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CLOSER CHECK ON DISPENSING LIQUOR URGED

Grand Jury Report Alleges that Biggest Part of Whiskey Comes from Drug Stores; 13 Indictments Are Returned.

Declaring that "certain drug stores of this county are dispensers of the major portion of the liquor that is being sold," the grand jury of 104th district court in a report to Judge W. R. Chapman Thursday afternoon recommended that officers keep a more strict vigilance in checking the dispensing of liquor. The report included 13 indictments, eight of which charged violation of liquor laws.

"We desire to remind the drug store operators that their whiskey permit from the comptroller's department only authorizes them to sell whiskey for medicinal, sacramental and scientific purposes, and does not authorize them to sell whiskey for beverage purposes," stated the report of the grand jury, signed by Ben L. Peevey, former Taylor county deputy sheriff, as foreman.

Other members are J. S. Hicks, Tuscola; S. B. Hinds, Tye; Floyd F. Hodge, Tuscola; Roy Fisher, Bradshaw; W. W. Toombs, Merkel; A. B. Sheppard, Wingate; Jim Cumby, Ovalo; Z. V. Moore, Merkel; Homer Hutto, Earl Lassiter, Abilene; Andy Shouse, Trent.

Prominent Speakers At State Lions Meet

S. F. Nesmith and Stanley King returned Tuesday night from the State Lions Club convention at Temple. Mr. Nesmith was a delegate from the Merkel club. A. T. Sheppard, other delegate of the club, returned Wednesday.

Several prominent speakers were on the program of the two-day convention, including Governor James V. Aldred; Vincent C. Hascall, Omaha, Neb., president of Lions International; Rafael de la Colina, consul-general at San Antonio, representing the Republic of Mexico, and Brigadier-General Carl Nesbitt, adjutant general of Texas.

The convention went on record in favor of a Lions day at the Centennial celebration in Dallas next year. Selection of a site for the 1935 convention was postponed, with Abilene and Brownwood extending tentative bids.

Attend Annual Gathering.

Among those from here who attended the annual Baker-Waters reunion at Forest Park, Fort Worth, Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Baker, Mrs. Jewel McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson, Byron Patterson, Mrs. Claude Dye, Miss Irene Perry, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Mashburn, Terrell Mashburn and Miss Florene Rider.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, June 4, 1915.)

BRIGGS-BROWNING.

Jno. W. Briggs and Miss Duncan Browning of Merkel were married at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Gaddy, 4603 Columbia avenue, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Mr. Gaddy officiated. The ceremony was attended by personal friends—Monday Morning Dallas News.

The above and a telegram to the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Browning, Sunday afternoon announced the culmination of a romance that had its origin several years ago. Mrs. Briggs, nee Browning, had been visiting in Oklahoma and Greenville and had made plans for months to tour California. The bride is a Merkel girl, a young woman endowed with a mind of a rare beauty and loving kindness. The groom is popular in business and social circles, and has many friends here. Mr. and Mrs. Briggs came in from Dallas Tuesday morning and are now at the residence of the Brownings where they are receiving congratulations and best wishes for happiness.

BURROUGHS-HUFFAKER.

The marriage of H. C. Burroughs, Jr., and Miss Zyle Huffaker came as

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Aubrey Jordan, 10, was seriously injured when a bale of cotton fell on him while he and several companions played in a warehouse at Vernon.

Edwards Williams, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams, was drowned in a tank on a farm near Roscoe while swimming with two other boys.

Following the resignation of Rev. Atticus Webb as superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league of Texas, Rev. Jeff Davis, pastor of the Baptist church at Center, was elected his successor.

The T. P. Sunshine Singing convention at Colorado closed Sunday with the re-election of M. Shaw of Abilene as president and the selection of Breckenridge for the 1936 meeting.

Texas supreme court justices and commission of appeals members, sitting in special session, swore in 41 members of the law profession, graduates from the University of Texas law school.

Young Democrats of Texas will meet in Abilene next summer for their fourth annual convention, the invitation from Taylor county having been accepted at the recent Amarillo convention.

George (Hook) McCullough, 36, former star athlete of the University of Texas and regarded as the outstanding football end of the Texas teams, died at a Kansas City hospital at noon Saturday.

Love Kimbrough of Brady, sheriff of McCulloch county, was elected president of the Sheriffs association of Texas at the annual convention at Edinburg, and Waco was selected for the next convention.

Convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States government of liquor taxes, Sheriff Len Irvin of Lamb county and 18 other persons were sentenced in United States district court at Lubbock Tuesday.

With the death of Edward Wingate, of Farmersville, from injuries received Saturday night when his motorcycle crashed into a parked car, Dallas county's traffic toll for the year reached the appalling figure of 63.

An 18-year-old girl, who leaped to her death from a 10-story building in Houston, was identified as Mildred Hopkins of Port Arthur. She had been in Houston for three weeks and had been on the relief rolls since Saturday.

D. W. Michaux, who 16 years ago launched the Shrine Crippled Children's Aid work in the United States by presenting the first Shrine ball for that purpose in Houston, died in a Houston hospital after a protracted illness.

a complete surprise to their many friends here. Their plans were so completely arranged that even the members of the bridal party were kept guessing until the car stopped at the Methodist parsonage where Rev. and Mrs. Garvin and the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Burroughs, awaited them. After a beautiful ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Burroughs went to the home of Mrs. B. Jinkens, where a party of special friends, armed with pans, buckets and kindred articles, treated them to an old-fashioned charivari. They will be at home at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Dickson on Oak street.

E. V. White, Jr., of Denton is here visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Vol Martin. From here he will go to Roscoe to visit relatives.

Messrs. H. M. Warren and Fred Guitar went to Dallas Friday of last week and returned home Sunday, making the return trip overland in a new Buick 25 touring car purchased by the latter through the local agent, Mr. Warren.

Miss Mamie Rister visited Miss Alice Williams in Abilene Sunday.

CRITICS SEEK TO WRECK ALL AAA PROGRAMS

Proof of the Results Shown in Advances in Values of Farm Products Since 1932, Texas Representative Says.

Critics of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration who hope to sow the seeds of discord among farmers appear to have forgotten the desperate conditions that prevailed in 1932 and the great improvement since that date. Representative Marvin Jones of Texas pointed out in a recent radio address.

