FIFTEEN ARE LISTED IN SWEEPSTAKES FOR **GOVERNOR'S OFFICE**

not Signified Intentions; Sterling's Announcement Brings Dilemma to Dan Moody Again.

The 1930 sweepstakes for the democratic nomination for governor stood Thursday with fifteen candidates "officially" entered, although three of the most important had not announced their intentions.

Names of Governor Moody, Lynch Davidson of Houston, former lieutenant-governor, and Senator Pink the coach and one grade position. L. Parrish of Lubbock were filed by their friends.

Lynch Davidson is expected to make a statement before the end of the week, while Parrish, reported to be Baker. attending a Shrine convention at Toronto, Canada, could not be reach- Martin.

Moody came out with a statement Friday, following Sterling's announcement, which while not indicating his Tracy. withdrawal could not be considered non-commital. "I had stated to my friends that I intended to announce my candidacy," was one angle, while on the other hand, he said: "Mr. Sterling has been a staunch political friend of mine and I would not like Miss Alzada Pogue. to run against him."

D. W. Wilcox, chairman of the Mrs. Jack Anderson. state executive committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet in Miss Orpah Patterson. Austin on Monday, June 9, to certify names of candidates for state offices to county chairman and it is to be principal, Grammar school.

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Several Merkelites Win Prizes at Shoot

At the merchandise skeet shoot for visitors and Abilene shooters as well men participated, four of hem winning prizes.

Highest score was made by A. G. Barry of Abilene, scoring 45 out of grade teacher, is from Colorado. a possible 50. Scores of the Merkel! men winging prizes were: Booth was re-elected last year for a two Warren, 39; C. C. Howard, 32; Joe year term. Wheeler, 31; George Woodrum, 30, the other Merkal man participating Boy Scouts Aid being T. G. Bragg.

Improvements Under

the city council, held Monday night, ing the West Texas Chamber of ComThe five districts in which elections Mitchmore was killed Wednesday in was also awarded a medal for first incidentally brought out the fact that necessary improvements at the sewage merce convention last week. They have been called are included, with an automobile accident in which both honor trombone solo in the two-year wherever their cattle were shown disposal plant were authorized, ac- were under the leadership of Scout- two other districts, in Taylor county right wheels of the car passed over class. cording to the suggestions and recom- masters R. A. Walker and Herbert high school group No. 1, proposed his body. from Dallas, who made a survey some to and from Abilene. Merkel Scouts groupings and later approved by the

Three Drafted Candidates Have TEACHERS NAMED BY SCHOOL BOARD

Personnel of Faculty for Next Year With Exception of Coach and One Other.

At the monthly meeting of the school board Tuesday night, the election of teachers for the ensuing year was completed, with the exception of

The roster of teachers reads: HIGH SCHOOL. Spanish-Mrs. Jeneva Young. English and Math .- Miss Vera

English and History-Miss Julia

English and Speech-Miss Lucy Music-Miss Dona Loyless.

Coach and principal, unfilled. PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

First grade-Miss Fay McDonald, Mrs. Holland Teaff. Second grade-Miss Evelyn Curb,

Third grade-Miss Vinnie Heizer,

Fourth grade-Miss Imogene Hayes,

INTERMEDIATE GRADES. Arithmetic - Mrs. Len Sublett, History-Ralph Duke. English-Miss Carrie Coffey.

Geography-Mrs. Jessie Rodden Writing and Drawing-Miss Opal

Reading and Spelling, unfilled.

Miss Carrie Coffey, the new teachat the West Texas Chamber of Com- er of English in the primary depart-Met. teacher of writing and drawing in this department, is from Roscoe, while Miss Fay McDonald, new first School Consolidation

Superintendent Roger A. Burgess

Way at Sewage Plant troups joined the Abilene Boy Scouts ant Hill, Caps, View and Hillside dis-At the regular monthly meeting of recting and regulating traffic dur- having petitioned for elections. mendations of an engineering firm Patterson, who assisted them in going early this year in a system of county two weeks ago. Work is to start at engaged in this work were Virgil state department of education. once on repairs to eliminate minor Perkins, Burneal Scott, Jim Patterson, Elon Harrell and Mordell Shouse. New Hope and Cross Roads districts,

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail June 10, 1910.)

tain that with continued favorable Mims and Mrs. E. F. Reid of Abilene. conditions they will make big yields.

a large store building to be erected urday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Merkel; C. B. Tisdale, conducted their largest raid of the by Rev. A. A. Baker on lots east of H. L. Rudmose. The most prominent Tuscola; W. A. Graham, Guion, and year. West building that will face on Front painting was "The Old Fiddler," by Terrell Ferguson, Caps.

ch will be used in their services.

Y and completely and did other damage.

ay evening. Eleven of their visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Hunter. ter of ceremonies, men friends were favored. At the first call of the wee small hours served to Messrs. Dee Grimes, Luther music. Grimes, Robt. Grimes, Frank Ferrier, Ollie Sharp and Bernard Crain; Miss- Whitewright.

Lovers of art were given an op-Maude Martin. "The Old Fisherman," by Mrs. Asa Sheppard, was also very The Mt. Pleasant church purchased much admired as was "The Soap Bubd hauled out Saturday a new organ ble Boy," by Mrs. John Hamm. The china by Mrs. J. M. Gilliam and Miss Willie Bingham was exhibited in the Mshier R. O. Anderson of Trent dining room along with studies in still considerable damage done to his life by Misses Allie Jennings, Susie while in our city last Friday Penn, Jackie Jennings Polly Rogers, Te An automobile, said to be run- Winnie Warren, Ola Pope and Effie in cooperation with the Lions club. Weithout lights, crashed into the Hudson, Mesdames M. Armstrong, W. and completely demolished a A. Scott, J. M. Gilliam, M. E. Mac- of S. D. Gamble, chairman, A. T. hotel property was leased by the ownkey and H. . Rudmose.

the dancers were conducted to the Sunday from Fort Worth where she direction of G. A. Hartman, the sale tinue in a contest between "multidining room where delicious cake and has been taking a special course in of the cow, the sow and a pen of millionaires and those seeking the

Geo. Ferrier, Lester Magness, Fred Mrs. John Sears and two children nell of Union Ridge, the sow, and S. drawn from the race for governor Cassel, Wm. Berry, Virgil Touchstone, are making an extended visit in F. Light, also of Union Ridge, the pen and entered instead as a candidate

RECOMMENDING SITE EMERGENCY **LANDING FIELD**

100-Acre Bland Tract, two and one-half Miles Southwest of Merkel, Favored in Case Airways Plans Adopted.

A recommendation that the government establish an emergency landing of the Holt ranch near Midland, was field for aircraft near Merkel, in injured fatally when a wild horse event a contract is given for night reared and fell on him, breaking his atr mail over the Bankhead Airways, back. has been forwarded to Washington by Captain W. S. Kenyon, Airways extension superintendent, U. S. department of commerce, who was here on an inspection trip about three weeks ago and also later was a guest of the Lions club at their regular luncheon.

Captain Kenyon has recommended a lease on a 100-acre tract owned by companions in a large pool near the J. W. Bland, situated two and onehalf miles southwest of Merkel; and it is planned-providing a contract is The location is on a bee-line between missioner of agriculture. Abilene and Sweetwater.

in Washington," Captain Kenyon jail as a result of two prisoners of confidence from the board. said Tuesday, "being dependent on breaking out with smallpox. whether or not the department concludes to light the Bankhead Airways between Fort Worth and El Paso as a section of a southern trans-conand night. The survey is being made, as one of the series of surveys, but the line has not been set. We cannot say where it will be located finally.

"In event this route is selected, light and radio beacons will be installed. The light beacons will be 50 per cent larger than the beacon on the Abilene hangar, having three and one-half million beam candle a 24-inch lens at Abilene. The beaapart, on towers 51 feet above the Wednesday afternoon. ground."

Election Set June 28

Five Taylor county school districts school purposes.

Five Boy Scouts from the Merkel be held on that date in the Tye, Pleas- fall.

Elections were not called in the for elections.

The board also took the necessary Reports from our farmer friends es Zora Coggin, Josephine Cassel, Pet and Hylton districts in Nolan county. matter termed objectionable in the who were here Saturday are that crop Sears, Ollie Kate Harris, Mabel Col- The two Taylor county districts ap- publication. tem was approved.

"Cow Day" Draws Its

present Wednesday for the monthly European tour.

After a thirty minute concert by of chickens.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Laredo was selected as the next meeting place of State Postmasters association at the convention of that body held in Houston last week.

With an estimated production of 8,000 barrels Thompson No. 3, Pure Oil company production, came in Monday as Van's fiftieth producing well.

A permit for the construction of the new Travis county court house to cost more than \$600,000 put Austin

at the head of Texas cities in building permits last week. An 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Henson of Fort Worth was drowned while wading with three

outlet of a storm sewer. Stating that private affairs would History and Algebra—Miss Roberta let on this line—to install a beacon kett, Clyde horticulturist, Monday and boundary lights around the tract. withdrew from the race for state com-

F. D. Wright, Cisco attorney, recently caught two fish simultaneouser 16 inches.

Supposedly seized with cramps planes. while swimming to a boat, Arthur power and a 36-inch lens as against Olds, 32, single and a farmer near Mereta in eastern Tom Green county, cons will be spaced about 15 miles drowned in the main Concho river

> Accompanied by Coach J. Eddie Weems, four track stars from Abilene Christian college, Allen Adams, El-Weems, have gone to Chicago to enter list of 42 speakers. the National Collegiate meet.

Escaping with only a scratch on the will vote Saturday, June 28, on the knee, the 10-month old baby of Mr. question of consolidation for high and Mrs. Henry Allen of Sweetwater fell from a second story window Mon-Traffic Officers The county board in session at Abi- day, a pecan tree directly underneath lene Saturday called for elections to being instrumental in breaking the

in assisting the police there in di- tricts, citizens of those communities far this year in Houston occurred A. Harman, director, was presented years' history of C. M. Largent and when the 6-year-old son of T. P.

