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HUNDREDS VISIT EXHIBIT OF WORK GRAMMAR PUPILS

Those Who Did Not Get to See Exhibits of Drawings, Maps, Poster Work, Booklets, Etc., Still Have Opportunity.

On Tuesday evening the exhibit of the work of the Grammar school pupils, was opened to the public when visitors by the hundreds took occasion to view the displays. They were arranged in the office, the music room, and the hall of the second floor of the Grammar School building. On a table in the hall was the registration book in which many of the friends and patrons registered when they entered the building.

The departmental exhibit of writing and drawing was placed in the office. Remarkable drawings of silhouettes, imaginary animals, designs for various seasons and holidays and color charts decorated the walls. Carved work from soap and wood together with beautiful stenciled pillow tops completed a rare display of Grammar School art. There were also numbers of papers of writing which showed the progress of the pupils from the beginning of the year to the present time.

In the hall was the display of agriculture papers which included numbers of drawing. Together with this was a unique problem of fire prevention theme well carried out by the fourth grade pupils.

The display in the music room completed the work of all the grades. The little doll house which was so well furnished with hand-made furniture gave evidence that the pupils of the first grade have been busily occupied even if some of them are such tiny little children.

In "Who's Who in the Second Grade" one might find any amount of information concerning the work and lives of these busy little people.

The third grade exhibits included jointed toys, poster work, attractive little booklets and some excellent writing papers.

The departmental work included salt maps, health papers, attractive arithmetic booklets, perfect spelling tablets, reading themes and English illustrations. The sixth grade pupils have been working during the year on "The Sixth Grade Year Book." This book was dedicated to Mrs. Sublett, whose picture appears on the second page. Pictures of all the teachers of Grammar school and of the pupils of the sixth grade, cartoons, class poems, the class song, clippings from "The Merkel Mail" and representative work from all of the educational institutions of Merkel are included in the book.

This exhibit will remain in place during the week for the benefit of all of those who did not see it Tuesday evening. All who are interested are cordially invited to visit this display at any time during school hours.

RUTH NICHOLS PLANS TO TRY SOLO FLIGHT ACROSS ATLANTIC

New York, April 23.—Ruth Nichols, within two weeks will attempt the first woman's solo flight across the Atlantic, Col. Clarence D. Chamberlain, her aeronautical adviser, said Tuesday.

In the red Lockheed-Vega monoplane which she flew at a speed of 210 miles an hour at Detroit a week ago, she will take off from Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, to follow the Lindbergh trail to Paris. Miss Nichols will fly from Jersey City and Colonel Chamberlain will accompany her as far as Harbor Grace.

The airplane, which belongs to the Crosley Radio corporation, Cincinnati, is being overhauled at the New Jersey aircraft factory of Colonel Chamberlain, who, it is said, vainly tried to dissuade her from the attempt.

Its Wasp motor is being tested at the plant of the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft company, Hartford, Conn.

Miss Nichols, tall, slender and in her middle 20s, started flying less than

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Merkel, Texas

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Improving and beautifying the home grounds by proper planting of trees, shrubs, flowers, etc., better kept yards, and cleaner alleys and streets.

Class 1—Those who own their homes.

Class 2—Those who rent their homes.

Name _____

Address _____

Mail to _____

Mrs. Len Sublett, Chairman, Yard and Garden Contest, Merkel, Texas

(All entries must be received before June 1st.)

Prominent Speaker Comes For Banquet

The Juniors were very fortunate in securing the Rev. Willis H. Gernart, rector of the Church of Heavenly Rest, Abilene, as the speaker for the occasion of the annual Senior-Junior banquet, which is to be held Friday evening at the Lions club hall.

In keeping with the central theme of the banquet, "A Goodwill Cruise," his subject will be "The Set of the Sail."

With Paul Collins, the toastmaster, in the role of ship's captain, the program, besides the principal address, includes:

Invocation, "Bon Voyage," Mr. Riddle.

"The Passport," Sophomore Girls. The Ship, "Friendship," Ross Ferrer.

The crew: pilot, Leo Tucker; steward, Elmer Adcock; cook, Artie Simmons; shipmates, Margaret Canon, Willie Evelyn Boaz, Mary Elizabeth Grimes, Ida Mae Derstine; Midshipman, Oleta Moore; stowaway, Miss Tracy; passengers, Junior girls; A report of the voyage by Thelma McAninch is the concluding number.

Only Two Days Left To File Applications For Federal Loans

Sam Swann's office for receiving applications for federal farm relief loans will be open only two more days and those expecting to apply for loans under the provisions of the recent congressional relief bill should take notice of this fact.

Saturday, April 25, and Tuesday, April 28, will be the last two days that the local committee can accept applications in order for them to be passed on by the county committee and forwarded to headquarters office so as to be received on or before April 30, which is the final limit.

PLAYERS CLUB PRESENT CLEVER ONE-ACT PLAYS

Delightful Evening's Program Afforded by High School Music and Dramatic Organization; Style Show Featured.

Friends of Merkel Public schools were the invited guests of the faculty Tuesday night when they were permitted to view a display representative of splendid instruction given by the Grammar school as well as hear a program given by High school students.

As one inspected posters, drawings, booklets, practical literary suggestions etc., he was impressed by the organized course of study presented by the two first grades on through the seventh.

As the visitors completed their inspection they were ushered into the auditorium where entertainment for the evening was offered by High school students. Elvis Richardson, president of the M. H. S. Players club, acted as chairman for the evening.

"The Man Upstairs," a one-act play, was presented by the Players club. Ola Smith and Cephas Wozencraft did credit to their club in their roll of the average married couple, Marshall Stalls, "the man upstairs," and Elsie Lassiter, the Swedish cook, gave humor to the plot by their misunderstandings. Gwendoyne Vickers in her sudden appearance as "the Mrs." ended the story as all such stories end.

An operetta, "The Nifty Shop," written by Otis Carrington, proved to be suitable for high school music clubs. Each member of the cast proved herself capable of her roll. Cast of characters follows:

Madame Lazare, proprietor of exclusive shop for women, Lois Clark. Mrs. Goldore, in search of the latest goods, Thelma Leach.

Bess Goldore, Frances Adcock. Jackie Goldore, Beth Hamm. Olga, (chore girl,) Willie Evelyn Boaz.

Rosemary, Janet, French maids, Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller. Manikins, Julia Proctor, Lois Whiteley.

Chorus of models: Duncan Briggs, Lona Bryan, Margaret Canon, Ida Mae Derstine, Mary E. Grimes, Hazel Jay, Ruby Grace Jones, Eloise Mancill, Madeline Murray, Vera Richie, Inez Robbins, Ola Smith, Marie Stanford, Joyce Wheeler, Maurine White, Mattilou Largent, Melba Taylor, Louise Rose.

Two numbers offered by the Boys' Glee club were "Kentucky Babe" and "Song of Fisher Boats." Members of this club are: Fred A. Baker, Carol King, Cecil Clark, Elvis Richardson, Benjamin Sheppard, Lowell Vickers, James West, E. L. Turner, Burneal Scott, Van Roberts, Jack West, David Gamble, Paul Collins.

The last number of the program was the play, "Followers." A pleasing story centered in the "shadow world" of an old maid's home was told by Oleta Moore, as Lucinda Baines; Vera Richie, as Susan, the maid; Mattilou Largent as Helen, a young girl; and E. L. Turner, a returned colonel.

Mrs. Anderson, Mother Of R. C. Reagh, Dies

Upon receipt last Thursday of a telegram advising of his mother's death, R. C. Reagh, left at once for San Angelo to attend the funeral.

His mother Mrs. Artie Anderson, 83 years of age, died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J. W. Turner, at San Angelo at 8 o'clock last Thursday morning, death being caused by pneumonia. Funeral services were held there at 4 p. m. Friday, with Rev. Mr. McQuire, pastor of the Northside Baptist church, San Angelo, officiating.

She is survived by only two children, the daughter at San Angelo, at whose home she died, and Mr. Reagh, whose home is in Merkel.

Mrs. Anderson was a native of Mississippi and moved to Texas as a small child with her family, settling in Lampasas. She had been a member of the Baptist church for more than 60 years.