"In the winter of 1932 farm products prices were the lowest and most unsatisfactory in fifty years," he said. "Corn was 19c per bushel; today it is 85c. Wheat was 32c and today is 90c. Then the farm price of cotton was 5c a pound; today it is 12c."

In addition to these increases in farm products prices, Representative Jones said, the AAA has paid farmers approximately \$1,000,000,000 (billion), greatly increasing the purchasing power of the farmer and stimulating business all along the line.

"These prices have not injured the consumer," he continued. "The raw material cost, when translated into the finished product, is so small as to be almost negligible. It is far more than offset by the tremendously increased purchasing power of the farmer and his consequent purchases of the manufactured product, which are reflected in better business conditions."

PERSONAL NEWS NOTES

Miss Carrie Coffey of Electra is the guest of Miss Johnnie Sears.

Mrs. Hayward Shull of Oenaville is the guest of Mrs. Milton Case.

Miss Eleanor Mae Gamble left Monday for a visit in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dilt and two children left Wednesday for Amarillo. Noel Bright of Hereford was the week-end guest of Miss Frances Marie Church.

Will Tucker and family of Fulbright are visiting in the T. R. Lassiter home.

Mrs. Mary Garoutte and family of Gladewater visited Sunday with Miss Dota Garoutte.

Mrs. Sidney Foy of Baird was week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry West.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Elliott of Dallas were week-end guests of their parents, Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott.

Mrs. Frank Allyn and daughter, Miss May Allen of Eskota, visited Miss Dota Garoutte last week.

Mrs. Amy Johnson of Greenville is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. W. Ashby, of the Comper community.

Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Shive of McCamey spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Selma Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Old of Abilene spent last week with Mrs. Old's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Hutcheson of Marshalltown, Iowa, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hutcheson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Slayden and children left Wednesday for a month's vacation visit to Clarksville, Tenn.

Mrs. S. G. Russell, Jr., and Miss Alice Russell are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Shive in McCamey.

Mrs. Johnny Cox returned Wednesday to her home at Cisco after a visit with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong.

Mrs. W. B. Graham and son, Joe Earl, of Overton arrived Wednesday morning for a visit with her mother, Mrs. J. H. McDonald.

Miss Martha Bird, who teaches in the Graham public schools, was home for a few days, but returned to teach in summer school there.

Mrs. W. W. Smith and daughter, Frances, of Benson, Ariz., are visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Zshnpfennig.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Sublett and David Gamble, Jack Lowe and Jack West are a fishing party on the Llano this week.

Gene Nesmith of Los Angeles, Calif., a brother of Manger S. P. Nesmith of the Queen theatre, was a

visitor last week in the Nesmith home.

Miss Mary Joe Armstrong, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Armstrong of Ft. Worth, is visiting with her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. M. Armstrong.

Mrs. Martin Jensen and two children, Mary Lee and Shirley, of Louisville, Ky., are here to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Proctor.

NEW LAW CUTS INTEREST RATE ON FARM LOANS

Reductions Until 1938 Announced by Taylor County Representative; Loans Amounting to \$129,192,350 Since 1933.

The interest rate on all Federal Land Bank loans made through National farm loan associations will be reduced to 3 1/2 per cent for all interest payable in the one-year period commencing July 1, 1935, and to 4 per cent for all interest payable in the two-year period commencing July 1, 1936, according to V. B. Carothers, secretary-treasurer of the Abilene National Farm Loan association.

Interest on installment debts after July 30, 1935, will be at the original contract rate, which is 4 1/2 per cent on loans being made and 5 to 6 per cent on loans made before April 1.

The reduction will affect only land bank loans, all of which are first mortgages. Interest on land bank commissioner loans, either first or second mortgages, will continue at 5 per cent.

The new act extends until Jan. 1, 1940, the time in which the commissioner may make direct loans to farmers on first or second mortgages. Loans now can be made to finance the purchase of farms, whereas formerly commissioner's loans were limited to refinancing debts, repurchasing farms lost through foreclosure and for working capital.

Loans totalling \$129,192,350 to 42-

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TO SELECT 'MISS MERKEL' IN COLORFUL PROGRAM TO BE STAGED HERE SATURDAY

BASEBALL

LEAGUE STANDING	W	L	Pct
Union	2	0	1.000
Truby	2	0	1.000
Tye	2	1	.667
Noodle	1	1	.500
Divide	1	1	.500
Stith	1	1	.500
Trent	0	2	.000
Hodges	0	3	.000

RESULTS

Truby 6, Noodle 2.
Tye 15, Hodges 3.

By defeating Noodle, 6-2, in Saturday's game, Truby won a tie with Union in Merkel's-Community league, both Truby and Noodle having won two games each and lost none.

In the second game of the twin bill last Saturday, Tye defeated the Hodges nine 15-3, in spite of the fact that B. Garner, the Hodges twirler, struck out 13 men.

Noodle came out on the small end of the score after getting eight hits off Hughes, while Truby garnered seven off the offerings of Black of Noodle, and also having made only three errors to seven committed by Truby.

Box scores of both games appear elsewhere in this issue of The Mail.

Saturday's game this week will be between Stith and Divide. The game will start at 3 p. m.

W. F. Derrick, 81, Dies Unexpectedly Monday

W. F. Derrick, 81 father of Claude Derrick, died unexpectedly Monday morning at 7 o'clock at the home of another son, C. A. Derrick, in the Corinth community between Anson and Stamford.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon at the home of his son in the Corinth community, with Rev. J. West, Baptist minister of Anson, officiating, and graveside services were conducted at Rose Hill cemetery here, where interment was made, by Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church.

A native of Mississippi, Mr. Derrick came to Collin county in 1869, settling at Farmersville, and for many years he engaged in farming. He had been retired about 20 years and during the winters made a habit of visiting his sons here and at Anson. His wife died in 1893.

Surviving children are C. A. Derrick, Jones county; C. T. Derrick, Merkel; Mrs. Beulah Vernon, Abilene; Mrs. Ada Keppler, Canadian; and Mrs. Pearl Dennis, Hollis, Okla.

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Presbyterian Revival Concludes Friday Night

Services Friday morning at 10 o'clock and Friday evening at 8:15 will conclude the revival meeting at Grace Presbyterian church, conducted by Dr. John H. Burma, pastor of the Sherman Presbyterian church.

