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Pay for Badger Sweaters, has assumed general managership of Lions Club Will Compete With Major Bowes.

As a means of raising money to re- left hip nine days before, died Saturimburse the Lions club for under- day. writing football sweaters for the 1935 Badgers, Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig suggested that the club sponsor a "mock Mio" program at the High school gymnasium early in April. He had previously been named as chairman of a committee to recommend the manner of raising this money and to select his assistants.

To this end he conscripted the following committees: talent, Dee Grimes, chairman, Supt. R. A. Burgess and Yates Brown; publicity, C. J. Glover, chairman, Byers Petty and fatality of the year. Presley Nesmith; ticket sales, R. T. Gray, chairman, Stanley King and Wrenn Durham; treasurer, Booth ette Knickerbocker, both of Hender-Warren,

Including two new members and seven guests there were 38 present at East Texas oil field. Tuesday's luncheon of the Lions club at Ed's cafe.

Entertainment features were fur-Murry college, who sang a group of negro spirituals, "Steal Away," "I'm Goin' to Shout All Over God's Heaven" and "Talk About Jerusalem Mørning." Mrs. R. B. Wylie, dean of fine arts, McMurry college, and Dean G. C. Boswell, who accompanied the quartette, were also luncheon guests. Members of the quartette are: Weldon Morton, William Pryor, Charles Schink and Neal Wilkins.

Victor Harris, manager of Bullock for another week because of the in-Hardware company, and Clint Gooch, fluenza epidemic which has gripped associated with the West Texas Utilithat section. ties as salesman, were elected into bership, and Arthur H. Lawson, Natural Gas company, succeeding R. started in 1882 and who was a member

MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1936.



As Vehicle for Raising Money to of the state board of water engineers, Mrs. M. J. Whishenunt, 72, Victim Also of Pneumonia; Eight Children, Five Brothers, One Sister Survive.

> Mrs. M. J. Whisenhunt, 72, died of pneumonia at 10 o'clock Sunday morning at her home here, from which only Juanita Bilyeu, 12, Krum high ten days before her son, R. C. Whetschool student, died in a hospital at sel, farmer of the Hillside community, Denison of burns sustained when kero- had also taken with the same dread o'clock, following a brief illness. He sene was poured on a smoldering fire pneumonia. Ill since Monday, Mrs. would have been 82 years old on Mar. Whisenhunt was put in an oxygen 16. tent early Saturday mornng, which,

Gerald C. Mann, former Texas sechowever, proved ineffective to save retary of state, has resigned as Washington representative of the Texas her.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from the funeral coach to Abilene for final First Baptist church, conducted by Lorene Pettitt, 17, who died in a Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, assisted For: Worth hospital from a fractured by Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of Grace skull received in an automobile crash, Presbyterian church. Interment was was Tarrant county's tenth traffic in Rose Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers were grandsons: Oddie, Clyde and Johnny Latimer, Claud and Raymond Thomas, George Whisenhunt.

on, were married Saturday in an air. Mrs. Whisenhunt had been married plane cruising 2,000 feet above the twice. Her first husband, Martin Whetsel, died in Illinois about 40 More than a million stamps were years ago. Her second husband, A. mailed Monday through the post of- Whisenhunt, who died Nov. 11, 1916, fice at Gonzales, on the Independence is interred at White Church. Mrs. nished by the boys' quartette of Mc- Day first sales of the Texas Centen- Whisenhunt had been a member of the Baptist church since she was 14 years of age. Marble and slot machines, punch-

She is survived by eight children, boards and similar devices will be four daughters and four sons. The banned on the Texas Centennial cendaughters are: Mrs. F. A. London, tral exposition grounds at Dallas, it Mrs. Mack Fowler and Miss Audy is announced by W. A. Webb, general Whisenhunt, of Merkel, and Mrs. John Walls of Brownfield; the sons, Roma Whetsel of Abilene, Argel Whetsel of Every school in Jefferson county, Big Spring and Bill and Berkley which includes the cities of Beaumont Whisenhunt. There are 21 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Five brothers, Bill and Jim Ensminger of the Divide, John Ensminger of Merkel and Sam and Charlie Ensminger, and one sister, Mrs. Janie

Herman Glenewinkel, Native of Germany, Passes Away After Brief Illness; Wife and Four Children Survive.

VIEW FARMER

AT AGE OF 81

DEATH CLAIMS

Herman Glenewinkel, prosperous tarmer of the View community and well known here, died at his home Friday morning, Feb. 28, at 3:30

Following a short service at the body was conveyed in the Barrow rites at the Lutheran church at 3 o'clock, with Rev. H. L. Weideraenders, the pastor, officiating. Interment was in an Abilene cemetery.

A native of Brunswick, Germany, Mr. Glenewinkel come to America, when he was 14 years old, with his father and brother and sister. His mother had died in the old country before they left. For the past 31 years he had lived in the View community where he had engaged in farming and had accumulated extensive farm holdings. He was a member of the Lutheran church in Abilene izens of the View community.

He was married on Feb. 6, 1876, to Miss Frederica Willig at New Braunfels, the couple having just recently observed their sixtieth wedding anniversary. Besides his wife, survivors are four children, Mrs. Hermine Nolte, Mrs. Pauline Salga, Gus Glene. winkel and Mrs. Elisa Bigler, all of View; eight grandchildren, five great. grandchildren, and one brother, August Glenewinkel, 86 years of age, who lives at Seguin.

The latter with his son, August, Jr., and the son's son, Marvin, came from Seguin for the funeral.



GENERAL MASS MEETING

TO PLAN SUMMER PROGRAM

On the "Broadway of America"

State Highway Department Allocates \$2.200 for Beautification of Derstine Park.

Just as The Mail goes to press word was received of the approval by the state highway department of the home at 1:30 Saturday afternoon, the project for beautifying Derstine park, the site for which was donated by

Mrs. S. A. Derstine and children week ago as a memorial to the late Sam A. Derstine. In announcing the news, Mrs. A. T Sheppard, chairman of the local beau-

amount of \$2,200, previously allotted summer program for 1936. to highway No. 31, had been trasferred to the Merkel park site.

A crape myrtle hedge extending east and west along the front line of the High school building is being planted this week with labor furnished through a National Youth adminand was one of the outstanding cit- istration project employing some fifteen boys and young men.

The same workers will also be used in cleaning up and levelling the school grounds, Supt. Burgess stated.

While the allotment of more than 100 roses subscribed for by publicspirited citizens for use in the highway plots along the railroad has not arrived, ladies from two groups have been busy plotting the grounds and making ready for planting the roses and otherwise improving the plots.

With Mrs. A. T. Sheppard, chairman of the local highway beautification committee, the following ladies

SET FOR MONDAY NIGHT

5c PER COPY

Every Merchant and Citizen Interested in Merkel's Welfare Urged to Attend; It's Time to Start Ball Rolling.

A meeting of prime importance to every merchant, business and professional man and citizen of Merkel, is scheduled for Monday night of next week, Mar. 9, at 8 o'clock.

It is the fixed time for the annual meeting of stockholders of the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel, which includes every contributor to the association's finances last year and every one interested in artification committee, stated that the ranging for the community's

> Every one interested in the city's welfare is expected to attend this meeting; the enthusiasm shown by those present will determine whether the town will sponsor a summer program similar to the two big features-rodeo and baseball-which proved so effective during the past two summers in holding and enlarging Merkel's trade territory and

> in making so many new friends for this community as a shopping center.

The time is 8 o'clock; the place, the auditorium of Grace Presbyterian church.

Prior to the general mass meeting, at which directors "~ the coming, year the se

as well as the new p. Sgrain out-

W. O. Boney Foreman Of 104th Grand Jury

Returning nine indictments charging felonies and one misdemeanor bill, the grand jury in 104th district court recessed late Wednesday until later in the term.

A Merkel man, W. O. Boney, is foreman of the inquisitorial body which was impaneled Monday morning by Judge W. R. Chapman.

In his charge to the grand jury, Judge Chapman told the members "conditions probably are not what the people think they are in Taylor coun- Franco-Prussian wars and who came ty," and requested them to make investigation of possible liquor law violations and report the findings.

Other members of the grand jury are: T. E. Brownlee, Ed Barker, S. M. Hunter; Carl Hughes, Merkel; John A. Woodard, Jr., Trent; J. C. Burleson, Ovalo; E. L. Grant, Lawn; his brother, Doyle Morrison, was giv-John Kincaid, Buffalo Gap; S. G. en 15 years by a jury in the district Oliver, J. Walter Hammond, Tye, and court at McKinney, both being char-B. H. Pritchard, Wingate.

Workers' Conference With Tye Church

"Scripture Interpretation" is the general subject of the program of the Workers' conference of the Sweetwater Baptist association, which meets at 10 a. m. Thursday, Mar. 12, with the Tye Baptist church with Rev. L. L. Trott, moderator.

Opening song service is to be led by Luther J. Webb, with morning talks by Rev. C. E. Dick and Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the First Baptist lard A. Jenkins, pastor of the First noon from the Fred Huddleston home, Baptist church, Abilene.

Board meetings of the Associational and W. M. U. are scheduled after lunch, with talks by Rev. N. A. Moore noon program.

60 Per Cent Increase. New York, Mar. 5 .- The net operating income of the first 69 railroads issuing January statements increased 60 per cent over the comparable period last year, is survey by the Associated Press indivates.

