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COUNTY TAX RATE FOR '32 FINALLY SET AT 69 CENTS

Budget Again Cut Down: Now \$205,649; Tax Bill for This Year Less by Over \$100,000 Than Last Year.

Taylor county commissioners Saturday adopted a 1933 budget of \$205,649.35, set the 1932 assessment valuation at \$20,000,000 and fixed the county tax rate at 69 cents on the \$100.

The budget is approximately \$34,000 less than that proposed several weeks ago by County Judge Tom K. Eplen, when highway bond maturities were included. The budget finally adopted provides for general county purposes and such portions of highway bonds as will not be assumed by the state, under the bond remission law passed by the legislature.

The tax rate is divided as follows, showing a comparison with last year:

	1932	1931
General fund	.25	.25
Jury fund	.08	.09
Road and bridge	.06	.30
Permanent Improvement	.06	.02
Courthouse	.01	.01
Jail bonds	.03	.04
Highway bonds	.25	.29
Total	.69	\$1.00

On the basis of 100 per cent collections, the county's tax bill for 1932 would be \$138,000, which is less by \$104,203.55 than taxes assessed last year. Valuation in 1931 was \$24,220,355 and the county rate was \$1, giving a total of \$242,203.55 for taxes assessed. The county's expenditures for 1931 totaled \$302,832.

The budget provides for allocation of an estimated \$88,400 revenue between the four county precincts. This would consist of \$80,000 from automobile registrations and \$8,400 from the 6-cent road and bridge levy.

The allocation would be as follows: \$38,284 to precinct 1, \$22,016 to precinct 2, \$12,924 to precinct 3 and \$17,176 to precinct 4.

Proposed expenditures and tax rates for the six road districts of the county are set as follows:

District No. 1 \$3,650, 1 cent; No. 2, \$760, 7 cents; No. 3, \$300, 7 cents; No. 4, \$900, 15 cents; No. 5, \$1,550, 34 cents; No. 6, \$1,600, 27 cents.

Rainfall Nearly Two Inches.

With a steady downpour most all day Wednesday and a heavy rain Thursday morning, rainfall for the two days up to Thursday noon measured 1.78 inches, according to the gauge of Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale. Total precipitation for 1932 now stands at 41.72 inches.

Will Preach at Cross Roads.

W. G. Cypert will preach at the Church of Christ at Cross Roads, two miles south of Nubia. All are invited to hear him at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, September 20, 1912.)

The biggest price ever paid for a pair of mules was that received by E. D. Massey Saturday from S. A. Overton of the Ross Commission company, \$440.00. The Panther City buyer did not waste ten minutes in looking the animals over and making purchase at the price of the owner. Both are mare mules extra good color, bone and shape, measuring 16 1-2 and 16 1-2 high. The only criticism to be made was they were thin, having been raised on grass. A month's feed will make them bring \$600.00 on any good mule market.

The height of impudence was reached Tuesday night when with ten men, a portion of them on guard in the immediate vicinity, some unknown person entered the stock pen, killed a steer and partially skinned it, carrying away the best portions of the meat. The steer belonged to Coggin and Scott and was in the pen with others which had been dipped and were awaiting a second dipping. Andrew Coggin, who reported the affair, said the theft was not discovered until daybreak.

John M. Rice was in Abilene Saturday visiting and on business.

PUTNAM HIGH BOYS BADGERS FIRST FOE ON FRIDAY, SEPT. 30

The Badgers' first game of the season comes on Friday of next week, Sept. 30, the opposing team being Putnam High.

Coach Irvin has been putting his boys through some stiff practice, when the weather would permit, and while the Badgers are ready now for the whistle, with another week's conditioning, they will be in tip-top shape. Last year Putnam handed them two defeats, 27-0 in the first game and 13-6 the second time, but the story will be different this year, according to local dope.

Exams for Annapolis To Be Held October 22

Congressman Thomas L. Blanton has issued the following statement with reference to the coming examination for entrance to Annapolis:

"I have arranged with the United States civil service commission to hold for me a competitive examination at Abilene, Sweetwater, Brownwood, Coleman, Eastland, Lampasas, Stamford, Mineral Wells, San Saba and Breckenridge, on Saturday, October 22, 1932. I will permit all boys in my district desiring to enter the United States naval academy at Annapolis to compete in this examination, and the four boys making the highest grades will be appointed by me as the principal, first, second and third alternates for admission to the United States naval academy at Annapolis on July 1, 1933. If boys living in my district who are away from home attending schools will notify me immediately their post office addresses at such schools I will arrange for the examination to be held in the city contiguous to such school so as to save them the time and expense of being away from their work."

Truett Revival Will Start Friday, Oct. 7

Dr. Geo. W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist church, Dallas, the world's greatest preacher, will be with the First Baptist church of Abilene, of which Dr. M. A. Jenkins is pastor, in a revival meeting beginning Wednesday, September 23, and extending through Friday, October 7. An invitation is extended to the people throughout this section to hear this great preacher. Services will be held at ten o'clock each morning and seven thirty each evening.

The song service will be led by Prof. I. E. Reynolds of the Southwestern Baptist seminary of Fort Worth. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Reynolds. Prof. Reynolds is one of the greatest artists of his line in the country.

It is expected that the auditorium will be packed at each service. Large delegations from surrounding communities will be found in the services from time to time.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Two unmasked bandits dressed in work clothes robbed Roy Meadow, night clerk of the Baker hotel at Mineral Wells, early Monday morning, escaping with \$175.

A fall from a cotton platform at Moran Saturday that left him paralyzed from the neck down resulted in the death at Stamford Tuesday of Alvin Huskey, 53, gin operator.

J. K. Brimm of Sulphur Springs was named vice chairman and Ed Husion of Houston, secretary, of the state democratic executive committee Tuesday by Maury Hughes, the new state chairman.

The city of Amarillo has lined up with the state in remitting penalties on delinquent taxes, having passed an ordinance providing for payment of delinquent taxes by Nov. 30 without penalties.

Two circus folks, Alfredo Cordona, the only circus aerialist in the world who does a triple somersault to hand-to-hand catch, and Miss Vera Bruce, herself an aerialist, were married at San Antonio Monday.

Shipments of fruits and vegetables from Texas orchards and truck farms during the twelve months ending September 1, 1932, totaled 50,165 carloads, as compared with 55,972 during the previous season.

Beaumont and Chattanooga are even up in the first two games of the Dixie series, the Texas leaguers winning the first game 1 to 0, while the Southern league contenders copped the second game, 5 to 0.

Charles I. Francis, a former president of the Ex-Students' association of the University of Texas, was named Monday by Gov. Sterling as a University of Texas regent in place of W. M. Odell, who resigned.

Mystery surrounds the murder at midnight Tuesday of Edgar C. Arledge, 21-year-old University of Texas student, who was slain while seated with a woman companion in an automobile on the roadside near Austin.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Garner, 81, mother of John Nance Garner, candidate for vice president of the United States, died at her old colonial home at Detroit Tuesday, surrounded by her children, three sons and two daughters.

A call for a statewide mass meeting in Dallas September 24 "to organize to prevent the return of Fergusonism to control of the state government" was made public Saturday over the signature of 30 persons prominent in Texas educational and political affairs.

Holding that the state interscholastic league committee acted without proper jurisdiction in the suspension of Cisco high school from the 1932 football race, Judge Davenport of the 97th district court at Eastland Monday upheld Cisco in its suit for reinstatement.

