Hunter Third with 200,000

Votes; Allred Re-Eelected Ov-

er Calhoun By Large Ma-

The lead of Mrs. Miriam A Fergu-

son over Gov. Ross S. Sterling for the

Democratic nomination for Governor

in the first primary election closely

approached 100,000 in the last tabula-

tion of the balloting made Wednesday

night by the Texas Election Bureau.

With a total of 868,908 ballots

vious high record of 857,773 cast in

Monday's figures gave the following

The vote for resubmission of the

Eighteenth Amendment now stands:

For submission, 321,154; against.

The positions of the contenders in

the other State contests were un-

changer by Wednesday's tabulation.

reau Wednesday night from 251 coun-

ties, including 181 complete, follow:

For submission 321,154, against

Governor: Ferguson 364,625, Hunt-

Superintendent of Instruction: Sha-

Commissioner of Agriculture: Mc-Donald 207,693, Seymour 99,284.

Railroad Commissioner (six years):

Satterwhite 187,786, Tennant 137,035,

Railroad Commissioner (four years):

Culberson 142,303, Hatcher 196,322

ver 371,602, Woods 362,568.

er 198,545, Sterling 264,954, scatter-

Returns of t he Texas Election Bu-

Ferguson 364,625.

Sterling 264,954.

Scattering 41,784.

Hunter 198,545.

ing 41,784.

Terrell 309,289.

1932 STATE TAX RATE IS SET AT SIXTY-NINE **CENTS; FIVE CENT LOWER**

Expected to be Around \$260,-000,000: Last Year's Tax Val- NEXT SCHOOL TERM ues About \$4,000,000,000.

Austin, July 28.-The state tax rate, collectible on property valuations rendered this year and due not later than next January, has been fixed at 69 cents on each \$100.

than the 74 cents levied on each for the 1932-33 school year. \$100 valuation last time. Although the constitution fixes the state rate maximum at 77 cents on the \$100 taxable valuation, the second called tionment of \$16 was based on the Star-Telegram, will also appear on session of the 42nd legislature last anticipated revenues as figured by fall passed a law directing that the the state comptroller. Washer said state tax not exceed 69 cents this; that all school officials had been mitted to the whole program com- home, I. L. Van Zandt, Jr., 48, Fort will compete for the commissioner-

mum levy for general revenue pur- \$1.50 and had been advised to make official headquarters at 8 a. m. Friposes at 35 cents, for school pur- their contracts with the anticipated day, August 19. Following a busiposes at 35 cents, and to create a Confederate pension fund at seven

levy provided for collection of the constitutional limits for school and pension purposes and fixed the general revenue rate at 27 cents. The five cents reduction was shaved off the general revenue levy, which was 32 cents last year.

used in arriving at levies for school and pension purposes. The general revenue allotment was calculated on valuations of \$3,572,615,376, tax recissions on valuations of \$347,-300, granted various counties by

Local Boy Scouts Meet Friday Night of \$950.

To discuss plans for the summer and also to re-register, members of critically ill for sometime, was re-Boy Scout troop No. 20 will meet at ported some better Thursday morning. 8 o'clock this Friday night at the Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Cypert of Lub-Methodist church.

are expected to be present.

Property Shrinkage Valuations \$16 PER CAPITA FOR

Scholastic the Sum of \$1.50 For the Coming Year.

Austin, July 28 .- The state board of education Tuesday set the per T. Watson of the program committee, with volleys from a machine gun. capita apportionment for scholastics

The apportionment last year was \$17.50 per student.

Nat Washer, chairman of the board of education, said the apporago that the apportionment for next 31, in Sweetwater, calls for opening was electrocuted. The constitution fixes the maxi- year probably would be reduced by of registration at the Crawford hotel decrease in mind.

state comptroller estimated the out- tournament, and a social function The automatic tax board's latest fund at the end of the present fis- will be held. cal year, August 31, at \$5,515,637.

L. W. Rogers, assistant state su- The annual banquet followed by nor, comptroller, and treasurer, es- perintendent of public instruction, a ball, will be held Friday evening. levied on valuations aggregating \$4,181,000,000, taxable values for the would be carried over into the next fiscal year and taken care of before August 31 and the amount unpaid by that date would be carried over into the next fiscal year and taken care of before Avalanche-Journal newspapers, Lubbock, is president; Ralph Shuffler, 33 apportionment.

Taylor county schools \$14,637 for the the asociation. year 1932-33, based on 9,758 pupils enrolled in the common and indepen- Remainder of Funds the legislature, necessarily having dent school districts, including the Merkel Independent School district with 611 scholastics, and which will make a loss for the district next year

> Mrs. Cypert Reported Better. Mrs. W. G. Cypert, who has been

bock and Dick Cypert, Mrs. C. V. Roughton and Mrs. Frank Cook of Herbert Patterson is scout master- Port Arthur have all been at the bedof troop 20 and all of the members side of their mother for the past few

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail July 26, 1912)

MILLER-KEETON.

Monday, July the 22nd, 1912 at 10 | Sheppard. o'clock at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Adkisson, Rev. R. A. Clements of the Methodist church Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock ate dinunited in t he holy bonds of marriage ner at Colorado and took supper in the lives of Dr. George Miller and Midland. Leaving Midland at 10 Miss Clara Keeton.

ding is a Tennessee girl, from Me- that evening at 7 o'clock making the dna but for the past year has made her home with her uncle Dr. J. A. termediate places with no car trouble Adkisson. She wore a beautiful white at all. silk marquisette over pink. Dr. Miller is well known in t he medical profession coming here from Chicago five years ago. They will spend spend the summer. some time in St. Louis, Mo., Lake Charles and Winnepeg aftet visiting A traveling man after drinking at the Drs. home in Chicago before re- Burroughs complimented their serturning to 501 Elm street, Merkel to vice. Suppose you try it? make their home.

grandparents, Judge and Mrs. W. T. Potter on Austin street. Those present were: Marie and Ray Adkisson, in Monday from visiting in different Will and Craig Rainey, Pearlie Maude parts of the state. and Lloyd Gilliland Melba and Weston West, Paul Causseaux, Alice Big-ham, Mutrice Middleton, Lula Lee and Elizabeth Barker, Dixie Howard, Mary Comegys, Flora Frances and ck Anderson, Don Woodroof, Mil-

and Elizabeth Harkrider and Snooks

Dr. M. Armstrong, T. L. Grimes and Frank Armstrong left Merkel o'clock next day they took dinner in The bride in this pretty home wed- Big Spring and arrived in Merkel round trip and stopping at many in-

> Dr. J. M. C. King left Monday night for Galveston where he goes to

Misses Frances Burroughs and On Saturday, July 13th little Miss Dora Lee Potter went to Abilene farion Emma, daughter of Mr. and Wednesday where they are taking from the local T. & P. station here

Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Brown came

Miss Florine Lamar has as he red Hamm,, Eugene Potter, Hazel guest Miss Lelia Clark.

PRESS MEETING **BIG SPRING ON AUGUST 19 AND 20**

Many Interesting Amusement Features Are Being Planned At Big Spring.

Big Spring, July 28 .- Arrange-Making A Reduction for Each ments for the annual convention of the West Texas Press association, to

Dorrance D. Rodderick, publisher The new rate is five cents lower in the free public school system at \$16 of the El Paso Times, one of the most successful of the younger men in the newspaper busines, will be one speaker.

It is expected that Amon G. Carter, publisher of the Fort Worth the program.

The tentative program, to be subness session and round-table discus-A report issued Tuesday by the sion, the annual association golf

There will, it is expected, be an

publisher of the News-Times, Odes-Reduction by \$1.50 of the state ap- sa, is vice-president; and Miss Trena portionment for scholastics will cost Miller, Rotan, secretary-treasurer of

Of Election Returns Donated to Cemetery

The committee on arrangements which functioned so successfully in expense fund and to announce that a residue of \$4.30, cash on hand, has been turned over to the cemetery.

Assisting in the work of receiving and bulletining the returns were: Comer Patterson, Jimmy Toombs, Vir-Hamm, Tom Durham, Jake Massey and Herbert Patterson.

Preference is Given Newspaper Space

New York, July 28 .- Major industries continue to show preference for newspaper advertising over that of other mediums, the American Newspaper Publishers' Association report-

The association's bureau of advertising announced the results of a survey showed 436 national advertisers spent \$143,365,000 in newspaper advertising last year. Magazine space was used by 190 of these firms to the extent of \$78,317,815 and 121 used radio broadcasts entailing an expenditure of \$21,223,862.

The bureau reported newspapers were the favored medium in twentyfive of the thirty-two industrial grounds represented.

Nine Cars Wheat. Two of Oats Shipped

Since last week's report of grain shipments there has been shipped Mrs. Doss Sheppard celebrated her music under instructions of Mrs. nine cars of wheat and two cars of cats, bringing the season's total for oats, bringing the season's total for wheat up to 43 and oats to 12.

> "Show Must Keep On." Hollywood, Calif., July 28 .- Following the old tradition of the theatrical world that "the show must go on," return to the R-K-O studios to re- day's class 1; Tuesday, July 26, Munsume work on a film. day's class 4, Petty's class 2.

KEEPING UP

Mrs. Frank Clark, 54, daughter of Prominent Editors to Speak and Governor Sul Ross, famous Indian fighter, died in a Waco hospital Mon-

> A. C. Womack, 64, candidate for Johnson county district clerk, dropped dead after speaking at a political rally at Cleburne Friday night.