J. E. Pope, former owner of the defunct bank of Southland, was assessed six years in the penitentiary Noodle, Friday, May 30, 1930. by a jury at Post which convicted included in the proposed No. 1 group, he was alleged to have known was insolvent.

The degree of Kenneth Mahoney of steps toward completion of rural high Huntington, Ind., editor of the Roschool district No. 6, composed of the tunda, yearbook of Southern Meth-Valley Creek and Shep districts in odist university, Dallas, was held up Taylor county and the Valley Creek by the board of trustees because of

prospects are good. Farmers, as a lins, Genevieve Berry, Juanita Harris, proved the consolidation plan several Seizing 2,400 bottles of bonded whole, are feeling good and it is cer- Annie T. Daniels, Maude Martin, Ruth weeks ago in the first elections called American whiskey, tequila and chamin the county after the grouping sys- pagne, which they confiscated with two automobiles after a thrilling County trustees are James P. Stin- chase, resulting in the arrest of three The contract was let this week for portunity to enjoy an art exhibit Sat- son of Abilene, chairman; L. R. men, officers at Laredo Wednesday

> Ranger Captain Tom Hickman and Miss Tina Knight of Fort Worth were married Wednesday night in the lat-Usual Large Crowd ter city and left immediately after the ceremony for Mineral Wells. They will leave the 8th of the month with An unexpectedly large crowd was the Cowboy band for a three months'

"Cow Day," sponsored by the mer- Setting a record for the entire chants and business men of Merkel southwest, a real estate transaction involving \$11,000,000 was closed at The committee in charge consisted Houston Monday when the Bender Sheppard, and Dr. H. P. Hulsey, with ers to the Main-Walker Holding Stan Johnson and E. Yates Brown as- company, who have an option to En U. T. D.'s held open session Mrs. Jeffie Hibbitts is in Odessa sisting. Rev. R. A. Walker was mas-purchase the property after 20 years for \$2,500,000.

Stating that he was "financially Miss Laura Jennings returned home the Merkel Booster band, under the unable and morally unwilling" to conchickens followed. Mrs. T. J. Taylor nomination on isms," W. Gregory of Blair bought the cow; A. J. Pan- Hatcher, state treasurer, has withfor railroad commissioner.

WILL HONOR MEMBERS **MERKEL'S BOOSTER BAND AND DIRECTOR**

LUBBOCK IS 1931 **CONVENTION CITY**

Dave Traversie, about 45, foreman Twelfth Annual Meeting of Regional Body at Abilene Among Most Successful.

> Texas Chamber of Commerce will be held at Lubbock, which city won the selection over Sweetwater and Mineral Wells, competitors for the honor at the twelfth annual meeting of some silver loving cup from the West this body at Abilene last week.

Charles E. Coombes, Stamford, who has been vice-president since the El the two-year class bands. In recog-Paso convention of last October, was nition of this honor, E. Yates Brown elected president for the coming year. proposed the complimentary affair at Other officers elected were: Houston Harte, San Angelo, first vice- club and the suggestion went over president; C. M. Caldwell, Abilene, big. second vice-president; R. V. Colbert, Stamford, treasurer, and D. A. Ban-County and city health officers at deen, general manager of the organ- and the Lions club members will also "It is of course by no means cer- Amarillo have established an indefi- ization since last November, was re- bring their wives. tain that the deal will go through nite quarantine of the Potter county elected with a rousing demonstration

> The first carload of wheat from zation \$28,000 "in the red" last Oc- Frank McFarland, this to be followed the 1930 crop in the United States, tober, not only has paid all bills, but by a plunge in the swimming pool. which reached Fort Worth last Sat- has \$18,000 in the treasury to start John Shannon advised the commit-

A two day air circus, dedicating wives. ly on the same bait, while trolling the Abilene Municipal Airport, feain Lake Cisco, both bass, one eight tured the closing days of the conven- ments includes Rev. R. A. Walker, and one-half inches long and the oth- tion. Of the 61 ships presene for the chairman, who will be master of cerecircus, 36 were United States army monies, E. Yates Brown, Stan John-

West Texas newspaper men to the Jr. number of 150 were guests of the Abilene Reporter-News at an elaborate

Falls was named winner of the "My Brown, with Mrs. Brown at the piano Home Town" contest by defeating six the invocation was given by Rev. J. mer Gray, Jesse Wood and Bill finalists who emerged from an entry T. King.

in the contest conducted by the West of Miss Christine Collins, with Miss band of the West Texas Chamber of Hamilton and Collins.

ond place, a handsome silver loving talks. The first speaker told in a cup award, in the two year class. G. most interesting manner of the 30 a medal and his son, Albert Hartman, Sons in breeding Hereford cattle and

Record of Births. Boy, to M. J. and Mrs. I. A. Goode.

Winners of Silver Loving Cup in State Band Teachers Contest at WTCC will be Guests of Lions at Picnic and Swim.

Members of Merkel's Booster band, with C. A. Hartman, director, will be guests of honor of the Lions club at The 1931 convention of the West a picnic and swimming party at Shannon's Lake next Tuesday evening. This will take the place of the regular weekly luncheon next week.

This band brought home a hand-Texas Chamber of Commerce convention at Abilene as second prize in the Tuesday luncheon of the Lions

The members of the band will be privileged to invite their sweethearts

The program will start with a band concert at 7:30, followed by a picnic It was announced that the organi- supper, under the supervision of Mrs.

urday, was grown on the land of Jake the new fiscal year. Of that sum, tee that the courtesies of the pool tinental route for air mail, both day Smith, near McGregor, McLennan \$2,000 has been received since the would be extended to the members of treasurer's report was read to the the band and their girl friends, also to the Lions club members and their

The committee making arrangeson, Booth Warren and C. J. Glover,

DETAILS OF MEETING. W. O. Boney presided at the regluncheon Friday noon at the new ular weekly luncheon of the club and J. S. Bourn was toastmaster. After Joe F. Witherspoon, Jr. of Wichita the club singing led by E. Yates

Vocal numbers were pleasingly ren-Out of twenty-seven bands entered dered by Miss Ethel Hamilton, pupil Texas Band teachers association, the Collins as accompanist, with numbers Fort Worth Ladies band won the hon- also by Miss Collins and by a trio, or of being selected as the official Mrs. E. Yates Brown and Misses

W. J. Largent and G. A. Hartman The Merkel Booster Band won sec- as guests of the club both made short Merkel was also mentioned as the home of these famous animals.

SILVER LOVING CUP. Prof. Hartman took great price in (Continued on Page Four)

TOWN DOCTOR "DOCTOR of TOWNS"

ABOUT "CASH DRAWER CASUALTIES."

In the conduct of a retail business there is a term, "Cash Drawer Casualty." It means something that is done on part of salesperson, or allowed done by the merchant, or left undone by either, that causes a loss of a sale; or something that drives business away from the store.

If you go into a store and the clerk stands in the back of the place with a face a mile long and finally, after you have walked half the length of the store says, "did you want somethin'?" and after you had bought and paid for what you came for (if you bought) the clerk says, "ya didn't want anything else did ya?" that's a cash drawer casualty.

In community business-and your community is a business you know-there are cash drawer casualties also, the cause for which can be eliminated; and this is a good time of year to do it.

Some day when you are walking down a business street, look across the street to the second and third story windows of the buildings. If you see any number of those windows that are dirty and cobwebbed; any with lettering half peeled off; any others with panes broken and stuffed with paper or old clothes-if you find this condition, such is a cash drawer casualty for Merkel.

If weeds and grass are growing at the edge of the sidewalk or around electric light posts, or in old gratings in the sidewalks of the

business district—that is a caah drawer casualty. If at any time in the past someone said to you, "this looks like a pretty good town you have here," and you said "well, it used to be a pretty good burg;" or "yes, I guess it's all right, if a fellow likes it," or something like that-you made a cash drawer casualty for Merkel.

If one of your policemen, being a little grouchy for some reason or other, bawls a stranger out for a minor traffic violation, with which said stranger is not familiar-that is a cash drawer casualty. If merchants and professional people park their automobiles in a

space where customers' cars could be parked; if there is a parking or-(Continued on Page Two.)

STERLING'S CANDIDACY STIRS POLITICAL SEA

Houston, June 5 .- R. S. Sterling | without seriously disturbing the busiof Houston, chairman of the Texas ness life of our state. highway commission, and prominent in the business and civic life of South of Texas on a sound basis and to Texas, in announcing his candicacy modernize the penitentiary plant and for governor on the democratic tick- bring the system up to date. et issued the following statement:

"I have decided to enter the democratic primaries as a candidate for strongly committed to strict law engovernor. A careful study of the forcement and if I am elected I shall present situation has led me to believe that I can be useful to my office to enforce the laws of our state if called to the governorship, and in that belief I am announcing my candidacy.

"Economically, Texas is undergoing greater changes than any other THE TOWN DOCTOR state. Her towns are becoming cities, her industries growing in number into evidence. Texas needs an ad- all business of the community. ministration awake to the demands If the business district is scarred such an administration.

"Only one thought should guide If the people of the community are the citizens in choosing a governor, not "sold" on their town; if they stand and that is, what candidate is best back with a satisfied-with-thing-as equipped to serve the interests of they-are attitude and fail to get tothe public, I am willing to be judg- gether, pull together and work toed by this standard.

"Among the proposals which I drawer casualties. shall advocate are: To continue If a community does not grow and carry out a road building program something to eliminate them. to the end that a hard surfaced road be extended to every town in Texas and a good road to every farm home. series of fifty-two, is printed by the The betterment of all our public and eleemosynary intsitutions and especially our public schools, colleges and university. I shall give special study to an adjustment of the state taxing system and seek to work out in cooperation with the legislature the fairest adjustment that can be made to lift some of the tax burdens from those least able to bear it. Tax reform is necessary, in my belief, but it can and should be accomplished

"Konjola Put Me Back On Road To Good Health"

Dallas Lady Eagerly Endorses New Medicine-Found Relief After Other Medicines Failed.