Her first husband, Robert H. Reagh, died in 1877 at Aberdeen, Miss., while her second husband, J. F. Anderson, passed away in 1917 at Sanderson.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Lufkin was chosen as the 1932 convention city of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce at the annual convention held at Marlin this week.

C. M. Harrison, who has been manager of the Texas hotel at Fort Worth for the past two years, will become manager of the Wooten hotel at Abilene on May 1.

A report Tuesday to the governor's office showed that there were 5370 convicts now in the state prison system, an increase of 302 over the number at the start of the year.

The first drowning of the season at Amarillo occurred Saturday when 12-year-old George Le Roy Paul lost his life in a lake in the Palo Duro canyon, 12 miles south of the city.

John N. Eddy, present city manager at Flint, Mich., has been employed as the first city manager of Dallas under a new charter inaugurating that form of municipal government.

The body of Mickey Duke, 10, was found two hours after he had drowned when he stepped into 25 feet of water while wading in the new channel of the Trinity river at Dallas.

Charles I. Francis, Wichita Falls attorney, was elected and installed as president of the Ex-Students association of the University of Texas at the annual meeting in Austin Friday.

Jerry Kent, on trial at Baird for the alleged slaying of Bob Enser, was found guilty by a jury after three and one-half hours deliberation and his sentence set at 40 years in prison.

Dallas was selected as the next meeting place and Rev. R. H. Coleman of Dallas as the new president of the Baptist State Sunday School convention at its closing session in Abilene last Thursday night.

One little child, age one, was dead at Dallas and his two-year-old brother was recovering from bichloride of mercury poisoning because they thought the tablets were candy when they discovered them.

While his body was swathed in bandages as the result of a fire at the Marathon Oil company refinery in Del Rio, Glenn Kaley, 30, was burned to death in a hospital when a lighted cigarette ignited a bandage.

The Jones county commissioners court has made an appropriation for the employment of a home demonstration agent to work in connection with the county agricultural agent, whom they have had for the past several years.

The house Wednesday passed the Sunday movie bill by a vote of 86 to 42 and, as the senate has already passed it, the bill goes next to the governor. No Sunday movies would be permitted prior to 1 p. m., according to the provisions of the bill.

The bill, imposing a tax of three cents on a package of twenty cigarettes, which was adopted by the house Monday by a vote of 72 to 56 after it had previously passed the senate, was approved by Governor Sterling Wednesday and will go into effect about August 10, or 90 days after the legislature adjourns.

Schedule for College Entrance Examinations

The schedule for college entrance examinations to be given at the Merkel High school building Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week follows:

Tuesday, 8-12; Grammar and Composition, (both); Arithmetic, Economics.

Tuesday, 1-5; General Science, Chemistry, Physics, English History. Wednesday, 8-12; Ancient History, Solid Geometry, Latin I, II, and III, French I and II, Spanish I and II, American Literature (Eng. III).

Wednesday, 1-5; Physiography, Modern History, Algebra I and II, English Literature, (Eng. IV.) Texas History.

Thursday, 8-12; American History, Physiology, Agriculture, Plane Geometry.

Thursday, 8-12; American History, ment, Old Testament, Trigonometry, Civics, Bookkeeping.

"BUY-IT-IN-MERKEL" IS SLOGAN ADVOCATED BY BUSINESS LEADERS

Only Routine Matters At Lions Luncheon

Without any set program, only routine matters received attention at the weekly luncheon of the Lions club Tuesday.

J. S. Bourn, the toastmaster, and Dr. W. T. Sadler, who was to assist the toastmaster, were both out of the city and in their absence and in the absence of the president, Mat Dillingham, H. H. Jenkins, first vice-president, acted as master of ceremonies. The club singing was led by E. Yates Brown and the invocation was given by Rev. R. A. Walker.

Sam Swann, former Lion and club secretary, was a guest for luncheon.

The finance committee, Dee Grimes, chairman, Booth Warren and W. O. Boney, were delegated to select another place of meeting, in case it was not deemed advisable to use the space in the rear of the hall now occupied and in which Loring Hamblet is to open a variety store May 1. This committee, after a short conference with Mr. Hamblet, recommended remaining in the present location. Hence, the meetings will continue in the same hall.

The same toastmaster and assistant, both of whom were absent at the last meeting, were named for the first luncheon date in May, which will be Tuesday, May 5.

Poultry Show 4 Days Next Week

For the poultry school, which is to be held at the Lions hall four days beginning Monday, April 27, the Merkel Poultry and Rabbit association, R. A. Ellis, president, and Robt. Hicks, secretary, by arrangement with J. M. Garrett, who represents the Purina Mills of Fort Worth, have secured the services of V. R. Glazener, poultry specialist for this company.

Mr. Glazener, who is a graduate of A. & M. college and was in charge of poultry extension work at A. & M. for a number of years, will have charge of the school.

Poultry problems will be discussed thoroughly and the plan will follow regular school methods. Those who enroll are expected to attend regularly throughout the continuance of the school.

Citizens Urged to Patronize Home Industry; Keep Merkel Dollars in Merkel, and Buy-It-Made-In Merkel.

Endorsing one of the fundamentals of community life, "to keep Merkel dollars in Merkel," a group of interested business men and members of the Lions club met informally at the Lions hall Wednesday afternoon and launched an intensive campaign along this general line.

Specifically, the slogan "to keep Merkel dollars in Merkel" was defined in its closest analysis as meaning not only to buy-it-in-Merkel but also to buy-it-made-in-Merkel.

Mat Dillingham, president of the Lions club, opened the meeting with a brief outline of the necessity of encouraging the "patronize home industry" idea and speakers were unanimous in citing the benefits that would accrue to the community as a whole by loyalty to the home institutions and industries.

The speakers, as individuals, were conservative in their summaries of the situation and it was the sense of the meeting that every effort possible should be expended to make it possible for local enterprises to continue their regular course of business in the face of outside competition.

The citizens of Merkel and of the surrounding communities are presented the opportunity to show their loyalty not only by buying from Merkel merchants but also by giving the preference to the "made-in-Merkel" product.

Three Merkelites on 42nd Grand Jury

Three Merkel men, J. D. Sandusky, W. S. J. Brown and George Woodrum, are on the grand jury, which was impaneled Monday morning by Judge Milburn S. Long, opening a seven-week term of the 42nd district court in Abilene.

Ollie Hunt of Bradshaw is foreman. Other members are: W. H. Lance, W. O. Shackelford, W. B. Milstead, J. W. Couch, A. S. Payton, R. Y. Buchanan, Abilene; A. M. Hinds, Tye, and I. C. Cox, Buffalo Gap.



BLESSED ARE THE ASKERS.

When I was younger I used to look at the Giant Corporations of the country with awe.

I thought: "How wonderful to be president of such a world-wide business. Millions of capital and surplus in the treasury; great plants which are turning out a stream of products; the highest priced experts in every line to do the work! All the president has to do is to sit in a nice big office and watch the wheels go round."

When I came closer to those Giant Corporations I promptly revised my ideas.

For instance: I happened to be in the office of the chairman of the board of one of the biggest businesses of its kind. The telephone rang. On the other end of the wire was the president of a railroad.

Said the railroad man to his friend the manufacturer: "You have a subsidiary company in our territory. Its total freight bill is only a few thousands of dollars a year, but we want that business. Can we have it?" A few days later I called on a manufacturer of building materials. The president's secretary said: "The boss wants to see you, but he had to go out suddenly. He has just heard that So and So (naming a banker) is going to build a new house, so he jumped in his car and went down to see if he could get the order."

I called at my bank. The president was not in his office. His assistant reported that he had gone out—to solicit a new account.

A friend of mine who is in a tough business has had a very good year in spite of the depression. A competitor asked him: "How in the world do you get so many orders?" To which my friend replied simply: "By going out and asking for them."

Whether a business be big or small, local or international, makes little difference. If it is to keep going it must have orders. And there isn't any president or chairman of the board so famous or so rich that he isn't after orders every single day!

Conditions have been subnormal now for a long time, not only here but all over the world. Many predictions have been uttered: many remedies proposed.