Two men Friday night robbed the be held here Friday and Saturday, Farmers and Merchants State bank at August 19 and 20, are being made by Ladonia of \$5,000 after one of them Wendell Beddicheck, chairman and C. had menaced citizens in the street

> candidate for governor againt James E. Ferguon in 1916 and prominent East Texas banker and churchman, died at his home at Winsboro after a short illness.

ectric light wire from his garage to contestants in the two county races, served with notice several months mittee at a meeting planned for July Worth city secretary and treasurer, ship in precinct No. 2.

Following a habeas corpus hearing Roy Fuller, county treasurer, and before Judge M. S. Long in Abilene R. M. Wagstaff was re-elected as rep-Monday morning, L. M. Parks of Sweetwater, charged with murder in connection with the drowning of his standing obligations of the school for ladies attending the convention wife on July 8, was released on \$10,-000 bond.

Figured on the basis of 1,566,000 industrial tour after the Friday af- was killed, another, Mrs. Russell Step- have to run off their race for state scholastics entitled to the apport ternoon business session, on which hens, was severely cut and three oth- senator from the 24th district. tionment reduction of the per cap- the delegate will be taken for an er persons injured when an explosion ita from \$17.50 to \$16 would de- inspection of the Cosden refinery, rocked and partially wrecked an Abicrease the demand on the school the T. & P. shops and round house lene downtown store building Thurs- low man in the three-cornered race fund by \$2,349,000, it was estimated. and the government experiment farm. day afternoon of last week.

Effective at once, the Texas railtimated that state property valua. said that \$4.50 of the \$17.50 apportions would show a shrinkage of tionment for the current year re- day morning with a round-table ses- duction of 22 per cent in freight rates mained unpaid. He said this was sion, election of officers, reports of on cotton from points in the Rio \$261,000,000. Last year's tax was due to be paid before August 31 committees and selection of the new Grande valley to Corpus Christi, the

Two World Famous Artists to Appear On Simmons Course

Abilene, July 29 .- West Texas music lovers will hear two of the world's greatest artists next season as a result of engagements made by the Simmons University Artist course. Serge Rachmaninoff, pianist, second presenting election returns Saturday only to Paderowski in world renown, night, wishes The Mail to extend and Fritz Kriesler, world's most famthank to all the business and prof- ous violinist, will appear at the Simessional men who contributed to the mons auditorium during the winter

Rachmaninoff is scheduled for January 27 and Kriesler for February 9. This will be the only West Texas appearance of either of these artists next year. Attempts have been made gil Hassey, E. Yates Brown, Sie for four years to get the famous Kriesler to this section of the state, but this is the first time it has been

Glover's Uncle Dies At Belton

Belton, Texas, July 28 .- Tom C. Hughes, 63, Belton druggist for forty-eight years, died at his home Wednesday of cerebral hemorrhage. Funeral services were planned for Thursday afternoon.

He is survived by his wife, one son, Haywood Hughes of Texon; one daughter, Miss Dorothy Hughes of Belton; two sisters, Mrs. E. E. Upshaw of Belton and Mrs. Daisy Mc-Kay of Waco, and one brother, A. B. Hughes of Waco.

All places of business in Belton wil be closed during funeral services, the Retail Merchants' Association an-

Mr. Hughes was an Uncle of Mr. Glover, Editor of the Mail, being his mother's brother. And immediately upon receipt of a message announcing his death, Mr. Glover left for Belton to attend the last sad rites of his beloved relative.

Winners in Indoor League Last Week

Results of games played the past week in the indoor baseball league were as follows:

Thursday, July 21, Munday's class Billie Burke, widow of Florenz Zieg- 5, Petty's class 1; Friday, July 22, feld, whose private funeral was held Petty's class 6, McGehee class 2; Monhere Monday has announced she would day, July 25, Riddle's class 4, Mun-

MRS. FERGUSON'S LEAD **NEARING 100,000 OVER** STERLING FOR GOVERNOR

ELECTION RETURNS

Which Shows There Will Be Two Run-Off Races, With An Extra Run-off for Commissioner.

Taylor county has two-run-off rac Charles H. Morris, 71, unsuccessful es and the Merkel precinct an extra run-off for commissioner in the second primary, Earl Hughes and Grady Mrs. Ferguson was leading by 99,671 Parmelly, highest two in the race for county tax collector, and C. W. Boyce and Henry Long, leaders in the race counted at this time, a new record is While attempting to stretch an el- for county tax assessor, will be the set for a Texas primary election. The a rabbit pen in the backyard of his while Philip Diltz and A. J. Canon vote exceeds by 7,135 ballots the pre-

the run-off primary of 1930. In the other contested county races John Camp was elected county judge, totals in the Governor's race: resentative for the 116th district.

Judge Milburn Long was re-elected as district judge of the 42nd judicial district, and Blanton was re-elected to congress, while Oliver Cunningham One woman, Mrs. R. C. Winters, and Wilbourne Collie of Eastland will

COMMISSIONER' RACE. Only 39 votes separate the high and for commissioner in precinct No. 2, with Diltz leading Canon by 31 votes and the latter eight votes over Murray. Final totals in this race were: Diltz 344, Canon 313 and Murray 305. The vote by boxes follows:

Merkel-Canon 241, Diltz 217, Mur-

Blair-Canon 8, Diltz 14, Murray Trent-Canon 30, Diltz 57, Murray

Caps-Merkel-Canon 15, Diltz 9 Murray 7. Nubia-Canon 17, Diltz 24, Murray

Tye-Merkel Cannon 2, Diltz 23, Murray 24.

Two new commissioners will appear in the next court, according to the face of the returns: Luther Webb Davis 100,429, Holcomb 94,269. of Abilene, who defeated the incumbent, G. B. Tittle, and R. E. (Rex) Hyer 54,628, McGregor 76,165, Strong (Continued on Page Two)

Thompson 197,913.

Congress, Place 1: Parrish 85,817, Terrell 111,144, Williams 70,603. Congress, Place 2: Bailey 162,895,

Congress, Place 3: Burkett 79,439,

TO THE LAND,

Here and there we run across a fact which shows that important social changes are working themselves out silently in a time like this.

For instance: The insurance companies are experiencing a rather brisk demand for some of the farms they have had to take over during the past few years.

So are the Land Banks.

In one southern city a canvass of the unemployed revealed nine hundred families that had formerly lived on the land. These people were moved out to vacant farms and are being helped to self-support.

The president of a charity organization in a middle western city came to see me, with figures showing the abnormal growth of our cities, and particularly of the negro population in northern cities, in the two decades between 1910 and 1930.

Said he: "In my own city we are feeding many thousand people, including almost the entire negro population. The negro is the first to suffer in a time like this, for the white man is likely to be favored in the distribution of jobs. The negro is a good farmer. On an acre of land he can raise enough food for his family. Our city could well afford to build cottages and settle a large proportion of its unemployed on the land. For no more than it will cost us to take care of them in town another

year we could make them permanently independent."

In the depression of 1873, the unemployment in our cities was almost one hundred per cent, but only a quarter of our people were in the cities; we were seventy-five per cent rural. The employed simply moved back to the land until the storm

The expression "back to the land" is unfortunate; it seems to imply defeat in the city and subsequent retreat. I prefer "forward to the land," to a freedom and security the city too often fails to provide.

Certainly many men are now saying to themselves: "I should much rather have a roof over my head and potatoes and cab-bages in the cellar than to be ex-vice-president sitting on a

Perhaps as a result of that thinking we shall find ourselves. one of these days, with a better balanced, less top-heavy social organization.

THE MERKEL MAIL

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A WORD PERSONAL.

Thanks to kindness of our good friend, Tom Durham, editorial work on the closing day for this week's issue was lef in his hands, due to a message received Thursday by the editor telling of the death of his uncle, Tom Hughes, at an early hour Wednesday morning in Belton, which had been his home all his life.

This uncle is the oldest brother of my sainted mother, who died nearly twenty years ago, and the two were attached to each other in an indescribably beautiful sentiment. The funeral services are to be held at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon and, while it is customarily true in newspaper offices that "the show must go on," the editor is absenting himself for these last sad rites.

As stated at the outset of this article, with Tom Durham's assistance, The Mail comes to you this week just the same, in its usual form and on its usual publication date.

A carload of Texas telephone poles, cresote-treated by the Denison tie plant, was shipped to California for 4,797, DeBush 1,609 use there.

Mail office.

Results in County

(Continued From Fage One) Dillard of Tuscola, who defeated W. 3,588. C. Burleson, 314 to 148. Dillard is a son-in-law of our fellow-townsman,

CONGRESSIONAL RACE. gressman Thomas L. Blanton defeated ceived 55. his opponent by nearly 3,000, the vote on nearly complete returns standing Blanton 28,654, Jones 25,922.

TAYLOR COUNTY COMPLETE. as follows:

For Governor-Sterling 2,786,

For Attorney General: Becker 258, Calhoun 2,472, Allred 3,807. For Superintendent of Instruction

Woods 3,069, Shaver 2,967. For Railroad Commissioner, Year Term) - Patterson 668, Satter-

Unexpried Term) - Murphy | mission. Year Hatcher 1,559, DeWare 173, Thompson 2,406, Culberson 902.

