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REAPER TAKES MRS. CURRY, CENTENARIAN

Mother of Mrs. Mary Pogue of This City Passes Away; Was 102 Years of Age on Last August 19th.

Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Curry, who celebrated her 102 birthday on August 19, died Saturday in Elmer, Okla., here she was spending the winter with a daughter, Mrs. E. Patton. The death of her husband, E. H. Curry, 14 years ago in Stephens county, she had lived most of the time in a home of a son, E. S. Curry, in Abilene, having also visited at intervals with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Pogue, here.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist church in Breckenridge, conducted by Rev. Will Curry, presiding elder of the Cisco district and second cousin of the deceased. Burial was in the Breckenridge cemetery.

Because of illness and the inclement weather, Mrs. Pogue was unable to attend her mother's funeral, but three of her children, Willard and Misses Alzada and Connie Pogue, went to Breckenridge for the last rites.

Surviving Mrs. Curry are seven children, 41 grandchildren, 64 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren. The children, besides Mrs. Pogue, are John C. Curry, Weatherford; O. Curry, Breckenridge; Mrs. Patton, Elmer, Okla.; I. K. Curry, Russell, Okla., and Mrs. Nannie E. Brown and E. S. Curry, of Abilene.

All of her children were with her for the last time last summer when they gathered at the son's home in Abilene for her last birthday party. More than 100 descendants gathered for a birthday picnic at the Presbyterian encampment grounds at Buffalo.

Mrs. Curry was born in Murray county, Tenn., on August 19, 1833. There were 11 children in the family, two younger than Mrs. Curry. All preceded her in death. Her father, who was sheriff for many years, died in 1846 after a long illness.

Mrs. Curry was married at the age of 18 and all of her children were born in Tennessee. The family settled in Stephens county in 1882 or 1883 and Mrs. Curry lived there until the death of her husband at the age of 93 about 10 years ago.

Schools Reopen After Christmas Holidays

Merkel public schools re-opened day morning after the Christmas days, beginning on Friday, Dec. 26.

During Christmas week those teachers whose homes are out of town visit with their home folks, while the local Merkel teachers who are elsewhere came home to spend the holidays.

Merkel's coterie of college students enjoyed a holiday visit with home, having all returned to their respective schools now.

DEATH CLAIMS ANOTHER EARLY DAY SETTLER

W. J. Higgins, Who Came to This Section in 1888, Passes Away At Age of 70; Wife and Eight Children Survive.

W. J. Higgins, 70, one of the early day settlers of Taylor county, died at his home in the Salt Branch community Friday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. He had returned about two weeks previously from the West Texas Baptist sanitarium, at Abilene, where he had gone for treatment.

Funeral services were held from the First Baptist church here at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Rev. J. R. Griffin and Rev. Willis Taylor were assisted by Rev. C. R. Joyner, local pastor, in conducting the service. Burial was made in Rose Hill cemetery.

Funeral bearers were: H. B. Robertson, L. B. McClain, Joe Hartley, W. E. Petty, R. E. Harris and Warren Higgins.

A native Texan, Mr. Higgins was born in Navarro county, May 10, 1865. He moved to Taylor county in 1888 and was married to Miss Ada Wheat Nov. 15, 1893. He was a member of the Baptist church and one of the most highly respected citizens of this section.

Surviving are his wife, eight children and 13 grandchildren. Sons are Ollie, Dean, Joe and Raymond, Merckel; Carl of Hale Center, and L. Ver of Albuquerque, N. M. Daughters are Mrs. Annie Shipley of Artesia, N. M., and Mrs. Myrtle McClain of Merckel. Two brothers, C. A. and Joe Higgins, of Merckel, and a sister, Mrs. Polly Stone, of De Leon, survive.

F. M. Cordill Celebrates His Ninetieth Birthday

Several relatives assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Cordill here Sunday to celebrate the 90th anniversary of Mr. Cordill.

A bountiful birthday meal was served at noon to the following: Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cordill of Cross Roads; F. H. West and son, Lloyd West, of Cross Roads; Mrs. Clayton Nichols and son, Donnie Vearl, and Mrs. D. I. Trent of Eskota, Mrs. Perry of Dubia and the honoree and Mrs. Cordill.

Express Appreciation For Gift of Automobile

In expressing their appreciation to friends in Merckel and Baird of the gift of a new Ford V-8 Tudor, Rev. R. A. Walker and family have asked The Mail to print the following statement:

"Words often fail to express our feelings. That's true in our trying to express our gratitude to you for the gift of the car. We feel under added obligations to serve the town and surrounding community and to every one who contributed to make this possible, and to those who didn't or couldn't, do not hesitate to call if the occasion presents itself for our services to you. 'Thank you' fails to express our appreciation, but again we say 'Thank you'."