"For four years my system was in a rundown condition and for the past eight months, stomach and kidney disorders have caused me much suffering," said Mrs. F. L. Bethel, 406 Avondale street, Liberty Heights, Dallas. "Gas formed after each meal and I had a burning sensation from my throat to the pit of my stomach. My kidneys were sore and did not function properly. I had pains across my back, and I was steadily losing in weight and strength.

"I finally decided to try Konjola and this medicine has put me back on the road to health. I am no longer troubled with the stomach condition. My vitality and general health have improved imensely, and I am free from those terrible pains in my back. I sleep soundly at night and my whole system has taken on new life.'

When taken for six to eight weeks, Konjola, the new and different medicine, will work wonders that will astonish those who suffer from the stubborn ills of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels and of rheumatism, neuritis and nervousness.

Konjola is sold in Merkel at the Merkel Drug Company and by all the best druggists in all towns throughout this entire section.

ernor, to place the penal institutions

"I have always voted for and favored prohibition and I have been a total abstainer all my life. I am use all the power and influence of the

Complete line of office supplies at * Mail office.

(Continued from Page One) and importance. Both in urban and dinance but not enforced; or certain rural districts, new and more com- people are given "privileges"—that is plex conditions of life are coming a cash drawer casualty that affects

of an era of change and dedicated and blemished by wall signs, bill to efficiency in meeting these de- boards and unrestricted store signs, mands. It will be my major pur- people will be repelled by such oppose, if elected, to give the state pressive ugliness and automatically will buy elsewhere.

gether-that is the worst of all cash

the policies of the present highway make progress it is very likely due commission through the appoint- in no little degree to failure to recogment of men especially equipped to nize cash drawer casualties, and to do

This Town Doctor Article, one of a



Merkel Mail in cooperation with the

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Preaching at Blair.

Merkel Lions Club.

There will be preaching at the Baptist church Sunday morning conducted "It is my purpose, if elected gov- by Rev. Mr. Pruett and everyone is invited to come.

> Seven tons a week of pennies were the week-end in Abilene with their used by a large New York depart- aunt, Mrs. Harris. ment store during the holiday season Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parnell and

TELEPHONE THE MAIL

The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, as well as other news items of a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 61 or 29.

HEBRON NEWS

Rev. O. B. Tatum was here for his regular appointment Saturday night and Sunday morning and night. Miss Mary Pence of Merkel spent

the week-end with her brother and family here. Jack Parnell returned home Sat-

urday from Austin where he has been attending school. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris spent

children were in Abilene Sunday for

the airplane races. Come in and see our Saturday Special. You won't be disappointed. Boston Bargain Store.

Office supplies-Mail office.

666

Relieves a Headache or Neuralgia in 30 minutes, checks a Cold the first day, and checks Malaria in three days. 666 also in Tablets.

NEW SET-UP FOR

REAL ESTATE—RENTALS AND LEASES

You want to sell or trade your Farm-Home-or Your Business. I am arranging a complete card index for every listing.

You may wish to buy a Farm-a Home-or a Business. I just as carefully card index your wants.

By matching Sale and Purchase the trade is well on the way to satisfactory completion.

Let Me Have The Pleasure of CARD INDEXING your wants.

If you have a house-Residence or Business-to rent, come in and give me a complete description and I will get busy finding you a renter.

Leases and Royalty listings handled in the same

Rents collected and remitted the first of each month. Come Saturday afternoon or any other time convenient to you and we will talk it over.

Will tell you more about it next week.

CONFIDENCE



THERE are two kinds of confidence - selfconfidence and the confidence that others have in you. A good credit standing inspires both.

You enter transactions with self-reliance born of the knowledge that your credit slate is clean.

You are received by others with a feeling of assurance that you will keep your trust.

Two stepping-stones in the path of real achievement.

Pay Your Bills Promptly

Our Banking Spirit

THERE prevails at this bank, an air of welcome and hospitality that one cannot help but

This institution knows that it has a mission to be fulfilled in the community. It takes pleasure in rendering every service possible that will make the people feel that it is here for them. A service of this kind is always appreciated and reciprocated by the loyalty of the people.

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FARMERS AND MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

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Geo. L. Paxton

F. Y. Gaither

IT'S AN ILL WIND, ETC.

There's never a fire or a destructive accident that doesn't bring home to somebody-sometimes the property owner involved, sometimes just a casual observer—the vital importance of adequate, dependable insurance. But why wait for the ill wind to blow in your direction? Why not find out now about property protection and the type of insurance that best meets your particular needs?

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MERKEL, TEXAS

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MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

Much Sought Man is Taken into Custody In Warden's Office

Huntsville, June 5 .- Yancey Storey, Denton county, whose bonds on a charge of bank robbery were forfeited when he failed to appear in court, was arrested here Monday after having a storm center. en refused admission to the state itentiary.

torey was arrested by Ranger warden and Hickman, with anhim for Denton.

Storey came to the penitentiary ed that committment papers were nec- ent." essary, and Warden Harrell told him to wire for the papers and to return in the afternoon.

Meantime Harrell notified Hickman who came to Huntsville for the fugitive. They could not locate him in run rampant," "bad bills pass without Huntsville, so they waited at the war- reading," and legislative "steals" are den's ofifce. When Storey came in perpetrated with imunity. that afternoon to keep his appointment, they handcuffed him, Harrell

Bonds totalling \$33,000 on 25 felony cases were forfeited April 14 in Dallas when Storey failed to appear tion for the Krum bank robbery case if several other pending cases were dismissed, but this agreement was defaulted.

The cases against him included five burglary charges, five of theft of over \$50; one arson charge; four receiving and concealing stolen property; three robbery with firearms; one accessory to murder; three assaults to murder; three assault in disguise.

Officers had sought him intermittently since April 14 and it was variously reported that he was in Denton all the time and that he had hidden in the territory surrounding Den-

Texas' export business amounts to ore than \$700,000,000 annually.



LOOKING INTO THINGS

That's the safe way-and we corstation and garage service, handling only the choicest products plus courteous attendants. Conoco Gasoline will work. make motoring a joy.

> EXPERT REPAIRING GREASING, ETC.

Everybody's Garage **TELEPHONE 72**

West Texas Maternity Hospital

Strictly modern, private retreat, how Orgatone (Argotane) benefitted licensed by state and operated me, will come to see me or write me, for the care and seclusion of the I will gladly help them all I can. I unfortunate girl. Open to ethical prize Orgatone (Argotane) above all physicians. For detailed informa- other medicines I know of and rection address Lock Box No. 1423, Abilene.

Mineral

Wells,

Texas

Wants

You

to

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Its

Unique

Southern

Hospitality

Blanton is Sworn in Over Protest Monday the oath of office.

Washington, June 5 .- Within an hour after his return Monday as a member of the house, Thomas L. Blanton of Texas, famous for his legislative vicissitudes, became once more

Sworn in over the protest of Representative Clancy, republican, Michigan, he sat silent while the house ain Tom Hickman in the office proceeded at once to consider a resolution by Clancy, providing for inquiry A ranger, immediately left with into some aspects of the Blanton campaign in Texas.

Finally the resolution was referred, that morning, the warden said, and by a vote of 148 to 138, to a committee. asked to be admitted. It was explain- On the roll call Blanton voted "pres-

> Clancy told the house that in his campaign advertising the Texan insulted every member of congress by declaring among other things, that at Washington "waste and extravagence

Clancy also objected that the certificate of election said Blanton was elected a "congressman" and not a "representative."

Clancy attempted to read a campaign advertisement used by Blanton, for trial. Storey had agreed to with- but Representative LeGuardia, repdraw appeal in the five-year convic- ublican, New York, and Reperesentative Garner, of Texas, the democratic

leader came to Blanton's defense. Speaker Longworth put it up to the house itself, and the ayes drown-

"WORTH MORE THAN FORTUNE," SAYS WILSON

Abilene Carpenter Claims He Now Feels Years Younger Since Taking Orgatone (Argotane.)

"I have gained one hundred per cent since taking Orgatone (Argotane) and I consider the good I have received worth more than a fortune to me," said W. W. Wilson, a well known carpenter in Abilene for the past twenty-eight years and who resides in the Over Addition, Abilene,

"I feel it my duty," continued Mr. Wilson, "as well as a privilege to tell everybody what Orgatone did for me, for it may be that my statement will help others who are in the condition I was before I took it.

"My health had been giving way for the last two years and of course I took dially invite you to "look into" our ting worse, I had stomach and nermethod of doing business, investigate all kinds of medicines, but I kept getand test out the quality of our goods thing terrible. I was in an awful vous troubles that bothered me someshape and finally got so weak I could hardly walk around much less do my

"The lightest things to eat would hurt my stomach and cause me great misery. Finally it seemed as if every one was talking about Orgatone (Argotane) and the good work it was doing, so I bought a bottle and after I had taken a few doses I told my friends I had surely found the medicine at last. I am gaining in strength all the time and feel strong enough to go back to work and I just completed a job last week and it didn't bother me in the least. I am gaining in strength all the time and feel one hundred per cent better than I did before I started on this treatment. If Now located at Abilene, Texas. anyone wishing to know more about ommend it to all who are suffering from troubles like I had."

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Austin, June 5 .- A certificate of election was issued to Thomas L. Blanton of Abilene as congressman from the Seventeenth district by the state canvassing board Saturday after it had viewed the returns from the 19 counties of the district in the special election held there to name a successor to Congressman R. Q. Lee, removed

by death. The official totals were 10,225 for Blanton and 8012 for Mrs. Lee, widow of the late congressman.

