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MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1931.

TO THE SUPPORT

POST-DISPATCH

J. E. (Jack) Josey, Insurance

Capitalist, Gains Control of

Sterling Newspaper.

Houston, Dec. 3 .- A suit involving

control of the Houston Post-Dispatch.

SUIT SETTLED

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FIELD DIRECTOR PAYS VISIT TO **MERKEL LIONS**

Reports 2,489 Lions Clubs in the United States; Lions Only Organization That Showed Increase Last Year.

C. W. Webb, international field director for the Lions club, was the especial guest of the local Lions club at their luncheon Tuesday and the visitor gave a most satisfying exposition greatly increased opportunity and increased demand for service.

It was the first meeting to be presided over by S. D. Gamble, new president of the club, since the resignation of Mat Dillingham, due to the latter's transfer to Munday by the utilities company. Dr. W. T. Sadler was toastmaster, assisted by E. Yates Brown. After the club singing, led by Mr. Brown, with Mrs. Brown as accompanist, the invocation was given by Rev. R. A. Walker and during the of A. & M. college, who was notified luncheon incidental music was pleasingly rendered by Mrs. Brown.

W. S. Dickerson, new local manager of the West Texas Utilities company, was welcomed as a member of the club by transfer from Munday and, besides the visitors from International and Mrs. Brown, two Merkel pastors, Revs. Yeats and Walker, were also guests.

The plan for a Red Cross drive, as reported elsewhere in this issue of The Mail, was presented by Rev. Mr. Walker and met with the unanimous endorsement of the club.

In bringing his message to Merkel from Lions International, Mr. Webb said that the depression had been the greatest incentive to Lionism, citing figures from a government bureau to came the largest service club in the residents of all rural communities The title to that stock then pass-United States. On October 7 there as well as of Abilene and other Tay- ed automatically to the trust estate, of land on his farm near Ferris. were reported 2,489 Lions clubs, as lor county towns will be given op- which was created by Governor compared with 2,446 for Rotary, the portunity to assist in the movement. Sterling's conveyance of various of next largest. Lionism was the only organization of the kind that showed an increase last year, he said.

Designating the Lions as the first service club to be organized, he called attention to the organization's slogan, "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety." 65 per cent of the Lions clubs are in towns of less than 3,000 population, with 263 clubs in Texas. 333 commissioners court voted to disconnew clubs were reported in 1930, of which 203 were local organizations. Lions' revenue increased \$37,000 in 1930-31. "The Moral Code of Youth," which the Lions club is sponsoring and which the speaker hoped would be placed in every school house of the United States, was referred to and this was on diplay at Merkel High. Sunday, November 29, 1931. Among the many purposes of the club, which he pictured enthusiastically, of Dallas, Monday, November 30, (Continued on Page Four)

ies of Merkel and the Merkel coun-

A team hitched to a wagon became

the vehicle. They received a few

Miss Eula Elliott, Dora.

bruises but none fatal.

ABILENE C. OF C. **GUARANTEES PAY OF FARM AGENTS**

Action In Response to Farmers' Plea; A. & M. College Extension Service Head Wires Acceptance of Arrangement.

Extension work for Taylor county, which has been hanging in the balance since the commissioners' court in October voted to discontinue apof the ideals and practices of Lionism propriations for the payment of from its organization to this day of agents' salaries, is to be retained during 1932.

Continuation of the service for a year was assured Monday when the Abilene chamber of commerce, through its executive board, guaranteed \$2,000 as the county's part toward payment of the farm and home demonstration agents.

T. B. Wood, district agent in charge of the extension program of the chamber's guarantee, telegraph. ed T. N. Carswell the offer had been accepted, pending a conference here descendant of one of the south's oldon December 14. The county has est newspapers, was settled out of been paying \$4,000 on the salaries of court Wednesday.

farmers and club women of all com- Josey, insurance capitalist, and nat- Fairfield for burial. munities in the county, formally ex- ive Texan, will become owner of conpressed at a mass meeting held on trolling interest in the paper. November 19. At that time the rural | The suit, an injunction action filed citizens appealed to Abilene business on behalf of the Sterling trust estate men for assistance in some movement to restrain J. M. West and associwhereby the work of the agents might ates from gaining control of the be continued, and were assured by Post-Dispatch, was dismissed. Mr. many city residents that support West accepted \$485,000 from Mr.

would be given. Campaign plans for raising the secured by stock in the company money will be mapped at once and which publishes the paper.

essity, moved sometime ago to make note, and the estate contracted to lone man shortly before 10:30 Wedboth club and individual contributions. sell to Mr. Josey 6,800 shares of the nesday morning was frustrated when Clubs are to give \$2 each and mem- total of 9,000 in the Post-Dispatch. Adolpt. Grood, president, wrestled bers will be asked to donate 50 cents | The whole matter awaits the action each to the salary fund.

The county's contracts with the ecutive duties in Austin. agents, Miss Caroline Chambers and C. Metz Heald, expired Monday. The Funeral Rites for tinue the program as an economy

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burfeind, residing at Noodle, Thursday, Nov-

ember 26, 1931. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Tom S. Can-Supt. Burgess was able to state that on, residing ten miles south of town, ternoon at the home of her daughter, and Rodeo.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moore,

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, December 8, 1911.)

Mrs. Mary McDaniel Thursday Afternoon measure. Record of Births.

Mrs. V. L. Davis, with whom she had made her home for many years.

of the governor, who was at his ex-

Funeral services were to be held at Presbyterian church, with Rev. R. A: Walker, the pastor, officiating, assisted by L. E. Carpenter, Church of Christ minister, and Rev. J. T. King, pastor of the Baptist church. Interment is to be at Rose Hill cemetery.

to Texas, was married 48 years ago counter the Sweetwater Mustangs at to H. C. McDaniel. Her husband died Abilene this Friday in the first bi-24 years ago and is buried in Com- district elimination. anche county. She joined the Presbyterian church in girlhood and has borne her suffering with true Cris-

tian patience. Besides the daughter here, she is survived by another daughter and four step-children. The daughter, Mrs. Eva Weathered, whose home is jury in district court.

Film Pioneer Dies.

Los Angeles, Dec. 3.-Theodore Wharton, 55 pioneer motion picture wheel of a 1906-model runabout, Allidirector who brought the late Mil- ston L. Lunt is making a tour of the of the buggy demolishing it and turn- Freeman spent Sunday in Roscoe, ton Sills into the films, died here nation. He plans to give President Saturday, Wharton was the first who Hoover and the governor of every conceived the motion picture serial, state a ride in his ancient vehicle beand directed Pearl White in the first fore he returns to Auburn.

> Chopping Is Meal Tcket. Freemont, Neb., Dec. 3 .- This city ernor Harvey Parnell has called a will have a soup kitchen this winter, special session for Jan. 12 to name a but you must have a meal ticket to get successor to Senator Thaddeus H. the soup. When a man cuts wood in Caraway. Mrs. Hattie Caraway, wife entitling him to go to the kitchen. to serve until the election.

KEEPING WITH TEXAS

THE DOLLARS YOU

NEIGHBORING TOWNS BECOME

Daniel Sullivan, aged San Antonio banker and said to be the wealthiest man in Texas, with a fortune in ex-Monday morning.

T. R. Robinson, 30, highway construction worker, died at Corsicana Provided Governor Ross S. Sterl- of injuries received when he became Action of the Abilene chamber of ing, the present publisher, approves entangled in the mechanism of a concommerce was in response to pleas of Wednesday's actions, J. E. (Jack) crete mixer. His body was sent to

> of the Southern Methodist Mustangs, Post-Dispatch to the most valuable will be accepted. Southwest conference player.

Josey in payment of notes West held badly mangled in the explosion of sev- Red Cross spent \$13,000 for food and pigeons will be: Singles, first, \$1, he was blasting stumps from a tract people in Taylor county last year. In ribbons; pens, first, \$2 second, \$1,

Attempted robbery of the Grous Club women, anticipating the nec- his properties to secure an \$800,000 National bank at San Antonio by a zation dispensed 200 bushels of wheat with the man until help arrived.

> The millionth bale of cotton to be exported from Port Houston this sea-

Having been confined to her bed | Members of the Simmons Cowboy ever since May of this year with an band left Abilene on the Sunshine affliction of cancer from which she Special Thanksgiving night for Los had suffered for the past ten years, Angeles, Calif., where on Saturday Mrs. Mary Elizabeth McDaniel, 75, morning they opened a week's engagepassed away at 3:30 Wednesday af- ment at the Great Western Livestock

Chief Red Wing, 39-year-old Cherokee Indian, first of his race to for-3 o'clock Thursday aftrnoon from the leit his life in the Texas electric chair, was electrocuted at the state prison early Monday as the convicted slayer of a two-year-old girl at New Braunfels last year.

By the decisive score of 34 to 13, the Abilene Eagles defeated the Cis-Mrs. McDaniel was reared in Ten- co Loboes in Abilene last Friday for nessee and, after the family removed the district championship and will en-

> More than a year after a verdict of suicide was returned in a justice court inquest in the death of D. O. Bailey, Midland county farmer, his widow faces trial on a charge of murder based on indictment by a grand

in Winters, has been here for several Effective June 1, 1932, Batsell Bax. weeks at her mother's bedside. On of ter, president of Abilene Christian the step-children, Mrs. Ida Musgrave college, tendered his resignation to of Dallas, is also here. One step-son the board of trustees Saturday night lives in Fort Worth and two step- to take the presidency of another daughters reside in Comanche coun- Church of Christ institution, David Lipscomb college, of Nashville, Tenn.

> Tours Nation in 1906 Auto. Auburn, Me., Dec. 3 .- Behind the

> Election For Senator. Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 3-Gov-

EXPECT BIGGER AND BETTER SHOW WITH MORE EXHIBITORS

RED CROSS DRIVE **GETS UNDER WAY**

Generous Response Reported by Workers on First Day; Membership Buttons at \$1 Each.

Generous response was reported by the workers Wednesday, the first day of the Red Cross Membership drive in Merkel. It is planned to continue the drive until Saturday night and it is hoped that every one in Merkel and this district will either enroll as a member or subscribe to the Red Cross fessional men of Merkel are offering

The plan for the drive was presented to the Lions club Tuesday by Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church, as spokesman for J. cess of twenty million dollars, died T. Warren, Red Cross representative judge the show; R. A. Ellis has been suddenly at his home in San Antonio in the Merkel Independent School dis- named superintendent of poultry trict, and the club unanimously endorsed the movement.

