

700 Attend Annual Rally Day of Taylor County Club Women

With the selection of winners in dress, rug and pillow case contests the highlights of the day, Taylor county home demonstration club women held their fifth annual rally-day session at Fair Park, Abilene, last Thursday. More than 700 women and guests attended the program, which included a bounteous luncheon—speaking for the high degree of culinary art that has been developed in club homes of the county—spread at an exhibition building at noon.

First honors in the dress contest went to Mrs. Louis Groene of Pleasant Hill, selected for first place by popular ballot following a revue in which thirteen club contestants participated. Three hundred and thirty four votes were cast.

Mrs. J. A. Russell of Tye was awarded second place, and Mrs. J. T. Rollins of North Park received third. The dresses, all attractive summer frocks, were made by foundation patterns as a part of the club study for the year.

A group of three judges—Mrs. Anna D'Spain, Mrs. J. Soule McDaniel and Mrs. Ed Shumway—picked the winning pillow cases and rugs. Here is the list:

White pillow cases: Mrs. R. C. Davis, Elmdale, first; Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, Centerline, second; Mrs. E. D. Thomas, Tye, third.

Colored pillow cases: Mrs. Frank McBryde, Centerline, first; Mrs. J. T. Cotman, Elmdale, second; Mrs. W. F. Knox, Hamby, third.

Applique cases: Mrs. J. T. Smith, Tye, first; Mrs. Roy Mallard, Tye, second; Mrs. D. R. Snow, Wylie, third.

Rugs: Hooked: Mrs. Bert Fincher, North Park, first; Mrs. Frank McBryde and Mrs. J. W. Lindsay, Centerline, tied for second and third.

Crochet rug: Mrs. Gordon Oliver, Wylie, first.

Knitted rug: Mrs. W. T. Bull, Buffalo Gap, first.

Prizes in the rug contests were awarded by Mrs. J. M. Wagstaff and Mrs. J. D. Sandefer of Abilene. Eleven clubs were represented in the display of rugs and pillow cases—Bradshaw, Tye, Buffalo Gap, North Park, Hamby, Iberis, Elmdale, Centerline, Trent, Salt Branch and Wylie.

Thirteen clubs were represented in the dress event.

DRESS CONTESTANTS.

Contestants, selected by the various clubs in elimination contests were: Mrs. W. F. Stanage, Elmdale; Mrs. S. D. Manly, Hamby; Mrs. Frank McBryde, Centerline; Mrs. J. T. Rollins, North Park; Mrs. John Russell, Tye; Mrs. R. L. Reeves, Trent; Mrs. Ernest Neeb, Salt Branch; Mrs. Stevenson, Bradshaw; Mrs. Louis Groene, Pleasant Hill; Mrs. G. B. Vanlandingham, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Edd Clark, Iberis;

Miss Allie Maxwell, Buffalo Gap; Miss Eleanor Farr, Wylie, Mrs. Walter Cladden, Rogers. Ribbons went to winners of first, second and third places in the contest. All frocks were made of cotton materials.

IBERIS CLUB LEADS.

Iberis club, with 25 members, 25 foundation patterns cut and 25 dresses made by patterns, led a roll call record, assembled by the council secretary from local club reports at opening of the meeting in the morning. Mrs. H. R. Clemmer of Elmdale, council chairman, presided for the program.

Women of the North Park club served as general hostesses for the day. Miss Caroline Chambers, home demonstration agent, assisted.

BRUCE BARTON

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These are Jesus' works, done in Jesus' name. If He were to live again, in these modern days, He would find a way to make them known—to be advertised by His service, not merely by His sermons. One thing is certain: He would not neglect the market-place. Few of His sermons were delivered in synagogues. For the most part He was in the crowded places, the Temple Court, the city squares, the center where goods were bought and sold. I emphasized this fact once to a group of preachers.

Next Week: The Modern Market Place.

Watch Repairing—best of workmanship. Also cold drinks and candies on ice that is cold. Come by to see me. Joseph L. Speck, opposite Fire Station, Merkel, Texas.

The Real Play from Broadway, "Adam and Eve."

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

See your favorite actor act in "Adam and Eve," Senior play, May 26.

