## THE MERKEL MAIL

## VARD AND GARDEN CONTEST STARTS WITH 30 ENTRIES

Large List of Contestants Indicates Commendable Spirit of
Civic Pride: "Clean-Up Week" Set for April 5 -11, Inclusive.

## The firts llitat of entries in Mererels 





 made friend readily and a large eir. ...... Quartete Will Broadeast



## MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

One day last week T. F. F. Garroutte
who lives north of our city, was the
wictim oi s mishan in some manner it viction ot a misishap in some manner in
which he was dragged by his team he which he was dragged by his team he
was working to a planter. The good
$\qquad$ old citizen suffered severe sprains and
bruises, Mrs. W. E. Garroutte arrived bruises. Mres. W. E. Garroutte arrive
this week to attend his bedside.
Rev. and Mrs. $\overline{\text { J. T. T. L. Annis have }}$
returned from a visit to Stamford returned from a visit to Stamfor
and Abilene. At the latter point he
were guests of Hon. H. A. Tillett.

## Mrs. S. F. Fenny was reported sick at her home six miles east of our city

Sheriift T. C. Weir was up Monday jast to look at his old home towa
get a drink of good pure water.
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week for Tennesee where tey la
week for Tennessee where they go to
attend the bedside of the latter's fath

## a eerlous illness.

Miss Laura Winters was the'guest
of Miss Jesse Sutper sits.
J. G. Sadler and son have gone to Oklahoma for an extended visit. S. C. Keith returned Monday nigh

Dr. J. A. Adkisson will leave short

## Proclamation By Mayor For "Spring Clean-Up Week

Whereas, an annual clean-Up
Campaign has become an inport.
ant medium in each yenr
RODEO CHAMP
HONOR GUEST
AT BIG PARTY

## $\mathbb{K} E E P I \mathbb{N} G \mathbb{U P}$ <br> WITH TEXAS

## on the "Broadway of America"



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## NAZARETHS

I was at Deerfield Academy visiting my boy, and on the way back I
had aņ hour between trains at Northampton. It was Sanday evening. The main street was almost deserted. I walked into a side street and past th little two-family house where Calvin Coofidge lived until a few weeks ago.
I went around to the old building in which he and his law partner I went around to the old building in which he and his law partner used
to have their modest offices. I stood in front of the square town hall. It was interesting to think of the days when he was mayor. One could picture him coming slowly up the street after breakfast.
"Morning, Cal," people would say
'Morning," he would answer
And a stranger in the town would probably have exclaimed: "Is that your mayor, that quiet little fellow? He doesn't look like much."
If any one had suggested that the quiet little fellow might one day be President of the United States, the laughter would have echoed from one
end of Main Street to end of Main Street to the other.
$\qquad$ setts, a merchant in Boston named Frank Stearns began to make the
presidential suggestion. He came to New York and persuaded a few of us Amherst graduates that the thing was not impossible.
Even then the idea was usually greeted with smiles, especially by follks Even then the idea was usually greeted with smiles, especially by folks
in Massachusetts. "That's all right for you fellows in New York,", they said.
him."
And one of the wisest men in the Commonwealth remarked to the son
of Frank Stearns: "Calvin Coolidge is nothing but a figment of your father's imagination.
Nazareth is the immortal illustration of the attitude of the home town.
After Jesus had gone out into the world and become famous; after He had performed His miracles in Capernaeum and even in Jerusalem, He A crowd of His old neighbors greeted Him in the synagogue, but there
was no pride or confidence in their attitude. Their skeptical expretion was no pride or confidence in their attitude. Their skeptical expreasions
spoke louder than wwis. "You may have fooled them in those othor
towns, but we know you. You are only the boy who used to work in the
carpenter shop." And the record says andy, "Te entd the (Continued on Pree Tva)



