

WTU Now Serving 118 West Texas Cities

Abilene, July 17.—With the recent acquisition of Hartley, Texline, Dumas and Stratford in the Panhandle section, the West Texas Utilities company is now serving 118 prosperous cities, towns and communities in 45 counties of West Texas.

In addition to these four towns, two others, Eola and Flomont, have been added to the steadily increasing list of West Texas towns served by this company. Recently increased activities in the expansion program of the West Texas Utilities company have been very favorably met with by the towns, two of which, Texline and Stratford, formerly operated municipally owned plants and a third, Dumas, received electricity from a privately owned plant. The remaining three towns are receiving their first electric current from this company.

All six of these towns are being served with electricity; three of them, Dumas, Stratford and Texline, are being served with water. In addition to the above two utilities, Dumas is also receiving gas from this company.

First Traffic Signals Further Befog London

London, July 17.—The introduction of London's first electric traffic signals on the corner of Ludgate Circus and Fleet street Saturday morning caused the worst traffic jam the busy crossing has ever seen. Tens of thousands of employes returning home at noon appeared to be fascinated by the red, amber and green lights, and crowded the sidewalks so densely that pedestrian traffic was obliged to come to a standstill while the mob watched the flashing stop and go signals. Auto drivers, on the other hand, were confused by the new system and repeatedly blocked the road by trying to turn corners when they should have been standing still and standing still when they should have been moving.

A dozen cops labored energetically, attempting to straighten out the tangle and keep the vast streams of buses, trucks, taxis and horse drawn vehicles moving, while a patrolman stood on a miniature platform majestically manipulating the lights. After a strenuous day's work the traffic cops who had worked on the corner were forced to admit that the signals hindered more than helped the problem, but they are hopeful that drivers will soon become accustomed to the system.

Head hunting is still the main occupation of cannibal tribes of the Upper Amazon; the captured heads are shrunk until they are as small as oranges, and then kept as ornaments.

The furniture industries in the United States have a combined annual output of \$300,000,000.

SWEETWATER MAN ENDORSES IT

Gibs Says Improvement Has Been Wonderful Since Taking Argotane.

Rivalling the tremendous sweep with which it is spreading over the entire United States, the fame of the celebrated medicine, Argotane, is growing in Texas by leaps and bounds, since its introduction here a few months ago. Thousands of the best known and most highly respected citizens of the Lone Star State are now taking Argotane and testifying daily to the remarkable benefits they are obtaining from its use.

Mr. M. W. Gibs, a well known employe for the Gulf Refining Co., residing on 700 E. Broadway, Sweetwater, Texas, and who has been a resident of this section for many years, makes the following interesting statement regarding the great benefits he has received from taking Argotane:

"Since the early part of 1927, I have been troubled with my stomach and habitual constipation. Most everything I ate would disagree with me, and sour, and cause gas and I got so nervous that it was impossible for me to get what you might call a good night's rest.

"I have now taken two bottles of Argotane and my improvement has been wonderful. The gaseous condition is gradually disappearing, my head is clearing and I don't have the constipation like I did. Those cramps in my stomach that used to make me feel so drowsy, are a thing of the past and my nerves are as steady as a rock. My appetite has improved greatly and I haven't a sign of indigestion any more. My wife is delighted over my improvement and says she now feels like taking Argotane herself."

Genuine Argotane may be bought in Merkel at the City Drug Store.

Sinclair Will Open Fort Worth Offices

Fort Worth, Texas, July 17.—The Sinclair Oil company will establish its southwestern headquarters in Fort Worth Oct. 1, in the Dulaney building, now nearing completion at Fifth and Main streets, to be known in the future as the Sinclair building, it was announced Friday.

The Sinclair company recently has acquired the Pierce Petroleum company. The territory to be included under the local direction includes Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Movement of the company headquarters will bring 450 families to Fort Worth, according to announcement by J. W. Carnes, New York, vice president in charge of sales, who visited in Fort Worth this week in company with the following company officials: Lloyd P. Lochridge, New York, manager of the lubricating sales division, and W. T. Dinkins, sales manager of the Pierce division at St. Louis.

Lochridge is a former Texan and once was editor of the Austin Statesman.

Mr. Dinkins will be in charge of the office here.

The company will establish sales offices, production, crude oil purchasing, pipe line and telegraph departments here, and has taken a long time lease on five floors of the new building.

One Lot of Wash Dresses half price at Brown's Bargain Store.

THE TOWN DOCTOR

(Continued from Page One) through your town is worth an average of five dollars, if you stop them. For every 100 you stop you have fifteen thousand dollars worth of cash business that you wouldn't otherwise get. You won't stop them if you don't try—if you don't ask them to stop, give them a reason why they should stop, and then sell them when they do stop.

You who are not in business may say, "that would be fine for the gas station, restaurants and hotels, but where would I get anything out of it?"

In the first place do not be misled into belief that motorists spend their money only with such firms. Expense accounts of thousands of them tell a different story. But regardless of that, you can't make money unless your neighbors does; and if only \$15,000 a month is added to the gross business of the community you will get yours—enough at least to pay you to lend your effort to sell the traveler on Merkel.

Don't "let down" this summer. If you are "let out," all right; but the fellow who doesn't "let down" is seldom "let out."

This Town Doctor Article, one of a series of fifty-two, is printed by the Merkel Mail in cooperation with the Merkel Lions Club.

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Mail want ads pay dividends.