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HONOR ROLL OF 137 PUPILS ANNOUNCED

The honor roll for the fifth six weeks' period of the 1930-1931 session of the Merkel Public Schools includes 137 names from the whole school, 100 names from the Grammar school and 37 from the High School, representing about 28 per cent of all of the pupils attending the Merkel Public schools on the honor roll for this term.

The highest average made for the six weeks' period was 97 per cent and this average was made by seven pupils: four from the Grammar school, Mary Jo Russell, Billy Wood, Ethelda Tucker and Aline McAninch; and three from the High School, Walderine Huskey, Lucille Campbell and Audrey Farris.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.
First Grade, Mrs. Shelton.
O. C. Shouse, 96; Roy Owen, 96; Mildred Nixon, 92; Jewel Margaret Jay, 91; Tilman Joe Rutledge, 90; Theda Lou Lassiter, 90; Louise Patterson, 93.

First Grade, Mrs. Teaff.
Homer Tye, Jr., 96; Billy Tittle, 95; Ova Martin, 94; John R. Dye, 92; Forrest Glen Barnett, 91; Alford Dickinson, 90; Winona Fay Thomas, 90.

Second Grade, Miss Pogue.
Guy Manscill, 94; Betty Jane Diltz, 94; Euvalda Fox, 94; Billie Johnston, 93; Harvey Davis, 92; Billy Cox, 92.

Second Grade, Miss Curb.
Don Wood, 92; Doris Gay West, 92; J. C. Thomas, 92; Joyce Renfro, 90; Geraldine Teague, 90.

Third Grade, Mrs. Anderson.
Pearl Mathews, 92; Mabel Murray, 92; Comora Hughes, 91.

Third Grade, Miss Heizer.
Mary Jo Russell, 97; Billy Wood, 97; W. I. Wozencraft, 96; Mary Nell Morgan, 95; Frances Owen, 94; Robert Rodden, 93; Wilma McAninch, 92; Ralph Russell, 92; Don Warren, 92.

Fourth Grade, Miss Patterson.
Irene Jackson, 95; Hollis Perry, 94; Evelyn Johnston, 92; Eva Mae Williams, 91; Ted Hamm, 91; Ada Stanford, 90; Fred Hokit, 90; Othar Suber, 90.

Fourth Grade Miss Hayes.
Jannell Black, 95; Preston Dickinson, 94; Marvin Hunter, 94; Dana Derstine, 93; Emogene Hulsey, 93; Billy George Gant, 92; Elizabeth Cypert, 92; Marie Davis, 92; Clyde Cribley, 91; Lola Foster, 90; Lucille Gilmore, 90.

Fifth Grade, Miss Sloan.
Morris Wozencraft, 96; Sylvan Melinger, 96; Lawrence Thornton, 95; Pauline McAninch, 94; De La Vergne Teague, 90.

Fifth Grade, Miss Coffey.
Altie Grayson, 93; Billie Dunning, 93; Laverne Hughes, 92; Murphy Dye, 91; Vernelle Bland, 90; J. C. Foster, 90; Bud Gambill, 90; Elma Mae Gamble, 90.

Sixth Grade, Miss Welch.
Mollie Frank Touchstone, 96; Harold Morgan, 95.

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Irvin.
Mabel Maddox, 96; Ora Derrick, 95; Janet Hayes, 92; Opal Burbee, 90; Horace Boney, 90.

Seventh Grade, Mr. Duke.
Ethelda Tucker, 97; Louise Toombs,

94; Robbie Walker, 93; Irene Salter, 91; J. V. Patterson, 90; Alice Russell, 90; Mary Zoe West, 90; Clifford Williams, 90.

Seventh Grade, Mrs. Sublett.
Aline McAninch, 97; Clara Frances Largent, 95; Billie Bernice Gambill, 95; Cal McAninch, 94; Vernon Davis, 93; Thelma Mathews, 93; Jesse Margaret Berry, 92; Lena Fae Harrell, 92; Vivian Davis, 91; Ima Ruth Brown, 91; Loreta Cox, 90; Pauline Lasater, 90; Nell Contes, 90; Lena Mae Moore, 90; Doris Mae Brown 90; Milton Hokit, 90.

HIGH SCHOOL.
Eighth Grade.
Walderine Huskey, 97; Billy Gardner, 95; Reba Martin, 91; Julia Proctor, 91; J. R. Graham, 90; Vivian Lasater, 90; Fay Pinckley 90; Sarah Sheppard, 90; Lois Whiteley, 90.

Ninth Grade.
Lucille Campbell, 97; Opal Huskey, 95; Nell Hughes, 94; Florene Rider, 93; Faye Vantrees, 93; Meyer Melinger, 92; Imogene Middleton, 92; Mildred Richardson, 92; Lena Mae Hokit, 91; Margaret Miller, 90; Gordon Murray, 90.

Junior Class.
Leo Tucker, 96; Isadore Mellinger, 93; Ross Ferrier, 92; Oleta Moore, 92; Lela Patterson, 92; Margaret Canon,

91; Woodrow Wilson, 90; Cephus Wozencraft, 90.
Senior Class.
Audrey Farris, 97; Elvis Richardson, 96; Margaret Turner, 95; Ola Ellen Smith, 95; Norma Patton, 95; Elsie Lasater, 94; Jess Higgins, 94; Beth Hamm, 91; Lona Bryan, 90.

Has Ten Grandparents.
(Winters Enterprise.)
Barry Willis, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bedford, who was born at the Winters Sanitarium Thursday, is well supplied with grandparents. He just has ten in all. Six great grandparents are Grandma Bedford of this city, Grandma and Grandpa Tompson of Davis, Okla., J. D. McClaren of Weinert, and Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Nicholson of Hamlin. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Bedford and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nicholson of this city.

If the saying is true that the "grandparents always spoil the baby," Barry Willis should not suffer much for want of "spoiling" with ten of them to do the job.

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If you have any visitors, Phone 29 or 61.

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THE WAY OF LIFE
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My own suggestion for improving things is very simple:
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Let's go out and ask for orders. Blessed are the askers!
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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.

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"Applications for loans under these regulations must be mailed in time to be received by the designated representative of the Department of Agriculture at the Farmers' Seed Loan Office, (St. Louis or Ft. Worth), not later than April 30, 1931."

To assist you in the preparation of your application Mr. Sam Swann will be at his desk in the Lions Club building on the following dates, to-wit:

Saturday, April 25th
Tuesday, April 28th

Since applications filed with him must come to the attention of the county committee before being forwarded to St. Louis or Ft. Worth, no application will be received by the local committee after Tuesday, April 28th, and you are requested to be governed accordingly.

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mesdames J. B. and Hosea Winn and children spent the day Sunday visiting in Hermleigh.

L. E. Adrian and daughter, Mrs. Ted Norton, returned Sunday from a visit with the former's mother in Elk City, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert McRee left Monday on a prospecting trip to New Mexico and other points.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Roberts visited in Gladewater from Friday till Tuesday.

Messrs. Barnum Howell, Allan Terry and Willie Abbott, students of John Tarleton college, spent the week-end with home folks.

Little Misses Christine and Gloria McLeod of Abilene visited their grandparents last week-end.

Miss Estelle Terry had as her guest Saturday Miss Webb of Bradshaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Smith of Lubbock are announcing the arrival of a baby girl on the 16th, named Betty Jane.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boone of Amarillo are announcing the arrival of a boy on the 17th at Hermleigh, named Jackie Weldon.

Grandpa Terry went to Post Saturday where he will visit his daughter for sometime.

Mrs. Ari Sharp and little daughter, Margaret, of Merkel visited friends here Friday.

G. T. Beckham attended to business in Sweetwater and Roscoe last Monday.

J. C. Murdock of Mission was the recent guest of his sons, Carl and Marvin Murdock.

Mrs. Jim Mathews and children of Sweetwater are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hale.

Mrs. E. Howell is spending the week at Lubbock in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Murdock and children of Big Spring spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Strawn and Miss Virgie Strawn had as their week-end guests, Mr. and Mrs. McCool and son of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Graves of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and baby.

Misses Johnnie Russell and Irene Evans of Slaton spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Volley Vesels and attended the Sunday School convention at Abilene.