For Associate Justice Supreme Court-Speer 713, Hickman 3,746,

For Congressman, 17th District-Blanton 3,898, Jones 2,617. For Associate Justice 11th District

Funderburk -Overshiner 4,815, For State Senator-Howsley 780, Collie 1,155, Thomason 380, Cunning-

ham 4.077. For Representative-Whitaker 2. 608, Wagstaf. 3, 901.

For Judge. 42nd District-Long

836, Camp 3.849.

Hughes 2,942, Parmelly 2,713.

For Tax Assessor-Young 1,416, ceived a post card depicting the Boyce 2,269, Cockrell 1,105, Long Olympic stadium, Los Angeles, Calif.,

For Treasurer-Fitts 3,03s, Fuller

PAYNE NOMINATED.

In the public weigher's race at weigher for precinct No. 5, with 95 In the seventeenth district Con- votes, over W. R. McLeod, who re-

SUBMISSION WINS.

Taylor countains voted, by a ma jority of 126, to call on congress to submit the question of repeal or re-The Taylor county vote complete is tention of the 18th amendment -- in Saturday's special referendum.

Returns from 26 of the 30 boxes Hunter 2,204, Evans 9, Ferguson all from which the prohibition vote 1,513, Wolfe 163, Glenn 3, Putnam 8, could be obtained-gave the follow-

ing results: For Submission

Against The vote in the county showed a falling off of 1,103 from the vote polled in the governor's race-5,588 to 6,691-indicating that large numwhite 2,154, Terrell 2,067, Tennant bers refused to express themselves. The resasonable supposition is that For Railroad Commissioner, (4- most of these were opposed to sub-

LOCAL BRIEFS.

For the nearest correct estimate as to how long it required a 300 pound block of ice in front of E. M.Cox's new ice Sation to melt, Clark Munday was awarded the prize of \$2.00 in cash. His estimate was 38 seconds too much. He guesed 13 hours, 55 minutes, the exact time being 13 hours, 54 minutes and 22 seconds. The block of ice was set out at 6:45 Saturday morning and disappered at 8:39:22 Saturday night.

From Dr. C. B. Gardner, who with For County Judge-Childers 2, his family is enjoying a vacation in California and at the same time at-Typewriting and carbon paper at For Tax Collector-Walker 993, tending clinics at Leland Stanford University hospital, The Mail has re-

scene of the 1932 Tenth Olympiad, which starts Saturday, July 30.

Miss Mytrle McDonald, who underwent a major operation at the West Trent, John Payne was elected public Texas Baptist hospital at Abilene on Saturday, July 9, was sufficiently recuperated to be brought home last Saturday.

> A most opportune rain for the growing crops, both cotton and feed, fell here Thursday afternoon of last week, measuring 7-8 of an inch, according to the gauge of Grover Hale, volunter weather observer. This brings the year's total, which was 20.03 inches for the first six months, to 20.9 inches.

> Something unique and very artistic s the miniature replica of the "old covered wagon," now on display in the show window of the Merkel Drug company. It was fashioned in all details by our fellow-townsman, B. E. Dalton, nothing being lacking in the reproduction from the steel tires and trace chains to the spring seats and weather-beaten canvass top.

Nine 19-inning games have been played in the major leagues in the last 30 years.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail. Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

RED LETTER SATURDAY







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in answer to popular demand, we again make it possible for you to enjoy a glorious vacation for a fraction of the usual one-way fare. All tiekets bear a 10-day return limit. Make your pull-RETURN LIMIT

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TO THE PEOPLE OF TAYLOR COUNTY:

I want to express my appreciation for the splendid vote I received last Saturday. I wish I could see and thank personally every one who helped me. You will never know how much I appreciate your kindness. The fact that I carried twenty-two boxes out of the thirty also gives me great pleasure and I will ever be grateful to you for this.

I beg to again solicit the support and influence of every person through the remainder of this campaign. I assure you that everything said and done in my favor will be more than appreciated.

Sincerely,

GRADY PARMELLY

(Political Advertisement.)

SPECIAL

JULY 29-30

CANTALOUPES, 2 for

fresh, Colorado, lb.

ORANGES, dozen BANANAS, pound

pure granu-45c lated, 10 lbs

PINEAPPLE, No. 1 flat can

Gallon Fruits can 39c PLUMS, PEACHES OR PINEAPPLE

ASPARAGUS, picnic can 17c R & W, 2 15c

SPAGHETTI, medium can COFFEE, R & W, 1 pound 35c

19c 1-4 lb. 1-2 lb. 37c

MUSTARD, quart jar 15e POTTED MEAT, R & W, 6 for 25c

GRAPE NUTS FLAKES, package 10c

GELATIN DESSERT, R & W, 2 pkgs. 15c

6 bars Lady Godiva Soap, 1 towel

TOILET TISSUE, Blu Kross, 3 rolls 15c

PICKLES, quart, sour, sliced sliced, sugar

BACON 19c cured, pound FRYERS, live, pound

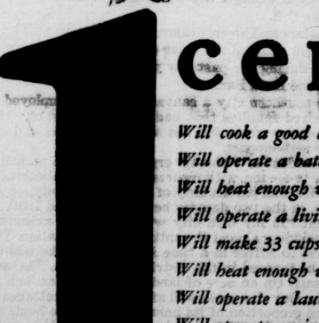


You seldom see the figure 1 cent in an advertisement, because there are so few things that you can buy with Uncle Sam's smallest coin.

Natural gas is one commodity that brings you a lot of comfort and convenience for one cent. In fact, we don't know where else you can get so much real value for so little cost.



Your Natural Gas Penny Is Your Biggest Penny ...



Will cook a good dinner for 3 people Will operate a bathroom heater for 2 hours Will heat enough water for 2 baths Will operate a living room beater 45 minutes Will make 33 cups of coffee Will heat enough water for 14 morning shaves Will operate a laundry dryer 45 minutes Will operate an incinerator 15 minutes Will run a gas refrigerator from 8 to 10 hours

Natural Gas Co.



THIRD INSTALLMENT.

the tug, drowns his mother and the darkness of a huge covered trucker rat boys who beat and chase him. ment. He escapes and, exhausted, tumbles into a basement doorway. Later he hears the trap door slammed, a padof a Jewish family living in the rear He is resceed-taken into the family window, -and there starts a new life on the Bowery in New York.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY. "No, Becka, it's too hot."

don't dast to go."

and Becka strolled casually from the lists, they entered the shaded walks front stoop to the tenement as Becka of Central Park through a rustic arcalled, "So long! We're going for a bor. The dusty white macadam walk," to Mrs. Lipvitch who sat on drives' were lively with the prance the basement steps with the twins and of foam-flecked turnouts, and the Mrs. Yartin, while Mr. Lipvitch ar- "clank" and "clink" of fashionable gued with a customer within.

An hour later, in the dark of early the Clothing Emporium.

asked this frankly.

hand gripped it in the bottom of the the secretive whispering of the dark. coin to Becka.

toward and in front of John, as she ered through a parting of the trees. looked up into his face, for he was a John and Becka turned toward this, Club. It was the most ambitious head taller than the girl.

barrassment.

tily. "Pa should pay you," she urged the moon. again looking up into his face, still "You should get a dollar a day," him," she said positively.

ingly, guiltily, by Channon Lipvitch. cence, or of revolt. And this only after an argument with Becka.

retorted to his repeated protest. strength. The first drops of rain a man than Peter Van Horn, who You ain't so smart," she warned. storm. The boy, ill clad, hard in back wages, some day. Give him strife, released the girl; her sudden had argued.

ger, also the expense.

something today." Becka was insist- whose broad leaves promised some ent, and, as John entered the Em- shelter from the rain. Quick flashes porium on his return from an errand of lightning followed by harsh, rumba few doors away, Becka bent a part- ling peals of thunder, were punctuing glance of warning on her father, ated by the puny cries and screams her eyes threatening exposure as she of women running from the park as nodded meaningly at John. Lipvitch sudden swirls of cool air and rain had his hand in his pocket. He whipped about the trees. Then John fingered a coin, a half, then in a pru- and Becka, like Paul and Virginia of dent flood of generosity he seized a the story, naked, not of body but of silver dollar.

"Here Chon, I god someding by you." gate at Fifth Avenue and Fifty-ninth vages." he repeated, handing the boy ness of the slums. the large coin, thrusting it toward

all fer nodding." way at a point where its wholesale

To America, New York was Rome, "Strictly in private." It was a sug-SYNOPSIS: Johnny Breen, 16 years and still is: the feudal city of the gestive package, retailing at twentyold, who had spent all of his life Western World, taking tribute from five cents, or two bits, and sold wholeaboard a Hudson river tugboat ply- the ends of the earth. Other cities ing near New York, is tossed into the may attempt to dispute this, but New river in a terrific collision which sinks York, true to its name, keeps rising new and fresh and more powerful man he called father. Ignorant, un- from its own continuous disintegraschooled, and fear driven, he drags tion, shafts of steel and stone springhimself ashore, hides in the friendly ing up out of the dusty demolition contantly under way. The wrecks and only to be kicked out at dawn-and mistakes of the past feed ambition, into the midst of a tough gang of riv- flaring to higher and dizzier achieve-

Never was the town so young and bright and hopeful as on the summer night when John and Becka, far from lock snapped down-and he is trap- their environment, walked on air, and ped. Exhausted, he falls asleep. When literally rode on it, as they sped uphe awakens it is day light and he looks town on the West Side L. The squab, about for a place to wash the river green-bellied steam locomotive puffed slime from face, hands and body. The and wheezed, blowing its whistle as it running water attracts the attention approached the curves, where Becka with an "Oh!" clung close to John; of their second-hand clothing store. they sat in a cross seat by an open

Decending at Fifty-ninth Street, Becka led him eastward to Columbus Circle. The tall shaft in the center, the different aspect of the people, "You're 'fraid. That's what. You the absence of push carts, and the dearth of children, puzzled John. "All right, come along," and John Dodging the whirling stream of cycharness trappings.