Attorney General R. L. Bobbitt, who with Mrs. Jane Y. McCallum, secretary of state, and Governor Moody, canvassed the returns, ruled that the law stipulating that returns be not canvassed before the 40th day after an election did not pertain to special elec-

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Accompanied by Captain Cecconi, the Italian flier took off from the government field here at 4 a. m. Fri-

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he was still flying and it was believed he also would exceed distance records. ever, he must land at the point of de-

Major Maddalena, who participated or 61.

day for Ostia and return, and by in the rescue of Gen. Umberto No-Duration Record 10:25 o'clock tonight had flown 66 bile's crew of the dirigible Italia in hours and 25 minutes. At midnight the Artic in 1928, is planning a flight to New York by way of the Azores.

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Fifteen are Listed In Sweepstakes for Governor's Office

(Continued From Page One) assumed that the "drafted" candidates at the Methodist church, beginning will either withdraw, or else by their at 8:15. According to a previously equal the enrollment. Preaching sersilence give consent to their candi- arranged appointment, Rev. E. E.

The democratic ticket for state offices, as shown by the records of Albert Sidney Johnson, secretary, reads: Governor:

Pink L. Parrish, Lubbock. Dan Moody, Austin. Lynch Davidson, Houston. Earl B. Mayfield, Austin. C. E. Walker, Grapevine. Frank Putnam, Houston. Barry Miller, Dallas. Clint C. Small, Wellington. Mrs. Miriam Ferguson, Austin. James Young, Kaufman. Thomas B. Love, Dallas. C. C. Moody, Fort Worth. R. S. Sterling, Houston, T. N. Mauritz, Ganada. Paul Loven, New Braunfels.

Lieutenant-Governor: J. D. Parnell, Wichita Falls. Edgar E. Witt, Waco. James Rogers, Houston. Joe E. Arnold, Houston. H. L. Darwin, Paris. W. H. Bledsoe, Lubbock. United States Senate:

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struction. S. M. N. Marrs, Austin. Commissioner of General Land Office: J. H. Walker, Hill County.

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Chief Justice of Supreme Court: C. M. Cureton, Bosque County. Covey C. Thomas, Cotulla. Comptroller:

George H. Sheppard, Sweetwater. Arthur L. Mills, Waco. Chief Justice Court of Criminal Appeals:

O. S. Lattimore, Austin. James C. Stephens, Benjamin.

Will Honor Members Merkel's Booster Band and Director

(Continued from Page One) exhibiting the silver cup, which was awarded the Merkel Band as second prize in the two-year class of bands, in competition with Wichita Falls, the winner, who had 42 members in their band; Wellington, with 40 members, and Paducah, with 39 members. (The Merkel band has only 22 pieces.) The cup, which is now in the Case

show window, has the following inscription:

"Ninth Annual Contest, Texas Band Teachers Association-Western Division-Sponsored by West Texas and vention, May 29, 30, 31, 1930, Abilene, ship. Texas-Merkel Municipal Band, winner of second place in two year class."

In the report of Mr. Clarke, the judge, Merkel's average was given as 91.8, with the notation of "highest for interpretation of music." Referring to the director of Merkel's band, the judge said: "Leader has good control of band. They played in right manner. Leader has positiveness." The program for Tuesday's concert

- 1. Path of Honor-March.
- 2. March, "Our Mascot."
- Quality Plus-March. Gypsy Festival-Overture.
- "Shoutin' Liza," a trombone
- smear.
- 6. Iron Count-Overture. March-"Push It Along."
- March-"Little Traveler." Star Spangled Banner.

mer months the churches of Merkel we have a big crowd. will unite in the evening service and it has been announced that the service next Sunday evening will be held White, presiding elder of the district, will preach.

The committee, appointed by the Men's Prayer meeting to make arrangements for these services, includes W. M. Elliott, John Toombs, S. M. Hunter, Herbert Patterson, A. R. Johnson and S. W. Buzbee.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the Sunday evening service at the Methodist church.

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. E. E. White, presiding elder of the Abilene district, will fill the pulpit at the evening hour next Sunday. Brother White is a strong tainly delighted with the increase in daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ben

Baptism" at the morning hour. If are many more in and around Merkel as Teachers college at Canyon where you have been confused on this sub- who are not attending services any- she received her B. A. degree. Miss ject, come and let's see what the Bible where. Come out next Sunday. Help Ouida returned home to teach for two savs about it.

The Sunday School will meet at be, by you doing your part. some good things for the Sunday will continue to bless. School in the near future. Sunday School Day last Sunday was a success in every way. Find your place in this fine body of earnest Christian workers. It will be to your pleasure and profit. Come to Sunday School and stay for church.

T. C. Willett, Pastor.

SENIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM. Song.

Praver Scripture reading, by leader, Thel-

ma MeAninch. Talks:

Patterson. "Individual Efficiency," Nadine

Tippett. "The Purpose of Efficiency," Mary Elizabeth Grimes.

Reports by officers, (page 628.) Song.

League benediction.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Next Lord's day, June the 8th the Church of the Lord will be 1900 years | Nazarene, 44. The total attendance is a graduate of Bowie High school, old. In fullfillment of his promise to Peter, "upon this rock I will build my church" (Mt. 16:18) Christ established his church at nine o'clock Local Firemen to in the morning, A. D. 30, the first Pentecost after the resurrection of his body. Our sermon for the morning on Pentecost.

all singers.

tucky about Monday or Tuesday of weeks.

J. C Malphurs, Minister.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. All regular services Sunday and during the week. Sunday School 10 Howard Laney, Chemical Co. a. m. with classes for all ages and grades. The pastor will preach at both hours, 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

-Reporter.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM Subject: "Using the Bible as the Sword of the Spirit."

Scripture reading and comment, Benny Sheppard. Introduction, Fanny Belle Boaz. "The Sword as an Instrument for liant plays.

Combat," Willie Evelyn Boaz. "Using the Sword of the Spirit to Fight Temptation," Harold Boney. "Using the Sword of the Spirit to Arouse the Conscience of the Saved," Duncan, if.

Ida Mae Derstine. "Using the Sword of the Spirit in Winning the Lost," Maxie Banner. Training for Effective Combat, Boyd, If.

Himalaya Swafford. God's Promise, Mr. Largent. Conclusion, Comer Haynes.

We have a very interesting program Sunday and we want every

UNION SERVICES ONCE EACH at 7:15 and to be on time. We are MONTH-ON SUNDAY EVEN- also going to have special music; so ING WILL BE SUMMER FEA- be sure and be there and bring some- Abilene last Thursday and were quiet-TURE FOR ALL CONGREGA- one with you. We have an interest- ly married at the home of Rev. Owens, ing program and, if you will come, we Rev. Lawrence Fitzgerald performed will try and put it over as it should the ceremony, the only attendants be-Once each month during the sum- be; we can put it over lots better, if ing Miss Alice Reeves and Mr. Earl

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

make an effort to have the attendance friends who wish her happiness. er meeting Wednesday evening at church boards of his home town,

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

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE. All of the regular services will be conducted at the usual hours. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m.

Saturday night Prayer service. Needless to say that we are cerpreacher and you will enjoy his mes- attendance that has been shown in Campbell. She will be remembered The pastor will preach on "Infant But why not have an increase? There school, going from there to West Tex-

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING. Next Sunday at 2 p. m. the Men's Prayer service will be held at the Church of Christ, with Rolf Wagner as the leader. The subject will be the 11th chapter of Mark, verses 22-25. Last Sunday the service was held at the Presbyterian church, with Everett King as the leader. These services each week are enlisting the interest of a large number of men estness and enthusiasm manifested.

School day at the Methodist church Rodden were the only attendants. and the occasion was marked by an Miss Rodden has resided with her School was 245, while the register school. In this capacity, and because Christ, 95; Presbyterian, 75, and have her as a permanent resident. She at all the Sunday Schools for the day also from North Texas State Teach-

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thurshour will stress things said and done day, June 10, 11 and 12, San Angelo is to be host for the Texas State In addition to the regular services Firemen's association and several next Lord's day there will be a song from Merkel will attend. A barbeservice at the tabernacle in the after- cue in the city park adjoining the noon at 2 o'clock. All are invited to central fire station on the second bring dinner, which will be served at evening, followed by a street dance, the noon hour at the tabernacle. All will be one of the features, while visare invited, let us come and enjoy the iting ladies will be entertained with day together. Special invitation to a tea at the country club, a luncheon on the St. Angelus hotel roof, a The minister will leave for Ken- theater party and scenic drives.

J. W. DeWeese, state fire insurnext week to be gone for several ance commissioner, will be among the

Merkel will be represented by Chief N. A. Dowell, Fire Marshal W. L. Burns, Jimmie Toombs, Hose Co. 1, J. S. Bourn, Hose Co. No. 2, and from 7:30 to 10 o'clock.

White Flat Shuts Them Out.

Abilene Chamber of Commerce Con- Come find a place to work and wor- the season, played Sunday afternoon, potato chips, pickles, lemonade and the White Flat team defeated the mint wafers were served to Misses Sweetwater Gyp Mill team 8 to 0. Rogene Dye, Lois Beasley, Sarah assortment of deliveries that yielded David Gamble, Horace Nix, Jack twelve strike-outs and allowed only Lowe, Bud Gambill, Neal Durham. water boys secured seven strike-outs. Davis Beasley, Jr. Several of the boys distinguished themselves during the game with bril-

The line-ups: White Flat-Jones, ss; Nugent, p; Jones, c; Stevens, lb. Weaver, 3b; Tittle, 2b; Mashburn, rf; Barnes, cf;

Sweetwater-Wagnon, rf; Malone, e; Brown, 2b; Scott, ss; McDonald, p; Brown, lb; Taylor, 3b; Crockett, cf;

Score by innings: White Flat Sweetwater

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REEVES-REEVES.

Mr. H. K. Reeves of Floydada and Mrs. George Reeves surprised their many friends when they motored to Walker.