FINAL INSTALLMENT.,
They could hear the rending, grind-
ing sund of Maggie sobing bittery,
deeply as a child ing sound of Maggie sobbing bitterly,
deopply as a child sobs aña as if her
hert would brek.
The three exchanged glances, and
preently 'Lise The three exchanged glances, and
presently Lizabeth said slowly: "It
seems like we have the worst luck of seems like we have the ",
any famly in this city."
Her mother took Her ${ }^{2}$ n
readily.
P.
Pop, up to this point, had been si-
lent, as Pop gener lent, as Pop generally wa Now, suddenly, he rose to his feet
and dashed to the ground the striped and cashed to the ground the striped
tea cloth he had been using as a nap.
kin. ${ }^{\text {kin. }}$. Mag
"Maggie!" he shouted.
Immediately she was in the kitchen.
"Maggie, weve had enough of this!" "Maggie, we've had enough of this",
satid Lenard Johson, ina loud, au-
thoritative voice. "I can't stand no thoritative voice. " "can't stand no
moro of titand I ain't a-goin' to! You
toke that ate take that towel there and wash your eyes and fix your hair. And, Liz, you
pack your sister some colthes! hhes
got pack your sister some clothes! She's
got seventen mintues -if that cloch's
right-to catch the steamer, and shes right-to catch the steamer, and she's
goin' to catch it: She's gion' to get
married on board toder married on board today, or maxbe
San Francisco or Los Angeles morrow or $\overline{\text { İxt }}$ day-you help her o
there, Ma.
$\stackrel{\text { there, }}{ }$ phene
Len, are you crazy?" Ma began
royally. But Pop, crazy or not, was
at least unafraid.
"You quit talking, Miinnie," he said
sharply, "and get up and stir your
selif," Pop said tenderly, solicitously, to Maggie, guiding her, to the sink,
switching on the cold water, the furi-
ous glare in his
the other wome
to the gentlen
to the gentle
addressed her
hall-montht
You keep your mouthe," closed, said- Liza-
beth, till I kive you beth, till I give yon leave to speak!
Pop interpolated fierely - and you
can geet yourself place you stop. Hurry up there, Ma-
the taxi's lible to get here any min-
Len-it sems like $\mathrm{r}^{\prime}$ going to
faint," said Mrs. Johnson, pausing
竍 pathetically in the act of rushing Mag.
gies black sik dress and her new
clothes sint abeth's best nightgown and the Chi
nesee wrapper she herself had won at
fair
well, you faint, then, but let me "Well, you faint,
get Maggie off first.
Iy and heartlessily. F "Len, don't yell that way!" Ma said
hat
"And we ain't going to miss you,
Maggie, and we ain't going to slump," Maggie, and we an't toing to slump,
ILen interrupted the frightened chorus
to say loudly "Now Lea neerrapted
to say loudly, "
-pat your glove
ain't got but fourteen minute Laughing, crying, but always cling amazing parent, Mary Margaret ha only time to leave a hysterical good
bye with the dog, and the cat, and the Seloved, despised, shabby kitchen, with
its eooling its cooling coffee and congealing
saunares and limp dish towels and sreasy sink,
Then they were all four jammed
into a taxi, and racketing through the Saturday morning streets, past th
chorch, and the market, down the schoolhouse way-among the ware Their talk vas ineoh
guential-monosyllabic. "Can he make itt"
"He says he doesn't know. Depend
on the tratfic on River Street. "This sintt exactly an ideel weddin
dearie.", don't, Pop. Youtl make me
crylv
"ry "Driver, we goin' to make it?",
forward there, Pop, and see can you see the clock at Rubenstein's?" And then, down outside the big fre market, suddenly the agony of a hal An officer's imperative whistle an - But Ma , even though speechless, not entirely without resources. She
licene and the taxi, met the por liceman, and as an interested litte fer could spead, fointed from sheer
femotion, heavily. into his "She's all right-go on," Pop said in an undertone.
Magrie sat back on the seat, hold ing Liz's hand, beginning to breathe "Pop, can we make it"
"We could, dearie, if nothing else
 curb, stopped the car, and uttered racing out from the city, and a sma
aloud the single disqusted word, girl standing bare-headed-in the
 ${ }^{\prime}$ 'Lizabeth Johnson had sprung from $\begin{aligned} & \text { launch, an aureole of gold blowing } \\ & \text { about her head, and her hands clap- }\end{aligned}$ the machine, hailed another taxi,
pushed her father and sister into it pushed her father and sister into it,
and shouted feverishly: "To the Alle. and shouted feverishly: "To the Alle-
gria. Dock seventeen. Quick, now!
TIl stay sol rria. Dock seventeen. Quick, now!
III stay here and pay this man, Pop,"
she said, hurrying them on. "Goodbye, Maggie darling, forgive me if
I've been mean to you, and have rve been mean to you, and have
good time, and don't worry." good time, and don't worry."
Then Maggie and her father were
rushing on again: rushing on again; they had reached
the piers at last, Pier Eleven, Pi The piers at last, Pier Eleven, Pier
Thirteen-still so far to go! And they
could see the big clock could see the big clock saying that the
hour had come and gone. It was the minutes past eleven.
Maggie turned deadly white, but she
managed suranee for her father.
"That's all right, Pop. We did ou best!"" "Maybe they didn't sail on the min-
ate," said the ute," said the new driver encourag-
ingly.: "I've seen 'em twenty minutes
late!"