TELEPHONE THE MAIL

The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, as well as other news items of a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 61 or 29.



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RURAL SOCIETY

STITH CLUB.

The Stith Home Demonstration club met Friday afternoon, May 5, with Mrs. Bill Dunagin. There were 16 members and 2 visitors present.

About two hours were spent quilting on Mrs. Dunagin's friendship quilt, after which the members entered into the business session.

It was decided the club members and their families would have a picnic at an early date.

Mrs. Kelso gave information concerning the joint council meeting with Shackelford county, urging all members to attend this meeting.

Delegates to the short course elected were Mrs. Walter Kelso, president, and Mrs. Edgar Bradley, reporter, as alternate.

The club will meet with Mrs. C. L. Daniel May 19, instead of with Mrs. Bryan Dunagin. At this meeting we are expecting Miss Bonner to be with us.

SALT BRANCH 4-H CLUB.

The Salt Branch 4-H club girls met and had a picnic Saturday night, May 20, which everyone enjoyed very much. After refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and lemonade were served, games were enjoyed.

The following members were present: Gladys Petty, Willie Mae Hudson, Evelyn Robertson, Fay, Marie and Marcella Pinckley, Annie D. and Evelyn Garvin, Nollie Jaynes, Wilma Lee Payne, Frances Hester, Lola Pauline, Lorena and Lela Higgins, and Mrs. Wilma Robertson, sponsor, and the following visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Angus Garvin and children, Christine, John Angus, Juanita and Charlie Ben, Mrs. Pauline Pinckley, Misses Genevive Robertson, Verner, Laroy and Jack Hester, Willard Payne and Ollie Higgins.

The next meeting will be in the home of Francis Horton.

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Legal covers at Merkel Mail office.

HEBRON NEWS

The Hebron B. Y. P. U. presented a program in honor of Mother and Father Sunday night.

Beatrice Reeder entertained her friends with an ice cream party Sunday afternoon from three until five o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Huston Clark are entertaining a baby girl, named Patsy Jean, in their home.

Mrs. Melvin Jones and baby, Charles Freddy, are visiting in the home of Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Huston Clark.

We have been blessed with two good rains and everyone is busy planting their crops.

TEXAS ALMANAC.

Leave orders for the Texas Almanac with us. Price, 60 cents per copy, postpaid. Your magazine orders will also be appreciated. The Merkel Mail office.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

We will appreciate the privilege of sending in your subscriptions to the leading magazines. On a great many of them, if you want to include your subscription to The Mail, we are in position to make special clubbing offer. See us before you renew.

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Our first obligation, always, is to those loyal customers many of whom have done business continuously with this bank since its inception nearly thirty years ago. We are not unmindful of their loyalty and pledge them that their legitimate needs will always have our favorable consideration.

We appreciate the NEW BUSINESS which our friends are making it possible for us to enjoy. We realize that a good word from one of our satisfied customers frequently brings us a new account.

Many banks only solicit NEW BUSINESS when they know that the prospective customer is able to favor them, immediately, with a substantial deposit.

We prefer to go the other way around and solicit NEW BUSINESS when the conditions are reversed—when the prospective customer needs help—when our resources enable us to extend to him a helping hand. This policy, we believe, is sufficient proof of our sincerity of purpose.

Whether you have money to deposit or whether you wish to arrange for a loan—THIS IS A PERSONAL INVITATION TO YOU—to let us discuss, in all confidence, your individual problems, trusting that therefrom we may obtain a NEW CUSTOMER and that you may form a banking connection that will be permanent and one that will be more and more appreciated through the years ahead.

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Dearborn, Mich.

May 15, 1933

Time and again I am told—by my own organization and by others—that I penalize myself by quality.

Friendly critics protest our putting into the Ford V-8 what they call "twenty-year steel." They say such quality is not necessary; the public does not expect it; and that the public does not know the difference anyway.

But I know the difference.

I know that the car a man sees is not the car he drives—he drives the car which the engineer sees. The car which is seen, comprises beauty of design, color and attractive accessories,—all desirable, of course. The best evidence that we think so is that they are all found on the Ford V-8.