Col. P. L. Downs, 75, who opened a new local manager of the Community bank in Temple when the town was Patterson, also survive. O. Pearson, was welcomed as a guest. of the first graduating class of A. & Gas Company Transfers

and Port Arthur, will remain closed

the Brazos river conservation district.

Fort Worth, who had never been ill

a day in her life until breaking her

planning board to resume his law prac-

Mack Mathewson and Miss Henri-

nial commemorative stamps.

manager.

at her home.

tice in Dallas.

Mrs. Millie Moore Hosfelt, 92, of

M. college of Texas, died Saturday at his home in Temple.

Dr. Walter H. Moses, 60, of Georgeown, who as a medical officer at an army training camp during the World War won distinction of handling the flu-pneumonia epidemic without a iatality, died Sunday of pneumonia.

Henry and Jack and Lynn Smith, the cured. latter, brothers, were indicted by the Eastland county grand jury on char-May 1, 1933.

Frederick Barfneckt, 101-year-old veteran of the Austro-Prussian and to Texas from Germany in 1884, died Hamlin. near Denton and was buried in the

Round Grove cemetery in the southern part of Denton county.

Wilford Morrison was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary and ged in the death of Herman Lee (Alf) Toombs several weeks ago.

A tragedy of 18 years ago was du- Dublin, his home, for interment Satplicated Monday when two young urday. girls and their brother died in a fire

that swept the farm home of Alba Thomas near Midland. Three other Thomas children lost their lives in 1918 in a fire which destroyed their tist church for 75 years.

Girl Seriously Injured

When the car in which three girls church here, and sermon by Dr. Mil- were coming to town Sunday after- MCMURTY Quartette struck soft dirt along the shoulder of the road and turned over, Miss Wanda Huddleston received serious in. juries to her back and after emergenand Rev. E. D. Dunlap on the after- cy treatment here was carried to the West Texas Baptist sanitarium. The dleston and Lucille Gilmore, were un-

> hurt. With lateral processes to three vertebrae cracked, the older of the Huddieston girls has been placed in a cast at the sanitarium in order to hold her pinal column in proper position.

Dick Pearson to Haskell

R. O. (Dick) Pearson, Jr., local manager for the Community Natural Gas company since August of 1933. assumed his new duties Wednesday morning as local manager of the same utility at Haskell. Mrs. Pearson will Four persons, Raymond and Della join him as soon as a house can be se-

Since coming to Merkel, this popular young couple have made many ges of murder in connection with the friends; both Mr. Pearson and his wife slaying of H. L. McBee at Rising Star have taken active interest in club and civic life, and their departure to another town is noted with sincere regret throughout the community.

Dick will be succeeded here by Arthur H. Lawson, transferred fom

Grandfather of Local Woman Dies at Abilene

William Green Owens, 93, grandfather of Mrs. L. C. Zehnfennig, died Thursday afternoon, Feb. 27, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. A. W. Mc-Kinney, Abilene, with whom he was visiting. The body was shipped to

Mr. Owens was born Oct. 5, 1842, in Mississippi, and settled at Dublin in 1872. He was Confederate veteran and had been a member of the Bap-

Besides the daughter in Abilene, he is survived by five daughters, Mrs. C. W. Lyons of Arkansas, Mrs. R. P. Holmes, Mrs. R. B. McKinney, Mrs. J. When Car Overturns W. Foster and Mrs. J. H. Kading, and one son, J. C. Owens, all of Dublin.

Sing For Benefactor

college, who presented two programs in Merkel Tuesday, appearing at 10 o'clock at the High school chapel and other two girls, Misses Stacy Hud- at noon for the Lions club luncheon. also visited in the home of Mrs. Sallie Boyce, friend and benefactor of Mc-Murry, who has been ill some two

weeks or more. They gave several songs for her, which were greatly enjoyed and deeply appreciated.

Death Claims Little

West, one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. West, Jr., died at 7 o'clock Sunday night at the home of his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. West.

Funeral services were held from this home at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, with Rev. R. A. Walker, the family pastor, officiating, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery. Pallbearers were: active, Clyde

Shouse, William Sheppard, C. M. Largent, Jr., Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig. Paul West and Sidney Foy of Baird; honorary, Carlton Vick, Frank Mc-Farland, S. D. Gamble, John West, Booth Warren, Bob Mayfield and James H. West.

Assisting with the flowers were: Mesdames J. E. Boaz, Jr., C. M. Largent, Jr., L. C. Zehnpfennig, William Sheppard, Carlton Vick and Miss Vera Walker.

Besides the parents, he is survived by one sister, Joy Frances West.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kinsey of Sweetwater, maternal grandparents of little Wayne Kinsey, and two of Mr. Kinsey's brothers and their families, also Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Foy from Baird, the latter an aunt, were among out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral.

Mt. Pleasant Farmers

Farmers of the Mt. Pleasant community will hold a meeting at 7:30 Friday night of this week to discuss farming plans for 1936, including the government's proposed farm program. D. J. Curb is chairman of the community agricultural group.

this (Thursday) night, and farmers 2:30 Friday afternoon for the same

Boulder Dam Completed. Boulder City, Nev., Mar. 5 .- Boulder Dam, the world's highest manmade barrier, entailing an expenditure of \$165,000,000-the largest contract ever made by the United States -was turned over to the federal government Saturday night.

spent Wednesday in this preliminary lined, the final meeting of the Burgess, Frank McFarland, . S. D. Wayne Kinsey West Gamble and J. T. Warren, joined by Messrs. T. G. Bragg and A. T. Shep-

> The Home Demonstration group, sponsoring the care and beautification of the western plot of ground, included Mesdames Chester Hutcheson, Harry Barnett, Bob McDonald, Watt Blair, Clyde Shouse and George White.

Sleeps With Eyes Wide Open. Erie, Pa., Mar. 5 .- Baby Maxine Yarrington, 2 1-2, who has been in a hospital since September, when doctors diagnosed her ailment as a form of sleeping sickness, Monday went ipto her sixth month of sleep with her big blue eyes wide open.

work: Mesdames T. G. Bragg, R. A. old board of directors will be held at 7:30 o'clock at the same place, announces Henry West, president of the association.

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bristow, residing northeast of town, Thursday, Feb. 27, 1936.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Everett, Trent, Thursday, Feb. 27, 1936. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Goza, Noodle road, Sunday, Mar. 1, 1936. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burns, Stith, Monday, Mar. 2, 1936. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Moore, Wednesday, Mar. 4, 1936.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. B. Novian, Blair, Wednesday, Mar. 4, 1936.

MERKEL20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, March 10, 1916.)

MASQUERADE PARTY.

and matrons entertained their gentlemen friends and husbands on Thursday evening with a masquerade party. This was given in the parlors Fitts, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Boden, of the Elite, and quite a number enjoyed the evening's fun. Dancing was the main pleasure but some were present only to enjoy a social conversation

and the zest given any gathering by the masque. It was rare fun trying To Meet Friday Night to guess the many quaint and interesting characters as they mingled dur-

ing the evening. Those present were

Swann, Dr. L. Miller and Raymond of nut sandwiches pickles, cake and

force of the Anchor Mercantile Co. troop trains of the seven section movewas entertained with a fish and oys- ment from Georgia to the border ter supper by Mr. and Mrs. H. L. country.

Propst. After the splendid supper a A number of Merkel's young ladies jolly social evening was spent by this always merry bunch. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames A. C. Rose, R. L. Bland, E. P. Beene and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Miss Verona Hamblet, Messrs. W. H. Bullock and W. L. Diltz. Mr. and Mrs. Propst were assisted in entertaining by Miss Ruby Walker.

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB. Mrs. W. Woodroof was hostess on

last Thursday to the Twentieth Century club. The bride of the season was most charmingly at home to her club Misses Elma Sheppard, Fanne and friends. Another Stevenson afternoon Mamie Moore, Verona Hamblet, Jewel | was had and Miss Eva .Walters was Toombs, Mae Green, Mesdames Boyd, elected to membership. The members M. D. Angus, T. H. Largent, J. W. present were Mesdames W. B. Foster, Daniels, Geo. L. Miller, J. E. Pitzer, R. A. Martin, T. A. Harris, Jno. W. Jr., Minor Goode and Miss Cara Briggs, M. R. Hall, W. Parten, Ben Cooper of Colorado; Messrs. Parker T. Merritt and L. W. Woodroof; Missand Roscoe Sharp, Dee, Ennis and es Pauline Johnson, Winnie Warren, Emmett Grimes, H. L. Easterwood, Evelyn Williams. Mrs. H. C. Bur-W. L. Diltz, Jr., T. L. Holloway, J. roughs, Sr., and Mrs. H. C. Bur-E. Pitzer, Jr.; Boyd, T. H. Largent, roughs, Jr., were visitors. Dainty and Nat Anderson, Minor Goode, Sam well prepared were the refreshments grape juice.

ANCHOR FORCE BANQUETTED. Parties who remained up late Tues-On Thursday evening the entire day evening chanced to see the first

Touchstone.

