



# THE BADGER WEEKLY

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### TRACK NEWS.

Rah! Rah!  
 Our Badgers can run. Merkel track team went over to Trent Monday afternoon for a track meet and came back with a great victory. Merkel won by 84 to 66.

John Hamner of Trent led field events by scoring 28 points from first place in 100 yards dash, discus throw, broad jump, shot put and javelin throw. Shannon, Cade, Toombs, Patterson and Moore were the other strong contestants.

We had a number of high point men in the tryout. Shannon, Patterson and Monta Moore tied with 11 points; Cade and Toombs tied with 13 1-4 points.

Some of the boys made excellent time in the tryout. Shannon made the 1 mile race in 4 minutes and 57 seconds, Toombs made the 220 yard dash in 22.9 seconds. The time for the 1 mile relay was 3 minutes and 45 seconds. This is the order the relay men came (1) Cade, (2) Toombs, (3) Stalls, (4) Durham.

Merkel did not win the 100 yard dash or high hurdles; therefore, we were not prepared for that. The only thing Trent walked over us in was the field events such as discus throw, broad jump, shot put and javelin throw. Out of the field events we won high jump.

Our track team has some good records. Just watch our Badgers come back with the cup. If they make relay in 3 minutes and 45 seconds they will go to Texas Tech at Lubbock for Texas Tech relays.

The track boys will go to Abilene Saturday. They will meet at Simmons University field.

### TENNIS CLUB.

After a week of eliminations, the Juniors and Seniors met in a gruelling four-set match in which the Seniors won. At the end of the second set, the game was called on account of darkness. The second day of play began in favor of the Juniors. They took the opening set in a quick fashion, but the Seniors staged a comeback to win the final set.

And don't think M. H. S. is not going to be represented in the county meet Friday with such a team as Boaz and Derrick playing doubles and Mellinger singles. Friday night be April Fool, but just wait and see what happens.

The girls are also strongly represented by Nelle Durham in singles and Zada Bell and Julia Proctor in doubles.

### MERKEL HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE TEAM.

Merkel High school has two debate teams this year that everyone is proud of, even though they did not win county meet. The boy debaters are Ross Ferrier and Mardell Shouse; the girl debaters, Duncan Briggs and Lucille Campbell. These students have put some hard work in on their debates but the experience they obtained from debating is worth more than the prize.

Wylie, a small school in Taylor county, seemed to have a better team than Merkel and won over both the girls' and boys' teams.

### M. H. S. CHORUS.

We are happy to know that the boys' Glee club made a good appearance at the Baptist church Sunday morning. They sang "If There's Joy in Your Heart."

### WE JUNIORS.

Say, had you heard that— We nicknamed Etta "Rosetta!" Margaret M's. ideal boy is low, fat, has red hair, and can sing?

Nell H. taught third year Spanish class the other day?

There are only eight more weeks of school.

Carroll likes to sharpen pencils?

Some more Intermediate League events come off next Friday?

Everything is going fine for the Junior-Senior banquet?

Junior boys won second in playground ball, and Junior girls won third?

We had a representative in each team?

We had a representative in boys' and girls' debate and one-act play?

### W. W. W. W. W. W. CLUB.

Eleta Foster.

Eleta is the type that goes to make a school a place of learning. Not only does she make excellent grades, but she is a friend to everyone in school. She is demure and very industrious.

Eleta seldom says anything, but when she does, what she says is always worth listening to. As a matter of fact everyone stops to hear what she has to say. She is expected to do great things in the future. We wish her the best of luck.

### Lela Patterson.

The club is proud to have for a member a girl who embodies the highest ideals of the class; a girl who is never too busy to give freely of her time and enthusiasm for the promotion of the best interests of her friends. Lela is the kind of friend with whom association tends to bring out the best that is within you.

Lela's dignity and majesty of calmness, which is sensed in quieter expressions, commands a deep admiration.

### GRAMMAR SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAMS WIN COUNTY MEET.

Two of the best baseball teams in the county are from Merkel; this was proved Saturday when both the girls' and boys' teams from Grammar school brought back the cups for being county champions.

The results of the girls' games were as follows: Tuscola 5, Merkel 22; Trent 0, Merkel 17; North Park 6, Merkel 15.

In spite of their hard competition, the boys won with these scores: Shep 5, Merkel 18; Trent 0, Merkel 14; Ovalo 3, Merkel 5; North Park 4, Merkel 7.