Mrs. Reeves has resided near Merkel and with her amiable ways and Sunday School at 10 a. m. Let's charming manner has won many

Mr. Reeves is a prosperous farmer, vices at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Pray- a member of both the school and 8:15. Glad to have you worship with where a host of friends welcome his

> After a visit with relatives at Sylvester and Rotan Mr. and Mrs. Reeves will be at home in Floydada.

> > REED-CAMPBELL.

Friends of Miss Ouida Campbell will be glad to learn the details of her N. Y. P. S. 7:30. Preaching follow- wedding which took place in Dimmitt ing. Ladies' Prayer service each at 9:30 last Saturday morning in the Tuesday 2 p. m. Wednesday night home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Webb, Prayer service and Bible study 8 p. m. the Rev. J. O. Reynolds, minister of

the Church of Christ, officiating. Miss Campbell is the youngest all the services for the past few weeks. as an honor graduate of Merkel High to make your town what it should years in the school from which she was graduated three years before and 9:45 sharp. Our Sunday School is God's presence was manifested in for the last two years has taught in going forward nicely under the lead- our midst in a special way during the schools of Dimmitt where she will ership of Brother Rolf Wagner. He the services of the past week, for also teach next year. She is a very had a fine Workers Council Monday which we are very thankful. Keep beautiful, talented and altogether evening and plans were made for praying and believing and the Lord charming young lady; Mr. Reed is

to be congratulated. Mr. H. C. Reed is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reed, was reared in Merkel but for the last three years has been employed by the Humble Oil company at McCamey where the happy couple will make their home. The Mail joins friends in extending congratulations.

PATTERSON-RODEN.

The wedding of Miss Jessie Rodden in the various churches of the city and Clesby Patterson came as a comand there is no lagging in the earn- plete surprise to their many friends here. The ceremony was performed at fourths of a cupful of strained tomato an early hour Sunday morning at the juice, three tablespoonfuls of vinegar, "The Meaning of Efficiency," Roy SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. Methodist parsonage, the Rev. T. C. Last Sunday was Annual Sunday Willett officiating. Mr. and Mrs. O. R.

exceptionally large atteendance, the sister, Mrs. O. R. Rodden, for the number present being 354. The at- past two years while being employed tendance at the Baptist Sunday as a teacher in the Merkel Grammar at the other Sunday Schools showed of her gracious personality, she has the following attendance: Church of made many friends who rejoice to ers college at Denton; she will again be employed in our own public school.

Clesby Patterson is the eldest son Attend State Meet of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patterson of this city, a high school graduate who at once, later attended Trinity university, Waxahachie, and North Texas A. & M, at Arlington. He is popular in all musical, religious, and social activities and has a host of friends who wish for him and his bride all possible happiness through the years.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson left immediately after the ceremony for a honeymoon trip to Cloudcroft, New Mexico, and Carlsbad Caverns. They will return Saturday.

"42" PARTY.

Miss Billie Bernice Gambill delightfully entertained a number of her lite friends on last Tuesday evening at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Gambill, during the hours

Games of "42" were first employed as the evening's diversion followed by out door games until the refresh-In one of the best ball games of ment hour when delicious sandwiches. Nugent dazzled the visitors with an Sheppard, Masters Jackie Slater, two hits. McDonald for the Sweet- Cullen Tittle, Jack Stanford and

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GOOD THINGS FOR THE TABLE

THERE are those who do not care for the appetizing bitter of orange marmalade. For those the following will be a treat:

Fruit Marmalade.

Wash and cut six oranges into this slices. Peel and slice nine apples and cover with the juice of three lemons. Cut the rind of the lemons into shreds, add three cupfuls of water and let stand one hour. Cook slowly with nine cupfuls of sugar until smooth and of the consistency of marmalade. Turn into glasses and seal as usual.

Jellied Vegetable Relish.

Take one package of lemon gelatin, one cupful of boiling water, threeone teaspoonful of salt, one-fourth ery salt and cavenne and two cupfuls of finely cut mixed cooked vegetables. Chill in molds and serve with meat.

Coffee Punch. Place a block of ice in a punch bowl and pour over four quarts of coffee that has been freshly ground very fine and cooked by the drip method. Make It about twice as strong as usual; add one cupful of heavy cream and twothirds of a cupful of powdered sugar, Next add one quart of vanilla ice cream which should be placed in the bowl in large spoonfuls, add one cupful of maraschino cherries and their juice. When thoroughly chilled serve

Marshmallow Salad. Cut four oranges into sections, slice two bananas, and cut into quarters one cupful of marshmallows. Scald three-fourths of a cupful of cream and thicken with two egg yolks beaten light with two tablespoonfuls of sugar. Cool, add two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice.

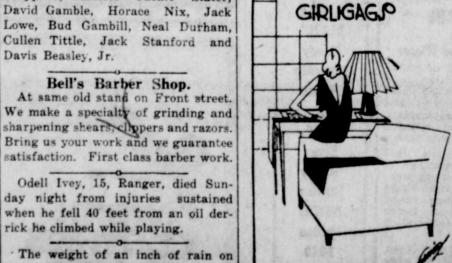
Marshmallow Whip.

a pinch of salt and the fruit. Serve

with coconut sprinkled over each serv-

Take one package of strawberry gelatin, one cupful of boiling water, one cupful of cold water or fruit juice, six marshmallows finely cut. Dissolve the gelatin in the boiling water, add the fruit fuice and beat well with a rotary egg beater until like whipped cream. Add the marshmallows. Pile in sherbet glasses or pour into a mold. Chill and serve.

Mellie Maxwell



"A modern woman," says Soliloquizing Lil, "le one who knows less about raising children and more about

**************** THEY DON'T LIKE ME

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

******************* LOT (I might as well admit) A Of men don't like me, not a bit. They've said so all around the place, Some even said it to my face. And you may think it grieves me sore; Well, once it did, but now no more. In fact I'm rather proud to see The folks in town who don't like me.

They like the man who likes an oath (Of course they couldn't like us both); They like the girl who likes to smoke (They know we're not that kind of

folk): They like the man who spends and spends (While I don't like that sort of

friends). The fool who fools his life away (They don't like me, I'm glad to say).

used to think I'd like to find Myself the friend of all mankind, Have all men like me, all life through, And not dislike like some men de-But now I'm rather proud of all The critics that I now recall. For there are lots of people I Would hardly like to be liked by. (@. 1910, Douglas Malloch.)

********************* Why We Do What We Do by M. K. THOMSON, Pb. D.

WHY WE GIGGLE THE giggle belongs to the laugh family. It is one of the younger members, not quite full grown. The giggle is a partially repressed laugh. It is primarily a reflex act.

In performing a pleasant task some energy is left over and overflows in extraneous activity. The giggle is one of the spillways of excess energy. Young girls are full of giggles. So

are healthy normal boys. People who

giggle a lot are usually endowed with extra vitality. In a sob or unpleasant emotion the whole supply of energy goes into the act itself. There is nothing left over as in the case of joyous moods and all pleasant reactions. A man can do his best work under pleasant conditions and when he is free from worry because he has more energy at his com-

mand. Distressing and sorrowful states of mind devitalize a man. We usually resent the giggle on the part of another because we do not understand the cause of it. Nor does the giggler always know why he giggles. On the other hand, it may indicate a suppressed laugh in the form of poking fun at another person. Of course this is always resented by the

one who is laughed at. Not only is the giggle a sign of excess energy but sometimes of misdirected energy or energy beyond control as in the case of nervous people whose giggle is a form of hysteria.

But by far the most common cause for giggling is an excess of energy and vitality that finds outlet in this bubbling over of the emotional life that cannot be fully used up by the

activity of the moment. Since the giggle has no ulterior mo tive and is an end in itself it looks foolish and nonsensical. For the most part, however, the giggle is universally discounted as a bit of good-natured though not always judicious fun, an overflow of nervous energy.

(© by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.) Wrong Joints "Did you hear about Bill?" "No, what happened?"

"He had his arm broken in two places." "Well, he ought to keep out of the

ANNOUNCEMENTS POLITICAL

(Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.)

For District Attorney 42nd district: J. R. (Bob) BLACK, (Re-election.) For District Attorney 104th district: EMMETT ROBINSON.

or Sheriff: H. T. O'BAR, (Re-election.) R. (Chas.) WALDROP. L. SEALE.

URL WHEELER. For County Clerk: W. P. BOUNDS, (Re-election.)

For County Treasurer: AUSTIN FITTS, (Re-election.)

For Tax Collector: EARL HUGHES, (Re-election.)

For Tax Assessor: J. T. HOWARD, (Re-election.) H. F. LONG.

MRS. FLORENCE VANCE.

For District Clerk: BELLE WELLBORN, (Re-elec-

For County Attorney: GRAY BROWNE.

WILEY L. CAFFEY. For County Superintendent:

M. A. WILLIAMS. For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2: W. H. FRAZIER.

P. A. DILTZ, (Re-election.) W. L. BLAIR. RUFE TITTLE. THOMAS A. BEARDEN.

JOHN J. TOOMBS. For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5:

S. A. (Sam) BANKSTON. I. N. BROWN. DENT GIBSON.

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> Joe Hartley, H. P. O. R. Dye, Secretary



Stated Meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710 A. F. & A. M. Saturday night, 8 p. m. Members urged to attend. Visitors wel-! of officers. G. F. Woods, W. M.

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ABOUT THE BIRDS

"SHALL we join the others?" asked Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird, of his mate.

"Oh, yes, that would be so nice," his mate answered cheerily.

"There is such a good crowd near yonder prairie," Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird continued. "And I know where there is a good marshy pond,

"Oh, you are very wonderful," sald Mrs. Yellow-Headed Blackbird.

"What do you say to these plans, birdlings?" asked Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird of the four bird youngsters. "There'd be lots more playmates



Sociable Crowd," Said Mrs. Blackbird.

then, oh, chack, chack, chack," the birdlings answered. "Ah, they take after us," said Mr.