State Fair Show Now In Rehearsal

Dallas, Sept. 22.—The "Dream Girl Follies," the huge revue which will be the auditorium attraction at the 1932 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 8 to 23, is now in rehearsals at the Majestic theatre in Chicago, it has been announced here by Otto Herold, president of the fair. The show will rehearse daily until Oct. 4, at which time all 107 members of the cast will entrain for Dallas, arriving here in time to put in four days of dress rehearsals on the State Fair Auditorium stage.

The "Dream Girl Follies," is being directed by Lester Montgomery, widely known Broadway director. Some of the successes of Mr. Montgomery are "No, No, Nanette," "Sweet Lady," "The Darling Duchess," "Sally," "Irene," "Mary," and many other such widely known musical successes.

Billy Wigger is writing the music for the "Dream Girl Follies" and some of the catchy tunes promised for the 100 people revue are "Hot Rhythm," "Dancing in Chairs," "Educated Baby Feet," "Wishing" and other songs which give promise of being immediate hits.

SPECIAL SESSION HAS ADJOURNED; PASS TAX BILLS

Assumption of County Road Bonds Expected to Save Taxpayers \$7,000,000; Remission of Penalties Also Voted.

Austin, Sept. 22.—The third special session of the 42nd Texas legislature adjourned sine die late Wednesday after twenty-three days work in which it enacted into law proposals submitted by Governor R. S. Sterling as constituting relief to taxpayers.

It was estimated that an aggregate of \$7,000,000 would be saved taxpayers on their levies for the past year by passage of a law providing that the state reimburse counties and road districts amounts spent by them from bond issue proceeds in constructing roads now a part of the state system.

Another law released penalties and interest on delinquent state, county and district taxes provided they are paid by December 31, 1932. The law made it optional with municipalities whether they should remit penalties.

Amendments to laws governing operation of loan and building associations were authorized in order to permit those organizations to participate in the federal home loan act, designed to provide emergency funds during the economic stringency to save home owners from foreclosure.

Those were the "relief" proposals Governor Sterling named in his special session proclamation as warranting the extraordinary meeting.

The bond reimbursement bill would refund counties for indebtedness estimated to aggregate \$110,000,000 if continued in effect by succeeding legislatures or made a part of the constitution through submission and adoption of an amendment.

The law will be administered by a board comprised of the state highway engineer, state comptroller and state treasurer. The board already has held its preliminary meeting and organized. Gibb Gilchrist, state highway engineer, was chosen chairman.

The special session was marked by numerous outbursts proposing investigation of the close primary vote between Governor R. S. Sterling and Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson for the democratic gubernatorial nomination. None of the inquiries ever was organized although each proposal was debated long and fervently by partisans on both sides of the election.

Representative W. E. Pope of Corpus Christi advocated a special session of the 43rd legislature soon after it is elected in November to consider charges made by principals and friends on both sides of the election controversy. He proposed consideration of certain charges that had been made for the purpose of returning "articles of impeachment, if cause for removal from office develops from such investigation."

The closing hours of the session were devoted to many "farewell" speeches delivered by "lame duck" members who were not renominated in the democratic primaries and others who voluntarily are retiring from legislative work.

Haynie Named Demo District Chairman

R. W. Haynie, Abilene attorney, has been named chairman of a committee to direct the national democratic campaign in the 17th congressional district of Texas. Other members of the committee are Will St. John, Cisco; Milburn McCarty, Eastland; Mrs. John Perry, Sweetwater, and Miss Carrie Reaves, Brownwood.

Mr. Haynie attended the Chicago national convention as delegate from the 17th district.

Announcement of committee appointments was made Monday from Austin headquarters of the democratic national campaign for Texas. Men were selected by Roy Miller, director, and women were chosen by Senator Margie Neal, co-director of national democratic activities in Texas.

MERKEL AIRPLANE CIRCLES OVER CITY IN INITIAL FLIGHT

Manufactured in his shop in Merkel, and equipped with a Ford model-T engine, Warren Higgins' two-passenger airplane made its first flight last Saturday afternoon under the guidance of Walter Warnick as pilot and it was a thrilling sight to watch the home-made ship circle the city.

Construction of the machine has occupied the greater part of a year, the successful flight of Saturday marking the culmination of arduous and untiring work.

The machine was tested out by Lieut. Ralph Vaughn, licensed pilot. It is capable of about 75 miles per hour.

Swenson Renamed Head of Reunion

Stamford, Sept. 22.—W. G. Swenson will again head the Texas Cowboy Reunion, incorporated. He was re-elected, with the re-election of all present officers and directors in a meeting of the stockholders here. Dates for the 1933 show were set for July 3, 4 and 5 and plans were suggested for improvement on the grounds for next year.

A. C. Cooper will again serve as vice president of the organization; R. R. Robertson, treasurer and Miss Lois R. Gren as secretary. Directors unanimously re-elected were C. E. Gombler, A. C. Cooper, L. M. Hardy, W. G. Owsley, D. T. Perkins, Ray Reator and W. G. Owsley.

The construction of new grandstands, approximately doubling the present seating capacity, will be the first consideration in the improvements for next year's performances. Other improvements discussed include an auditorium on the grounds and improvements to the corrals and the judges stand.

Saturday, Oct. 1, Date Of W. M. S. Quilt Fair

The Quilt Fair under the auspices of the ladies of the Methodist W. M. S. to be held at the Mellinger building on Saturday, October 1, will include five divisions and a special prize for first place in each division will be awarded. Ribbons will go to second and third places in each division.

The divisions and the first prize in each follow:

Quilts: material for flower garden quilt top.

Antiques: apron and bonnet.

Needle work: one-half dozen embroidered cup towels.

Canned goods: material for house dress.

Cakes: box of cake flour.

Pies: small sack of flour.

Cut flowers: pot plant.

The entrance fee will be ten cents and the ladies will serve coffee and wafers.

Those desire to enter should see Mrs. W. S. J. Brown.

MARKET ADVANCE IS SHARPEST IN NEARLY A YEAR

Cotton Gains \$3 Per Bale; Wheat 2 1-2 Cents; Industrial Issues Boosted From \$2 to \$10 Per Share.

New York, Sept. 22.—The stock market Wednesday scored its sharpest advance for any one session in nearly a year, gains of individual issues ranging from \$2 to \$10 a share.

Commodity prices also moved higher, wheat running up 2 1-2 cents a bushel and cotton gaining \$3 a bale. Bonds were strong, especially in low priced issues.

This manifestation of bullishness was in contrast with the downswing of markets one year ago when England was compelled to leave the gold standard.

The Associated Press-Standard Statistics stock market averages, covering 90 shares, soared \$7.10.

Recovering sharply from the recent reactionary tendency, cotton values picked up \$2.50 to \$3.05 a bale net in active trading at New Orleans as spots and all future deliveries swung well up above the 7-cent line.

Futures made their best levels in the final transactions, with October at 7.40 and December at 7.53, the general market showing net gains of 50 to 61 points above Tuesday's close.

Spot cotton advanced 57 points to 7.38 cents a pound for middling.

Favorable Liverpool cables started the cotton rally and afterwards the market was influenced by strength of stocks and wheat, a heavy trade demand which developed on the upturn, and very favorable dry goods reports. There was considerably less pressure from hedge-selling, which recently has depressed futures. The close was strong.