VISITORS IN MANY HOMES FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY SEASON

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burns celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary and Christmas together with three children, one son-in-law, one daughter-in-law and 11 grandchildren present. Those present were: Minor S. Burns and Miss Edith Roberts, Longview; Mr. and Mrs. Ira R. Burns, Merckel; Mr. and Mrs. Buford R. Books, Sweetwater. The grandchildren present were: Ina Mae, Billie, H. J., Hazel, Minor, Jr., and Bobbie Burns, Bobbie Joan, Martha Jean and Betty June Books, and W. E. and Patty Burns.

Sunday, Dec. 29, found a family reunion in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Russell including Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nunnally and Sam, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Sam Redwine and Sammie Doris and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dunn and Lynn and Gwynn, all of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Shive, Mary Lou and Bobbie, McCamy, and Mr. and Mrs. Warlick Darwin and Darlene, Big Spring.

Faying a Christmas visit to their mother, Mrs. J. S. Swann, were Mrs. Carson Miles and children of San Angelo, Mrs. Forest Sears of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jones and children of Tulsa, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Swann and daughter, Harvingen, Miss Nell Swartz, Tyler, Miss Irene Swann, Roswell, N. M., and James Swann, Dallas.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lee were: Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bland and Miss Mannie Laura Brown, of Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jones and family of Fabens; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Eubanks and daughter, Lucille, and Miss Eva Louise Fry, of San Angelo, and A. J. Rollins of Santa Lula, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Blackerby of Slaton were passing guests of Miss Thelma Mathews on Christmas day.

Mrs. Noel Moore and son, Wayne Hutson, of Fort Worth spent the Christmas holidays with their father and grandfather, J. S. Hutson.

Mrs. Pearl Watkins and daughter, Betty Merle, of Freer are home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis.

Mrs. Trezevant Gaither of San Antonio is paying a holiday visit to her mother, Mrs. W. V. Cranford.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Church paid a holiday visit to Mrs. Church's uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Wheeler, in Ada, Okla., also stopping in Fort Worth for a visit with Mr. Church's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Corvin Leverich and little son, Jimmy Earl, spent the holidays with relatives in San Angelo.

Mrs. George Coker and son of Fort Worth spent the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Cogburn, accompanied by their granddaughter, Ona Fay Cox, were guests during the holidays of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Henslee, and other relatives. Ona Fay also visited with her other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cox.

Mrs. Raymond E. Neal and little daughter, Margaret Rebecca, left Monday for their home in Hugo, Okla., after a visit of several weeks with their aunts, Mrs. Adah Heeter and Miss Sadie Woodrum.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Yates Brown were Mrs. Brown's mother, Mrs. B. A. Wall, and sister, Miss Dora Wall of Fort Worth, and a brother, Ben Wall, of Shreveport.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bounds spent a few days during the holidays in Fort Worth and Dallas.

Mrs. E. N. Brown accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Victor Tippet, home to San Angelo for a visit during the holidays.

Joining the J. P. Sharp household for Christmas were two of their children, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bourn from Seymour and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sharp and daughter from Artesia, N. M.

A. N. Dowell, who is proprietor of a cafe in Dallas, is here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Dowell, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Taylor returned Monday to their home at Lewisville after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McAninch. At the same time Miss Aline McAninch returned with her daughter, Mrs. Thelma

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50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

All the Children of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Horton, Except One, Present for the Eventful Occasion.

Celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Horton, pioneer residents of Jones county, was held in their home, seven miles north of Merckel, on Dec. 28, 1935.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton were married Dec. 21, 1885, in Clark county, Ala. The celebration was held a few days early to make it possible for as many children as possible to be present.

All their children and grandchildren were present, except one son, V. H. Horton, who was in a hospital at Temple recovering from an operation, and five grandchildren, who were unable to attend.

Those present were: Mrs. P. L. Arnold and son, Leroy, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Horton and children, Nell and Lawrence, of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Horton and son, Robert, of Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ball and children, Teresa, Mary, Alonzo and J. T., Jr., of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Lucas and son, Clyde, of Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Horton and daughter, Dorothy Lee, of Merckel; Mrs. V. H. Horton and children, Vayden, Wanda Louise and J. C., of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Horton and Mrs. Eva Whitaker of Merckel.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton moved from Navarro county to Jones county in 1908, where they have resided since.

Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Clint Maddera, Blair, Friday, Dec. 20, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Hall Turner, Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberts, Wednesday, Dec. 25, 1935.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan, Noodle, Friday, Dec. 27, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hall, Trent, Monday, Dec. 30, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. John Hobbs, Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis, Butman ranch, Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. George Grady Baldwin, Thursday, Jan. 2, 1936.

Announce Birth of Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Murray, Lefors, have announced the birth of a daughter, Janna Dean, on Dec. 24 at Pampa hospital. The baby is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Murray of this city.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, January 7, 1916.)

The following donations have been made by individuals for work of gravelling and leveling up Oak street. The city will keep with street wagon going all the time and parties residing along the street and close to Oak street are "kicking-in" to make the work a success. The contributors who have already offered their help are: A. C. Rose, \$10.00; Jno. Sears, \$10.00; R. O. Anderson, \$5.00; Homer L. Easterwood, \$5.00; all other donations should be handed to City Marshal Walters.

On Sunday, January 2nd, Mrs. H. E. Bullock honored her Sunday School class, "The Protheus," with a dinner. The Protheus colors and pennants were used on the table. The guests present on this occasion were Misses Geneva and Nina Warnick, Beatrice Nidiver, Johnnie Warren, Eunice Armstrong, Gladys McSpadden, Gladys Haynes, Leila Hill, Maude Martin, Mammie Ellis, Irene Hairston and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McMillen.

Mrs. J. E. Young of Lampasas, who spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bigham, has returned to her home. Mr. Ralph Bigham of Peacock Military school, San Antonio, and Mr. Fred Bigham, of Presidio, also had the pleasure of being in the home for Christmas.

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POSTOFFICE RESTORED TO SECOND CLASS

Increase of Nearly \$1,000 in 1935 Receipts Puts Merkel Again in Same Classification As Before Depression.

An increase of \$987.85 in postal receipts in 1935 restored the Merkel postoffice to second class rating, which will become effective July, this year, according to department regulations.

Total receipts of \$9,763.41 were reported for last year by Postmaster O. J. Adeock, as compared with \$8,775.56 in 1934. Since the 3c postage stamp was adopted, the quota required for second class rating for Merckel is \$9,412.20, the 1933 figure exceeding the necessary amount by over \$350.00.

The current term of Postmaster Adeock expires on Jan. 8, this year, but according to fixed procedure the acting postmaster will serve out the current month, that is, until Jan. 31, at which time he will be succeeded by Wrenn Durham, selected by popular vote in an election conducted by Congressman Tom L. Blanton, who made the recommendation through Postmaster General Farley to President Roosevelt.

TOTAL GINNINGS. Total ginnings for 1935 in the Merckel area, that is, including the six gins here and those at Stith, Blair and Noodle, stand at 13,363 bales, figures for the last week or so from Stith and Blair, however, not being available. The 1934 crop in this area was 7,928 bales.

ANNUAL RAINFALL. Light rains during the holidays accounted for a quarter inch precipitation. (Continued on Page Two.)

Large List of Entries Anticipated in Show

From the unusually interesting manifested in the Sixth Annual county show to be held here Jan. 17 and 18, it is indicated that entries will be much larger than in years.

H. M. Rose of Sweetwater will judge the show and on Thursday, Jan. 16, at 9:30 a. m. will make a short talk on "Choosing Your Birds for Exhibition." At this time he will discuss the qualities to look for and the defects to be avoided in choosing birds for exhibition.

The catalogue containing show rules and premium list will be off the press Saturday morning and will go in the mail Monday.

By calling by the City hall Saturday those desiring to do so may secure their catalogue two days earlier.

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(From the Files of Merkel Mail, January 7, 1916.)

All Merckel was brought to deep sorrow when the report of the death of Miss Maude Jenkins, age 25, was given out December 20th.

Miss Jessie Mae Cox of Abilene is the guest of Miss Zora West.

No more auspicious fraternal occasion has been held in Merckel lodges in many moons than was solemnized the beginning of Christmas week when the Merckel Lodge A. F. & A. M. banquetted 86 members in the lodge rooms after conferring of a first degree was given to one candidate the following were speakers of the evening: Thos. Johnson, Rev. Hearon and Hon. J. M. Wagstaff, also the Right Worshipful Dist. Dep. Grand Master W. T. (Tom) St. John of Abilene.

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FINE SERIAL FICTION

A second of the short stories by that master story-teller, Rex Beach, to be published in four installments, begins next week in The Mail—

"The Michigan Kid"

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ASSISTED ADS

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FOR SALE—My home on Oak street. E. L. Ash.