Weather conditions during the past ten days have appreciably reduced the attendance that might have been expected, but those who have availed themselves of the opportunity have heard some wonderfully inspiring and instructive sermons, as Dr. Burma is admittedly one of the most effective preachers in the state.

Rainfall for Year Touches 20 Inches

Following nearly a week of clear weather, rain set in again Tuesday morning, with a slow drizzle falling most of that day. Wednesday the precipitation was heavier and came in downpours Wednesday night.

Up to Thursday noon a total fall of two inches had been measured by Volunteer Weather Observer Grover Hale, bringing the total for the year to 20 inches. The editor of the Mail grew careless with so much moisture last week and dropped one inch from the tabulation, which was erroneously reported as total of 17 inches for the year up to that time, whereas it should have been 18 inches.

THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible," and which contains Four Great Testaments ...

64 BRUCE BARTON

PAUL'S SPIRIT MARCHES ON. A

What sort of a man was Paul who endured so much and triumphed so abundantly? He was nervous, aggressive, self-assertive, proud—a little man apparently, with weak eyes or some other physical infirmity.

Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.

And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected, but received me as an angel of God, even as Jesus Christ.

... if it had been possible ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and given them to me.

Less eloquent than Apollos, he admits frankly that his bodily presence was unimpressive and testifies to some "thorn in the flesh" that was a constant source of suffering and humiliation. He delighted in words of power, which recur in his letters again and again. Like Oliver Wendell Holmes, also a small man, he admired athletics, and his writings abound with references to games and contests, to fighting the good fight, and to winning the prize.

What would the message of Jesus have become without Paul's missionary journeys and organizing ability? We can only guess the answer, but this much we know—that after about 150 A. D. Christianity nearly ceased to convert Jews and has made no notable progress in that direction since.

The church in Jerusalem began to dwindle and finally faded out. But the churches which Paul planted, and the enormous momentum which his tireless energy provoked, carried forward until even the Imperial City itself was compelled to bow its proud head. Those who affirm that Paul created Christianity do him poor service, for we know how indignantly he would have denied it.

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Young Lady Named to Represent This City at Cowboy Reunion Will Also Receive \$25 Cash; Rodeo and Ball Game.

"Around the Clock with the Sponsors" tells the story of an interesting day for those who enter the sponsor contest arranged for Saturday, June 15, by the committee appointed as sponsors' committee and acting for the Merchants Trade Extension association. Booth Warren, as chairman of this committee, has been assisted in his plans by W. E. Lowe, W. W. Haynes and Dee Grimes, other members of the committee.

"Sponsors Day," especially arranged for the purpose of selecting a young lady to represent Merkel at the Texas Cowboy Reunion at Stamford, will prove an equally colorful day for Merkel's guests who come as visitors for the fourth free rodeo and the scheduled ball game between Stith and Divide. A street parade at 10 a. m. will also be one of the features of the day.

"AROUND THE CLOCK." Here's the program for the sponsors for next Saturday:

9 a. m. Assemble at home of Mrs. W. S. J. Brown on Oak street, with Mrs. Brown and Mrs. W. E. Lowe as co-hostesses.

10 a. m. Participate in street parade.

10:30 a. m. Judging of sponsors at rodeo arena.

12 m. Return to home of hostess.

12:30 p. m. Luncheon at Woody's cafe.

1:30 p. m. Return to arena and ride in grand entry.

1:45 p. m. Announcement of winner and presentation of prize.

2 p. m. Dismount and assemble in reserved section of grandstand for rodeo.

EIGHT ENTRIES TO DATE.

Up to noon Thursday, names of eight young ladies had been registered for the sponsor contest. These, with the communities sponsoring their presentation, are:

Erline Kelso, Stith.

Mrs. Will Butman, Butman.

Dorothy Martin, Trent.

Mrs. Ernest Hall, Golan.

Leta Faye Barbee, Noodle.

Clara Frances Largent, Union Rid.

Bessie Lou Windham, Blair.

Grace (Fuzzy) Huff, Dora.

It is expected that other entries will be received Thursday afternoon and Friday, and it is announced that any one wishing to compete in the sponsor contest may enter as late as 9 o'clock Saturday morning, by see-

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THE BOOK

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Was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;
Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.

Paul did not create Christianity, but he was the one man whose vision extended it far beyond the borders of its original home and who interpreted it in terms of world conquest.

But the soul of Paul went marching on. It carried into Spain and beyond Spain; it leaped the Atlantic and encircled the globe.

Next Week: Ten Famous Women.

Cut Interest Rate

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738 persons have been made by the Federal Land bank, for itself and the commissioners, since the farm credit administration was established May 12, 1933.

Sponsor Day

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ing either Chairman Warren or a member of the committee.

Beidas being designated "Miss Merkel" for the Stamford rodeo, the winner in Merkel's sponsor events will be awarded \$25.00 in cash.

Merkel girls will not compete in the contest this year. Any young lady residing outside of Merkel and in the Merkel trade territory will be eligible to compete.

Judging will be done by disinterested, out-of-town judges on the same basis as that used at Stamford.

Sponsors will be required to ride, figure eight fashion, around three barrels arranged in a row thirty feet apart.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Contestants in rodeo events are again urged and requested to see Tom Jinhons, area manager, register and pay their fees before 1 p. m. Saturday so that he can make up lists for the events of the day.

Taylor Pro Forces to Perfect Organization

At a meeting of the prohibition forces of Abilene Monday afternoon, it was decided to call a county-wide meeting to be held at the Abilene city hall Monday night, June 17, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of setting up a Taylor county organization to carry on the campaign against the repeal of constitutional prohibition in Texas.

Judge Otis Miller of Anson, district attorney, will make the principal address of the evening and will open the campaign of the dry forces in Taylor county.

State Representative Bryan Bradbury is also scheduled for a short talk presiding the organization meeting.

Merkel Boy Places in Four Events at Rice

First place in low hurdles and second in high hurdles, junior division, and third in low hurdles and fourth in high hurdles, senior division, were won by Jack Patterson son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson, at the Gulf A. A. U. meet at Rice institute last week.

Jack returned home Monday with his father and John Shannon. Milton Shannon, also a student in Rice, has gone to Laredo where he will work this summer.