The stock market rally was the first sizeable upswing since the market began to dip on September 12 after its summer rise. Apparently heartened by the recent action of securities which, after resisting further liquidation earlier this week, had become very quiet, buyers put in new orders for stocks, sending "bears" scampering to cover their short commitments.

Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Halstead, residing at Salt Branch, Thursday, September 15, 1932.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Thomas, residing north of Stith, Thursday, September 15, 1932.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. James E. Matthews, Trent, Saturday, 17, 1932.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan, Mt. Pleasant, Sunday, September 18, 1932.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Butcher, Mt. Pleasant, Sunday, September 18, 1932.
Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Benny Butman, Wednesday, September 21, 1932.

BRUCE BARTON

Writes of "THE MASTER EXECUTIVE"

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THE VOICE OF AUTHORITY.

Success is always exciting; we never grow tired of asking what and how. What, then, were the principal elements in Jesus' power over men? How was it that the boy from a country village became the greatest leader?

First of all he had the voice and manner of the leader—the personal magnetism which begets loyalty and commands respect. The beginnings of it were present in him even as a boy. John felt them.

On the day when John looked up from the river where he was baptizing converts and saw Jesus standing on the bank, he drew back in protest. "I have need to be baptized of thee," he exclaimed, "and comest thou to me?"

The lesser man recognized the greater instinctively. We speak of personal magnetism as though there were something mysterious about it—a magic quality bestowed on one in a thousand and denied to all the rest. This is not true. The essential element in personal magnetism is a consuming sincerity—an overwhelming faith in the importance of the work one has to do.

Most of us go through the world mentally divided against ourselves. We wonder whether we are in the right jobs, whether we are making the right investments, whether, after all, anything is as important as it seems to be. Our enemies are those of our own being and creation. Instinctively we wait for a commanding voice for one who shall say authoritatively, "I have the truth. This way lies happiness and salvation." There was in Jesus supremely that quality of conviction.

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BRUCE BARTON

(Continued from "Last One")

Even very successful people were
moved by it. Jesus had been in Jeru-
salem only a day or two when there
came a knock at his door at night.
He opened it to find Nicodemus, one
of the principal men of the city; a
member of the Sanhedrin, a supreme
court judge. One feels the dramatic
quality of the meeting—the young
almost unknown, teacher and the
great man, half curious, half con-
vinced.

It would have been easy to make a
mistake. Jesus might very naturally
have expressed his sense of honor at
the visit; have said: "I appreciate
your coming, sir. You are an older
man and successful. I am just start-
ing on my work. I should like to
have you advise me as to how I may
best proceed. But there was no such
note in the interview—no effort to
make it easy for this notable visitor
to become a convert. One catches his
breath involuntarily at the audacity
of the speech:

"Verily, verily, I say to you, Nic-
odemus, except you are born again
you can not see the kingdom of
Heaven." And a few moments later,
"If I have not told you earthly things
and you have not believed, how shall
you believe if I tell you heavenly
things?"

The famous visitor did not enroll
as a disciple, was not invited to en-
roll; but he never forgot the impres-
sion made by the young man's amaz-
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bill and Taylor Tucker, the Boy Scout
revue, postponed from the previous
week on account of the prolonged
rainy spell, netted a nice sum for the
local troop organization, although the
high quality of the show and the pur-
pose of the benefit justified expecta-
tion of a much larger attendance
than witnessed the Friday night revue
at the Cozy theatre.

Some fourteen acts were included in
the bill of attractions, centering about
the talented group of musicians com-
posing the orchestra under the lead-
ership of Miss Iris Garrett. Those as-
sisting her were Tom Gambill, Byron
Patterson, Lynn McSpadden, Glenn
Roberts and Harold Boney. With the
orchestra as a nucleus, most of the
show was staged in cabaret style, with
Taylor Tucker the well balanced and
capable master of ceremonies. Soloist
for cabaret numbers that interspersed
the specials was a gifted local vocal-
ist, Miss Irene Perry, whose numbers
met with popular response.

As unique a novelty as was ever
presented on any metropolitan stage
was the dance fantasy by Miss Dota
Garoutte, one of Merkel's most beloved
characters, who wanted to do her bit
for the Boy Scouts. Words fall this
scribe in trying to depict the sweet
simplicity, grace and rhythm that
marked the movements of the old-
fashioned dance to the tune of the
ever popular "Dixie" as rendered by
phonograph, (all details complete ev-
en to the horn.)

Following the opening orchestra
number, Scout work was interestingly
exemplified by a troop of young boys
under the direction of Mordell Shouse.

Among many pleasing specialty
numbers, each of which deserves spe-
cial mention, were: costume dancing
by Miss Irene Jay of Abilene; an ap-
propriate reading by Mrs. Lucy Tracy
Haynes; a song and dance skit by our
own Betty Lou Grimes, who never
fails to make a hit; instrumental

numbers of Tom Gambill and Taylor
Tucker, jointly and individually; a
girls chorus, consisting of six of the
younger set, Misses Duncan Briggs,
Mildred Richardson, Marie Stanford,
Joyce Wheeler, Claribel Mansfield,
and Sarah Sheppard; and Ocie Burns,
the one man band, who also rendered
several guitar numbers. Not to be over-
looked was the comedy work of Park-
er Sharp, who admits that he just
knows one song and will sing it, re-
gardless. (He wouldn't be permitted
to leave the stage, however, if he did
not give the audience that favorite
selection.)

The same troopers are to be presen-
ted in Trent on Friday night.

Attending Presbytery.

Merkel was represented at the semi-
annual session of the Abilene presby-
tery meeting at Ranger this week by
Rev. R. A. Walker, the pastor, and
Charlie Jones, as church delegate.
They drove down Tuesday afternoon,
returning Thursday. Mrs. Gill, an
Abilene woman was moderator. The
next session of presbytery goes to
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make a test of one week; if you do not see some improve-
ment in that time I do not insist on your going any further.

Location: Mrs. McCain's Boarding House on
Edwards Street

**Mayor's Son Marries
Dallas Girl Sept. 17**

The wedding of Roy Elliott, son of
Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott, and
Miss Myrtle Matthews, of Dallas, took
place at Marietta, Okla., on Septem-
ber 17, following which they returned
to Dallas, where they will make their
home. The marriage ceremony was
performed by Rev. Mr. Bird, a Presby-
terian minister.

Roy, a former Merkel boy and well
known for his sterling traits of char-
acter, is in the employ of an insurance
company in Dallas and is rapidly
climbing the ladder of success. His
bride is a charming young lady, very
popular in her home city, and The
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10 pounds

CABBAGE, pound 3c

APPLES, fancy Washington Jonathan,
Dozen 25c

ORANGES, dozen 25c

Cranberries lb. 20c

GRAPES, Tokays, 3 pounds 25c

SUGAR 10 lbs., pure
cane, cloth bag 47c

PINEAPPLE, No. 10 can 49c

PEACHES, No. 2 1-2 R & W, can 17c

CORN, R & W, No. 2 can, 2 for 23c

Tomatoes 3 cans 25c

PORK & BEANS, B & W, 2 for 15c

SARDINES, American, 6 for 25c

Crackers 2 pound
Salad Wafer 19c

BRAN, R & W, package 10c

OATS, B & W, package 21c

TEA R & W 1-4 lb. 19c
1-2 lb. 37c

COFFEE, Sun-Up, pound 20c

SOAP, any kind, giant bars, 6 for 25c

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ton, 8 lb. pail 65c

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FIRST LOVIES

by FELIX RIESENBERG

ELEVENTH INSTALLMENT.

