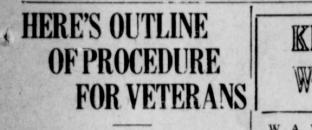
# THE MERKEL MAIL

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Method Proposed in Receiving and Cashing Bones.

World War veterans entitled to re- as pilot of the Galveston Buccaneers. ceive their share of the bonus bonds but really quite simple procedure nec- to certify candidates for the first pri- The average will be about \$20. essary to receiving and cashing the mary ballot. bonds.

Starting at 12:01 a. m. Monday, June 15, the Dallas post office will Houston for the murder of S. M. mail out bonus bonds totaling \$80,000,- Roberts, 73-year-old night watchman, 000 to 166,447 veterans in the 11th was executed in the electric chair at federal reserve bank district. Most of the state penitentiary early Saturday. these veterans live in Texas.

he gets his bonds June 16 at the post office, or June 17 if he lives on a

may be of assistance to him:

only to him, in person. Even if it is tour. sent in care of another person or an institution, the veteran himself is the the bonds, it will be necessary for the of Texas.

receiver to be properly identified. Miss Grace L. Brandon, key wit-

must sign in the presence of a cer- being adjudged insane.

tifying officer, who may be the postmaster or acting postmaster, the as-



W. A. Varga, 68, who had ranched Will Have Assistance of Post for ten years in Carta Valley near Average Pension Will be \$20 Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Matthews, Office in Carrying Out the Del Rio, was dragged to death by a team of mules.

> Jackie Atz, veteran of 18 years as a manager in the Texas league, has been named to succeed Jack Mealey

Myron B. Blalock of Marshall has

Aria Tance, negro convicted at from the federal government.

las, the veterans will receive his bonds stricken on a bus between Coahoma will be in the Texas treasury." Texas ternoon from the same church. within a day or two of June 15. Grant- and Colorado at noon Wednesday and was granted \$1,181,250 recently by Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, of- other hits and four errors. ing that he lives in Merkel and that died before reaching Colorado at 12:50 the social security board. p. m.

rural route, the following information Dr. Charles C. Selecman, president ly 65,000. Each will receive up to a bearers Sunday for Mr. Matthews, Two double steals also featured the of the Southern Methodist university, maximum of \$30 a month. The bonds will come in a registered who was voted a six months' leave of "Payments will be based upon er to its last resting place Monday. when he and Street pulled the deal, letter and will be addressed to the absence by the board of trustees, will need because of the federal social They were: Othell, Elvie, R. E., while J. Jowers and Street pulled anveteran and they will be delivered leave Dallas in February for a world security law and the Texas law. Dresden and Ezell Matthews, of Caps, other double pilfer in the fourth scor-

\$30 will receive less." A gift of \$1,000 a year for 10 years only person who can receive it. Un- from Jesse Jones of Houston, chairless the veteran is known personally man of the RFC, to the Texas museum Bathing Girl Revue to the carrier or other postal employe has been announced by Dr. H. Y. who delivers the envelope containing Benedict, president of the University

R rel carriers will make deliveries. ness in the sensational wife-poison- petition for the selection of Merkel's in Cass county, Texas. To cash the bonds, the veterans ing trial six years ago of Maj. Char- representative to the bathing revue, must sight the request for payment les A. Shepard, was placed in the San which is to be one of the features of Mrs. McCormick, W. C. Matthews an printed on the back of each bond, and Antonio state hospital Tuesday after the district Lions convention at Cisco Mordia Matthews, all of Merkel, an June 16-17.

Miss Faye Cotton of Borger, whom Selection of the girl to represent grandchildren and 16 great-grandchild sistant postmaster, or some postal Director Billy Rose termed "one of Merkel will be made at a local bathemployee designated by the postmas- the most beautiful women" he had ing girl revue at Shannon's pool on ter to perform that service. He must ever seen, won the title of Texas Friday night of this week. sign his name exactly as it appears on Sweetheart No. 1 at the Frontier Cen- A large number of entries have been the face of each boad, in ink or in-delible pencil.

AGE BENEFITS Monthly, With \$30 Maximum, Director Carpenter States; Church, Pass Away Within 17 Payments Begin July 1. Hours of Each Other.

Austin, June 4 .- Orville Carpenter, Death, visiting the same home withold age assistance director, said Tues- in 17 hours, claimed two pioneer Tay- Trent Overcomes 10-3 Lead and day that pensions ranging from about lor countains. D. M. Matthews. 85. Cops Game From Tye: Divide have the assistance of the post office called the state democratic executive \$9 to \$30 would be paid approximate- resident of the White Church comin solving the somewhat complicated committee to meet in Dallas Monday ly 65,000 persons beginning July 1. munity, died at 6:15 Sunday morning. At 11:35 p. m., Mrs. Matthews,

All payments will be made on a 76, died at the home of a daughter, After leading, 10 to 3, up to the basis of need, the director said, in Mrs. W. A. McCormick, here in town, seventh inning, Tye saw its victory \$50, or \$15 from the state and \$15 funeral of her husband.

**DEATH CLAIMS** 

LIFE PARTNERS

**OF 60 YEARS** 

he said, "there will be approximate- The same six grandsons, who were pall- plate.

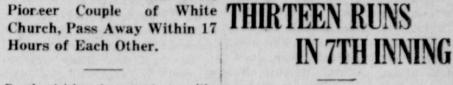
carried the casket of their grandmoth- game, B. Jowers scoring in the first Henry C. West Elected People who do not need as much as and Lloyd Matthews, of Mulberry ing Street. canyon.

to Hunt county, Texas, with his par- 8 to 2.

Business firms of the city are en- came to Taylor county in 1889. Mrs tering enthusiastically in the com- Matthews was born Sept. 28, 1859

Four children survive. They are Alma Matthews, of Caps. Fourtee

"Uncle Dan," as he was lovingly



On the "Broadway of America"

FOURTH PERFORMANCE OF

**SERIES OF FREE RODEOS** 

**CARDED THIS SATURDAY** 

Easy Winner.

Another Treat in Store for Merkel's Friends and Neighbors; Show Starts Promptly at 1:30. P. M. Better Be on Time.

5c PER COPY

Another treat is in store for all of Merkel's friends and neighbors when the fourth of the series of free summer rodeos sponsored by the Mer-

chants Trade Extension is staged on accordance with statutory require- where she was spending the night in- slip away Saturday afternoon when Saturday of this week. The show, ment. The maximum permitted is stead of having gone home after the Trent piled up 13 runs in that inning which is under the direction of Bob for a total score of 16, while holding and Mark Malone, will start promptly Funeral rites for Mr. Matthews their opponents at the mark of 10. at 1:30 p. m.

Carpenter said there was no doubt were held at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at Hammer's home run with the bases A full program of calf roping, cow May Jones, 22, en route from Mid- payments would start July 1 "be- the First Baptist church, and for Mrs. loaded was responsible for four of the milking, steer riding and horse riding Depending on the distance from Dal- land to her home in Albany, was cause both state and federal money Matthews, at 3 o'clock on Monday af- runs in the fatal seventh, the aval- is promised, guaranteeing two hours anche of scores being aided by five of arena thrills.