But these are not the car. The car proper, which is the basis of all the rest, is the type of engine and its reliability; the structure of chassis and body, ruggedly durable; the long thought and experiment given to safety factors; the steady development of comfort, convenience and economy. These make the car.

A car can be built that will last two or three years. But we have never built one. We want the basic material of our car to be as dependable the day it is discarded as the day it is bought. Ford cars built 15 years ago are still on the road. It costs more to build a durable car—but two items we do not skimp are cost and conscience. A great many things could "get by"—the public would never know the difference. But we would know.

The new Ford V-8 is a car that I endorse without any hesitancy. I know what is in it. I trust our whole thirty years' reputation with it. It is even better than our previous V-8. It is larger, more rugged and mechanically a better job all round.

I readily say this in an advertisement because I know the car will back it up.

Henry Ford

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AMERICA'S ATTITUDE.

The American attitude toward the problem of disarmament and peace was laid down by Ambassador Norman H. Davis Monday in the following order:

- 1. The United States is prepared to go as far as any other nation in reducing armaments and believes they should ultimately be cut to the levels established by the post-war treaties.
2. As a preliminary step, the United States is prepared to join other nations in abolishing aggressive weapons.
3. The United States "wholeheartedly" accepts the British disarmament plan.
4. America is "willing to consult with other states in case of a threat to peace with a view to averting conflict."
5. If the United States agrees with an international judgment as to the guilt of an aggressor state it will refrain "from any action" tending to defeat efforts of other nations to restore peace.
6. America believes "a system of adequate supervision should be formulated to insure the effective and faithful carrying out of any measure of disarmament."
7. America accepts the chapter on war materials of the disarmament draft treaty now being considered at Geneva.

NOTICE.

Beginning Monday, May 29, and until further notice, the following banks will close at 3 p. m., instead of 4 p. m., as at present. Customers will please take notice.
The Farmers State Bank.
The F. & M. National Bank.

Do you need a rest? See "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.

Says Her Husband Lost 16 Pounds In 4 Weeks

"I have never found a medicine that 'peps' you up like Kruschen Salts and better still, leaves you 'pepped up.' I take it two or three times a week—not to reduce but merely to feel good and clean. My husband took it to reduce, he lost 16 pounds in 4 weeks." Mrs. E. A. Ferris, Washington, D. C. (December 29, 1932).

To lose fat and at the same time gain in physical attractiveness and feel spirited and youthful take one half teaspoonful of Kruschen in a glass of hot water before breakfast every morning.

A jar that lasts 4 weeks costs but a trifle at any drugstore in the world but be sure and get Kruschen Salts the SAFE way to reduce wide hips, prominent front and double chin and again feel the joy of living—money back if dissatisfied after the first jar.

YOU'RE reading this part of the paper . . . but have you failed to read another section? A section where wants are stated and merchandise exchanged at the lowest possible cost.

It's the want-ad section where the "seller" can find a ready market for anything from second hand furniture to hundred-acre farms. And the "buyer" who is looking for real bargains, whether they be in apartments for rent or machinery for sale, can find the thing wanted at the price that can be paid.

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THE MERKEL MAIL
"Your Home Town Newspaper"

Commencement

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Middleton, Frances Marie
Chubb, Florene Rider, Onal Huskey,
Duncar, Briggs, Joyce Wheeler, Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller.
GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATION.
Grammar School Graduation exercises will be held Saturday night at 8:15 o'clock at the Methodist church.
The program follows:
Processional, Miss Virginia Welch.
Invocation.
Chorus, "Life is a Song," The Class.
Salutatory, Morris Wozencraft.
Address to the Class, Rev. C. R. Joyner.
Presentation of Certificates, Mrs. Len Sublett, Principal.
Valedictory, Sylvan Mellinger.
Chorus, "Give the World Your Best," The Class.
Benediction.

TEXAS ALMANAC.

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Senior Play, "Adam and Eve," May 26, Grammar School Auditorium.

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Follow the crowd and see "Adam and Eve," Senior Play, May 26.



