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PAST 87 YEARS OF AGE WHEN DEATH COMES

Mrs. Mollie J. Starkey Succumbs To Seven Weeks Illness; Survived by Only One Child, Mrs. H. R. Hicks.

Mrs. Mollie J. Starkey, who was past 87 years of age, died at 8:25 Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. R. Hicks, after an illness of seven weeks.

Funeral services were held at 4:30 Sunday afternoon from the First Baptist church, conducted by Rev. C. R. Joyner, assisted by Rev. P. H. Gates, Methodist pastor, and Rev. R. A. Walker, Presbyterian pastor. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

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Honorary: Jim Sublett, Alpine; Dave Sublett, Copperas Cove; Henry Sublett, Paducah; W. J. Hayes, V. N. Ellis, Castle Ellis, C. M. Largent, A. N. Hawkins, Rufus Adcock, T. C. Allen, W. M. Hays, Merkel; J. T. Howard, Abilene; M. L. Estes, W. D. Haynes, T. R. Lassiter, Merkel; C. L. Brown, Sweetwater; Homer Patterson, S. A. Coats, W. H. Laney, Merkel; C. H. Hutchins, Sweetwater; Ben Walters, Wills Point; Ollie Dye, A. R. Booth, Will Higgins, Jim West, W. D. Butler, Dr. R. I. Grimes, Dr. W. T. Sadler, Merkel.

Mrs. Starkey, whose maiden name was Mary Jane (Mollie) Sublett, was born near Scottsborough, Ala., on October 17, 1847. She was the daughter of G. A. and Rebecca Sublett, being the only girl of the family of five children. At the age of nineteen she was married to J. K. P. Starkey. They came to Texas in the early days and settled in Lampasas county.

To this union were born two girls, Buna Vista, who died in infancy, and Minnie Belle, who is now Mrs. H. R. Hicks of Merkel. She was a charter member of the Clear Creek Missionary Baptist church of Lampasas county. Her husband died in 1893 and she has since made her home with her daughter.

Mrs. Starkey is survived by one brother, A. C. Sublett, of Copperas Cove, Texas, besides the daughter, Mrs. Hicks, and four grandchildren: Robert Hicks, Merkel; Mrs. Andy E. Brown, Sweetwater; Mrs. Alva H. Hutchins, Sweetwater, and Vestal Hicks, Eastland; ten great-grandchildren also survive. She was the aunt of the Sublett boys and girls who reside here.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, June 25, 1915.)

Miss Annis Burnette left Sunday night for Fort Worth where she will join the Radnor party en route to the Panama Exposition.

Speaker John W. Woods of the Texas legislature was in Merkel a few moments Wednesday afternoon on his way home to Rotan with his wife and little daughter. They were traveling through the country in their auto.

JOINS FORD CLUB.

J. H. Insminger has joined the co-workers of Ford boosters by purchasing a five-passenger T. H. from H. M. Warren, the local Ford agent.

TO WEATHERFORD IN CAR.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Anderson and family and Miss Elma Sheppard left Sunday in the former's Chalmers-6 for Weatherford to visit Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Gamble.

On last Thursday evening a merry crowd of picnickers enjoyed an outing at the Warren Lake. A feast was spread in the light of the automobiles. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Black, Mesdames Ben Walters, H. L. Propst and H. R. Hicks. The crowd included Misses Bessie Touchstone, Eva Walters, Carol Rister, Faye Allen and Laura Winters;

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

\$1,100 worth of travelers checks and six money orders for approximately \$300 value were stolen from the office of the Railway Express company at Haskell Monday night.

Returning to Breckenridge after a honeymoon spent at Stephenville, Houston Biffle was killed when struck by a truck as he stepped out of his car along the road side six miles east of Caddo.

As their three small children looked on, D. D. Parker of Junction shot and killed his wife and then himself, as they sat in the front seat of their automobile at the ranch home of Parker's mother.

Mrs. W. V. Bloys, 86, widow of the founder of Bloys' Cowboy Camp Meeting of the Davis mountains, which holds its forty-sixth annual session this summer, died Friday at Fort Davis.

Trial of the murder case against Rev. Edgar Eskridge for the slaying of his friend, Police Chief Ed O'Reilly, at Orange three weeks ago, has been transferred to Houston on change of venue.

The board of education set a per capita apportionment of \$17.50, the statutory maximum, of state school aid for approximately 1,600,000 scholars during 1935-36. It was \$16.50 for the current year.

State Relief Director Adam R. Johnson received a money order for \$9.55 from Mrs. Blanche Perkins of Fort Worth in repayment of money received from the Tarrant County relief office in April, 1934.

Two men, Ben McDonald, 55, and Paul Brooks, 25, both of Berger, were blown to bits and a third was seriously injured when a nitroglycerin truck exploded at a grade crossing, six miles east of Amarillo.

Tom Keenan, 26, veteran transport pilot and operator of a flying school at Pampa, was killed and a passenger, Pat Loving of Wellington, was fatally injured when the plane they were flying crashed into a wheat field.

San Angelo was picked as the 1936 encampment site of the Texas department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and E. E. Wiseman of El Paso was elected commander, at the final session of the Corpus Christi convention.

Stephen Sparks, 16-year-old son of H. S. Sparks, superintendent of the Southwestern Portland Co., was killed when the dynamite-charged boulders of a cement quarry erupted prematurely and buried him beneath tons of limestone.

The jury in the \$25,000 damage suit case of Mrs. Spencer Stafford against Garza County Sheriff W. F. Cato, and his bondsmen, growing out of the killing of her husband, a federal narcotic agent, by Cato in Post February 7, awarded Mrs. Stafford \$15,000 as damages.

Messrs. John West, Robert Hicks, Dean and Guy Bradley.

On Friday evening the Fidelis class were guests of the Berean class for a moonlight picnic, the Bereans having provided buggies, an auto and a float to transfer the crowd to Warren's Lake, where a delightful supper was served to Misses Carroll Rister and Mamie Rister, Lillian Dean, Callie Lou Owen, Louise Scott, Faye Allen of Denton and Myrtice Saffle of Plainview, Irene and Willie Swann, Sadie and Annie Collins, Salina and Olive Teaff, Zora West, Misses Reeves of Terrell and Goode of Plainview, Mrs. W. A. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Merritt, Booth Warren, Wilbur Whitaker, Rufus and Rex McLean, Barney Garrett, Lewis Swann, Ed Scott and Bertice Dean.

On Tuesday evening Edward Hughes Scott entertained the following friends: Misses Jewel and Pearl Toombs, Ina Mae Adams, Nell Brittain, Ona Fae Bland, Myrtle Dupree, Madge Dean, Winnie Sharp, Messrs. De Verle Johnson, Roy Holmes, Stuart Grimes, Will S. Merritt, Frank Armstrong, Minor Burns, Merle Burroughs and Ed Scott. The host's mother and little Miss Mary Louise Scott served brick cream with block cake.

FOUR MONTHS SHOWS GAIN OF SEVEN PER CENT

Reviving Prosperity Signs Recorded By Federal Reserve Bank; Rise in Income, Bank Deposits, Store Sales.

Washington, June 27.—Increasing signs of reviving prosperity were cited by the Federal Reserve Board in one of its most optimistic business surveys in years.

1. Business activity in the first four months of this year was 7 per cent above a year ago.

2. The national income is the highest in four years and industrial profits are the highest in five years.

3. Bank deposits have grown more than a billion dollars since the start of the year; new security offerings in the first four months of this year exceeded a billion dollars and were the highest in four years.

4. Residential building has made wide gains and higher retail trade is shown by a rise of 3 per cent in department store sales.

The expanding national income which is bolstering mass buying power was attributed by the board to quickened industrial activity and to higher farm prices stimulated by governmental activities.

Along with the increased per capita income the board said that profits of large industrial concerns in the first quarter of this year were the highest of any similar period since 1930 but that railroads and public utilities have not enjoyed such favorable profits.