Aguinaldo to Marry. Manila.—Gen Emilio Aguinaldo, who led the Philippine revolt against the United States in 1899, is reported about to marry Miss Maria Agoncillo, sister of Gregorio Agoncillo, wealthy land owner of Bantangas province. Aguinaldo has been married twice.

VOTE FOR



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104th Judicial District

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The Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Merkel

Close of Business June 30, 1930.

RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand	\$322,206.77
Warrants (City of Merkel)	5,000.00
Bills of Exchange Cotton	1,271.14
Overdrafts	179.56
Real Estate	13,357.79
Furniture and Fixtures	6,750.00
Stock in Fed. Res. Bank	2,250.00
5% Redemption Fund	312.50
CASH and U. S. BONDS	137,307.41
Total	\$488,635.17

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided Profits	16,132.96
Dividend Account	2,000.00
Circulation	6,250.00
Bills Payable	NONE
Rediscouts	NONE
Other Borrowed Money	NONE
DEPOSITS	389,252.21
Total	\$488,635.17

The above statement is correct,

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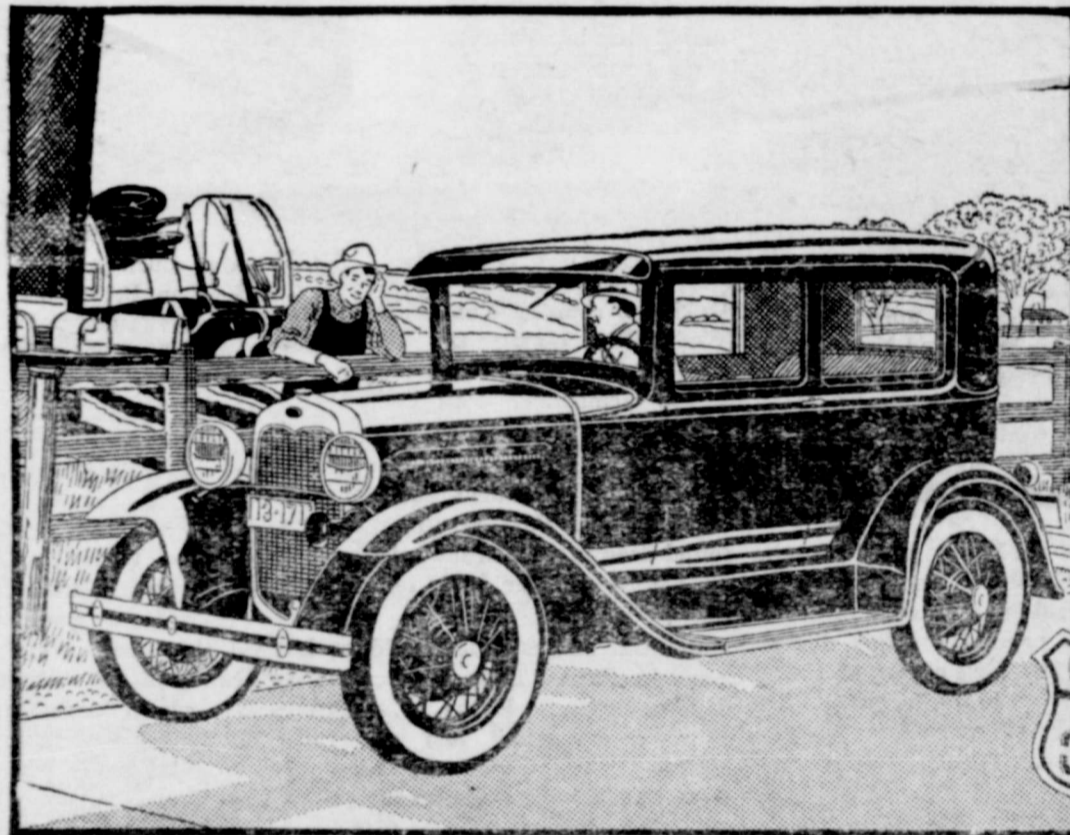
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Coupe	495
Sport Coupe	525
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Three-window Fordor Sedan	600
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MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

Unemployed Warned From Boulder Dam

Washington, July 17.—A warning to the unemployed against going to the site of the \$165,000,000 Boulder dam project for jobs that do not exist was issued Saturday through the office of Secretary Wilbur.

All the available jobs for the preliminary work have been filled, it was said, and it may be three or four months before contractors are preparing large forces for the construction work. Notices will be given in time that construction is ready to proceed.

Plans for construction, to begin as early as possible, are going ahead on the \$10,660,000 initial appropriation congress made for the work.

Bathtubs No Place To Store Gasoline

San Francisco, July 17.—Bathtubs, Capt. Theodore Trivett, local fire prevention chief, has pointed out, are to sing in, and not for gasoline storage.

Motorists have been reported to the fire prevention bureau as purchasing gasoline during the price war and storing it away in bathtubs against the day when prices will again become normal.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to express my thanks to the good friends at Merkel for many deeds of kindness shown me in many ways; many letters I could not answer in words; many cards of cheering words; sweet flowers of love, and especially do I thank all who lifted their voices to God in prayer and God heard these voices in my behalf and He has given me strength unbelievable. May God's blessing abide with you all.

Mrs. R. L. Bradshaw.

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Parents Quadruplets Sue Pathe Sound News

Beaumont, July 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Perricone, parents of quadruplets, all boys now eight months old, have filed suit against the Pathe sound news, based on alleged failure of the company to incorporate an appeal for financial aid for the babies in the picture of them. Damages aggregating \$115,000 were asked.