Yellow-Headed Blackbird. The four birdlings had been gray eggs some time before; gray eggs speckled with tan. They had been in nest of rushes which was safely held by stronger rushes up above the

pond. The nest had been warm and deep and comfortable. So the Yellow-Headed Blackbird family went to join other-yellow-headed blackbird families. There had been some others where they had lived,

A good many of them went and joined a huge, huge colony. "Ah," said Mr. Yellow-Headed-Black-

and these all went along, too.

bird, when they arrived at their new home, "we should have come here earlier in the season. It's delightful

"So many nice families, too." All the others greeted Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird and Mrs. Yellowwere greeted, too.

Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird looked very handsome with his yellow cap and bright yellow waistcoat and beautiful black suit with white touches to

Mrs. Yellow-Headed Blackbird wore a brownish suit, and her yellow hat and front feathers were not so bright as Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird's were. Her hat, too, was trimmed with

It was unusual for these birds to have joined the others when they did, for usually all the birds are together during the time that they are all setting up nest keeping and attending to the young.

But this family, with a few others, joined the great colony later than they should have done in order to keep up the Yellow-Headed Blackbirds' ways.

"There is no mistake about it, we do love company," said Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird, as he began chattering to the old and new friends.

"We are a sociable crowd," said Mrs. Yellow-Headed Blackbird. "There is no mistake about that."

"What fun it will be with so many of us," the birdlings said. They were quite grown-up by now. At least they considered they were, and it was not far from the truth,

although their mother and father thought they were still young children. All of the Yellow-Headed Blackbirds chattered and then they gave a concert that evening in honor of the

new arrivals Had the new arrivals been other than Yellow-Headed Blackbirds, they would not have thought it an honor, for the Yellow-Headed Blackbirds make a very queer noise when they

It sounds more like a squeaking chorus than a singing concert.

They give different sorts of squeaks and feel quite satisfied with themselves and with each other.

At least they do not object to the squeaking sounds, for they gather together in huge crowds, and where you find one you're sure of finding many.

They move about in a most curious way when they make these squeaking sounds, as though it was quite painful, but they keep on doing it, so it cannot be so very painful. Surely, they can't think it so beau-

tiful that at all costs it must be done. "It's fine that we came," said Mr. Yellow-Headed Blackbird.

"Fine," said Mrs. Yellow-Headed Blackbird. "Fine," said the four children.
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bors squeaked: (Copyright.)

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urday after a week's visit at Maysville and Walters, Okla.

Chapel Hardy and wife of Dallas Blackwell Tuesday. will arrive Friday to visit homefolks. Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Rogers and son, well last Friday and got "skunked," week.

I believe is the word, but we say they can't do it again.

Everett Pool, J. R. McCoy and hogs. Phone 9, Patterson's Market, or Avery Clayton went fishing on the Concho last week-end and they brought home some real nice fellows

> A crowd from here attended the play put on at the Elm Grove schoolhouse last Friday. They reported a nice time, with lots of giggles as a

Eli Brown and wife of Del Rio are here visiting J. B. Wisenhunt and family.

Doris Jones is recovering from a very severe attack of tonsilitis. Several from here were present at

the singing at Sweetwater Sunday when the Stamp quartet performed. Mrs. S. E. Porter was seriously and a nice big shower would be a bruised last Saturday, when as she newly papered with water, gas and benefit to crops. We are expecting passed through the cow lot one cow made a run on another and she seemed to be directly between them. Mrs. N. G. Oliver and son, Homer, The cow stepped on one of her feet and Miss Daisy, returned home Sat- and bruised her up so that she can-

not walk. Mrs. Sy Dennis was shopping in

Our baseball club went to Black- Gus, were visitors in Midland last

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PUBLIC OPINION MUST BACK ENFORCEMENT

Washington, June 5 .- Public opinion was described Saturday by Prohibition Commissioner Doran as the deterrent to that complete enforcement of the dry laws which could be accomplished if all the states would cooperate with the federal authorities.

In a monograph contending that the states and the federal government had concurrent obligations to enforce prohibition, Doran said that in states where there was lax cooperation "unwholesome influences are at work to prevent enforcement."

there was close connection between the law breakers and the police and Harris. a tendency of "city officials to hammany obscure ways."

First among his list of causes for lack of enforcement there, he placed: "A strong sentiment against the prohibition law, not on the part of the majority, perhaps, but on the

part of a large minority." Doran said that a double obligathe enforcement of the law-"the in-

"The fact that in those states that states that do have enforcement acts host and hostess. the duty is not performed does not alter the obligation of the state enforcement officials in the least."

Reviewing the dry statute, Doran said prohibition of intoxicating liquor did not start with the passage of the eighteenth amendment but had been enforced by 32 states through "bone | March 2 and San Jacinto April 21dry" laws for several years before are peculiar to the state. and in 16 others through local option. This, he said, brought a total of 65,-000,000 of the nation's population under prohibition. The Volstead act, he continued, was a composite of the prohibition laws of the states which already had successfully enforced them.

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CASTLE PEAK NEWS

Miss Hettie McClanahan of Rising Star, a former teacher in our schools, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. Taylor Davis and children of Merkel visited her sister, Mrs. G. W. Cox, Jr., last Wednesday night.

V. H. Patterson motored to Abilene Sunday afternoon, witnessing while there the ball game between Nubia and Abilene. The score was 9 to 8 in favor of Abilene.

Ed Sandusky visited friends in In New York city, Doran said, Caps Saturday and on his return to Merkel he was accompanied by Alvyn

John Jones and his father, J. D. per federal enforcement officers in Jones, were visitors in Mineral Wells one day recently.

G. W. Hughes was in Abilene Sat-

Ed Sandusky celebrated his 23rd birthday Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky. After games were played, the cake was cut and passed by Ed himself. tion rested upon the states to aid in Those enjoying the affair were Alvyn Harris, Hettie McClanahan of herent police power of the state to Rising Star, Ruth Jones, Bell Patterregulate liquor traffic and the power son, John Fulton, Slim Criswell, A. conferred on the state by the United H. Murphey, Raymond Stapleton, States in the eighteenth amendment." Vernon Jones, Elmer Sandusky of "Laws provide plenty of authority Weslaco, Alva Peterson, Ted Windfor any state official to proceed le- ham, Harold King, Weldon McAninch, gally against any violator of the na- Marvin Melton, Bebe Reynolds, R. tional prohibition act," he added. D. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Patterson, Mrs, John Jones, Mr. and Mrs. have no enforcement act and in some Bill Sandusky and children and the a lot of hunting and asking questions

> Texas automobile registration fees in 1929 totaled \$20,418,696-exceeded by only three other states.

Texas has thirteen legal holidays. Two of them-Texas Independence

Calico was named for Calicut, a ity in southwestern Hindustan, where calico printing was once intensively

England has had more marriages for \$100,000,000. so far this year than in any similar period in several years.

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Police Seek Cause Why Radio Croons Jazz Airs at 2 a. m.

Tulsa, Okla., June 5 .- Boop-a-boop ongs at 2 o'clock in the morning may at about that hour Friday.

neighborhood, in which a riot was re- announcement. ported threatening, the two officers knocked at the door of the home from Lubbock twenty-one years ago. He which emanated the disturbing "boop- is a practicing attorney, his legal eduradio appeared to be having a good University of Texas. The only public night, if the neighbors were not.

time of night for?" sternly demanded ator in the Texas legislature. Higgins of the woman of the house-

"Put her in the cooler," shouted a neighbor from across the alley. There direct the work of the senate as to were contributions from other neigh- expidite the dispatch of its business bors. The situation, thought Officers and avoid the necessity of continuous Higgins and Howard, was growing called sessions. It will be my purpose

put the baby asleep, that the baby was my knowledge of the work of the senoff the ralio. She did, the neighbors a way that will curtail long and exreturned to their beds and Officers pensive sessions. Higgins and Howard returned to police headquarters, satisfied they had done their duty.

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Texas with 174 leads all the states n cotton seed oil mills. Georgia with 54 is second. Texas has almost onethird of the 538 such plants in the United States.

When a film company recently asked the British government to lend it 10 warships for use in a film production, it was told that it should have to insure the vessels and their crews

Texas maintains five fish hatcheres with two more now provided for. In Texas the United States maintains one hatchery and one private hatchery is located at Medina Lake.

Bledsoe Candidate for Lieutenant-Governor

Lubbock, Texas, June 5 .- Former State Senator W. H. Bledsoe of Lubbock, who several months ago said he expected to be a candidate in the have their benefits, Officers L. L. July primaries for the democratic Higgins and N. E. Howard learned nomination as lieutenant governor, has filed his application for a place Hastening to a Tulsa residential on the ballot and has issued a formal

Mr. Bledsoe is a native of Cleburne, put on their hard-boiled mien and where he resided till his removal to a-boop" and "do-de-oh-dos." The cation having been obtained at the offices he has sought and held have "Lady, what's this radio going this been those of representative and sen-

Mr. Bledsoe's announcement, in

part, is as follows: "If elected I will undertake to so after a conference with the senators Then announced the woman sweetly to undertake to select those best fitted that the radio had been turned on to for the various committees and with now asleep and that she would turn ate I feel sure that it can be done in

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Mr. Bledsoe says he has always been a friend of education, both the comof the states eleemosynary institu- fat. tions.

Bledsoe continues, "and with the vote in an election machine. Someknowledge I have gained, covering her | thing went wrong and the obese genvious history she is calling for and fat man probably came to the conshould have the best service her sons clusion that he didn't have all the can give."