"FORTY-TWO" PARTY.

On last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murdock were most charming host and hostess at a party in their home honoring Mr. and Mrs. Bert McRee, who are leaving soon. Games of "42" were enjoyed and at the refreshment hour ice cream topped with mint cherries and angel food cake was served to Messrs. and Mesdames Joe Nalley, Cecil McRee, Bert McRee, J. E. Bowers, Jack and Billie Joe Bowers, Eugene and T. C. Murdock and the host and hostess.

SURPRISE SHOWER.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling had a very pleasant surprise last Friday evening when a number of their friends rushed in upon them with a shower of gifts. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Bernie Forester, Leslie Beasley, John Strawn, Barnet Bryan, Alex Williamson, Mesdames Rexben Reeves, O. L. Reeves, L. E. Adrian, Walker Steadman, Burgess, Moors, Algie Steen, and Misses Maurine Smith and Virgie Strawn.

"HOBO" PARTY.

Last Saturday a gang of "hoboes" invaded our little town. After going to several of our townpeople's back doors and asking for a handout they all met in their favorite rendezvous, over at the mountain, where the spring waters quenched their throats. After their chief had broiled tenderloin steak over the glowing coals and made the ice cold lemonade, they spread the lunch they had garnered and "My, My", one never saw such a feast, nor ever was there a hobo that enjoyed one more. The hoboes in this gang were the Junior girls of the Baptist church and their teacher, Mrs. Alex Williamson, Misses Elizabeth Winn, Lucille Howell, Odesca and Winnie McDonald, Vera Bright, Hazel Dell Clinton, Gladys Roberts and the gentlemen of the party were Mark Williamson and Jake Roberts.

Texas now has more than 17,000 miles of main line railways, 5,000 miles more than Illinois, second state. Its lead will be increased when new mileage now projected or under construction is completed.

White Church News

We had quite a large crowd at church for both services Sunday.

Mr. O. W. Reid is ill at this time.

Mrs. Ray Cox and little daughter, Ona Fay, Genevieve and Loretta Cox and Louella Hughes visited in the A. V. Henslee home Saturday. Mrs. Henslee is still suffering with her head. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Several from here attended the play at Castle Peak Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Malone had as their guest the past week Mr. Malone's mother of Brownwood. She returned to her home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cooner of Eskota visited home folks Sunday and also attended preaching.

Friends of Mrs. W. H. Brown will be glad to hear she is improving, after being taken seriously ill in Rochester last Thursday morning while visiting relatives there. She was rushed to Merkel where she is at this time. Her children, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. McLean of Wichita Falls, Mrs. A. D. Wilson of Levelland and Mrs. B. D. Presley are at her bedside. We hope she will soon be home again.

Woodrow Barnes celebrated his thirteenth birthday last Thursday, the 16th, with a picnic supper on the creek and a slumber party afterward. Nine of his schoolmates helped to make the evening a very enjoyable affair. After cooking and eating supper, the boys enjoyed various games until the wee hours of morning. Then they retired, but not much sleep was to be had around that many lively boys. Those enjoying the pleasant evening were Maurice Presley, J. D. and Buford Malone, Etsel, Deverle and R. D. Hunter and J. B. Boden, Louis Farmer, Virgil Turner, Doyal and Woodrow Barnes.

Quite a few of our young people attended the musical at Mr. Leroy Frazier's Saturday night.

Mrs. Ray Cox of Lubbock is visiting in the W. C. Hunter home.

Most of our farmers are planting cotton.

Mrs. H. West received the sad news that her sister in Plainview passed away last Saturday. This community deeply sympathizes with Mrs. West in the loss of her sister.

UNION RIDGE NEWS

The Union Ridge school closed last Friday, a program was given Friday morning at the Methodist church, which was attended by many of the parents. The program included: "Crowning of the Queen," by a group of the pupils from each room; dialogue by Ray Hass and A. B. Harris; "April, Farewell," by pupils; "The Closing Review," by group of small pupils; song, "Dollie Dear" three pupils; "Out of the Books," a play by the small pupils; "Vacation Time," by Sybil Davis; "Mother Pulls the String," a play by the sixth grade; dialogue, "The Three Bears," by the primary girls; "A Pleasant Surprise," a play by the large room; reading, by Burnie Opal Dean.

Mr. Bolin and wife left Saturday for Big Spring where they will visit one of his brothers. He will then return to Merkel for a few days and go on to Grand Saline.

Miss Jones returned Sunday to Sidney.

A very good crowd attended the conference last Sunday afternoon. Everyone is urged to remember that next Sunday is church day.

Mr. Oliver Carey was present at the Sunday School convention one night last week at Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones of Goodman.

DORA DOINGS

Again we are reminded that in the midst of life there is death, when J. C. Rogers died at 7:30 p. m. Sunday. He was laid to rest at Potosi Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Biggs of Sylvester and Brother Hibbert, his pastor, conducting the funeral.

This section was visited by a very cold and windy norther Monday, accompanied by some rain.

John W. Newson is preaching at the Divide School house.

John Dudley, Cliff Perry, Roy Laine and Lemond Perry were fishing on the Concho Friday night and Saturday, but rain ran them in, although they brought in a nice catch.

Building is progressing nicely on the new school house.

We are glad to report Mrs. Lloyd Perry is improving after a severe illness.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads

Senior Leaguers From Abilene Give Program

A group of the First Methodist Senior leaguers, Abilene, presented a program at the regular devotional meeting of the White Church league on Sunday evening, April 12. The program was led by Miss Velma Sharp, president of the First Church league.

The theme of the lesson was "Where Does Christ Come In in Friendship?" The first discussion was on "The Value of Friendship," presented by Alvis Yeats, a McMurry student, Mr. and Mrs. Rankin, students of McMurry, also discussed phases of the general theme. "The Relations of our Lives to Our Friends" was discussed by Rev. Claude Lamond and Miss Agnes Rister, an ex-teacher of White Church, discussed "Friendship in Relation to Congeniality."

Two splendid readings were given by Miss Lucille Malone.

A large group attended the meeting.

COMPERE NEWS

The Compere baseball team defeated the Merkel team at this place last Saturday afternoon.

Quite a few of the young people gave Miss Foy Wilburn a surprise party Friday night.

On April 15 Mrs. Chester Lucas gave Miss Lila Adkin a birthday shower. Quite a few attended the shower and many beautiful gifts were received. Refreshments of cake and fruit salad were served.

Messrs. R. S. Palmer and Reb Tarphey made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

Edd Breeze was a Merkel visitor Monday of this week.

Messrs. Bill Wilburn and Jess Price made a business trip to Anson Monday.

Rev. Mr. Bryant filled his regular appointment at Zion Chapel Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Palmer entertained the young folks of this community with a party on Monday night of last week.

Mr. C. L. Blankship was able to return to his school this week after having been absent for several days on account of rheumatism.

E. C. Tarvin was in Anson on business the first of the week.

RURAL SOCIETY

L. S. D. SOCIETY ENTERTAINED.
Misses Ruth and Margaret Callaway entertained the L. S. D. Society Friday evening, April 17, with a slumber party. They spent an enjoyable evening playing games, "42" and having contests. The winners of the first contest were Vernor Ely and Leona Sosebee; of the second, Alton Bicknell and Elenor Miller. They were served ice cream and cake.

Visitors were: C. R. and Mildred Williams, Alton Bicknell, Woodrow Justice, Corvin Leverich, Lowell and A. J. Barbee, Doris Winter and Vernor Ely.

Club members spending the night were: Leona Sosebee, Margaret Callaway, Lozella Huber, Elenor Miller, Neva Ely, Ruth Callaway, Evelyn Miller, Fannie Belle Love, Jonnie Perrin, Louise Sosebee, Gwendolyn Vick, Opal Vick, Francis Goode, Ruby Touchstone, Tessie Faye Mattingly.

Announce Honor Roll List Butman School

The following pupils of the Butman school are reported on the honor roll by Miss Novis Whiteaker, teacher:

Fourth grade—Edith Butman, 94; Aulton Pruitt, 90.

Third grade—Edith Butman, 94; Bernice Lewis, 93; Vivian Turner, 93; J. W. Harrison, 92; Loneta Blackburn, 90.