The plaintiffs claimed the company told them Premier Mussolini of Italy was interested in the babies and would send valuable gifts to them and also presents would be forwarded by the general public after the picture was exhibited.

Thirty Conversions.

The revival meeting at Nubia closed Sunday night with thirty conversions and reclamations. The pastor, Marvin Williams, did the preaching. Sunday night Nubia witnessed an old time revival with twenty-two conversions. The shouts of many people were heard. The meeting at Blair starts this Friday, the 18th, and Brother T. C. Willett form Merkel will do the preaching.

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 spec-

Postal Carrier Ends A 200,000-Mile Walk

Boston, July 17.—Long distance runners, marathon dancers, iron-man auto drivers and endurance aviators have come and gone, but Cornelius J. Horan has walked on, and on, for 42 years.

Saturday, Horan, at the age 66, was finishing his last stretch of hiking for Uncle Sam as a Boston mail carrier, and that night he was retired with, postal officials estimated, more than 200,000 miles of mail routes behind him. All straightened out and pieced together, they would make a mail route reaching nearly to the moon.

The first "teacherage" in Texas was built in Gaudalupe county, and Texas now leads all the states in their number and value with 1,293 for white and 37 for negro teachers. The one at McAllen, costing \$40,000, is the costliest, but the average cost is \$1,160 for whites and \$1,560 for negroes.

One Texas gas field—there are several others, some almost or quite as important—is estimated to have 8,000 billion cubic feet in available reserve.

Texas ports in 1929 handled 9,954,922 tons of exports and 1,421,699 tons of imports, valued respectively at \$699,384,268 and \$32,003,268. Petroleum products supplied 56.3 per cent of the exports and cotton 13.7 per cent.

Try a Classified Ad in the Mail

Sousa Slips As Liner Docks And Is Injured

New York, July 17.—John Phillip Sousa, famous bandmaster, returning from Europe, slipped on a companionway of the Leviathan as the liner was docking Saturday morning and was knocked semiconscious. Four stitches were taken to close a gash above his ear.

Attendants aboard the ship went to Mr. Sousa's aid as he fell and carried him to the ship's hospital. He was quickly revived.

When the surgical measures were completed, Mr. Sousa attended to his debarkation as if nothing had happened. He is 76.

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MR. H. C. SHERMAN.

Any medicine that can win more than a million friends in seven years must have merit, and that is exactly what Konjola has done. You wonder why Konjola has become a household word? Well, read what Mr. H. C. Sherman, painting contractor, of Goddard, Kansas, says:

"Konjola proved to be a wonderful medicine in my case. Last July I was hurt in an automobile accident, and was in the hospital many weeks. When I got out, I was in a badly run down condition had rheumatism in the shoulder, arm and hand, and my stomach was out of order. I suffered terrible pains, and medicines did me no good. The many endorsements of Konjola led me to try it, and six bottles of this wonderful medicine made me able to resume my work. I am feeling better in every way than for a long time."

Konjola's 32 ingredients work together, battling at their very source, the causes of stomach, liver, kidney and bowel troubles, and of rheumatism, neuritis and nervousness.

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

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Periods of Depression have ever been followed by THRIFT—which means prosperity.

The business pendulum will certainly swing to the other side of the arc.

I heard a man say to-day that he bought land here at \$3.50 an acre some years ago, and that it was his own fault that he did not own any land. It's going to be your fault—and you are going to have to admit it later if you do not invest NOW.

Let me know what you want and I will find it at a Bargain Price.

List with me what you have to sell and I will get the best offer possible. Do not wait for foreclosure—sell while you have an opportunity to salvage some equity.

A good time to INSURE is when things are dry as tinder—when water supplies are low—when windstorms and hail have been all around us. NOW is the time to carry 100% INSURANCE.

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to us daily to serve new depositors who have accepted the testimony of our patrons concerning the convenience and pleasure of banking here.

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SALE—One-half or all of Block F. Haynes addition to Merkel; \$25,000 for entire block; will trade for property in Brady or Corpus Christi. Ramsey, Brady, Texas.

LE OR LEASE—179 acres Vol Martin, 6437 Eighth Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

SEE HARRY BARNETT for anything in the McCormick-Deering line. Adams and Leverett, Abilene, Texas.

FOR SALE—425 bundles of Sudan 4 1-2 cents per bundle, delivered in town. Enquire at Delaney-Delmer Chevrolet Co.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—New stucco five room residence all utilities, gas, lights, city water, sewer connection, etc. Close to school and church. \$12.50 per month. See G. W. Boyce.

FURNISHED APARTMENT for rent. Mrs. Duncan Briggs.

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished house about six blocks south on Rose st. Mrs. J. C. Walton.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Bundle of bedding Tuesday between Merkel and Stith. Please return to Farm Bureau Gin and receive reward.

LODGE NOTICES

Merkel Chapter Royal Arch Masons meets on first Thursday night of each month. Visitors cordially invited
Joe Hartley, H. P.
C. L. Boswell, Sec'y.

July 31 Time Limit Students to Transfer

Children, who now live outside the Merkel Independent School district or who when the school census was taken in March lived in another district and wish this coming year to attend the Merkel schools should transfer before July 31. This may be done by the parents securing transfer blank from County Superintendent M. A. Williams at Abilene, W. O. Boney, or Superintendent Burgess at his office any afternoon after two o'clock. Do this by July 31.