"I can't go no faster than this,
lady!" the driver said, hurt. "There
ain't many of these cars can jump over

authoritative and decisive man who
was her father. "rll stay with him,
dear. Look out where you go-ah,
God bless your
Gead bless you, my darling!"
"God bless you-and thank you, Pop
dearest!" she whispered.
Then Maggie was running-running
like mad toward the big arched en-
 on the rough, thick, splintery boards
of the dock, and looked through the great arched opening, and saw the ves-
sel, balanced like a beautiful great
swan, not moving now, but far swan, not moving now, but far out on
the blue water.
"The pilot's going to drop her any
minute, now, miss, Ain't that "The pilot's going to drop her any
minute, now, miss. Ain't that a
shame!" said, the baggage boy sympathetically.
The girl did not stir. Her eyes were fixed on:
clasped: Somebody touched her arm, and she
looked up and saw it was Joe's father With him was Joe's mother; she had
been crying, and his father's face


But Maggie did not cry.
gulped, and her wan little face twist into a smile as she said simply:
"I was going with "I was going with him. I couldn't ho's gonene."
"You were father said, sharply.
"Here!" Where are boy?-Mayne's taunghes - they're boy aren't going to be any use apart, Lillian," he said to his wife, smiling, yet blinking tears from his eyes. "Let em both go off to Japan and console
each other!" each other!"
He was
dock, and Maggie found her hands filled with big green bills from Joe's father, and found herself kissing him, and liking the firm, fatherly embracè,
and-much more amazingl-received and-much more amazing!-received
a perfumed, powdery, half-crying kiss from Joe's magnificent mother, too. Shem was helped into a dancing little
She launch, the dirty surface of the water was bubbling close beside her. They
were cleaving a straight track toward were cleaving a straight track toward
the big liner, and Maggie, leaning over the bow of the launch, was straining toward it, was clapping her two hands over her head to attract its attention,
to hold it one minute-one half-minto hold it
The pilot's tug was alongside, ready to cast off from the sheer great side
of the steamer; a rope ladder dangled
from the high steerage deck of the
ed high above it, like the han
small martyr at the stake.
And
and