Second grade—Marvin Pruitt 94; Opal Mae Hicks, 93; Melba Hunter, 93; Maudie Turner, 93; Jerry Butman, 91.

First grade—Nelle Vonne Butman, 97; Kenneth Turner, 95; Opal Lillian Russom, 95; Noma Hicks, 95; Mary Frances Lewis, 95; Banning Butman, 90.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

SALT BRANCH NEWS

The Outsiders will put on the play, "One Minute of Twelve," at the school house next Wednesday night, April 29.

The characters are:
Billy Butler, Jarrett Pinckley.
M. T. Butler, Billy's father, Austin Petty.
Marvel Butler, Billy's sister, Gladys Petty.
Leta Murray, Marvel's chum, Frances Farr.
Minette De Lacey, Ruby Rice.
Mary Ann Martin, Nora Foster.
Ermintrude Fair, Ouida Rice.
La Don Lisk, Braunell Armstrong.
Pokadot, colored waiter, Paxton Hays.
Linda Lou, colored maid, Marie Pinckley.
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CLASSIFIED ADS

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FOR SALE—Corms Game eggs, \$1.00 per setting; also baby chicks for sale. Robert Hicks at Liberty Hardware Co.

FOR SALE—Farmalls and equipment; also McCormick-Deering implements, cream separators, milking machines and feed grinders. We trade for and sell horses and mules. See Harry Barnett, Adams and Leverett, Merkel and Abilene.

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FOR SALE—Four wheel trailer. See Sie Hamm.

FOR SALE—Melbane and Qualla seed, first year, culled and sacked; \$1.00 per bushel. See F. B. Huddleston, L. L. Murray or Bob Dennis.

FOR SALE—Black Langshan hatching eggs; \$1.00 per setting. O. R. Dye.

FOR SALE—Pure Kasch and Mebane cotton seed, culled and sacked, \$1.00 per bushel. Andrew Baker.

FOR SALE—Good work horse at a bargain. L. B. Scott.

FOR SALE—Tomato and cabbage plants. See Joe Stalls, three blocks of Grammar School.

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Varying Details Hold Attention Of Film Viewers

It's all in the point of view. Film audiences see in any picture that which they want to see, says John Cromwell, who has capped a whole list of successful motion picture productions with his recent Ruth Chatterton hit, "Unfaithful." In proof of his contention, Cromwell points to one instance on the set for filming of "Unfaithful."

"Ruth Chatterton, Paul Lukas, Juliette Compton, Paul Cavanagh and Donald Cook completed a highly dramatic scene in the picture. Out of range of the cameras, a group of film workers had watched the action, and yet, it is safe to say, no two of them had seen it alike.

"As the director, I saw figures moving in gripping action, but John van Druten, the author, had heard the words, which he had written, most vividly, noting, here and there, possibilities for improvements. The cameramen had focused their attention on the finders of their machines, on the exact proportions of the finished film, and on the scene, dissected across and down by two wire-lines showing the exact center.

"Set dressers saw only a pleasing setting in front of which moved players. Property men noted only the props being moved by hands. Electricians concentrated on the lighting; wardrobe attendants on the clothes; hairdressers on the coiffures.

"And the assistant director knew, primarily, that another scene of "Unfaithful" was being completed and that it was nearly time to move to another set. And, strangest of all, the still photographer, snapping action pictures, saw the scene upside down on the ground glass of his camera.

"Each of these persons was an expert in his own particular line and was interested in that particular phase of the scene being filmed. Film audiences everywhere are much the same, so that every detail in a picture is subject to the most expert and critical scrutiny after completion as well as during filming."

"Unfaithful," which will show at the R. and R. Palace, Sweetwater, Sunday and Monday, is another of the series of John Cromwell dramatic hits which began with William Powell's "Street of Chance," and includes "For the Defense," "The Mighty," "Tom Sawyer" and "Scandal Sheet."

Ft. Worth Livestock

Fort Worth, Texas, April 23.—Fully steady prices were paid for cattle and calves Wednesday, the market showing activity under very moderate receipts. The estimate called for 2,400 head, of which 400 were calves.

Two cars of weighty beef steers brought \$7.35. Cows sold in small drafts up to \$4 and \$4.50. Cannons and cutters cleared at \$2.50 to \$3. Good butcher grades, went at \$3.25 to \$3.50, mostly. Several cars of choice yearlings reached \$8 and a small draft brought \$8.25. South Texas calves cleared within a general range of \$5 to \$5.75.

Cattle Movement.

Baker and Collins shipped a car of mixed cattle to Fort Worth on Tuesday, which was the only cattle movement this week.

Steel Orders Increase.

New York, April 23.—Unfilled orders of the United States Steel corporation increased 30,136 tons in March to a total of 3,995,330 tons, March 31. In February a decrease of 167,157 tons was reported.

Bob White Flour, the best yet, now \$1.25 per 48 lb. sack. "M" System Store.

Thomas Gray worked for 11 years on his "Elegy."

Current Construction Report WTU Indicates Considerable Activity

Abilene, Texas, April 23.—Extending and improving utilities service to urban, rural and oil field customers, the current construction report of the West Texas Utilities company indicates a period of considerable activity, according to information received from the company's construction department here.

The major project included in the report involves the addition of two 13 Kv. lines to the existing line between Eola and Wall, a distance of eleven miles. This improvement will provide more efficient service and make available a sufficient supply to serve several new residential customers, a cotton gin and two dairies.

Important service extensions will be made at Junction, where a primary three phase line will serve a new retail establishment; at Vernon, where a new line will furnish power for a nursery, and at San Angelo, where two 6,600-volt rural extensions will be strung— one serving a ranch home south of Knickerbocker, the other a new dairy near San Angelo.

Another important extension will be made to serve customers in a small community at milepost 64 on the Panhandle and Santa Fe railway. The community, according to latest advices, has been named Etter.

Distribution systems will be improved and lengthened at Melvin and Albany, the new work carrying the advantages of electric service to new customers and improving service to those already connected to the lines.

Street lighting systems will be extended in Santa Anna and Ballinger, the latter city adding four standards and eighteen brackets to its existing equipment.

According to available information, work on these projects is already going forward, scheduled for completion in the immediate future.

Liberty Magazine Sold.

New York April 23.—Liberty Magazine, beginning with its April 4 issue, passed into the ownership of Bernard MacFadden, publisher of 11 nationally circulated magazines and eight daily newspapers, it has been announced.

Co-Eds Garbed In Cotton.

Lubbock, April 23.—Co-eds of Texas Tech went to school Friday garbed entirely in cotton as part of the statewide campaign to raise the price of the staple.

Cuba's population has just been estimated at nearly 4,000,000.

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March Production of Petroleum in Texas Shows 7.1 Increase

Austin, Texas, April 23.—Petroleum production in Texas during March averaged 730,888 barrels per day, an increase of 7.1 per cent over the daily average during February, according to the Bureau of Business Research at The University of Texas. This figure was still 12.1 per cent below the daily average production during March of last year, however, and the production of an average of 693,125 barrels per day during the first three months of this year was 16.3 per cent below the daily average for the first quarter of 1930.

Increases in daily average production were recorded in two of the seven regions of the state, the East-Central Texas field continuing to climb in production rate, showing an increase of 115.9 per cent over the February daily average and an increase of 428.9 per cent over the daily average during March of last year.

Daily average production throughout the United States amounted to 2,222,663 barrels during March, com-

pared to 2,127,588 barrels during February and 2,558,520 barrels during March, 1930. Imports amounted to 235,152 barrels per day, compared to 259,178 barrels during February and 264,057 barrels during March, 1930.

Subs For City Marshal.

While City Marshal P. P. Dickinson was in Dallas for two or three days the early part of the week, W. R. Sumpter, deputy sheriff, looked after his duties, as well as attending to matters in connection with his service as a county peace officer.

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Hamblet Goes to Market.

Loring Hamblet, who will open a "Variety" store in the Max Mellinger building, adjoining the "M" System store about May 1, left for Dallas Wednesday to buy stock. He will be back the latter part of the week and expects to be ready for opening his store Saturday, May 2.