> ficiated for both services. The graves Cooley, Trent's left fielder, hit safe- 12:30, one hour before the show starts. "As far as I can estimate now," are side by side in Rose Hill cemetery. ly three times out of five trips to the The price is: 25c for adults, 10c for children.

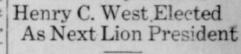
Divide easily won from Union in D. M. Matthews was born Dec. 2, the second game of Saturday's twin the first meeting in July, following 1852, in Dade county, Mo. He moved bill in the Inter-Community league,

to Miss Dollie Sartin. The couple elsewhere in this issue of The Mail. cafe.

rs.	LEAGUE STANDING.			Other officers on the new slate
nd nd en	TEAMWTruby2Noodle1Trent2Divide2Tye1Union1	L 0 1 1 1	.500 .677 .667	Joe P. Self, first vice-president L. C. Zehnpfennig, second vice- dent; C. J. Glover, third vice- dent; Yates Brown, secretary- urer; Dr. Earl Thomason, tail tw Stanley King, Lion tamer; W Durham and Fred C. Hughes,
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#### Cat Racket Exposed.

Grandstand seats will go on sale at



Henry C. West will be installed as president of the Merkel Lions club at the election of officers for the ensuing To Be a Gala Event ents in 1867 and was married in 1875 Box scores of both games appear year at Tuesday's luncheon at Woozy's

are:

; Dr.

presi-

presitreasister: Wrenn new directors. known to his friends and neighbors, San Francisco, Calif., June 4 .- A Supt. R. A. Burgess was chairman was converted at the age of 20 and former ballet dancer is serving six of the nominating committee which in-

annum

post office, or any other in this territory. Only twelve offices in Texas are authorized to mail checks covering the cash surrender value of the ing Miss Rebecca Coursey, frail little bonds. The certified bonds will be sent by the local post office to the Dallas (Puny) Abston, also indicted for Miss invitation being extended both in bepost office, which will mail check for delivery to the veterans, at the ad- given the death penalty also.

dress furnished by him on the back of the surrendered bonds. The check will Banner creamery, Abilene, who was ope to be furnished for the purpose, line Sunday, is expected to recover. which will bear no endorsement re- Two other employees, Walter Archiquiring restricted delivery.

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bald and C. A. Morris, less seriously

**FIRST SCHOOL IN 1883** 

Supt. R. A. Burgess Reviews Growth of System

In connection with pageant presen-1 The first public school building-a ted on commencement night by the 20x20 bexed structure-was built in in the morning, followed by a reunion Nellie Gordon, Roscoe; Mesdames Senior class, Supt. Roger A. Burgess the summer of 1885. This was located of the old settlers and a chuck wagon Warren Smith, Earl Baze and Yates gave the following brief history of the where the tabernacle now stands. E. dinner at the city tabernacle. Merkel schools from their beginning G. Jones was the teacher for 1885-6. fifty-three years ago. In this connec- The next year, the building was en- until Wednesday, June 17, at the oftion he also cited some figures and larged to a two-room structure, and fice of the Merkel Mail. All those who ried to John W. Wheeler on Dec. 26, for both ladies and men at the Warsigns of progress during his fourteen George M. Witt and Mrs. J. H. Ens- have lived in this area 40 years and 1893. They came to Merkel in Deyears as head of the Merkel schools. minger, deceased, were the teachers. are 65 years of age are invited to cember, 1908, where they have since A summary of his paper follows: About 1888 those parents who had register and be the guests of the as- resided, her husband being one of the The Texas & Pacific railroad was children above the grammar grades, sociation,

built through where Merkel now led by the Presbyterians, built by pristands in 1881. In the early spring, vate subscription the Merkel college, with the year in which each person 1883, J. L. Vaughn (the father of This was a two-story building, three came to this area follow: Mrs. Sam Butman, deceased) came rooms on the first floor and an audi- Paul W. Neumann (1888), August member of the First Baptist church. with his family to live in the depot, torium above, and located where the Neumann (1887), Mrs. W. W. Wheeilies then living here-J. L. Vaughn public school remained on the north Wade Hampton Vancil (1886), C. L. also survive. and A. M. Thornton, The school con- side, Among the advanced students of Brown (1878), C. M. Largent (1896). sisted of seven children, four of the this college were: Fannie Cox, Fannie Mrs. C. M. Largent (1896), Mrs. S. Thornton children and three of the Dunning (now Mrs. McConnell), Car- P. Martin (1888), Mrs. Emily Wiman Vaughn children. Arthur Thernton, ris Baker (now Mrs. J. B. Warnick), (1885.) deceased, was one of these seven child- Mattie Hutcheson (now Mrs. Addie Compton), Ida Hutcheson (deceased), ren.

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In the spring of 1884, Miss Fannie Nannie Huffman (now Mrs. Caus-Boyless was employed and taught for seaux), and Almeda Taylor. ent Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Calvert, I. S. Allen and Miss Nona during 1935, was tendered an honorcompany has its yard. The next year Calvert (Mrs. Bob Martin, deceased.) ary degree of doctor of law Monday Prof. Thomas taught a four-month This was in 1894-5. During the winter night by the Texas Christian universchool in this same residence.

The bonds will be in \$50.00 denomi-, Henry Gardiner, Jr., and his sister, nations and the veteran may cash Emily Margaret Gardiner, of Quitaany one or all of his bonds. Those que, Briscoe county, established a lobonds which are kept will earn simple cal record when they were valedictorinterest at the rate of 3 per cent per jans of their respective graduating classes, the one in high school, the No cash will be paid out at the local other from grammar school.

> C. Matura, 65-year-old farmer, Study club, while it is announced that must die in the electric chair for kill-78-year-old O'Brien woman, Clarence Coursey's death, had previously been

E. R. Driskill, chief engineer of the ure resort. be sent as ordinary mail in an envel- seriously injured from burns by gaso- 61 Have Signed for

burned, were reported improving.

Earl Thomason is chairman, and competition will start at 9 o'clock father, and his friends were numbered their homes to more profitable surwhen the first entry will be presented by his acquaintances. Mrs. Matthews, who was lovingly for the approval of the judges and the called "Aunt Dollie" by all who knew large crowd of visitors expected. Out her, was also converted at an early of town judges will pick the winner. Decorations at the pool are in charge of a committee from the ladies

the Christian life. music is to be furnished by a string band. Everybody is invited to come, the Mrs. J. W. Wheeler, Sr.

The death messenger claimed Mrs. half of the Lions club and of John Shannon, owner of the pool and pleas- John W. Wheeler at 3:45 Thursday

Given Degree at T. C. U.

Allred, Centennial governor of Texas

Fort Worth, June 4 .- James

sity.