And with the black art of this night evening, the girl and boy, arm in arm, of swift unusual motion and of rare strolled far from the crowds about sights, with Becka, soft and confiding, clinging closely on his arm, with the "Have you got any money?" Becka dread of Grogans forgotten in the distant alleys of the slums, the boy "Lipvitch-your father," he cor- expanded to an influence beyond the rected, "give me a dollar today." His measure of his understanding. He felt

large-trouser pocket, the one without | Far to the North, from the direction the hole. He showed the bright silver of the Mall, band music filtered through the leaves, for the air was "Say-" Becka clasped his arm still, and presently captured moonwith an insinuating pressure, leaning light, prisoned in a lake, was discovto the lower walks, the perfect ones "Say what?" he asked, shoving her planned long ago by a master gardner. feld, and the purse, so Sol stated, was back somewhat roughly in his em- Finding a secluded spot they sat down, the still surface of the reflect-"You're green," she laughed ner- ing pond almost at their feet. They vously. "Say, you are green," she af- were close together, a lilac bush firmed, as if a great truth had just screened them from the walk; they then been disclosed. "You don't have talked idly. Suddenly the light of the to work for nothing," she added has- lake went out as a cloud drifted across

"You do, John, I know you do. Lilly holding his arm, but refraining from Firkin saw you." Becka, in tones of closer contact. The boy walked pouting banter, was accusing John. straight ahead and failed to answer. Suddenly he found himself forgiven, forgiven for things he had never done, Becka continued, "and board tod-he for lapses he had not committed, for would have to give it-I will make things he had never even thought about, forgiven with the cold moist Late that afternoon the dollar in lips of Becka pressing eagerly against his pocket had been given him grudg- his own, stilling all protest of inno-

His voice rasped. He choked and struggled, vibrant with the contact, "All right, don't give it him," she holding Becka with convulsive "When he finds out-you look out. found them oblivious to the coming came over from Holland as a young "John can sue you for damages, for body, with few ideas but those of with Dutch traditions, to life at home. something now-five dollars," Becka "Oh!" coming with the return of its and of strong religious convictions, breath almost crushed out of her. when drunk or sober, in fact a man "No! No!" Lipvitch knew the dan- John jumped up, picked up her strawhat, and pulling her by the arm led "You got to. You got to pay him her to the bole of a huge sycamore mind raced beneath the trees and the "Here, Chon," his throat was husky. lashing of the storm for the park He spoke rapidly. "A dollar-you Street. They took the East Side L., earned idt-vages, Chon-remember, down again into the familiar close-

The end of September, in the city him impulsively, as if afraid John of perpetual change, brings with it would not accept. "Ant remember, the first refreshing whisper of cooler Chon, I don'd charge you nodding, airs; a new vitality springs to life nodding a tall for board. You ged id among the heat-weary dwellers in the city. Sol Bernfeld had come back Then, after an interval of pregnant from the road after questionable sucsilence, Becka having again linked cess in providing crayon enlargements John's arm through her own, doing so of family album portraits, with the with a small laugh, a friendly, forgiv- Paris Spicy Package as a side line. ing laugh, they walked out on Broad- The spicy package being a bulky surreptitious envelope, sold sealed mercial aspect stretches north- "Against the law, you know, to show it," to be opened by the purchaser

sale to candy choppers on trains at

seven, flat, a gross. Sol sold few of the crayon elargements but did get rid of his entire stock of spicy packages to the farmers and their hands, even disposing of them to women by the simple process of refusing to even tell them he was selling.

On his return to the city, Sol found Becka in a receptive frame of mind and John Breen pursuing his way of them that may enable you to save in dogged silence. Becka's efforts, money. At least you will know where balked by his awkward inexperience, to find what you want without doing had at least served to place him upon a lot of hunting and asking questions, a meager wage, in the size of which and you also know the merchants apshe evinced small interest. She soon preciate your patronage because they she boastfully confided to John, the ial offering of their goods. princely salary of twenty-five dollars a week as runner for a Bowery burlesque show. And furthermore, she was to appear in the chorus ,of a leg | show, "in tights!"-a secret carefully kept from Channon Lipvitch, but whispered slyly to John. And to prove | . it Becka showed John a photograph | * that brought a hot flush to his face. | * "Silly," she cried, "I'm an actress, you know." But for all that a coolness sprang up between them, and John refused tickets to the show.

And, as another side line, Sol Bernfeld began to match John against likely boys in clandestine boxing bouts of the lower city, taking him from hall to hall on Saturday nights, acting as his manager. These adventure were a relief to the growing dislike he felt for the Clothing Emporium and its cloying sameness. Fighting had become second nature to him. He liked the heat of combat and his craving for the excitement of the fight grew with his success.

It was late in November when Sol Bernfeld matched John against "Rasper" Jorgan, known to the Greenpoint section as the "Polack Wonder." hundred and thirty-three, ringside, and go ten rounds in one of the prebout yet secured by Manager Bernto be twenty-five dollars, to the winner. If John won he would split with Sol, taking ten dolars for his share, and John Breen, glancing curiously at the typewritten letter from the trainer of the Samson Sporting Club, wondered at the queer kind of printing, for he had never seen a typewritten letter before and he was ashamed to admit that he could not read a word, a deficiency Manager Sol Bernfeld was thoroughly aware of. FIFTH AVENUE.

Let us go back, in an orderly way, and sketch the story of the Van Horns as generally understood; the myths of the new city are its "old families," running back two or three or even four generations.

Guysbert Van Horn, great-grandfather of Gilbert, was a man of hard common sense and the son of no less man, preferring an English colony,

Guysbert was a man of frugal hab-

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well calculated to prosper in the new New York. His son, Van Winkle Van Horn, proved a true son of New York. Born in 1800, he married a Lambert and determined to found the Van Horn fortune on the future of the city. He believed New York would eventually grow northward, in spite of its width from river to river. In the face of much contary advice he bought cheap land far to the north in the tract of Greenwich Village, and he held on.

The only son of Van Wickle-the Van Horns ran to only sons-was Brevoort Van Horn, father of Gilbert. So this family tree had its simple roots back in the rocky soil of Manhattan.

So at the time we make the acquaintance of the last of the Van Horns, as he was generally called, Gilbert Van Horn was forty years of age; his hair was iron gray and he might easily have passed for a wellpreserved man of fifty.

(Continued Next Week.)

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Rural Community Correspondence

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Boyd of Hamlin, accompanied by their son, Wright, and wife of Lamesa were passing guests of friends here last Wednes-

Mrs. Weaver had as her guest recently her sister, Mrs. Dolly Solmon, of Fort Worth.

Cecil Rutherford, Jr., of Abilene was the guest last week of his grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Billings, who accompanied him home Saturday, spending the week-end at her home in Abilene.

Miss Ruby Campbell of Novice is visiting in the home of her sister, Mrs. Harvey Jones.

Miss Ima Gene Mangum is home for the rest of the summer after attending McMurry for the past six weeks.

Jack Bowers, who has been in Los Angeles, Calif., for the past six weeks, returned home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Bright and family of Loving, N. M., are visiting the former's father, Jack Bright and other relatives here.

Mrs. Joe English and children of Lamesa came the last of the week for a short visit with relatives.

Billy Jo Bowers was a guest in the Rev. Mr. Lawrie's home in Abilene from Wednesday to Sunday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hamner and little daughter of Wink, accompanied by Miss May Hamner, who had been their guest for several weeks, came Saturday for a visit with relatives. Mrs. Hamner and children remained for a week's visit, while Mr. Hamner returned to his work, accompanied by his brother, John Hamner. The latter plans to visit there for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman Reynolds and family of Sweetwater were guests part of last week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Reynolds.

Pounds, of Pampa.

and Mrs. M. G. Scott.

Mrs. Jake Roberts had as her guests last week her sisters, Mesdames James Jim Cook had the misfortune to Mrs. Tom Lackey of Merkel. Eunice Jones, all of Gladewater. They badly at this writing. went on to Carlsbad Caverns and othback to their home.

Mrs. Buster Edwards had as her guest last Saturday Mrs. O. L. Lewis of Buffalo Gap.

Dr. Cap McLeod and family left

Mr. C. L. Simmons and daughter

George S. Gafford.

(Hobbs, N. M., News, July 8, 1932.) George S. Gafford, prominent Hobbs citizen, died at a local hospital at 3:45 Thursday morning, from a family, and friends for several days. them. ruptured gangreen appendix.

Mr. Gafford, who was proprietor of the Ritz theatre, was taken sick Tuesday evening and moved to the hospital Wednesday morning. As quickly as possible he was operated Saturday and Sunday. apon-about 7 o'clock. He never ralflied; his passing was a matter of hours, due to the advanced stage of the affliction.