Texas produces one-third of the American cotton crop, but has only 280,800 spindles for spinning that product. North Carolina, leading Southern textile state, has 6,236,320 spindles.

Flood lighting of church exteriors is being tried in England.

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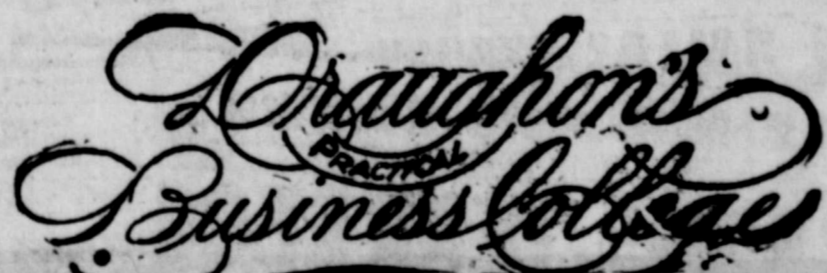
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TIGER EYE

By B. M. Bower



FOURTH INSTALLMENT.
 The Kid's name was Bob Reeves, but back home on the Brazos they called him Tiger Eye, because one was yellow—the eye with which he sighted down a gun-barrel. His father was "Killer" Reeves, but the boy did not want to kill. If he stayed home he would have to carry on his father's feuds, so he headed his horse, Pecos, northward and encountered Nate Wheeler, who drew his .45 and fired just as Tiger Eye did. The Kid didn't want to kill Nate, only to cripple him, but his aim must have been wild, for Wheeler dropped from his horse. Babe Garner came riding up. Wheeler was a "nester," he said, and had it coming to him. Tiger Eye rode to Wheeler's cabin to notify the dead man's widow.

The Kid breaks the news of Nate's death to his widow and then goes out and brings in the body, discovering he had not missed his shot to disable Wheeler but had broken his arm, while another shot had killed the man. A gang of strangers rides up. One of them insults Mrs. Wheeler by coupling her name with the stranger. The Kid shoots a hole in each of the ears of Pete Gorham, who hurled the insult, making his escape in the confusion.

Learning that the "nesters" plan to draw the Poole riders into a trap, the Kid informs Garner, telling him at the same time he had learned it was the latter's shot that killed Wheeler and not his own. Garner is grateful and gets the boy a job riding range for the Poole outfit. The Kid sees a lone rider attack a man and a girl driving in a wagon and wounds the assailant. NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

Old man, all right. Her old pappy, shot without a chance in the world to help himself. Didn't even have a gun on him. Old farmer, by the look of him. Bald-headed and little and old. The kid investigated his head injury. Didn't seem to be any crack in the skull, but still you couldn't tell, with an old man like him.

The kid got up and looked in the wagon. A sack of flour was there, and a box of groceries, all jumbled together, and a demijohn lying on its side. The kid hoped it held whiskey, and reached a long arm for it. Shoah enough—old pappy liked his eye open when he got up in the morning, and was taking home a jugful. The kid gave him an eye opener now, holding the old man's head up and tilting the jug to the ash lips pinched in together in the long beard. Then he poured a little in his palm and rubbed it on the blue lump in the thin gray hair, and after that he trickled a pungent little stream on the bullet wound, front and back. The man's faded blue eyes opened and he stared vaguely up into the kid's face.

"Reckon yo'all feelin' some bettah, suh," the kid said shyly. "Right smart crack on the haid, but the whiskey'll keep down the swellin'." and when the old eyes still questioned, the kid offered further encouragement. "Bullet dug itsef a trail in yo'all's side, but it ain't deep, no how."

The old man opened his mouth and moved his jaw uncertainly, trying to speak. His eyes never left the kid's face.

"Where's Nellie?" The old man was still dazed, but at least he could speak once more. The kid gave a sigh of relief.

"Why, suh, she—" he turned and looked back toward the hill. "—she's comin'. She'll be heah directly, suh." The drink revived the old man a little, but he seemed to have only a vague idea of what had taken place.

"Team run away," he mumbled. "Threwed me out. Where's Nellie? She was in the wagon when the team run away."

She came, her long yellow hair pulled forward over her left shoulder. Her face was pale and her mouth drooped at the corners, and her eyes were glassy with terror, but the kid thought she was beautiful and he blushed a dark red as he tipped his hat to her.

"You hurt, Pa?" The girl sank on her knees beside the old man. "Pete shot you, didn't he?"

"Pete? Pete—who? The horses run away. Guess they threwed me out. Where war we goin', Nellie? Wasn't we goin' some place?"

"We were going home, Pa." She was kneeling there, looking at the blue lump on her father's head, and from there her staring eyes turned to the bullet wound in his side, which the kid had left uncovered ready for further ablations of raw whiskey. "Don't you

remember when Pete Gorham took in after us, after Nate Wheeler's funeral, and you remember you never got your gun back from the bartender before you left town?"

"Pete Gorham! Who's he? I don't remember any—"

The kid's hand left its slow stroking of the horse's sweaty jaw. He walked over and stood beside the kneeling girl, bashful but determined.

"Scuse me," he said diffidently, gun-hand to his hat brim when she looked up. "Did yo'all say Nate Wheelah's funeral taken place yeste'day?"

"Why, of course it was—" she checked herself abruptly, one swift, troubled glance going to her father on the ground. "You must be a stranger in the valley, if you don't know—"

She cast a swift, suddenly enlightened glance upward. "Are you one of them Poole rim riders?"

"I happened to be up theah when Pete Gorham shot yoh pap," he said, with slow meaning. "I taken it upon mysef to stop Pete befoah he could carry out his plan."

"Well, wasn't you rim riding on the

valley?"

"I just happend to be theah at the time."

"You're a Poole rider, ain't you?" "Poole! Poole rider!" The old man scrambled to a sitting posture, his face working furiously as memory came back with a rush. "One of them Texas killers, I betcha! Was it you dry-gulched my son, Ed? Where's my gun?" He clawed futilely at his hip, where no gun was holstered.

"No, suh, it wasn't me."

The girl gave an involuntary shudder and closed her eyes for a second. "Even if he's a Poole rider, Pa, he did us a big favor," she said, a little color staining her cheeks. "We've got to be grateful for that."

"Are you the fellow that shot Pete in the ears? They were talking about that yesterday at Nate Wheeler's fune—" she caught herself up, biting her lip.

"Nate Wheelah's funeral," the kid finished softly. "Yes'm, I had the pleasuah of eah-mahkin' Pete the othah evenin'."

"Then you're one of those Texas

killers. They said it was a Texas kilber done that. Pa, ain't you able to get in the wagon? I can drive, if you can sit and ride."

She was in a hurry to get away from him, even though he had saved her from Pete Gorham. Saved her and her pappy's life, and this was all the thanks he got. The kid swung on his heel and gave all his attention to backing the wagon off the buckbush so the team could be turned around.

He worked swiftly, surely, his capable hands never wasting a motion, never uncertain of the thing they should accomplish. The team was restless, wanting to go home, and the kid turned to the girl.

"If yo'all would be so accommodatin' as to come hold these hawes a minute," he said stiffly. "I'd be shoah pleased to tote yoh pap ovah and lay him in the wagon."

"I kin walk, dang ye!" the old fellow cried pettishly. But he couldn't except with the help of the kid's arm under his shoulders, taking all the weight off the wobbly old legs.

"We're much obliged," the girl said constrainedly, after he had lifted the old man into the wagon. "Even if you are a rim rider for the Poole, I want to thank you for—all you've done."

Then she looked at Pete Gorham, who sat cursing beside a sage-bush, took her foot down off the hub, and came over to where the kid stood stroking the nose of the horse he was holding by the bridle.

"If you didn't kill Pete Gorham,

he'll kill you," she said in a fierce undertone.

"Reckon it'll be a right smaht while befo' he's able." The kid did not look at her.

She glanced again toward the querulous murmur of her dad's voice. "You better quit the Poole and get outa the country," she said hurriedly. "The valley folks'll kill you—"

She seemed to think that was saying more than she dared, for she turned sharply away and drove off.

He went over to Pete Gorham, lifted him to his feet and faced him toward the valley.