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afternoon last week-too late for mention in The Mail in the issue of that date. Funeral services were held at 3 "Pioneer Day" Here o'clock Saturday afternoon from the

family residence, with Rev. Ira L. Nineteen more names have been Parrack, of Chillicothe and former added to the list of pioneers of Mer- pastor here, and Rev. C. R. Joyner, kel's trade territory, bringing the to- present pastor of the First Baptist Monday, June 1, 1936. tal to date to 61 of those who have church, officiating. Interment was in registered for the "Pioneer Day" Rose Hill cemetery.

chuck wagon dinner and celebration Pallbearers were: W. W. Haynes, planned by the Merchants Trade Ex- Booth Warren, Sam Swann, Bud Wintension association as one of the red ter, W. O. Boney and Warren Smith. Assisting with the flowers were: letter features for Saturday, June 20. There will be a big street parade Miss Velma McCollum, Clyde; Miss Brown and Miss Clarice Rosson.

Ida Hattie Killen was born Apr. 11, The registration list will be open 1865, in Milam county and was marprominent ranchers of this section.

Mrs. Wheeler had been an invalid Additional names during the week since March, 1935, and for many years had been in ill health. She was a

Besides her husband she is survived the only house of any sort in Merkel, present Grammar school now stands. ler (1890), E. H. Cordill (1890), F. by one son, J. W. Wheeler, Jr., Trent, and act as agent. The family of A. Dr. F. E. Haynes and his brother, M. Thornton came in May, 1883. Dur- John, were the first "professors." The (1881), C. A. Higgins (1888), Z. R. Collum, Texline, and one grandson, built in by Contractor Myers will be ing the fall of 1883, Mrs. A. M. course offered corresponded roughly Martin (1893), W. A. McCormick Johanie Wheeler, of Trent. Two sis- finished within a few days. In addi-

#### J. O. Hamilton

and Civil War veteran, died at 4 Peace N. D. Cobb was called to the in Merkel. o'clock Sunday afternoon at the home deceased's residence to hold an in of a son, W. W. Hamilton, at Snyder. quest over the remains. Using a awhile in the dining room of the home The last to teach in the public and distinguished as the outstanding day afternoon at 1 o'clock from the own hand placed the muzzle of the son. of Folan Cox, located where the pres- school on the north side were J. C. man under 35 in the United States Odom funeral home at Snyder, and gun against his head and pulled the final service was held from the Meth- trigger.

odist church here at 4 o'clock. Rev. H. C. Gordon, pastor of the (Continued on Page 2.)

uine Christian, a good husband, a kind luring pedigreed Persian cats from roundings.

Harvester Firm Chief Dies. age, joining the Missionary Baptist McCormick, 77, son of the inventor of for the place as judge of the 104th church. She was a loving wife and the reaper and possessor of one of the judicial district. Judge Thomas is a mother and lived true to her faith in country's great fortunes, died Tuesday charter member and past president of after a short illness.

> War Cost 4,359 Lives. Rome, Italy, June 4 .- Official Italy absence counted her African war cost in blood troopers, 1,593; workmen, 453.

#### **Record of Births.**

Friday, May 29, 1936. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sumpter, both playing managers were under the Sunday, May 21, 1936.

elsewhere, were noted when President Roy Reid called for introduction of guests: Jimmy Tucker, of the Texas & Pacific railway, and Judge Owen Chicago, Ill., June 4 .- Cyrus Hall Thomas of Anson, who is a candidate the Anson Lions club.

> Dr. R. I. Grimes was also welcomed back to the club sessions after a long

The club having decided to indulge at 4,359 lives, distributed as follows: in a bit of outdoor sport this summer, white officers and men, 2,313; native sides for two softball teams were chosen by Wrenn Durham and Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig as respective captains.

First game played Tuesday resulted Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Obie Lester, in an official score of 16 to 11 in favor of the dentist's aggregation, while

kel and is now living in the Caus-

seaux place where he has a delight-

Holland Teaff, who has been in

impression the score was 18 to 12. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Controvas, Second battle was carded for Thursday afternoon.

MERKEL20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, June 9, 1916.)

SWIMMERS WILL NOW WEAR SUITS.

I have prepared a dressing room fully cool office. Call and get a free examination and let us tell you of the great benefit our patients are receivren Lake and hereafter all bathers ing from scientifc massage treatment. must wear suits. Bathing 10 cents.

On Sunday afternoon the Lake will be open to the public with a special Baylor university for the past few program. The legless balloon man will years, returned last week to spend make a high dive and will give expert the summer vacation on his father's swimming demonstration.

Mrs. Geo. D. Henck of Pasadena, Thornton taught a two-month school to what the seventh to tenth grades (1880), J. S. Hutson (1889), Mrs. John Dickerson of Clyde tion to the new front, a new concrete Calif., arrived Saturday of last week in the depot. This school was atten- now include. This "college" was for Nannie Causseaux (1886), O. B. Bod- and Mrs. Will Eason of Rotan, and sidewalk has been laid for the build- for a visit with her parents, Mr, and ded by the members of the two fam- some four years maintained while the en (1893), Charles West (1889), one brother, F. W. Killen of Lott, ing, an improvement that several oth- Mrs. Austin Fitts. On Wednesday er business places need fearfully bad. Mrs. Fitts and Mrs. Henck left for Whitewright and Fort Worth and

The shocking news of the death of other eastern points for a ten days A. R. (Dick) Payne reached Merkel visit, after which Mrs. Henck will' J. O. Hamilton, 91, native Texan Saturday night when Justice of the spend the remaining time of her visit.

Miss Erma Alsobrook of Cisco was Initial funeral rites were held Tues- 12-gauge shotgun, the victim of his a recent guest of Miss Minnie Fergus

> Burl Wheeler, co pending this Dr. J. T. Pue has moved to Mer-

farm on Route 4. Holland takes this. J. B. Walton. method of vacation every summer and backs it up with the sweat of his brow The new solid plate glass front of in as highly industrious a fashion as

MOVED TO MERKEL.

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THE MERKEL MAIL 34 Groves Represented

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES Taylor and Jones Counties \_\_\_\_\_\$1.00 Circle which convened on May 27 at the services here. \$1.50 9:30 a. m. at the Hilton hotel in Abi-Anywhere else

(In Advance)

Advertising Rates On Application All obituaries, resolutions of respect, the direction of Mesdames Archibald, Sublett and Eli Case, Merkel; H. C. stalling officer, Mrs. Florence Houghcards of thanks, etc., are classed as Kidwell, St. John and Woodard, with Towles, W. P. Smith, A. C. Pruitt and ton as installing marshal, Mrs. Ruby advertising, and will be charged for at 1c per word.

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. C. S. Jones of Wichita Falls is the guest of her mother, Mrs. M. D Angus.

Miss Jess Sutphen is home from public schools.

Roswell, N. M., has arrived home for guardian; Anna Petfish, Big Spring, lived with the son at Snyder, making Willie Neill, Ada; Mrs. Jennie Grathe summer vacation.

Miss Edna Marie Jones of Abilene was the houseguest Wednesday of Miss Christine Collins.

as their guest the latter's niece, Miss Lorinda Webb, of Kilgore.