The body was prepared for shipment in Hobbs, and was taken by hearse to Meadows, Terry county, Methodist pastor at this place, has gie Hunter recently. Texas, where the funeral was held just closed a revival meeting here, Mr. and Mrs. Murry Farmer and and interment made Thursday af- with 20 conversions and 6 additions children of White Church visited their ternoon.

old, was born in Sulphur Springs, the week with her son, Elmer, at Buf-Texas. He is survived by Mrs. falo Gap. Gafford, a son, Gerald, 16, two Mrs. A. M. Brown is visiting her daughters, June 12, and Joyce, 6, son, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brown of Today she is a woman old. his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R., Blair this week. Gafford of Trent, Texas, and four Mr. and Mrs. Willie Evans of sisters, Mrs. Walter Steadman, Miss Sweetwater attended church here Mamie Gafford and Mrs. Tom Hard- Sunday and visited in the home of The storm which all of them must For the next two or three weeks ing, of Trent, and Mrs. Keltz of Ver- Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Brown.

the early bays of 1930, and put in | night. the first picture show with talking | Mrs. Elmer Patterson visited Mrs. pictures. For some time he was as- Lonnie Bryan of near Nubia last sociated in business with R. M. week.

Morehead. The Gaffords left Hobbs in the parents of a baby girl. spring of 1931 and went to El Mrs. Ruth Bell of Van Zandt coun-Dorado, Texas, where they lived ty attended church here last week. until about four weeks ago, when Mrs. Bell will be remembered as Miss they returned to reopen the Ritz Ruth Martin

ed as one of the leaders in promoting Roads, N. M., were visitors in the A clean community spirit and always D. Barnes' home last week-end.

favoring what was right. His death should be considered a severe loss to the community.

UNION RIDGE NEWS at this writing.

Next Sunday afternoon is church day at the Methodist church. Come and bring some one with you.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and daughters were Saturday guests in the home of the latter's sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Weed of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Patton and family left last week for Arkansas where they will visit relatives

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Douglas and sons were guests in the home of Mrs. Douglas' niece of Sweetwater Sunday. Mrs. D. I. Shelton and daughter,

Darma Lee, left for Oklahoma last Elie Brooks. Tuesday where Mrs. Shelton will visit her relatives. Mrs. Evelyn Zercher and son,

Dicky, returned to Dallas Saturday. also reported to be on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Tarvin and daughter were Monday guests in the Tom Melton enjoyed a family rehome of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Irvin of union including Mr. and Mrs. Walter

ed last Friday night. There are no Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bankhead and day services because most every one other relatives of Merkel. is very busy working. Rev. O. B. dially invited.

weeks of illness, is spending a few in this home Sunday also. days with his grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Douglas.

Most everyone is through threshing grain but they are busy canning corn and other vegetables.

Ima Long and baby of Big Spring. in this home Sunday.

DORA DOINGS

No, we have not been gone on a long her daughters, Mesdames Fowler and it took a long time to get back.

Threshing is the order of the day, Mrs. O. L. Mayfield. Mrs. Bob Martin of Abilene was three machines running regularly. Mrs. Maggie Hunter and children guest Tuesday of her parents, Mr. Grain turning out very good in bush- left Saturday for a pleasure trip to "Make Me a Star" there is no dearth 2-Hawkins 93; Holcombe 38; War- showing that 93 cents of each gas

J. Knox of Vivian, La., Marvin Phil- get his leg broken Sunday while doc-

The baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Wal- Trent er points in Mexico and will return ter Hammonds slipped down after a Mrs. Robert Moore and daughter, tric-light must-go's" in every picture here for a short stay before going shower of rain last Friday evening, Jewel, are visiting relatives at Tye in which they play. These prominent breaking his leg near the hip, but is and Abilene for several days. resting nicely now.

Sunday was enjoyed by all the child- tives at Clyde. ren being present and a number of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brabbin of Buck-Mrs. McLeod's parents, Mr. and Mrs. and Dad Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Drew Landreth and Mrs. Baccus of Castle Clark and two children of Clovis, N. Peak attended religious services here a Star." M., Mr. and Mrs. Fayne Perry and Sunday. of Lubbock visited her parents, Mr. two babies of Elm Grove, C. P. Perry John Toombs of Merkel conducted and Mrs. J. F. Abernathy, last week. and family, W. H. Perry and family the revival services at the Metho-Mrs. A. Williamson and son, Mark, and Mrs. Ruth Jones and children, dist church Sunday morning. Mr. were guests of relatives in Abilene all of Dora. A chicken dinner and all Toombs made a spiritual talk which Sunday and several days the first of side lines was enjoyed at the noon won the crowd to a revival condition. hour, with music throughout the

Mother and baby doing nicely.

calling in our community last Monday. the happy parents of a big girl that timer in these parts, was here shak- July 21st. The little lady weighed ten ing hands with relatives and friends

W. E. Lowe of Merkel made a business trip through here Friday.

White Church News

to the church.

Mr. Gafford, who was 36 years Mrs. W. A. Harrison is spending day.

We had quite a crowd of young peo-Mr. Gafford came to Hobbs in ple in services from Dora Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are the proud

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Barnes and At all times during his residence children of Loving, N. M., and here Mr. Gafford had been respect- Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barnes of Cross

BLAIR ITEMS

past ten days, is doing fairly well.

Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Meeks and

Mrs. J. H. Doan and son, Sammy, have been real sick for the past several days. Mrs. Johnnie Latimer is

The past week-end Mr. and Mrs. Graves of New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. The Hebron Baptist meeting start- Gene Bankhead of Sweetwater and

Mr. and Mrs. Latrobe Vaughn of Tatum, pastor of the church, is do- South Gate, Calif., were interesting ing the preaching. Visitors are cor- visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Latimer recently. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Douglas of Golan communi- Sam Butman and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde ty, who is recovering from several Latimer of Nubia were dinner guests

> and Mrs. Arthur Clark and mily of Abilene visited their sister, and Mrs. Oscar Walker, Sunday.

Clyde Deavers has left for Corpus Christi where he has accepted a busi- here Sunday. Brother Clark preached 150; Culberson 177. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ponder have as ness poition. Mr. and Mrs. Deavers the morning sermon. Lunch was their guests the latter's sister, Mrs. and family of Noodle were visitors spread under the tabernacle.

and Mrs. Zeb Moore.

Mrs. Marvin Mayfield and little son Mrs. T. Walker has as her guest trip, but we hoed a row of cotton and of Abilene enjoyed the week with her Ten Famous Stars in brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and

els; but not testing number one in Kerr county. Mrs. Hunter was ac- of stellar talent in Stuart Erwin's lat. ner 60; Bailey 91; Fisher 6; Gill 2; dollar stays in Texas, being spent for

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Chandler and The family reunion at J. T. Perry's family made a week-end visit to rela-

will conduct the revival for the week Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henson announce at the Methodist church. Brother Wilthe arrival of a son named J. W. liams is a very fine preacher; his good wife, a good pianist and singer. Miss Fay Lewis of Lockney is here You will be delighted with them. We visiting her father, G. L. Lewis and invite the public to be sure and hear

Miss Iona Boyd of Sweetwater was Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bryant are Claud Grounds of Baird, an old has been stopping with them since

> Sam Butman, Jr., of Butman attended services at the M. E. church Sun-

daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wade En- a minute. sminger and son and Mrs. Hester Rev. Marvin Williams of Abilene, Blackburn of Nubia visited Mrs. Mag-

mother, Mrs. Minnie Reeves, Thurs-

TO MY MOTHER, MRS. J. H.

A time-bent little form, A slow white figure, wrinkled, worn, A victim of the storm,

know Who live a Mother's life; The storm of pain and care and los Thru many hours of strife,

Today she is a woman old. A time bent little form, But, oh, her voice is kind and swee And, oh, her heart is warm;

And her I owe for light and love, For victories worth while; Lord make me worthy every day To be my mother's child. -Vennie Greene.

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RURAL SOCIETY

The Mt. Pleasaat Home Demonstra-Mrs. Tom Spears is on the sick list tion ladies entertained their husbands with a party at Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Phillips, who has been on Curb's. Oldtime games were played as the sick list, is up and doing nicely. we "uster to play" when we went to Pat Addision, who has been ill the parties in our "teens." Every one re-

ported a fine time. Orange and strawberry hi tone and mother, Mrs. J. R. Meeks, of Post cake were served to: Mr. and Mrs. City visited in the homes of Mr. and Craig Humphreys and daughter, Mr. Mrs. John Meeks and Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. R. S. Darden, Jr., Mr. and Elbert Barnes Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. J. A. Russell and family, Mr. Ira Thornton and family and Mr. Jim and Mrs. E. Roland and family, Mr. Campbell of Caps will be this week's and Mrs. Irvin Humphreys, Mr. and house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Meeks. Mrs. E. Reidenbach and family, Mrs. Mrs. Clyde Moore and little son of Mary Slick and daughter, Mr. and Red Springs are the charming house Mrs. Jess Anderson and son, Mrs. guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Click and family and Mrs. Joy Greenfield and son.

GOLAN NEWS

Threshing and canning are the main events of the day now.

Miss Jewel Fae Hill returned home last week from Duncan, Okla., where she spent a pleasant visit with a cousin, Miss Joyce Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kingston's infant son was buried last Monday.