The personnel of the workers includes Misses Missie Dye, Lola Shelton, Christine Collins and Nadine Tip. pett and Mesdames Bob Mayfield, larger and btter show, with more Claude Dye and Stanley King.

The membership is one dollar or Weldon (Speedy) Mason, star back any amount above one dollar and those who enroll are given an official is the recipient this year of the an- Red Cross button. Subscriptions of nual trophy awarded by the Houston any amount, however, large or small,

In a letter from Louis Montgomery of Abilene, chairman of the Taylor Sam W. Cole, Ferris business man County chapter, American Red Cross, and farmer, was killed and his body to Mr. Warren, it was stated that the Merkel, which included the Merkel In- third, fourth, fifth, ribbons. dependent school district, the organi-

Attends Brother's Funeral.

S. G. Tipton, accompanied by his of same. two sons, Lee and Charlie, attended the funeral of his brother, Neely Tip. ton, who was buried in Jack county son was taken down the ship channel on Wednesday of last week. The lat- Football training has its merits. Wednesday of last week on the Ger- ter was sixty-five years of age, death Hardy Rex Davis, former football man steamer Birkenfels, carrying 7,- being caused by heart trouble from player, surprised a fawn, threw it 900 bales of cotton destined for Bre- which he had suffered for more than with a flying tackle, and succeeded in

Everything in Readiness for Merkel's Second Poultry and Rabbit Show; Starts Next Thursday, Lasts Three Days.

As announced in The Mail last week, the second show of the Merkel Poultry and Rabbit association will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 10, 11 and 12. The first show, held in February of this year, was a decided success.

Besides the regular cash premiums that are being offered by the association, the merchants' and prospecial prizes, which will amount to well over \$100. The complete prize list was published last week.

H. M. Rose of Sweetwater will and Castle Ellis superintendent of rabbits, with Robert Hicks renamed secretary. The committees have everything in readiness and expect a exhibitors than in February, it was announced.

Rules of the American Poultry association will govern the show. All entries must be in not later than 4 p. m. Thursday. The judging will begin Friday. The cash premiums on each variety of chickens, turkeys, geese, ducks, guineas, pheasants and eral sticks of dynamite with which \$2,000 for seed wheat and fed 3,500 second, 50c, third, 25c, fourth, fifth,

> There will be no entry fees nor prizes offered on rabbits, but they may be put on display, with the owner to be responsible for the care

Captures Deer With Tackle.

Klamath Falls, Ore., Dec. 3 .-capturing it after a strenuous battle.

HE NEVER MADE MISTAKES.

The head of a large Philadelphia company decided to open a New England branch. Looking through his organization, he selected a prudent, industrious young man.

"I am thinking of appointing you our New England manager with headquarters in Boston," he said.

The young man received the news gravely.

"I believe it will be a wise move, sir," he answered. "I never make

"Never make mistakes?" the boss repeated incredulously. "My, my, then I couldn't think of appointing you. Just imagine how I should feel, having a man in Boston who never makes mistakes, when I am down here in Philadelphia making them every day."

The young man was not sent to Boston. He lived out his business days in an obscure position, minus errors and minus hits.

One of the most interesting men of my acquaintance has been wrong about forty per cent of the time. I can look back over his career and point out a dozen different points

where he took one stand and subsequently had to revise it.

Why then has he stayed on top? First, I think, because he is absolutely truthful. What he sometimes

imagines to be the truth turns out later to be an error, but he never consciously hedges for anything or anybody.

Second, he is always trying. Roll him in the dust, and he is up in a minute and starting forward again. Lay something before him which you think is pretty good, and he instinctively reaches for a pencil and begins to try to improve it. Let him accomplish an objective, and immediately he has set his eyes on another point further ahead.

Finally, he never wastes any time in regretting the past. "Regret," said some one, "takes as much out of you as a prolonged drunk."

This man has been an encouragement to me. So have the words of Stevenson, who exclaimed, "God give us young men who have the courage to make fools of themselves."

I figure that I am entitled to one major mistake a week. This is my quota. As long as I keep within it I feel all right. And frequently I run over.

Jim Eoff entertained a number of Store. friends. A beautiful appointed dinner was served to Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Ad-S. Allen and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. the Thanksgiving dance.

The beautiful diamond ring given Farten and family, Mr. and Mrs. away by a number of local business John Eoff and family, Mr. and Mrs. firms has created a general interest M. D. Ussery, Fort Worth, and Dr. and started a number of young lad- Geo. L. Miller.

try to enter the contest. The follow-On November 24 the little folks on ing young ladies have been nominated the Southside gave a program consistup to date: Miss Floy Gunn, Mer- ing of songs, drills and recitations. kel; Miss Winnie Sandlin, Merkel; A pressing invitation was extended Miss Ruth Merritt, Merkel; Miss An- to Mammas and Papas; those who resnie Lou O'Briant, Merkel; Miss Sadie ponded were: Mesdames Costephens, Collins, Merkel; Miss Lillian High- Sears, Jones, Laney, Couch, Brown, smith, Noodle; Miss Emma Clark, Russell, Mayfield, Smeltzer, Valen-Blair; Miss Josie Mosely, Trent; Miss tine and Adcock and Miss Howard. Limna Maye Mashburn, Compere;

> Kit Carson Frontier days Saturday, Dec. 2-3 reels.

frightened at a motorcycle on the Jno. G. Sadler and good wife will usiness street Wednerday morning, leave this week to visit relatives in and ran into Will Armstrong's buggy Coryell county for several days.

ust as they were turning a corner. The wagon struck one of the wheels Misses Lizzie Maye and Bernadine ing the buggy over, throwing Mr. guests of their cousin, Mrs. Bob God-Armstrons, wife and children from win.

Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Brown left venture in that direction. Saturday evening for Dallas where Sunday at their home two miles Mr. Brown will buy Christmas goods northwest of Merkel Mr. and Mrs. for the Rust and McCauley Drug

Miss Annie T. Daniel went to Colokisson and family, Mr. and Mrs. I. rado City Tuesday evening to attend the city woodlot, he is given a ticket of the late senator, has been appointed

WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS

A new courthouse for Young county is under construction at Graham after the contract has been tied up in litigation since December last year.

Childress has a landing field on the American Airways line which serves northwest Texas.

A Hardeman county farmer recently harvested five and a half bushels of alfaflfa seed valued at ten dollars per bushel from one acre of alfalfa at Jones county farmers and club boys. one cutting.

The Fifth Annual Texas Panhandle-Plains Dairy show will be held in Plainview April 11-14, 1932.

Friona in the Texas Panhandle recently established a world's record as a shipping point for cooperatively son from Friona.

A Meadow gin employee received 4,940 eggs from twenty hens in one

used for decorative purposes.

erving the large surplus of feed crops | December 31st. produced this year.

volume of business from June to Oc- 2:30 o'clock.

One hundred tons of salt every week is marketed from the mine near Crane

West Texas Herefords captured the premiums at the State Fair of Texas this year.

The wheat produced in the Panhandle of Texas this season would make enough flour for three billion loaves of bread, enough to feed the people of West Texas bread for five years.

The El Paso chamber of commerce sponsored a baby beef show in El Paso recently.

The sale of cotton goods in El Paso

has been materially increased as a result of a recent campaign staged by a daily newspaper in that city.

Fifty seven different crops were ex_ hibited by one farmer at a fair in Portales, New Mexico, recently.

Pecos valley cantaloupes are bringing a dollar and twenty cents premium per crate in the New York mar-

the establishment of a cheese factory time devoted to athletic councils were

Thirty-four highly bred gilts, and the same number of baby beef calves have been distributed recently among

Coke county will have a fat stock show early in the spring.

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BARGAIN DAYS.

From now until Dec. 31st, subscripion price for The Merkel Mail in Taylor and adjoining counties is only Giant petrified trees are being un- \$1.00 per year. This will save you 50 earthed near Spur, larger than the cents, if you will renew your subscripredwoods of California. The rock is tion during these three months. If you are in arrears, you can pay up the past year and extend a new year at Howard county farmers are making the bargain offer of \$1.00 per year. extensive use of trench silos for pres- Do it now. Offer positively expires

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State Teachers Decry | Homeward Movements Athletic Ethics Lack

Amarillo, Dec. 3 .- The Texas State Teachers association Saturday adopted a resolution condemning unethical practices in school athletics, and recommending adoption of the eight-semester rule and the one-year transfer rule.

That a committee be appointed to work out standardized fees for offi-Business men of Anson are seeking cials, and that school boards limit the other recommendations for the regulation of high school athletics.

> The teachers condemned half-holidays for athletic contests, the proselyting and subsidizing of players, and wilful failure of athletes to graduate.

A Panhandle man, Dr. J. A. Hill, was officially declared president of the state association. It was the first time the association had met in Ama-From now until December 31st, the rillo. Hill was the first Panhandle man to be elected president. He defeated Dr. A. W. Evans, head of the education department of Texas Technological college, and Superintendent ed two-thirds of 1,100 ballots cast.

Office supplies-Mail office.



Matinee, 10c, 25c Night 10c, 35c

Of Mexicans Go On

Laredo, Dec. 3 .- Mexican immigration officials announced Saturday that 9361 Mexicans had been repatria ted through the Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, port of entry in November.

They said the figure, which already exceeds any previous mark on record at Nuevo Laredo, was expected to reach 10,000 before the end of the month.

The Mexican government has provided transportation and food for the needy in aiding their return to original homes in Mexico.



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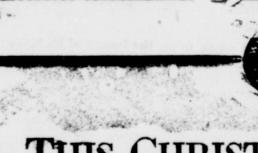
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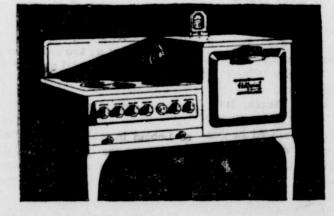


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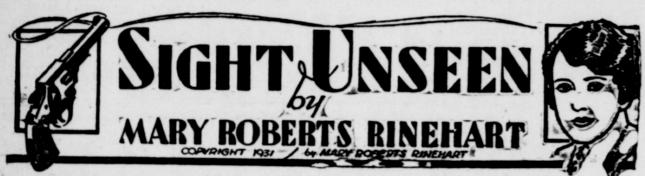


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TENTH INSTALLMENT.

weekly meetings. At one of them, Mrs. area of a square foot or so. fessional, as the medium.