Miss Hazel Rainbolt, who teaches in the Los Lunas, N. M., schools is Trent, outer sentinel; Fronia O'Bar, home for the summer vacation.

Bussy Boaz and Cal McAninch, stu- Spring, reporter; Clara Head, Roby, dents in John Tarleton college, are junior supervisor; Margaret Turner, in the Noodle area for nearly 40 years home for the summer vacation.

Ala., visiting friends and relatives.

visit with her sister, Mrs. G. A. Gleni- sovereign, Mrs. Etta B. Davidson, months. winkel.

After a visit with their parents, Mr. from the various groves in Texas, and Mrs. J. R. Jones, Misses Pauline Mrs. Tressie Goldsticker of Stamand Davis Jones returned to Houston ford, district manager, was toastmis-Sunday.

Miss Mary Kate Campbell arrived the Centennial theme, "Texas Under home the latter part of last week from Six Flags." public schools.

Mrs. M. L. Holden had as visitors presented a class initiation of 35 canlast week her daughters, Mr. and Mrs. didates. Jr., of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King and son, juniors for graduation. ded vacation visit to Corpus Christi were read, proficiency certificates vive. and points on the coast.

Mrs. W. T. Sadler, joined by Mrs. new district officers for the next six " Toung and Miss Helen Patter- months were named. Merkel Grove THE MERKEL MAIL

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Of Woodmen Circle First Methodist church at Snyder, officiated for the first service, and Rev. Members from 34 groves were in at- C. A. Bickley, Big Spring pastor, and tendance at the Goldsticker-Garner Rev. John H. Crow, pastor of the district convention of the Woodmen Merkel Methodist church, conducted

OBITUARY

Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery beside the grave of his wife, who trict manager, of Colorado, presiding. died in September, 1929.

Registration began at 8 a. m. under Pallbearers were: active, B.

members from the following groves in W. P. King, Snyder; honorary, J. K. Howington, musician, and Mrs. Pee, W. D. Hutcheson, J. C. Childress, Hughes, chaplain.

Sterling City, Putnam, Colorado, Wm. M. Elliott, Merkel. Abilene, Sweetwater, Merkel, Baird, Mr. Hamilton, who was known to stalled for the ensuing year: Mrs.

Lamesa, Roscoe, Ovalo, Fluvanna, for more than 40 years, was born Dec. ton G. Smith, worthy patron; Mrs. Snyder, O'Brien, Bronte, Shep, Stam- 31, 1844, in Bastrop county. His par- Georgia Allday, associate matron; is visiting W. J. Beknell and family. ford, Anson, Avoca, Hamlin, Big ents came to Texas with the Austin Eugene Reese, associate patron; Mrs. Mrs. Esker Curtis of Breckenridge Spring, Rotan, Albany, Crosbyton, colonists. He was in the ranger fron- Aurra Johnson, secretary; Mrs. Alpha

banker: Anna Bowers, Trent, chap- lilton.

lain; Minnie McCullough, Big Spring, Two sons, W. W. Hamilton, Sny- Mrs. Mae Seago, organist. Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Campbell have attendant; Edna Delaney, Colorado, der attorney, and Guy B. Hamilton, assistant attendant; Norma Mae Pat- Chickasha, Okla., and four grandton, Merkel, musician; Mae Seago, children survive,

Merkel, inner sentinel; Ruth Bullock, Mrs. N. E. Horn

Coleman, captain; Bernice Kemp, Big Mrs. N. E. Horn, who had resided red, white and blue colors,

Merkel, first auditor; Bertie Hub- and who was one of the oldest resi-W. J. Bicknell left Friday morning bard, Sweetwater, second auditor, and dents from the standpoint of age in Zeph Risley, George Putman, Leon for a two weeks stay in Birmingham, Florence St. John, Abilene, third audi- this section, passed away at 4:20 Taylor, J. V. Hamilton and Woodrow Thursday morning at the home of a Mrs. L. B. Lippard returned Thurs- Abilene drill team presented the daughter, Mrs. Annie Scott, at Nooday of last week to Eastland after a memorial service for the departed dle. She had been ill for about two

> Funeral services were to be held Justice of Merkel. state manager, and other members at 4:30 Thursday afternoon at Amity Baptist church, with Rev. C. R. Joy-

ner, Merkel pastor, officiating. Intress at the luncheon which carried out terment will be at Shiloh cemetery. A native of Alabama, Mrs. Horn School Board Elects

was born on Feb. 7, 1847, and was 89 Amarillo, where she teaches in the Mrs. Myrtle Glass, presiding, assis- years old on her last birthday. Her ted by Big Spring and Abilene teams, husband died in 1914.

She is survived by four children: three daughters, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Less Lawson, and Mrs. D. W. Rankin, Mrs. Goldsticker, presiding, assist- J. N. Hatfield and Mrs. D. C. Her- new teachers to the faculty of the ed by Trent drill team, presented the

ring, Noodle, and one son, W. K. Horn, Meadow, 21 grandchildren and a num-Norman, left last week for an exten- Reports of the various committees ber of great-grandchildren also sur- the curricuum of the Merkel High

# Mrs. H. C. Breeden

Merkel Chapter No. 212, Order of the Eastern Star, met in regular session Tuesday evening, June 2, with Worthy Patron M. S. Cummins and Worthy Matron Mrs. Priscilla Wil-

Merkel Chapter OES

liamson presiding. 'After the business session, the officers were asked to retire prior to the installation. Miss Minnie Higginbotham of Abilene presided as in-

Installs New Officers

The following officers were duly in-Clyde, Trent, Rule, Haskell, Loraine, all the old timers here, where he lived Bessie Merritt, worthy matron; Hous-Floydada, Moran, Post, Roby, Ralls tier service during the Civil War. He Miller, treasurer; Mrs. Lila Rea, conwas married in 1876 to Miss Tennie ductress; Mrs. Nannie Causseaux, as-Merkel drill team presented and Banks, and in 1891 the family moved sociate conductress; Mrs. Priscilla Wichita Falls where she teaches in the seated the following district officers: to Merkel. Here he was engaged in Williamson, chaplain; Mose Cummins, Lola Lee O'Kelley, Trent, past guard- the mercantile and banking business, marshal; Mrs. Bessie Cummins, ward-Miss Irene Swann, who teaches at ian; Myrtle Glass, Sterling City, zetiring in 1908. Since 1929 he had er; John Halbrook, sentinel; Mrs. adviser; Martha Archibald, Abilene, frequent visits here in the home of ham, Ruth; Mrs. Lenalee Smith. secretary; Beulah Conrike, Big Spring, his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Seth Ham- Esther; Mrs. Viola Ensminger, Martha; Mrs. Opal Reese, Electra, and

> The chapter room was decorated with lovely roses carrying out the star point colors.

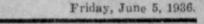
The refreshment committee served ice cream and angel food cake carrying out the Centennial theme in the

Simmons. Honorary pallbearers were: William Preston of Dallas, S. Simmons, O. C. Altman, Frank West and

Mark Putman of Anson, and O. L. Survivors are his mother, Mrs. Ruby Hayhurst, and two sisters, Emma Lee, 13, and Elwood, 16, all of Anson.