Visitor From Board National Missions To Preach Sunday

Rev. George W. Fender of Arlington, field representative of the board of national missions, synod of Texas, of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A., will preach at Grace Presbyterian church at the 11 o'clock hour Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Fender will be at Buffalo Gap Friday and Saturday nights of this week to show some motion pictures at the Encampment conference, and Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of the local church, arranged for him to come here and preach at the morning hour.

There will be no night service at the Presbyterian church, so that those who wish may attend the Encampment Sunday evening.

Taylor County Pro Forces Open Office

Announcement of the appointment of Mrs. H. K. Shanks as full-time secretary for Taylor county prohibition forces was made Saturday by Rev. W. R. Derr, chairman of the county prohibition speakers bureau. Headquarters were opened Monday morning in the Central State bank building, Abilene.

"Our purpose not only is to defeat the constitutional amendment repealing the Dean law, on August 24, but to arouse sentiment that will bring about a more stringent enforcement of our present prohibition laws," Rev. Derr declared.

Churches or other organizations desiring speakers are urged to contact Dr. Derr at once. He announced that he had a "long list of prominent speakers ready to talk when their services are requested."

Two Fingers Cut Off Operating Combine

Spencer Bird suffered painful injuries late Sunday when two fingers of his right hand were cut off while operating a combine on the Tom Largent place. A third finger was badly injured.

While no complications have set in, his injuries have kept him at home, but he was reported Thursday morning as able to be up and around the house.

Church Fall is Fatal.

Fort Worth, June 27.—Mrs. Hannah Cline, 71, who traveled to Texas from Michigan on a bicycle, with her husband, 40 years ago, died Tuesday of injuries suffered when she slipped and fell while helping to serve a church banquet.

THIRTY TOWNS PICK SPONSORS TO STAMFORD

Selection of Cowgirl Sponsors to Sixth Annual Cowboy Reunion Announced from Many West Texas Towns.

Stamford, June 27.—Thirty towns and cities of West Texas already have announced the selection of cowgirl sponsors to represent them at the Sixth Annual Texas Cowboy Reunion to be held in Stamford July 2, 3 and 4. The total is expected to reach 75 before the Reunion opens next Tuesday as the number is larger than had been selected at this date last year.

Preliminary judging of sponsors to decide the winner of the beautiful handmade saddle and other prizes will get under way at the rodeo arena Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock and the final judging will take place on the last day of the Reunion, July 4. On the second day, the sponsors will be individually introduced in the rodeo arena during the afternoon show.

The cowgirls will ride in the parades each day of the Reunion, including the grand parade on July 3. Dances each night and other social functions have been arranged for their entertainment. Mrs. L. M. Hardy of Stamford is official hostess.

Sponsors selected up to June 22, with towns they will represent follow: Miss Peggy Jackson, Abilene; Miss Marie Love, Anson; Mrs. Clyde Bingham, Aspermont; Mrs. Truett Blackman, Avoca; Miss Modesta Good, Big Spring; Mrs. Bill Bell, Crowell; Miss Georgia Wyatt Booth, Goree; Miss Colin Ann Humphreys, Guthrie; Miss Almeda Joslett, Haskell; Miss Lucile Daniels, Jayton; Mrs. Addison Jones, Justiceburg; Miss Leta Faye Barbee, Merkel; Miss Walter Faye Cowden, Midland; Miss Lucille Hardin, New Light; Miss Reta Bell, Odessa; Miss Eunice Frazier, Old Glory; Mrs. Evalyn Neff, Post; Miss Frances Parker, Roby; Mrs. George Oats, Rochester; Miss Mona Robinson, Rotan; Miss Erman Abbott, Rule; Miss Selma Swenson, Salesmanship Club, Dallas; Miss Joan Stocks, San Angelo; Miss Clara Mae Jones, Stamford; Miss Frances Eddie Bock, Sylvester; Mrs. Georgia Evans, Stephenville; Mrs. Paul Sutherland, Strawn; Miss Floy Beth Richards, Throckmorton; Miss Frances Prichard, Weatherford; and Miss Mary Beth Moody, Hamlin.

Prosperity Ahead Because of NRA's Work, Farley Says

Elmira, N. Y., June 27.—Postmaster General James A. Farley told the Chemung County Democratic committee that the impetus given to business by the NRA for the two years of its existence will carry the country toward prosperity.

"We cannot hope that recovery will be as rapid as it would have been had the constitutionality of the NRA not been determined adversely," Farley said. "But the seed the NRA has planted has obtained such a growth that public sentiment will not permit all the good to be lost."

Farley claimed the NRA brought re-employment to nearly 60 per cent of those out of work.

Bitten by Rattlesnake While Shocking Oats

While shocking oats shortly before noon Tuesday, Howard Maserang of Nubia was bitten in the left arm by a rattlesnake. After first aid, he came to town, where he received anti-toxin treatment from a physician, and is reported getting along satisfactorily.

The snake, which had six rattles and a button, was killed.

Work Administrator in Gotham.

Washington, June 27.—Almost two years to the day from his appointment as director of the NRA, General Hugh S. Johnson Tuesday was named director of work relief for New York City in the administration's \$4,000,000,000 drive to put men back to work.

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Farmer of Mulberry Canyon, Sunday, June 23, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas Smith, Tuesday, June 25, 1935.

FOURTH FREE RODEO TO BE STAGED SATURDAY OF THIS WEEK, JUNE 29; 1:30 P. M.

BASEBALL

LEAGUE STANDING	W	L	Pct
Truby	3	0	1.000
Union	2	1	.667
Tye	2	1	.667
Divide	2	1	.667
Noodle	2	1	.667
Stith	1	2	.333
Trent	0	3	.000
Hodges	0	3	.000

RESULTS

Noodle 4, Trent 3.

Truby 9, Union 3.

Defeating Union, with whom they were tied for first place in the Inter-Community league, by 9 to 3, in Saturday's game, Truby took the league leadership with three straight wins and no losses.

J. Hollis for the victors struck out seventeen batters and limited the losers to five hits.

In the first game of the double bill, Noodle eked out a 4-3 win over Trent. Going into the ninth one run behind, Reese of Noodle tripled to score Eoff and then tallied himself on a fielder's choice.

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

Saturday of this week Tye and Noodle will play, the game to begin at 3 p. m.

Homers by Sheppard, Adcock Bring Victory

Home runs by Benny Sheppard and Oscar Adcock accounted for a 2-1 victory for the Merkel Lions softball team over the Sweetwater All-Stars at Sweetwater last Friday.

The Merkel players were to meet the Sweetwater Wholesalers Thursday afternoon, the game to be played at Sweetwater.

Centennial Bill Is Signed By Garner

Washington, June 27.—Vice-President Garner signed the \$3,000,000 resolution for the 1936 Texas centennial Wednesday and presented the four pens he used to Senators Sheppard and Connally and Representatives Lanham and Johnson.

The authorization measure now goes to the White House, Speaker Byrns of the house having signed it this morning.

The Texans have not decided what procedure to follow in obtaining the actual appropriation.

At the same time, it will provide an added privilege for those who attend this week's rodeo.

Officials of the Merkel Trade Extension association wish to extend an invitation to other sponsors from this territory to the Stamford show to make their appearance here and ride in similar fashion in the arena before the start of the rodeo performance proper.

Beacher seats will be on sale at 12:30, the price of admission being 15 cents, except for children under five years of age, who are admitted free, if accompanied by their parents.

To Correspondents.

As our next publication day is July Fourth, we will publish The Mail next week on Wednesday. Correspondents are requested, accordingly, to put letters in the mail Monday.

THE BOOK

... the first line of which reads, "The Holy Bible,"

and which contains Four Great Treasures

64 BRUCE BARTON

RUTH.

Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled.

Reading those first words of the book of Ruth you are tempted to skip to some other part of the Bible that gives promise of more pleasant reading. For the "days when the judges ruled" were terrible days; days of anarchy and bloodshed, of sag and reaction after a cruel war, of disorganization and uncensored living.