These two teams have made everyone appreciate them for what they have done for Merkel schools through the able help of Miss Orpha Patterson and Mr. Ralph Duke, coaches.

### EXCLAMATIONS.

(—by the Sophs.)

Rogene and Neda are country because — — — ?

Some of the Sophomore girls are going to serve at the Junior-Senior banquet.

Jack Patterson has that winning smile for nobody else but Mildred Richardson.

Harold and Tommy still like to play tennis.

Band boy: "Well, what's the matter? Didn't I do all right in the parade?"

Band director (sweetly): "Sure you did all right. Didn't you win by half a yard?"

### THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE.

Bum: "Hey, Bill, what time is it?"  
 Traveler: "How'd you know my name was Bill?"

Bum: "Guessed it."  
 Traveler: "If you're that good, you can just guess the time, then."

Mr. Burgess: "What is one-fifth of three-seventeenths?"  
 Cade: "I don't know exactly, but it isn't enough to worry about."

"So you're a salesman now, Sambo? I suppose you stand behind the products you sell?"  
 "No, sah, boss, you see, ah sells mules."

Drunk: "Waiter, (hic) bring me an order of potatoes."  
 Waiter: "Stewed, sir."  
 Drunk: "That's none of your business."

Mr. Riddle: "Why do ducks and geese fly north in the spring?"  
 Annie Lee: "Because it's too far for them to walk."

Mr. Irvin: "Have you a book in stock called 'Man, the Master'?"  
 Sales Clerk: "Fiction department is on the other side, sir."

An old man was crossing a busy street corner when a huge police dog dashed into him and bowled him over. The next instant an Austin skidded around the corner, bumped him, inflicting more severe injuries.

Bystanders assisted him to his feet, and someone asked him if the dog had hurt him.

"Not exactly," he replied, "it was the tin can tied to his tail that did the most damage."

### Birthday Party.

Mrs. Bryan Dunagin complimented her small daughter, Baby Lou, with a birthday party Saturday afternoon at her home at Stith.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mattie Lou and Grovone Ford, Jo Alice, Dorothy Guay and Wm. Dunagin, Dorothy and Neta Muriel Mashburn, Doc Conley, Fern, Mary Alice, Edgar and Ray Hinds, Edgar Bradley, Jr., Oleta Woolsey, Fay Varner, Paul and C. E. Stephenson.

### Father Seriously Ill.

Frank McFarland received a message Thursday morning telling of the serious illness of his father at Medina, Tenn.

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THE WAY OF LIFE

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Finally, and in the last analysis a man has to do his best and go forward. A famous old English schoolmaster had this motto, of which I am fond: "Never explain, never retract, never apologize. Get it done and let them howl."

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YAMS, Kiln Dried, 10 pounds	25c
<b>SUGAR</b> 10 pounds granulated	<b>45c</b>
BISQUICK, baked biscuits quick, pkg.	35c
<b>PINEAPPLE</b> B & W, broken slice No. 2 can, 2 for	<b>25c</b>
BLACKBERRIES, No. 2 can, 2 for	25c
<b>Green Beans</b> Kuners, No. 2 can	<b>10c</b>
CRACKERS, 2 lb. Graham, pkg.	23c
CORN, R & W, No. 2 can, 2 for	25c
FLOUR, R & W, 24 lbs. 60c, 48 lbs. \$1.09	
PICKLES, quart sour, sliced	17c
PEANUT BUTTER, quart jar	25c
COFFEE, R & W, pound	37c
RICE, R & W, 2 lb. package	17c
SYRUP, Uncle Bobs, No. 5 35c, No. 10 59c	
<b>Compound</b> 8 lb. pail	<b>59c</b>
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# CHURCHES

## Men's Prayer Service To Sponsor Revival

The scripture lesson for next Sunday for the Men's Prayer Service will be found in the tenth chapter of Romans, read by Fred Hughes and commented on by Will Elliott. A talk will be given by Mr. Tom Coats. The song service will be rendered by those from the different churches.

A revival meeting will begin at the Methodist church, sponsored by the Men's Prayer meeting, on Sunday night with Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of the Presbyterian church, preaching Sunday night. We are happy to announce that Rev. J. W. Joiner, who needs no introduction to Merkel people, will be here on Monday to conduct the services during the revival. The time for services will be announced from the different churches Sunday.

The song service will be directed by Cyrus Pee. He especially invites the singers from the different churches to cooperate with him during this meeting. The committee in charge of arrangements is Tom Coats and Will Elliott, with John Toombs chairman, Eli Case will have charge of the ushers.