3 RULES big help to BOWELS

What a joy to have the bowels move like clockwork, every day! It's easy, if you mind these simple rules of a famous old doctor:

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3. Try for a bowel movement at exactly the same hour every day.

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Eastern Stars Hold Public Installation

Public installation of officers of the Eastern Star will take place Wednesday night, May 31, at 8:15 p. m. A special program is being arranged for the occasion by Mrs. Lucy Tracy Haynes and everyone is invited.

The following officers will be installed: Mrs. May Seago, worthy matron; J. G. Waters, worthy patron; Mrs. J. G. Waters, associate matron; J. E. Halbrook, associate patron; Iris Garrett, secretary; Mrs. N. Causeaux, treasurer; Mrs. J. M. Williamson, conductress; Mrs. Bessie Merritt, associate conductress; Mrs. Tom Al-

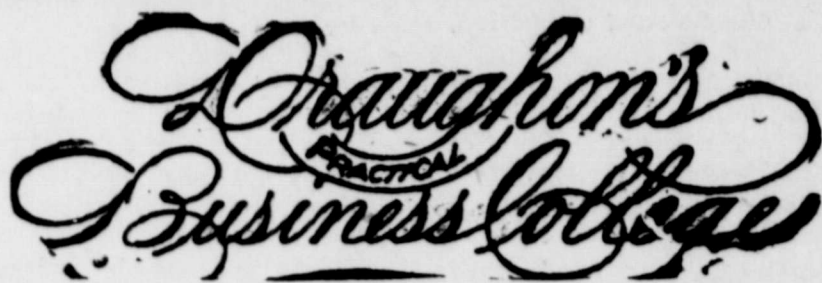
day, Adah; Mrs. Myrtle Buford, Ruth; Mrs. Vennie Green, Esther; Mrs. Bessie Cummins, Martha; Mrs. Margaret Goode, Electra; Mrs. Jennie Graham, chaplain, and M. S. Cummins, warder.

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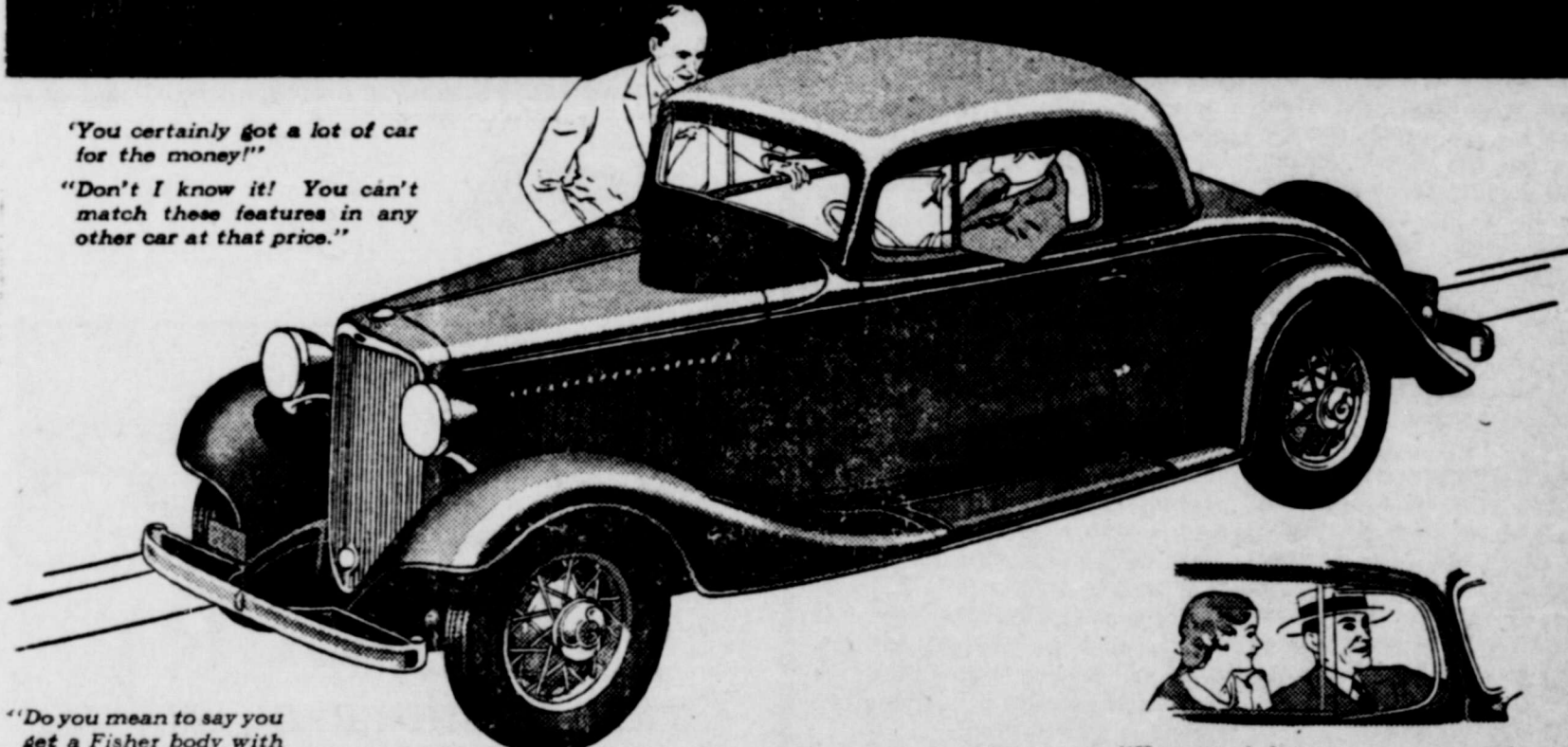
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The producers of "Grass" and "Chang" have soared grandly into the realms of imagination for the super-fantasy, "King Kong," the RKO-Radio Picture featuring Fay Wray, Robert Armstrong and Bruce Cabot at the Palace theatre, Sweetwater, Thursday and Friday, June 1 and 2.