The story has only four chapters; you can read it in fifteen minutes. It starts with a good citizen named Elimelech, a resourceful man and a loving husband and father. Because a famine had visited his own country he migrated with his wife, Naomi, who, like Eve, was a pioneer wife, and his two boys, Mahlon and Chilion. The new land offered food enough, but its climate was somehow unkind to the visitors, for the father died and afterward the sons also, leaving Naomi and two beautiful young daughters-in-law, Orpah and Ruth. Naomi's only hope was to return to her own country, but she urged the girls to stay behind among their friends and relatives who would look after them and doubtless provide other husbands. Orpah consented. Ruth replied in those magnificent words:

Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God:

Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the Lord do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and me.

So Naomi went back to Bethlehem, her old home town, and the news soon spread about that she had brought a lovely young widow with her. They were very poor, and Ruth spent her days following the reapers in the fields. Ruth gleaned, and Boaz, the most desirable bachelor in Bethlehem, saw her, and the romance took place as Naomi, the shrewd old match-maker, had hoped it would.

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cards of thanks, etc., are classed as
advertising, and will be charged for
at 1c per word.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THIRTY-
FIVE YEARS.

The editor of The Mail has perused
with much personal pleasure and
patriotic pride the handsome booklet,
"Largent's Publican Domino Here-
fords," presented by our friend, C.
M. Largent, senior member of C. M.
Largent and Sons, sponsors of the
edition, which is a tribute to the
printer's art. (The booklet was com-
piled by F. W. Farley and published
by the Hereford Journal.)

The 24-page booklet, encased in
morocco cover of appropriately shaded
green, bearing a stamped outline of
Publican Domino himself, pertains to
the founding, the building and the
showing successes of the Largent
herd of Publican Domino Herfords,
recording the achievements of the
past thirty-five years.

Featured is an article, "Largent
Story is One of Continuous Pro-
gress," reprinted from the Hereford
Journal of November 15, 1934. It is
illustrated with striking and life-like
 likenesses of C. M. Largent, Sr.,
C. M. Largent, W. J. Largent, C. M.
Largent, Jr., and W. J. Largent, Jr.,
"third in line of Largent Herd
Breeders." A panoramic view of the
residences and ranch buildings of C.
M. Largent and Sons, with a line-up
of typical Largent productions in the
foreground, is also shown.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere ap-
preciation and gratitude to all those
friends who so kindly and faithfully
assisted and comforted us at the time
of the death of our dearly beloved
mother; also for the beautiful floral
offerings.

May God's richest blessings be with
you all.

The Williams Children.

We fill all doctors' prescrip-
tions. Vick Drug Co.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

RURAL SOCIETY

STITH HOME DEMONSTRATION
CLUB.

The Stith Home Demonstration club
had their "Achievement Day" Friday,
June 21, in the home of Mrs. Charlie
Sherrell, wardrobe demonstrator. All
members were present, with a dress
all ready for the Jones County annual
contest in Anson on Saturday, June
22.

A very interesting program was
rendered, including opening prayer
by Mrs. Clark Church, welcoming ad-
dress by Mrs. M. E. West, a song by
Dorothy Lee Shannon of Merkel, a
talk on "Different Sleeve Patterns
and How to Use Them" by Mrs. Paul
Bradley, report as wardrobe demon-
strator by Mrs. Charlie Sherrell, song
by Baby Lou Dunagin, a talk by Miss
Faulkner, home demonstration agent,
and another song by Dorothy Lee
Shannon. Delicious punch was served.

Stith is happy over the honors they
brought back from Anson. Those win-
ning were:

Mrs. Charlie Sherrell, first place as
wardrobe demonstrator No. 1. She
will receive a free trip to Short Course
at A. & M. college.

Mrs. Paul Bradley, first place in
sheer dresses, and Mrs. Bill Dunagin,
first place in house or street dress.

Those present at Mrs. Sherrell's
were: Mesdames J. S. Touchstone,
C. T. McCormick, Bryan Dunagin,
W. E. Bradley, Sam Mashburn, Paul
Bradley, Bill Dunagin, Clyde Jones,
Elbert West, Guy Glenn, Ernest Har-
dy, Leonard McCoy, Jack Cook, John
Shannon, Clark Church, Clyde Mash-
burn, Earl Dwiggin, Brit Baker, W. I.
Burton, T. E. Woolsey, W. A. Ford,
Fletcher Jones, Ida Campbell, Em-
mett Thompson, Mason Blanton, Clar-
ance Church, Walter Kelso; Misses
Louise Hudson, Veda Helen Bradley,
Oleta Woolsey, Baby Lou Dunagin,
Carol Sue Dunagin, Gladys Hines, Jo
Alice Dunagin, Dorothy Gway Dun-
agin, Dotty Ann Rainbolt, Juaney Jones,
Margaret Cook, Laura L. Sherrell,
Pauline Bradley, Jenny Sue Bradley,
Dorothy Lee Shannon, Joyce Mash-
burn, Anna Lou Church, Clara Fran-
ces Dwiggin, Mildred Glenn, Joan
Blanton, Wanda Thompson, Ada Mar-
ie Thompson; Masters Ralph Hardy,
Wayne Cook, Lamoine Sherrell; Miss
Elizabeth Faulkner, Miss Jewell
Faulkner, and the hostess, Mrs. Char-
lie Sherrell.

UNION RIDGE DEMONSTRATION
CLUB.

Mrs. Lee Tipton was hostess to the
Union Ridge Home Demonstration
club Friday afternoon. A study of the

Agricultural Adjustment adminis-
tration was given by Mrs. Denzel Cox,
Miss Norma Patton and Mrs. Kenneth
Poe.

Those present were: Mesdames J.
L. McRee, W. I. McBride, Pee, Cox,
Ruth Bond, O. E. Harwell, W. A. Har-
ris, S. G. Russell, Jr., M. F. Caroy,
Wynona Scroggins, Lige Harris, S.
O. Patton, M. L. Douglas, and Misses
Mabel McRee, Alice Carey, Laverne
Harwell, Patton, Patsy Cox, Ruby
Carey, Frances Harwell and Sybil
Harris. Visitors were Miss Blanche
Carey of Sweetwater and Mrs. Clar-
ence Walden of New Mexico.

The next meeting will be with Mrs.
W. A. Harris on July 5 at 2 p. m. Miss
Vera Crippen, county agent, will dem-
onstrate the making of sweet bread
and variation.

THE BOOK

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Have you by any chance read the
genealogy of Jesus as it is given in
the first chapter of Matthew?

There are four women whose names
will live forever as having passed
down through their veins the blood
of our Lord.

First of all, Tamar, whose tragic
story is in the thirty-eighth chapter
of Genesis. Rahab the harlot is sec-
ond, Bathsheba is third, that bril-
liant woman who abandoned Uriah
the Hittite to become the favorite
wife of David and the mother of Sol-
omon. These are the first three of the
quartet.

And the fourth ancestress of Jesus?
She is Ruth, the maiden of Moab,
who said, "Thy people shall be my
people and thy God my God."

Next Week: The Bible Calls Her
Great.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method to express our
deep appreciation to those loving and
sympathetic friends who were so kind
during the illness and death of our
dear Mother and Grandmother, Mrs.
Mollie Starkey; also for the beautiful
floral offerings.

May God's richest blessings be with
you all.

Mrs. H. R. Hicks.
Robert Hicks and Family.
A. E. Brown and Family.
A. H. Hutchins and Family.
Vestal Hicks and Family.

We fill all doctors' prescrip-
tions. Vick Drug Co.

Saddle ponies for rent, 50c per
hour. See Jack Low.

Office supplies—Mail office.

Rites Held for Mrs. A. D.
Williams-Hampton

Funeral services were held at 3
o'clock Sunday afternoon at the
Church of Christ for Mrs. A. D. Wil-
liams-Hampton, who died on Wednes-
day morning of last week at Tulare,
Calif. Elder Claud McClung of Fort
Worth officiated, with interment in
Rose Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers were: J. P. Sharp, J.
A. Buford, J. R. Baze, J. S. Hughes,
Walter Dial of Coleman and W. T.
Walker.