"Go hunt yo'sef a coyote den and crawl into it," he advised harshly, and started back up the hill, climbing like one in a great hurry.

The kid's lips thinned and straightened when he remembered that girl running for the hill, Pete after her with his rope. Any other man would have shot to kill. But somehow this thing of killing—it was plumb easy to do, but yo'all never could put the life back in a man once you'd shot it out. Funny about the nesters being wise to Poole rim riders.

The funeral was another strange thing. They buried Nate Wheeler yesterday, she said. Then what did they want to carry out a coffin and start another procession today for? The kid couldn't see any sense to that.

The kid turned his glasses on the now-distant wagon and looked for Pete. Might as well make shoah he wasn't trying to trail the girl. No, Pete was going straight across the

flat, making a beeline for Becker's coulee, as nearly as the kid could judge. Satisfied, he turned the glasses again upon the wagon.

Shoah was a pretty girl. The kid never had seen such yellow hair in his life. Wasn't much like that darned stuck-up girl back home that had made fun of his yellow eye. This girl, Nellie, never noticed his eye.

He sighed and gave another sweeping glance at the valley. Shoah was a funny thing about that funeral. Reckon they were just trying to fool him with it, like the girl hinted. Maybe they wanted to go all in a bunch somewhere and couldn't figure out any way to keep from being seen, and maybe they just had a fake funeral to fool any Poole rim rider that happened to be keeping cases. Plumb foolish. Easiest way was to send somebody along over here to fush-whack him. The kid gave a sudden grunt of understanding. The nesters had sent somebody, all right. Or they thought they had. They'd sent Pete Gorham. And Pete had kinda got side-tracked, thinking he could kill off that old man and get the girl.

The kid's face darkened at the simplicity of the scheme. Pete had thought he could do it and lay it to the Poole. They'd blame the Poole, and they'd go running after them harder than ever. But Pete didn't make it stick. The kid had come along and fixed Pete good and plenty.

There was something in her voice that was like her hair. Something like

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WAXAHACHE DAILY LIGHT
 FREEZE IS PREDICTED FOR TO

ABILENE MORNING NEWS
 Blizzard Is Sweeping Across

Sweetwater Daily Reporter
 Rain, Snow, Sleet With Cold Wave in Southwest

THE BRYAN DAILY
 FIVE CHILDREN FROZEN

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Fort Worth Record
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THE DALLAS DISPATCH
 HARD FREEZE IN DALLAS

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 COLD BREAKS 45-YEAR RECO

THE ENNIS DAILY NEWS
 Decision Awaited

GISCO DAILY NEWS
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THE DAILY TIMES HERALD
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WINTER MAKES NEW ATTACK ON TEXAS

DAILY NEWS
 Peril to Peace Fades With French Protest

Stalled in Blizzard
 Five Children Die, Eighteen Rescue

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IN THIS balmy weather it's hard to realize that such a short time ago as March 27th, we were shivering and dodging indoors to get warm. The headings reproduced here tell the story of that cold wave. A blizzard had swept down from the north with but a moment's warning. We hardly believed the weather-man when he told us, "Freezing weather due tonight." But the temperature dropped 15 degrees in one hour! Gas consumption doubled, tripled, and in a few hours the demand had gone four times above normal. Hundreds of men, trained for such emergencies, sprang into action. Gas was drawn from 1,000 wells in 32 fields. And the homes in 291 Lone Star communities had plenty of gas. WHEN YOU PAY YOUR GAS BILL THIS MONTH—REMEMBER—THERE'S A MARCH BLIZZARD INCLUDED.

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UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS STUDENT A VISITOR.

The English IV class was honored last Monday with the presence of a Texas University student, J. T. Darsey. J. T. was a Senior in Merkel High school last year. The entire school was glad to welcome him for a few days' visit. He spoke to the English class on the subject of "Know English before Going to College." In this interesting speech he also gave an account of the things he had experienced while in college.

MERKEL WINS ESSAY CONTEST.

Elvis D. Richardson won first place in the essay contest of the district meet held at Abilene last Friday. He chose the subject "The Birds of Our Neighborhood." His winning this contest shows that he is brilliant and studious, as well as popular—a fact revealed in a recent popularity contest.

MERKEL WINS AGAIN.

Wednesday afternoon, April 15, the Blair and Merkel track boys participated in another meet of track and field events. As before, the highest score went to the Merkel boys. Benny Sheppard won the highest number of points, the score being 22 1-4. Monte Moore of Blair was next with 18 points.

The events and winners of first place are as follows:
 100-yard dash—Benny Sheppard.
 Shot Put—Arthur Moore (Blair).
 High Jump—A. Moore and Monte Moore (Blair) tied.
 880-yard run—M. Moore.
 1 mile run—Mardell Shouse.
 440-yard dash—B. Sheppard.
 Broad Jump—B. Sheppard.
 Pole vault—M. Moore.
 220-yard dash—B. Sheppard.
 Discus—J. R. Graham.
 Relay—C. Wozencraft, Marshall Stalls, J. R. Graham, Benny Sheppard.

M. H. S.
 Did you ever see a Fish
 Who could help but wish
 That he were out of school?
 Well, generally that is the rule
 But not so in ole M. H. S.
 Seriously ask those Fish—they'll confess.

That dear old school, built in '24,
 We Seniors hate to see her door
 Shut upon us forever.
 From her have gone men clever;
 They have always won the strife
 But have regretted leaving her for the school of life.

Farewell, glorious M. H. S.!
 We hope you'll always gain renown
 From honors of victory sound—
 Success, pep, all, no less!

JACK SEZ—
 Jet a few more days an' these here

seniors 'ill all be "fish" again. They have absorbed jes a nuf learnin' durin' th' las' four years ter be reel difficult problems fer th' Sophs in their colleges.

Take fer instance th' mos' beautifules' gurl in school, now she has been doin' as she pleases so long it's comin' ter be a habit.

To Elvis, college will be jes 'nother problem ter solve, to Margarette, a bigger library ter graze in; to Audrey an' Jess, mor' fields uv' glory ter try an' get; to Vera an' Beth, more boys ter interest; ter Lois an' Lou, bigger debates; ter Benny, more hearts ter smash; ter Ford an' Fred, more crops an' cows ter tend; an' ter Ola—well, it 'ill belots cheaper on a certain young man.

Their only predictions. Course college ter some will be only a dream. Any old how they is gittin' clos' ter th' end uv th' firs' mile.

Don't tak' life too serius ev' you'll ruin yer complexion let alon' yer temper.

JOKES.

Central: "Number please?"
 Marshall: "Number? Woman, I put my nickel in, and I want my chewing gum."

A Fish's short story:
 I came,
 I saw,
 I flunked.

"Tis said, "Blessed is he who sitteth on a tack, for he shall rise!"

Thelma: "Well, M. E. how are you?"
 M. E.: "Wonderful, thanks."
 Thelma: "Well, I'm glad someone thinks so."

David: "Did you say you could be comfortable with five thousand a year?"

Nell: "What, men or money?"

Mr. Burgess (in trig. class): "Benny, draw the tangent of an angel wheel

the side "a" and the side "b" meet in infinity."
 Benny: "I can't reach that high. I'd have to have a step ladder."

Mattilou: "Will your people be surprised when you graduate?"
 Fred: "No, they have ben expecting it for years."

SAY, DID YOU KNOW—
 —School is almost out?
 —That M. E. and Thelma have a new "crush" in Abilene?
 —That Lou had company Saturday and Sunday morning?
 —That a number of one act plays will be presented Tuesday night?
 —That some of the girls went on a "fishing trip" last Friday night?
 —That Lois is "Madame" in the new opera?
 —That J. T. Darsey visited school Monday?
 —That the Senior-Junior banquet is to be Friday night?

Colorado Bus Hero Given Scholarship

Chestertown, Md., April 23.—Bryan Untiedt, 13-year-old hero of the recent Colorado bus disaster, who has been invited to visit President Hoover, was offered a college education without financial outlay Saturday.

Dr. Paul E. Titsworth, president of Washington college, sent a telegram to Bryan informing him that he has been awarded a four-year scholarship, including all fees, room rent, board and tuition, effective upon his graduation from high school.