With the late Edgar Wallace, Cooper conceived the extravagantly fantastic idea of bringing the prehistoric age into juxtaposition with the modern age. First an expedition to a jungle island discovers surviving members of the Jurassic Age — the pterodactyl, trachodon, tyrannosaurus, brontosaurus, triceratops and others—ruled over by a giant ape standing more than fifty feet high.

Then the ape is transported to civilization — to New York. Breaking loose, he tears through the streets where people, automobiles, street cars, elevated lines are like so many tin toys beneath one's feet — where even the tallest building in the world is no more difficult to climb than a tree!

The great "King Kong" even reaches into the sky and provides a new menace for airmen. A snatch at a plane pumping machine gun bullets into his tough hide, and it is doomed.

"King Kong" is a terror — the mightiest terror man, either in or out of fiction and of the movies, ever attempted to capture and subdue!

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Extravagant with its surprises and

action, "King Kong" sweeps one into a new realm of entertainment and leaves one with something to wonder at and talk about.

**Crude Oil Tax Bill
Signed by Governor**

Austin, May 25.—Governor Miriam A. Ferguson Monday approved the bills passed by the legislature, levying a 2 cents a barrel tax on oil production and providing criminal statutes to prevent violation of oil proration orders.

The oil tax changes from a per barrel levy to a levy of 2 per cent of the value when crude oil sells for \$1 a barrel or more. It also applies the intangible assets tax to oil pipe lines and taxes slot machines. It has been estimated it will raise \$12,000,000 annual revenue.

The governor suggested that only slight corrections be made to insure the validity of the bill.

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Third Row—Richardson, Hulsey, Patterson, Huskey, Vick, Derrick.
Fourth Row—Shouse, Hogan, Mellinger, Rider, Roberts, Middleton.
Fifth Row—Hughes, Church, Miller, Murray, Church, Bicknell.
Sixth Row—Stanley, Dean, Perkins, Anderson, Berryman, Sharp.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Sunday Evening, May 28, 1933, 8:15 O'clock
METHODIST CHURCH