The Box Score

Table with columns: Noodle, Justice, Black, Sharp, Reese, Derrick, C. Vick, Carter, Williams, Hale, H. Vick. Rows: AB, R, H, PO, A.

Table with columns: Truby, J. Grogan, Hall, B. Hollis, Bradford, J. Hollis, Scott, Hampton, Hughes, J. T. Grogan. Rows: AB, R, H, PO, A.

Totals 35 2 8 24 17
Score by innings: Noodle 000 020 000-2

Summary: Runs batted in—B. Hollis, J. Hollis, Scott 2, Hampton, J. T. Grogan, Black 2, Sacrifice—Scott. Stolen bases—Reese, Bradford. Errors—Sharp, Reese 2, J. Grogan 2, J. Hollis, Hughes 1, J. T. Grogan 3.

Table with columns: W. Jowers, B. Jowers, Herod, M. Street, J. Jowers, Ashby, C. Street, Loller, Stout. Rows: AB, R, H, PO, A, E.

Table with columns: C. Stevenson, B. Garner, Pursley, L. McCaleb, J. McCaleb, Jenkins, L. Garner, Cooley, Berry. Rows: AB, R, H, PO, A, E.

Summary: Runs batted in—C. Street 3, W. Jowers 3, Ashby 2, B. Jowers 4, M. Street 2, J. Jowers, C. Stevenson, L. Garner, Berry, Double—Pursley, Triple—Ashby. Earned runs—Tye 10, Hodges 3. Left on base—Tye 10, Hodges 3. Stolen bases—J. McCaleb, Cooley, W. Jowers, B. Jowers 2, M. Street 2, J. Jowers, Ashby, C. Street 3. Sacrifice hits—B. Jowers, J. Jowers, C. Street. Hit by pitcher—by Stout (Cooley), Garner (Loller). Wild pitch—Garner. Walks—Garner 2. Struck out—by Garner 13, Stout 5. Double plays—L. McCaleb to Pursley to Stevenson, L. Garner to J. McCaleb. Time of game—2:14. Umpire—C. Hollis.

Has Moderized Bakery Bought at Stephenville

That his business venture in the bakery business has proven successful for J. D. Ashby, a former Merkel boy, is shown by the following clipping from the Stephenville Empire-Tribune:

"The Dandy Bakery, a Stephenville institution, is now nearing its ninth month of operation under the supervision of J. D. Ashby, who purchased it from Henry Wehrman last September. Miss Velma Walker assists Mr. Ashby in the sales and other interior work and Olin Cameron runs the delivery truck.

"All machinery used by the bakery is of the modern type. The revolving oven now in use was installed by Mr. Ashby shortly after his purchase to replace the stationary one formerly used.

"The state inspector gave the bakery an A-1 rating in March and told the owner that this was one of the cleanest bakeries in which he had ever been."

Complete line of office supplies at Mail office.

Longfellow, who wrote "Hiawatha," never saw the Minnehaha Falls.

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The following list of jurors has been summoned for next week in 104th district court:

- Billie Cobb, A. D. Fulton, J. C. Brooks, Bertis Lang, W. L. Brown, R. I. Grimes, L. A. Coats, T. F. Hogan, W. D. Haynes, Merkel; M. F. Wilson, H. D. Gorham, Sam T. Redwine, Webb Casey, Wayne Hudspeth, G. T. Hooker, John Rogers, Carr Truett, G. L. Corrie, C. E. Roundtree, W. A. Jones, E. C. Powers, G. H. Blanks, R. Downing, Ira C. Pratt, S. C. Sammons, R. E. Larson, F. B. Davidson, L. V. Vantrees, J. D. Wilson, J. T. Blanton, W. P. Edwards, H. H. Willingham, Raymond Flesher, J. W. Hazlewood, S. J. Canon, C. S. Lee, Joe Hill, M. L. Vaughan, H. R. Parnell, L. M. Hembree, Henry Darden, Abilene; E. W. Sandell, C. W. Horton, Lawn; N. H. Wilson, J. C. Burlison, W. L. Roberts, Carl Hotham, Ovalo; O. N. McLean, Trent; W. P. Cunningham, Tuscola; W. E. Self, Jr., Wingate.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Felix Stalls has opened a bicycle shop on Kent street in the same building with Carl Black Radio shop where he will carry a full line of supplies, as well as new and used bicycles. He is also fully prepared to do any kind of bicycle repairing.

Bert Melton left Tuesday for Muskogee, Okla., where he will enter the veterans hospital there. Several weeks ago he was carried to the West Texas Baptist sanitarium for emergency treatment, when it was found an operation was not necessary.

Reports from the bedside of Miss Dota Garoutte, who has been critically ill for several weeks are to the effect that she is slowly improving, a fact her many friends will be glad to learn.

Trouble at the Leon plant of the Texas Electric Service at Eastland caused interruption of lighting and electric service in Merkel and this section for about 40 minutes Wednesday night, shortly after 10 o'clock. The high lines of the above company and of the West Texas Utilities company, which serves this area, are tied together in a network, trouble on one temporarily affecting the other.

Announcement of the addition of Dean Higgins to the personnel of Bob's Barber and Beauty Shop is made in this issue of The Mail. After this week, Bob McDonald will take personal charge of the beauty shop and will have his sister, Mrs. Belle McDonald, associated with him.

Record of Births.

- Boy to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Nelson, residing north of town, Sunday, June 9, 1935.
Girl to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Daniels, residing south of town, Wednesday, June 12, 1935.
Boy to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gilbert, View, Wednesday June 12, 1935.

Advertisement for Goodyear tires. Text: READ ABOUT IT! THE GREAT GOODYEAR ALL-WEATHER Proved! 43% More Miles of Road Non-Skid Safety. S. M. HUNTER, Merkel, Texas.

Abilene Hatchery Man Attends Poultry School

A one-day school of instruction on poultry disease control, sponsored by Dr. Salsbuty's Laboratories, Charles City, Iowa, at Brownwood, was attended by Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Kirk of Kirk's Hatchery, Abilene. The purpose of the school is to teach how various poultry diseases can be recognized and what to do to prevent and treat them.

Dr. Salsbuty's educational staff of poultry disease specialists, of national and international reputation, varied the course of instruction by devoting the morning to lectures and instruction on diseases, and the afternoon was given to demonstration and post mortem of diseased fowls.

Try a Classified Ad in The Mail.