The Men's Prayer meeting cordially invites each and every individual from the different churches and the rural districts in order that we may make this the largest and best revival that has ever been in Merkel.

It all depends upon you.

—Reporter.

### METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

The Men's Prayer Meeting revival will begin next Sunday night.

Rev. Joiner will conduct the services at the Methodist church. He will be here for the Monday evening service.

Rev. R. A. Walker will conduct the first service of the revival Sunday night at our church.

Preaching Sunday morning by the pastor.

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. The attendance was good last Sunday.

Preaching service at 11 a. m., followed by a communion service. Offering for Reynolds Home.

At the evening hour we will go to the Methodist church for the beginning of a union revival meeting.

Rev. J. W. Joiner, who has been here before, will come Monday to do the preaching throughout the meeting.

The entire citizenship is invited to be in this meeting and to do whatever we may be able to do for the success of it.

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

### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Program, Sunday, April 3, 1932.

"The Church Provides Public Worship," Wanda Hunter.

"What the Church Meant to Father," Kennedy Whitley.

"Mixed Motives for Going to Church," Jim Patterson.

"Does the Church Make People Better?" Pauline Wiman.

"The Church and the Family," Robbie Walker.

"The Church and Human Fellowship," Kenneth Cribley.

"Do Men Go to Church?" S. G. Russell.

"The Church Open all the Year," Julia Proctor.

"The Church Knows Its Faults," Monroe Wozencraft.

"Church Going and Religion," Caribel Mansfield.

"Spurring Churches to Service," Sarah Sheppard.

"The Church Alert to New Possibilities," Imogene Middleton.

"The Juvenile Chautauqua," Mildred Richardson.

### CHURCH OF NAZARENE.

Last Sunday was a great Easter day with us. Dr. Hendricks brought the morning message; Rev. S. W. H. Buzbee, the evening message.

Our N. Y. P. S. president, Mrs. Stapleton, is surely getting up some splendid programs each Sunday evening. Come and enjoy them.

A special song, entitled "Jesus Lives Again," was rendered at the morning service by Mr. and Mrs. Bolls and son, J. P., Jr.

Sunday School 9:45. Preaching 11 a. m. N. Y. P. S. 7:30. Preaching 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 7:30 p. m., with Mrs. Fannie King, leader. Will be delighted to have you come.

Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Easter Sunday witnessed the high mark in 1932 attendance with a total of 845 reported at the six city Sunday Schools. This compares with 784 on

## District W. M. U. Meets At Breckenridge Apr. 7

The 24th annual session of district 17 of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist women of Texas will be held in Breckenridge on April 7 and 8, ladies of the Baptist church hostesses. The session will convene Thursday, 10 a. m., April 7. Mrs. C. M. Caldwell of Abilene, president, will preside.

The Thursday night program will be rendered by the young people of the district. The newly-elected state W. M. U. president, Mrs. B. A. Coppas, will be present. Other state leaders, representatives from Baylor college, Belton, Training School, Seminary Hill, and Simmons university, and vice-presidents and committee chairmen from this district will have part on the program.

The Breckenridge ladies cordially urge a large attendance. Homes are ready for all. Come for the two days. Write Mrs. E. A. Vautrain, 321 West Walker, Breckenridge, that you will be there.

### THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

All the regular services at the Baptist church Sunday and next week. You are cordially invited to attend and to bring your friends.

the Sunday before and with 815 on the last Sunday in March last year.

### FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Our revival is still in progress and the Lord is adding to our church almost daily. We have a membership of 73 now. Our Bible school has 104 enrolled and broke the record Sunday with 101 present. Our goal for the next thirty days is 200 in the Bible school. Come, do your duty by getting in our interesting Bible school. Every member get one new member in the next thirty days and our goal will be reached.

Baptism Sunday 4:30 p. m. Bible school 9:45 a. m. Sunday. Bible study Tuesday 8 p. m. Prayer meeting 8 p. m. Wednesday. Teachers and Bible study Friday 8 p. m. Street services Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Preaching services Saturday 8 p. m. Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Singing Sunday 2:30 p. m. Woman's meets

## MATTERS MUSICAL

The choir from the Grace Presbyterian church has been invited to furnish a thirty minute musical program at the Central Presbyterian church in Abilene Sunday evening, beginning at 7:30. Friends are cordially invited to attend the following program:

Prelude, Mrs. C. W. Delmer.  
"Bow Down Thine Ear," choir.  
Prayer, Dr. Surface.  
Response, choir.  
"Day is Dying in the West," congregation.  
"In the Silence of His Presence," choir.