Four New Teachers

At its regular meeting on June 2, the Merkel School board elected three Merkel schools. Two of these are teachers of new courses being added to school. C. H. Collingsworth of Winters was elected teacher of vocational agriculture. Mr. Collingsworth is a teacher of three years teaching experience, is a graduate of A. & M. college, maj-



# The Eyes of the Nation are turned toward TEXAS!

From Maine to Oregon-from Florida to California-from Minnesota to Mississippi-the Nation's attention is focused on Texas and our Centennial Exposition which coens this week in Dallas.

We of Texas will view our Exposition as a great historic celebration. But thousands from other states are to visit us in the months ahead and will see and learn of the almost unlimited natural resources, opportunities and advantages which our citizens enjoy in the great Lone Star State.



Let us welcome visitors with traditional Texas hospitality and make them feel so much "at home" with us that they will come back againand AGAIN!

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son, were a trio who enjoyed the Mid- was honored by having four appoint-Hand Downs races Saturday.

Several Merkelites took in the Link them being Jack West, Booth War- and Lila Rea, reporter. ren, Jake Massey, Lee Harrell, Jack | An open meeting was held at 8 p. m.,

Kemper and Clyde Shouse.

Miss Sadie Woodrum,

las were here several days this week Wells, district manager; Mrs. Donaas guests of Mrs. Shafer's mother, ho, junior supervisor for the Woodthe funeral of Mrs. Shafer's grand- attendant; Tressie Goldsticker, disfather, J. O. Hamilton.

John Tarleton Agricultural college, tative and district manager. Stephenville, has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Isom, of Tye. Miss Isom plans to enter Texas Tech this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lucas and family of Fort Worth were among those coming to attend the funeral of his great-uncle, J. F. Merritt. They spent home Monday. They were accompanthe week-end wth his father, M. D. ied by their daughter and son-in-law, Lucas, of Noodle

tin, Mrs. George T. Moore was accompanied by Mrs. J. T. Darsey, Jr., and

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Coomer of

Mrs. Len Sublett left Wednesday daughter remained for an extended for California where she will spend visit. the summer with a sister in LaJolla and two sistes and a brother in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Joe Weston and children, Mary Tom and Stanley Joe, of Sterling weeks with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Adcock and two neph- bond shall be recorded. ews, Dutton and Bobby Williamson, were accompanied on their return from Menard by their daughter, Miss Berdelle, who has been teaching school O. Kimberling, who, as state prison there. On Wednesday Miss Adcock keeper, supervised the execution of and Miss Maimie Ellis left for Alpine Bruno Richard Hauptmann, has been to attend teachers college.

in attendance were: Misses Willie bergh baby. and Geia Steel, Abilene; Mr. and

Mrs. Claude Merritt, Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. Eral Re, and family, Ham- kinds of Produce.

ees named: Norma Mae Patton, musiland Downs races last week, among tendant; Lena Webb, inner sentinel,

were awarded to 35 members and the

lene, with Mrs. Jannie B. Garner, dis-

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when the following state officers were Mrs. Raymond Neal and little presented and introduced: Mrs. Laura daughter, Margaret Rebecca, of Hugo, E. Krebs, Austin, state manager of Okla., arrived Thursday for a visit Central and Northwestern Texas; with her aunts, Mrs. Adah Heeter and Anna Whitten, San Angelo, former district manager and assistant at-Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Shafer of Dal- tendant; Freda Fowler, Mineral trict manager and attendant, and

lin, and Mr. and Mrs. John Gafford and Mrs. Walker Steadman of Trent. Mr. and Mrs. W. U. Beene were present Saturday for the reunion of Coryell county pioneers, returning

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Church, and two Upon returning from a visit to Aus- daughters, Misses Frances Marie and Bessylea.

Thomas Harris and family of Ack-J. T. Darsey came up the latter part erley and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harris of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Darsey re- and daughter, Joan, of Brenham, visitturned home Wednesday, Miss Verne ed their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lige Moore accompaning them for a visit. Harris and family, for a few days last week, J. M. Harris returned home Trent were week-end visitors in the Sunday, accompanied by his brother, home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere, Bill Harris, while Mrs. Harris and

# Soldiers' Bonus

(Continued from Page One) City, spent the week-end with her par- collected by the postmaster at the loc- Brown, and, besides his wife, is surents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Demere, al post office on mailing of bonds to vived by two sons, M. L., 5, and Monand other relatives. On her return the Dallas postmaster. When bonds dell, 2; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. home she was accompanied by Mrs. have been accepted for payment, the Barnes, of Blair; a sister, Mrs. Goldy H. Weston, who will spend several owner will be given a receipt on which Brewer, and a brother, Fred Barnes. the complete serial number of each

Replaces Schwarzhopf.

Trenton, N. J., June 4 .--- Col. Mark appointed superintendent of the New

been under treatment there and in a Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lloyd and family Jersey state police by Governor Harof Comanche returned Saturday to old Hoffman, succeeding Col. Norman their home after attending the funeral Schwarzkopf, who helped track down of their friend, J. F. Merritt. Others Hauptmann as the slayer of the Lind-

> Economy Grocery buys

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the famcian; Margaret Turner, assistant at- ily residence for Mrs. H. C. Breeden, 78, who died at 8 p. m. Thursday. She had been ill since February. Elder O. J. Adcock of the Church of Christ conducted the rites, with in- ored in vocational home economics, has terment in the Compere cemetery. Pallbearers were: V. N. Ellis, Jim Burns, Jinks Winters, George Wood- a year's experience in the teaching of rum, John Abernathy and S. A. Coats. Born July 9, 1858, in Ray county, Tenn., Rosie Lucinda Graves was married to H. C. Breeden in December, 1881, the couple having been married for them four years affiliation in Mrs. Seth Hamilton. They came for men of the World; Fay O'Bar, state 54 years on the last wedding anniversary. They had resided for about 25 years in this section, having made Miss Floydie Isom, a student in Jannie B. Garner, national represen- their home in Merkel the past 12 vears.

> by four sons: Floyd and Charlie, Compere; Russell, Cedar Gap, and take the place of Miss McQuary, re-John, Oklahoma City; two daughters, signed. Mrs. Alvie Rister and Mrs. Henry Young, Anson, 35 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

### **Mannie Barnes**

Mannie Barnes, 30, who had been ill since last December when he was first taken with pneumonia and had only recently been carried back to the sanitarium for treatment, died shortly after midnight Saturday at the West Texas Baptist sanitarium, Abi-

Funeral servces were held at 4:30 Sunday afternoon from the First Baptist church, with Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, officiating. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

Mannie Barnes was born Dec. 5. 1905, at Blair and had lived there all his life, being engaged in farming. No postage or registry fee will be He was married in 1927 to Miss Lora

he outskirts of Anson on Easter Sun-

nospital at Dallas since the mishap.