At the first sitting the medium tells Thas been shot mysteriously.

adds details about a summer resort to be the case. men, seems thrilled by the investiga- But the strain of blood had abso- Dane considered.

Johnson goes alone and investigates the deserted house. He is frightened by the candle held close, examined the I'll rap on the floor with it when although Herbert repeated it sevstrange noises, as of an intruder in wood. "Not only scrubbed," he I want her." the house, but completes his investi- said, "but scraped down, probably

how he had carried off the firetongs here. There was a struggle, and he and left behind his overcoat in his went down. He lay there for a excitement. She then tells him she had while, too, until some plan was sharply behind me. advertised for the finder of the pock- thought out. A man does not usuetbook and turns over to Johnson an ally kill himself in a hallway. It's he demanded. answer she had received from one a sort of solitary deed. He fell here, having quilty knowledge of the crime. and was dragged into the room. Dr. Sperry announces he is to be The angle of the bullet in the ceilmarried to Miss Jeremy when the club meets again.

Hawkins, the butler, is identified as being the person who answered Mrs. Dane's advertisement. Johnson's missing overcoat is mailed him, but the letters contained in a pocket are missing. Sperry accompanied by Johnson, makes another search in Wells' house for the letters written by the

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY-

Our inspection of the curtains was hurried, but finally we found what we were looking for. In the lining of one of the curtains, near the bottom, a long, ragged cut had been made.

"Cut in a hurry, with curved scissors," was Sperry's comment. "Probably manicure scissors."

hang toward the room.

"Probably." he said, "the curtain that might appear. stayed anyhow. Whereas the bag-" her chair, and proceeded to wrap prepared them for anything that communications from the medium, He was flushed with triumph. "How her, chair and all, in a strong net- might occur. in the world would Hawkins know work of fine threads, drawn suffi- A number of things occurred al- On Tuesday morning I wakened that?" he demanded. "You can talk ciently taut to snap with any move- most as soon as the lights were out. after an uneasy night. I knew cerall you like. She's told us things that | ment. no one ever told her."

the carpets now," he said.

The dressing-room had a large line.

And, after a time, we found what! the details of a murder as it is oc- we were after. The upper hall was ment in the circle during the trance curring. Later that night Sperry carpeted, and my penknife came into had, in the first seance, induced medium, "the man is dead, and the learns that a neighbor, Arthur Wells, requisition to lift the tacks. They fretful uneasiness in the medium. revolver is beside him. Did he kill came up rather easily, as if but re- But Clara, appealed to, begged to himself?" At a second seance, Miss Jeremy cently put in. That, indeed, proved be allowed to remain outside until

where Charles Ellingham was known Just outside the dressing-room unmistakable nervousness that we to have been at the same time that door the boards for an area of two finally agreed. Mrs. Wells was there. She also speaks square feet or more beneath the "Would a slight noise disturb of a pocketbook being lost which con- carpet had been scraped and scrubbed. her?" Mrs. Dane asked. tained some important car tickets and With the lifting of the carpet came, Miss Jeremy thought not, if the

> lutely disappeared. with a floor-scraper. It's pretty ing would probably show it came

It was getting on, so I suggested we give up further searching.

the doorway."

We reached Mrs. Dane's, to find that Miss Jeremy had already arrived, looking rather pale, as a I had noticed she always did before a seance. Her color had faded, and her eyes seemed sunken in her head.

her, as he took her hand.

"Not at all. But I am anxious. I always am. These things do not thing." come for the calling."

"This is the last time. You have romised."

"Yes. The last time."

For our last seance. Herbert Rob-

"We'll have a go at the floors under on the sheet of paper, and outlining black curtain commenced to ring. kins had the letters that Arthur their position there with a pencil Quite without warning, immediate- Wells had found; that was one

rug, like the nursery above it, turning | The proceedings were saved from Six people, Horace Johnson (who back the carpet was a simple matter. absurdity by what we all felt was tells the story), his wife, old Mrs. There had been a stain beneath the extreme gravity of the situation. Dane, Herbert Robinson and his sis- where the dead man's head had lain, There were present in the room forward, "why not ask her about ter, Alice, and Dr. Sperry, friends and but it had been scrubbed and scraped Mrs. Dane, the Robinsons, Sperry, that stock of mine? If it is going neighbors, are in the habit of holding away. The boards were white for an my wife and myself. Clara, Mrs. down, I ought to sell, oughtn't I?" Dane's secretary, had begged off on Bane, who is hostess, varies the pro- Sperry eyed the spot with indif- the plea of nervousness from the asperation. gram by unexpectedly arranging a ference. "Not essential," he said. carlier and physical portion of the spiritualistic seance with Miss Jeremy, "Shows good housekeeping. That's seance, and was to remain outside investigation," he said. "If the mema friend of Dr. Sperry and not a pro- all. The point is, are there other in the hall until the trance com- bers of the club will keep their

> Sperry objected to this, as moveshe was required, and showed such found the letters."

letters. Mrs. Dane, alone of the wo- too, a strong odor, as of ammonia. circle remained unbroken, and Mrs.

"Bring me my stick from the hall, Sperry, kneeling on the floor with Horace," she said. "And tell Clara

I found a stick in the rack outside and brought it in. The lights trol" began to recite a verse of He visits Mrs. Dane and tells her clear, Horace. The poor devil fell were still on in the chandelier overhead, and as I gave the stick to trash. It was maddening, under the Mrs. Dane I heard Sperry speaking circumstances.

"Where did you get that stick?" are?"

"In the hall. I-

"I never saw it before," said Mrs. Dane. "Ferhaps it is Herbert's."

But I caught Sperry's eye. We from here, too, and went through had both recognized it. It was Arthur Wells's, the one Sperry had taken from his and which, in turn, had been taken from Sperry's library.

Sperry was watcing me with sort of cynical amusement. "You're an absent-minded beggar,

Horace." he said.

"You didn't, by any chance, stop "Not ill, are you?" Sperry asked here on your way back from my place the other night, did you?"

> "Look here, Horace," he said more gently, "you come in and see me some day soon. You're not as fit as you ought to be."

I confess to a sort of helpless in- record of these seances, I shall give, The result was a sort of pocket in inson, who had been reading up dignation that was far from the as briefly as possible, the events of the curtain, concealed on the chintz psychic literature, said he had ar- composure the occasion required. the day following the third sitting. side, which was the side which would ranged things to convince us all of But the others, I believe, were fully I shall explain the mystery of the genuineness of any phenomena convinced that no human agency Arthur Wells's death, and I shall had operated to bring the stick into give the solution arrived at by the would have been better. It would have Herbert placed Miss Jeremy in Mrs. Dane's house, a belief that Neighborhood Club as to the strange

told her to switch on the lights. not touched it again. chair until the silk across her chest was held taut, but none of the threads were broken and her evening slippers still fitted into th outline on the paper beneath them Without getting up, Sperry reached to the stand behind Miss Jeremy. and brought into view a piece of sculptor's clay he had placed there. The handle of the bell was now jammed into the mass.

"Now," Herbert said, addressing the medium, "we want you to go back to the house where you saw the dead man on the floor. know his name, don't you?"

course I do. A. L. Wells." Arthur had been known to most of us by his Christian name, but

There was a pause. "Yes.

the initials were correct. "How do you know it is an L?" "On letters," was the laconic anwe: Then: "Letters, letters, who

has the letters?" "Do you know whose cane this

Up to that time the replies had come easily and quickly. But beginning with the cane question, the medium was in difficulties. She moved uneasily, and spoke irritably. The replies were slow and grudging. Foreign subjects were introduced, as now.

"Horace's wife, certainly bullies him," said the voice. "He's afraid of her. And the fire-tongs-the firetongs-the fire-tongs!"

"Whose cane is this?" Herbert repeated. "Mr. Ellingham's."

This created a profund sensa-

"How do you know that?" "He carried it at the seashors. He wrote in the sand with it."

"What did he write?" "Ten o'clock."

"He wrote 'ten o'clock' in the sand, and the waves came and washed it away?"

"Yes."

"Horace," said my wife, leaning

Herbert eyed her with some ex

"We are here to make a serious may get somewhere."

"Now," he continued, turning to the

"No. He attacked her when he

"And she shot him?"

"I can't tell you that." "Try very hard. It is important."

"I don't know," was the fretful him. I don't know. She says she

"She says she killed him?" But there was no reply to this,

eral times. Instead, the voice of the "con-

"Do you know where the letters Name

"Hawkins has them."

searched the room."

"They were not hidden in the curtain?" This was Sperry. "No. The police might

"Where were these letters?" There was no direct reply to this.

but instead: "He found them when he was

looking for his razorstrop. They were in the top of a closet. His revolver was there, too. He went back and got it. It was terrible."

There was a profound silence, followed by a slight exclamation from Sperry as he leaped to his feet. The screen at the end of the "I did. But I didn't bring that room, which cut off the light from Clara's candle, was toppling. The next instant it fell, and we saw Clara sprawled over her table, in a dead faint.

> In this, the final chapter of the Miss Jeremy, now Sperry's wife.

Then, suddenly, a bell that Sperry tain things, knew them definitely He finished by placing her feet had placed on the stand beyond the in the clear light of morning. Haw-

stick to Mrs. Dane's house; that And there was not full knowledge. Finally Mrs. Dane rapped on the was another. I had not done it. I floor and Clara came in. Mrs. Dane had placed it on the table and had

But those were immaterial, compared with one outstanding fact. Any supernatural solution would imply full knowledge by whatever Mail office.

ly after, my chair twisted under thing. I had not taken Ellingham's power had controlled the medium. (To Be Continued.)

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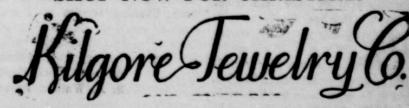
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"WHAT TO PLANT?" ANSWERED. (Fort Worth Star-Telegram,)

The "Texas Farm Program," formulated by Agricultural and Mechanical college to meet the emergency created by the necessity for drastic reduction of cotton acreage next year, is being promulgated through regional conferences of farmers, bankers, agricultural workers and community "key" men. One such conference was held at Houston Monday, and others are to follow. The program is designwe plant instead?"