Then-so quickly that !"
the whole long voyage, with the bliss
fu! young bride and groom affordin
fu! young bride and groom affording
a reminder before their very eyes
some of the

the tug, and there was a double screan
of "Maggie!" and "Joe!" and the two
arms, añ̈̄̈s crying-not but what every
ono else was crying, too.
They stood on the rocking tug
for whole minutes-minutes-minut
and the world looked on, and laughed,
and wiped its eyes, and they neithe
knew nor cared. And it was only
when the great Allegria actually blew
her whistle and the little tug blew hers
that Joe put his arm about Mary Mar-
garet Johnson and said, dazedly a
happily, without moving his hung
eyes from her exquisite and radi
eyes from her exquisite and radiant
face:
"Come on, darling, we've got a lot
to do -we've got to start to Japan, and
get married, and have lunch, and talk,
and everth
and everything!"
And then they negotiated the ro
And then they negotiated the rope
and-plank ladder, and the passenger
made an aisle across the deck fo
made an aisle across the deck for
them.
"We're going to have a wedding,
some time this afternoon," Joe said
excitedly, and proudly and youthfully,
some time this afternoon," Joe said
execitedyy and proudly and youthfully,
to the lingering groups that simply
to the lingering groups that simply
couldn't disperse in the face of this
fascinating drama and comedy in
"And you're all invited!"
"Oh, thank you-thank
"Oh, thank you-thank
you!" Maggie whispered.
And Joe
And Joesghowed her boats and ropes
and writing rooms and dining rooms
and writing rooms and dining rooms
and a Japanese baby in the steerage
and a Japanese baby in the steerage
and his own big cabin-their cabin
with its bath.
"You'll hear the bugle for lunch,
soon," he exalted, as the cool sw


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peevish. grind their teeth and sleep
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 have itching eyes, onse and fingers
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## CHUPCHES

weekly sermonette.
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| CLASS SOCIAL <br> Members of the Doreas Sunday |  |
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| Shool class were most graciously en- |  |
| West, with Mesdames Jim Meek, 0 . |  |
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| son, Sr., echestesses, on Thursayatternoon, March 19.'The devotional |  |
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| was given by Mrs. Johnson, followed |  |
| with prayer by Mrs. Meek. <br> Several contests were held which |  |
| caused much interest. A delicicous salad |  |
| plate with lemonade was served to |  |
| Mesdames C. M. Largent, S. W. Sheppard, J. M. Meek, O. B. Tatum, J. S. |  |
| Swann, F. B. Causseaux, J. H. Ensminger, C. P. Stevens, Chas. West and W, L. Johnson. Visitors were Mrs | The most prosaic gasp, and his mind |
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| blanche Rose Walker circle met |  |
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| Tuesday afternoon, March. 24 . Themeeting was opened with prayer by |  |
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| Mrs. J. S. Swann and Mrs. Causseaux |  |
| Then followed a short business period, after which the guests enjoyed a |  |
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| social hour with Mrs. West. The circle will meet with Mrs. T. E. Collins |  |
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## Carl Black, who is taking the sthool

 nsus for Merkel, is now making hisinal check-up. His count will be be maller than last yar. It is very im-
portant that every child living in the distriet during the month of March
be enumerated.
Every child that will be 6 or over Every 'hild that will be 6 or over
and will still be under 18 on next Sepemiber 1 should be enumerated. This should be done, whether the child is is $_{s} *$
n school now or not; whether the child plans to attend next year or not, whether he is married or single, whether he is in college or not, makes oo difference. Just so his home is Mer-
eel and he is under 18 , he should be the and he is under 18 , he should be If you know of anys such child that
ou think has not been enumerated on sut think has not been enumerated on
this census, please telephone Supt.
Burgess at No. 174 at once. Burgess at No. 174 at onee.
"Everyone we miss," Supt. Burgess states, "means 187.50 we have
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will be greatly appreciated and

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## day of April A. D. 1931, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 10th day of March

DELIVERING BABY CHICKS BY THE TON.


