains on silage-fed cattle cost \$1.22 a hundredweight less than on steers fed no silage. In these tests a ton of silage replaced 27 pounds of concentrates and 696 pounds of clover hay.

Prof. Morrison, who has long been considered one of the foremost feeding authorities of the country, feels that cattle and sheep feeders, like the dairyman, could make greater profits by feeding silage.

Pigs at Weaning Time Need Plenty of Grain

Pigs at weaning time should be getting all the grain they will eat. The ration should include tankage or some form of milk. With a good pasture on which to run, pigs should be getting a good start for market weight. Pigs which are doing well should make a pound a day gain in weight. Self-feeders are a convenient means for feeding corn and tankage, and the use of self-feeders results in as good and often better gains than the hand-feeding method. A self-feeder should keep the feed dry, keep feed before the pigs at all times, and prevent waste.

Live Stock Hints

Lambs should be docked and castrated before they are three weeks old.

Alfalfa hay may be fed with safety as the sole roughage for ewes and young lambs.

Records are a necessary part of an intelligent conduct of the hog business.

Experiments indicate that 100 pounds of boiled potatoes will go about as far in feeding hogs as 140 pounds of raw potatoes.

Sheep are useful in destroying weeds, and they will eat more different kinds of weeds than other live stock.

The breeding ewes should have grain a few weeks before the lambing season and be well fed while suckling lambs.

Mange stunts pigs and prevents satisfactory gains. In severe cases they become unmarketable. Dip the pigs in a one to 40 dilution of lime-sulphur. Keep the quarters clean.

MacDonald Likened In Dual Personality To Two Presidents

New York, Oct. 10.—J. Ramsay MacDonald, Great Britain's Labor premier, who arrived here Friday aboard the Berengaria to settle with President Hoover the method of Anglo-Saxon understanding on naval and related matters, sets an historic precedent. No British premier ever undertook a similar mission.

Just now, MacDonald is by all odds the outstanding personality among the peace-time statesmen of Europe. The eyes of the continents are focused on him. America in particular is eager to see what manner of man has taken the helm in England and steered such a vigorous course. When he visited here before, he was not quite the world figure he is today.

MacDonald is a statesman extraordinary, of unique double personality. In his inflexibility and idealism, he is reminiscent of Woodrow Wilson. In his vigor and directness, he recalls Theodore Roosevelt. Yet he is not like either.

A tall, impressive man who will be 63 on Oct. 12, he has the flame of the idealist, and the practicality of the realist. He is powerful and convincing, a man who sways audiences and rules his party.

Behind his somewhat dour Scottish face, set off by his waving white hair and the graying mustache surmounting a firm mouth, lies a light of human sympathy and understanding. Personally he is inclined to be shy; his dignity is irreproachable. He is a scholar, and has the bearing and man-

ner of being an aristocrat, while being the leader of labor.

No one has yet been permitted to grasp to its fullest the entire scope of MacDonald's plans. Enough has been said, however, to show that he is determined to effectuate in large measure the ideals that have been growing in him for a quarter of a century—the eventual end of war, international co-operation, economically and politically, and in a broad sense the universal brotherhood of man.

MacDonald is a man of the people and understands their needs. He was born in the little Scottish village of Lossiemouth and made his own way to the top. In London as a young man he struggled for a time on \$2.50 a week, drinking hot water instead of tea and still managing to find time to save and study. His rise was methodical and steady. He worked from the

bottom just as surely as Abraham Lincoln.

Dawes Sailed For America on October 9

London, Oct. 10.—Ambassador Dawes and Mrs. Dawes sailed for New York on the steamship Ile de France Oct. 9 in order that the Ambassador may attend a meeting of the finance committee of the Chicago Century of Progress Exposition.

The meeting will take place about the middle of the month. The Ambassador has been granted special leave of absence for the trip. He plans to go directly to Chicago from New York, returning via Washington. He will take the Berengaria for England from New York Oct. 30.

Typewriting paper at Merkel Mail office.