Two daughters, Mrs. Mary Dial
and Mrs. S. J. Callahan, of Tulare,
Calif., who came for the funeral,
have returned home, and her husband,
W. R. Hampton, who was visiting in
California with her and who also ac-
companied the remains here, went
from here to Post.

Named New Conoco
Wholesale Agent

Effective Wednesday W. F. Golla-
day became wholesale agent in this
territory for the Continental Oil
company, succeeding H. L. Duffer,
who leaves the latter part of the week
for Corpus Christi.

Frank Golladay, prior to his new
connection, was associated with Gulf
Refining company here for 17 years,
having resigned about two weeks ago
in contemplation of making a change.
He will continue to make his office
with Toombs and Guitar Filling sta-
tion, Phone 190.

Mr. and Mrs. Duffer, who came
here from Sweetwater some two years
ago, have made many friends, who
wish for them continued success in
their new home.

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 tele-
phone 61 or 29.

Responsibility

As bankers we are charged with the responsibility
of properly safeguarding the interests of our deposi-
tors and at the same time lending their money in a
manner which will best promote the welfare of the
community.

Since its inception in 1904 this Bank has stead-
fastly adhered to a prudent course which has accom-
plished these purposes.

We sincerely invite your account on the reputa-
tion of thirty years of uninterrupted service.

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National Bank

Merkel, Texas

FURNISHED APARTMENTS

If you have a furnished apartment or furnished rooms
for rent, why not try a classified advertisement in the
Merkel Mail? It will cost only 25 cents per insertion.

PHONE 61

MERKEL MAIL WANT ADS FOR RESULTS

"M" System

SATURDAY IS SUGARDAY AT THE "M" SYSTEM

SPECIALS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JUNE 28-29

Pure Cane SUGAR Cloth Bags

25 lb. bag	\$1.34	10 lb. bag	54c
100 POUNDS		Sugar, brown, 1 lb. pkg. 7c	
Pure Cane	\$5.23	Sugar, powdered 1 lb. pkg. 7c	

PEAS Sunset No. 2 cans Limit 24 cans, per can 5c

Compound, 8 lbs.	98c	Flour, Gold Medal, 48 lbs.	\$1.89
Soap, P & G or C. W., 6 bars	25c	Flour, Maximum, 48 lbs.	\$1.79
Kraut, Stokely's, No. 2 1-2	10c	Meal, K. B. 20 pounds	59c

LETTUCE Nice large heads 3 for 10c

Tomatoes, fresh pink, lb.	5c	Bananas, dozen	15c
New Spuds, No. 1, 10 lbs.	23c	Oranges, each	1c
Spuds, Burbanks, lb.	3c	Onions, white & sweet lb.	5c

Steak Seven, pound 17c Loin and T-Bone, pound 20c Round, pound 23c

Beef Roast, chuck, lb.	16c	Hamburger Meat lb.	13c
Cheese, Longhorn, lb.	16c	Frankfurters, 2 lbs. for	35c

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VISIT THE FREE RODEO AND BALL
GAME, SATURDAY, JUNE 29th.
RODEO 1:30—BALL GAME 3 P. M.

Mister!

HERE'S THE TIRE FOR YOUR JULY 4TH TRIP

and many happy care-free miles—

GOOD YEAR

Guaranteed against road hazards and defects. Extra Safety, Extra Mileage—NO Extra Cost!

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

With the J. B. Winn home for headquarters, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Denton and their son, Harold and wife, of Trinidad, Mrs. Hattie Boozer and children of Sweetwater and Mrs. F. O. Evans of Sweetwater were guests several days last week of other relatives and friends.

Messrs. A. Williamson, C. C. Stribling and Mark Williamson drove over to Mineral Wells early Sunday morning, joining Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. Stribling, who had been there for the past two weeks recuperating. They all returned in the late afternoon to the home of Mrs. C. T. Beckham, where they had been invited and partook of a lovely and appetizing meal.

Mrs. Carl Edwards left Tuesday for San Antonio where she will visit friends. Her husband plans to join her the first part of next week for a short visit and she will return with him.

C. R. Shannon, who is employed in South Texas, was home for the week-end. His son, Norvell, returned with him for a visit of several weeks.

Mrs. Bob Martin and little son of Abilene are guests this week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Boone are home after having been in East Texas for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Pinkie Vessel have gone to Coahoma where he has employment for the next few weeks.

Mrs. L. T. Stanford of Fort Worth is guest of her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell.

Mrs. Jim Archer of Minneapolis returned to her home Tuesday after a visit of a week, dividing her time with her husband's mother, Mrs. Mary Archer, and his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Murdock.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Archer return-

ed home the first of the week after spending their vacation here with his mother and at Sweetwater with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harkins.

Miss Sallie Roberts and her brother, Jake, children of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Roberts, are vacationing in Shreveport and other towns in Louisiana.

Mrs. Wallace Kelley and her charming little daughter returned Monday to their home at Farwell after a visit of about two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hogue.

BURKS-SPINKS.

Miss Alta Mae Spinks of Noodle and I. P. Burks were married June 11 at Sweetwater, I. P. (or Pap) is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Burks, a pioneer family of this section. He was born and reared here and has a host of friends who wish the couple all success. They are honeymooning in Phoenix, Ariz.

JOHNSON-COX.

Miss Jewel Cox of Golan and R. B. Johnson, Jr., of this place were married last Thursday. R. B. is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Johnson, duggist and pioneer family here. Born and reared here, he is popular with the younger set and has a host of friends who wish for them success and happiness.

BOWERS FAMILY REUNION.

Five brothers and five sisters of the A. P. Bowers family brought to a close Sunday a four-day reunion, which was held at the Presbyterian Encampment ground, in Buffalo Gap. A. P. Bowers, father of the family, came to Texas in 1876 and settled in Hood county. The old home is still owned by the heirs.

At the reunion were: Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Weid of Walters, Oklahoma; Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Perkins, Rusk; Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Bowers,

Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bowers, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowers, Trent; Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Bowers, Enid, Oklahoma; Mrs. Cora Sanford, Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Musick, Anson; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Trinnon, Electra; Mrs. Riley Blake, Borger; Mrs. Adelle Bowers, Dallas; Pat Buchanan, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowers, Vernon, and members of their families and a number of their friends.

The reunion marked the first assembly of the family since the death of the mother, Mrs. G. P. Bowers, fifteen years ago. It was planned to make the gathering an annual affair.

M. E. CHURCH NOTES.

The Trent Methodist Sunday School enjoyed an ice cream supper Monday evening, June 17, at the church.

Regular services were held Sunday at the Methodist church. The young people's class had charge of the Sun-

day School devotional Sunday morning. The theme of the program was "The Growing Youth."

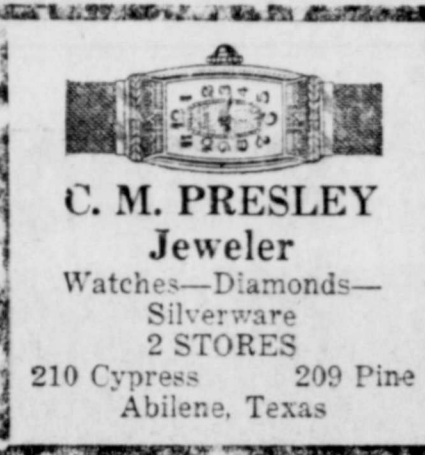
Rev. W. B. Reaves has announced that a surprise speaker will have charge of the 11 o'clock service Sunday, June 30. "Everyone," he announced, "will be glad to hear him." Come to church Sunday.

The missionary society of the Trent Methodist church are sponsoring a radio revue at the High school auditorium Friday evening, June 28. The admission is 10c and 15c. No family will be charged more than 50c. The public is invited to come.