The picture shows the delivery of that is for the best interesto $\begin{aligned} & \text { one ton of baby chicks by Kirk's } \\ & \text { Hatchery, Abilene, to the Farmers }\end{aligned}$
the people. Hatchery, Abilene, to the Farmers
State bank of this city, through whom "I believe the water and sewer ss State bank of this city, through whom
they were supplied to customers of tems, which are already installed and they were supplied to customers of
the bank. The shipment includes which are worth so much to the town close to 10,000 chicks. -especially the sewer system means
In February the Farmers State
so much to our schools and the busi
ness section bf the town-I believe
we should maintain these two $\$ 6.50$. Cows sold as singles up to
w5.00. Two cars of choice yeariln we should maintain these two first of
all. I believe also $\$ 5.00$. Two cars of ehoice yearinat all. I believe also we should keep the
very best equipment for our fire de- at $\$ 8.25$. Bulls were very

scarce, a few sales of individuals | very best equipment for our fire de- | searce, a few sales of individuals |
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| partment, as that means much to ali |  |
| reaching $\$ 3.75$. Heavy calves in |  | the people.

"Lastly, I will say I believe the tax- $\begin{aligned} & \text { package lots up to } \$ 7.25 . \\ & \text { Rail hogs sold }\end{aligned}$ Rail hogs sold on a 5 c lower basis, the best going at $\$ 7.95$, but truck con payers should know what every dol- the best going ae
ar of thefr money is spent for and, signments gained the top being
if you see fit to elect me to this place, $\$ 7.85$. Receipts amounted to 900 head. payers should know what every do if you see fit to elect me to this place, $\$ 7.85$. Receipts amounted to
you shall have that laid before you Genuine lambs made $\$ 8.50$ to $\$ 10.00$, at least once each year or I shall tell

## Ft. Worth Livestock

 mostly at $\$ 6.35$ to $\$ 6.75$ anc were' 25 c lower than at last week' close. Wethers were about istendy sheep bringing $\$ 4.00$. Receipts amounFort Worth, Texas, March 26.- ted to 11,000 head. Moderate Wednesday receipts of eat tle $t=$ calves arrived, the estimate calling for 3,100 head. The marketwas generally unchanged, but beef Was generally unchanged, but beef
sters met with a decidedly weak demand and it was late before anything nuch was finding an outlet. most desirable around selling at 86.00 or

Cattle Movement.
Jim Patterson shippede car of mix cattle Sunday and the following day Baker and Collins shipped a car-
ot of mixed cattle, both for the Fort Worth market. If you ha re any visitors, Phone
of 61.

## We are Nour Ready

to serve you better with groceries that are clean and sanitary. We will be very glad to have you visit our store and inspect our new arrangement. We have just completed a hree weeks overhauling and rearranging of our grocery stock. We have added every new feature available for the convenience and safety of our customer
If you wish, you may now go through our stock and choose your own groceries, or you may be waited on, as before, by a clerk who is eager to serve you to your best advantage. wants, which will be supplied just the same as if you were here in person.

Saturday is to be our opening day. Be here and get your cup of WOMAN'S CLUB
WOFFEE. ,
Coffee and Pecan Pie Free to the ladies; Coffee and Sandwiches FREE to the men.
With each purchase of a three pound can of WOMAN'S CLUB COFFEE, on Saturday,
SPECIALS FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

COFFEE, Woman's Club, 3 lb.
ran and a No. 2 can
Peaches
$\$ 1.08$
MEAL, 20 lb. sack cream _. 50c
CRACKERS, 3 lbs., Brown's 30c
BEANS, Pinto, recleaned 10 lbs. for

LARD, 8 lbs., Swift Jewell 89 c | RICE, 2 lbs., Watermaid ___IS |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| OATS, 3 Minute China | 29c | BAKING POWDER, 1 lb. Calumet

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SUGAR, 25 lbs., pure cane $\$ 1.35$
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Rather than become a killer himself, Tiger Eye Reeves. Teff. his feudscarred home down on the Brazos in Texas and went to Montana, looking for a job as cowboy
As a scout for the Poole outfit, who were waging war against "nesters," the kid meets Nellie Murray. He sees her father, a nester, shat down in cold blood in front of his own door by a Poole rider.
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## Rural Community Correspondence