Synopsis: Johnny Breen, 16 years old, who has spent all his life aboard a Hudson river tugboat plying near New York City, is made motherless by an explosion which sinks the tug and tosses him into the river. He swims and crawls ashore where starts a new and strange life. He is ignorant cannot read, and knows nothing of life in a great city. . . . Beaten and chased by toughs he is rescued by a Jewish family living off the Bowery in the rear of their second-hand clothing store. . . . Here he is openly courted by the young daughter. Breen fights bullies in self-defense . . . and soon is picked up by an unscrupulous manager who cheats him—until "Pug" Malone at the saloon-fight club, attracted to the boy, takes him under his wing. . . . On the other side of the picture are the wealthy Van Horns of Fifth Avenue. There is a Gilbert Van Horn, last of the great family, a bachelor, in whose life is a hidden chapter with his mother's maid—who leaves the home—to be lost in the city life—when Gilbert is accused. . . . It was reported the maid married an old captain of a river tug. . . . rather than return home—and was soon a mother. . . . Under Malone's guardianship young Breen develops fast. . . . "Pug" discovers the boy cannot read—starts him to night school and the world commences to open for Johnny Breen. . . . Malone, an old-timer, is backed in a health-farm venture—taking Breen with him. There they meet and come to know Gilbert Van Horn. John attracts Van Horn, who learns of P's mother, named Harriet. Learning John's desire for an engineering course at Columbia University—he advances the money. John comes to know Josephine, Van Horn's ward, and during his school years falls in love with her. Graduating as a Civil Engineer he gets a job with a great construction company, working in New York.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY. "Dammit, Breen, it's all hell to get these rodmen to use their heads." The experienced engineer was speaking with authority. "We engineers got to hold 'em down," he added with conviction. John was leaving. "See you later," Mailing called, and John left the exciting scene. "We engineers!" He felt a foot taller, and Monday morning seemed a year away. John was very young.

He went to his new room, unpacked the photograph of Josephine, and looked at her image long and thoughtfully. He called up Van Horn and had also talked with Josephine for a moment over the telephone. She seemed glad to hear from him. Her laugh was familiar. John remembered nothing but the laugh. Her very reticence conveyed things that seemed bound to bring them close together again. The warmth of young summer was in the air; lovers were walking in the park across the way.

Van Horn remained in the city. He just refused to leave, and Josephine, in the dark cool house in the middle Fifties, agreed with those millions who have said, "New York is a splendid summer resort."

As many people were always in or about town, and as Josephine had several insistent problems confronting her, the city, in the summer, took on the proportions of an adventure. Josephine was frankly in the business of living successfully. She had no intention of being anything but a success, and not merely a social success, but to achieve freedom, and expression, and, well, lots of other things besides. In fact she was not above the plane of experiment. The artless dropping of a fold of her crepe kimono, the closeness of her firm breasts, an instant pink reflected light of a table lamp, beneath John's eyes, as she had bent over him, placing a tray of toast and tea upon his bed, on the morning of his convalescent luxury, happened as she planned. She recalled his quickly mounting color, her bustling of the pillow under his head, bending close above him, breathing the freshness of her morning bath. It was all so intimate, and innocent. And John had never asked anything. It puzzled her. Boys proposed to her, almost as a matter of course. Gerrit Rantoul had proposed, and was waiting her reply.

Josephine still felt Rantoul stand-

ing over her, tall and firm and charming, his white hair a mark of distinction rather than of age. He once told her, half laughingly, "I guess I was born that way."

Rantoul was wealthy, belonged to good clubs, had offices in the financial district, and had leisure and just enough contact with great affairs to make him an entrancing companion. He was constantly meeting important men. A word or two, a mere hint, gave Josephine the feeling of mingling in a consequential world. It was so different from Gilbert Van Horn's world, a place utterly divorced from business and occupied with stupid sports, or gossip, or mooning.

Women were attracted by Rantoul, women always had been attracted to him. Charming women, Josephine knew, would take him in an instant, and he loved her. She was certain of that, loved her intensely, with passion held in masterly reserve. He was a compelling figure. She often thought of him as a Richard Harding Davis hero, an engineer of great renown, decorated by foreign potentates. Josephine laughingly told this to Rantoul. When they dined that night at the West-Hambletons', Rantoul wore a yellow and red sash across his breast with a brilliant ten-pointed star. A sparkling order hung about his neck by a purple ribbon. On the breast of his evening coat, over his heart, was a row of overlapping medals. It was the night he proposed.

John had never proposed to her, probably never would, or perhaps had never had the chance.

Van Horn was dining at the club. It was Friday night, a beastly night by the way, with so many people always eating fish, and Aunt Wen was in the midst of a book.

John had called up only an hour before. It was six o'clock. Perhaps he was still at his new quarters. She would call, and would leave word for Rantoul, at his rooms, that she could not see him. After all, Josephine could see Rantoul often, but that night she wanted to see John Breen.

They met an hour later, at the Savoy, and walked east, through Fifty-ninth Street to the Third Avenue L. It was a familiar station to John, in a reminiscent way, as indeed the entire city was reminiscent and crowded with surprises. The same old platforms and rails, but an electrified train carried them down through the close revelation of the East Side. Jacob Riis had written about slums, disturbingly, and Theodore Roosevelt had endorsed his words; this gave the steaming tenements a sentimental and a literary value.

"John, I'm so glad to see you, alone." Josephine was starting things early. "There's a lovely place, the Cafe Boulevard, so Bohemian, John, and, with you, I'm not afraid." A few weeks before Rantoul had protected her there.

John Breen might have no medals, she mused, moving closer to him, but he did have an uncanny fascination on that shimmering night.

John secured a table on the balcony, ten feet or so above the crowded street, where they could dine, under the awnings, in the open air, and still in sight of the entrancing things within.

Josephine sank into her seat with a sigh, they were very fortunate indeed in getting that delightful table. On their ride downtown, they had talked the common-places of their separation. But once at table, and alone, as if by magic, John and Josephine were again on the fatal plane of delicious intimacy.

Josephine smiled, John noted the merest suggestion of a dimple. A mood of perfect understanding seemed to permeate the air. The dinner was superb. She had asked for a cocktail and John joined her, and a bottle of St. Julien added flavor to the dishes. Cafe Boulevard, always famous for its coffee, outdid itself on that Arabian night. They ate their ices and lingered, while John smoked a cigar grandly, blowing fragrant clouds through the hedge as they leaned across the table tete-a-tete. Blue wreaths drifted slowly back across her hair.

"Do you mind the smoke, Jo?" He used the diminutive easily.

"No, John, I love it." Her face was close to his, her hair gave back the

faintest perfume. She was even lovelier than he had imagined her in his fondest dreams; she was an angel.

As John talked Josephine was glad, so glad, to be with him. He was finer, more manly, more handsome than ever. John talked as he had never talked before. His life at the University, in the atmosphere of recognized ideas, had broadened him. He unburdened great ambitions ripe for expression in that understanding night. His surer outlook and his burning belief in the great dignity of the career ahead, glorified him. He would be a builder, "like Rantoul. Yes, like Rantoul," a builder in the greatest city of the world!