The A. & M. college experts answer the question in this manner:

It is dangerous to "plunge" on any one "cash" crop, whether it be cotton or some other crop to replace cot-

The farmer's "best bet" is that market in which he himself is a buyerthe home food market.

Instead of cotton, plant food, either of the sort that goes direct from the tually, as milk, butter, eggs, poultry, Wylie directing. beef, pork or mutton.

The average farm kitchen affords a market for \$610 worth of food a year, the college experts have found. The farmer either raises this food for himself or buys it from others who raise a surplus and market it through middlemen in the towns. If the farmer does not raise his own food and must buy it from the proceeds of cotton he loses money at present price

the average farm family may be produced, the experts have figured, on the farm from two cows, 60 hens, a quarter-acre garden, a half-acre fruit plot,

and a few meat animals. A little more in each department will produce a surplus for marketing in the nearby towns. The way is open to increase this market for surplus food products through care in raising, grading and marketing.

Here is one thing to raise in place of the cotton that must be cut off in the reduction scheme: The home of People?" Roy Patterson. grocery bill. With cotton at 10 cents a pound, it figures out an average of Rights Involve?" Paul Collins. 12 bales, or the produce of about 50

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es, formerly in the automobile business | Sunday. here, having been a partner in the Bracken-Hughes Chevrolet company, had bought the business of the Delaney-Delmer Chevrolet company, the ning of the fourth year of the work

keen-Hughes Chevrolet company and will be discussed for enlarging the continued with the Delaney-Delmer work and making it even more profcompany, their successors, for more itable. Reese Hail is to be the leader than a year. He has been selling cars and the meeting will be held at the practically ever since his return from Baptist church. The lesson will be army service during the war. For the the twenty-third chapter of Acts. past year he has been managing his farm, south of town, but has removed to make his residence in Merkel. His experience ably equips him to assume connection.

ing firm, expects to remain in Merkel, which will be good news to all friends of the Delmer family as well as to Charlie's bussiness associates.

BARGAIN DAYS.

From now until Dec. 31st, subscription price for The Merkel Mail in Taylor and adjoining counties is only \$1.09 per year. This will save you 50 cents, if you will renew your subscriptition during these three months. If Mrs. Elliott. You are in arrears, you can pay up the past year and extend a new year at the bargain offer of \$1.00 per year. Do it now. Offer positively expires Mrs. Marvin Smith. December 31st.

Blight has killed the heather in parts of Sections this year, and it is feared that grouse, which subsist on Store??? Follow Santa Claus row you feel the wonderful effect of Scotland's national flower, will starve from the station Saturday after- this German Doctor's remedy. Merkel to death this winter.

Two-Day Meeting Of Methodist Young People at Abilene

The Sunday services opened with a Dodson, and at 11 o'clock, Dr. O. W. cording and office secretary. ently asked by farmers called upon to All services were held at St. Paul Worth bid for the convention. cut cotton acreage radically next church, with other Abilene Methodist Saturday's session concluded a

> an organ concert by Miss Ruth Craw- last year. He said 730 new branches | Warren and Scott. ford, organist at St. Paul.

The gathering was concluded with Following the example of the Gena consecration service at 2:30 p. m. eral Baptist assembly, the delegates charge, and special music was given ness taken by the central body. by the glee and choral clubs of Mcfield to the table or gets there even- Murry college, with Mrs. Robert B. THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

partmental trees or one general tree? to church in bad weather?

th the presiding elder at St. Paul's this spiritual uplift. ouch Abilene, on Thursday morn- Our B. T S. is growing in numbers G. Bragg, district steward, atten- ple. ded the meeting.

The district Epworth league meet- next Sunday.

EPWORTH LEAGUE. Leader-Lowell Vickers.

Scripture-Luke 6:31; Mark 9:38-39; Romans 12:10; 15:23.

"What are the Fundamental Rights

"What Does Respect for Others'

"How Does Respect for Others' tions?" Rev. E. L. Yeats.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. Carroll King. Inclement weather cut the attendance at the four reporting Sunday The announcement was made on the | Schools in Merkel last Sunday to 574, first of the month that Fred C. Hugh. as compared with 642 on the previous

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING.

The New Year will mark the beginname of the new firm to be the Hugh- of the Men's Sunday Afternoon Prayer service and all those men in Mer-Wm. E. Baze, well known in auto- kel, whether in the church or not, and mobile circles, is manager in charge those from the surrounding communi. for the new Chevrolet dealers. He was ties are urged to come and take formerly in the employ of the Brac- part in this service at which plans

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Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. followed by a comthe management of the Chevrolet munion service. Offering for Reynolds house for Mr. Hughes. The latter will home. Evening service at 7 o'clock. continue for the present in his Dallas Session meeting Tuesday evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. C. W. Delmer, partner in the sell- m. Glad to have you worship with us.

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY The Women's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church will meet Monday, December 7, at 3:30 p. m.

The program follows: Devotional-Mrs. Geo. West. Christmas-Mrs. John West. "The Leavening of Christianity,"-

"Open My Eyes"-Mrs. Henry West. and sleep good."-Henry Dodd.

ary"-Mrs. M. Jones.

BYPU Name Changed Baptist Training School

Waco, Dec. 3 .- The name of the Young people of the Abilene Metho- Texas Baptist Young People's Union advertising, and will be charged for dist district concluded a two-day meet. was changed to the "Baptist Training at Abilene Sunday, with the day ing Service" by delegates to the state state director.

J. Earl Mead of Dallas was re-elec-

Bradley, pastor of the St. Paul Houston was selected as the 1932

were formed.

The Rev. Marvin Williams was in approved the stand on civic righteous-

church on account of bad weather. Barnett, Hazel Reeves, Margaret the Semi-Weekly Farm News, you This is the time of year for that. We Dean, Mrs. Melvin Jones, Mrs. Thom-Shall we have a Christmas tree this go to post-office, grocery store, bank as Harris, Messrs. Clements Carey, year? That is the question you must and visit when it rains, sleets and Woodrow Clark, Noris Barnett, S. G. settle next Sunday at Sunday School. snows. Why not be as faithful to God, Russell, Woodrow Patton, Bernard If we have a tree, shall we have de- as to business and pleasure and go Clark, Melvin Jones, Thomas Harris,

Fastor's subject Sunday at 11 a. m. Regular services Sunday. Pastor will be "Life's Supreme Privilege." At 7 p. m. Miss Tracy with a host of

in : S. M. Hunter, our lay leader, and and spirit. Meet with our young peo-

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night in the absence of their pastor. J. T. King, Pastor.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM. Subject: "Living for Jesus through | party with a lovely dinner. Denominational Loyalty."

Introduction, Fannie Bell Boaz.

in Loyalty to the Pastor, the Ordin- home in Clyde. ances and the Doctrines," Sis Boaz.

"Loyalty to the Church Expressed Rights Work Out in Everyday Situa- in Loyalty to its Organizations," Ida

"Missions," Iris Garrett.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE. Services each Sunday as follows: Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 7:45 p. m. A hearty

Rev. Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.

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LOVE FEAST.

Members of the T. E. L. Sunday School class celebrated their annual "Love Feast" on Wednesday, Dec. 2, in the home of Mrs. B. H. Lancaster on Oak street in the form of an all-

A lovely program preceded the given over to a series of devotional convention. The decision to change the member of the class, who returns purpose for which the club was organservices. Attendance at the session, name under which the organization each year for the re-union, sang over the 100-mark for opening service has been known since 1891 was upon "Morning" by Oley Speaks and "For Saturday, was considerably larger recommendation of T. C. Gardner, You." A seasonal contest was then told by the speaker about the Crip- is not a Sweetwater team playing morning watch, at 6:45, led by Wil- ted president of the service. Gardner Curran, played by Mrs. Ann Brown. tion from one of life's real poets as this district which has commanded so lard Brown, University of Texas stu- was appointd corresponding secretary. White Elephant packages were next to the greatest usefulness coming much of the spotlight of Texas high dent, and former student of McMur- He is from Dallas. J. F. Barnett of distributed and a most appropriate from mingling with people in the road school football since its organization ry college. The Sunday School pro- Palacios, was elected treasurer; Miss solo, "My Task," was rendered by instead of living in a house "by the the first of the season," said Mayor gram at 9:30 was in charge of Dan Jane Elder of Dallas was named re- Mrs. Ann Brown. A business session side of the road." followed the program.

House and table decorations for the Methodist church, Abilene, delivered convention city. Delegates decided to luncheon were Yuletide in color and ed to answer the question most insist- a special sermon for young people. meet there Nov. 24, 25 and 26. Fort motif, including a tree and pretty lighting effect. Guests were Mesdames L. B. Howard and L. Huddleston paper. There's a message in every one spring. That question is: "What shall churches assisting in entertaining the three-day meeting at which some of Abilene and Mrs. Juanita Dowell. of them that may enable you to save 1,500 delegates from all parts of the Class members were Mesdames money. At least you will know where A brief business session was held state reviewed the work of the past Toombs Condor, Renfro, Derstine, Mc- to find what you want without doing at 1:30 p. m. with Alvice Yeats, presi. year and laid plans for future activ- Farland. Stephens, Booth, Largent, a lot of hunting and asking questions, dent of the district organization, in ities. Gardner reported that 10,950 King, Lassiter Teague, Collins, and you also know the merchants apcharge. The meeting was followed by new members were added to the rolls Swann, Brown, Reeves, Lancaster, preciate your patranage because they

"42" PARTY.

On Thursday night of last week Miss Anna May Harris entertained with a "42" party. Refreshments were served to Misses Ruby Patton, Blan-Let no one stay away from the Russell, Norma Patton, Lillie Claude this time. If you want to subscribe to W. J. Derstine and the hostess.

CLARDY-ELDRIDGE.

Miss Lillie Agnes Eldridge became The district stewards and lay lead- young people will put on a very inter- the bride of John C. Clardy, both of and pastors were called to meet esting play on "Missions." Don't miss Clyde, on Wednesday of this week, in the pastor's study at the Baptist par-

The Rev. J. T. King officiated, using an impressive ring ceremony. The wedding was performed at high noon. The bride's attendant was Miss Maring at Abilene was well attended. We sincerely appreciated the visit garet Clardy, sister of the groom, Some twenty of our local young peo- from the Methodist brethren Sunday and Mr. Clardy was attended by Jim Tate.