Advertisement for Doan's Pills. Text: Rid Yourself of Kidney Poisons. Do you suffer burning, scanty or too frequent urination; backache, headache, dizziness, swollen feet and ankles? Use Doan's Pills. Doan's are for the kidneys only. They are recommended the world over. You can get the genuine, time-tested Doan's at any drug store.

Advertisement for Farmers & Merchants National Bank. Text: Welcome Sponsors! We join the Rodeo division of The Merchant's Trade Extension Association in extending to you a hearty welcome on Sponsor's Day, Saturday, June 15th. Every provision has been made for your entertainment and we sincerely hope that you may thoroughly enjoy yourselves on this day set apart for the selection of "Miss Merkel." Here's to each of you—and may the best girl win!

Advertisement for West Texas Utilities Company. Text: More Abundant Life. "WE HAVE IT" . . . for homes, for farms, for towns and cities, for industries. ELECTRIC POWER! West Texas is abundantly supplied with power resources. The West Texas Utilities Company's 2,600 miles of transmission lines are linked with modern, strategically located generating stations, bringing power to you wherever it is needed. "Let's Have Cheap Power!" We Have That, Too. Power is a commodity which grows cheaper the more it is used. The power from this company's lines, available every hour in the day or night for a variety of uses, can be purchased cheaper than it can be manufactured by the individual city, or the individual industry, farm or homes. "Let's Have Abundant Power, for a More Abundant Life." We Have That in West Texas, Too. You may recall, many years ago, when some neighbor was able to boast of his electric lights through cords hanging from the ceiling. Light was expensive then, only the well-to-do could buy this service. Today, everybody uses electric service, for the electric dollar buys now an abundant amount, about three times as much electric service as it did before the World War. Electric service is delivered to you now so cheap that its daily cost can be counted in pennies. The area served by the West Texas Utilities Company has ample power facilities to meet the demands of this growing and progressive "Land of Opportunity." West Texas. West Texas Utilities Company.

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. A. C. Clifford left Sunday for a trip of about three weeks to the state of Colorado. She will visit friends at Colorado Springs, Trinidad and Pueblo.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bright, accompanied by Henry Kilgore as chauffeur, left Saturday for an absence of several weeks. They plan to visit with relatives and friends in Eastern Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas and Colorado.

Miss Virginia Strawn left Saturday for Lubbock where she will study at Texas Tech.

Mrs. Ella Pannell of Sweetwater was a week-end guest of relatives here.

Miss Edith Hale, who will teach school at Eskota next term, is attending McMurry summer school.

Ray Freeman has gone to Temple where he entered the Santa Fe hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Johnson and little daughter of Cooledge are guests in the homes of John and Earl Strawn.

Mrs. Grady Scott and son, Jack, of Glendale, Calif., were guests last week of relatives here. Mrs. Scott will be remembered as Dollie Bishop.

Mrs. W. F. Steadman was called to Cedar Hill early Sunday morning to attend the funeral of Clarence Steadman, who died suddenly. He was a resident of this place and has a number of friends here who regret to hear of his death.

Mrs. L. C. Lester and little daughter of Tulla are guests here, dividing their time with relatives: Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bright, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Kegans and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Shannon.

Little Misses June and Joy Nalley have as their house guests their little cousins, Misses Anna Verle and Maxine Clement of Abilene, also two little gentlemen, Wesley and Cecil Rutherford of Putnam. Cecil Rutherford, Jr., of Abilene was their guest several days ago.

Miss Maimie Robinson, accompanied by three friends of Ranger, were guests Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling, accompanied by Mrs. A. Williamson, drove over to Mineral Wells Saturday. Mr. Stribling returned Monday, but his wife stayed over for medical treatment. Mrs. Williamson also remained over for a rest and medical treatment.

James Strawn has returned home from Greenville where he was a guest of his grandmother.

Miss Vada Summers and her brother of Clyde were passing guests of friends here Monday.

A number of W. O. W. sovereigns and Circle members attended the convention in Abilene last Thursday. The

ladies from here taking part in the parade were Mesdames Hattie Gafford, Lula Bishop, Agnes Burks, Fay Burks, Lola Lee O'Kelley, Berdene Hamner and Miss Gladys Hamner.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nalley visited in Putnam last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lanier Bishop and baby, accompanied by Mrs. Luke Bishop and son, Vernon, all of Houston, were guests several days last week of O. L. Bishop and family, also visiting Dug Bishop and family.

J. W. Armour, who last week was called to the bedside of his son, Jim, of Del Rio, returned home last Wednesday. Jim was sufficiently improved to make the trip home with him, remaining over night.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Taylor and charming little daughter have returned their home in Junction after spending several days here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Winn. On Sunday they all went to Hermleigh where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. English.

Mrs. J. E. Perkins has as her guests her sister, Mrs. Ruth Brown, and her son, Deon, of Blair.

Mrs. Lula Duckett, who has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. T. L. Stevens, has returned to her home at Monday.

Mrs. Frank Allyn visited from Tuesday to Thursday of last week with her husband at Cisco.

Mrs. B. C. Hamner and children of Wink are visiting with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Brown, and with the W. E. Hamner family.

Mrs. Curley Edwards and little daughter, LaNell, are guests this week of Mrs. Jack Childress of Anson.

Little Misses Ruth Marie Murdock is guest this week in the home of her cousin, Corce, of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wash of Hamlin were week-end guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wash. They spent a very pleasant outing Sunday at Sweetwater lake. Miss Dol-

lie Wash returned with them to Hamlin to spend the week.

W. J. Beckham and little son of Lamesa were guests Tuesday of Mrs. C. T. Beckham and Hubert Beckham.

The missionary society met in regular session Monday afternoon at the M. E. church. After the Bible study, a business session was called and plans were made for a radio review in the near future.

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Hodges Happenings.

Well, here we are again after an absence of several weeks. We have had lots of rain and by the looks of the clouds this (Tuesday) morning we may get more today.

Our farmers have almost finished planting; most of them have had to replant their cotton two or three times.

Miss Lucy Shipple and Miss Hazel Thomason of Anson were the guests of Miss Opal McCoy the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Moore and baby of Potosi visited Mr. Moore's parents here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ball and sons of Albany visited Mrs. Ball's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Green, Sunday.