Something from within smote Josephine; it came, a cold breath of doubt. She was losing ground, slipping in a mental panic as she compared her lovers. She missed the tight, high-colored skin of the older man, youthfully flushed at times, perhaps by wine. The crisp white hair of Rantoul was less silky, and less thick, than the youthful crop of Breen, and she missed that careful guarded manner, the habit of an older man, but which she then set down to cunning. John swept her along on a flood of emotion. His hunger demanded her; it was a terrible emotion. She dared not try to fascinate or charm. Love stabbed her with delirious pain. Doubt dropped away and, in her instant of surrender, her hold on John was of transcendent power.

Rantoul vanished from her mind, and John Breen, so close across the table, clasping her hand, her pulse, her soul, was the finer man, wealthier by twenty years, rich full years, she was to share with him, love with him. His grip tightened; he whispered, "Darling, will you marry me?" The question had been in his eyes. She heard the words, the fervent words carrying her beyond all thought of time or calculation.

"Will you wait for me?" his eager tones were tender. "Will you—sweet-heart?"

Their eyes met, swimmingly. She whispered, "Yes." Rantoul was forgotten; her plans and structures tumbled and re-formed.

They drove home in a taxi gliding quickly through dark enveloping streets. John helped her to the door, and Van Horn, who had entered a minute earlier, called to him.

"Come in, John, glad to see you. Josephine!" he called, but his ward had already disappeared in the upper hall. "What's up, John? Nothing wrong, I hope?" He looked at the young man quizzically.

"Josephine has promised to marry me." The words sounded unreal, almost as if he were uttering something

sacrilegious.

"Marry you?" Gilbert Van Horn steadied himself at a newel post. "The devil you say? Come here, John." He gripped him by the hand. His eyes glistened, he turned away. "Here, Jules!" to the butler hovering in the hall, "some Cliquot, Jules! We'll have to drink to this. By gad! By gad! Kelly will like this, he will. I was afraid Rantoul had the inner track—too old, John—too old," he added, smiling and shaking his head. Gilbert Van Horn looked old, tired, as he led the way to the library. It had been a long pull. "You'll need a ring. Ring her, boy, ring her," he advised. Jules filled the glasses. "Here's good luck; Josephine and you." They stood and drank the wine in solemn silence.

"Thank you, Gil," John said simply. "How are you fixed? Money, I mean," the older man spoke with the ease of long friendship.

"I've enough," John answered; "I'll make more."

The talk of money seemed hateful to John. He was feeling let down from his period of exaltation; he wanted to get away, wanted to think.

"Good night, John, I won't come down," Van Horn held out his hand. He too wanted to be alone, to think. "Don't worry about money," he called.

"Josephine will have enough. It's a partnership, you know—" He waved his hand as John left, to walk uptown under the stars, up through the southern part of the park where he and Becca had tarried, and on, up to the flat opposite the shaft site. The more John walked the less certain he was of what might happen next.

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Rural Community Correspondence

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. Hugo Adams of Ireland visited with his aunt, Mrs. M. G. Scott, last week. He was in company with his cousin, Barton Adams, who is of the same place.

Brother Masseyge filled his appointment last Saturday night and Sunday at the Baptist church here. He will be back every first and third Sundays of each month. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

Quite a few out of town singers are expected to be here next Sunday afternoon to attend our regular singing, which meets at the High school auditorium each fourth Sunday afternoon at 2:30. We wish to urge the home folks to come and let's have some good singing.

Mesdames Boone, John Payne and Hesea Winn drove over to Abilene Sunday afternoon sight-seeing, windy shopping, etc.

We are glad to report another business firm; a new restaurant has opened up next to Johnson's drug store. So far we have failed to get the manager's name.

Mr. and Mrs. Garnet had quite a few dinner guests Sunday; among them several young people who spent the afternoon in kodaking and other diversions.

Brother G. W. Parks will fill his regular appointment at the Baptist church next Sunday and Sunday night. A cordial welcome is extended to all to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon drove over to Roscoe after work hours Saturday night to spend Sunday with relatives there, Mr. Gordon remaining over Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nemire were visitors to Roscoe, too, last Sunday.

Mrs. Shouse had as her company one day last week her daughter, Mrs. McWilliams, and children of Noodle. They spent the day canning, etc.

Miss Gene Scott spent the day in Abilene last Thursday, visiting friends, also did some shopping.

Among the guests that attended the annual Mexican Independence Day fiesta were Mr. and Mrs. Norwood and family, Mrs. Maggie Walker and daughters and Miss Lucille Howell.

The cemetery here is in need of a few workmen at this writing. Ye scribe recently visited same, also cut a few weeds around some of the graves. Those that have relatives buried there should see after this soon, as some graves are in very bad condition after the recent rains.

Minor Watkins and wife of Lubbock passed through our city last Thursday en route to Dallas where he will enroll as a medical student for the coming term.

Mrs. R. B. McRee, Sr., left last Friday for Thorndale where she will visit with her sister, Mrs. Fannie Norway, some two weeks.

Mrs. Pat Coyne and children, who have been here for sometime, left last Thursday for parts in Oklahoma. She will probably be gone for sometime.

Mrs. H. Taylor, after a few days stay with relatives, returned home last Sunday. She was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn, who returned the same day.

Claton Hale of Kilgore visited his parents here last week, returning home last Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Howell had as a house guest last week Mrs. Pruda Smith of Abilene, also Mrs. Howland of Sweetwater on Sunday of the same week.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Dowdy drove over to Abilene last Sunday evening and spent a few hours with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dowdy.

Correction: The joke is on your correspondent this week. I'll have to confess every good looking car I see I think it is a Ford, but Mr. Terry's car is a Chevrolet in place of a Ford, as reported last week. I will say it's a good looking car, just the same.

Mr. Riley Blake of Portales, N. M., was the overnight guest of his brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bowers, and family on last Thursday. He was en route to Weatherford to attend to business there.

Mrs. Arl Sharp and daughter of Merkel, accompanied by her father, Mr. Waddy, of Memphis, Tenn., were in our fair city one afternoon last week. We are glad to see them both, they had formerly lived here.

The prayer meeting at the Methodist church was well attended last Wednesday night and the service was very edifying. We extend a cordial invitation to all to attend.

REV. AND MRS. SHERRILL HOSTS.

Rev. and Mrs. U. S. Sherrill were hosts to members of the Senior Ep-

worth league Friday evening in the Methodist pastorate.

Rev. Mr. Sherrill, assisted by Misses Victorine Bishop and Fanny Vessel, was in charge of the games and contests. Songs were sung out of the old-time hymn books, the song leader being Miss Idell Cooper, with Miss Doreen Scott at the piano. The whole group joined in the singing.

Refreshments were served to Lora Bright, Idell Cooper, Willie Orand, Florence Sherman, Frances Jones, Victorine Bishop, Doreen Scott, Fanny Vessel, Charley Howell, Henry Bright, Henry Lee Tittle, Claude and Melvin Horton, Ed Freeman, Earl Bright of Fort Worth, several children and Mrs. Sherrill and Mrs. D. J. Rawlings.

CANNING CLUB.

An important meeting of the canning club Wednesday was had at the home of Mrs. R. L. Reeves. All the clubs of Taylor county will have a fair, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce at Abilene, date not yet set; a committee was appointed to arrange the booth. Mesdames Ben Howell, T. H. Williamson, John Strawn and Alex Williamson are on this committee. An achievement day for Trent club was set for Sept. 28. We are asking each member to bring whatever she has made during the life of the club, and any variety she might have in the way of canned goods so that it may be on display; this is to be an open house for the public and everyone is urged to come and see just what the club is learning to do. The display will be in the home of our pantry demonstrator, Mrs. R. L. Reeves. A market committee, Mrs. T. H. Williamson and Mrs. R. L. Reeves, was appointed to confer with committees at Abilene concerning the future markets of all the canning clubs in this district.