Funeral services were held at An-

on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock,

with Minister Cecil Hill of the Church

Palibearers werd; Bill Altman,

in Mount Hope cometery.

Baptist sanitarium, Abilene. He had | Mail.

J. B. Hayhurst

oring in vocational agriculture. Miss Neweta Cleveland of Lubbock, who for the past year taught at Hermleigh, was elected to teach home economics. She is a graduate of Texas Tech, maja Smith-Hughes certificate in home economics, and comes to Merkel with home economics at Hermleigh. Miss Nelda Clements of Brownwood

who for the past year taught high school English at Lawn and secured English was elected to teach English in High school. She is a graduate of Howard Payne college, Brownwood. Frances Marie Church, another new teacher, was elected to teach English Besides her husband, she is survived in Grammar school. She is a graduate of McMurry college and is elected to

> History in Grammar school and two high school positions remain open, but the board expects to fill them shortly when the faculty will be complete for the 1936-37 session of the Merkel schools.

# **Butman Rodeo Pens** Being Worked Over

This week is being spent by interested parties in the Butman community in rebuilding the rodeo pens and putting them in shape for the 1936 show, and an addition is being made this year in the form of a fenceless baseball park,

Visitors to the rodeo and picnic will also have the privilege this summer of witnessing some fast ball games. Owing to rainy weather the crowd at the political rally at Butman on Saturday night, May 23, was not so large as expected, but a number of the candidates were present to support their claims.

county, who is a candidate for the day, 1935, J. B. Hayhurst, 18, died at senate from the 24th district, was a

Candidate for State Senate Visitor Here Hon. Victor B. Gilbert of Callahan

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### **Merkel Schools**

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Total enrolled: 549, 822.

In High school: 130, 306.

Units of affiliation: 5, 21.

Number school buildings: 1, 3.

1929-Grammar School remodelled

grounds filled in and sodded in Ber-

(5) New \$1,000 negro school.

park fence costing \$400 built.

which \$7,000 was U. S. grant.

and vocational agriculture.

(2) More grass sodded and shrub-

(Continued from Page One.) of 1895-6 the old two-room structure

on the north side was abandoned, and the public school was moved to the college building, with Professor Hudgins in charge of the school. The first class to ever graduate from the Merkel High school was in 1899, and consisted of these four people: Jack Provine, Mrs. John Brown, Lee T. Lovelace and Mrs. R. T. Pence.

In 1902 this old college building, the frame structure, was torn down and replaced with the brick Merkel fully accredited high school from High school and was the first brick which graduates are admitted into building in Merkel. This occupied the any college or university in the state block where the present Grammar school now stands. By 1907, Merkel of Texas. had grown in scholastic population until another building was needed. This was built of brick near the home of lows: J. S. Swann, and was known as the Northside School. Between 1902 and 1915 Prof. Hudgins, E. V. White, \$40,000. (now dean of C. I. A.), and C. E. Evans, (now president of Southwest Texas State Teachers college), occupied the position as superintendent of the Merkel schols.

In 1915, under the supervision of M. H. Morris, the two brick buildings, having become unsafe, were torn down and the present Grammar school was built. Between 1915 and 1924 this building served for both high school and grammar school. R. M. Parker followed M. H. Morris as superintendent for three years, and it was during the last year of his administration that the Merkel schools for the first time secured an affiliation. This year five units were secured: three in English and two in Latin.

In the fall of 1919, after the close of the World War, and after Mr. Parker had gone to Polytechnic schools, Fort Worth, Roger A. Burgess came to Merkel as superintendent. He served as superintendent for six years. During this time the number of units of affiliation was raised from 5, (as it was in 1919), to 21. In 1924 the present High school was built, and the High school grades moved from the red building to this High School building in November, 1924. This class of 1936 makes the twelfth to graduate from Merkel High school

In 1925, J. A. Summerhill (now deceased) came as your superintendent for one year. In 1926 I. L. Jackson became superintendent for two years, 1926-7 and 1927-8. In the fall of 1928 Supt. Burgess, after an absence of three years, returned as superintendent, and is now serving his 14th year as superintendent in addition to the vo years he served as principal of

THE MERKEL MAIL

intendent took charge of the Merkel rounded course that offers both the schools, and the situation now should cultural and the practical.

The Merkel school also believes be of interest, the first Tigure for there is much to be gained that is 1918-19, the second figure, for 1935-Total number of teachers: 11, 23

Value of school buildings: \$36,550, athletic contests that are sponsored by loved ones have the sympathy of this the Interscholastic league, that is: community in their bereavement. The Merkel High school is now a

volley ball.

Some of the improvements made 1924-Present High School build-

lying districts.

sium-auditorium built and equipped, dents, Butman 10, Castle Peak 9, Cleary.

(3) Grammar school and other surrounding districts. Besides offering the regular work while there.

of the school and providing these var- Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brown and (4) Football field moved, new ious activities mentioned, the superin- family have moved to White Church ground secured, turtle-backed and tendent stated that he believed it was community where Mr. Brown has acthe business of the schools, both by cepted employment for the year.

1935-36 (this year)-(1) Football activity of the school, both literary of the Divide, Sunday. and athletic.

fair play, uprightness, loyalty, devo- niece of Valera.

with work in book-keeping, commer- shall attempt to see that these things to get.

cial arithmetic, typing, which have are done." been added during the last few years, Merkel High school now offers a well-! Offce supplies-Mail office.

precept and example, to teach and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maddera and (6) Plans for addition to High train in the virtues that make for family, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. school made and federal PWA aid ap- character and good citizenship. These Hugh Campbell, visited the former's should permeate every class and every sister, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lewis,

> Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears have as "Such virtues," he said, "as honesty, their house guest their nephews and

(3) High School addition completed, tion to religious principles and res- Alfred Meeks and family and Ranfour rooms added, \$16,000 cost, of pect for authority should permeate ev- som Meeks and family of Post city ery activity of the schools. To stand visited in the home of their sister, This additional room means that for anything else or permit it be done Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Barnes, and atat last Merkel schools can have two would be a betrayal of a sacred trust tended the funeral services of their courses much needed: home economics and the shirking of paramount res- nephew, Mannie Barnes, Sunday. pon ibility. So long as your present There were probably other relatives With these added courses together superintendent remains responsible, he here, whom this correspondent failed

> Have you cashed your RAT DAY Tickets.