Scripture.  
"Oh, Love That Will Not Let Me Go," choir.  
"Ready," by the choir.  
Solo, Delma Compton.  
"Shall We Gather at the River," choir.  
Mr. C. W. Delmer, soloist with the choir.  
Sermon, Dr. Surface.

ing every Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at church.

Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

### YOUNG PEOPLE'S BIBLE STUDY.

Subject: "Sin Must Not Have Dominion."  
Scripture—Romans 6:12-23.  
Leader, Mrs. Artie Ketchum.  
Verse 12, Mattie Ruth Gay; 13, Tom Huffman; 14-15, Ruth Jenkins; 16, Alene Parks; 17, Viola Gay; 18, Elton, Dowell; 19, Gertrude Reynolds; 20-21, Mrs. Bessie Dowell; 22, Rex Martin; 23, Bessie Laird.

### Hill Side Revival Closes.

The revival meeting closed Sunday night with a large crowd present and a great service. The meeting resulted in 14 additions to the church, 6 by letters, 8 conversions and 8 as candidates for baptism. We give God the praise for what he has done for us.

O. D. PRUITT, Pastor.

Hill Side Fundamentalist Baptist Church.

### Will Preach at Blair.

W. G. Cypert will preach at the Church of Christ at Blair next Sundayday at 11 o'clock. All are invited to hear him.

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## SOCIETY

### BIRTHDAY SURPRISE.

Mrs. Earl Mashburn entertained a group of friends at her home in South Merkel last Thursday, the occasion honoring her mother, Mrs. Dr. Hendricks' 80th birthday, which came as a great surprise to Dr. Hendricks and wife. Everyone present was greatly blessed to see them rejoice at having so many friends.

Those present for the good dinner were Rev. S. W. H. Buzbee, Mrs. Lela Patterson and Mrs. Ola Bolls, all of Merkel. In the afternoon a number of out-of-town guests came. These were: Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Baker, Mrs. Buck Mashburn, Mrs. Clyde Mashburn, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Paul Bradley and baby, Mrs. B. C. Berry and baby, Mrs. Willie Mashburn and baby, Nora Kelso, Mrs. F. B. Kelso, Ada Culp, Maggie Wilson, Myrtle Massey, Mrs. Fletcher Jones, Mrs. S. H. Bankston, Mrs. Bill Dunagin, Mrs. Roy Stephenson, Mrs. T. E. Woolsey, Mrs. J. L. Berry, Miss Addie Fae Patterson, Mrs. J. J. White, Miss Luna White and Mrs. Cecil White and Misses Maurine and Clara E. White.

Fifty-nine friendship quilt squares were brought besides other gifts. Also a good service was enjoyed. Rev. Mr. Buzbee led singing and prayer. Mrs. Ola Bolls, pastor of the Nazarene church, read the scripture lesson from the 13th chapter of 1 Corinthians and led in prayer, after which Dr. Hendricks gave a thrilling talk of appreciation. This was responded to by Mrs. Earl Mashburn. It is stating it only mildly to say that everyone enjoyed the day.

—Contributed.

### CELEBRATES 89th BIRTHDAY.

Mrs. M. S. Wiman better known as Grandma Wiman, enjoyed a birthday dinner on Saturday, March 19, with her son, A. E. Wiman and family. Grandma Wiman, a Kentuckian by birth, is 89 years old, having lived in Merkel for 45 years, and is still enjoying life to the fullest. She has lived 42 years in the same home where she now resides.

### Brought Here for Burial.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. E. L. Yeats, pastor of the Methodist church, were held at the graveside here Tuesday afternoon for little Manuel Scarborough, age two years, who died at Stamford Monday. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scarborough, former residents of Merkel, now residing at Haskell, Mrs. Scarborough being a sister-in-law of

Deputy Sheriff W. R. Sumpter. The body of the little boy was brought to Mr. Sumpter's home here Monday and held there until the funeral the following day. Besides his parents he is survived by ten brothers and sisters.

# SPECIALS

## FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

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CRACKERS, Iten's, 3 lb. box ..... 31c

CRACKERS, Iten's, 2 lb. box ..... 23c

CRACKERS, Iten's, 2 lb. Graham ..... 23c

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