1. Prelude High School Chorus
- A. Sing to the Lord Homer-Gabriel
- B. Those Songs My Mother Sang H. W. Smith
- C. Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us Edwards
- D. Trees Rasbach-Deis
- E. Life Has Nothing Sweeter Edwards
2. Processional Miss Thelma McAninch
3. Faith of Our Fathers Faber-Hemy
Congregation
4. Invocation Rev. C. R. Joyner
5. Sermon Dr. E. B. Surface
6. "A Little Prayer" Hamblen
Girls' Choral Club.
7. Benediction Rev. E. L. Yeats
8. Recessional Miss Thelma McAninch

COMMENCEMENT

Monday Evening, May 29, 8:15 O'clock
METHODIST CHURCH

PROGRAM

1. Processional Miss Thelma McAninch
2. Chorus, "Invitation" Veazie
Senior Class
3. Invocation Rev. E. L. Yeats
4. Trio, "Prayer Perfect" Riley-Stenson
Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller, Van Roberts
5. Address Dr. D. M. Wiggins, Simmons University
6. Presentation of Diplomas and Awards Supt. Roger A. Burgess
7. Girls' Octet, "A Dream Boat Passes By" Lemare-Page
Imogene Middleton, Frances Marie Church, Florene Rider, Opal Huskey, Duncan Briggs, Joyce Wheeler, Mildred Richardson, Margaret Miller.
8. Benediction Rev. C. R. Joyner

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Community Natural Gas Co.
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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Miss Inez Parker, who until recently has lived at Post but who lately moved with her mother to Sweetwater, is visiting friends here this week. Inez has been attending school at Canyon.

W. E. McCollum, employe of the Southern Oil Corporation, attended to business in Big Spring the early part of the week.

Mrs. I. E. Kelley and children of Rochester were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Mennick visited relatives here last Sunday.

Mrs. Bonner of Clyde is a guest of Mrs. J. L. Leamon this week, also of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Beasley.

Mrs. C. T. Beckham and son, Herbert, attended business at Lamesa last week, where she also visited with another son, Winslow, and family of that place.

Eli Kegans, formerly of Trent, visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Taylor of Ozona are guests in the home of Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. Denton have returned home after spending some two weeks with relatives here and at Sweetwater.

Miss Cora Scott is spending the week here with her brothers, Spurgeon and T. D. Scott.

Mrs. Buck Phillips attended to business in Fort Worth last week, also visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. M. Billings spent the week-end at her home in Abilene last week. She was accompanied by little Billie Ruth Phillips, who is in her care while her mother is in Fort Worth.

Charlie Howell attended to business in Abilene Saturday afternoon.

Brother and Sister Howell attended prayer meeting at the Baptist church last Thursday night. Mrs. Scott led the meeting, using the next Sunday School lesson for the devotional, after which there was a general discussion of the lesson led by Brother Howell. There was a good attendance, but there is room for more. We want everyone to feel welcome from other churches as well to come and worship with us.

L. W. Ross, who has been sick for a while, is reported still improving. Jack Bowers of Abilene High at-

tended the play here Wednesday night and visited over the week-end at home.

Elery Smith left last Tuesday for the valley, accompanied by Mrs. Knox, his mother-in-law, and going by way of Sweetwater he was joined by Mrs. Smith, his mother, and also Mrs. Ethel Jones, formerly of this place. Mr. Smith expected to return this week. After a few days of hunting and fishing the trio will remain for a month or more to camp.

Mrs. Boswell and daughter, Annie Laurie, visited Mrs. Boswell's mother at Merkel last week-end.

WELL REPRESENTED AT RALLY DAY.

The Trent Home Demonstration club was a banner club at Rally day held in Abilene on May 18. The booth was decorated with the club colors, green and white, and was considered one of the best displays of handwork demonstrated. Mrs. T. G. Hamner was given second place in the applique quilt division, having displayed the fruit basket design. Others carrying quilts were: Mesdames Clark Hamner, Buster Edwards, John Strawn, J. B. Winn and W. Kelley. Dinner was served at Fair Park.

Others attending were: Mesdames Payne, Wash, Reeves, Williamson, Bud Burks, Ed Burks J. M. Smith, Ogletree, Armour, Nemir, Hosea Winn Stewart, Beckham, Allen, Pass, Boone and Harvey Jones.

DINNER PARTY.