BLAIR ITEMS

Again this community was saddened useful in later life from activities oth- by the death of one of its leading citier than readin', ritin', and 'rithmetic. zens, Mannie Barnes, who passed The schools, therefore, emphasize away shortly after midnight Saturwhat are usually known as extra-cur- day at the Baptist sanitarium, Abiriculum activities: choral and glee lene. Funeral services were held at clubs, both in High and Grammar, the First Baptist church, Merkel, with dramatics, debating, Pep Squad acti- Rev. C R. Joyner officiating, Intervities, school paper columns, publica- ment was in Rose Hill cemetery. A tion of a year book, playground ac- large crowd of sorrowing friends and tivities, and all forms of inter-school relatives attended the last rites. The

football, basketball, track and girls' | Several from here attended the funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Dan The fact that the Merkel schools pro- Matthews at First Baptist church, vide a varied program and are fully Merkel, the one on Sunday afternoon accredited with the state department and the other on Monday afternoon. of education makes the schools suffic- Their going to another world was a during the administration of the pres- iently attractive to Merkel's outlying great shock to their many friends and ent superintendent are listed as fol- trade territory that students from the hearts of the community go out to seventeen school districts are now the bereaved ones. May the God of coming to Merkel High school. This heaven be kind and merciful to them. ing built and equipped at a cost of list does not include the children who Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Terrell, en come to Grammar school from out- route from El Paso to Dallas, were

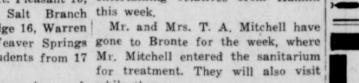
guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs.

80x52 feet; showers and dressing Mulberry 3, Noodle 4, Salt Branch this week.

rooms; no bond issue was required. 15, Stith 15, Union Ridge 16, Warren Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mitchell have (2) Football bleachers provided for 5, White Church 5, Weaver Springs gone to Bronte for the week, where 3, or a total of 138 students from 17 Mr. Mitchell entered the sanitarium

Merkel schools are drawing from Jim Campbell, Monday, also of their 1934-35-(1) New \$10,000 gymna- the following districts: Blair 13 stu- daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mc-

seating 1,200; stage, 15x46 feet; Cross Roads 4, Goodman 2, Hillside 6, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Latimer are balcony, seating 400; basketball court, I. X. L. 10, Marrs 3, Mt. Pleasant 15, entertaining relatives from Hamlin



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Rankin's eyes shone, as though

ing Becker to take it with a bewil-

"I wonder," the other's voice rang

with enthusiasm. "That's just it;

it's too good and strong for an or-

dinary civilian belt. It looks to me

The lieutenant inspected it care-

neglect.

dered frown.

far as I can see.'

the service."

of a prominent Philadelphia business punched at one end; at the other, a man, is murdered as she waits alone in a side room to testify in the divorce heavy brass buckle still glittered case of Rowland vs. Rowland ... She brightly, after years of storage and formation about him." was to have testified for the husband, a friend, who was defendant in the action . . . Detective Tommy Rankin at an unexpected inspiration, causis assigned to the case from police headquarters . . . His preliminary investigation disclosed that both Mr. and Mrs. Rowland had gathered evidence about it, Rankin?" he returned. "It's Her spirit passed away; against the other of infidelity ... The an exceptionally fine piece of leath- To dwell with Christ alone will of Mrs. Rowland's first husband er, I'll admit; but it's just a belt as directed her lawyer brother. Mr. Willard, to handle the estate until she remarried when the new husband was to come into control. Detective Rankin finds motives and the evidence of guilt for the murder of Mrs. Keith, leading to the doors of virtually all of the principals involved. These principals are, the two Rowlands, Mr. Willard, Mr. Keith, husband of the murdered woman, Hugh Campbell, paramour of Mrs. Rowland, and his underworld confederates . . . NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

"Well, Rankin, here it all is," said noticed service men in the winterthe lieutenant, "You can have aid in particularly soldiers and marinesgoing through it, if you need it. What wearing heavy khaki overcoats; they

"Every bit of it," Rankin returned. on the outside. They're something "I'll want to make a thorough search. like the Sam Browne belts officers But first, have you found a picture of wear about their uniforms." Dennis among his belongings?"

wasn't any, or our hunt for him indicate that it's part of service might have been more successful," equipment," he objected, "I always

"I suppose a description of Den- supposed the stuff was markednis will have to do them," Rankin either stamped with the name of observed. "Of course, you obtained the corps, or the initials of the army full details of his looks from Miss or navy punched on." Trent."

"You'll generally find the name of "Yes, it's right here-as exact a the depot that issued it," Rankin picture of him as she could give us." agreed. "But it's usually placed on

Disappointingly, however, the rec- a small loose leather strip, inside; ord was not overly practical for that connects the buckle with the identification; it might have applied loop for the end of the belt, to keep to thousands of similar youragish, it from flapping. And that's easily Drug Company. attractive men. removed. If Dennis didn't want the

"What about his fingerprints?" fact known that he had been in the the detective queried, "He must service, he could slip off that strip. have left plenty in his quarters I enlisted during the war, and from on the articles he handled." my training camp days I recall that

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(Continued Next Week.) IN MEMORY OF MRS. JOHN WHEELER.

He turned it over. "Well, what At 3:45 in the afternoon, In the light of endless day.

We knew the end was drawing nigh, That soon the time would come, When Christ would send the angels down To carry her safely home.

very much like a russet belt-a fair

weather belt is the slang for it in Mr. Wheeler has lost a true compan-"Service?" Becker repeated, obvi- A kind and loving wife,

ously startled by the suggestion. May God give him grace "You mean this is an army belt?" To bear his trials to the end. "Either that or a marine belt,

Her children are now bereft, lieutenant." Rankin directed his ex-Of one who gave them counsel good, planation more to Mr. Lewis than And in both their joys and sorrows to the officer. "No doubt you've Always by them firmly stood.

They have lost a precious loved one Whom earth cannot replace; are you particularly interested in?" put these russet belts around them Jesus alone can heal the wound. And the sorrow deep erase.

And now, dear Saviour, take us all To Thine own arm so strong, Becker shook his head. "There fully. "But there's nothing on it to Make us submissive to Thy will, And forgive us every wrong.

> And when we all must put aside This earthly house of clay, We pray, dear Father, take us hom To live in endless day.

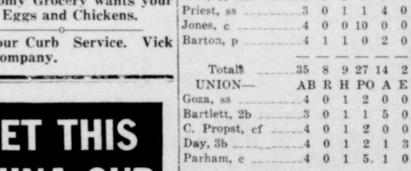
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\_002 000 000-2 \_004 202 00x-8 funeral. Summary-Runs batted in, Goza, Greer 4, Laine 2, Holt, Priest. Twobase hits, Day, . Hammonds, Greer. Three-base, Laine. Left on base, Union Worth; Chester Manuel, Ray and Wel-7, Divide 7. Base on balls, Barton 1, don Lucas of Compere. Howell 2. Stolen bases, Day, Holt. Strike-outs, Barton 9, Howell 2, Mil- Rea, Hamlin; Mrs. Claude Merritt, linix 1, Storey 2. Hits and runs, Howell. 4 and 4 in 2 2-3 innings; Millinix, 1 5 and 4 in 3 1-3 innings. Losing pitcher. Howell, Time 1:35. Umpires, Hol-OBITUARY Funeral services for James Franklin Merritt, age 73, resident of Compere community 32 years, who passed away early Thursday morning, were held at Compere Baptist church Frikel Mail office. MOTHERS

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V. Mayfield, 1b \_\_\_\_4 0 0 7 0 0 vice: Vernie L. Merritt, Hebron; Mrs. 4 0 0 O. V. Bigham, Cross Roads; Miss Bernice Merritt, Ross, and Frank Merritt, Compere. Two grandsons, Burneal Merritt and Harold Dean Bigham, and one sister, Mrs. George Lucas, age 89, of Malone, Texas, also survive. Having been an invalid for 25 years, she was unable to attend his

Pall bearers were nephews: Claude Merritt, Stamford; R. D. Lucas, Fort

Flower girls were nieces: Mrs. Eral Stamford; Mrs. R. D. Lucas, Fort Worth; Mrs. Howard Smith, Garden City; Mrs. Walker Steadman, Trent; Mrs. Oscar Johnson, Mrs. Chester Lucas and Mrs. Ray Lucas, of Com-

"Uncle Frank," as he was lovingly called by all who knew him, was a man of God, devoted to his church as well as to his family His influence is greatly felt and all will miss his cheerful disposition and happy smile.