A similar meeting was held at Blair

The boys' quartette of McMurry of the Tye community are to meet at purpose.

pard. Ill only a few days, Wayne Kinsey

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A GREAT TEAM.

sons in the United States, conducted Mr. and Mrs. Christain had formerly by the Department of Commerce, lived here where he was an employee showed that 85 per cent were convin- of the Phillips company. ced that brands advertised in daily Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce of Eastnewspapers were likely to be of a land were recent guests in the home higher degree of quality than those of Supt. Scott. They were accompanied not advertised.

and the limitations of advertising for guest of her daughter and son-in-law. building consumer confidence. It is Mrs. Eva Parker of Post was guest obvious that advertising alone can not part of last week in the home of her suffice. A customer might be induced daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. six different varieties were served to try an inferior article once, but Jack Perkins. She also visited in the he would not continue to use it, re- T. L. Stevens home. gardless of how much was spent by the | Mrs. Myrtle Hunting of Dallas was maker in advertising it.

newspaper advertising have not failed Mrs. B. F. Sipa. to appreciate this elemental fact. They Mesdames T. R. Kegans and Florhave turned out a good product, for ence Thornton of near Merkel attendwhich newspaper advertising has pro- ed to business here Saturday. wided an ever-increasing market, And Supt. G. W. Scott and Mrs. Scott they have continued to improve the were hosts on Sunday, Feb. 23, with a nard, Bernice and Mary Lewis, Roy product wherever improvement was birthday dinner, honoring their son, Scott, Robert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ben possible.

the confidence of the American people These young men are students in A. hostess. -quality goods and aggressive ad- C. C. Their guests were Misses Fritz vertising .- Exchange.

BLAIR ITEMS

We are glad to report that little Jacqueline Moore is convalescing nicely after a recent illness.

Truitt Whatley is critically ill at this writing and relatives and friends are very much concerned about his condition now.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Melton of Mrs. Tom Melton.

TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Miss Ethel King of Merkel was Entered at the postoffice at Merkel, week-end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Foy Steadman.

\$1.50 ur Goode of Lamesa on Feb. 25.

Mrs. John Bonner of Clyde was a and given a cordial welcome. After advertising, and will be charged for visitor all day Thursday with friends an interesting meeting, refreshments here.

Nows was received here last week were served to twenty-five guests. by friends that Grover Cleveland A survey of more than 5,000 per- Christain had died at Oklahoma City.

hore by Mrs. Berlinda Pierce of Car-The figures reveal at once the value bon, who remained over and is now the

a guest the greater part of last week Successful users of the strength of in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mr. and Mrs. John Newby, Homer

Pierce, and a friend of his, Robert Butman, Inez, Rosa, Ernest and Mo-The result is a "team" that has won Caruthers, on their 21st birthdays. zell Russom and the honorees and

and Walker, also A. C. C. students. Mrs. L. R. Bishop of Glendale, Calif,, On Sunday, Feb. 23, a group of

who has been visiting in Houston for Warren people met at Mr. and Mrs. several weeks, stopped over here on Ross Baker's foy'a happy afternoon, her return home last week and visited Miss Dessie Marie Baker entertained beautiful floral offerings and words a few days with friends and relatives. the young people by playing several of sympathy at the recent loss of our She was accompanied by her sister, games, and Frank Jacks suggested dear father and grandfather, Mr. Her-Mrs. Luke Bishop, of Houston, who other games such as "Knocking for man Glenewinkel. We also thank Rev. plans to visit in California for about Love," "Piggie Wants a Signal," H. L. Weideraenders for his words six months for her health. Mrs. Jannie Garner of Colorado ers.

spent several days here last week as Those present were: Euveta Smith, guest of Mrs. T. L. Stevens. She and Winnie B. Cross, Loyce Chancey, Oklahoma are visiting for an indefi-Mrs. Stevens spent Thursday at Shep Frances Mae Baker, Dessie Marie Baknite time with their parents, Mr. and in the interest of the W. O. W. Circle. er, Mary Belle McDonald, Cleo Chan-Miss Elsie Bishop was a guest last cey, Frank Jacks, Emma Ruth Jacks,

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Patterson and week in the home of her uncle, Mr. Junior Isenburg, Sherman Isenburg, J. of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Walter Smith, of Lamesa. R. Baker, Earl Cross, Harold McDonatter and daughter and Mr. James McAdams of Hobbs, N. M., ald, Henry McDonald, Joe Elbert Mc.

evening. Games were played and con- ter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berdy tests best liked by young folks enjoy- and was reared for the most part in

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ed, after which refreshments were that community. Her grace and charm have made for her many friends.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Melton and grew to man-Trent Grove No. 668 met in reg- hood here. Cecil is a young man of John Goode and Brittin Clinton visit- ular session on Tuesday evening, Feb. industry and resourcefulness and can Taylor and Jones Counties ____\$1.00 ed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arth- 25, with all officers present and most by depended upon to achieve success all team members. Sovereign Fay in life.

Mrs. Carl Hughes of Blair was Burks of Vivian, La., Sovereign May The couple begin their married life guest Thursday of last week in the Martin of Sweetwater and Sovereign on the Campbell farm, near Blair, with home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ida Hamner were also present, and the sincerest good wishes of the com-Mrs. Gladys Williams was initiated munity.

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met Friday in the Kenneth Pee home with Mrs. O. R. Douglas as co-hostess. Beautification for Texas Centennial was discussed. A birthday present went to Miss Alice Carey.

Osgood pie topped with whipped cream, cheese and coffee were served to the following: Mesdames J. L. Mc-Ree, C. E. Shouse, J. H. Clark, D. Cox, O. R. Douglas, M. L. Douglas, M. F. Carey, W. A. Harris, Kenneth played, after which the entire party Pee, Lee Tipton, Misses Mary Belle Douglas, Mabel McRee, members; visitors, Mrs. J. W. Taylor, Mrs. Andy Shouse and Mrs. Oleene L. Humphrevs.

The next meeting will be on Mar. 13 in the D. Cox home and the agent will give a program on "Comfortable and Mrs. R. W. Johnson and children, Beds."

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank each and every one who so lovingly assisted us in any way during the illness and death of cur dear wife and mother.

May God's richest blessings be with ach and every one of you.

Grady Bond and Children.

We fill all doctors' prescriptions. Vick Drug Co. Night Phone 40.

CARD OF THANKS. We thank our many friends for the

"Hide-and-Go-Seek" and several oth- of consolation. The Family.

> Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one

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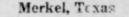
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yes-we are making Loans!

During the first two months of 1936, this bank made 700 loans totaling approximately \$125,000.00. In this territory there are many people who have maintained their credit standing and reputation for financial responsibility throughout the difficult years just passed. To such individuals we are naturally making loans. Through them we are putting money to work in this community and trade territory. Sound loans are an important part of our business and we are ready to consider them at ALL times.

THE OLD RELIABLE

Farmers @ Merchants National Bank



MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

-Who-

Sells the Best Gar In Merkel

Church Motor Co.

WOODMEN CIRCLE NEWS.

of banana nut cake and fruit punch

RURAL SOCIETY

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

On Saturday night, Feb. 22, Mrs.

Tom Russom entertained in honor of

her husband and niece, Geraldine But-

A number of amusing games were

was called into the dining where

refreshments consisting of hot choco-

late with marshmallows and cakes of

Gifts were admired and a splendid

time reported by the following: Mr.

Newby, Margaret, Jack, Edith, Nell

and Ruth Butman, Mr. and Mrs. A.

D. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sterling,

Miss Lottie Butman, Mrs. Howard

Garner and son, Jack, Folmer, Leo-

WARREN NEWS.

man, on their birthday.

buffet style.

served.

and Mrss Marcina Doan of Brownwood visited in the home of Mr. and last week. Mrs. J. C. Horton and other relatives over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Cooper and

Mrs. Sam Horton of Trent spent Sunfamily.

Mrs. Anna Garves from Lubbock and Mrs. Ida Bankhead and son, Ernest Bankhead, from Gatesville, visited here Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Melton.

Mrs. R. B. Horton and two children left Monday for a two weeks stay with relatives at Red Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore left the past week for Corpus Christi for a month's stay with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moore.

Mrs. Susie Doan returned home Saturday from Oklahoma, after a two months stay with her daughter. Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mitcheil, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gates and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cavette made a pleasure trip over to Sweetwater lake Sunday.

Mannie Barnes entered the West Texas Baptist sanitarium, Abilene, the past week for treatment; he has been critically ill for some time.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Mattie Whisenbunt of Merkel Monday afternoon.

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one 61 or 29.

was a passing guest of friends here Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cross and

Clyde visited relatives here Wednesday of last week.

Sunday afternoon,

farm the O. L. Bishop farm.

guest of Miss Mas Melton of Merkel. McDonald of Warren. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Harrah of Central City, Colo., arrived Thursday for a visit with relatives here and at

lvde. Mrs. Harrah will be remem-Gred here as Miss Ltolla Steen. C. R. Shannon was called to Idalou on Feb. 27 to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. T. J. Shannon, who

was 88 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Husbands of ter.

Abilene were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Tittle of Abilene were Sunday afternoon guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Forrester.

Freddie Allyn spent the week-end visiting his father at Cisco.

Clayton Hale of Longview was a recent guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hale.