Mrs. John Strawn was selected the wardrobe demonstrator of this club for the coming year.

A goodly number was present.

TRENT METHODIST CHURCH.

Next Sunday is Promotion Day in our Sunday School. We will be glad to have you present. We have a faithful, efficient and loyal corps of teachers in our school and you will be helping yourself, your children and your community by having the whole family attend regularly. We were delighted with the good attendance last Sunday, and look forward to see a greater number present next Sunday.

Services for the day will be as follows: Sunday School 10 a. m., E. L. Mangum, supt., Preaching 11 a. m. by the pastor, Junior missionary society 5 p. m. Senior Epworth league 7 p. m. Preaching 8 p. m. by the pastor.

CROSS ROADS METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. U. S. Sherrill will preach at Cross Roads Methodist church next Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. We have only two more preaching dates here before the meeting of the annual conference in Amarillo on November 10. The summer has been a very busy time. The Lord has blessed in our revivals with conversions, reclamations and reviving of faith and love in Christian lives. And to Him we give thanks.

Sunday School will convene at 10 a. m. Preaching 3 p. m. We shall look forward hoping to have the pleasure of your presence in these services.

SCHOOL TO OPEN OCTOBER TENTH.

Opening of Trent school has been set for October 10, it has been announced by R. F. Elliott, superintendent. The term will be eight months.

High school teachers beside Mr. Elliott are Miss Lois Powell and Miss Annie Belle Bailey. Garland Franks is grade school principal. Other teachers are Mrs. O. L. Reaves, primary, Miss Virgie Strawn and Mrs. Dora Reynolds.

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BLAIR ITEMS

The long looked for cotton season is on here and several bales have been ginned. In spite of the fact that cotton is a better grade this year, a great deal is being pulled instead of picked.

Mrs. Jack Latimer, who has been on the sick list for several weeks, is not doing so well, but we hope she will be up for good soon. Others, who have been real sick for the past week, are: the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chandler, and Mrs. O. L. Mayfield and little daughter, Peggy; also Veralee Doan and J. C. Horton have been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Farmer and son of Snyder were the interesting guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell, and sister, Mrs. V. L. Doan, for the week-end.

Roy Doan and son, Troy, of Rotan spent Friday and Saturday with his mother, Mrs. Susie Doan, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Latimer were charming hosts to a family reunion held in their home the past week. Those participating were: Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Claxton and family, of Hollister, Cal., a sister of the latter; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sowell and children, of Douglas, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Sowell, of Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sowell, brother of Mrs. Latimer, also her father, J. W. Sowell, of Corpus Christi.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Patterson of Wichita Falls, visited their mother, Mrs. Mae Horton, and brother Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson had visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson, of Hermleigh, coming by here en route to Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Hi Frazier of Oklahoma have returned to their home after a weeks stay with the latter's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Stith.

Mesdames Claude Doan, G. South, Charley Harper and baby and J. W. Ford of Clyde, Mrs. Purl Sanford and daughter, of Tuscola and Mrs. Joe Ramsey and baby of Merkel visited Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell the past week.

Jim Campbell of Cape is spending several days with his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore left last week-end for Seymour to visit their children and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wilson and sons, Mr. Moore looking after his property interests while there.

Catharine Phillips of Itan is spending an indefinite time with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan are the proud parents of a fine baby boy, stopping over with them since Sept. 18. The little fellow was christened Samuel Dale.

Mrs. John Rosson has moved to Merkel to be with her two daughters, Lois and Imogene, who will enter school there.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Campbell of Mt. Pleasant spent a pleasant day with the former's brother, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell, recently.

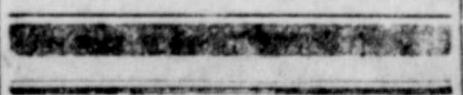
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One of the most brilliant affairs of the year was held in the pretty home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell on Friday afternoon, Sept. 16, when Mrs. Freston Doan was made honoree at a prettily planned party. Those acting as hostesses in the living room were: Mesdames J. W. Ford, Claud Doan, Clyde, Texas, A. P. Sanford, Tuscola, Texas, and Price Melton. The receiving room was artistically arranged; the color schemes of blue, white and pink were carried out in all details. Those assisting were: Mrs. Joe Ramsey, Merkel, Texas, Mrs. Carl Hughes and little Misses Blanche Reeves and Billie Jene Melton, with Mrs. Hugh Campbell acting as director over numerous games and contests in the drawing room. Mesdames Frank Demere, Pat Addison, J. L. Jones and Purl Sanford were judges over the puzzle contestants. Those receiving prizes were: Mrs. G. South, Clyde, Texas, Miss Mary Butman, Butman, Texas, Mrs. M. H. Farmer, Canyon, Mrs. Clebert Jones and Joy Doan. Judges over the old fashioned dress contest were: Mesdames Eli Cordell, Sam Butman, Sr., of Butman, James Doan, Jene Patterson, Jim Moore, Tom Melton, Eli Brooks and Tom Spears, Mrs. W. O. Reeves of Rotan, winning the prize over four other contestants. The winners in the dining room were Misses Lena Lee Demere, Mary Butman, Otis Ray Doan, Joy Doan, Mesdames Tommie Patterson, Shorty Barnes, Elma Patterson, M. H. Farmer, Rex McClain, R. M. Doan.

At the refreshment hour dainty plates of ice cream, cake and pie with tiny blue slippers with mints in colors as plate favors were passed to Mesdames J. W. Ford, G. South, Charley Harper, Preston Doan, C. F. Doan, Jene Patterson, Susie Doan, Jim Moore, Eli Cordell, Sam Butman, Sr., Pat Addison, Tom Melton, J. L. Jones, R. M. Doan, J. W. Mayfield, Frank Demere, E. J. Patterson, Clebert Jones, Herman Doan, Margaret Hunter, Tommie Patterson, M. H. Farmer, Rex McClain, Carl Doan, Price Melton, Richard Melton, Sam Phillips, R.

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—A Guest.

White Church News

Rev. Marvin Williams of Abilene filled the pulpit here Sunday at both the morning and evening services. Rev. and Mrs. Williams had dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Pressley.

Little Joan Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Brown, is real sick at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown and Mrs. A. M. Brown of Blair visited in our community and attended church here Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Perry and Aulton Whitaker of Dora attended church here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Riggan and Mr. Gold Riggan of Big Spring visited

their mother, Mrs. P. A. Riggan, over the week-end.

Ray Cox of Fort Worth was a visitor in the A. V. Henslee home Saturday.

Mrs. J. K. Blair and children, J. K., Jr., and Warren, of Noodle and Mrs. E. H. Patterson of Route 3, visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. A. D. Barnes, one day recently.

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LOCAL BRIEFS.

Having leased the Jones building, formerly occupied by W. J. Sheppard, O. T. Wagley of Anson is putting in a bowling alley there. Date of opening depends on the arrival of the hardwood alleys. Occupancy of this building fills in the last vacant store in that block.

City Marshal P. P. Dickinson, in calling attention to the new traffic signals, is especially emphatic in asking that motorists observe these signals to the letter, thereby avoiding accidents that result from careless and thoughtless driving.