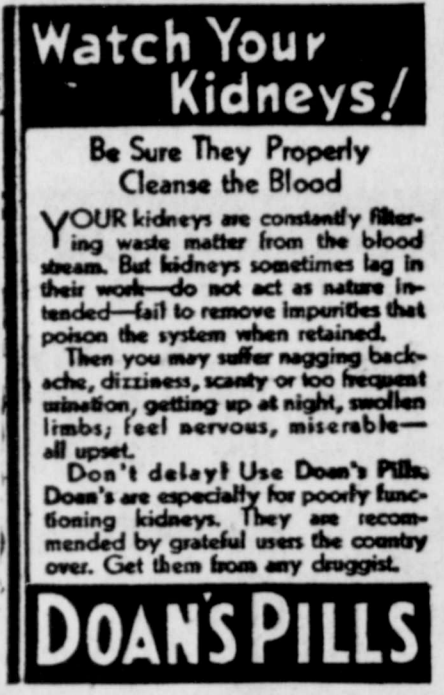
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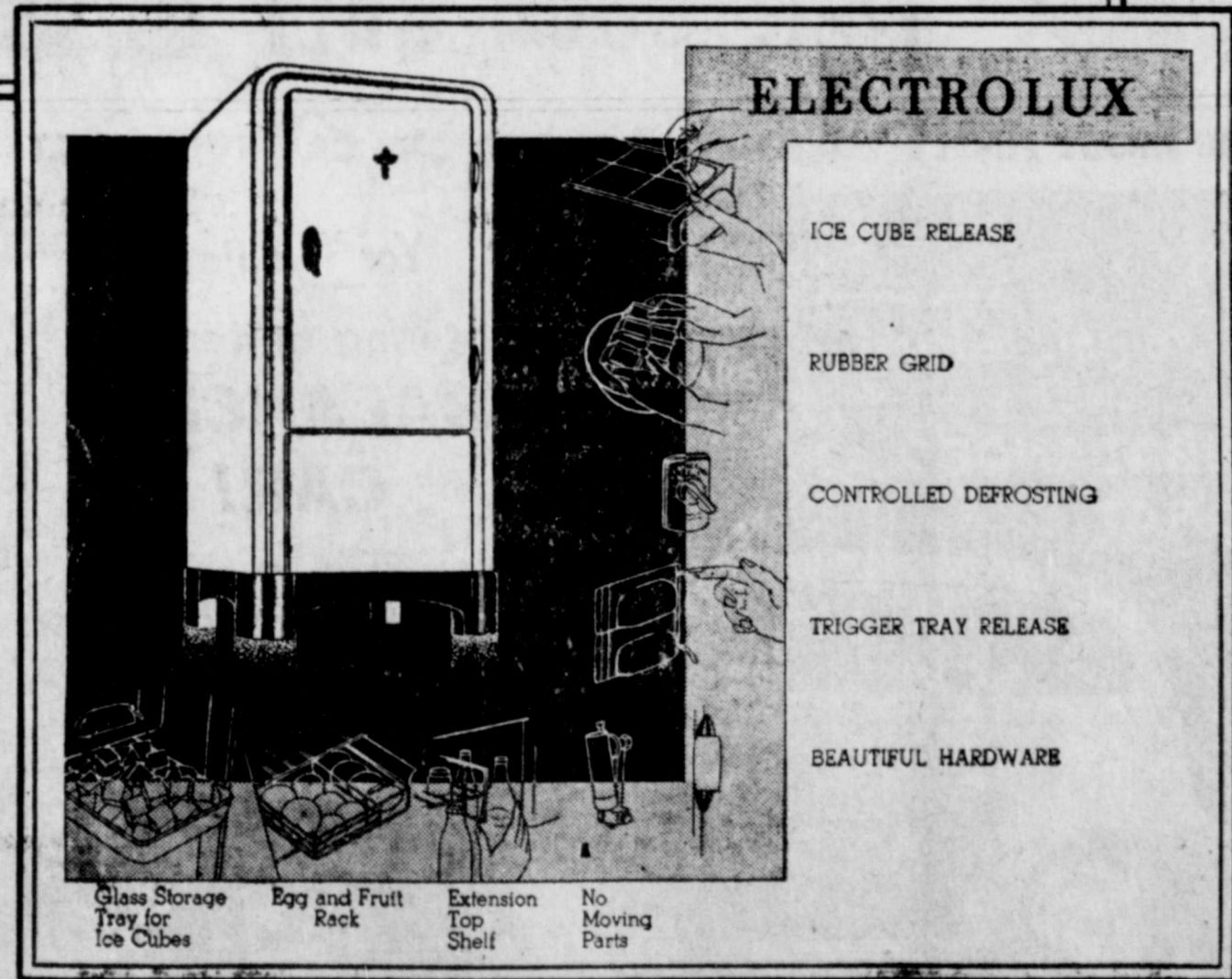


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The Box Score

Box score for Trent vs Noodle game, listing player statistics for AB, R, H, PO, A, E.

Summary—Runs batted in, H. Tittle 2, S. Payne, Derrick, Justice, Reese, Williams. Two-base hits, Derrick. Three-base hits, Reese. Home runs, H. Tittle. Earned runs, Trent 2, Noodle 3.

Box score for Truby vs Union game, listing player statistics for AB, R, H, PO, A, E.

Summary—Runs batted in, Bartlett 2, Day, Grogan, Price, B. Hollis, Bradford, Hall 3, Scott, Cooley. Doubles, Hall. Earned runs, Truby 2.

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The following is the list of jurors for next week in 104th district court: E. E. Akin, V. E. Smith, G. T. Moore, V. L. Hassey, H. S. Martin, S. O. Owens, Merkel; B. S. Plowman, O. G. Baxter, G. A. Gray, J. V. Nuckolls, W. F. Peoples, C. E. Montgomery, J. W. Sneath, L. B. Scott, C. McDonald, G. H. Blackburn, Burl King, L. T. Turner, J. B. Crutchfield, W. K. Jennings, J. A. Emmons, James M. Millerman, M. O. Standard, Jack Gilstrap, L. R. Wood, T. A. Hale, M. W. Tankersley, R. S. Fields, Sr., W. L. Stem, C. N. Dodgen, J. Soule McDaniel, Percy Mayfield, V. H. Turner, J. I. King, C. B. Davis, Mack Basck, E. W. Mitchell, W. C. Mingus, G. W. Lawrie, Bob Morris, W. R. Allison, Abilene; L. B. Bartee, J. H. Bartee, Wingate; J. W. Nelson, Ovalo; W. G. Daniel, H. H. Wigginton, Guion; T. J. Hinds, Tye; L. W. Walters, Lawn; T. M. Stokes, Goldsboro; J. E. Graham, Tuscola.

Tires Should Be Checked Up Before Holiday Driving

Automobiles, and especially tires, should be checked over before the car owner starts on an extended Fourth of July trip, in the opinion of S. M. Hunter, local dealer for The Goodyear Tire & Rubber company. "If the car and tires haven't been checked over since the start of the summer driving season, the wise motorist will see that this important matter is attended to before starting on a holiday tour," Mr. Hunter declared. "Tires especially should be checked over, if they haven't had this attention since last summer. Smooth worn tires are likely to give the motorist trouble at a time when he is all set to enjoy himself. Heat is a natural enemy of tire life, and the hot roads of summer time will help cause an old tire to go bad about as quickly as any other means. Also, on a rainy day, when pavements are slippery, the danger of skids is increased immeasurably with old tires. New tires relieve the motorist from any worry or bother with tire trouble, and give him trouble-free miles over the holiday. Goodyear G-3 tires, that are in the public eye a great deal just now as a result of the investigations on tire mileage conducted by Joseph A. Faurot, noted detective, have proved especially popular by reason of their long-wearing qualities. Persons coming in to have their tires checked up at our station have seen these tires and put them on in place of 'smoothies' in order that their summer driving might be absolutely without worry," Mr. Hunter concluded.