Ex-Presidents of WTCC Will Attend El Paso Meeting

El Paso, Oct. 10.—All living presidents of the West Texas chamber of commerce are expected to attend the eleventh annual convention in El Paso, October 24, 25 and 26. The presidents and their terms of office are as follows:

Col. C. T. Herring, Amarillo, 1918-1919; H. P. Brelsford, Eastland, 1920; Clifford B. Jones, Spur, 1921; A. B. Spencer, Fort Worth (deceased), 1923; Col. C. C. Walsh, Dallas, 1924; Col. R. Q. Lee, Cisco, 1925; A. P. Dugan, Littlefield, 1926; R. W. Haynie, Abilene, 1927; A. M. Bourland, Vernon, 1928.

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Believe It or Not
San Francisco.—Mrs. L. er has a thrifty cat in one recently dropped a coin on The cat darted over, picked up in its mouth and took it ov corner of the room and placed a rug. Mrs. Walker investiga found 50 cents that the cat had ited before.

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The central figure of the exhibit is a Giant holding in his powerful hands a large pipe line running from the gas fields to a medieval castle, which is shown in the process of building. One face of the castle takes the shape of the State of Texas and shows a map of Lone Star Gas Company's pipe lines serving 200 Texas communities.

Animated figures, each specially modeled for the exhibit, carry materials up the castle walls in the act of constructing the castle, while moving models of auto trucks carry various materials used in the gas business up to the castle. Around the feet of the Giant are depicted with animated figures many activities of the gas industry, such as compressor stations, gasoline plants, drilling rigs, etc., in motion. The whole symbolizes GAS—the Giant that is Building Texas.

At the rear of the exhibit proper is a most interesting display of modern gas appliances, in actual use, including STARGAS—the Compressed Natural Gas, in portable cylinders. STARGAS starts where gas mains stop—a special boon to rural and suburban home owners!

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s, Texas, Oct. 10.—The stage is set for the world's biggest state fair, which opens on the grounds of the State Fair of Texas, here, Saturday, Oct. 12 and will run for 16 days until Sunday, Oct. 27. It is not only the world's biggest state fair but will also be the biggest state fair ever staged in the history of the State Fair of Texas, according to T. E. Jackson, president, who has worked hard throughout the year with other officers and directors of the association to give the people of Texas the greatest State Fair held any place.

Amusements at the 43rd annual State Fair are better than ever before, there being five major amusements for the 16 day period and numerous others. Among these will be the \$10,000 State Wide band contest, "The Red Robe" in the auditorium, the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus in front of the grandstand, the world champion rodeo in the new Livestock Coliseum, and the combined horseshow and style revue in the new coliseum.

The Morris and Castle shows will occupy the midway, with many new shows, while the State Fair permanent amusement area, with Lightning and two new rides and amusement devices, will be running full force.

The greatest agriculture show ever arranged in the entire south, with its new scoring system and with more than two-thirds of the counties of the state represented, will be seen at the State Fair of Texas.

The livestock department has been divided and during the first week of the Fair the Beef Cattle Show will be held, with beef cattle, sheep, goats, jacks, mules and heavy horses; while during the second week the Second Annual Southwest Dairy Show will be in progress in the cattle-barns. Dairy Cattle, milk goats, swine and light horses will be featured in the Dairy Show.

There will also be the largest display of poultry, pet stock, implements automobiles, manufactured products and commercial exhibits ever seen at the State Fair of Texas.

First Delegates Registered From Sierra Blanca

El Paso, Texas, Oct. 10.—To Judge H. C. Williams and George W. McClure of Sierra Blanca, Texas, goes the honor of being first delegates to register for the eleventh annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce to be held here, October 24-25-26. Throughout West Texas great interest is being shown in the registration of delegates and before the time comes for the convention, it is expected at least one thousand West Texas business men will have registered as delegates, entitling them to take part in the business sessions of the convention. These sessions will be held each forenoon, while the afternoons will be given over to entertainment. Chambers of Commerce, affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, have been asked to elect their delegates and register them so that they may have part in the business discussions.

The registration badge entitles the holder to a ticket to the football game between the College of Mines, this city, and Wayland College of Plainview, to the bull fight in Juarez and free use of the golf links at the Country Club and the Municipal Club grounds. It will also entitle the holder to many other entertainment features. The registration fee is \$2.50.

the same as at all former conventions, but only those accredited delegates from the respective Chambers of Commerce are being asked to register.