Mrs. D. M. Hill, who has been visiting in the L. C. Williams' home, left for Sweetwater Saturday morning. She will visit Mrs. G. H. Jansen a few days, going on to Big Spring to visit a son there before returning to her home in Lubbock. Miss Eldora Hill met her mother in Sweetwater

Quarterly conference commenced

The Methodist meeting starts here Pierson 121. Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Mayberry with Friday night. Reverend Mr. Hanks, their three attractive children were former pastor of Sylvester, is to do week-end guests of their parents, Mr. the preaching. Everyone is invited to come and bring some one with you.

As befits a movie with the title, water, Sunday and Monday.

lips, Fred Jeter and children and Miss toring a wild mule, and is suffering ily enjoyed a week-end visit with their which includes Erwin, Joan Blondell, 3—Cargile 29; Meany 2; Burkett 88; th for each customer on the system. parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds of ZaSu Pitts and Ben Turpin, there are Strong 118; Real 22; McGregor 5; The theme of the ad was that most of stars-Maurice Chevalier, Sylvia Sidney, Claudette Colbert, Gary Cooper, Tallulah Bankhead, Clive Brooks, Fredric March, Phillips Holmes, Jack Oakic and Charlie Ruggles-appear Sunday for Fairfield for a visit with friends. Those present were: Mother eye, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. Thurman in authentic studio scenes which are part of the plot-action of "Make Me

Erwin, as the movie-struck heroworshipper who saves up his pennies as a grocery clerk in a small midwest town and goes to the film capital seeking fame in pictures, meets these various stars in the course of his Rev. Marvin Williams of Abilene wandering about the studios, seeking

a job as an extra. Joan Blondell, as a double for a screen celebrity, and herself ambitious for stellar success, takes pity on Erwin, who is just a bewildered stooge, and finally helps him to win

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W. P. Bounds, county clerk, running for re-election without opposition, led the ticket in the Merkel precinct with 638 votes. 640 votes were cast here.

Due to very efficient work by the election forces in charge of W. O. Boney, election judge for this box, complete returns were available at an early hour Saturday night.

Votes cast for each candidate in this box follow:

For Governor-Sterling 218; Hunter 236; Evans 1; Ferguson 147; Wolfe

For Lieutenant Governor-Witt

For Attorney General-Becker 36 Calhoun 217: Allred 374.

For State Comptroller of Public Accounts-Sheppard 571. For State Treasurer-Lockhart 560

For State Superintendent of Public nstruction-Woods 347; Shaver 211. For Commissioner of Agriculture -Seymour 200; McDonald 358.

For Commissioner of the General Land Office-Walker 582.

For State Railroad Commissioner (6-year term) - Patterson 95; Satterwhite 226; Terrell 131; Tennant 104. For State Railroad Commissioner (Unexpired term)-Murphy 67;

For Associate Justice of the Sup-

Appeals-Hawkins 451.

For Congressman-at-Large place No. heating. 1-Jurney 46; Senter 28; Darden 32; Schleicher 3; Cox 16; Terrell 49; Adams 10; Hood 27; Reed 7; West- ers last fall and was titled "Your Gas Atmosphere Roles brook 9; Nelson 1; Parrish 125; Wil- Dollar-What Becomes of It?" The liams 127.

companied by her parents, Mr. and est picture at the Ritz Theatre, Sweet. Sulak 6; Davis 70; Myres 10; Sartin materials, supplies, gas taxes and 50; Downs 72.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes and fam- In addition to the regular cast For Congressman-at-Large place No. Hver 22; Harigel 2; Lea 4; King 43; the money paid out by customers for Warner 16; Sasse 2; Mitchner 2; gas is put right back into the state Boog-Scott 124.

> For Congressman, 17th District-Blanton 286; Jones 228.

For Associate Justice Court of Civil Appeals, 11th Supreme Judicial District-Overshiner 334; Funderburk 196.

For State Senator, 24th District-Cunningham 322.

For Representative 116th District Union. Whitaker 318; Wagstaff 272.

For Judge, 42nd Judicial District-Long 430; DeBusk 173. For Judge, 104th Judicial District-

Chapman 633. For District Attorney, 42nd Judicial District-Black 633. For District Attorney, 104th Judi-

For County Judge-Childers 241; Camp 373. For County Attorney-Browne 623.

cial District-Cunningham 622.

Dowell 446.

17-Boney 45.

For County Clerk-W. P. Bounds

For Sheriff-Wheeler 635. For Tax Collector-Walker 72: Hughes 248; Parmelly 280.

For Tax Assessor-Young 112; Boyce 172; Cockrell 167; Long 151. For County Treasurer-Fitts 319; Fuller 290.

For County Surveyor-Bradshaw

For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5 (Merkel)-Houston Robertson 622. For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2-Canon 241; Diltz 217; Mur-

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 5-Wheeler 605. For Constable Precinct No. 5-

For County Chairman Democratic Executive Committee-Stinson 622. For Precinct Chairman Democratic Executive Committee, Precinct No.

Lone Star Gas Ad, "Your Gas Dollar." Wins First Prize

First prize for the best utility institutional advertising in the United States has been awarded to the advertising department of the Lone Star Gas system by the Public Utilities Ad-Hatcher 139; Deware 13; Thompson vertising association. More than 100 companies in the United States and Canada with several thouand ads were reme Court-Speer 85; Hickman 340; entered in the contest. The company also won honorable mention for an For Judge of the Court of Criminal ad entitled "A Timely Reminder" which urged preparation for winter

The winning ad appeared in this newspaper and other Texas newspapadvertisement displayed a large dol-For Congressman-at-Large place No. lar divided into various sections, wages. Taxes alone, according to the company, amount to 54 cents per noento maintain a dependable and uninterrupted gas supply, and also to develop the gas system for future nee

Both ads were written by Willa G. Wiegal, assistant advertising manager for the Lone Star. Art work on the winning ad was done by Hugh Cargo, commercial artist of Dallas. Howsley 65; Collie 132; Thomason 54; Type setting, mats and electros were furnished by Western Newspaper

> Fish are used as money along the coast of Labrador, currency being of

Government reports show that approximately 50,000,000 brooms are consumed each year in the United

If you have any visitors. Phone 29

For Clerk of District Court-Well-Mail want ads pay dividends.

Special Offer **Expires July 30**

Abilene Reporter-News

For three months subscription to the

we can give you the extreme low price of

\$1.00

if you take advantage of this offer before Saturday night, July 30.

Let us send in your order

The Merkel Mail

ANNOUNCEMENTS POLITICAL

(Subject to the action of the runof Democratic Primary August 27:) For County Tax Collector: EARL HUGHES, (Re-election.)

GRADY PARMELLY. For County Tax Assessor: C. W. BOYCE.

H. F. (Henry) LONG. For County Commissioner, Precinct

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



WANTED

WANTED-Reliable man between tablished demand for Rawleigh Pro- Angelo. ducts in Taylor county. Other good hustlers. Write the W. T. Rawleigh Polley. Company, Memphis, Tenn. Dept.

We will finance your auto or refinance your present loan at liberal E. E. Dalton. amounts, lowest rates and quickest service in West Texas.

> John G. Moore 1152 1-2 North Second St. Abilene, Texas

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE exchanged for farm produce. J. F. Campbell and Son, next door to Blake's Dry Cleaners.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND-Purse in front of W. J. Sheppard's store. Owner can get same by describing and paying for this ad. W. J. Sheppard.

LOST-Radiator cap. Finder please return to O. R. Dye at Burton-Lingo

Ft. Worth Livestock

rading in cattle and calves was Mrs. Haynes. ather slow at Fort Worth Wednessteady with Tuesday's packer top, Abilene. with best hogs clearing at \$4.60. Outside buyers took some lambs at steady ternoon at "Nuah Atod," the home of prices, but packers placed lower bids Miss Garoutte, were Misses Alberta on the first round of trading. De- Fryer, Melissa King, Helen Cecil, mand was narrow for most classes of Lula Faye Harris and Mrs. Ray dressed meats on the Eatern markets. Mathews of Albany. Supplies were moderate. The general inclination was to pay steady prices her son, Leonard Reeves, and Miss Ida for all classes of dressed meats, but Mae Derstine, have returned from a some of the more desirable grades sold a little higher with some of the markets making light reductions.

To the Voters of Precinct No. 2, Taylor County:

I want to express my appreciation from the depths of my heart for the splendid vote I received in the com- Monday. missioner's race. Especially am I Mrs. Ruth Beall, sister of Bob Margrateful for the vote received in my tin, returned Friday to her home in home box.

I earnestly solicit the support of every person through the remainder of this campaign.

Sincerely, Jack Canon.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

TELEPHONE THE MAIL

The Mail will be receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, as well as other news items of a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please tele-

PERSONALS

in Fort Worth.

Mr. S. O. Patton and family left all several weeks. Wednesday to spend several weeks in Marior County, Ark.

Miss Edna Marie Jones of Abilene was the house guest of Christine Collins the past week-end. Miss Julia Martin has returned

from attending summer school at the University of Texas at Austin. Mr. and Mrs. Ollie M. Sharp of

al days in the J. P. Sharp home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bertram of he latter's aunt, Mrs. W. D. Butler. Mrs. J. J. Richardson of Adamsville, Texas, arrived Friday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reagh

Last week Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Hulsey and children, accompanied by J. T. Darsey, Jr., visited their daughter, ages of 25 and 50 to supply old eg- Mr. and Mrs. Wade Darsey in San

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goss and son, localities available. Surety contract Frank, and Miss Lenora Crowder, all required. Company furnishes every- of Dallas, spent the night Monday thing but the car. Good profits for in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A.