Henry Bros., operating the "D. Precision Shoe and Hat Shop," and traveling in a truck, are stopping in Merkel for a short while, being located next to the Sinclair Filling Station on the Bankhead highway. Their scale of prices will be found in their ad elsewhere in this issue.

Besides the two Seniors of Merkel High, Elmer Adcock and Marshall Stalls, reported last week as entering Abilene Christian college. The Mail has been advised by the news service of the college that others enrolled for the session from this section are: Berdelle Adcock, Merkel, and Marjorie Adrian from Trent.

Prior to Wednesday's rain, gins had been running steadily here and considerable cotton had already been picked and brought to town. The rain will cause a let-up for several days, but, coming as slowly as it did, it is not thought that much damage to cotton will result.

Cellophane is being used as hat braid in Switzerland.

Mail want ads pay dividends.

Postal Inaugurates Printer Service Here

A printer service has been installed by the Postal Telegraph company in the front of Sie Hamm's Drug store, with service both for receiving and sending messages continuously from 7:30 a. m. to 10:30 p. m., including Sunday.

Arrangements have been completed by the Postal to furnish CND service covering bulletins on the cotton market to both of the banks here and this information on file at the banks is available to all customers of the banks.

PERSONALS

Miss Edith Baker is visiting friends in Abilene this week.

Max Mellinger was expected to return Thursday from a business trip to Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barnett have as their guest this week-end their son, Harold, of Dansville, Ill.

Miss Madeline Murray has entered the North Texas State Teachers college at Canyon for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCormick, who have been in Ochoa, N. M., for sometime, have returned to Merkel.

Lem Browning of Amarillo is here visiting his sister, Mrs. Duncan Briggs, and shaking hands with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Briggs Irvin are enjoying a visit from Mr. Irvin's sister, Mrs. Irma Haynes, and daughter, Clair, of Oplin.

Dr. Oscar F. McMaster now of Los Angeles, Calif., but formerly of Merkel, was shaking hands with friends here Wednesday on his way to South Texas.

Mrs. J. R. Blake of Bonham, mother of G. W. Blake, and Mr. R. Blake, his brother, and wife of Paducah, and Mrs. G. B. Stewart, his sister, also of Paducah, were visitors here this week.

Dr. M. Armstrong had as his guest early in the week Reed Armstrong of Pasadena, Calif., who is a double cousin of his. After a visit here Mr. Armstrong went on to Fort Worth.

Rev. W. P. Gerhart, rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Abilene, accompanied by Mrs. Leger J. Ray and Miss Christine Doyle, came over Monday to hold service in the home of Miss Dota Garoutte.

The Robert Hicks have removed to Wills Point where Bob will be associated in the dairy business. The Mail repeats the expressed hope of everyone here that this fine family will not remain long away from Merkel.

J. T. Darsey, Jr., left the first of the week for Austin where he has a position. He expects to enter the university for the second semester. Elvis Richardson is also working in Austin this fall, but will reenter the university after the first of the year.

Mrs. Browning Graham will leave Friday morning in company with Mrs. Jack De Reese of Sweetwater for a visit with her husband, who is employed in Kilgore. While away Mrs. Graham will also visit her sister, Mrs. H. B. Leeton, who resides at Overton, Texas.

Mrs. W. T. Sadler returned Tuesday from a week-end trip to Dallas. The trip was made by automobile in company with Mrs. W. T. Ramsey of Abilene and Mrs. Lula Sadler, who was returning to her home at Palestine after an extended visit in the home of her son, Dr. W. T. Sadler.

Natives of Jamaica are learning to wear shoes.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

Queen Announces Thrilling Serial

One of the most thrilling and exciting airplane stories ever filmed, "The Great Airmail Mystery," starts at the Queen theatre this week, running Friday and Saturday of each week. If you see the first episode, you will not miss the others.

The feature picture for Friday and Saturday is Buck Jones in "The Dead Line." A Crazy Kat Cartoon is also on the same program.

Coming Tuesday, Sept. 27, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" is announced as a special attraction.

Ft. Worth Livestock

Fort Worth, Sept. 22.—Receipts Wednesday—cattle: 1,000; calves: 500; steer values poorly tested; slaughter yearlings, cows and other cattle about steady; rather common grass slaughter steers 3.25; well finished yearlings to 6.25; other desirable slaughter yearlings 5.00-25; plain butcher yearlings 4.00 down; fat cows 3.00; bulls scarce, one lod good 880-lb. feeding steers 5.60 and well bred stock steer calves 4.75, steady; slaughter calves slow, good heavies 4.00-50, about steady, but plainer grades 25 or more lower; selling under 4.00 level.

Sunday Service at Union Ridge. Rev. Russell Pike of Rochester, Texas, a former Merkel boy, will preach at the Methodist church at Union Ridge Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited to hear him.

Proud Grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pannell are the proud grandparents of a baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pannell on September 15 at Dallas.

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railroad station here is closed or when it is more convenient for the patrons to send it from there.

Telegrams will be received from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m., it is announced, without any extra charge to the patron.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

Popular Excursion to El Paso.

Another popular excursion to El Paso is advertised for Saturday by the T. and P. railway. A round trip rate of \$7.75 is offered from Merkel, leaving here on Saturday Sept. 24, with return privilege to October 4.

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CHURCHES

Sweetwater Association Meets Here October 6-7

Annual session of the Sweetwater Baptist association, which draws around 300 delegates from churches in Taylor and Nolan counties, will be held October 6 and 7 at Merkel. Rev. C. A. Powell of Abilene is moderator of the assembly.

Among those to give reports at the conference will be: Walter Jackson, Abilene, committee on committees; Rev. John G. Moore, Abilene, state missions; Rev. F. A. Hollis, Ovalo, home missions; Rev. E. D. Dunlap, Sweetwater, Christian education; Rev. Raymond Collier, Tuscola; Mrs. R. M. White, Abilene, old ministers relief; Mrs. E. M. Francis, Abilene, religious literature; Mrs. James L. Rucker, Abilene, Baptist Training service; Rev. W. R. Herr, Caps, Sunday school; Mrs. O. H. Cooper, Abilene, Woman's Missionary Union; Rev. M. A. Jenkins, Abilene, associational missions; Rev. R. C. Ashford, Abilene, resolutions; Willie Jo Largent, Merkel, executive board; Rev. George W. Lawrie, Abilene, ordained and licensed minister; Ben Stripling, Abilene, digest of letters; Rev. J. Powell Ponder, Abilene, nominating committee; Rev. S. P. Oliver, Abilene, obituaries; Dr. N. A. Moore, Abilene, trustees for Simmons university; and George S. Anderson, Abilene, Baptist sanitarium.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.
Rev. W. H. Hughes of Levelland, Texas, will fill the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday. Rev. Hughes is not a stranger in Merkel or in this section of the country as he has been pastor in this section in years past. Many of the friends of Brother Hughes will be glad to hear him again.

The regular services of the week will be held but the time of meeting for all night services has been moved back thirty minutes, making them at seven thirty instead of eight o'clock. Sunday School at ten and B. T. S. at six thirty o'clock.

Those who are responsible for the services throughout the week and Sunday feel that they need the co-operation of all the people of our church during the time we are without a pastor, so be in your place on time next Sunday.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.
We are happy to announce that Rev. Russell Pike of Rochester will be with us next Sunday and preach at the evening hour, 7:30 p. m.