Only children under eighteen and over six years of age may transfer. Children must have been enumerated to be eligible to transfer. If from another county, child must live in an adjoining district to Merkel in order to transfer.

Children living in the Merkel district, of course, are entitled to attend free for the entire school term. Those living outside the Merkel district who transfer are entitled to as many months' free tuition as the state and county money will pay for. Last year this was four months in the grades and three months in high school. After this they pay regular tuition rates for the remainder of the term.

This should be attended to by July 31.

"Slim" Morton Accepts Job at Sweetwater

Terminating 12 years service as cashier in the local office of the Texas and Pacific railway, A. Morton was checked out on Friday of last week, when the situation was discontinued by the company.

Mr. Morton began duty on Wednesday morning of this week as cashier of the same company at Sweetwater and will remove his family to that city at an early date.

"Slim," as he is familiarly known to everybody in Merkel and this section, has made a host of friends during his long and loyal service with the railroad here and will be greatly missed, especially in business circles.

Judges in Abilene Contest.

Three Merkel citizens, Mrs. J. T. Warren, Mrs. Charles H. Jones and I. R. Thompson, were judges in the Yard and Garden contest at Abilene, which has closed. They made their inspections Wednesday morning from a selected list of 14 contestants out of the entire field.

Will Serve Dinner Election Day.

The ladies of the Woman's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will serve dinner on Saturday, July 26, election day in the building just east of Ferrier's Service station, between the latter and Dunning's Drug Store. The price is to be 35 cents and everyone is invited.

ANNOUNCEMENTS POLITICAL

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

For District Attorney 2nd district: J. R. (Bob) BLACK, (Re-election.)

For District Attorney 104th district: EMMETT ROBINSON.

W. J. CUNNINGHAM, (Re-election.)

For Sheriff: H. T. O'BAR, (Re-election.)

C. R. (Chas.) WALDROP.

N. L. SEALE.

BURL 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-election.)

For County Attorney: GRAY BROWNE.

WILEY L. CAFFEY.

For County Superintendent: M. A. WILLIAMS, (Re-election.)

C. L. BLANKENSHIP.

For State Representative, 116th district: R. M. WAGSTAFF.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2: W. H. FRAZIER.

P. A. DILTZ, (Re-election.)

W. L. BLAIR.

RUFE TITTLE.

JOHN J. TOOMBS.

For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5: S. A. (Sam) BANKSTON.

I. N. BROWN.

DENT GIBSON.

DENZEL COX.

A. D. FULTON.

T. D. COMPTON.

HOUSTON ROBERTSON.

TAX RATE FIXED

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is increased 6 cents, making a total of 3 cents over that of last year.

A VERY LOW RATE.

"This is an exceedingly low rate for a county having the improvements Taylor county has. I know of several West Texas counties that are paying a road bond tax as high as Taylor's entire county-wide rate."

The commissioners also set the following rates to care for district road bonds: District one, 4 cents per \$100; district two, 8 cents; district three, 8 cents; district four, 18 cents; district five, 28 cents, and district six, 36 cents.

Rates for local maintenance and bond indebtedness of rural schools, recommended by the district trustees of each school and certified by the county superintendent, were also approved.

The school districts, with rates for maintenance and bonded indebtedness on the \$100 valuation follow: Hamby, 55-45; Colony Hill, 50-25; Cedar Gap, 85-15; Rogers, 75-25; Moro, 50-25; Valley Creek, 75-25; Elm Grove, \$1; Buffalo Gap, 80-20; White Church, 75-25; Wyffe, 70-30; Salt Branch, 90-10; Bluff Creek, 85-15; Cedar Creek, 90-10; Ovalo, 80-20; Shep, 85-15; Pleasant Hill, 50-25; Castle Peak, 85-15; IXL, 80-20; Butman, 95-15; Elmdale, 50-50; Lisman, 90-10; Blair, 60-40; Mewey, 70-30; Union Ridge, 80-20; Cross Roads, 85-15; Iberis, 85-15; Mulberry, 85-15; Hillside, 85-15; Bethel, 85-15; Mount Pleasant, 75-25; Neill, 75-25; View, 85-15; New Hope, 60-15; Tye (Independent) \$1; Caps (Independent) \$1; Drasco, \$1; Turner Chapel, 75 cents.

Sink or Swim Order.

Neptune, N. J.—Policemen here have been given until August 15 to learn to swim or quit the force.

Rat's Bite is Fatal.

Midland.—J. R. Block, 48, died here Friday from poisoning caused by a bite on his foot by a rat.

Kick of Mule Fatal.

Corsicana.—J. E. Red, 53, of Kerns died her Thursday of injuries received Sunday when kicked by a mule.

Man Falls Eighty Feet.

Beaumont.—J. W. Vatter fell eighty feet from a building here Saturday and received a fracture of both wrists.

Skin from baby sharks, so costly that it is sold by the inch, is the latest novelty in feminine footwear in Paris.

The largest insect known, now extinct, was a dragon fly, which had a wing spread measuring two feet.

Possibilities of an European postal union, with lower international rates, are being studied by a federal commission in France.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

Lubbock Next Host West Texas Editors

The West Texas Press Association closed its fifth annual convention at Abilene at noon Saturday after selecting Lubbock as the 1931 meeting place. Cisco and Mineral Wells lost to the plains city after J. C. Watson of Stamford had withdrawn his town's candidacy and seconded the nomination of Lubbock.