The bride is the sister of Mrs. E. L. Ash and following the ceremony Mrs. Ash entertained the wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Clardy left immediate. ly after dinner for a honeymoon trip "Loyalty to the Church Expressed to Big Spring. They will make their

WEDDING BELLS.

Wedding bells have been ringing in the Noodle community this week, an-"Loyalty to His World-Wide Work," nouncing the marriage of two popular young couples. On Saturday afternoon "Christian Education," Mildred of last week at three o'clock at the residence of Rev. G. W. Cypert, Miss Wanna Spurgin and Mr. Vessie Jus-Everyone come to Senior B. Y. P. tice and Miss Leona Jenkins and Mr. U. Sunday at 6 p. m. We need you Troy Sloan were united in marriage. and you need to be there. We have an All of these young people came from interesting program and have special prominent families in the Noedle secmusic. So don't forget next Sunday tion and Messrs. Justice and Sloan

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The Mail joins many friends in wishing much happiness to these newly married couples.

Lion Visitor

(Continued from Page One; luncheon; Mrs. L. B. Howard, ex- especial emphasis was given to the one ized: to help build citizenship, to ternoon at Abilene. mould character and to aid in all participated in by all the guests, fol- pled Children's Clinic at Amarillo and against Abilene, but the District 4 lowed by a piano solo, "Dawn," by he closed with a most effective quota- team, battling to uphold the honor of

Rev. Mr. Yeats and Mr. Dickerson both responded briefly when called

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are numbered among our most indus- Attends Managers Meet at Sweetwater

J. S. Bourn, local manager of the Community Natural Gas company, is back from Sweetwater, where he says all the talk is about the Mustangs. high school football team, winning the district championship.

He was told in Sweetwater that every town in District 4, including Colorado, Big Spring, Midland, Me-Camey and San Angelo, is being urged to bring its band and pep squad, with as large a delegation as possible

"We are trying to make everyone worthy causes. Interesting facts were in the district realize that it simply C. R. Simmons of Sweetwater in talking with Mr. Bourn.

> The Merkel manager was in Sweetwater attending a dinner for Community Natural Gas company local managers in this district. It was held at the Blue Bonnet hotel and was strictly an informal affair. Sweetwat. er guests at the dinner, besides those from the local gas office, included Mayor Simmons, Dr. George Green, pastor of the First Baptist church, and newspapermen.

> Leon Scholl, district manager, who makes headquarters in Sweetwater, and John Hendrix, special representative for the management of the company in West Texas, were in charge of the brief social gathering.

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Ft. Worth Livestock

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 3 .- No quetable change, was detected in values prevailing in the cattle division Wednesday. Receipts were moderate, around 2,700 head being offered, calves to the number of 700 included, and the demand was satisfactory.

Receipts of steers were small. Fed eves moved within a spread of \$5.00. \$6.10, and grassers were taken at \$3.50 to \$4.25.

Two cars of fat cows notched \$3.60. Butcher grades sold at \$2.50 to \$3.00. Canners were disposed of around \$1.50 to \$1.85.

Nothing very desirable was shown most sales being around \$4.25 to \$5.25, with some at \$6.00.

Bulls were scarce, the high range of value being \$2.60.

Although a few slaughter calves reached \$5.10, most of the run cleared at \$3.75 to \$4.25.

Stocker holdings were restricted mostly to cows and yearlings, the showing of calves being exceptionally small. Two cars of stock cows made \$3.25 and a load of yearlings went at \$4.25. Some heifer calves brought

Cotton Receipts.

Due to the fact that cotton picking is just about over and the further counteracting influence of the weather only 112 bales were added the past week to Merkel's cotton receipts for the season, bringing the total to 8,725 bales.

Former Governor of Georgia Passes Away

Atlanta, Dec. 3 .- Hoke Smith, former governor and United States sen- local agent. ator from Georgia, and secretary of the interior in the cabinet of Presi- tention to the fact that baggage to the dent Grover Cleveland, died at his weight of 100 pounds can now be home here Friday. He was 76 years

his condition became serious Thurs- one-half that weight with a half-fare.

He served two terms as United States senator from Georgia and overnor of the state twice.

BOTH FOR \$1.50.

Farm News and the Merkel Mail is only \$1.50. Don't fail to renew during this time. If you want to subscribe to the Semi-Weekly Farm News, you can save co dollar by this deal.

Taxes on nearly 7,118,000,000 gal- Citizens N. F. L. A. Farms, Ranches, lons of gasoline were levied in the Business Property for sale or ex-United States during the first half change. Room 1, Penney Bldg., Abiof 1931.

Dumas Utility Lines Are to be Improved

GE-206 acre sandy farm, one mile Texas Utilities company at the pres- cotton farmer of the South." north Golden, orchard, potato and ent time, according to the current | For 36 years the cotton planters

> ers Cooperative Grain company. An- needs it most. other important improvement calls for

line and a three-phase 440 volt sec- of our very best customers." north of Roby, 20 acres young the Crosby Drilling company with ton bagging, the Southern cotton For sale-80 acres, four miles field extension will be made at Ver- largest users of material for bag non, where 5 Kva., 440-110 volt trans- construction in the United States. and a three-wire 110 volt secondary year to sack the feed which is shipline strung to serve lighting demands ped from its nine mills in the United on the Davis Oil company lease in the States and Canada. south Vernon oil field.

Other electric extensions will be New Low Passenger made at Dalhart, Rule, Stamford and

Improvements to electric facilities galow, well furnished. See City Mar- and Rule. The Shamrock program cable between Texarkana, Fort Worth

Three South Taylor County Banks Merge

ginal concern of that name.

The banks merging are the First se.' State Bank of Ovalo; the Security in the way of heifers and yearlings, State of Lawn and the First State at Tuscola. The new bank is taking the name and location of the latter institution. Capital stock and surplus is \$30,000 and total deposits are

Officers of the new concern are: Henry James of Abilene, president; O. G. Brown of Tuscola, vice president; Walter J. Taylor, Tuscola, active vice-president; Elmo A. Kerby,

Tuscola, cashier. Directors are Henry James, O. G. Brown, Walter J. Taylor, M. G. Reed of Lawn, I. N. Wilkinson of Winters and Lawn, I. S. Brown and C. F. Freeman of Abilene.

Can Check 100 Pounds Baggage on New Rates

Effective the first of December, the new 1 3-4 cent per mile passenger rate became effective on the T. & F. railway between Dallas and El Paso and this rate is good on all trains that top at Merkel, according to announcement authorized by J. C. Childress,

Mr. Childress also wishes to call athandled on a full ticket and 50 pounds on a half-fare, whereas, under the Mr. Smith had been confined to former reduced rates only 50 pounds his home for several months, and were permitted with a full ticket and

BOTH FOR \$1.50.

From now until December 31st, the clubbing price for the Semi-Weekly Farm News and the Merkel Mail is only \$1.50. Don't fail to renew during om now until December 31st, the this time. If you want to subscribe to clubbing price for the Semi-Weekly the Semi-Weekly Farm News, you can save one dollar by this deal.

> 5 1-2 per cent Federal Loans are Better Loans. Longer time, lower rates; plenty of money; never come due. .W. Homer Shanks, Sec'y .- Treas .. lene, Texas.

Purina Mills Announce Use of Cotton Bags

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 3 .- Repaying Abilene, Dec. 3.—Impovements a courtesy to an old friend, Purina and additions to the water and gas Mills has announced that all poulsystems at Dumas, in the Panhandle try feeds made at their Ft. Worth Minnesota's five-day marriage law is territory, are the most important con- and Nashville plants will be sacked in claimed by its proponents to have FOR SALE CHEAP OR EXCHAN- struction projects planned by the West cotton bags in an effort to help the eliminated an old superstition-Fri-

watermelon land; give terms. What construction report announced from have helped in the growth of this statute books of several other states, ave you? See Joe Garland or Tom the engineering department. Electric company by buying large orders of requires five days' notice before the extensions and improvements will be horse and mule feed. With this an- issuance of a marriage license. made at various points throughout nouncement it was recalled that some the company's widespread properties, of the company's present executives and notices are not acceptable on the Several thousand feet of two-inch were salesmen in the South and had Sabbath, and so nearly all weddings gas main will be installed at Dumas, their first sales training in that sec- are planned for other days in the to strengthen the system, and to serve tion where much of the company's week. new customers. One sizeable extension business originates. The action is an Occasionally couples contemptuous is to provide gas service to the J. N. attempt to help the cotton farmer by of superstition post their notice on Beasley Grain company and the Farm- buying from him at a time when he Saturday and deliberately arrange for

Commenting on this idea to help Friday. considerable work on the gas distri- the cotton farmer, E. G. Cherbonbution system, to provide uniform nier, secretary of the company, statpressure and prevent leakage. More ed: "A complete and thorough study than 1,600 feet of two-inch main will is being made of cotton sacking with be added to the system, to improve and the idea of eventually replacing the strengthen it, and to serve new custo- burlap bags now used to sack our feeds. If tests under way prove that The Dumas water system will be en- it is practical to use cotton instead of larged through the addition of new burlap, many of our other Chows will two-inch water main, made necessary also be sacked in cotton bags. We are by increased demands for water ser- anxious just now to do everything in our power to help the Southern cot-At McCamey, a three-phase, 12 Kv. ton planter, who has always been one

ondary line will be erected to furnish | With Purina Mills' plan to use cotpower to pump two wells. Another oil farmer has as a customer one of the former equipment will be installed, Several million bags are used each

Fare Very Popular

will be made at Shamrock, Pioneer | The new 1 3-4c ceach rate applicalls for the installation of 2,300 volt and intermediate stations via Paris metering equipment to supply the city and Sherman, also between Dallas, water works for continuous service Fort Worth and El Paso, Trains 3 and 4, 6 and 7, have struck a responsive The work included on the building cord among the traveling public, and kidney, bladder, bed wettting, catarrh, report will be done by the regular have every earmark of making this construction and maintenance crews of sensational experiment a success, said the company, according to the report. Frank Jensen, general pasenger agent, the Texas and Pacific railway.