The Hodges ladies baseball team play the Anson ladies team at Hodges on Thursday, June 13.

Little Master Jimmie Walsh is spending the week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Wash, of near Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Waddle entertained Thursday night, May 28, to compliment their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Waddle. Before her marriage on May 22, Mrs. Waddle was Miss Mavis Hook of Stephenville. She has been one of our very efficient teachers in the school here for the past three terms. Games of "42" afforded the evening's diversion, followed by presentation of a miscellaneous shower. Cake and punch were served to a large crowd of friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Waddle are at home to friends at the teacherage.

Little Miss Mary Sue Grant of Abilene spent the past week with friends in this community.

The grain is ripening fast and some farmers are beginning to harvest.

The ladies of the community are busy canning beans, peaches and berries.

The Anson W. M. U. will render a program at the Baptist church here on the second Tuesday in July and every one is cordially invited.

The M. E. revival is to begin here on Wednesday night before the fourth Sunday in July and the Baptist revival will begin on Friday night before the first Sunday in August. The Lord willing, we hope to have great revivals.

Mrs. Pearl Erwin, who underwent an appendix operation three weeks ago, is able to be up most of the time.

Mrs. Walter Thompson of Anson visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Dorris Jones is spending the week with friends in Anson.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jones were Mrs. Jones' sister of Quamata and Mrs. Davis of Anson.

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BLAIR ITEMS

Farming activities are progressing nicely at this writing. The row crops are growing fast and farmers are beginning to harvest small grain, which promises a fairly good yield.

Mrs. Chalmers Patterson and children of the Plains are visiting with Mr. Patterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears, the past week.

William Hughes of Merkel visited with J. W. Hughes Sunday.

Etsel Farmer of Butman spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell and son, Jimmie, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Farmer, Sr., of White Church.

Mrs. Otis Moore and baby, Jacqueline, are spending an indefinite time with her mother at Port Arthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Latimer and family motored over and visited relatives at Nubia Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duseck and children are visiting for an indefinite time with relatives at Caldwell. Mr. Duseck is Santa Fe agent here, and during his absence G. D. Ford of Temple is substituting for him.

Mr. and Mrs. John Russell entertained relatives from Abilene Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Etsell and family of Butman visited with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Patterson and family Sunday.

J. C. and Bill Patterson visited with relatives at Butman Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockford Patterson and son, Willie Lee, left last week-

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end for Quanah to be at the bedside of the latter's mother at that place.

D. C. Doan made a pleasure trip to Roscoe last week-end.

THE SETTING.
(In memory of Alice Reid Brown.)
The day was almost spent;
Its glories shone bright in the setting,
Wonderfully painted with the Heavenly tints,
And, as my eyes were beholding
The beautiful passing of this day,
The light softly touched me
And left me the sweetest memory
Of Love, Peace and Victory.

But, Oh! I have to face the night,
Made by the absence of this light;
But grave where is thy victory?
For the bridegroom will avenge thee.
And, too, he'll bring the wedding ring,
Disappointment and death, where is thy sting?
Praise God, the morning star has come.
I arise to say, "Thy will be done."
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RURAL SOCIETY

REUNION OF H. E. FARMER FAMILY.
Sunday, June 9, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Farmer were happy to have all of their children home, with the exception of one son, Adrian Farmer.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Murry Farmer and three children, White Church; Mr. and Mrs. Whit Farmer and son, Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Belle Farmer and two children, Butman; H. E. Farmer, Louis, Alton and Ira Farmer, all of White Church community; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell, Blair; Mrs. Virgil Lee Dean and three children, Blair; Mrs. Smith and Miss Warren, Snyder; Mrs. Bert Tittle and Mrs. Jones, Trent; Mrs. Tinkle and baby, Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Mary Provine and Miss Nola Provine, Merkel; Woodrow Barnes, Howard Shugart and Miss Odessa Stout, White Church.

At the noon hour lunch was spread in picnic style at the Farmer home. The afternoon was spent talking old times and every one departed with a joyful smile, wishing for many more happy occasions of this type.

COMPERE DEMONSTRATION CLUB.
Clothes can "make the woman," provided the woman makes the right clothes, and to have a good fitting

dress one must have a good pattern. Why? Ten club members spent the day Monday, June 3, in the home of Mrs. Ramsey. Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Jewel Faulkner, of Anson, Mrs. Bonneaux and Mrs. Seago of Noodle spent the day cutting patterns.

After noon Mrs. V. L. Merritt and Mrs. Bristow, also of Noodle, came with suggestions as to the canning budget.

Next meeting of the club will be on June 18, just before the county dress contest on June 22. Although this club has just got its pattern, the club expects to be represented in Anson that day.

BLAIR CLUB.
The Blair Home Demonstration club will meet with Mrs. Carl Hughes on Thursday, June 20, the program to be on the three AAA's.

Each member is to bring a gift for the club basket. All members are urged to attend and visitors are cordially invited.

NOTICE.
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MAYONNAISE Quart jar—Rainbo, per jar 29c	Cocoa, 1 lb. box 10c Gum, 3 packages 10c Soup, lg. can Stokley's 10c Oats, Crystal Wedding, with glass, small 10c Bisquick, large size, with pickle dish 58c Tomato Juice, 3 large cans 25c	Shoe Polish, lg. box 5c Extract, 2 oz. bottle 5c Jell-Well, lg. pkg. 5c Raisins, 7 oz. pkg. 5c

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Merkel Sends Five to Firemen's Convention

With N. A. Dowell, chief of the Merkel Fire department, and Floyd McCoy as delegates, a group of five left Monday for the annual convention of the Texas State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' association being held at El Paso Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Others going from here were Grisham Dowell, Bill Callahan and Frank Williams, and Mrs. McCoy accompanied her husband on the trip.

During the absence of Bill Callahan, driver of the fire truck, Morris Horton is assuming his duties.

PERSONALS

(Continued from Page Two)
Dallas artist who is conducting the second season's class of the Creative Sketch club of Abilene and in which James is assisting.

Visitors Friday in the home of Miss Mae Melton were her brother-in-law, H. L. Davenport, and Charles J. Liddell, both of Shawnee, Okla. Mr. Davenport is in the well casing business.

Mrs. M. D. Angus, accompanied by Mrs. Nannie Perry, Miss Hollis Perry, H. H. Toombs and Miss Louise Toombs, of Abilene, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Esker Curtis, in Breckenridge.