W. S. (Bill) Cooper, editor of the Colorado Record, was advanced from the vice presidency to the presidency in succession to Eddie Warren of Post, Charlie Guy of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal was named vice president to take Mr. Cooper's place. George F. (Jimmie) Smith of the Scurry County Times of Snyder was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

The association went on record in resolutions as condemning the practice of foreign advertising agencies in flooding the newspapers with free publicity which they expected newspapers to publish in consideration of advertising contracts.

Frank E. Burkhalter of the department of Journalism, Baylor University, was the principal speaker of the day, his subject being "Outstanding Community Service."

Saturday afternoon the visiting editors and publishers took part in a golf tournament at the Abilene Country Club.

Other entertainment features of the two-day session included a luncheon at the Wooten hotel Friday noon, at which the West Texas Utilities company was host, and a banquet Friday evening, also at the Wooten hotel, given by the Abilene Reporter-News and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce.

Sunday's Heat Goes Year's Highest Mark

A week of extremely hot weather all over the central, midwest and southern states, which caused several scores of deaths by heat prostrations, was climaxed Sunday when the mercury at the Abilene weather bureau reached 104 at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. This was the highest climb of the year and equalled the record marked up in 1929. For six successive hours, the temperature was 100 or above. The mercury ran into three figures at an even 100 at 2 o'clock; at 3 o'clock it touched 102, breaking previous records for the year; it had gained another point at 4 o'clock and still another at 5, the peak being at this hour; by 6 it had dropped to 101, where it stayed until 7, finally dropping into the 90's again at 8 p. m.

It was not until Monday night that relief was felt in this section when a light wind out of the north was noted.

Those in position to know give it as their opinion that so far cotton is standing the hot weather in very good shape, in fact, not suffering at all at the present time, but the condition of the feed crops is undoubtedly serious, although rain within a few days would help the latter considerably.

Prominent Dallas County Farmer Dies

Dallas, July 18.—Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon for Henry W. Coit of Renner, Dallas County, one of North Texas' best known farmers, active in agricultural work and civic affairs here, at the Frankfort Cemetery, near Addison. Mr. Coit died Saturday morning at a local sanatorium after an illness extending over several months.

The services attracted to the cemetery several hundred friends of the Coit family. The Rev. E. C. Routh of Oklahoma City, formerly of Dallas, conducted the services, and was assisted by the Rev. T. B. Harrell of Dallas.

Mr. Coit was buried beside the body of his wife, who was buried there just nine years and nine days before him.

All of Mr. Coit's children were at the services. They are Henry C., R. B. and William H. Coit of Renner, John C. Coit of Dallas, Mrs. Leslie Rogers of Vinton, La., and Mrs. Paul Williams of Houston.

Mrs. Henry C. Coit, wife of one of the sons, was here with her children, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren, and Mr. Warren drove Mrs. Coit and two children to Dallas for the funeral services.

Outwitting two bands of men, Sheriff McKinney of Collingsworth county, disguised as an oil field worker, brought Jesse Lee Washington, negro, charged with the slaying of Mrs. Henry Vaughn, near Shamrock, last Friday, to Pampa and placed him in the Gray county jail. The negro was chained inside the sheriff's car.

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POULTRY

GROWING CHICKS NEED VITAMINES

Cod Liver Oil, Milk and Grass Urged.

Give your poultry yellow corn, cod liver oil, milk and leafy feeds for vitamins, recommends the poultry department of the New York State College of Agriculture. Chicks need vitamins for health and growth and are more sensitive to a lack of these vitamins than most animals. Growing chicks need them more than mature birds.

Of the three principal vitamins for chicks, vitamin A is found abundantly in such foods as yellow corn, green vegetables, cod liver oil and milk. Lack of this vitamin in the diet will retard and stunt growth and will lower resistance to disease.

Vitamin B which maintains the health of the nervous system is found in the outside covering of cereals, in green vegetables, and in milk. A lack of this vitamin affects the organs of digestion and reproduction, and the nervous system.

Vitamin D, or the anti-rickets vitamin, hardens the bones of growing chicks and prevents leg weakness. To prevent rickets feed cod liver oil or eggs or allow the chicks to run out in the sunlight every day. Sunshine has the same effect on chicks as does vitamin D in their food. Window glass filters out the valuable rays of sunlight so cod liver oil must be fed when the windows are kept closed or even when the chicks are outside, if the weather is cloudy the greater part of the time. Feed one-half pint of cod liver oil to each 100 pounds of grain and mash. Unrefined cod liver oil from a reliable company is just as efficient as refined oil and is much cheaper.

Cod liver oil tends to lose its value when exposed to the air, so mix fresh lots of mash every week or two. Mix the cod liver oil in a small amount of bran or mash with the hands and then add this to the main pile and shovel the pile over several times until it is evenly distributed. It is usually advisable to feed cod liver oil during the first ten weeks of spring rearing. Cod liver oil should be stored in a cool dark place in closed containers.

Feed for Chicks to Be Raised for Broilers

Chicks to be raised for broilers or roasters should be fed as other chicks are up to the time of finishing for their special purposes. What are called growing mashers and the usually fed hard grains are given to produce sturdy frames upon which fat may be deposited later in the finishing process. There are any number of formulas for these, all suitable and each preferred by some poultrymen. There are excellent commercial mixtures and formulas are given from time to time in these columns. Broilers are usually sold at from eight to twelve weeks of age and, during the last ten days or two weeks of that time are penned up and fed upon a special fattening ration, of which cornmeal makes up the greater part. If milk in some form is added in liberal quantity to this ration, the quality of the product is improved.