Mr. and Mrs Spinks of Noodle spent Thursday visiting their daughter and leading magazines. On a great many son-in-law, Mr and Mrs. I. P. Burks. Olin Clinton and two sons, Mack subscription to The Mail, we are in and W. O., of Stanton were Sunday position to make special clubbing of. guests of Sam Clinton and children. L. Z. Titsworth was called to the bedside of his mother at Coleman, who

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribling visited

relatives at Sylvester Sunday. M. S. Head of Abilene has been

BIRTHDAY DINNER.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kegans honored Oliver Bright on his 63rd birthday with a dinner on Sunday, March 1, at their home. Guests for the happy occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Shannon and family, Mrs. Bula Spence, Mrs. Oliver Bright, Henry Bright, Wilson Bright, James Bright and Miss Merle Jones.

PARTY FOR YOUNGER SET. Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Roberts entertained a number of the younger set with a party in their home Saturday

three children, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rev. John Reynolds and family of Baker, W. C. Baker and Alvire Smith. On Saturday night, Feb. 22, young folks of the Warren community gath-Mrs. J. I. Leamon spent last week ered at the home of Miss Mary Belle day with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan and at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Lou McDonald, whose house guest was Dowdy. She returned home on Thurs- Miss Dessie Marie Baker, and many iav and reported her sister not much interesting games were played. Those improved. She also visited her again present were: Joddie Massey, Frank Jacks, Cleo Chancey and Elveny Bish. Bart Bishop has gone to Lamesa to op of Merkel, Fannie Massey, Mary Belle McDonald, Dessie Marie Baker, Miss Sallie Freeman was Sunday and Harold, Henry and Joe Elbert

MELTON-BERRY.

Cacil Melton of the Blair community and Miss Erma Dell Berry of the White Church community were united in marriage on Feb. 22 at Sweetwator, by Justice of the Peace S. H. Shook. The ceremony was witnessed by Miss Mae Melton, the groom's sis-

The bride is the attractive daugh-

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My Dear Aunt Tilda:

Will you please tell me how I can

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Society Editor-Eva Faye Bush Editor-in-Chief-Clifton Bellamy. Sports Editor-Murry Toombs Assistant Editor-Ora Derrick. Joke Editor-Felix Stalls

TEXAS INDEPENDENCE.

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On March 1, 1836, forty-nine of the sixty-two delegates to the general consultation suggested by Stephen F. Austin met in the cold gray of a winter morning to begin discussions for She has attended Merkel High school redress of grievances inflicted upon three years. Though she is rather Texas by the newly organized Mexi- quiet, her absence would be autstandcan government. The following day- ing and, regretted by many. This year March 2-all but two of the delegates, she is a charter member of the Spanwho had not yet arrived at the con- ish Cucarachas. She plays both the vention because of weather conditions, piano and the organ. To do church signed the document which declared work is her desire and aim, Texas a free and sovereign nation.

On March 2, 1936, one hundred years later, as a result of the patriotin of these men we-the students of nickname. In M. H. S. he has been a Merkel High school-received a holiday from the routine of daily school work.

CHAPEL.

During the chapel period Tuesday and basketball two years. According morning, the student body enjoyed to his present intentions, Felix will be Mrs. George Cooper. a very entertaining program given by the McMurry Boys quartette. Dean = Boswell and Mrs. Wylie, head of the debate teams, both boys and girls. group of ne ro spirituals: "Drink to Miss Stewart. The pupils are becom- guests of relatives. Me Only With Thine Eyes," "When ing quite tennis-minded and we hope Day Fades," "Little Close Harmony," to have good teams. "Talk About Jerusalem Morning," The track team is being organized brother, Everett Pool and family. and the closing number, "Tale About and will start practice this week. Wood Chuck."

This program was greatly enjoyed AUNT TILDA'S ADVICE. by all.

On Feb. 25, Dr. Surface of Abilene manage to keep my brother from tellentertained the student body in chapel ing my parents about the note he gren, of Stamford. session with a very interesting speech found and about a few other things he ties of everyone in general. Accord- need advice greatly. ing to L.. Surface there are three types of people: the jawbone class with talks and talks yet never does and, My Dear Mary Nell: class who wishes and sighs for some- case and from the facts that I have caid. thing but does nothing more; and found your best course to follow the backbone class who is the one that would be not to say anything about day with their daughter, Mrs. Joe gets the desired results.

THE MERREL MAIL

members of F. F. F. club at her home

who would represent Noodle at the

en: Mozelle Sosebee, senior girl; Jasper

NOODLE NEWS near here. Saturday a picnic lunch

was enjoyed on the river. There is quite a lot of sickness in Prof. and Mrs. Bell entertained the young people of the community and

our community. L. M. Howard has been ill with the school faculty last Wednesday evpneumonia for the past three weeks, ening. After playing various games, but we are glad to report his condi- cake and punch was served to about tion greatly improved at this writing. 75 guests. O. L. Justice is on the sick list. A declamation tryout to determine

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henderson has the pneumonia. Interscholastic meet was held Friday Winifred Loving is also suffering evening, and the following were chosfrom pneumonia.

Prof. C. R. Williams, superinten- Brown and H. R. Chancy tied as sendent of the Neinda school, was able to ior boys; Roy Satterwhite, high school return to his home Sunday after junior boy; Sybil Samson, high spending several days in Abilene hos- school junior girl; Iris Eoff, junior pital, where he went for treatment for girl, and Harold Sosebee, junior boy. an injury received while playing bas- Noodle senior girls basketball team ketball. His wife and little daughter, won the county championship by de-Dolores, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. feating Hawley, 24-6, and Avoca, Lee D. Williams, while Prof. Wil- 29-11, in the finals. liams was in the hospital. The singing Sunday night was at-Mrs. N. H. Eoff was called to tended by a large crowd.

Sweetwater Sunday to attend the bed- Mrs. T. E. Goode was called to Odside of her mother, who is seriously ill. essa Sunday by the illness of her

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Cowan of Abi- daughter, Mrs. Frank Carter. lene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. "Happy" is characteristic of his L. M. Howard, Saturday. They were We fill all doctors' prescripaccompanied home by Mr. Howard, tions. Vick Drug Co. Night member of the Glee club five years who is convalescing after a three Phone 40. and of the M. H. S. Players' club two weeks' illness.

years. He has represented Merkel in Mrs. Hester Brewer and children Surplus seed, livestock and farm Interscholastic League baseball and basketball, playing baseball one year of near Trent spent last week here, products may be sold through a want the guests of her parents, Mr. and ad in The Mail.

Mrs. Althea Toombs of Abilene spent several days here last week at for 25c; regular retail price everythe bedside of her father, L. M. How- where. For sale at Merkel Mail office.

ard. music department, were also present. Girls' playground ball is coming Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caldwell and child-The song which they sang were a along nicely under the direction of ren spent the week-end at Clyde, the

C. B. Jinkens and family spent the

T. C. Satterwhite and family visit-

O. B. Crow and wife have as their guest his cousin, Miss Gladys Wahl- Reserverences

C. Sosebee and three children.

usua"y says, nothing; the wishbone I have carefully looked into your guests of her aunt, Mrs. W. M. Kin-



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week-end at Divide, guests of her

J. K. Blair and family visited his sister, near Blair, Sunday.

ed relatives near Divide Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper visited ELECTRICAL WORK in which he expounded upon the quali- knows? I'm in serious trouble and I his sister at Stamford Sunday. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. A.

Mrs. Joe B. Sosebee and children are spending the week in Tye, the

The student body is as usual look- his private affairs. I am positive that ing forward to the time when Dr. your secrets will be safe with him so Surface will again come to deliver one long as you do not provoke your brother's anger. of his interting talks.

COMING-

Special attention! The feature story of the green crepe dress! Eybrow lift- FLASH. ing relation of actual occurence in Merkel, Texas. Through special effort had his fountain pen in his mouth and

JUNIOR NEWS.

Several committees have been appointed to work on the Junior-Senior banquet which is to be held about poven weeks from now. All standing down." committees are working and getting things prepared for a swell banquet. Billy Woodrum, rushed up to the front are especially working to get things this it will take up the surplus ink." ready.

Badger Weekly. Watch for it!

FRESHMAN NEWS.

We all want to ask the teachers to forgive us for drooping around in our WHEN BLADDER. classes the last few days. It must be the spring fever already. But we'll snap out of it, just watch us!!!

Really we don't know what people would do around here if it were not for the Freshmen. We have a large boys also play baseball. Just you ty meet.

Now, don't think we are a bit conceited just because we brag an our good class.

FOOTBALL SWEATERS.

After the Lions club decided to loan the money for football sweaters to the football lettermen the latter met and decided on color, size, design and service stripes. These fifteen boys will receive sweaters: Robert Higgins, Zerk Robertson, R. T. Blair, W. B. Toombs, Stanley Toombs, Victor Joyner, Murry Toombs, Bob Grimes, Vincent and Griffin Barnett, Lloyd Vick, Winston Polley, Miller Patton, Duane and Kermit Pangle. The sweaters will rrive here about next Monday.

NTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE WORK.

Each teacher is busy drilling and grilling his or her pupils in different contests for the Interscholastic meet which is to be held in Abilene during the latter part of March.

Mrs. Haynes reports that the outlook is brigh in the field of declamab developing some good Mr. Mye

One day in English class Horace of the editor, this true story will be a great deal of ink had leaked out in brought to you in a coming issue of the his mouth. He went up to Miss Ater's

desk during English class and asked: "Can I get a drink?" "Why?" "I got a lot of loose ink in my

Sincerely,

Aunt Tilda.

mouth." "Why, that would just wash it

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& DIVORCE COURT by-MILTON PROPPER ... CHARPER & BROTHERS ... 1914

SECOND INSTALLMENT SYNOPSIS . . . Six persons are in an Keith's shoulders.

already dead."