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

## THE BADGER WEEKLY

Publiehed weekly by the students of Merkel High School and
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## 2n

In a contest held last week at thh
High School building, Elvis D. Rich
High Schol building, Elvis D. Rich
ardson was elected most popuar bo
of Merkel Sigh school. Elvis, some
of Merkel High
times known
ber of the Senior class and a favorit
of all the
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persionality and gentlemanly manner is not only loved and admired by his
elassmates but also shares the friend ship of the business men and other
people of Merkel. Many of them know
nel $\operatorname{him}_{\text {as }}$ as "thers the
ivers
subscriber
Richardson is ahead in the race for valedictorian and has a good chanc
of winning. He is history editor of th Senior Memory Book staff and jok
editor for the Badger Weekly. He is aiso the efficient president of the $M$.
H. S. Players' club, the most active H. S. Players' club, the most active
organization of the High school. Elvis seems to be endowed with unusua mental capacity.
such as speehes and short talks, are excellent, while his themes and essays
are little short of perfect. His essay are little short of perfect. His essa,
won first place in county and distric meet last year, and he is again t
represent Merkel in the essay contest represent Merkel in the essay contes
this year. Elvis also won first in this year. Elvers also won first
spelling last year, as well as honors in Track. High school will certainly mis
The
Elvis next year, and he Elvis next year, and he hates leave, but bigger her must press on.
for him, and he melt
his friends and fellow-students him success and not on doubts his reaching the very top. No
many people possess such sterling CLARK AND COLLINS. The contest for the most popular
girl and best all-round boy was held Monday. Every
chance to vote. After the first chance to vote. Afer the highest were chosen to be
the the run-off. The girls were Jes in the run-off. The girls were Jess School division, main auditorium Higgins, Willie Evelyn Boaz and Lois
Clark. Boys in the run-off were Paul Collins, Lois Clark, the demure little girl wh was elected the most popular. Lois
is a favorite of all Merkel; therefare Twas not extraordinary that she
Her winning smile and friendly w
will surely be missed next

## Paul Collins, "the letter man,"

 given a hand bypiayers and the piayers and the Junior class. He wa
a candidate for most popular boy lost to a Senior. Then the Junior clas merits of their beloved president. The effort was not in vain-Paul won. TENNIS. .
Jess Higgins and Audrey Farris re presented Merkel High school in play-
ing doubles. Both girls played excellent tennis, winning two games Saturday over Trent and North Park. When
the finals were played Monday, the the finals were played Monday, the
Merkel girls lost to Potosi and were awarded second place.
HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR BOYS. The Junior high baseball boys car
ried off first place last Saturday a ried off first place last Saturday a
county meet. They won over Buffald Gap by three points and over Pleasan Hill by thirty-six points.
HIGH SCHOOL BADGERETTES. Mr. Riddle's baseball team of an
ior high school girls was a great at traction at North Park in Abilene las Saturday. They won by a score of 2 to 6 over Trent. Saturday afternoon they met Bradshaw in one of the hard-
est games of the day. Merkel was ahead until the last inning, whe Bradshaw ran in a couple of score
and won by a score of six to five. The Merkel girls, therefore, were awãrd ta second place.

JUNIOR GIR
BASEBALL.
Merkel Grammar School was well pall, which was held last Saturday at College Heights School Abilene The Junior boys' and girls' teams, the Grammar School pep squad, eight kel people attended ther of The Junior Girls won first place by defeating Bradshaw, $19-5$, Trent, 18 .
8, and Eladale, 10-2. Only two hom


| Mae Hokit and Margaret Miller as <br> assistants. | books for the library? |
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| The program was as follows: | -That Lois is the most popular girl |
| Tpil | inh. School? |
| Rpil cail-to answer with an Irish | That some of the girls are get- |

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