Sharing triple honors, Mrs. W. E. Shouse attended a birthday celebration at the home of her son, Clarence, in Merkel Sunday. The occasion was also the birthdays of Mrs. Clarence Shouse and a granddaughter, Evelyn McCormick.

Mrs. Shouse received many useful and beautiful gifts. Dinner was ser-

ved buffet style to approximately 50 guests.

Those attending from Trent were: Mr. and Mrs. John Payne, Billy Dick and Alma Jean Payne, Mr. and Mrs. James McWilliams and family and Andy Shouse.

High School News.

TRENT HIGH STAFF.

Editor-in-chief, Fanny Belle Vesel.

Senior reporter, Sara J. Johnson. Junior reporter, Stanley Coppage. Sophomore reporter, Doreen Scott. Freshman reporter, Vera Bright.

CARD OF THANKS.

We, the High School group, teachers, board of trustees, wish to thank the Merkel Mail for their hospitality shown to us by publishing our news each week. We all feel that we owe something to the Merkel Mail.

The High School Group.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

The High School graduation will be May 26, at the High School auditorium at 8:30 o'clock.

The valedictorian of the Seniors will be Miss Vivian Ruth Coppage and salutatorian will be Miss Helen Marine Bright. The address to graduates will be by Judge John L. Camp of Abilene. The other Seniors are Sally Freeman, Bob Howell, Jewel Gabbert, Johnnie Terry, Sara J. Johnson, Charley Howell and the honor graduates. Supt. Roy F. Elliott will present the diplomas and awards.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

The Grammar School graduation will be held Thursday, May 25. The salutatorian will be Ola Martin and valedictorian will be Lucille Howell. The other graduates are Lillian Grace Reeves, Dow Williamson, R. T. Bish-

op, Hazel Lane, N. L. McLeod, Audre Rogers, Gladys Roberts, John Duncan, Lois Orand, Winnie McDonald, D. A. Hutcheson, Elizabeth Winn, Hazel Wanda Williamson, Clariney Wearthom and Clyde Daily. Garland F. Franks will present the diplomas and awards.

PAJAMA PARTY.

Misses Jewel and Vada Gabbert en-

tertained in their home last Monday a few of their friends with a pajama party. The evening was one of amusement. Dancing, "42" and violin music furnished the entertainment. Ice cream was served early in the evening while iced orangeade was served at midnight to Misses Idell Cooper, Fanny Vessel, Gladys Rogers and the hostesses.

Eight Inches of Rainfall. Clarksville, May 25.—The heaviest rainfall of record occurred at Clarksville Monday morning when 8.3 inches fell within a period of three hours, exceeding by 3.3 inches the largest previous rain in thirty years.

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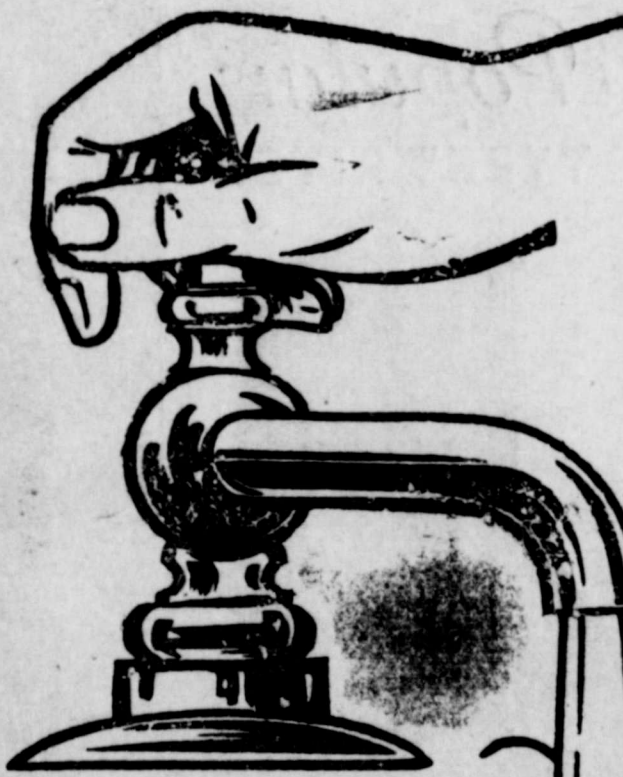
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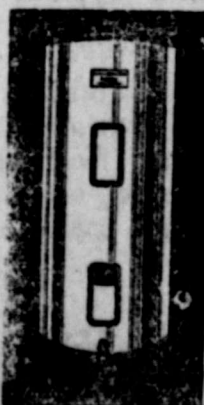
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CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