Vitamine D Important for Egg Hatchability

Birds that have access to direct sunlight will generally produce eggs of greater hatchability than birds that are deprived of this aid. Sunlight furnishes the vitamin D which is important. Experiment stations have not proved that cod liver oil is as effective as direct sunlight in providing this vitamin, but as sunshine is not available at all times, the majority of hatcheries require that the hatchery flocks receive cod liver oil in their ration. The addition of green alfalfa or clover hay is also an aid in supplying the vitamins needed. The use of glass substitutes on the hen houses will also aid in giving the hens outdoor conditions, even though the weather may not be suitable.

Avoid Cold Nests

A cold nest with cold eggs will often cause a good hen to stop setting. Let her warm the nest first, then place under her, eggs that have stood in a warm room for several hours. A piece of sod the size of the nest box and about four inches thick, turned grass side down, will hold the heat, and keep the moisture from leaving the eggs too rapidly when hens are setting. Make a slight rounded hollow in the center of the dirt, then put in a layer of chaff or short straw.

Don't Feed in Litter

D. C. Henderson, poultry extension specialist at South Dakota state college, says that since bacillary white diarrhea and coccidiosis can be spread only through the mouth and digestive tract of the chick, hopper feeding, as opposed to the feeding of mash and grain in the litter, may be one of the best preventive measures in combating these diseases. It is recommended that the first few feeds be given on clean newspapers, with hoppers or boxes for subsequent feedings.

FARM POULTRY

GOOD POINTERS ON FEEDING CHICKS

Use Mash Mixture From Time Chicks Are Born.

Start feeding the mash mixture to chicks when they are 36 to 48 hours old and allow constant access to it until they reach maturity, says the New York state college of agriculture. Provide plenty of feeding space and feed in such amounts that fresh mash can be fed twice daily.

The mash mixture recommended by the college contains 45 pounds of yellow corn meal, 10 pounds of wheat bran, 15 pounds of flour wheat middlings, 10 pounds of fine ground heavy oats, 2 pounds of steamed bone meal, 1/2 pound of salt, 10 pounds of meat scrap, 50-55 per cent protein, and 10 pounds of dried skim milk or buttermilk. If fine ground heavy oats cannot be obtained, yellow corn meal may be substituted for the oats. The dried milk may be omitted from the mash when liquid or condensed milk products are used.

When the chicks are eight weeks old, begin feeding the grain mixture, composed of 60 pounds of cracked yellow corn and 40 pounds of wheat in hoppers. Keep it constantly before the chicks. They should not eat as much scratch grain by weight as mash until three months old. Restrict the amount of grain if necessary to make them eat more mash.

Fine grit may be given from the start. Provide oyster shells after the chicks are four months of age or when they begin to show evidence of reaching maturity. When sunshine enters the house through glass, mix one-half pound or one-half pint of cod liver oil into every 100 pounds of mash during the period when mash is fed. Afterwards feed enough cod liver oil to equal one-half pound for each 100 pounds of total feed used.

Ducklings Overfed on Concentrated Feeds

Ducklings may be overfed upon concentrated foods. They should have some tender green food in their ration and sand for grit. A recommended ration is equal parts of rolled oats and bread crumbs, with a little sand, moistened with water for the first three days after they are at least thirty-six hours old and, after the third day equal parts of bran and cornmeal added to this mixture. After the first week, two or three parts of bran, one part each of cornmeal and wheat middlings, 5 per cent (one-twentieth part) high-grade meat scrap and 10 per cent (one-tenth part) chopped green food. A little sand should also be added.

Fowls' heads turn dark as the result of any one of several internal diseases, the nature of which would require an examination of the organs to disclose.

Hatchability of Eggs

Do not set eggs that are older than a week or ten days. Hatchability decreases rapidly after the eggs are ten days old, and the chicks hatched are apt to be low in vitality. A room temperature of about 50 degrees is best for eggs which are being saved for hatching. To lessen the work of turning the eggs while saving, they should be placed in a 15-dozen case which should be turned over one side a day. This means work, but it pays well in the end.

Poultry Facts

Keep comfortable temperature under hover for chicks.

Do not keep chicks of different ages under the same hover.

Use feed that has proved satisfactory by feeding tests.

Use clean dry sand or litter on floor. Clean every week and more often if needed.

Separate cockerels from pullets as early as possible or before chicks are ten weeks old.

When the poultry range is idle, it is a good plan to have a crop of oats growing therein.

Use hopper and water fountains that will not allow chicks to get in feed or water with feet.

Locate brooder house on ground that has had no chickens or chicken manure on it for the past year.

When it is not possible to keep the birds from ranging on a certain area, frequent plowing, diskng and liming are essential.

Like chicks, goslings should not be fed until really necessary, about thirty-six hours is best. They do not eat much for the first few days.

Recent experiments at the University of Kentucky have shown that high hatchability was secured when hens were allowed bluegrass range throughout the season.

Boy "Wants Drink"—Oratory Is Halted

Longview, July 17.—Political oratory was halted here Friday night when the thirst of a 2-year-old boy was quenched.

J. H. (Cyclone) Davis, his voice ringing sharp and clear, was delivering a tirade against chain stores. His speech was being delivered in favor of Earle B. Mayfield.