Mount Airy.

almost any crisis."

placed trembling hands on Mrs. Rankin sensed their anxiety and suspanse.

inner office of the law firm of Dawson, McQuire and Locke at Philadelphia. A master hearing in the divorce case of Rowland vs. Rowland is unclerk and Mr. Dawson, the master, ing?" are the six persons. There is a new development in the case. After failing woman's side, grim lines of worry nesses and resist the suit. Judge Daw- ous. son overules the heated objections of "Yes, we should call a doctor," he Mr. Willard, and orders Mr. Trum- agreed, after a moment of utter stillbull to bring in the first witness. Mr. ness, painful and pregnant, "but I Common Trumbull has just gone to an outer fear it's too late to do anything for office to bring the witness. NOW, GO her." He shook his head. "She ON WITH THE STORY.

As they waited the door opened and Mr. Trumbull reappeared. But he was alone, a different man from the shrewd, vigilant attorney who, only a brief time before, had left his office. He had difficulty finding his tongue.

"Good God, come quickly, all of you!" he managed to gasp out. "I don't know what's the trouble, but something is seriously wrong in there . . . I . . .

He grasped the back of his chair to support himself, and Mr. Dawson cut in sharply.

"Something wrong, Mr. Trumbull? What do you mean-what's the matter?"

Allen Rowland way the first to spring to his feet.

"What's happened. Trumbull?" he demanded, in a voice filled with anxiety, "Mrs. Keith/s all right, isn't she? There's no reason to worry about her?"

The other shook his head solemnly. "I'm afraid she's very ill, Row-She's Anconscious-completely

He noted all details before an His voice sounded tense and apelderly man came forward and palled. "Barbara! What is it, Bargreeted him in obvious relief. bara? Answer me . . . " Receiving "You've come from Headquarters, der way. Mrs. Rowland, represented no reply, he recoiled visibly, looking of course?" He extended his hand. by her lawyer brother, Mr. Willard; up in distress. "It's really serious," "It's good of you to be so prompt. Mr. Rowland, the defendant, and his he whispered swiftly. "Mr. Daw- I'm Dawson-Henry Dawson. I attorney, Mr. Trumbull; the court son, isn't there a doctor in the build- think we had better step into the library, where we'll have greater The lawyer followed him to the privacy.

The detective posted his two unito defend himself against the charge changing the more genial aspects of formed men at the main door, 1507; of adultery in earlier hearings, Mr. his countenance. He took her right then ordering Jenks to remain out-Rowland digs up evidence and asks wrist, and as he felt for her pulse, side as well, he followed the lawyer the court's permission to produce wit- he became still more grave and seri- into the library. Two other men awaited them there

> Mr. Dawson introduced them. This is Mr. Simpkins, clerk of Pleas Court, Number Three. Dr. Samuel Clark, whose offices are on the twelfth floor of this isn't just ill or unconscious; she's building; we summoned him immediately, although it was too late for medical aid. Mr .-- "

> "Rankin, Thomas Rankin," the It was four o'clock that same detective supplied, and shook hands. Wednesday afternoon, when Tom-"Glad to meet you. Then it is a my Rankin, at the Central Detective matter of death, requiring the atten-Bureau in City Hall, received instruction of the police?" tions to proceed to the law offices of

-Gravely nodding, the lawyer protain Thomas took the message and eseded to explain. "I regret it's quite serious enough for that. Briefly, here is the situation. I have Bureau with the completed report been holding a series of hearings in of his most recent case, an investi- a divorce action in my office, in a mation of the gem robbery at the contested case. This afternoon, the first testimony for the defense to aristocratic Wentworth home in prevent the granting of the divorce was to be presented. The complainny." The captain informed Rankin. ing party offered some opposition to the introduction of Mrs. Barbara Keith, the first witness for the dewho phoned, and he was worried; fense. And when Mr. Trumbull, and everyone in the city knows his counsel for the defendant, went to reputation for keeping his head in bring her in, he found she was dead. "Say, captain, why don't you let

. . There are indications that her ome one else handle it?" Rankin death was neither normal nor accidental.' protested, without too much emphasis. "I've just finished a puzzling

Rankin's eyes widened in interest and he asked sharply:



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short to animation and I reaction or rouse her. And she looks dreadfully white. . . . We had all better hurry."

His excitement and agitation conveyed themselves to his listeners, as they hastened from the office. In his concern, Mr. Rowland pushed ahead, the lawyer immediately behind. Mr. Dawson came next. Mr. Willard made way for his sister, in whose eyes gleamed a light, had it been observed, that suggested an emotion more powerful than mere interest; while his own lips curved in a smirk.

In this order, they all passed through the chamber adjoining Mr. Dawson's office, an anteroom into which his door opened. It was also the law library of the concern. Two other doors led from the library. the one in the left wall, opposite the windows, into the main office of the you in this case, Tommy?" he in- your diagnosis?" suite, where the employees-stenographers, telephone operator and law clerks-worked. The second door opened directly across from Mr. Dawson's.

It was ajar, and, led by Rowland, the group crowded through it into still another office. It contained a dark oak table, oak chairs with leather seats and a plain, dull green carpet. From the hall, the inscrip-Rankin grinned, but his reply curred is that some one seized her son, MacQuire & Locke. Entrance at 1507."

A woman sat in the swivel chair, but in a peculiar position that promptly revealed something was wrong. She slumped rather than rested in it, her weight pushing it located on the directory board the ceived all point to it." back on its pivots. Her head, barely firm of Dawson, MacQuire & Locke; protruding above the rear support, and they boarded an express elevawas thrown back against a cushion so that she stared at the ceiling. Her left leg stretched out straight, rectly opposite the cage, as they knee, drawn against her body. Her fronted the corridor, marked respection of mortal agony.

The sight of the recumbent, mo- door. tionless figure caused the group to pause on the threshold for an in- firm, 1507, the detective and his stant, Anxiety was written in every companions at once realized the subface, except Mrs. Rowland's.

fallen asleep," Mr. Trumbull re- waited in the chairs lined against the marked. "I spoke to her, and when inner wall, on both sides of the door. she didn't respond. I tried to waken Six desks were arranged behind the her. Then I discovered that . . . rail, with as many employees-

ter with her?" the clerk queried no one worked, nor was the usual breathlessly. "She looks so strange clatter of typewriters heard. They -so pale and stiff."

land crossed to the swivel chair. He

ion." He shrugged in comic helplessness. "Oh well, I suppose it's all in a day's work, Thomas. Where do I go?"

one and I guess I deserve a vaca-

Dawson, MacQuire & Locke. Cap-

relayed the assignment to - Rankin.

The detective be just reached the

"Here's a new job for you, Tom-

'It was old Henry Dawson himself

Primarily because of his youth, he fitted in few respects the typical conception of a detective.' Only thirty, he looked twenty-five. In appearance considered handsome, he had a high forehead, surmounted by curly dark brown hair. His lips beneath sensitive nostrils; he had a determined chin and dark, piercing

and powerfully built. Rankin was about to undertake a customary quip. quired, his smile thinly veiled. 'You'll probably need plenty of help before this business is over."

For he was aware that ordinarily it was Rankin's policy to work as a

enlist outside aid.

Recognizing the captain's jibe, colleague's stout features.

"You're probably right, captain," succumbed." he said; "that's why I think I'll lug Jenkins along, and a couple of cops."

tor to the fiftcenth floor. The offices they sought were diwhile the right one was bent at the stepped from it. Three doors mouth was open, but strained and tively 1505, 1507 and 1509; and the thin, rather than loose, in a sugges- glazed front of 1509 also instructed visitors to enter at 1507, the central

Entering the main office of the stantial size and prosperity of the "First I thought she had just lawyers' practice. Several people

stenographers, law clerks and stu-"But what is it? What's the mat- dents. But extraordinarily enough all watched the new arrivals silently, In two quick strides Allen Row- with bated breaths, from which

"Not normal? That leaves only murder or suicide? Where was she when she died, Mr. Dawson?" The lawyer inclined his head toward the door leading from the library into 1505, adjoining.

"In that office," he replied where, I understand, she was waiting until she would be called to give her testimony. On being informed by Mr. Trumbull of his discovery, were thin, and usually set together we entered and naturally assumed she had suffered a stroke or heart attack or something of that sort. eyes, constantly alert. He was But Dr. Clark's examination sugbread-shouldered, of medium height, gests she met her end by violence." "I believe she was chloroformed

As usual, when the captain knew to death," the physician volunteered. Rankin focused a penetrating fresh inquiry, he could not resist his gaze on the doctor. "Chloroform Dr. Clark? Are you positive of "Who would you like along with that? What evidence supports

"The woman's eyes were dilated, which is a dependable sign of death by some such irregular means," Dr. Clark returned. "I've had no opportunity to examine her blood, but lone wolf. He preferred to have I don't doubt it will be darkish. and exclusive charge of an assignment, fluid. In addition, there are red even of its routine features, until marks on her arms and wrists as if compelled by its complications to some one had had a powerful grip en them."