The award, made in recognition of the boy's bravery and presence of mind in helping to keep alive a number of children stranded in a snowbound motor bus while the driver went for help, was approved by the college board of governors.

Young Untiedt's home is at Towner, Colo., but he has been in a hospital at Lamar recovering from his ordeal. Washington college, a co-educational institution, is supported partly by state appropriations.

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TIGER EYE

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gold. Of course, you all couldn't say a voice of yellow, or had a shiny sound, but you all could kinda imagine it was like gold. That girl down in Texas—her voice was like a tin pan. Funny about voices—they say more than words, sometimes. More than a person wants their voice to say. Hers did. Hers said she'd shoah hate to have anything happen to a rim rider.

The kid rode dreamily along, watching the wagon as it bumped over the dim trail in the grass. Watching just in case she might need help or something. Girl like that didn't belong with no nester outfit. She oughta have some big cattelman for a pappy and ride around on a nice, gentle horse.

The wagon finally turned into a shallow depression and was seen no more from the rim. The kid marked the place where she lived; marked it with a special significance in his mind.

Now and then he swept the valley with a perfunctory glance, but most of the time he was staring at the ridge which hid her home. A thin line of cottonwoods ran up along a creek there. There were places where the tops of trees showed above the ridge. One place, where the fridge dipped a little, the kid thought he could make out part of the roof of a building. Might be rocks, but it shoah did look like a roof.

The kid stirred uneasily and let the glasses drop from his eyes. A long,

oddly attenuated shadow was sliding stealthily down the rocks beside him, a big hat and a pair of shoulders growing longer as he looked. The kid sprang up like a startled deer, his gun in his hand and pointing straight at the man who stood looking at him. Then suddenly the kid smiled sheepishly and tucked the gun back in its holster.

"Come alive like a rattler, didn't yuh?" Babe Garner grinned. "You been asleep?"

"No I been watchin' the valley."
 "Huh!" Babe's tone sounded skeptical. "See anything?"

"Saw a fune'l ovah to Nate Wheeler's place."
 "You didn't report it to the Poole,"

Babe charged grimly. "What was the matter? Paralyzed so you couldn't git to the pinnacle?"

"No, suh, I was right busy soon afaah," he said mildly.

"Doin' what?"

"Shootin' a nestah!"

"Hell! Why didn't yuh say so?"

Babe's tone had warmed amazingly.

"Some one tryin' to dry-gulsh yuh, Tiger Eye?"

"I reckon he was aimin' that-a-way, Babe."

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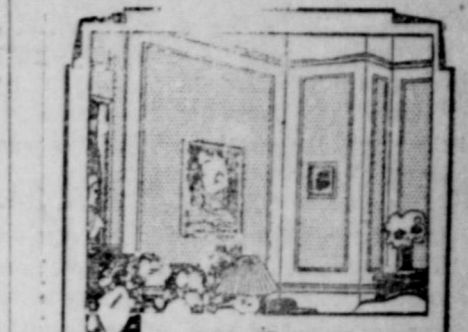
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All-Day Meeting of Missionary Society

Ninety-two out of town delegates, representing societies at Abilene, Baird, Tuscola, Anson, Albany, Capps, Trent, Tye, Avoca, Ovalo, Potosi, Stith and other places in the district, registered at the annual all-day meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society which convened at 10 o'clock Wednesday at the Methodist church.

The morning was used in transacting the business of the assembly, closing with an inspirational address at noon by Mrs. Nat G. Rollins, president of the W. M. S. of the Northwest Texas conference.

Lunch was served at the church by the local ladies and the afternoon was given to reports and addresses.

Mrs. Ford Allen, president of Mission study, gave a forceful address on this department of the work and provoked questions from the house as to the methods and rules of her department.

C. W. Delmer, accompanied by Mrs. Delmer, sang "The Cross" to the delight of the assembly and, following this, an address was made by Miss Emily Almstead of Abilene.

Mrs. T. V. Touchstone of Merkel was appointed zone leader of the west zone, made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. T. V. Touchstone, who has held the office for the past two years. Mrs. Largent, as zone leader, will have charge of the eight societies in this section.

Condition of Bill Comegys Favorable

Bill Comegys, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident Sunday was reported by the attending physician Thursday morning as resting well, with chances favorable for recovery. His condition became alarming shortly after noon Wednesday, but he took a turn for the better later on in the day.

Bill received a lacerated wound in the scalp and a fracture at the base of the skull when he was thrown from an automobile, in which he was riding with friends and which was driven by Edwin Wade, and struck the pavement on Oak street. The accident occurred about 4:45 Sunday afternoon as Edwin was starting to pass a car in front and, seeing that a collision with an ornamental light post in the center of the street was likely, dropped back, but too late to avoid a crash with the car ahead.

No one except Bill received serious injuries and occupants of the other car were uninjured.

Young Comegys is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Comegys and is employed by the Farmers State bank. A host of his personal friends and of the family have been most solicitous as to his condition and will be gratified to learn of the favorable report of his physician Thursday morning.

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None but physicians and surgeons of recognized ability are permitted to practice at this Sanitarium; among those, however, who do practice here are some of the most noted and able physicians and surgeons in this section of the country.

Orchestra-Quartette In "Variety" Program

The popularity of Peggy and Pat—radio couple featured on the Conoco Listeners' hour—has been proved in an unusual way. Since they mentioned during one of their weekly broadcasts a short time ago that they planned a motor tour of the Northwest for their vacation this summer, they have received scores of invitations to visit other sections.

"It would take all summer to visit all the places we'd like to," Peggy said. "And we only get two weeks. Besides we wouldn't want to change our plans now—the Conoco Travel bureau has already sent up our map and passports. Maybe next year we can visit other sections."

Other motorists who are planning vacation trips will be interested in the next Conoco program, Pat has announced. A real "variety" program has been arranged by the orchestra and the quartette.

Tune in next Monday evening (April 27) on station WFAA, Dallas, at 6:30. The program can also be heard Tuesday at 8 p. m. from KFYO, Abilene.

Income Tax Figures. Washington, April 23.—Income tax collections for March were the lowest for that month in recent years, totaling \$334,830,214 as compared to \$559,503,703 in March of last year.

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1,150 Students at A. & M. Get \$80,560 Loans Through Ass'n

College Station, April 23.—During the fiscal year ending February 28, 1931, a total of 1,157 loans, amounting in all to \$80,560, were made to 780 students of Texas A. & M. College from student loan funds of the Association of Former Students, Secretary E. E. McQuillen showed in report to the association in annual session here recently. Such loans are made to assist worthy students in getting an education. The report showed further that a total of only \$112 has been charged off the association books as uncollectible out of loans totalling \$457,000 since January, 1924.

Assets of the association loan funds now amount to \$97,891. Since 1924, the loan funds have earned a total of \$16,642 in interest.

Active members of the association March 1, 1931, totaled 3,310 as compared with 3,065 a year previous, the report showed.

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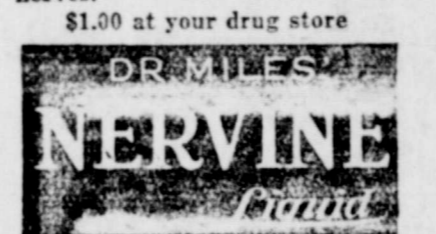


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Inheritance Tax On Slick Estate To Be \$7,000,000

Oklahoma City, Okla., April 19.—Frank Carter, state auditor, predicted Saturday that the inheritance tax from the estate of the late T. B. Slick, "king of wildcaters" would wipe out the deficit Oklahoma faces. The auditor said he expected the inheritance tax to approximate \$7,000,000 but that the amount would not be paid the state until September, a year from the date of the oil

man's death. The auditor previously had said the state bank balance would show a deficit of more than \$8,000,000 on July 1.

Carter estimated the estate at \$50,000,000.

Heiress to Wed Law Clerk. New York, April 23.—The new York American says Miss Fredrika Fry, Greenwich, Conn., heiress of a \$5,000,000 estate, was to wed Eligio Del Guercio, a law clerk and son of a printer, next Tuesday. A marriage license was issued to them in Greenwich Saturday.

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