President-Manager A. M. Bourland is at this time developing the business programs which will call for a discussion on many subjects relating to future development of West Texas. It is expected that all Chambers of Commerce affiliated with the West Texas organizations will send registered delegates, one for each ten memberships carried by their city in the West Texas organization.

Girl Triplets Born.

Dallas, Oct. 10.—Three healthy girls were born in a hospital here Friday to Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Snow, who reside near Dallas. The babies weighed four, five and six pounds.

Make a practice of adding water to your batteries just before you are going out in your car rather than after you come in. It helps to run the car after the water has been added.

Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.

He Needed His Lawyer.
Houston, Oct. 10.—Justice court was jammed as usual and justice was being ground out as case after case rushed through yesterday.

A portly man fell victim to after-luncheon drowsiness. He gently snored. The case of a negro charged with theft was called. The assistant district attorney had nearly finished with the first witness, when a negro defendant, his face a perfect picture of something gone wrong, leaned over and tapped Deputy Sheriff Morrison on the shoulder.

"Mistuh Sheriff, wud you all min' wake up dat man—he's mah lawyer," he pleaded. An alarm clock gale of laughter awakened the lawyer and the charge was later dismissed.

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THE METHODIST REPORT.
Last Sunday was, for our Sunday school, a wonderful day. We were blessed by a very beautiful special service by our choir, which, by the way, we are glad to see doing such fine work; and there were two perfect classes and one perfect department present at Sunday school.

We enjoyed the Sabbath services and heartily invite you to attend them with us. Our visitors for last Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Steele, and daughter, Adrienne, of Eastland; and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Weakley of Sweetwater, all of whom were visitors of Mrs. Duncan Briggs. Mr. Marvin Brookveson of Buffalo Gap also visited our services Sunday.

Miss Leona Forbes, pastor of the Nazarene church extends to you a very cordial invitation to attend and enjoy their meeting now being conducted at the Tabernacle.

—Reporter

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Trent News and Personal Notes

Mrs. J. W. Armour of Rock Springs returned home last Sunday after visiting here for the past week, having also attended to business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams of Post stopped for a brief while in our city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Harrison and Mrs. J. C. Gardner of Lampasas were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Murry.

Mrs. J. T. Pippin of Brownfield was the guest one night last week of her nephew, Mr. Seago and family, as she was en route to visit her daughter in Abilene.

W. H. Beckham of Lamesa was here on business last week.

Misses Estelle Terry and Mary Boyd visited in Moro last week-end.

Ellis Smith and Monroe Graham made a business trip to Wichita Falls last week.

On last Thursday Miss Clea Vessels of this city and H. A. Hatt of Gainesville were married, having driven over to Oklahoma for the ceremony. The bride was reared here where she has many friends, while the bridegroom owns a cafe in Gainesville where they will make their home. The happy couple are followed with the congratulations and best wishes from a host of friends of the bride and her family here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Murry spent last Thursday at Anson, visiting friends.

Miss Cora Scott returned home last Thursday from a week's visit in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Topper, who have been away for several days, returned home Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Topper's brother, who will visit awhile.

Little Dorene Scott spent last Sunday at Abilene visiting with Mrs. Billings.

Last Friday the home of Elmer Pomroy and its contents were damaged by fire, which caught in the ceiling. While the family was at home, they did not notice the fire until the ceiling was falling in. The origin of the fire has not been solved.

Mrs. E. B. Belyeu of Abilene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lawson, last week-end.

Cora Scott spent last Sunday in Abilene, returning home Monday.

Mrs. J. J. Howard and children of Ranger spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. J. F. Hays.

John Howell of Abilene was in our city Monday.

Mrs. C. T. Beckham, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Tom McLeod, entertained the T. E. L. class last Friday afternoon from 2:30 until 4, this being the meeting for business. After the devotional, which was led by Mrs. C. T. Beckham, new officers were elected and refreshments served to the following guests: Mesdames Boyd, English, Brown, Wright, Simpson, Massey, Williamson, McLeod and Beckham.