"Then your opinion of what ocbrought a stare of amazement to his and forcibly administered chloroform through her nose until she

The physician nodded. "Yes, the symptoms, her position, pushed He collected Jenks and two uni- back like that in the chair, and the formed officers and set out. Rankin rough handling she must have re-

"Well, unless more than one per-

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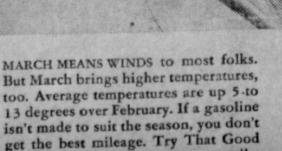
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MAGAZINE SPECIAL-American Magazine, Woman's Home Companion and Collier's, 15 months for \$4.00. Mrst H. C. Reid, Phone 9047.

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Model A Ford Truck

WEST COMPANY, INC.

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FOR RENT-Funished two-room apartment; all conveniences. Mrs. A. H. Thornton. Phone 129.

FOR RENT-Attractively furnished hurch.

WANTED

WILL DO Custom Grinding; all kinds; 10c and 15c per hundred; Monday only. Vernon Hudson, Merkel, Texas, Route 3.

NOTICE BREEDERS-I will stand my Percheron stallion and black Mammoth jack for service one mile west of Merkel; terms, \$10.00, \$2.00 its passage and publication. cash at time of service, balance when colt is foaled. Pierce Horton.

POLITICAL (Subject to the action of the Demoratic Primary in July.) For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2: CHAS. (CHARLIE) ORR. HOUSTON ROBERTSON. A. J. CANON (Re-election.) P. A. DILTZ. For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4. Jones county: E. F. VANTREESE. L. R. CADE. (MISS) VIVIAN FRYAR. CLARENCE L. DARDEN. E. D. (Dean) DAVIS. W. B. HALE. For Sheriff: S. H. (Sid) McADAMS. BURL WHEELER. MERVYN MEEKS. ROSS L. MILLER. For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5: CLYDE SHOUSE (Re-election.) For District Clerk: MISS BELLE WELLBORN (Re election.) For County Attorney: ESCO WALTER.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For County Tax Assessor-Collector: C. O. (Pat) PATTERSON. W. P. BOUNDS. For Justice of the Peace Precinct No. and sons of Anson and Miss Gypsie

S. C. VICK.

pay at the time of filing a fee of \$1.00 to the city secretary. Section 2. Any person failing to file his name, the name of the office for appointment at the Methodist church which he is a candidate, and failing to Sunday afternoon.

pay the \$1.00 filing fee within the time and manner as above stipulated daughters were Sunday guests of Mr. bedroom, adjoining bath; private en- will not be considered a candidate for and Mrs. V. L. Hobdy of Willow trance; garage; for refined gentle- office and his or her name will not creek.

> said requirements shall be deemed with pneumonia, but is some better at sufficient to omit the name of said this writing. person from the ballot.

ject creates an emergency and the rule Mrs. Lee Ponder. requiring the reading of this ordinance

at three several meetings is hereby Abilene this week. dispensed with and this ordinance

Passed March 2, 1936. W. M. ELLIOTT, THE MERKEL MAIL

Union Ridge Pupils Varied Features on Spend Day in Abilene Bill at Stock Show

On Monday, March 2, the school children of the Union Ridge school and entries for the Southwestern Expotheir teachers, Mrs. Oleene Humph- sition and Fat Stock Show, March Four Typewriters Stolen the office of Justice of the Peace. reys and Mrs. Andy Shouse, spent the 13-22 at Fort Worth, have been reday in Abilene visiting various busi- orived from virtually every section of

ness concerns. Texas and several other states, John Lunch was spread at Fair park and B. Davis, secretary-manager announlater a visit was made to the zoo. Parents accompanying the children clude C. M. Largent & Sons 16 head were: Messrs, and Mesdames Clar- of Herefords.

Carey, O. B. Williams, Lee Ponder, O. Fort Worth this year will be the Feed- 1935 model, all Woodstocks. R. Douglas, J. L. Douglas, Mrs. C. E. er Cattle sale at 10 a. m. March 19. Entrance was effected by prizing Since 1908 I have been a resident Horton and Miss Mary Belle Douglas. Bidders from the northern and east- open the double doors at the west side of West Texas, with Merkel as my Children attending were: Bernie ern states as well as the Corn Belt of the building and the interior door post office since 1917. With most of Opal Dean, Doris Price, Wanda Lillie and cattle sections of the Southwest was also forced with a pinch bar. you I am well acquainted, and to those Douglas. Francis Harwell, Elbert will attend this sale. It is also expect- No trace nor clue of the missing who do not know me, I ask that you Dean, Joyce Cox, Theda. Williams, ed to attract many farmers who have typewriters had been heard up to noon investigate my record as an officer Gladys Johnson, Patsy Ruth Cox, La- decided that the best way to market Thursday, Supt. Burgess stated. vern Douglas, Rena Mae Dean, Lassie their gain is on the hoof, Davis added. Freeman, Betty Horton, Clayton Free- Cowboy mounted football, a new The largest university library in port in the summer election. man, Jessie Williams, Charles Joe western sport played in accordance the United States is that of Harvard Douglas, Doyle Ponder, Lonzell Price, with the rules of the gridiron game in with 3,696,620 volumes. Billie Bob Douglas, Othell Carey, Billie so far as the use of horses will permit, Newton, Charles Harwell, Junior Free. will be introduced at the World man, Truman Freeman, Elbert Carey, Championship rodeo of the fortieth of the largest are open for public Doswell Carey, Blanton Carey, Nolan annual Stock Show. Larger premiums Price, Billie Williams, Cullen Price, and added classes are attracting the

James Williams. nation's finect show horses.

Herman Waldman and his nation-UNION RIDGE NEWS ally known dance orchestra will play

in the Rainbeau Garden where a floor show assembled from Paris, New York Mr. and Mrs. Lee Eason and son of Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Bowen and Chicago will be presented. The dutstanding Hereford, Shorthorn and Aberdeen-Angus show Eason of Brownwood were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs. J. L. Douglas. strings of the nation have already out sweat or mucous glands. been entered in the beef cattle divi-Miss LaVerne Harwell, who was! sions and more dairy cattle, sheep, seriously burned several weeks ago, has not been doing so well, but is goats, swine, poultry, pigeons and nearly 55 feet in the last 60 years.

resting better now. E ... W. W. Riley filled his regular

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and

man. Second door north of Nazarene be placed on the ballot at said elec- The small son of Mr. and Mrs. tion. A failure to comply with any of Quincy Traylor has been seriously ill

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Garner of Section 3. The fact that there is no Butman and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Deen ordinance now covering the above sub_ of Golan were pacent guests of Mr. and

M. L. Douglas did jury service in

Rev. Arvil Richardson, accompanied shall be in full force and effect after by Truett Beatty, both of Hardin-Simmons university, filled his regular appointments at the Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday.

Arthur Rogers and sons, Chester

rabbits will be exhibited this year Announces Candidacy than ever before, Davis also stated. Reservations for Rodeo-Horse Show tickets to date have been three times

Fort Worth, Mar. 5 .- Livestock as heavy as last year.

ced today. Entries from Merkel in- writing department at the High school peace in precinct No. 4, Jones county, was burglarized sometime Sunday for about four years, I feel that I am night four typewriters were taken: thoroughly familiar with the duties of

Texas abounds in caves and many inspection during Centennial year.

The Arabian horse was imported into America before the Revolutionary War.

About 15,000 thoroughbred horses are produced each year throughout too high in woody matter to be the world.

Reptiles have dry, scaly skin, with-

Pyramid Lake, Nev., has dropped

For Justice of Peace

To the Voters of Precinct No. 5:

I am announcing my candidacy for From School Building precinct No. 5, Taylor county, subject to the action of the democratic primary election in July.

When the room devoted to the type- | Having served as justice of the ence Newton, O. R. Carey, Melvin A feature of the Stock Show at three brand new machines and one the office and promise, if elected, to serve you to the best of my ability.

and citizen, and I assure you in advance of my appreciation of your sup-

S. C. VICK.

If you have any visitors. Phone 29 or 61.

I'ry . Classified Ad for Results

Turning weeds under in plowing ground for wheat is mistakenly be-Neved to contribute to fertility of the soil, for chemical analysis shows weeds to be too low in nitrogen and helpful.

The vitality of livestock is lowered when given drinking water at freezing temperatures.

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SPECIALS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MARCH 6-7

Apples, Delicious, doz.19c Oranges, dozen25c

Yankee Doodle Macaroni, package 5c **Bird Brand** CI . . 50c

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MY REGISTERED PERCHERON Stallion and Black Mammoth Jack, 16 hands high, will make the season at Morrison's Ranch. Claud Touchstone.

CUSTOM GRINDING-At your farm and 20c for bundle stuff; no trip where. For sale at Merkel Mail office. made to farm less than 2,000 lbs. Headquarters are Merkel Farmers Service station. C. B. Wilson.

FOR SERVICE-I have new Jersey male, one of the very best, at my barn, south part of town; price, \$1.50 when served. John S. Hughes.

LEGAL NOTICE.

ELECTION NOTICE. By virtue of authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Merkel, Texas, and as the time for regular election is drawing near, notice is hereby given that an election shall be held in the City of Merkel, Texas, on the first Tuesday in April, same being the seventh day of the month, A. D. 1936, for the purpose of electing three Aldermen, each to serve two years.