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GOLAN NEWS

We hope we have been missed by Merkel and Abilene people since our bridges have been washed out. The new ones are finished now, so we may be seen occasionally. Fence building and replanting have just about been completed since the river was so high. The Golan teacherage has not been moved from against the school house, where it lodged during the overflow, but will be soon. A number of farmers are harvesting their grain crops now. The grain is shattering, and it is going to be so good since the rains. Messrs. Dan and Russell Kidd had a moving company of Sweetwater move their houses across to higher ground on the west side of the river. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker of McCauley moved into our community last week. We are glad to welcome them. Alfred Hill returned home last Friday from Fort Worth and other Texas towns. Mrs. Ruby Lawlis is very low. Scott Holland, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dean, is also not expected to live. Brother Price preached his regular fourth Sunday appointments here Sunday and Sunday night. Third quarterly conference meets

at Newman Sunday evening. A young people's rally for this charge meets at Newman Sunday morning, with lunch served. Come and bring your

Mr. and Mrs. Doris Winter of Noo-die were Golan visitors Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Farmer of McCauley

are at the bedside of their daughter, Mrs. Homer Lawlis. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Power of Anson visited relatives here Sunday.

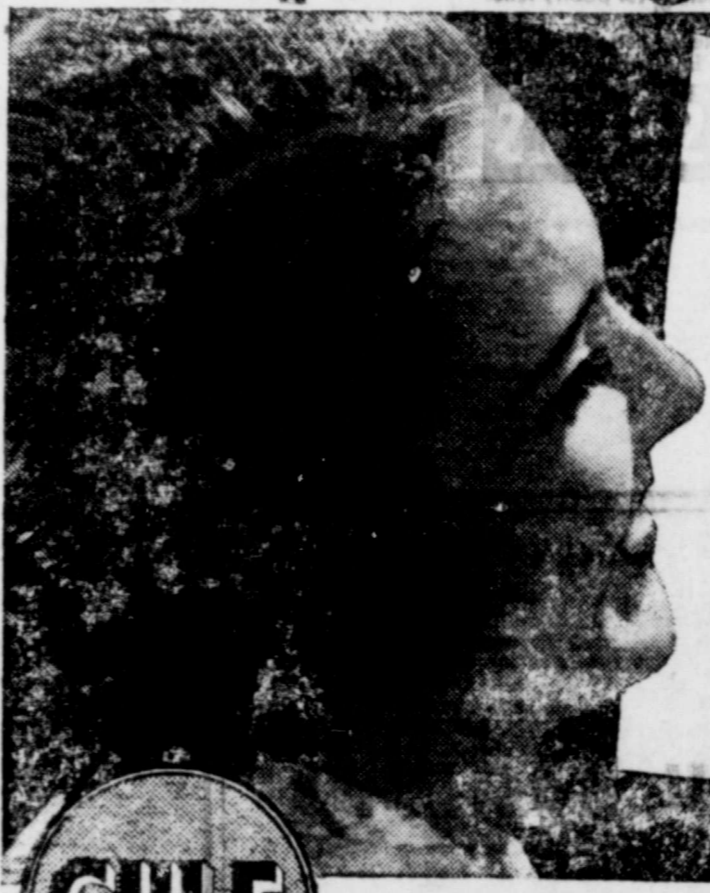
Tax Notice!

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

After June 30th, 1935, the present penalty and interest reduction plan will expire, and all delinquent tax payers are urged to take advantage of the reduced plan, as it will be a considerable saving to them. The following schedule will apply: 1934 TAXES—last half payments—may be paid up to and including June 30th without penalty or interest. After that date will bear 8 per cent penalty and 6 per cent interest. 1934 TAXES—full payments—may be made up to and including June 30th with 5 per cent penalty. After that date will bear 8 per cent penalty and 6 per cent interest from February 1st, 1935. BACK YEARS—may be paid up to and including June 30th with 5 per cent penalty. After that date will bear 8 per cent penalty and 6 per cent interest from date of delinquency, plus costs.

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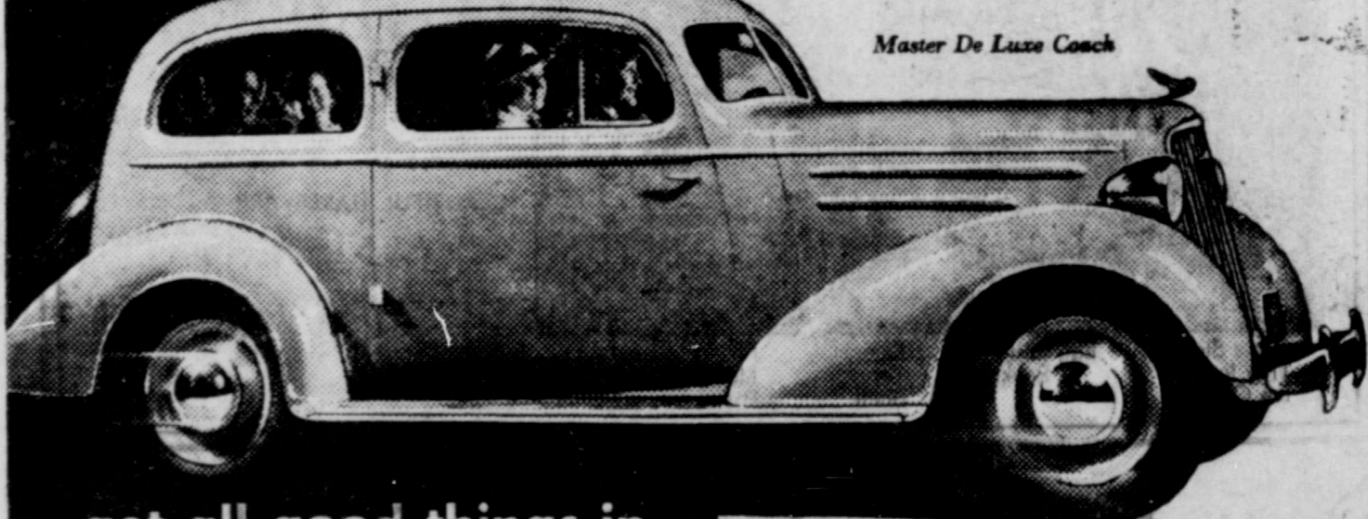
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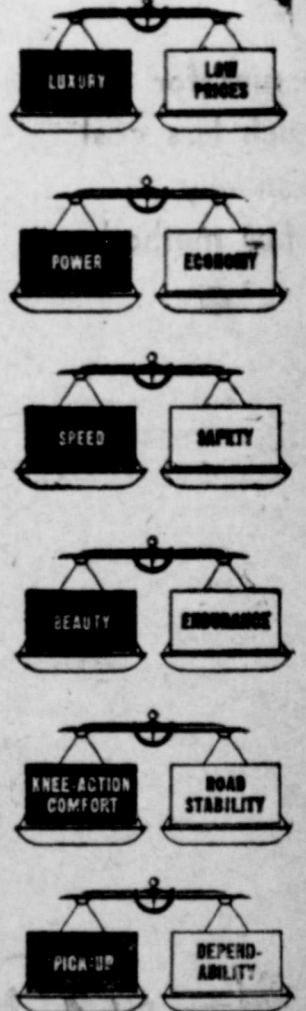
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PERSONALS

Miss Pauline Leslie of Fort Worth is visiting her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Coats.

Mrs. DeVerle Johnson of Fort Worth is visiting her mother, Mrs. Amy Sears.

Miss Joy Tippett of San Angelo is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. E. N. Brown.

Mrs. John Dunn and children of Seymour are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Shelton.

Jim Patterson was home from Austin for two or three days this week, returning Wednesday.

Mrs. Richard Burkhalter of Overton was a passing visitor with friends here; this week on her way to Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Collins have as their guest this week their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Q. A. Collins, of Lamesa.

Miss Peggy Barnett returned Friday from several days spent with friends in Dallas, McKinney and Paris.

Rev. Willis P. Gerhart and Miss Christine Doyle of Abilene were callers Tuesday in the home of Miss Dota Garoutte.