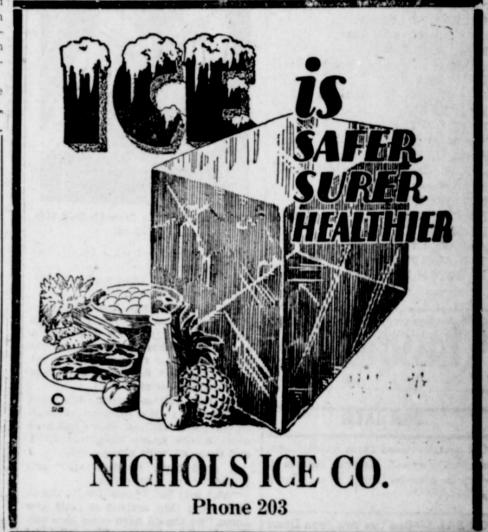
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New Voting Machine

Geneva, N. Y., June 5 .- Since those new-fangled voting machines have mon schools and higher institutions; been in existence, there is an added believes in their support and also qualification for all voters. The qualiadequate appropriations for the care fication is simple: You mustn't be too

The city learned of this qualifica-"I have helped in my humble way tion recently. The occasion was afto make Texas the most glorious com- forded when a man weighing 400 monwealth of all the world," Mr. pounds entered a booth to cast his legislative history through a long tleman couldn't extricate himsel period of years, I know that I could from the machine. As you may have be of further assistance in laying out concluded, the police were called, and, plans and enacting laws for her fur- after the machine was entirely wreckther development in this hour of her ed, the man was freed. The next day greatest growth. At this particular two things happened-voting was time more than any other in her pre- continued by ballot system and the qualifications for voting with a ma-

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FATTEN BROILERS BY USE OF PENS

Confine Fowls Two Weeks Before Marketing.

Many New Jersey poultrymen find that cockerels to be marketed as broilers can be pen fattened to advantage. Two weeks before they are marketed the broilers are confined to pens and fed a special fattening ration. The following ration has given good results in the state: One hundred pounds of corn meal; 50 pounds of wheat middlings; 50 pounds of ground heavy oats or ground oatmeal; 30 pounds of meat scrap.

This mash is mixed with water and fed to the broilers three times a day. all they will clean up in 15 to 20 minutes. When milk is available for mixing, the meat scrap should be omitted from the mash, advises the poultry department of the New Jersey agricultural experiment station. If lowing bacteria of all kinds to desemisolid buttermilk is used, dilute one part of it with three parts of water and then mix with mash. When powdered milk is used, substitute 30 pounds of it and omit the meat scrap. Water should be kept available for

It is not advisable to market the broilers until they weigh two to two and a half pounds, says the poultry department.

Early Maturing Pullets

Usually Best Layers In every flock of growing chickens there are always some that grow faster than the others. Observations and experiments have shown that it is these early developing pullets that are the best ones to select for the laying flock. They will start laying sooner than the others and will keep it up longer, provided they are fed a good laying ration and are fed in such a

way as to maintain body weight. Occasionally some will develop sexually, that is, their combs will redden up and become large, and these birds will lay eggs. They may make this development at the expense of their body growth. Such birds should be given a little longer time to put on more growth and weight before expecting them to continue laying. This is done by cutting down the protein in the growing ration, cutting down the meat scrap to about 5 to 10 per cent, and feeding heavily of grain. Folw this procedure for about two

Preventing Instead of

Curing Poultry Ills A "eured" fowl is a menace to the poultry owner because, as a rule, the bird goes back into the laying flock and loses its identity. It continues to produce eggs or is mated to hens that are laying eggs to be hatched. The chicks from these eggs will inherit the constitutional weakness that made the ancestor or ancestors susceptible

to the disease. For this reason, if no other, prevention is far better than cure. Birds which do not have the opportunity to become sick will produce greater returns than those that are kept under insanitary conditions and under improper methods of feeding and man-

******** Poultry Notes

Nests should be easy to remove to facilitate cleaning.

Provide clean feed, clean quarters, clean ground, and start with clean

Geese are naturally grazing fowls. They have been grown for many generations on pasture.

Washed eggs have proved unsafe for storage. Therefore nests, houses, and the place in front of the door should be kept clean and as dry as possible.

If the pullets are laying heavy and getting a little thin in flesh, they may need a little more grain.

Hatch heavy and medium breeds between February 20 and March 20; light breeds, March 20 to April 20. Do not hatch chicks after May 1.

Speltz is not much used in poultry feeding. The reason for this is that it is hard to thresh clean and it has sharp points and the hull is very tough and difficult for the hens to digest.

More than half the ability of a hen lay a large number of eggs depends upon the breeding of her immediate male ancestors.

No matter how carefully the culls have been rejected, the good pullets will not lay profitably in poorly constructed houses.

During the past ten years poultry has been of increasing importance as a source of meat. The relative price of chickens has increased more than the price of eggs during this period.

FARM

MOLDY BEET TOPS FED FARM STOCK

Used in Moderation Product Is Not Harmful.

Moderate feeding of moldy beet tops to cattle and sheep is not harmful, although excessive feeding may be dangerous, declare authorities at the Colorado agriculture college.

For two years very moldy tops have been fed to calves in the college experiment station feed lots here without any indication of trouble, according to E. J. Maynard, associate animal husbandman. The calves have been eating 12 to 15 pounds each, daily, of the moldy tops in the composted piles, as similar lots of calves

did last year, Mr. Maynard says. "Molds themselves are not harmful but they tend to change the chemical reaction from acid to akaline, this alvelop," says I. E. Newson, veterinary pathologist to the Colorado experiment station. "In rare instances botulinus as been found in moldy silage, and of course the moldy silage has been blamed for the trouble rather than the botulinus.

"Although we have done no experimental work with beet tops in the field, the same is probably true with them as with silage. In a reasonable amount, tops seem to be perfectly harmless, but when cattle get too many tops, trouble starts," continued Doctor Newson.

"Certainly it would be safer to feed the tops in the field rather than as silage, for then there would be less chance of spreading bacteria."

Molasses Proves of No

Benefit in Fattening

Molasses proves of no benefit in fattening calves where a good balanced rution of high class feeds is used. That is the conclusion arrived at by the Ames experiment station after conducting two tests, using two lots of five calves each in each trial. The average weight of these calves at the start of the first test was 436 pounds and of those used at the start of the second test, 381 pounds. The feeding periods were 270 days and 240 days, respectively.

The check ration in the first test consisted of shelled corn, linseed meal, alfalfa hay, and salt. The second group of cone molasses per head daily after the first 150 days. In the other study. the check ration was similar to the above, except that corn silage and minerals were added and the experimental lot was self-fed cane molasses o addition to this ration after 150

days of feeding. In neither case did the cane molasses increase the rate of gain. The check lots gained 2.42 and 2.32 pounds per head, while those receiving the molasses in addition gained 2.38 and 9.31 pounds per head respectively.

Hogging Down Corn

Tankage or some other protein supplement and minerals is essential if the hog feeder expects rapid gains to be made by hogs when they are harvesting the corn in the field, according to F. L. Quaife of Iowa state

The use of a good protein supplement will speed up gains and make them cost less per pound. A field of clover or alfalfa adjoining the corn which is to be hogged down, or soy beans or rape sown in the corn, makes an ideal combination for hogging

Live Stock Facts

By balancing his ration you can help a hog to do his duty of eating heavily.

Frequent changes of pasture for ewes and tambs will help considerably in controlling stomach worms.

Except for hogs, horses and mules, there was more live stock on the farms of this country on January 1 this year

than at the same time a year ago. It helps materially, in the control of stomach worms, to provide annual pasture crops such as rye or wheat

pasture, sudan grass and rape. Horses and mules doing hard work must have plenty of grain. Horses cannot stand up to hard work on a light grain ration, which forces them

to eat too much hay.

The Big Ten ration figured out by Iowa State college points out an important lesson in swine feeding as they show the need of a variety of proteins combined, rather than a de-

pendence on one or two sources. The loss of pigs at farrowing time frequently amounts to nearly 50 per cent. A considerable part of this loss can be prevented by proper feeding of sows during the gestation period, attention at farrowing time, and providing suitable quarters for the sow

Blair Items

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell entertained most graciously Saturday evening, complimenting their many friends with a lawn party. Those enjoying this hospitality were: Misses Opal Johnson, Mabel Scott, Lucy Moore, Neoma Grayson, Mojessie Clinton, Iva Mae Little, Mattie Lou Nixon, Ruby Grace, Valera Parks. Margie Coats, Lena Lee Demery, Clarece Rosson, Florence Evan, Orene Berry, Bonnie Fae Mathews, Catherine Tittle, Norene Weaver, Fern Evans, Addie Mae Rosson, Olera Wheeler, Myrtle Driggers, Eura Graham, Anna Addison, Vernice Owens, Odena Pribble, Mary Allene Frazier, Lena Bright, Eline Perry, Norwell Evans, Rowena Perkins and Nadine Perry.

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Trent News and

Misses Emma and Opal Nalley, who were called to Kerrville, to be with their sister, Mrs. Walter Biutche, who is ill in the sanatorium there, returned Tuesday and reported her condition improved.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Stevens visited las week with Mrs. Lula Duckett of

Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Bryan had as their guest part of the week, E. W. King of the Rio Grande valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Shelton have closed their cafe here and moved to Abilene where Mr. Shelton will have charge of a barber shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Steadman of Abilene and Mrs. H. H. Jenkins of Merkel visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Steadman Sunday even-

J. A. McRee spent last week in Fort Worth and upon his return he was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Ida Howell, and two little granddaughters, Melba and Jacqueline, who will visit with him for the next month.

C. I. A. where she attended school. Quite a few from here attended services at the First Baptist church at Abilene Sunday to hear the Rev. Charles Taylor. Among those going were Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Beckham, Jas. Bright, Hubert Beckham, Mrs. Buena McLeod, Mrs. Alex Williamson, C. C. Stribling, Misses Ferne Martin and Maurine Smith and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowers and sons.

Isaac Parker and Max Thornton of Post spent the week-end with friends here en route to Abilene to enter business school.