There were 776 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools in Merkel last Sunday. The previous Sunday had been cut to only 543 on account of inclement weather. Attendance on the same Sunday a year ago was 832.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

All regular services Sunday. Preaching services Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

Sunday School starts promptly at 10 a. m. B. T. S. Sunday evening at 6:45.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. This will be the only service next Sunday, as the pastor will be away at the Columbus, Ohio, meeting of synod. If you are not attending Sunday School elsewhere, we would be very glad for you to enroll with us.

J. J. Russell, Jr., Supt.
R. A. Walker, Pastor.

METHODIST NEWS NOTES.

Next Sunday is Rally day for the young people's division of this district. The young people will gather here about 9 a. m. and stay until 3:30 p. m. Plans will be made to make the coming assembly the best ever held at McMurry college.

A visiting minister will speak at 11 o'clock.

The evening hour will be used by the public schools. Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. E. B. Surface of Abilene.

Federal Reserve Makes Huge Bond Purchase

Washington, May 25.—The first move under the inflation act, the federal reserve board Tuesday went into the open market for the purchase of \$25,000,000 in government bonds.

Secretary Woodin explained the purpose of the move was to replace \$25,000,000 in government bonds with currency. No currency inflation is involved, rather credit expansion is sought, he added.

The outstanding government bonds will be bought in the open market with \$25,000,000 fixed for the first step.

Three Local Boys to Recruit Forest Camps

Twenty more recruits from Taylor county joined the RFC civilian conservation corps the first of this week, bringing the total from this county to 26, so far. Six left the early part of the month.

Included in the list of 20 who left Abilene for Fort Worth last Sunday were three Merkel boys: Clinton Orrer Bryan, Ansel Leonard Campbell and Monroe Wozencraft. They have been assigned to Fort Sam Houston at San Antonio.

Taylor county's allotment was originally set at 82, leaving 56 yet to be called.

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BLAIR ITEMS

We have had nice rains, crops look good and little garden stuff is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Posey and children, Horace and Joy, of Throckmorton, were past week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown.

The Blair school closed Tuesday, completing a successful term.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wilson and son, Jessie Earl, of Red Springs, were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore, the first of the week.

The Doan brothers and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell visited last week-end with their brother, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Doan, of Roscoe. Mr. Doan, who has been critically ill, was getting along nicely.

Mesdames Jim Campbell and V. L. Doan were guests the past week of Mrs. O. W. Walker of Salt Branch. Purl Sandifer and children of Tuscola spent several days recently with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Doan. Mr. and Mrs. Doan and Mrs. Sandifer spent Mother's day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dulin, of Rotan.

H. E. Addison, who was hurt in a car accident recently, is convalescing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. Moore and family of Lys.

A crowd of young people enjoyed a social in the home of Mrs. Lowery Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mayfield enjoyed a visit from their daughter of Anson recently.

NOTICE.

Beginning Monday, May 29, and until further notice, the following banks will close at 3 p. m., instead of 4 p. m., as at present. Customers will please take notice.

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OBLIGATION PARTY.

The hospitable home of Mrs. Frank Golladay, on Oak street, was opened Tuesday afternoon to members of the N. G. O. club.

The afternoon hours were spent in merry games of progressive "42" and at tea time delicious refreshments of cream and cake were served by the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Dub Johnson.

The guest list included: Mesdames Duncan Briggs, L. D. Boyd, R. A. Purgees, Oscar Buford, Eli Case, Etzel Church, W. M. Gambill, Fred Latham, Herbert Patterson, J. E. Richardson, C. K. Russell, Doc Vaughn, Brooks Patterson, Dub Johnson and Frank Golladay.

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