Rev. Mr. Pike was reared here and our church and Merkel in general will welcome his coming.

The pastor will preach at the morning service.

Our Sunday School work is alive and gaining, to the delight of the church and the superintendent. We invite you.

EPWORTH HLLEAGUE.
Leader, Fay Pinckley.
Song, "Wonderful Words of Life."
Roll call.
Scripture, Acts 1:8.
Prayer, Wanda Hunter.
"There Was No Bible," by Duncan Briggs.
"The Best Seller in Egypt," by Cephas Wenzcraft.
"Making Its Way Around the World," by Eloise Manscill.
Benediction.

METHODIST W. M. S.
The following is the program for the Woman's Missionary society, which meets at the church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock:
Song 163.
Devotional, Mrs. H. C. Williams.
Special, Mrs. G. A. Roberts and Mrs. E. L. Yeats.
Paper on "China," Mrs. W. S. J. Brown.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. We enjoyed a nice increase in number of pupils present last Sunday and hope for more next Sunday. If you are not in Sunday School elsewhere, come and join one of our classes.
No preaching services next Sunday, as it is the pastor's day at Baird.
W. M. Elliott, Supt.
R. A. Walker, Pastor.

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.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Song.
Prayer.
Leader, Duncan Briggs.
"The Start," Lucille Campbell.
"As Well As Last Year," Neal Durham.
"Characteristics of Leadership," Wanda Hunter.
"From An Experienced Pastor," Van Roberts.
"Test His Teachings," Mildred Richardson.
"Get Into Action," Milton Shanon.
"The Cost of Society," Caribel Mansfield.
"On Your Mark," Jack Patterson.
Song.
Benediction.
Everyone please come to Christian Endeavor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.
Attendance at the six reporting Sunday Schools here this week was 761, as compared with 740 on the previous Sunday and with 728 on the same Sunday a year ago.

CHURCH OF NAZARENE.
Rev. V. B. Atteberry, our Abilene district superintendent, will preach for us at 11 a. m. Let's all be present. Sunday School 9:45. Preaching 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 7 p. m.

We were delighted last Sunday evening with an increase in attendance. Come again, we are always glad for your presence.

Mrs. Ola Bolls, Pastor.
Mrs. Fannie King, Supt.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

We fail to find words to express our appreciation for the great throngs of people who attend our services and the noble spirit of love and fellowship that prevails.

Sunday night there were nine preachers present and a large group of visitors who were at our services for the first time.

There will be no Monday and Friday night services during cotton picking time, but we will have prayer meeting every Wednesday night.

Everybody remember to bring your contributions for the tabernacle Sunday night.

We have a "bit of interesting news" for every member of Bible School Sunday morning.

Next Sunday night we preach on "Merkel's Vacant House Dance Made the Devil Blush."

We welcome everybody to our services. Remember singing 2:30 p. m. Sunday.

Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Preaching each Lord's Day at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Bible study Lord's Day at 9:45 a. m., young peoples program 7 p. m., ladies Bible study Wednesday at 7 p. m. and prayer meeting service at 8 p. m., following the ladies Bible study.

Brother Fred McClung of A. C. C., Abilene, will conduct the Bible studies Wednesday evening and do the preaching Lord's Day for us during the fall and winter.

Come be with us at these services when you can. A welcome awaits you at all times.

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Tuesday, September 27th

"Ten Nights in a Bar Room"



BOAZ-BOOTH.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Booth was the scene of a pretty home wedding last Saturday morning when their youngest daughter, Louise, became the bride of J. E. Boaz, Jr.

An improvised altar of gorgeous roses and fern culminated in an archway under which the beautiful ring ceremony was read by Rev. R. A. Walker at 6 o'clock.

Attendants were Miss Willie Evelyn Boaz, sister of the groom, as maid of honor and Bob Mayfield, brother-in-law of the bride, as best man. Only the immediate members of both families were present.

Mrs. Ann Brown, pianist, played Mendelssohn's wedding march for the arrival of the wedding party and continued during the ceremony with "Meditation" by Morisson.

Miss Louise Booth possesses that rare combination of beauty and at the same time being intellectually gifted. She attended C. I. A., Denton, for two years after graduation from Merkel High school. Always a most popular member of the younger social set, she has a host of friends who offer heartiest congratulations.

J. E. is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boaz, Sr. His High school career will always be remembered by football fans for in this game J. E. was certainly a local star. Since his graduation he has been associated with his father in the cattle business. A splendid young man with a future.

Mr. and Mrs. Boaz left immediately after the ceremony for a honeymoon trip to El Paso; on their return they will be at home on the Boaz ranch north of town.

ABILENE GUESTS HONORED.

Miss Doris Durham complimented her house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blackford, of Abilene on last Friday evening with a bridge party in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Durham on Oak street.

The games progressed happily as diversion for the evening and at a late hour delicious refreshments were served to Mr. and Mrs. Blackford, Messrs. and Mesdames John Olin Lusby, Ed McCrary, Briggs Irvin, L. C. Zehnpfennig, Mrs. Irma Haynes, Misses Maurine Tipton, Mary Eula Sears, Doris Durham, Messrs. Ralph Duke, Wren Durham and Raymond Neal.

GARRETT-COUSINS.

The many friends of Ray Garrett will be interested to learn of his marriage on last Friday evening to Miss Virginia Cousins of Louisville, Ky.

Miss Cousins is the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Cousins of Louisville, Ky. She was a guest in the J. M. Garrett home during the Christmas holidays and because of a gracious personality won many friends here during the visit.

Ray is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garrett. He attended Simmons university after his graduation from our local high school, later re-

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MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP.

Miss Vernie Derrick, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Derrick, last week won a one-term scholarship in piano, in the Conservatory of Music, Simmons university under Irl Allison. She will play later in the year, in competition, for the rest of the year's scholarship. Those who heard Miss Derrick play in June when she was presented in recital at the Baptist church by Christine Collins will not be surprised at the honor accorded her after her brilliant June performance.

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High School News.

CHORAL AND GLEE CLUBS ORGANIZE.

The Choral and Glee clubs, to be directed by Mrs. Haynes, had about seventy students to meet for the first time this year on September 20, to organize. Officers for both clubs were elected. The officers for the Choral club are: Frances Marie Church, president; Caribel Mansfield, vice-president; Duncan Briggs, secretary. The officers for the Glee club are: Neil Durham, president; David Gamble, vice-president; Harry Boaz, secretary. Each officer made a short talk and pledged himself to do everything

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he could make the clubs even better than they were last year.
The clubs are glad to welcome the Freshmen as well as the upper classmen.

DRAMATIC CLUB.

The Dramatic club of Merkel High school met Wednesday, September 21.

The president, Jim Patterson, took charge of the meeting and the following officers were elected: vice-president, Albert Cade; secretary, Margaret Miller; assistant secretary, Imo-

gene Middleton; reporters, Howard Stanley and Frances Marie Church.
There were several new members in the club. Talks from the officers and other members of the club expressed the idea that this year the club would be better than the one last year.

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RICE, extra fancy, 4 lbs.	25c
PEAS, blackeyed, 2 cans for	15c
CATSUP, full 16 oz. bottle	15c
PEANUT BUTTER, 2 lb. quart jar	25c
CRACKERS, 2 lb. Saltine 19c—3 lb. box	28c
SOAP, Cocoa Hardwater, 3 for	10c
COCOA, 1 lb size 15c—2 lb. size	25c
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