After the Baker-Waters family reunion at Fort Worth last week-end, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Beech of Henderson came on to Merkel for a vacation visit with Mrs. Beech's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg, accompanied by their granddaughters, Betty Lou and Marilyn Sue Grimes, and Mary Helen Lancaster and Dora Marie Gaither, returned Wednesday from a visit of several days in Glen Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Olin Lusby were up from Ozona to spend the week-end with Mrs. Lusby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dennis. It will be recalled that Olin was recently transferred to Ozona as manager of the West Texas Utilities Co.

Miss Irene Swann, who teaches at Roswell, N. M., and Miss Nell Swann, who teaches at Tyler, were home for a few days after the close of school term, but left later for Las Vegas, N. M., and Tyler, respectively, where they will teach in summer school.

L. C. Edwards, vice-president of the Farmers State bank, was accompanied on his return from a week-end visit to Dallas by his daughter, Mrs. Chlovesta Daugherty, of Dallas, and Mrs. Frances Nelson of Amarillo. Mesdames Daugherty and Nelson left Wednesday morning for Turkey and Amarillo.

CARD OF THANKS.

To all our friends who were so kind in extending sympathy in our sad bereavement in the loss of our dearly loved Mother, for the many beautiful floral offerings and telegrams, we wish to express our heartfelt appreciation.

May God's richest blessings be with you all.

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UNION RIDGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Hobdy were Friday night visitors in the W. M. Carey and M. L. Douglas homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McRee and two children are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McRee.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Clarence Horton was able to be moved home Saturday.

Miss Vada Gabbert was Sunday night's guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Click of Mt. Pleasant.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. W. A. Harris is very sick at this writing.

Miss Ruby and Alice Carey, accompanied by their parents, were Saturday visitors with Miss Blanche Carey at Sweetwater.

Everyone is asked to remember that there will be church at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. J. M. Williamson is on the sick list at this writing.

Mrs. J. W. Taylor is spending several weeks with a daughter, Mrs. O. R. Douglas.

Mrs. Bruce Deen has been at the bedside of a sister-in-law, Mrs. Troy Deen, of Albany.

The following Demonstration Club women attended the club rally in Abilene Tuesday: Mesdames M. L. Douglas, M. F. Carey, O. R. Douglas, Pierce Horton, Denzel Cox, Lige Harris, Misses Alice and Ruby Carey, Norma Patton, Mary Bell and Faye Douglas, Mildred Sanders, Mabel McRee, Laverne Harwell. Cars for this occasion were furnished by Mrs. O. R. Douglas, M. L. Douglas and Mrs. Lige Harris. Every one had a very enjoyable day.

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On Sunday, an admission charge of 10 cents, with ladies free, will be made for the Coahoma-Trent game.

Mother of Bill Fugat Dies at Home in Dallas

Mrs. Anna Fugat, 65, mother of W. L. Fugat, died last Friday at her home in Dallas. She had been in ill health for a number of months and upon receipt of a message telling of a turn for the worse Mr. and Mrs. Fugat left here last Thursday to be at her bedside.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church at Grand Prairie, conducted by Rev. Hugh Kaufman, Baptist minister. Mrs. Fugat had been a member of the Baptist church for more than 25 years.

Born in Dallas county, she had passed practically all her life there. Survivors, besides the one son, are three daughters: Mrs. C. H. Spears, Grand Prairie and Mrs. Henry Graswell and Mrs. Zetta Moore, Dallas.

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Elected Head Coach Fabens High School

Blanton McLean, former Merkel High and Sul Ross college all-athlete, has been elected as head coach of Fabens High school, a class A school in district 4.

McLean succeeds Joe Smith, who has held that position for the last five years. "Mac" played two years with the Merkel Badgers, four years at Sul Ross and was an outstanding man in all major sports. He captained six athletic teams during his career.

The new Fabens coach will have 14 letter men to greet him in August and from this group he is expected to turn out one of the best clubs ever to represent the valley school. He is already a marked coach in the valley, as his basketball team was nosed out only by a two point margin by Bowie (El Paso) in district play.

McLean will attend the coaching school at Dallas this summer.

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Tomatoes, 3 lbs.	10c	Early Riser Coffee, pound	15c
Lettuce, 2 heads	9c	Bird Brand Shortening, 4 b. carton	57c
Fresh Corn, 6 ears	15c	Pure Cane Sugar, 10 pounds	55c
New Spuds, 10 lbs.	23c	Red and White Meal, 5 pounds	19c
Red and White Tomato Juice, 3 cans	23c	Blue and White Pineapple, No. 2 can	15c
Red and White Corn Flakes, pkg.	10c	Red and White Corn, No. 2 can	15c
Blue and White Cocoa, pound	13c	Standard Tomatoes, No. 2, 3 for	25c
Dried Prunes, 2 lbs.	21c	Kuner's Peas, No. 2 can, each	14c
Red and White Grape Juice, pint	15c	Sunset Peas, No. 2 can, each	9c
Red and White Soap, 6 bars	25c	Vanilla Wafers, 12 oz. pkg.	15c
17 Piece Beverage Set with \$10 Purchase, per set	98c	Sliced Bacon, pound	30c
Sour or Sweet Pickles, 16 oz. jar	23c	Picnic Hams, pound	22c
Red and White Flour, 12 lbs.	59c	Jowls, pound	19c
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MARTIN-CAMPBELL.

The wedding of Miss Flossie Campbell and E. A. Martin came as a complete surprise to their many friends here. The marriage was solemnized at the First Baptist church, San Diego, California, on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Campbell, was reared here and following graduation from Merkel high school attended Hardin-Simmons university and Sul Ross Teachers college at Alpine. For the past several years Flossie has taught in the El Paso county schools.

Mr. Martin is connected with a construction company in San Diego, where they will make their home.

BRIDAL SHOWER.

Mrs. Frank Golladay was a very gracious hostess on Thursday afternoon, entertaining with a lovely party to compliment Mrs. R. M. Ferguson, nee Miss Anna Lou Russell. Lovely cut flowers decked the entertaining rooms, augmenting a color theme of pink and green for all party appointments.