Said election shall be held in the Fire Station and shall conform as nearly as possible with state election laws. Polls shall open at 8 a. m. and close at 6 p. m. Mr. G W. Boyce is hereby appointed the election judge. Given under my hand and seal this the third day of March, A. D. 1936. W. M. Elliott, Mayor, (Seal.) City of Merkel.

AN ORDINANCE.

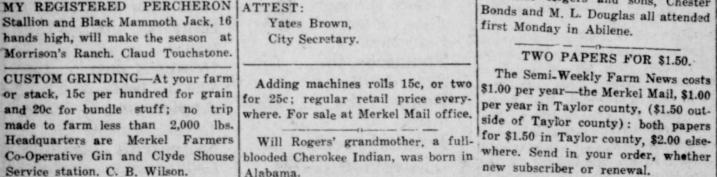
· Entitled An Ordinance Requiring Every Person Desiring to be a Candidate for Public Office for the City of Merkel to File his Name and Stipulate the Office for which he is a Candidate Ten Days before Election and Providing for a Filing Fee. Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Merkel:

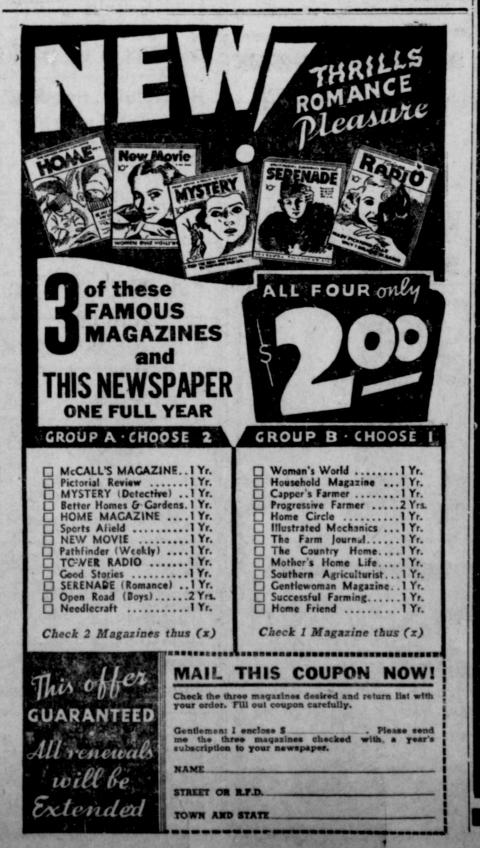
Section 1. Any person desiring to be a candidate for office with the City of Merkel and who desires to be such didate at the regular city electo be held in the City of Merkel each two years, and for each and every special election, is required to file his name and the name of the office for which he is a candidate with the city secretary ten full days before the date for said election. Upon filing his name and the name of the office for which he is a candidate with the city ecretary, each person is required to

Mayor. ATTEST: Yates Brown, City Secretary.

Adding machines rolls 15c, or two or stack, 15c per hundred for grain for 25c; regular retail price every-

> Will Rogers' grandmother, a full-Alabama.





Celery, stalk12cSugar, cloth bag, 10 lbs.52cLettuce, head.5cSun SpunSpuds, U. S. No. 1, 10 lbs23cSupremeSalad Dressing, 16 oz. jar.23cSupreme.23cSupreme.23cSalad Wafers, 1 lb. box.17cTux or Lifebuoy.10cSoap, 2 bars.15cRed and White.15cRed and White.15cRed and White.15cSalamon, No. 1 tall can.27cFunction of the state of the sta	Grapefruit, each	Shortening, 4 lb. carton 50c
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HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB Members of the Home Demonstration club were entertained in the home of Mrs. R. H. Mathews, Sr., on last Friday afternoon.

The high point in the afternoon's entertainment was a most instructive Services Each Night talk by Miss Vara Crippen, home demonstration agent, on the subject of "Bedspreads." She brought illustrations and gave instructions in the art of making candle-wick spreads.

A musical hour followed the business meeting; Misses Christine Collins, Thelma Mathews and Dorothy Shannon and Norman King entertained.

A dainty sandwich plate was passed at the refreshment hour to Mesdames C. F. Church, George White, Harry Barnett, Bob McDonald, R. A. Burgess, Chester Hutcheson, F. A. Polley, R. H. Mathews, Jr., Tracy Campbell, Clyde Shouse, John Shannon, Elmer Patterson, Earl Mashburn, W. O. Miller, W. M. Elliott, Max Swafford, Misses Vara Crippen, Lottie Butman, Clara B. White, Maurine White, Lillie Claude Barnett, Thelma Mathews, Pearl Mathews, Dorothy Lee Shannon, Christine Collins, Luna White, Mr. Norman King, Lon McDonald, Petty Jean Mathews, Betty Ruth Campbell.

THREE "F" CLUB.

Members of the Three "F" club had a most exhilarating outing on last Saturday, the guests of Miss Leta Faye Barbee. Horseback riding was the greatest thrill of the day but dinner cooked over an open fire down on church, there were 586 present at the these services. the river, foot races, horse races and five other Sunday Schools here last kodak pictures galore, all proved hap- Sunday, as compared with 524 on the py diversion for these girls: Misses previous Sunday. On the same Sun-Hollis Perry, Bettye Grimes, Sis day a year ago, the attendance was Gamble, Jane Ferguson, Fannelle 698 Gray, Verne Moore, De La Verne

Teague, Mildred Sosebee and the hostess.

MRS. ALLDAY COMPLIMENTED. On Wednesday evening, Feb. 26,

Mrs. Pearl Hollingsworth, assisted by Mesdames Nancy Polley and Lila Rea as co-hostesses, opened her home

1y: on Marian street to members of the -17 oodman Circle. This happy occasion was to honor M . Elizabeth Allday,

At 7:30 at Revival of Northside Baptist at 6:45 p. m. WMU at 3 o'clock Mon-

A revival meeting is in progress at Wednesday evening. the Northside Baptist church. In spite of the epidemic of "flu" in the community, the services are being well attended. New folks are coming every

night and interest is growing. The services begin each evening at 7:30. There is to be a special service Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at which time we want every pastor in Merkel and the surrounding communities to be present.

Rev. John W. Reynolds of Clyde is the pastor's day at Baird, the Sabbath doing the preaching and is just school will be the only service at this preaching the old-time gospel in its church Sunday. Promptness in arrivpurity. The meeting will continue ing is especially urged. through this week and next. Such Prayer meeting Wednesday evening Bible themes as the following will be at 7:30. discussed by Brother Reynolds: "Repentance," "Redemption," "The New services. Strangers welcome." Birth," "How to be Saved," "Hell," "The Judgment," "A Preacher Who Got into Trouble," "The Good Samari-

tan," "Life Through the Smitten Rock," and other subjects and texts, preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by all thoroughly scriptural.

Every one is invited and urged to program 6:30 p. m. ome every night.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. of the young preachers from A. C. C. and Mrs. Foster Watts have returned

Len Sublett and Misses Dota Garoutte and Katherine McQuary.

Scarborough Library

known educator and author who O. L. Howell, J. W. Caton, L. S. Perry,

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Eller of Kilgore were visitors this week with Mrs. Eller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Roundtree.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. West and two children, Jimmie Nell and Mary Dale, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Payne and Mrs. A. J. Stapleton returned home Wednesday night of last week from Mexia where they attended the funeral of their sister, Mrs. C. R. Wakefield. She will be remembered by hal friends here as Bessie Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Nesmith had as their recent guest Mrs. Nesmith's brother, J. Howard Hodge, of Midland. Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Nesmith were Mrs. Nesmith's brother, Homer Hodge, and family of Winters.

Mrs. W. J. Largent left Tuesday morning for Plainview to be at the bedside of her father, Rev. J. W Saffle, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Amy Sears, who accompanied her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Eyssen, to Fort Worth last week, where she visited with both Mrs. Eyssen and her other daughter, Mrs. DeVerle Johnon, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Huffman and children of Dublin were week-end guests of Mrs. Huffman's sister, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes. Everybody cordially invited to these

Wesk-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes were their sons, Emmett and Luther Grimes, of Austin, also Miss Maidie Burks Grimes, daughter Bible study 10 a. m. Lord's day, of Luther Grimes,

C. C. Jones, a brother of Mrs. T. L Grimes, accompanied by Miss Warren Collins, both of Pecos, were here For the Wednesday evening ser- Sunday for a visit in the Grimes home.

With no report from the Nazarene You are cordially invited to all of to their homes in Hobbs, N. M., afterspending the week-and with Mrs. L. A. Watts. They also visited other relatives and friends.

Mrs. John S. Hughes has gone to Called Next Week Albuquerque, N. M., to be at the bedide of her sister, Mrs. Viola Snow. The petit jury list in 104th district Mr. and Mrs. Alma Mathis of Caps

who were here Monday for the funeral H. D. Clark, J. A. Stanford, A. L. of Mrs. M. J. Whisenhunt, visited in Shugart, Merkel; A. E. Bouldin, E. the J. L. Tucker home. Mrs. Atteberry L. Hamilton, W. W. Harber, R. E. was formerly Mrs. Charlie Whitaker. Presented to Baylor Williams, T. C. Casey, Tom Shone, Among the guests of the Leap Year Gaines Davis, Chas. W. Wilson, B. A. Birthday party Saturday sponsored Waco. Texas. Mar. 5.-Friday Ross, Boyd V. Harvey, F. M. Storey, by the Abilene Reporter-News were morning the personal library of the Wade H. Denton, J. M. Pope, R. M. the following from Merkel and surlate Miss Dorothy Scarborough, wide- Pop2, E. W. Pollock, K. K. Francis, rounding communities: John Mansfield, Tilman Joe Rutledge, Merkel;

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WOOZY'S CAFE NO. 1

morning for San Benito in the Rio Grande valley, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Curtis Wilcox. John West and Harry Barnett are

attending the tractor school sponsored by the International Harvester company in Sweetwater this week.