Numerous letters are being received congratulating the Texas and Pacific railway for instituting these extremely low fares.

A consolidated banking institution "Never before in our history," said -the First State Bank of Tuscola- Mr. Jensen, "has a railroad in this began serving South Taylor county country established a daily one-way Tuesday, following merger of two coach rate as low as 1 3-4c per mile, other banks in the area with the ori- and it is hoped that the action of the Texas and Pacific railway will bring The consolidation, designed to about closer relations between the strengthen the banking facilities of communities they serve, as it is now the section, was announced Mon- possible for relatives and friends to day night by Henry James, president. visit one another at very little expen-

> Santa will have kisses for all good boys and girls Saturday afternoon at the Christmas Store.

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Instantly Renders an irresistible, soft, pearly loveliness that will add years of youth to your appearance. The effect is so delicate and natural, the use of a toilet preparation cannot be de-tected. Lasts thruout the day without rubbing off, streaking or showing the effect of moisture.

Five Day Law Hits Marriage Superstition

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 3 .- Be sides preventing hasty marriages day marriages.

The law, similar to those on the

Sunday is five days before Fridays

their ceremony on the following

Coming to **Abilene** Dr. Mellenthin

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And You'll Jump Out of Bed in the Morning Rarin' to Go

If you feel sour and sunk and the world looks punk, don't swallow a lot of salts, mineral water, oil, laxative candy or chewing gum and expect them to make you suddenly sweet and buoyant and full of sunshine.

For they can't do it. They only move the bowels and a mere movement doesn't get at the cause. The reason for your down-and-out feeling is your liver. It should pour out two pounds of liquid bile into your bowels

If this bile is not flowing freely, your food loesn't digest. It just decays in the bowels. thick, bad taste and your breath is foul, skin often breaks out in blemishes. Your head aches and you feel down and out. Your whole system is poisoned.

It takes those good old CARTER'SLITTLE LIVER PILLS to get these two pounds of bile flowing freely and make you feel "up and up." They contain wonderful, harmless, gentle regetable extracts, amazing when it comes to

But don't ask for liver pills. Ask for Carter's Little Liver Pills. Look for the mano Carter's Little Liver Pills on the red label. Resents substitute. 25c stall stores. @1981, C. M.Co.

Specials for Friday and Saturday

Shortening	8 pounds	65c
Peanut Butter ⁵ pounds		55c
Cocoa	Hershey, 1 pound	25c
Spuds	No. 1, per peck	23c
Grapefruit	good size, 2 for	50
Pineapple	No. 2, broken slices	15c
Pineapple	No. 1, sliced and crushed, 2 for	190
Corn	No. 2, 2 cans for	- 170
Bacon	dry salt, best grade	120
Jowls	per pound	71/20
Cheese	No. 1, Wisconsin	220
Chili	1 pound block	190
Sausage	iresh, pure pork	150
Coffee	Folgers, 5 pounds	\$1.75
Coffee	Folgers, 2 pounds	770
Coffee	Folgers, 1 pound	39c

Announcing **Change of Ownership**

Fred C. Hughes has bought the Delaney-Delmer Chevrolet Co., effective December 1. The name of the new firm will be Hughes Chevrolet Company.

We are expecting the New Models within the next few days. Watch for them.

Hughes Chevrolet Company

Wm. E. Baze, Manager.

Notice Poultrymen

The Merkel Hatchery will start the 1932 Hatchery season January 2nd. Same location—same courteous service as last year.

I am in need of Hatchery Eggs for this season.

Don't forget to see me at the Merkel Poultry Show December 10-11-12.

Frank W. Irvine

Rural Community Correspondence

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. Boone Hinkle of Hot Springs, Ark., and Mrs. Douglas Brown and two children, Betty and Billy of Dal- Ross. B. Jenkins, Roy Elliott, Mary las were guests Saturday and Sunday Shepherd and the Home Economics in the homes of Mrs. T. J. Williamson director, Nona Burgess. and Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Beckham.

little daughter, Ruth Marie, of Roscoe were guests for the week-end of Mrs. J. T. Archer.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Rogers of Stanton were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Volley Vessels.

Mr. and Mrs. John Strawn had as their guests Thanksgiving the former's mother, Mrs. J. B. Strawn, a FRESHMEN PUT ON PLAY sister, Miss Elmer of Greenville, a AT CHAPEL. sister and huband, Mr. and Mrs. R. Mrs. O. K. Graves of Denison.

Miss Fama Johnson, who is attending school at Randolph college, was home for Thanksgiving.

Messrs. and Mesdames W. E. and T. G. Hamner hunted deer and turkey near Mason last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Franks spent Coleman.

Sarah Julia Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin of Abi- put things over! lene were Sunday guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G.

Miss Marjory Adrian from Abilene Helen Bright, who proved a very and Mrs. W. C. Copeland were guests charming hostess. of Mrs. and Mrs. L. E. Adrian during the Thanksgiving holidays.

cent guests of the former's mother, peanuts and hot chocolate. Mrs. S. D. McLeod, and other rela-

Mrs. Bryant Boozer and two children of Sweetwater were guests in the J. B. Winn home from Friday till Sunday.

W. J. Reynolds, who has been quite ill in the West Texas Baptist sanitarium at Abilene, is reported much improved at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Smith, accom-Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Naomi McNeal of Hearne, Mrs. Mcof Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blackmon, Johnson and Victorene Bishop. whose many friends here sympathize with them in their great sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Cogburn of Fort Worth were guests last week of the latter's father, E. Sherman. Mrs. Lawrence Dowdy is home af- singing a song?

ter spending several months with a brother in Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rutherford and little son, Junior, of Abilene were "HEARD AND SEEN." guests Sunday of Mrs. Billings.

guest of home folks.

Abilene and attended the University Edith Ice."

SHOWER FOR M. E. PASTOR.

On Tuesday evening, November 24, "girl" has moved to Eula! a number of the members of the church and other friends surprised the M. E. pastor, Brother Sherrill, and family with a shower of lovely from always to shower the new pas- having the coldest spell of the year. Odger Matthews and little son, Carlftor as soon as possible after his arrival. So to show appreciation of new better at this time. "old" pastor this shower was given, coming as a complete surprise to the Brown and B. D. Presly and children, from El Paso where he has been workfamily. A good time was had gener- Maurice and Jean, visited relatives ing for the past month. Hubert Frazally, songs were sung and many nice in Wichita Falls recently. They were ier of Trent accompanied him home things were said of the good work accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wat and spent the week-end. Brother Sherrill has been doing for kins from Rochester. the past two years.

"42" PARTY.

On Thanksgiving evening Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reynolds entertained with a home of Mrs. P. A. Riggan. "42" party. Those enjoying the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Wil- Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dulin attended liamson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Franks and to business in Abilene Monday. their guest, Lawyer Clinton of Graham, Miss Ruby Johnson and Mrs. in the A. D. Barnes home Thanks-Reeves.

High School News.

SPORTS.

Trent met Divide at Divide on Thanksgiving to play the last game of the 1931 meason. The score was 6-0 bee of Merkel, over the week-end. in Trent's favor. Trent's first downs were 21 and Divide's were 2.

gene Murdock near the end of the night. first quarter. He ran about 30

Bob Howell plunged line, but fail-

ed to make extra point. This was the first year for Divide's

team, but they offered some really stiff competition.

HIGH SCHOOL OBSERVES

THANKSGIVING WITH DINNER. A Thanksgiving dinner was sponsored by the High school teachers:

Each person attending the dinner Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Murdock and brought his part of the food which was prepared and served in the Home Economics department.

> The elaborate menu with roasted turkey was served in four courses. After the dinner, the teachers and pupils went to Divide where they won a football game 6 to 0.

The Freshman class entertained in V. McCool of Fort Worth, and an- chapel last Wednesday with a short other sister and husband, Mr. and one-act play, entitled, "Two Scared tended a party in the Stith communi-

Coons. The characters were: Pete Johnson-Harold Terry. Smoke Bunion-Clarence Martin.

Dynamite Band-R. B. Johnson. Dr. Payne-John Boyd. Henry-Mack McDonald. The scene was laid in Dr. Payne's Merkel visitors recently.

the week-end visiting relatives at office, which Pete Johnson and Smoke Bunion were to clean and straighten. Miss Johnnye Watson of Sweetwat- While they were shirking their duty a and Mrs. Manuel Lucas, Mesdames J. er was the week-end guest of Miss ghost appeared and somewhat frigh- M. Taylor and M. K. Milner and tened them. This interesting little daughter, Kathleen. Prof. and Mrs. Jenkins were week- comedy was enjoyed by all, which reend guests of his parents at DeLeon. minds us that the Fresmen really can Terry on the sick list this week-end.

"HOME EC. CLUB."

Mrs. Ted Norton of Sterling City, entertained on last Wednesday by a while.

An interesting program and contests were enjoyed, followed by a re-

ried out in the table appointments by a friend from Barstow and Frank and decorations of red and orange.

"EL CLUBO PROGRESSIVO." At the last club meeting a very in-

teresting program was given. There were two articles read from "La Luz," the Spanish paper to which

The life of "Blasco Ibanez" was Smiths and will be remembered here given by John Hamner and the song,

> "CAN YOU IMAGINE?" Mr. Elliott without his coat?

R. B. bringing up a lesson? Miss Shepherd and Miss Burgess Wilburn.

Fannye passing a geometry test? Sara Julia with a hair cut?

During a math class Mr. Elliott R. S. Palmer and S. S. Sherrell Jack Bowers was the week-end called on Edith Hale to recite. Freddy made a business trip to Abilene Mon-Allyn, who was supposed to be study- day. C. T. Beckham spent Sunday in ing, said, "Mr. Elliott, you mean

I wonder why Alton looks so down-

White Church News

and useful gifts. It has been the cus- since our last appearance. We are for the Plains to pull bolls. Mrs.

Mesdames W. H. Brown, A. M.

Gold Riggan of Big Spring and of Merkel Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Payne and son, Curtis, of Trent Mr. and Mrs. Willis Evans and

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Patterson and family.

J. V. Eddington of Abilene visited and Cargill over the week-end.

giving. Mrs. W. I. Cogburn of Fort Worth to Tyler in search of work. is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs.

A. V. Henslee. daughter, Margie, visited another writing. Her brother, Joe Davis of daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Bar- E! Paso, and her sister, Mrs. W. I.