> Miss Gela Frances Walker of Sweetwater is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Frazier, also her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. McKee, who were called to the bedside of the former's sister, Mrs. W. D. Butler, returned to their home at Honey Grove Sunday morning.

Mrs. G. H. Bullock and two daughters, Misses Georgine and Anna Marie, of Stanton, are guests in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garrett this week-end.

Mrs. Evelyn Zercher and baby, Dicky, returned to Dallas Saturday after spending three weeks with home folks. Mrs. Zercher is machine operator at the Blue Bonnet company there.

S. F. Haynes has received a message from Jarrel, Texas, saying that his brother-in-law residing there had died. Mr. Haynes and the deceased came to Texas from Kentucky in

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Limer, of Odessa, were passing guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haynes last Thursday. Mr. Limer is principal of the Odessa Fort : Worth, Texas, July 27 .- schools, and Mrs. Limer is a niece of

Lytton Howard, who is manager for ay. Better grades drew bids about J. C. Penney store in Kerrville, was steady, but less desirable grades were here two or three days this week. He, weak to a little lower. Trading and with his wife and children, are spendbids spadewhat uneven. Hoges sold ing his vacation with the folks in

Among the callers on Saturday af-

Mrs. L. B. Reeves, accompanied by week's camp near Brownwood, in which they were joined by several

from the latter city. Mrs. Forest Gaither and two daughters, Misses Dora Marie and Beck Jewel, are visiting Mrs. Gaither's mother in Elk City. Forest drove over with them Saturday, returning

Chandler. She came to West Texas to accompany her father, Dr. J. W. H.

EGGS AND CHICKENS

Will pay 7c per lb. for fryers-Leg-horns and all under two pounds, including colors; 9c, 2 to 3 pounds, including reds, Plymouth Rocks and white heavies.

Paying 5 cents for eggs; must be graded and candled. See me for Gillette Tires, Tubes

and gasoline 121/2c gallon.

F. E. CHURCH Dunn Bldg, on Kent Street

TO THE VOTERS OF TAYLOR COUNTY

I wish to thank each and every one of my friends who voted for me, and who used their influence in my behalf in the election last Saturday. And to those who did not support me I hold no ill feeling for I am sure they had their reasons for supporting one of the other candidates. I also wish to thank my opponents for the clean campaign conducted.

(Political Advertising)

Martin, pioneer settler of the Canyon, Local Quartette To Give who is now visiting a son in Floydada.

Miss Thelma Patterson is visiting so Raymond King of Floydada, Texas, are visiting this week with Mrs. Marion Delmer of Abilene was the Heald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. guest of Elma Maye Gamble the first Patterson. Mrs. Patterson will accom-

father, Q. Brown, here and with rela- trip. tives in Abilene, has gone to spend a She will remain at the laster place business in Merkel. until time to resume her duties teaching school near Brownfield.

After a visit with the parents of Mrs. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Esker Cur-Fort Worth are the guests for sever- tis of Ranger departed Wednesday of last week for Alamogordo, N. M., where they will visit Mrs. Curtis' Snyder were here Friday to be with aunt, and from there they will go to California for the Olympic games.

> T. Miller Sappington, member of the advertising staff of the Waco News-Tribune and Times-Herald, accompanied by his father, Joe Sappington, well known newspaper writer, were callers on the publishers of The Mail, old time friends, on Tues-

Excursion Rates.

T. & P. station agent John C. Childress announces low excursion rates from Merkel as follows: To Fort Worth and return \$3.90; from Dallas and return \$4.60, and from

El Paso and return only \$7.75. Tickets on sale August 6, good to return August 16th.

Try a Classified Ad for Results. Use The Mail Want Ads.

Mail want ads pay dividends. Office supplies-Mail office.

Mrs. Edwin Heald and children al. Program at Buffalo Gap Merkel along with all those in Tay-

Buffalo Gap tonight, where they will pany them to points in East Texas M. Cox of that city; beginning at 8:30 oclock. A cordial invitation is Miss Viola Brown, after visiting her extended all who wish to make the

Mr. Cox is in t he Ice business while with her cousin a: Robert Lee. there and has lately engaged in that cere appreciation to all of those who

CARD OF THANKS.

To our friends and the friends of our beloved mother, Mrs. H. N. Smith, who were so kind and helpful following her sudden and untimely death on Tuesday of last week, we take this means of expressing our deepest and most profound thanks. Especially do w. thank everyone for the beautiful and lovely floral offerings and kind words of condolence and sympathy. May the Lord's richest blessings

rest upon each of you. The Smith Family.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions. and you also know the merchants appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offering of their goods.

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 .. Citizens N. F. L. A. Farms, Ranches. Business Property for sale or exchange. Room 1, Penney Bldg., Abilene, Texas.

CARD FROM JUDGE LONG. I wish to thank the good people of lor county and the entire 42nd judi-The Merkel Quartette will go to cial district for their friendly loyalty and support in the recent primary and render a program in honor of Mr. E. I want to assure you of my continued best efforts to deserve such a complimentary vote. When all is said and done, it is a fellow's friends that count most in a contest for political office and I desire to repeat my sinlent their influence and support toward my re-election as your district

> Milburn S. Long. (Political Adevertisment.)

Attends Evangelistic Meeting. To attend an all-day and night evangelistic meeting of the Abilene Presbytery at Breckenridge, Rev R. A. Walker, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church, spent Wednesday in that city. Among the prominent speakers expected to be there and on program was Dr. L. D. Young, pastor of Abbey Presbyterian church at Dallas, who conducted daily Bible study at the recent Buffalo Gap encamp-

Standard Typewriter Ribbons 75c each at Merkel Mail office.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

Diltz Thanks Voters

I Wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the very fine vote given me in last Saturday's Primary making me high man over both of my esteemed opponents.

I also appreciate the loyal support and fine work done in my behalf by every friend who did any work for me.

In the run-off election to be held August 27, I most earnestly solicit not only the vote and help of everyone who supported me on July 23rd, but solicit, and will surely appreciate the vote of those supporting my honorable opponents.

P. A. DILTZ

Candidate For Commissioner Precinct No. 2

(Political Advertisement.)



Brother Carpenter Returns to Lead in Protracted Meeting

On Friday night of this week a protracted meeting begins at the tabernacle under the auspices of the Church of Christ, with Elder L. E. Carpenter, of Hollis, Okla., former minister here, in charge.

Services will be held twice daily, the hours to be announced more definitely at the beginning of the serv-

Brother Carpenter needs no introduction as he was with us all of last winter and will be remembered for his powerful and forceful messages and his usefulness both as church leader and citizen in all that tended to the spiritual uplift of the city.

The singing will be conducted by a local singer or singers, but special attention will be given to the song

A cordial invitation is extended to every one to come to these services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Every

absent member of the Sunday School

Abilene. Sunday afternoon and night. Come. Come. ip with us.

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

The music by the Presbyterian choir last Sunday night was deeply appre- crease in the attendance and interest ciated by both church and pastor. It in the Men's Sunday Afternoon Praywas a real spiritual uplift. Come er service. For next Sunday Herbert

8:15 p. m.

You have a cordial invitation to take part in these services. worship with us.

J. T. King, Pastor.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U. Romans 11:28.

Introduction, Lona Bryan. "National Awakening, Carroll King. a year ago.

"Spiritual Revival," Margaret Can-"Our Debt to the Jews," Benny

Sheppard.

Himalya Swafford.

JUNIOR B. Y. P. U. Subject: "God's Chosen People." "What of the Jews," Leader. "God's Choice of a People," Harold

"God Honors the Jews," L. V. "Great Jews in Later Days." Louise

Tarlton. "The Jews in the South," Frances Tarlton.

"What Will Win the Jews to Chirst," Dot Swafford.

Transportation of congress members is said to cost the United States about \$175,000 annually.

Complete line of office supplies at Mail office.

Adding machine rolls at Merkel Mail office.

Rev. J. W. Dodd of Quanah Conducting Nazarene Revival



Our revival is on.

Rev. J. W. Dodd of Quanah is doing some real heart-searching preaching. Come and hear him. Services each

Young people's Fifth Sunday meet- Mrs. Dodd is fine at the piano and The hostess was assisted by Miss ing at Central Presbyterian church, both sing fine specials each night. Mamie Walker in serving delicious

at 8:15 p. m.

Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.

MEN'S PRAYER SERVICE.

Last Sunday witnessed quite an in-Patterson is to be the leader. Tom Our morning worship 11 a. m. Sun- Coats will read the 11th chapter of 1 day School 10 a. m. Young people's Corinthians, which will be discussed meeting 7:15 p. m. Evening worship by W. M. Elliott. A cordial invitation is extended to all men to come and

> SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. At the six reporting Sunday Schools in the city last Sunday the total attendance was 773. This compares with 792 on the previous Sunday and with 780 on the same Sunday

METHODIST NEWS NOTES. The Kings Daughters class are to decorate the church next Sunday. "Paying Our Debt to the Jews," As they propose to be the expert decorators of the church, we are anxious to see the outcome.

> Everyone is rejocing over the good success of the service last Sunday night. Comments have been as fol-

"That was one of the most wonderful services we young people have ever had." Thresher hand.