Mrs. D. O. Huddleston, who has been Haynes was received Thursday morn-

Famous Magician to be

Dr. Gaffney, magician, and his own this spring.

fund, are priced: adults 25c, school the best rural schools in the United children, 15c, and can be secured in States. advance at the High School. The performance comes to Merkel soring a Home Products show next

educators from hundreds of cities by R. R. Petty, vocational agriculture where it has been presented many instructor, Miss Mary Clark Sturditimes. Dr. Gaffney is justly entitled vant, home economics instructor and to that which is acclaimed by his H. D. Norris, superintendent of the many admirers as "the most beloved school.

Lettuce, Carrots,

Beets, Gr. Onions

Texas Baptist sanitarium, favorable meats, educational and industrial exreport as to the condition of W. D. hibits.

company will present a performance The Divide community in its dio'clock at the High school gymnasium, son marketed a quarter million doland his assistants during their two yearly income from dairy and poultry

with the adorsement of the press and month, the invitation being extended entertainer in America."

Home Products Show

Friday, March 6, 1936.

At Divide Mar. 20-21

Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21, the Divide community is sponsoring its first Home Products show. Club calves, lambs, pigs and poultry seriously ill for the past several days, will be featured. But, in addition, was reported some better Thursday. there will be dairy cattle and dairy While still remaining at the West products, poultry products, cured

A good program of entertainment is being planned, and visiting delegates from Merkel, Roscoe, Trent, Blackwell, Winters, Abilene and Sweetwater are Here Next Wednesday expected. More than 1,500 visitors attended the Divide fair last fall, and an even larger attendance is expected

here on Wednesday, Mar. 11, at 8 versified farming interests last sea-This attraction well known lars worth of cotton and cotton seed, throughout the country, where it has thousands of bushels of grain, that been shown under civic, fraternal and produced tens of thousands of bundles educational organizations for the of feed, hundreds of head of cattle, past 17 years, is generally recognized sheep, horses, mules, hogs and goats, as one of the most outstanding at- marketed thousands of pounds of wool tractions of its kind. Dr. Gaffney and mohair; the community has -a hour performance present many of the products that runs into thousands; it wery latest and most baffling illusions has purchased more than twenty tracand mysteries of modern times. They tors, over fifty trucks and automocarry their own equipment, scenery biles, many cream separators and feed and effects, valued in excess of 8,000. mills, dozens of radios and washers, Tickets for this attraction, which is windmills, plows, furniture, lumber, being brought to Merkel by the High etc., as well as thousands of dollars School for the benefit of the activity worth of retail goods and has one of

It is this community that is spon-

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The Elders. List of Petit Jurors

Brother A. J. Rollins, young people's

vice at 7:30 o'clock, we will have one Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown and son

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

court for next week includes the fol- and Mr.and Mrs. Atteberry of Abilene lowing names:

ALATHEAN CLASS. The Alathean class meets at 10 c'clock Sunday morning. The lesson,

Class President.

"Jesus Teaches Neighborliness," will be taught by our assistant teacher, Mrs. Meeks. Come and let's be a 100 per cent class.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School 10 a. m. As this is

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preach-

ing at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. BTS

day afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:30

who after so many years of efficient and loyal service has resigned her station as chaplain of Merkel Grove No. 563.

Special music was rendered by Miss Norma Patton and Sandifer Noff. Hollingsworth, and various games were enjoyed and pep songs sung by members of the drill team.

On behalf of the members of the Grove, Mrs. Lila Rea presented the honoree with a lovely pair of hose and a handkerchief shower.

Coffee and cake were served to the borough had delved extensively, and following: Luna, Clara B. and Maurine White, Ethel Burnice and Era Jo Goodwin, Lillian and Sallie Math-

ews, Lillie and Lillie Claud Barnett, Zelma Ellerbee, Bertie Coats, Blanche Carey, Vertie Patterson, Katie Church, Maggie Renfro, Eizabeth she was a member of the faculty of Allday, Norma Patton, Sandifer Holl. ingsworth, Mesdames Stevens and Reeves of Trent, Mrs. Jannie B. Garner, district manager, of Colorado; and the hostesses.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A large number of young people county's new juvenile officer, who were invited in by Mrs. Jim Patterson took up his duties on Mar. 1, was to help her daughter, Louise, celebrate settled Wednesday in quarters in the her thirteenth birthday on last Wed- court house, occupying the room on nesday, Februray twenty-sixth.

entertaining games were played and comptroller's department. best of all was the opening and admiring the many pretty birthday remembrances. Delicious hot chocolate and cake squares on which posed miniature men and women as plate favors were served to Misses Louise Patterson, Sybil Harris, Gay West, Pearl Mathews, Billie McGehee, Helen Heeter, Anne Lee Blake, Miriam Diltz, Mickie Diltz, Robbie Walker, Janet Berry, Thelma Patterson, Rachael Patterson, Mabel Murray, Joyce Renfro, Mary Lou Higgins, Bettye Lou Higgins, Loudell Gray, Doris Clyde Miller, Euvalda Fox, Bonnie Church, Wanda McCoy, Theda Perry, Geraldine Teague, Tommye Evelyn Grimes, Dora Marie Gaither, Mrs.

died last November in New York and G. T. Hooker, J. A. Porter, Gray William L. Fugat and William Barwho was buried here Armistice Day, Wooten, W. L. Brannon, W. D. Ross, nes, Trent. was presented to Baylor University. T. J. Reid, E. E. Staggs, J. S. Avent,

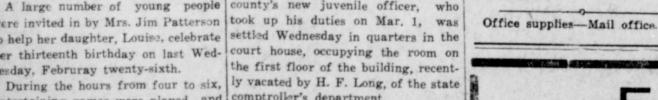
with folklore, into which Miss Scar- alo.

with literary criticism. The library Candidate for County will be made a special collection in the Baylor general library.

> Miss Scarborough taught the first class in journalism in Texas, in 1912, at Baylor. At the time of her death Columbia University.

New Juvenile Officer In County Now on Duty

He left his formal announcement for publication in next week's issue R. B. Freeman, Abilene and Taylor of The Mail.



The latter has quarters now in an unused portion of the office of James Gray Bledsoe, justice of the peace in the court house basement.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

Ends Aching Sore Muscles

For longer lasting, quicker relief, use Ballard's Snow Liniment which contains active ingredients to give a more than local action, thus bringing a surge of warmed blood to scatter congestion and more quickly soothe away the pain from aching muscles, sprains, strains, backache and lumbago. Ballard's Snow Liniment. 30c and 60c.

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MISSIE'S FLORAL

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many autographed volumes by con- son, Lawn; W. B. Wade, L. L. Wig- his brother made a circle tour through temporary authors, of which there are gins, A. R. Reddell, Tuscola; Bruce Cloudcroft and Alamogordo, N. M., 233. The remaining volumes deal Pearce, Bradshaw; L. B. Elliott, Ov- and El Paso.

Judge Visits Merkel

A. A. Heathington, Abilene attor-

ney and formerly a resident of Merkel

where he was a member of the law partnership of Cobb and Heathington,

was a visitor here Tuesday in the in-

terest of his candidacy for the office

of county judge.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King and son, It was formally accepted in behalf of Andrew Stephenson, W. P. Edwards, Norman, accompanied by Mrs. Brooks Fancy Mexico the university by President Pat M. A. M. Boyd, R. W. Vantreese, W. C. Patterson, spent the week-end at Tomatoes, lb. Nice and Tender Clement, G. W. Withrow, R. E. Brad- Pecos, the Kings visiting in the Shir-Consisting of 1,096 volumes, the berry, A. T. Bontke, C. P. Ivey, C. B. ley King home while Mrs. Patter-Beans, 2 lbs. library in the main is composed Osburn, R. M. Fitzgerald, Cling Blake- son went to see her daughter, Mrs. chiefly of books on literature, with ly, Abilene; John Bates, Q. J. John- Claude Dye. While there, Stanley and Sweet Potatoes, peck __35c Large and well bleached Celery, stalk

Mrs. G. R. Holloway left Thursday

Raisins, 4 lb. package Buttermilk, Sweet Milk, Whipping Cream, CHICKEN DINNER Butter and all kinds of Fancy Cured Meats Sunday Peanut Butter A good one 2 lb. quart jar CRACKERS 'S CAFE NO. 1 A-1 Saltines Palmolive or Camay **19c** 2 lb. box Milk, small cans, 3 for Nice Tenderloin of Trout on our Del Monte, asst. flavors Preserves 3 lb. jar Merchants' Lunch 20c BEANS COFFEE Red Kidney, No. 2 can. Maxwell House WOOZY'S CAFE NO.2 3 for 25c 3 lb. can Across Street From Merkel Drug Packed in heavy syrup Pears No. 2 1-2 cans, 2 for

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