A child succeeded in slipping away from its mother and ambled up to the speaker's platform. He stood a few minutes and watched and listened to the veteran politician. Mr. Davis' long, flowing white beard attracted the child's fancy.

Then, "Grandpa, gave me a dink of water." The crowd laughed. Mr. Davis, unfazed, stopped his speech long enough to give the baby a drink.

"Thank you." And the speaker resumed his talk as the mother came forward for her son.

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Trent News and Personal Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Cogburn and children of Fort Worth came Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Cogburn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sherman. They will also visit Mr. Cogburn's parents at Merkel.

Miss Mediah Rawlings is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Pearl Hollingsworth, in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Terry and children, A. C. Terry and Miss Estelle Terry, and W. A. Terry of Meridian spent Sunday in Stephenville. They were accompanied home by Allen Terry, who has been attending John Tarleton college.

Mrs. Bessie Billings and Mrs. Cecil Rutherford and little son of Abilene spent Monday here with relatives and friends. Mrs. G. McLaughlin accompanied them home for an extended visit.

Misses Florence Boyd of Hamlin and Maurine Harrison of Bowie are guests of Miss Mary Jo Howell this week.

Misses Altus, Denzel and Terry of Meridian are the guests of Homer and A. C. Terry.

Mrs. Sam Jones had as her guests this week Mr. and Mrs. Will Jones and their two sons, Willie and Floyd, of Roxton.

Honoring Mrs. H. F. Taylor, nee Miss Rita Mae Winn, and Miss Helen Matheny, Miss Estelle Terry was a recent luncheon hostess. Other guests were Miss Fannie Scott and Viola Smith. For the afternoon entertainment they motored to Abilene for a movie at the new theater.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian, Misses Marjory Adrian and Marie Swann and Ted Norton of Big Spring went to Christoval Sunday. Mr. Adrian returning home Sunday night, the others remaining over for the week to camp and enjoy the encampment.

Quite a few from here attended the encampment at Lueders Sunday, among them being Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Beckham, James Bright, Mrs. Alex Williamson and son, Mark, Miss Thelma Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods and Mr. and Mrs. B. Winn.

Grandpa Terry is visiting his son, W. E. Terry, of Meridian.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kelly of Farwell are visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Moore and children are guests of James Bright.

Hubert Beckham is on a fishing trip at Creed, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe English of Lamesa spent the week-end here with relatives and friends.

Mrs. English of Hermleigh was the recent guest of her daughters, Mesdames Dingle and Winn.

Miss Naomi Rogers of Lamesa visited friends over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crane spent Sunday in Rule.

Merkel Student Wins Junior Scholarship

As one of the ten highest ranking men in the junior class of Southern Methodist university for 1930-1931, Sterling Sheppard, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Sheppard, has been awarded a Junior scholarship, according to the announcement by President Charles C. Seecaman, giving a list of the ten highest ranking men and women in the junior class. The awards, which will be used toward tuition at the university, are based upon scholastic standing for the two years' work at S. M. U., none of the recipients having an average less than B. Sterling's average was 2.350, which is equivalent to B plus.

Recipients of the scholarships given by the board of trustees of S. M. U. are Maurine Jackson, Canton; No-reen Lewis, Dallas; Martha Woods, Franklin; Ann Elizabeth Griffith, Taylor; and Mary Netterville, Ruth Walling, Julia Bonner, Jane Etheridge, Anna Gene Smith, Allene Graf-ton, all of Dallas; John Persons, Grand Saline; Glen McDaniel, Seymour; Joseph Clark, Ennis; Sterling Sheppard, Merkel; Sol Katz, W. E. Goerner, Sherman Kaplan, O. T. Liles, Homer Jack Fisher and Robert Gilbert, of Dallas.

Merkel Dealer Buys 4 Tons Watermelons

Four tons of watermelons—that's a big order, but Ted Nichols and Ralph Duke of the Nichols Ice company brought 250 of Parker county's most luscious melons back with them Wednesday morning in one of the company's huge trucks after a purchasing trip to Weatherford.

The Nichols Ice company has placed these melons in cold storage here and will supply other of their houses also from this shipment.

Songs of the nightingale recently were broadcast from its haunts in the woods of England.

Personal Mention

Miss Nellie Swann is visiting friends in Fort Worth.

Miss Maxie Banner is spending her vacation in Colorado City.

Mrs. M. D. Angus has returned from a visit to Fort Worth.

James Swann has gone to Fort Worth and San Antonio on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hendrix of Commerce are guests of Mrs. J. B. Bell.

Misses Oneda and Zada Bell are visiting friends in Monahans, Texas.

Mrs. M. L. Holden is visiting in Cross Plains with her son, Bert Holden.

Miss Ruby Hughes is spending her vacation at Clyde, Ballinger and Dallas.

Wilkes Holden is the guest of relatives after a visit in Colorado and Roscoe.

W. H. Buzbee and family of Pampa are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Buzbee.

Friends will regret to learn that Miss Olive Garoutte is still on the sick list.

Mrs. Ted McGehee and son, Teddy Joe, of Lubbock spent Sunday and Monday in Merkel.

Mrs. F. A. Polly and son, Winston, visited Linadine Bradshaw of Abilene last week-end.

Howard King has gone to Mason, Texas, where he expects to take a civil service examination.

Mrs. A. M. Dougherty has returned home after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hale, at Floydada.

Miss Venice Bell has returned from Westbrook where she visited with her sister and friends.