Guests were greeted by the hostess who introduced the bride's mother, Mrs. C. K. Russell. Mrs. Ferguson was next in the receiving line and Mrs. Fred Latham, an aunt, invited guests into the dining room where Miss Nina Belle Russell, a cousin, presided over the bride's book. After an hour of games, little Miss Mary Fay Johnson read a toast to the bride and Doris Gay West charmingly presented the honor with a chest of beautiful and useful gifts, which were very much admired.

At the refreshment hour tables were attractively laid with pale green covers, centered with bud vases of spring flowers, where delicious brick cream with angel food squares was served on pink and green glassware to Mesdames Ferguson, Fred Guitler, Amy Sears, Comer Haynes, John Russell, Jim West, Eli Case, Milton Case, Jim Cook, W. S. J. Brown, Selma Russell, Castle Ellis, T. E. Collins, W. L. Diltz, Jr., A. T. Sheppard, Robert Hicks, S. G. Russell, Jr., J. H. McDonald, John West, Claude Dye, F. C. Hughes, P. A. Diltz, C. B. Gardner, Herbert Patterson, Lige Gamble, J. A. Milliken, L. R. Thompson, Tom Allday, Len Sublett, Bishop Hunter, V. B. Sublett, Duncan Briggs, Charlie Jones, Bob McDonald, Dee Grimes, Nathan Wood, D. H. Vaughn, J. P. Sutphen, F. C. McFarland, Booth Warren, W. E. Lowe, F. Y. Gaither, Holland Teaff, F. E. Church, Ed McCrary, Gladys McLean, R. I. Grimes, Fred Latham, C. K. Russell, Cyrus Pee, E. E. Dunn; Misses Mary Keny, Nina Belle Russell, Lottie Butman, Ona Johnson, Pauline Johnson, Stella Wilson, Mary Anna Mayfield, Hazel Lee Rainbolt, Doris Gay West, Alice Russell, Mary Jo Russell and Edith Baker.

KING'S DAUGHTERS.

The lovely home of Mrs. Fred Hughes on Oak street was opened to members of the King's Daughters on Tuesday afternoon when Mesdames Len Sublett and John Shannon were co-hostesses with Mrs. Hughes in entertaining. The house was beautifully decorated with sweet peas and other cut flowers.

The class was called to order by the president, Mrs. Latham, after which Mrs. W. S. J. Brown gave a very inspiring devotional. An entertaining program of tiny tots was given: Little Miss Bettye Jane Gates gave two readings and Master Harold Hughes followed with two songs. Miss Becky Gaither read and vocal numbers were sung by Misses Helen Heeter and Dorothy Lee Shannon. Games of "42" progressed happily until tea time when delicious pineapple sundaes and angel food cake were passed to the following: Mrs. Johnnie Cox, Cisco, and Christine Collins, visitors; Mesdames Dee Grimes, Fred Guitler, F. Y. Gaither, D. H. Vaughn, W. S. J. Brown, Edsel Church, Fred Latham, W. E. Lowe, Homer Patterson, Robt. Hicks, Eli Case, and the above mentioned children.

LANCASTER HOME OPENED.

Members of the T. E. L. Sunday School class were delightfully entertained in the home of Mrs. Hale Lancaster, Tuesday afternoon with Mesdames E. W. King and W. J. Largent assisting Mrs. Lancaster in entertaining.

A business meeting preceded the devotional, after which a social hour was enjoyed in which Bible contests were featured.

At the refreshment hour a dainty sandwich plate with angel food, olives and punch was passed to Mesdames

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Attendance at the last reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday was 768, as compared with 689 on the previous Sunday, On the same Sunday a year ago, 695 were present.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Herbert Patterson, superintendent. Preaching at 11 a. m. Subject, "Father's Day." Young people's meeting 7:30 p. m. Preaching 8:15 p. m. WMS Monday p. m. Boys and Girls World club Wednesday 4 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8:15 p. m. P. H. Gates, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. BTS at 7:15 p. m. WMU at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon Prayer meeting at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

The pastor is out of town visiting this week. He, Mrs. Mayhall and Jesse Lee attended the family reunion of Mrs. Mayhall's parents, who live at Eula.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible classes at 10 a. m. Lord's day, preaching 11 a. m., young people's program 7:30 p. m. and preaching 8:30 p. m. Bible study, prayer and song service Wednesday 8:30 p. m. We welcome you. The Elders.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

All services at usual next Sunday. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. by the pastor. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Last Sunday morning the Juniors put on a fine Children's Day service. Next Sunday night the Juniors will give a Father's Day service. Be at church early and hear them.

PHILATHEA CLASS.

Members of the Philathea Sunday School class met in their monthly social meeting Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. B. M. Williams, with Mrs. Rubie Henlee as co-hostess in entertaining.

CLASS PARTY.

Mrs. Ricky Rister entertained her Sunday School class with an enjoyable party on last Friday afternoon at her home in South Merkel. Following a discussion on the lesson, a delightful social hour was enjoyed. After the games delicious cake with a refreshing drink was served to: Johnny Jo Gouge, Wanda Mae Gouge, Thelma Gean Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Lucille Sellers, Betty Jo Sellers, Bonnie Wayne Ketcham, Harold D. Ketcham, Jackie Fay Massey, Della Ray Massey, Louise Gouge, Martha Ella Rister, Marvin Rister, Willie Joe Rister, Mrs. J. E. Rister and Mrs. R. U. Rister.

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Maxwell-Cousins Rites Delegates Named to San Angelo Meeting

Miss Alberta Cousins and Richard H. Maxwell, both of Haskell, were united in marriage at Sweetwater at 9:30 o'clock last Saturday night, with Rev. M. M. Beavers, Methodist minister, officiating. Miss Billye Derr and George E. Caple of Merkel were the only attendants.

Mrs. Maxwell, the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Cousins of Haskell, is a graduate of Canyon High school and also attended Northwest Texas State Teachers college.

Mr. Maxwell, who is county farm agent of Haskell county, is a graduate of A. & M. college and has proved most efficient in this very useful and interesting line of work.

The newly married couple spent the week-end with Miss Billye Derr here, and will be at home at Haskell for the present.

Singers of County in Called Session Sunday

Taylor county singers will meet in called session at Neill church, which is located on the Abilene-Buffalo gap road. The program will begin at 2 p. m.

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Coffee Maxwell House 3 LBS. 85c

Syrup Pure East Texas Ribbon Cane, gallon 63c

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