Miss Hattie Joe Crane of Califor- and Miss Retha Freeman. nia visited here last week with her brother, John Crane, and will visit her parents at Greenville before re- and Mrs. Tom Vessel Sunday. turning to the west.

tended the singing at Sweetwater week. Sunday afternoon.

Misses Magdalene Payne and Lillie attend summer school.

Mrs. Watts stopped over here a

Vera, who lives at Belton. Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Brown of Goose Creek were here Sunday. They will visit this week in Seminole with with Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Estep, and then return We want all the families and business here for a visit with Mr. Brown's mother, Mrs. J. A. Brown, and sisters, Miss Winnie Brown and Mrs. B.

W. L. Boyd and family of Hamlin were here a few hours Sunday afternoon, returning from Abilene where they had visited.

Jack Boone has returned to Memphis after a ten days' visit here and

at Temple. Miss Jean McRee has gone to Cisco

where she has accepted a position. A fishing party, who went to the Pecos last week, included Cecil McRee, Joe Nalley, W. E. Hamner, J. E. Bowers, Carl Murdock and Alton Boone.

Miss Elizabeth Winn and little brother, J. B. have gone to Amherst for a visit with their sister, Mrs. H. F. Taylor.

Mrs. M. G. Scott and daughter left | Tuesday to visit her mother at Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe English and baby, Betty Sue, of Lamesa spent the weekend with Mrs. English's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. McLeod. They also visited with other relatives while

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

To honor their sister, Mollie Lesmore McLeod, on her birthday, Mrs. Bud Winter and Mrs. Asha McLeod entertained a few friends Saturday evening in the former's home. Shades

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of pink with white were favored in game accessories and in refreshments. Following games of "42" a basket of Personal Notes lovely gifts was presented to the hon-

> A birthday cake topped with candles was cut and served with ice cream to Fama Maude Johnson, Viola Smith, Fannie Scott, Erma Dean Duncan, Vivian Walker, Mary Jo Howell, Frances Jones, Joe Ella Mc-Howell, Casey Walsh, Bill Springer, sity. Johnnie Terry, Delmer and Elmer

WHITE FLAT NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. George Keagan were

Sweetwater visitors Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sandusky of Merkel, accompanied by Miss Hettie McClanahan of Rising Star, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Nugent and son, Freeland, were in Sweetwater Saturday on business.

Friends have received news of the birth of a baby daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stevens of Big Spring. Bill Mrs. Mary Orr. will be remembered as a former Mer-

Miss Ruby Johnson is home from kel boy. Mrs. J. C. Bickley and children and Mrs. Seth Nugent spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Earl Stevens.

Several from here attended the ball game at Sweetwater lake Sunday af-Misses Ola and Ruth Duncan were

recent guests of Mrs. Earl Stevens. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bickley of Merkel were the houseguests of their son, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bickley and family for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Nugent has as their guests Saturday night, Mr. and Mrs. George Keagan and family

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris and children visited in the home of Mr.

Mrs. Joyce Martin and son Junior Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley and Mr. have returned home from Stanton and Mrs. Carl Murdock and sons at- where they have been visiting the past

The Goodman Spudders have been successful in winning most all the Harris left Sunday for Lubbock to games played this season. Jones pitched a brilliant game Sunday afternoon, giving them victory over the he has been in school this year. few hours Saturday, as she was re- Lake boys, 16 to 6. Umpires for this turning to her home in Coahoma after game were Nugent and Brown. The a month's visit with her daughter, game was attended by four or five children at Hermleigh, Texas.

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Personal Mention

J. S. Thomas is spending two or three weeks in Ballinger.

visiting her cousin, Billie Louise Nix. Leod, John Hamner, Bob and Bud for the summer from Baylor univer-

Miss Viola Collier of Post City is the guest of Miss Hazel Lee Rain-

Roy Elliott from Dallas is visiting

teaching at Coleman, returned home Mr. and Mrs. Noel Moore and baby

J. S. Hutson. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunter and daughters have gone to New Mexico

Mrs. Henry Orr and children of Stanton are the guests of her mother,

Miss Flora Frances Anderson is home for the summer from Texas Christian university,

Mrs. Hamilton Bell was over from atives and friends.

visiting her mother and sister in Arlington and Ferris.

tend the Confederate Veterans reunion at Biloxi, Miss.

B. Smith, last week-end.

ident of Merkel, is here for a two Decoration Day.

T. L. (Tom) Holland, candidate in Port Arthur. for sheriff of Jones county, was a visitor in Merkel this week.

Leaving Saturday, Mrs. W. F.

Graham to join her husband and they and Don Swafford.

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mer to the Rio Grande valley.

Mrs. Amy Sears and Miss Mary last week with her sisters, Mrs. Sam las, as they passed through. J. Nunnally and Mrs. Sam T. Red-

After a visit wih her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Largent, Mrs. W. J. Saffle has returned to her home in Plain-

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dunn and sons spent the week-end in Big Spring with Mrs. Dunn's sister, Mrs. Bayard Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell and

family spent Sunday in Abilene, the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Sam Redwine. While visiting her brother in Ab-

ilene, Miss Ruth Brittain of Gatesville came over for a brief visit with friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Mack Buzbee and Mrs.

Pick Allen spent last week-end with their sister, Mrs. Cowan Hudson in San Angelo. Misses Alleyne Riley and Gladys

Middleton left Sunday for Denton to attend the North Texas State Teachers college.

Bell will be present for the gradua- City. J. L. McLean left Tuesday to at- tion of J. J. Russell, Jr., from the

from Hamlin where she was called Mrs. Ben Campbell and Pierce Hor- made only two stops, at Midland and ton attended the district meeting of Big Spring. Mrs. J. J. Stallings, a former res- rural route carriers in Ballinger on

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cypert, ac-Mrs. N. Causseaux, Mrs. George companied by Mrs. George Woodrum Overton and J. R. Gunn are visiting and two children, left Wednesday to CAKES visit for sometime with their children

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Weir of Abilene were guests Wednesday of Mr. Raymond Earthman has returned and Mrs. S. F. Haynes, meeting from Austin college at Sherman where friends and mingling with the crowds on "Cow Day."

Upon their return to San Antonio fter a brief visit, Paul Causseaux Hamblet will make her home with two after a brief visit, Paul Causseaux and Max Swafford were accompanied Mrs. Lester Kaywood has gone to by William Sheppard, C. V. Shelton

Miss Ima Parrack, who has been Lest you forget, our phone number | After a visit with his parents, attending Simmons, returned to Chil-

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Mrs. J. S. Barnes of Westbrook is visiting her children here.

Elma Mae Gamble is in Fort Worth Miss Allyene Childress is at home

his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Elliott. Miss Minnie Coats, who has been

of Fort Worth are visiting her father,

for two weeks.

Mrs. L. B. Scott and children are tives at Xenia, Ohio.

Stamford visited his mother, Mrs. C.

Mrs. C. P. Stevens has returned by the illness of her sister.

weeks' visit with friends.

relatives in San Antonio.

Austin and will go later in the sum- Parrack, and Mary and Alvin, who were here on a visit.

Miss Mary Anna Mayfield is spend-Eula Sears are in San Antonio, the ing her vacation in Reio Dosa, New guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eyssen. Mexico, having joined the party of Miss Pug Russell visited in Abilene Dr. and Mrs. Lee Scabrorough of Dal-

college.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Darsey of San Angelo, who were over to spend the leson have been visiting her parer. week-end with their parents, were Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Grayson, this accompanied on their return by Mrs. week. Mr. Hill left Sunday morning Darsey's little brother, Billie Bob for Brownwood to enter Daniel Baker Hulsey.

Mrs. R. A. Walker and daughters, Mrs. Hill soon. who returned Wednesday from a visit to Paris, were accompanied by Miss Velma, who has been attending school, and by Ralph Walker, who will visit sometime here.

To be present at the graduation of their sister, Miss Doris Durham, from the College of Industrial Arts, Wren Durham and Miss Tommie went to Denton last week-end. Miss Doris returned with them.

After enjoying a visit from her two Mrs. R. I. Grimes, Miss Mary sisters, Mrs. Lee Davis of Elk City Graham for a week-end visit with rel- Elizabeth and Robert, Jr., left Wed- and Mrs. Joe Van Vacter of Carter, nesday via automobile to visit rela- Okla., Mrs. Forrest Gaither and two daughters accompanied them on their Mrs. J. J. Russell and Miss Nina return for an extended visit in Elk

Mrs. Kirby Beckett and three chil-University of Oklahoma at Norman. dren, the youngest only four months Mr. and Mrs. Henry West, Mr. and old, in coming to visit her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Birdon Smith of Mrs. George West, Miss Melba and flew via SAT plane from El Paso Jack and Dick are spending the week to Sweetwater Thursday morning, in camp on the Llano near Junction. leaving El Paso at 8:30 and arriving R. L. Adcock and family, Mr. and at Sweetwater at 12:05. The plane

> Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson have returned from a visit to Denton, Fort

Worth and Ardmore, Oklahoma. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Miss . Mary, who received her B. S. at the College of Industrial Arts.

T. G. Ferguson, accompanied by Miss Telena Boney of Moorings. two daughters, Misses Jessie and Minport, La., is visiting her sister, Mr. nie, returned Saturday from a vacaand Mrs. R. K. Petit, and expects to tion spent in the Rio Grande Valbe here all summer, as she and Mrs. ley. While away they visited anothe Petit will attend Abilene Christian daughter, Mrs. I. D. Simpson, at M Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill of B college where he will be joined by

Mr. and Mrs. Len Sublett have as their guests besides her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Christopher, her aunt, Mrs. Merial Turner of Austin, her cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Huff of Hobart, Okla., and her three sisters: Mrs. Ralph Stewart of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thornton of Abilene and Mrs. Bryan McPherson of Los Angeles, Calif.

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