FOR SALE—Two work horses. Hughes Motor Company.

FOR SALE—Several brood mares, in foal; also 500 bushels of seed barley. Pierce Horton.

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FOR RENT

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ION RIDGE NEWS

and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and others and Mr. and Mrs. Henry of Odessa were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggs of Mer-

ements Cary is home to stay. He been in a CCC camp in New Mexi-

r. and Mrs. Hugh McRee and family of Lubbock spent several days during Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McRee.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles West of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Jones and son of Anson were Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ponder and children, accompanied by Audrey Moore, visited relatives of Winters on Christmas Eve.

Messrs. O. R. and M. L. Douglas, accompanied by Miss LaVerne Faye Douglas, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Douglas of Rockwall. Messrs. Ruby and Alice Carey entertained the young folks with a party Wednesday night.

and Mrs. Arthur Rogers and family were accompanied by Mrs. Wade and son of Merkel, were Saturday night guests of relatives at

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ANNOUNCEMENTS POLITICAL

(Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.)
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:
CHAS. (CHARLIE) ORR.
For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4, Jones county:
E. F. VANTRESE.

Demos Get \$7,000 Check From Houston Woman

Washington, Jan. 2.—A "significant" \$7,000 campaign fund contribution was reported recently by the democratic national committee.

It said \$6,628.50 of the fund from Mrs. William L. Clayton of Houston, Tex., was a dividend check from the American Telephone and Telegraph company which she had indorsed over to the committee.

A letter to James W. Gerard, committee treasurer, said:

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Wants Place as Jones County Commissioner

E. F. Vantrese of the Sandbur community throws his hat into the political ring by announcing the first week in the New Year for the office of commissioner of precinct No. 4, Jones county, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

Mr. Vantrese has lived in Jones county since 1906, except for two years spent in the Panhandle, first farming on the Largent ranch north of Merkel. He has been farming for 18 years northeast of Stith and west of Hodges and in the Sandbur community where he owns a farm.

He was born in 1882 in West Tennessee, moving to Texas in 1886, and to Jones county in 1906. His family consists of his wife and two grown children.

He will make an active campaign and promises to do his best to see each voter, but if he does not do so he wants the voter to consider this his solicitation for his support.

He states that he has always paid his car license in Jones county and strongly urges all Jones countians to do likewise, as every car license paid

there means that much more aid for rural work for Jones county.

He will appreciate your vote and influence and promises, if elected, to make the best officer he possibly can.

Appointed as State Student Club Adviser

Miss Hazel Lee Rainbolt, who teaches home economics in the Spanish-American high school at Las Lunas, N. M., was home to spend Christmas and in company with her mother visited also in Abilene and Albany.

The school where she teaches is used as a training school for the state university at Albuquerque, and has one of the best equipped vocational home economics departments in that state.

Miss Rainbolt has recently been appointed state student club adviser by Miss Zepha Bates, vocational home economics supervisor of New Mexico.

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- Yams, 5 pounds ... 17c
- Oranges, dozen ... 29c
- Spuds, U. S. No. 1, 10 lbs. 23c
- Red and White
Flav-R-Jell, all flavors, pkg. 5c
- Dried
Prunes, large size, 2 lbs. 25c
- Larsen's
Veg-All, 2 cans ... 25c
- Red and White
Peas, No. 2 can each ... 17c
- Dawn Glo
Peas, No. 2 can, each ... 10c
- Kuner's
Kraut, No. 2 1-2, 2 for ... 25c
- Blue and White
Pork & Beans, 16 oz. can ... 5c
- Pure Cane
Sugar, 10 pounds ... 55c
- Bird Brand
Shortening, 4 lb. carton 55c
- Supreme
Peanut Butter, 16 oz. jar ... 19c
- Special
Broom, each ... 29c
- Blue and White
Oats, package ... 25c
- Blue and White
Cocoa, pound ... 13c
- Red and White
Pancake Flour, pkg. 10c
3 packages ... 29c
- Red and White
Maple Syrup, 16 oz. bottle ... 19c
- K. C.
Baking Powder, 25c size ... 18c
- Blue and White
Salt, 3 packages ... 10c
- Pinto
Beans, 5 pounds ... 23c
- Gallon
Apricots, per can ... 49c
- Lady Godiva
Soap, 6 bars ... 28c
- COFFEE
Early Riser, pound ... 15c
- Mart, pound ... 25c
- Red and White, pound ... 29c
- Sliced Bacon, pound ... 33c
- Salt Jowls, pound ... 17c
- Brick Chili, pound ... 20c

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