Mrs. R. G. Grogan and sister, Mrs. Lucy Hawkins, of Truby were visitors Saturday with Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Elliott.

En route to El Paso, Mr and Mrs. B. R. Parks and daughter, Betty Jean, of Dallas, were passing guests last week in the John Collins home.

Mrs. Fred Hulsey and Miss Ginnie Hulsey of Hamlin and Miss Myrtle Evans of Cross Plains were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Watson Sunday.

Friends will be glad to learn of the appointment which has come to Miss Mildred Richardson to a position in the State Insurance department at Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mathews, Sr. had as their week-end guests the former's brother and wife and sister, of San Augustine. They returned home Monday.

J. S. Thomas left Saturday for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. S. D.

Brown, at Quahah. On last Sunday at her home there he celebrated his 73rd birthday.

Mrs. George Mount and daughter, Miss Evelyn Woodroof, of Los Angeles, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Bragg the first of the week, left Wednesday for Bellview, where they will visit Mrs. Mount's mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hughes of Lubbock stopped over Tuesday for a brief visit with their cousin, C. J. Glover, en route home from a visit with Mr. Hughes' parents in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. L. Sumpter left last week for Bluntville, Tenn., where they will visit Mrs. Sumpter's brothers and other relatives. They will also visit in Virginia and adjoining states.

Dr. Wm. M. Gambill, who opened offices the first of May in the Citizens National bank building, Abilene, moved his family to Abilene last week. They are domiciled at 2422 Olsen Boulevard.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sumpter had as their guests last week Mr. Sumpter's sister, Mrs. R. A. Childers, and sons, Joe Childers, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Childers, of Birmingham, Ala.

Upon their return home from Nevada, Texas, Wednesday, Mrs. T. L. Grimes and daughter, Miss Tommy Evelyn, were accompanied by Mrs. Grimes' mother, Mrs. G. J. Jones, who is a guest in the Grimes home.

Mrs. R. L. Adcock and daughter, Miss Berdelle Adcock, returned Wednesday from Temple. Mrs. Adcock is much improved and says that Scott and White sanitarium at Temple is a wonderful place for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ferguson, en route to Lorenzo, Texas, had morning coffee with Miss Dota Garoutte Tuesday. Mrs. Ferguson, nee Emma George, was an old time resident of Merkel and a former student of Miss Garoutte.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Groene of Ventura, Calif., were guests Wednesday of Mrs. H. F. Groene, having come over from Abilene where they were visiting his mother, Mrs. Fritz Groe-

ne. They flew from Los Angeles Tuesday and returned home Wednesday via T & P. Sunshine Special.

After a two weeks visit in Waco, Mrs. J. M. Garrett and daughters, Mrs. R. J. Miller and Mrs. G. H. Bullock, returned Tuesday. Mrs. Garrett, while away, had an operation on one eye, which proved of much benefit. Wednesday Mrs. Bullock left for her home at Stanton.

Mrs. J. C. Walton, accompanied by Billie Joe Toombs, left Sunday for Fort Worth to visit Mrs. Walton's daughter, Mrs. Algie Daniels. After spending a few days there, they will go to Linden, Texas, to visit Billy's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Surratt, where Billy plans to spend the summer months. Mrs. Walton will go to Temple before returning home.

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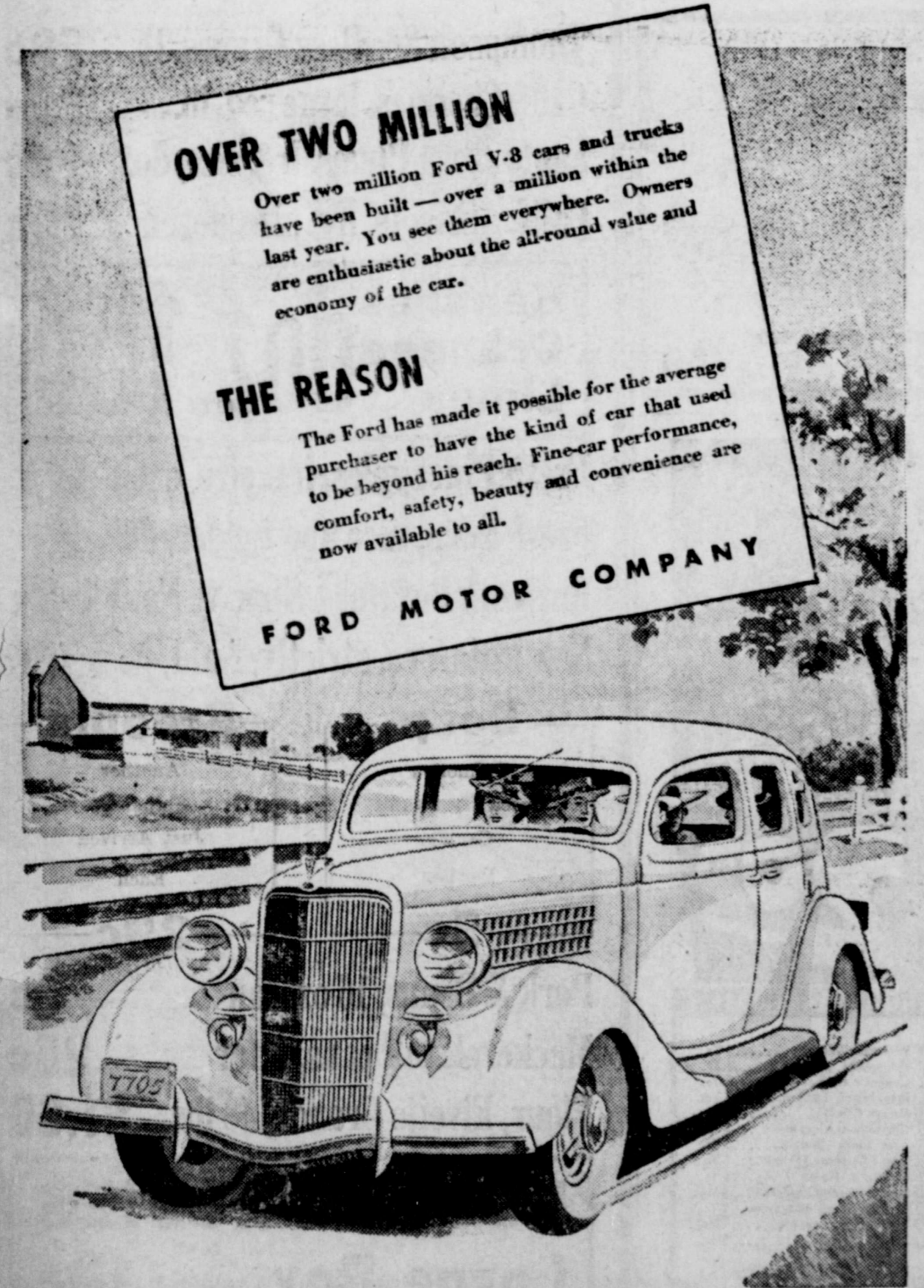
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Lemons, dozen	19c	Standard	Tomatoes, 3 cans	25c	
Fresh Peaches, dozen	15c	Kuner's	Peas, 2 cans	27c	
Seedless Grapes, lb.	20c	Bird Brand	Shortening, 4 lb. carton	57c	
Fresh Cherries, lb.	29c	Early Riser	Coffee, pound	15c	
Lettuce, head	4c	Red and White	Pears, No. 1 can	15c	
New Spuds, 10 pounds	19c	Red and White	No. 2 1-2 can	22c	
Red and White	French Dressing, 8 oz. bot.	15c	Red and White	Pineapple, No. 1 can	10c
Red and White	Mayonnaise, 8 oz. jar	15c	Post	Toasties, pkg.	10c
Red and White	Tomato Juice, 3 cans	23c	Lady Godiva	Soap, with wash cloth, 4 bars	19c
Peanut	Butter, pint	21c	Red and White	Soap, 5 bars	22c
Texas	Blackberries, No. 2 can	10c	Vanilla	Wafers, 12 oz. pkg.	15c
Red and White	No. 10 can	39c	Red and White	Salt Pork, pound	22 1-2c
Red and White	Vinegar, quart flask	17c	Red and White	Sliced Bacon, pound	30c
Red and White	1-2 gallon	31c	Red and White	Cheese, pound	17c
Red and White	Grape Juice, pint	15c	Red and White	Lunch Meat, pound	29c
Red and White	quart	28c	Blue and White	Weiners, pound	18c
Red and White	Ginger Ale, bottle	11c			
Blue and White	Pork & Beans, 16 oz. can	5c			

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BRIDGE LUNCHEON.
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Contract bridge games occupied the morning hours and at noon a delectable summer menu was served in courses in amber dinnerware on yellow linens to Mesdames, F. C. McFarland, Charles Largent, J. E. Boaz, Jr., H. L. Duffer, Bob Mayfield, Lige Gamble, W. T. Sadler, L. C. Zehnfpennig, Milton Case, Geo. West, Misses Mary Elizabeth Grimes and Christine Collins.