Our prayer meeting was pretty well bedside. attended Sunday night. Elmer Patter-The touchdown was made by Eu- son is the leader for next Sunday

> See Santa Claus in person Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at the Christmas Store.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

COMPERE NEWS

Mrs. John Williams and children of Barstow are visiting her brother, Ben Adkins, and family.

Thanksgiving Day in the home of Mr. were accompanied home by two of relatives or had visitors. Mrs. Taylor's sisters, Pauline and Bettie McAninch.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Adkins and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Adkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Lucas of Noodle. A nice dinner was prepared in honor of Mrs. Adkins' Birthday. Mrs. Johnnie Latimer. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Spurgin of the Noodle community visited Will Spur- family of King county with their two gin and family of Compere one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tarvin, Sr., were Anson visitors last Friday. Several of our young people atty last Saturday night.

Messrs. Bob Norris, Alva Rister and M. K. Milner went squirrel hunting near Hawley last Saturday. See any of these men for information on hunting squirrels. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Smith were

Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer had as

their guests Sunday afternoon, Mr.

We are sorry to report Ida Belle Jaquetta Palmer, who was burned pretty badly last Sunday, is improv-

ed considerably at this time but will Members of the Home Ec. club were be unable to attend school for quite Miss Vergie Marshall has returned from Lubbock where she spent sever-

al days visiting friends. Miss Ima Brown of Sylvester was Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLeod and freshment course, consisting of pum- visiting her sister, Mrs. M. K. Milner, children of Mineral Wells were re- pkin pie with whipped cream and nuts, a few hours Saturday night. Miss Brown is teaching school near Bar-The Thanksgiving motif was car- stow this year. She was accompanied

Lawless of Sylvester. On Friday afternoon, Nov. 27, a miscellaneous shower was given by Miss Foy Wilburn in her home two J. Reynolds, who is at the West Tex- very nicely for the past two months. miles east of Compere in honor of Mrs. Manuel Lucas, who before her accompanied by his brother-in-law, primary and intermediate pupils, but marriage on Nov. 19 was Miss Zuel- Newman Reynolds of Sweetwater, al- those attending the sixth grade De Los Angeles Se Celebro Con Gran la Hall. Several beautiful and useful Exito," by Mildred Steadman, and gifts were received. At the end of the panied by Clark Hamner, left here "Hay Una Criis En Inglaterra Y social hour cake and hot chocolate was served to the following guests: Mrs. John Williams of Barstow, Mrs. M. D. Lucas and Miss Mildred Anven. schine of Noodle, Miss Aleta Foster as Miss Naomi Blackmon, daughter Sally Freeman, Miss Shepherd, Sarah of Merkel, Mesdames Manuel Lucas, Chester Lucas, Ben Adkins, Ed Spurgin, Emory Wilburn, Clarence Foster, John Palmer and Misses Rena Terry, Vergie Marshall, Robbie Horton, Amoree Tarvin, Flora Adkins and Foy

> Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Lucas of Noodle and Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer and Clyde Chancey spent a very "enjoyable" day shopping in Abilene

CANYON NEWS

It seems as though winter has set hearted? Perhaps it's because his in at last, as we have a pretty cool norther this week, but most everyone is through pulling bolls, so let "'er"

Odger Matthews, accompanied by We have been having lots of rain R. E. Matthews of Caps, left last week J. C. Riggan has been sick but is ton Floyd, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Will Butman.

Morgan Frazier has returned home

Misses Evelyn and Jimmie Dell W. A. Harrison is sick with cold. Perry visited with Mrs. J. W. Barbee

were Thanksgiving guests in the family of Sweetwater spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Frazier and

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis of Butman visited with Mr. and Mrs. How-

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Griggs and little son left here Saturday en route

We regret very much to report Mrs. M. H. Henslee of the IXL community Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Coats and seriously ill from blood poison at this Cogburn of Fort Worth, are at her

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BLAIR ITEMS

Thanksgiving is one of the holidays that most everyone observes almost as Mr., and Mrs. J. M. Taylor spent religiously as they do Sunday and many here planned entertainments to and Mrs. McAninch of Merkel. They suit the individual taste. Some visited

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs had for their honored guest Sunday Mr. and Mrs. John Coomer of Escota.

Mr. and Mrs. Mili Burrus and fam. ily of Plainview were welcomed mid-

handsome children were week-end visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neighbors, and other relatives. Mrs. H. K. Reeves and children of

Merkel spent a pleasant day with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Minnie Reeves, one day recently.

Miss Viola Dulin has gone to her home in Rotan after a four weeks stay in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Iran Cavette, of that place, who visited in this home the week-end and with Mr. Cavette's brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cavette, Friday and Mrs. R. L. Newman.

Miss Novice Malone of Hamby has been the interesting houseguest of her uncles, Messrs. Mark and Bob Malone, for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Williams and their little son, Charlie Edward, of Merkel were much appreciated visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Doan Sunday.

Campbell Baker has left for Brown county for a month's stay with relatives at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown motred over and visited his brothers, Fred and Willard Brown, of Sweetwater Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hunter and son, R. D., of Nubia enjoyed the day Saturday in the home of Mrs. Maggie Hunter and family.

RIDE THE TEXAS AND

PACIFIC FOR COMFORT

SPEED AND

SAFETY

Many friends are hoping for his early report cards; so no report of their

The play rendered by the High

every Thursday morning at the chapbe at the next chapel exercise and day. help with their presence.

with his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks and family.

Well, we are having all kinds of week visitors in the home of Mr. and weather at this writing. It has rained a little, sleeted some and now has Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burfeind and snowed. Well, we'll just wait and see. Maybe, little folks, we will have a visit from Old Saint Nick soon. Let's be good and maybe he won't miss us.

WARREN NEWS

The weather has changed considerably since last week. We are assured of a good season for another year. We are in hopes of having a better

school after all the children start. Mrs. Doyal Gilmore from Big Spring has been visiting her mother,

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Jones and Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Jones have returned home from Lamesa.

Mrs. Mitchell and son are visiting her daughter, Mrs. Willie Chancey. Mrs. B. E. McCoy spent the day Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. J.

A. Patterson. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Dunnam of Winters spent Sunday with J. F.

Mrs. Hokit of Merkel has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Hobbs. Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Taylor and adjoining counties is only Brown of Goodman.

UNION RIDGE NEWS

Mrs. Carl Hughes is in Abilene at- were given two holidays for Thanks- the bargain offer of \$1.00 per year. tending the bedside of her father, W. giving. The school has progressed Do it now. Offer positively expires as Baptist sanitarium. Mr. Hughes, Very fair work is being done by the so visited Mr. Reynolds Sunday, through the eighth have not received

work can be made at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell and school students Friday night was fine. family were Wichita Falls visitors The school entertains with a program during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and el hour, which is a credit to any one. daughters were the guests of Mr. and All the patrons and visitors should Mrs. W. E. Weed of Abilene last Fri-

Phillip Skidmore has been moved Jim Campbell has returned to his from the Baptist sanitarium to the home at Caps after a week's stay home of his grandmother, Mrs. M. A., Douglas, Tuesday. We are glad to report that he is improving very nicely.

SALT BRANCH NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lee entertained a number of their friends and relatives with a turkey dinner Thanksgiving Day. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Earthman and her father, Mr. Giles, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. But-

The Home Demonstration club will put on the play, "Beads on a String," in the near future to raise funds for their work.

Mrs. A. R. Robertson visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, in

Sweetwater last week. The Health club will meet with Mrs. J. S. Jinckley Friday, December the eleventh at 2 o'clock for the last meeting. "Infant Care" will be the subject of Miss Vavra's talk. All members are urged to be present. Those wishing to do so may take the exam-

ination. Bring pencil and paper. The Salt Branch Home Demonstration club will meet with Mrs. W. M. Hays Friday, December fourth.

BARGAIN DAYS.

From now until Dec. 31st, subscrip-Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown spent tion price for The Merkel Mail in \$1.00 per year. This will save you 50 cents, if you will renew your subscriptien during these three months. If you are in arrears, you can pay up the The Union Ridge school children past year and extend a new year at December 31st.

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parts of the verb raise?" interrupt-

Ross glanced over toward the auto-

Mr. Irvin (in Spanish class):

Ross: "Maybe he has, but you hav-

H. C. Toombs: "Naw! I'd rather be

David: "I was born a Gamble; I'm

going to live a Gamble, and I'm going

Cullen:"What? Have you no am-

MAYBE YOU HAVE NOTICED-

Mr. Riddle has a new hair cut.

The Seniors have their rings.

M. E. G. has curly hair.

class in M. H. S.

the most dull.

than any other subject.

back from lunch about the same time.

The Senior class is the smartest

Loyce Wheeler studies civics more

Margaret Canon likes pecans.

at the Abilene-Cisco game Friday.

Margaret said if she had

A complexion like Mildred.

"Eyes like Lois,

A mouth like Louise,

Hair like Mrs. Irvin,

A figure like Grimes,

"Eyes like Kennedy,

Fersonality like Mr. Irvin,

The Choral and Glee clubs are work

We wonder if everyone had a good

we get our report cards Wednesday.

We don't intend to have a single mark

on our cards, but the teachers may

Last week the Senfor boys, togeth-

lins, president of the Senior class.

Elmer Adcock was elected presi-

dent; B. P. Middleton, Jr., secretary,

and Isadore Mellinger, reporter. All

Committees were appointed to sel-

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ing on a Christmas program.

time during the holidays?

A physique like Deverl,

Technique like Gerald,

And a soul like Cade."

A personality like Nelle,

And charm like Billie Bernice,"

Dimples like Julia,

Legs like Joyce,

a man that had

Hair like Paul,

Teeth like Neil,

en't found him yet."

my nose."

bition?"

to die a Gamble."

"Have I explained this to you before?"

Joke Editor-Cephas Wozencraft.

ROTAN 6, MERKEL 0.

Merkel lost a hard-fought game to ed a voice from one of the automobiles Rotan Thanksgiving Day, 6-0. The parked in front of M. H. S. game was played on a field which was a sea of mud, which made running mobile, turned almost purple in the found the mouse in the exact place plays ineffective and passing danger-

The first three quarters of the game go; I think it's time for the bell." were scoreless with neither team seeming to have any great advantage; however, early in the fourth period Rotan pushed across a counter, the only one of the game. Rotan obtained possession of the ball on Merkel's 12yard strip, due to a 15 yard penalty. derstand it this time." Rotan scored on fourth down after having been held three plays with a gain of but three yards; the score a man." came as the result of a pass.