Mrs. Elmer King of Ballinger, in company with Mrs. Lela Fain of Amarillo, visited in the Emmett Holt and A. C. Terry homes last Sunday. Mrs. King and Mrs. Fain are sisters of Mr. Holt's and cousins of Mr. Terry's.

Mrs. Joe Nalley visited the early part of the week with her brother and family of Putnam.

Mrs. Effie Hightower of Anson visited friends here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Burks, who have been in El Paso for sometime, returned home last Monday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Winn of El Paso, who are visiting relatives here.

D. A. Hutchinson was accidentally shot Saturday morning. As he was loading his gun, it was discharged and the shot took effect in his lower limb. His injuries are not considered serious.

The Methodist meeting is in progress here, with good attendance being reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Holt and baby visited relatives at Ballinger the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Massey are the proud parents of a fine girl, who took up her abode with them last Thursday night and whose name is Janice.

The announcement has just been made here that Miss Clara Mae Sherman and Bud Weiser were secretly married at Abilene June 21. Mrs. Weiser is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Sherman, having been reared here, and has a large circle of friends. Mr. Weiser is an employ of an oil company at Pampa and during his stay here was popular among the younger set. Mrs. Weiser remained here until recently, having joined her husband some two weeks ago. They will make their home in Pampa for a short time.

Salt Branch News

Everyone enjoyed a fine singing Sunday evening at Salt Branch church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Armstrong and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Armstrong Sunday.

Next Saturday and Sunday are regular preaching days at Salt Branch.

A B. Y. P. U. social was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley Friday night. A short program was rendered and games played until the tea hour when refreshments of fruits, punch and cake were served. Everyone reported a fine time.

School opens at Salt Branch Monday.

The P. T. A. met Tuesday with a large attendance.

Everyone in the community is to meet Friday morning to clean off the grounds.

THE CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Last Lord's day the biggest audience since the first of September, when the labors of the writer with the congregation began, was present to worship at the morning hour. "Fellowship with God" was the subject for the hour, taken from 1 John 1:3, and the following topics were developed in the discussion: 1. What fellowship is; 2. Members of the Heavenly partnership; 3. Purpose of this Heavenly partnership; 4. Dividends from the partnership; 5. Requirements for membership of all stockholders in the partnership.

Quite a large attendance at the night service. We are glad to see several friends from Trent and to have them sing with us. The subject for the evening was: "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" from Heb. 2:3.

We wish to call attention to the following: Cottage service will be given Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Stalls; Bible school on Lord's Day will begin at 9:45 instead of 10 o'clock. All other services at usual hours. Come and worship with us.

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House decorations were in Halloween motif and floral colors of yellow cosmos and zinnias helped to make the entertaining rooms especially attractive.

The afternoon's entertainment was opened with a devotional, led by Mrs. Bill Haynes, followed by a prayer by Mrs. Sam Swann. The business of electing new officers was next taken up and resulted in Mrs. George Caple being elected president and Mrs. Florence Berry named as the new secretary.

The social hour featured several novelty contests and games before the guests were invited into the dining room where a miniature rock well revealed their "For-get-Me-Nots." There each guest drew their fortunes from the well with yellow and black streamers.

Mrs. Caple was assisted by Mrs. Sam Swann in serving delicious date pudding, rolled cheese sandwiches, potato chips, olives, salted almonds and coffee to Mesdames Earl Baze, Charles Higgins, Warren Higgins, Melvin Davis, Florence Berry, Bill Fugat, Floyd Fry, Bill Haynes and Dave Windham.

WOODMEN CIRCLE MEETING.

The Woodmen Circle of Merkel Grove No. 563 met in regular session Friday afternoon, Oct. 4, at the Woodman Hall, with Guardian Hollingsworth presiding. Eleven members and one visitor were present.

All business was transacted in regular form and some interesting talks were made by members of the Grove. In a previous meeting the Grove donated \$10.00 to the cemetery fund and placed \$50.00 in a savings account.

At the conclusion of the meeting, lovely refreshments were served by Sovereigns Wheeler and Slater.

There are 52 members in the Grove and it is urged that more of them attend the meetings.

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