VISITOR HONORED.

Miss Joy Tippett of San Angelo, who was the house guest of her grandmother, Mrs. E. N. Brown, last week, was complimented with a most enjoyable party at the Sears ranch by Mrs. W. S. J. Brown on last Friday evening. The young people met at the home of Mrs. Brown and motored out to the lodge together where they enjoyed an evening of dancing.

Candy, fresh doughnuts and punch were served to Misses Joy Tippett, Betty Lou Grimes, Mary Frances Cook, Clara Frances Largent, Mary Helen Lancaster, Mary Helen Mashburn, Sarah Sheppard, De Laverne Teague, Messrs. Bud Gambill, David Gamble, Jack Patterson, Oscar Adcock, Robert Jr. Grimes, Jack Dawson West, Bessie Boaz, Neil Durham, Waymon Richards, Murphy Dye, Bennie Sheppard and Joe Cook.

SWIMMING PARTY.

A group of students from Parsons Beauty school of Abilene enjoyed a pleasant outing last Thursday night at Shannon's pool.

After a delightful swim, games were played and iced watermelons cut and served to Mrs. Letha Parsons and Mrs. Ima Sparks, instructors, and the following students: Billy Jack Kimbrough, Maurine Roberts, Flossie Witcher, Adele Welch, Mildred Caldwell, Ruby Montgomery, Earl Montgomery, Velma Sheppard, Lynn Wood, Neva Higgins, Estelle Wills and Nola Stoker.

PRESBYTERIAN LADIES ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. S. G. Russell and Mrs. W. M. Elliott were co-hostesses Tuesday afternoon for the ladies missionary society and Willing Workers class of Grace Presbyterian church in the home of Mrs. Russell.

After an interesting program, the hostesses were assisted by Mrs. S. G. Russell, Jr., Miss Mary Derstine and Miss Alice Russell in serving refreshments to Mesdames John West, H. C. West, Charles H. Jones, W. L. Diltz, Marvin Smith, J. E. Tucker, L. L. Murray, R. A. Walker, J. R. Walling, S. A. Derstine. Visitors were Mrs. J. W. McConnell, Misses Mary and Jennie Keny, Miss Mary Derstine, Mrs. Bob Dunn and Mrs. S. G. Russell, Jr.

Radio Revue By Way Of Novelty at Trent

An entertainment in the form of a radio revue is being sponsored by the woman's missionary society of the Trent Methodist church for Friday evening, June 28, at 8:30 o'clock at the high school auditorium at Trent.

Impersonations of famous radio artists will afford lots of fun and an evening of real entertainment is promised. Admission charges will be 10 and 15 cents, (no family over 50 cents.)

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Winners Announced In Annual Jones Co. Clothing Contest

Stitch and Noodle Home Demonstration clubs won highest honors in the annual clothing contest held at Anson high school auditorium on June 22, when their demonstrators, Class I and II, respectively, won first place. These two women, Mrs. Charlie Sherrill, class I, Stith club, and Mrs. Carl Bonneau, class II, Noodle club, will be given a free trip to the Farmers Short Course at A. & M. college in July.

Other winners were: Demonstrators, class I: second place, Mrs. B. F. Whaley, South Hamlin; third place, Mrs. C. W. Seago, Noodle.

Demonstrators, class II, second place, Mrs. Mayberry, South Hamlin; third place, Mrs. Ray Rushing, Lueders.

Co-operators, class A (sheer fabric): first place, Mrs. Paul Bradley, Stith; second, Mrs. C. C. Clark, Avoca; third, Mrs. Gibbons, South Hamlin.

Co-operators, class B (street or house dress): first place, Mrs. Bill Dunagin; second, Mrs. Rex Reddell, West Anson; third, Mrs. C. H. Heald, West Anson.

Quoting Miss Lida Cooper, who judged the dresses and slips: "Of one hundred and eleven dresses modeled, I have never seen better fitted patterns or better made dresses as a whole."

Miss Cooper, district agent, was assisted by Miss Evelyn Jennings, C. H. D. A. of Fisher county.

Little Shirley Louise Moody Goes to Visit Her Grandparents

Little Shirley Louise Moody, who came into the world 20 minutes after the death of her young mother, Mrs. Jesse Moody, at an Abilene sanitarium on May 26, has weathered the first month of life and gained a full pound.

Pronounced by her doctor to be in the "best condition possible," the baby was allowed to go Tuesday with her 17-month-old brother, Jesse Carroll Moody, to the home of their maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fryar, at Albany.

The infant, weighing seven pounds, was kept in an incubator for 36 hours after birth, under care of special nurses. Later she was moved to the H. E. Britain home in Abilene, where, until her departure for Albany, she was under a physician's care. Her weight Tuesday was eight pounds.

Little Shirley Louise is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. H. M. Rainbolt of this city.

Wales, 41, Still Unwed.

London, June 27.—The Prince of Wales, the empire's "super-salesman" approaching middle age still unmarried, celebrated his forty-first birthday Sunday at his country home in Berkshire.

Carried Eventful Message.
Memphis, Tenn., June 27.—Death Tuesday ended the career of William Joseph Rainey, 89, who at 19 rode broken-hearted to the headquarters of Gen. U. S. Grant to deliver Gen. Robert E. Lee's message of surrender.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. Reports from the six Sunday Schools in Merkel showed 687 present last Sunday, as compared with 649 on the previous Sunday. On the same Sunday a year ago 702 were present.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.
Next Lord's Day Brother L. E. Carpenter has promised to be with us for both the morning and evening services. We are delighted to have him come and preach for us at both of these services and are inviting every one to come and enjoy Brother Carpenter with us.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. George W. Fender, field representative of the board of national missions, synod of Texas. No service Sunday night in order to permit all who wish to attend the Buffalo Gap encampment. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

METHODIST CHURCH.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m. A place for every one. A place that every church member should attend. Come with us next Sunday.

NAZARENE CHURCH.
The present revival, we trust, will prove a great blessing to our people. Rev. Mr. Gardner is preaching the gospel in the old-fashion way with splendid results. Brother Burgner has charge of the song service and Miss Atteberry of Abilene is pianist. Come worship with us.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. BTS at 7:30 p. m. WMU at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 8:15 Wednesday evening.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.
Rev. Bill Dowell and his wife report fine services at Sweetwater. Last Sunday Brother Shepherd returned to resume his work, Sunday night Brother Shepherd and his good church gave a special love offering to Bill

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Elected As Home Economics Teacher In Los Lunas, N. M.

Miss Hazel Rainbolt has accepted a position as home economics teacher in Los Lunas, N. M. high school at a considerable increase in salary. This department will be used as a demonstration unit in connection with the university of Albuquerque.
For the past four years Miss Rainbolt has taught in New Mexico schools, last year at Roy and the previous three years in San Jon. She is a graduate of McMurry college and has done graduate work at Colorado State college, Fort Collins, Colo.

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