Merkel's line played its best game of the season, stopping many plays for a loss. Gamble, perhaps, played the best game for the Badgers on the were a little bird and could fly away you have a solution to this puzzle, line, while Wilson and Derrick show- up in the air." ed up well in the backfield.

IT IS NOT EASY. . . .

- To apologize,
- To begin over.
- To take advice, To admit an error,
- To be unselfish,
- To face a sneer, To be charitable,
- To keep on trying,
- To be considerate, To avoid mistakes,
- To endure success,
- To keep out of the rut, To profit by mistakes,
- To think and then act,
- To forgive and forget, To make the best of little,
- To subdue an unruly temper,
- To maintain a high standard,
- To shoulder a deserved blame,
- To recognize the silver lining, But it always pays!

STATE TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

Among the five hundred teachers American history classes. resent at Amarillo for the State Mr. Burgess is walking to school You stand sometimes calm and still, Teachers convention were Mr. and this week because he broke a connect-Mrs. R. A. Burgess and Miss Opal ing rod on his Pontiac when he went Sloan from Merkel. This party was to Amarillo during the Thanksgiving joined at Merkel by Mr. J. T. Ferg- holidays uson, superintendent of the Falfurri-BADGER GOSSIP. s schools.

A feature program given by the Two of the most important speakers talk to him and tell him to show were: Miss Hail, president of the Nat_ more respect for old age. ional Education association, and Dr. Sutton, former president of the asscciation.

At this convention the eight-semester and one-year transfer rules in athletics were overwhelmingly voted as

On Thursday, Nov. 26, the Amarillo football team played Lubbock at Amarillo. There were thirteen thousand in attendance; this was the largest attendance on record for a high school game. This was the second largest crowd at a football game in Texas for the day. This attendance was excelled only by the Texas and A. & M. game, at which there were twenty-two thousand.

Due to a recent snow, the field had to be scraped before the teams could play. Seven inches of snow were scraped off the field.

This State Teachers' convention! meets every year. We hope that more of our teachers will be able to attend next year.

PEP SQUAD-FOOTBALL BANQUET.

One of the biggest events of the year is scheduled for Dec. 4, 1931. All of the football team looks forward to the time when the Pep Squad entertains them with the annual football banquet. The banquet will be held at THE SENIORS. "E" Cafe" this year. The Pep Squad pays tribute to the team and their pep since our holidays. This enthusi-Coach in this manner. The banquet asm may not last long, however, as will be enjoyed by all.

SMART! DID YOU SAY? ,

think differently on his matter. Last Monday at noon Ross Ferrier was standing on the side walk in front of M. H. S., when four or five small SENIOR BOYS ORGANIZE. ads from Grammar school came by. One of them said, "Rosy, you surely er with Mr. Irvin, ther sponsor, met must be smart; everyone says you're and organized a club. The congregathe smartest person in high school." tion was called to order by Paul Col-To this Ross replied:

"They're right, I am the smartest person in Merkel High school, and I'm about the most popular, too. Everyone likes me because I don't offices will be filled to the best of the ever brag about myself; and, of cour- ability of the occupant of the office. se, too, because I'm so smart, especfally in English/ Why I guess I'm ect a number of names, colors, flowabout the smartest person in the ers and mottoes for the club.

Watch this paper for further

'Say, Rosy, what are the principal from the club formed by Merkel High

DEAD MICE.

I was told by someone connected with the Senior class that Coach Irvin has a very noticeable dislike for dead mice. Coach Irvin knew there was a dead mouse in his office the oth_ er day, but he couldn't find it. He looked every where for it but to no avail. This meant that the mouse was either hidden or Coach Irvin is not a very close observer. He gave up the frantic search and admitted he was beaten-a very unusual thing for him. When school was out, a group of boys were in Coach Irvin's office and face and said to the small lads gather- Coach had looked for it. Now, what ed about him, "Er-er-boys, I have to does that make Coach Irvin?

PUZZLE.

The super-intelligence of two of our High school students came to light the other day. David Gamble and B. P. B. P. Middleton: "Yes, Sir!"

Mr. Irvin: "Good, maybe you'll unly on a very scientific puzzle. This work of art consisted of a small flat piece of steel that was full of small Sis: "I wish the Lord had made me holes. Through one of these holes was a steel circle. The object of this puzzle was to get the circle out of the holes. Now that I have told you the contents of this puzzle, you know what these Mr. Riddle: "Don't you wish you two boys were up against. If any of please notify these boys.

an elephant and squirt water through THE PEP SQUAD'S VOW.

Lead you, Badgers, among the broken and the lame-No matter! We shall follow where

you lead. Our lips shall cry the brief word of

your name; Our souls be like beggars in their

Marshall and Johnnie always get Just so the shadows of your stalwart forms flow

> Over the sunlit field; just so your breath

"Sis" is always imposing on Mar- Gasps for our school; and, though you never know,

We'll follow even through the streets of death! -Lona.

BADGERS. Your playing is sometimes gay and light The most important things in

But the signals from your lips American history are those that are Are like bits of steel on fire "Sis" talks to "Red" during all With red hot metal tips.

> Like badgers near a pool, Soothing the turmoil in your hearts With grit of iron-so cool.

But sometimes, Badgers, you seem on

Cullen Tittle was seen driving his The smothered flames enshrine Amarillo schools was enjoyed by all. car very fast Sunday. Someone must The rapture of the victory you lose or win

> By playing hard to "hold that line." -Lona.

Margaret Canon, Sis Boaz, Paul Collins and Gerald Derrick were seen THE LAST WHISTLE.

It is almost time for the last whistle for the Badgers squad of 30-31. It is sad for some of the "dear old Badgers" because this will be the last game they will get to play for old Merkel High. We all think it is a great "thrill" to get to be a Senior but when the time comes it is quite different. You will have to depart from your school team and many other she would be a movie star and marry things.

> The next game is not a conference game. The Badgers will play the Roscoe team Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Roscoe. It is a good road over to the city; so crank up your old Ford and drive over to the game. It is just a nice little ride over there.

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Personal Mention

Miss Edith Baker is visiting relatives in Dallas.

Miss Martha Bird was home from Graham for the Thanksgiving holi-

Mrs. S. W. Smith of Plainview was a recent guest in the H. M. Mayfield

Miss Minnie Coats was home for man where she is teaching.

ta Foster the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Blake and little daughter, Miss Anna Lee, spent the week-end with relatives in Bon-

Miss Margarette Turner was at

parents at Wills Point.

children and Miss Elizabeth Harkrid- spend the week-end. er from Brownwood spent the holidays with the home folks.

during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Messrs. Tom Allday and Buck bridge. Leach are in Waco this week, attending the Masonic grand lodge. Mrs. Allday stopped in Fort Worth to visit

Miss Bonnie Vilhelm of Tatum, N. M., who was the houseguest of the W. H. Laneys for Thanksgiving, and Howard Laney returned home early

D. S. Phenix and family and his Mail office.

mother, Mrs. L. A. Phenix of Colorado and Bert Holden from Big Spring were Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. M. L. Holden.

Miss Athelda Yeats was home from Weatherford college for the Thanksgiving holidays and brought as her guest Miss Ruth Waddell of Mason, a schoolmate at Weatherford.

Glenn Collins, a student in Graham high school, who drove over with Jacobs on his return home.

Floyd Grayson of Dimmitt, W. R. the Thanksgiving holidays from Cole. Grayson and W. R. Grayson, Jr., of day to see the ground and streets and calves, both by Publican Domino, were Miss Mildred Auvenshine of Mount of Bovina, were here last week to which, however, disappeared during Pleasant was the guest of Miss Elet- see their mother, Mrs. J. H. Grayson, the day. highly esteemed resident of the Shiloh community, who is quite ill.

Bill Fugat returned Wednesday from Dallas where he had been called on account of a serious operation for Fred Guitar, Jr., was here from his mother, Mrs. Annie Fugat. John Tarleton college at Stephenville Friends will be glad to learn that his to spend Thanksgiving with the home mother was doing as well as could e expected, following the operation.

Mrs. J. M. Harris and little daughhome from the College of Industrial ter, Joan, returned to their home in Arts at Denton to spend the holidays Fort Worth Thanksgiving after spending some ten days at the bedside Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hicks and Ben of Mrs. Harris' brother, Philip Skid-Robert spent Thanksgiving and the more, who underwent a serious operaweek-end following with Mrs. Hicks' tion two weeks ago at the West Texas Baptist sanitarium, Abilene, Leo Mr. and Mrs. Roy Largent and Harris accompanied them home to

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett and Bill Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Criswell of Smith went to Stamford Sunday to Abilen visited their parents, Mr. and attend the funeral of Neidabeth Mrs. Sid Criswell of Bettis Heights, Smith, the three-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smith, who Misses Ethel and Eleanor Mae died of a fractured skull received Hamilton and Thelma McAninch, stu- when the car in which she was riddents at John Tarleton college, were ing with eight members of three home for the Thanksgiving holidays. Stamford families crashed into a

> Santa will arrive on the eastbound train Saturday afternoon at 2:34 p. m.

The state of Maine got its name from a charter issued in 1622, calling it the "Mayne land."

Adding machine rolls at Merkel

Welcome Sunshine Follows Ten Days' Cold, Rainy Spell

warmed things up after a siege of cold the American Royal Live Stock show, and rainy weather that had hung over Kanas City, Mo., where as usual they Merkel and this section for almost ten days. At no time did the thermometer reach below freezing but the cold Mr. and Mrs. George Caple enjoy- Miss Martha Bird to visit friends rains, accompanied by drizzling sleet to their list of winnings in breeding ed the holidays with relatives at Wa- here, was accompanied by Johnny and snow at times, were disagreeable, classes. The Jr. bull calf, Publican to say the least.

Residents of the city awoke Tues-Bovina and Mrs. W. B. Wheeler, also tops of building blanketed with snow, easy winners in that class.

> ted to .87 inches, bringing the fall precipitation to 9.79 inches. What was supposed to be the first

engraving print was sold in 1850 for

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the sum of \$100.

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