"I've never witnessed anything like it." A lady.

"One of the best young people's services I ever attended." A banker. "Boy, we had a meeting." A leag-

"One of the most enjoyable spiritual services I've been in in a long time." Ice man.

"Am glad I went." A leaguer. May this spiritual service be a shadow and type of all Roy Patterson holds henceforth.

The pastor will assist in a revival at Baird, beginning next Monday, but

The marriage of Miss Lucy Tracy Sunday evening. The Rev. J. T. King ved to Misses Louise Booth, Nell Durin every detail of the ceremony which Dillingham of Abilene, Mattie Lou ting on the lawn. Only the immediate Dyc. Messrs. Jimmy Jones, Iky Hub-

Donald. A graduate of Simmons Uni- Mrs. Orion Tittle. versity and has for a number of years headed the Speech Arts department of our High school. She is a leader in disposition.

ulations to them both. Mr. and Mrs. Lucile Campbell, Genevive Bryant Haynes left by automobile for San and Mrs. Brown. Antonio but will return to Merkel to make their home.

MUSICALE. Miss Christine Collins entertained her pupils with a studio party on Wednesday atternoon from 4 to 6 merning 10:30 and 8:15 p. m. We in- c'clock. An impromptu program was vite every Christian to come and hear. very much enjoyed and an informal Preaching services at 11 a. m. and Every service will be a blessing to discussion of musical problems proved highly beneficial to all present. sandwiches and wafers with an iced Always glad to have visitors worsh- Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preach- drink to Misses Mary Eula Sears, ing 11 a. m. by the evangelist, also Irene Perry, Edith Baker, Mamie Walker, Eloise Manscil, Hollis Perry, Ann Lee Blake, Helen Heeter, Norman King, Alvis Yeats and Christine

> DINER PARTNY. Miss Louise Booth was the charm-

will be here next Sunday for both morning and evening service. May we not have a record attendance.

HI LEAGUE PROGRAM. Leader, Lucille Campbell.

Scripture, Psalms 95:1-7. Story, Mildred Richardson. Talk. Milton Shannon.

Talk, Jack Patterson. Song, Psalm 23. Benediction, Psalm 67.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST

League starts at 7:15. Everybody

CHURCH. Our revival meeting is still going

on. The good Lord has blessed us in the salvation of the lost; eleven having united with our church.

A fifty by seventy-five foot tabernacle is now being constructed, and will be ready for use next Sunday week, at which time we will have an all-day and all-night service, with plenty of eats for noon and supper. All the pastors, all their members and ewryone else, is extneded a special invitation to worship and eat with us. We are hoping and praying for a great day. A day of rejoicing, shouting and praising God, as sinners turn unto the Lord.

Subscriptions are coming in fine for the tabernacle. Send all money now to Ernest C. Dowell, Merkel, Texas. Everybody is welcome to all our services.

Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

H. F. LONG THANKS VOTERS-

I sincerely appreciate the vote accorded me by my friends in last Saturday's primary. My opponents were all men of splendid character. When I stop to consider that Mr. Boyce has been contacting the voters for twelve years through regular work in the Assesor's office, and that Mr. Young and Mr. Cockrell each had a splendid business record of many years, together with a host of personal friends, I am more deeply appreciative of my

As we move toward the second primary I shall continue to base my candidacy on my ability to place the Tax Assessor's office on higher plane of efficiency with a marked degree of economy in operation, therefore, I wish to state to the voters that, if elected, I hereby pledge to maintain the Tax Assessor's office at from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year less than has been done for the past three years or more, and for such reasons I solicit the continued support of the Taylor County voters.

H. F. (Henry) LONG

(Political Adv.)

ing honoree at a pretty planned party Wednesday evening when her mother, Mrs. A. R. Booth entertained

six-o'clock dinner.

Beautiful flowers decorated the house and centered tables where a deand Comer Haynes was solemnized on lectable three course dinner was serofficiating. Simplicity was stressed ham, Mary Elizabeth Grimes, Opal was read in a beautiful out-door set- Largent, Willie Evelyn Boaz, Missie members of the family were present. bard, Clem Myers of Sweetwater, Miss Tracy is the lovely and accom- Weldon Burns, Abilene, J. E. Boaz, plished daughter of Mrs. E. M. Mc- J. D. Ashby, Raymond Neal, Mr. and

SUNRISE BREAKFAST.

Mrs. W. S. J. Brown entertained all social, educational and religious the Radio class of Methodist church activities of the town and is greatly with a Sunrise breakfast and early loved by a host of friends because of morning swim at Shannon's Tuesday her charming personality and lovable morning. Those enjoying the happy hour were: Wanda Hunter, Marie Mr. Comer Haynes is the youngest Stanford, Lois Whiteley, Frances son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Haynes, Marie Church, Bessie Lea Church, is a successful young farmer and Mildred Richardson, Duncan Briggs, through a natural reserve and noble- Helen Yeats, Mary Bell Douglas, Ida ness of character has a host of Mae Berryman, Eloise Manscill, friends who offer sincerest congrat- Julia Proctor, Madeline Patterson,

> Standard Typewriter Ribbons 750 each at Merkel Mail office.

> If you have any visitors. Phone 29

NEW ICE STATION

West of Postoffice

Your patronage appreciated

Prop.

Cyrus Pee, Manager

Evangelistic Meeting At Nubia.

Announcement is made that Nelia Hudson and daughter, Ruth, will open ported since our last week's issue: an Evangelistic Meeting at Nubia, Dudley, of Nubia.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

Record of Births.

The following new arrivals are re-On the 24th a son to Mr. and Mrs. in celebration of her birthday with beginning at eight o'clock P. M., July L. Bryant; and on t he 26th Mr. and 31. Every one is cordially invited and Mrs. Paul Wheeler are happy over the welcome to attend, and hear the Old arrival of a bouncing baby boy. Also Time Gospel. Mrs. Hudson is well on the 24th boys were born to Mr. known in this community, as she is and Mrs. Paul Reed, Mr. and Mrs. the daughter of Mr. and Mr. F. M. Robert Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Carl

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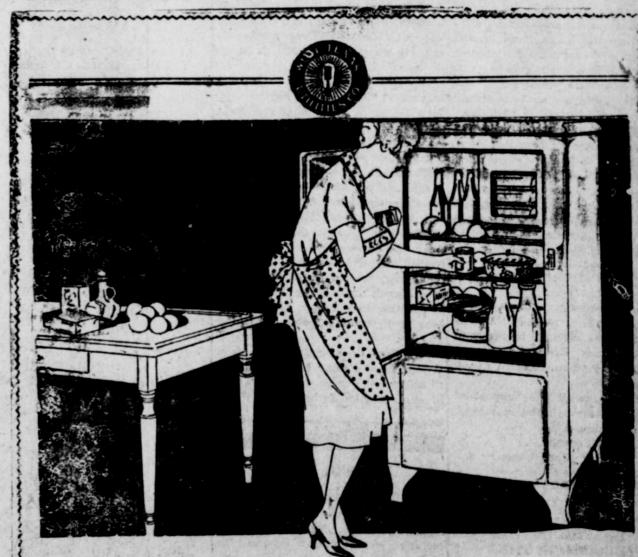
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SPECIALS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

TOMATOES, fancy pinks, pound 5c COMPOUND, full 8 pound pail 61c FLOUR, Extra High Patent, every sack guaranteed, 48 pounds 95c COFFEE, Pure Peaberry, 2 lbs. 27c SOAP, P & G or Crystal White, 10 bars .33c K. C. 50c size 35c-25c size 18c 15¢ PICKLES, quart, sours, sliced 19c **GRAPE NUT FLAKES, 2 packages** DRIED FRUIT, apricots, peaches, prunes and apples, 2 lbs. 23c QUART JARS .75c **GRAPE JUICE**, quarts 19c 37c-pints CRACKERS, 2 pound Saltine 22c SYRUP, cane crush, gallon 59c

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BROOMS, 5 string

YOU SHOULD PROFIT by Electric Refrigeration Savings!

NCE you've investigated its many advantages, you'll agree it would be difficult to find a household servant more convenient, more economical and more necessary to the modern home than an Electric Refrigerator. For, truly exemplifying the thrifty epirit of 1912, you will find modern Electric Refrigeration "in tune with the times."

With a modern Electric Refrigerator in your home, you will benefit by substantis! savings every month of the year! Food-spoilage will be reduced to a minimum, and the average grocery bill lowered by approximately 10 per cent, according to authorities . . . And because foods can be preserved safely for an indefinite period, you will be able to take advantage of "specials" and buy foods in larger quantities at bargain prices. Another important saving can be realized through purchasing larger sized canned goods, at a much lower cost per ounce, and preserving the surplus in the spacious compartments of your Electric Refrigerator. your Electric Refrigerator.

Consider all these pleasant economies. . . Remember the incomparable conversaces and vital health-safeguards of Electric Refrigeration-and you'll admit the or Convenient Payment Plan indicates immediate purchase.

Do you know that your increased use of Electric's Sérvice is billed on a surprisingly low rate schedule.... and adds only a small amount to your total bill?

West Texas Utilities

Notice!

Effective the first day of August all Gas and Oils will be

STRICTLY CASH

other than company accounts. A company account means where a person has a credit rating and is paid up with the company.

This is necessary because of the small margin in these products.

Oasis Filling Station

C. O. PATTERSON, Owner