John West and family and Jack Dawson West are spending the week in camp at Paint Rock.

After three weeks in Mineral Wells, J. H. Grayson has returned home, much improved in health.

Mrs. T. G. Bragg and Mrs. Dee Grimes and two daughters are spending the week in Glen Rose.

Dr. M. Armstrong has returned from Fort Worth where he was called in a consultation case Monday.

L. B. Scott and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Largent spent the last week-end in camp at Paint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wheeler, Sr., have returned from an absence of several weeks in Fabens, New Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill Martin and Miss Maurine Craddock from Crowford are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bland.

Wayne Dyess and wife are spending the week in Abilene visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones.

R. O. Anderson, accompanied by Courtney Hunt of Haskell, returned Sunday from a business trip to St. Louis.

Mrs. T. C. Bittle and daughter, Miss Eleanor, of San Antonio are the guests of her sister, Mrs. Charles H. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam White and two boys, Bob and Ned, of Stamford were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ben Campbell.

H. E. Spears, Santa Fe agent at Valera, accompanied by his wife and children, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Spears.

Miss Evelyn Leeman of Pecos is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. W. Boyce, and family after visiting in Beaumont, Houston and Galveston.

Mrs. Carson Miles and two children of San Angelo and Mrs. Forest Sears of Snyder are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Swann.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Leach are his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Winfrey, and son, Willard, of Cameronville, Ky.

Mrs. M. M. Leeman of Pecos, who has been visiting in Beaumont, Houston and Galveston, is now the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. W. Boyce, and family.

Messrs. T. G. Bragg, Warren Smith, L. W. Cox, J. S. Thomas and Uncle Bill Sheppard spent several days the first of the week fishing at Paint Rock.

Misses Alzada and Connie Pogue, with their mother, Mrs. Mary Pogue, have returned from a trip to Snyder, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Pogue and other friends.

Guests of Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb are Mrs. Gertie Mae Cobb and two children from Fort Worth, also his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Riddle, of Hamlin.

Leaving Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Hamm and two daughters, Misses Mildred and Beth, were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Guy Darsey of Fort Worth on a trip to Carlsbad Caverns.

D. A. Weiss, formerly field superintendent for the Cosden Oil company, has leased the Brackeen cottage on Oak street and he and Mrs. Weiss are being cordially welcomed into Merkel citizenship.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. R. L. Bradshaw, who has been in a sanitarium at Fort Worth for several weeks, is sufficiently recovered to be moved to the home of her mother there.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Foster have

Sam Bankston Asks Support of Voters

To the Voters of Precinct No. 5:
I regret that owing to the duties of my situation with the city, it has been impossible for me to make a close canvass of the voters of this precinct and hence I am taking this means to thank my friends for their promise of support and their good wishes for my success. I also want to solicit the consideration of every voter in the precinct, asking them to investigate as to my qualifications from my friends and neighbors, and I assure you that I shall appreciate your vote and influence in the coming primary.

Just as a final word, I want to pledge myself, if elected, to an earnest effort to fulfill the duties of the office of public weigher to the utmost of my ability.

Sam Bankston.

gone to Dallas with their daughter for the latter's second radium treatment. They were accompanied by Mrs. Foster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kelly of Farwell.

V. D. Dow, formerly of Dallas and more recently of Abilene, has joined the staff of the West Texas Utilities office here as book-keeper, having leased the S. D. Gamble cottage, and he and Mrs. Dow are being cordially welcomed to our city.

Thos. Johnson, formerly cashier of the Farmers & Merchants National bank here, and now vice-president and cashier of the Collin county National bank at McKinney, with his wife and son, Page, also his wife's sister, were passing visitors here Monday en route home after a visit with relatives at Snyder.

G. A. Hartman, director of the Merkel Booster Band, and his family left Tuesday morning to visit relatives at Big Spring and McCamey.

Dr. Frank Armstrong, wife and baby returned to Fort Worth early in the week after a visit here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Black and daughter, Jannell, also Misses Pearl Elbott and Inez Robbins and Miss Maurine Finch of Nolan, Texas, returned early in the week from a trip to the Carlsbad Caverns. In the party going through with them there were 620, representing 23 states, with Texas in the lead with 370.

Opens Auto Repair Shop.
T. R. Phillips has opened a garage and automobile repair shop on Front street next door to the West building. He came to Merkel about two months ago from O'Donnell and was in the employ of another automobile house here during that time.

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Mesdames Mark Malone, Bob Malone, Jake Reeves and Fay Rene Burks made a flying trip to Clyde Monday. Mrs. Reeves will remain for several days with her daughter, Mrs. John Ray.

Mrs. Perry Meeks of Post City and Mrs. Sam Rosson of Trent attended church services here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Thornton of Caps visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks Sunday.

Pat Addison is spending a few days in Mineral Wells this week.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell entertained a number of her friends with a picnic party to honor her friends, Mrs. John Reynolds, assisted by Mrs. R. E. L. Stutts of Abilene, Mrs. Reynolds of Trent and Mrs. Carl Hughes. Those participating in this enjoyable affair were Mesdames Bert Chambless, W. A. McCandless of Merkel, Jack Latimer, Roy Hunter, James Doan, Lewis Pyles, Eli Brooks, Pat Addison, Herman Doan, John Meeks, Rube Hensley, Clarence Melton, Sam Phillips, Henry Brooks, Riley James, John Latimer, Clyde Deavers, Jim Maddera and Clint Maddera.

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