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s we found on his furniture." kin requested.

some one to open these other bags, quite easily." lieutenant, and help me sort their contents, it won't take long."

Instead of summoning assistance, his theory reasserted itself. Becker lent Rankin a hand himself. examination being of brown leather, oblong and held together by straps. The second was a roomy black satchel, somewhat old and frayed, while the third was a patent-leather overnight case. None bore traveling tags, and only the last a manufacturer's imprint: though on the suitcase, the name of the retailer, a well-known department store in Chicago, was stamped.

Mr. Lewis watched the detective. with admiration and wonder at his thoroughness. Careful to miss no item, the detective examined the band of a crushed felt hat and a gray cap, both size 7 1-2, seeking a clue as to where they were bought. He also searched for hairs from Dennis' head that might cling to them. Similarly, he scrutinized his safety razor shaving kit, which was unmarked. The fugitive had three inexpensive but sporty suits. The miscellaneous contents of the pockets included a small revolver, loose change, a handkerchief, a ring of skelton keys, and a flask.

"Say, Becker, look at this belt! What do you make of that?" said Rankin suddenly.

Abruptly, after his excited exclamation, he broke off and extended the article in his hands. As he was repacking it into the suitcase, he happened to study it more closely. It was a finely grained, strong belt

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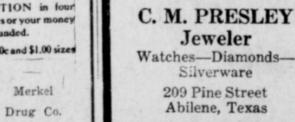
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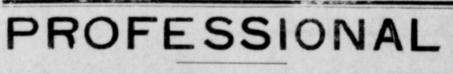
very likely this is a service belt," he CHINA CUP "I'd like a copy of these," Ran- then agreed, "only you mustn't jump to conclusions. It is possible this The detective reached for a suit- didn't come from a post, but from case, "I'll start going through Den- an army and navy store; I undernis' things," he said. "If you'll get stand they can be purchased there

For an instant this idea took Rankin aback; then his confidence in

"That's a chance I'll have to There were three bags altogether, take," he replied. "But one thing is the one on which Rankin began his certain," he added with enthusiasm







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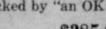
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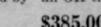
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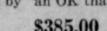
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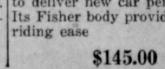








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Coombs and Walter S. Pope, at Steadman from Trent, is a new mem FOR SALE-My business, second Anson; and W. T. Andrews and H. ber of the staff of teachers. hand furniture and repair shop. J. T. Andrews at Stamford. F. Campbell.

FOR SALE OR TRADE-Model A Ford coupe, George Woodrum,

FOR SALE-Cafe and fixtures; good

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WANTED-Men with light pickup trucks, pickup trucks and trailers, or autos and trailers; equipment must be in good shape; good proposition. Ad- effect that he was slightly improved. dress "C. P. W." care Merkel Mail. He has been seriously ill for about

FOR LEASE-Hay press with rakes. to party with team; will let party bale 40 acres oats at once. If you have your own baler, would like to figure with you on this baling job. J. T. Warren, Box 715, Merkel, Texas.

WANTED for Rawleigh Routes of definite agreement has yet been an-800 families in Coke, South Haskell nounced. counties and Merkel; reliable hustler should start earning \$25 weekly and increase rapidly. Write today Rawleigh Dept. TXF-506-S, Memphis, Tenn.

**TELEPHONE THE** 

MAIL The Mail will be glad to eceive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel homes, s well as other news items of \* training: O. C. Shouse, Jr., Glen Roba general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telenone 61 or 29.

This week-end is our regular preach-Judge Chapman was elected coun- ing day. We heartily welcome all of ty attorney of Jones county in 1898 you. Also come for our BTU hour at

and was elected judge of the 39th 7:45. district, six counties, serving until We must not forget about our gym-1924 when he was appointed by nasium. It is going up rapidly and we

location on highway. See J. Y. Mel- Governor Neff to a vacancy on the think will be a very beautiful buildsupreme court commission of ap- ing, and how proud we are of it! peals. When the 104th judicial dis-

#### CARD OF THANKS.

first judge (1927) and moved to Our hearts overflow with love and Abilene that year. Since this time he gratitude to those who were so kind has served continuously as judge. and thoughtful to our wife and moth-Important extra-judicial posts held er during her long illness. The kind by Judge Chapman: He is presiding words and thoughtful deeds were a cows. C. R. Peterson, Merkel, Texas, judge of this (seventh) administra- source of pleasure to her and enabled tive district, taking in ten judicial dis- her last days to be as happy as postricts. In the same seven-year period sible.

he has been a member of the Texas Our hearts are thankful for the FOR RENT-The stucco house here- Civil Judicial Council. Of its 15 mem- many kind acts and floral offerings tofore occupied by Robert Wood; bers, only two are district judges: that were a comfort to us in our hour \$15.00 per month. See Booth Warren Chapman, and W. D. Davis of Bryan. of bereavement. May God's richest

LOCAL BRIEFS.

During the absence of Judge N. D.

A committee of merchants circula-

ting a petition for 6 o'clock summer

closing reports that it is likely the

signatures will be completed within

the next few days. In the interim, no

Improvements now under way at

the Merkel Drug include the re-ar-

rangement of the wall cases, with the

addition of several new sections of

fixtures, and the installation of an

open prescription room, giving the

interior a much roomier appearance.

Five boys from the Merkel Boy

Scout troop attended the 1936 camp-

oree of the Chisholm Trail council at

Camp Tonkawa. In charge of Assistant Scoutmaster Mardell Shouse, the fol-

lowing boys enjoyed camp life and

ertson, Clyde Deavers, Jr., Sample

Have you cashed your RAT

McGehee and Douglass McCoy.

**AY Tickets.** 

Cobb, who with Mrs. Cobb, has gone

two weeks,

blessings rest on all of you. J. W. Wheeler, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. John Wheeler, Jr., and Johnnie.

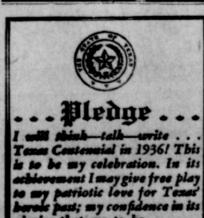
Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McCollum.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS. We will appreciate the privilege of ending in your subscriptions to the leading magazines. On a great many of them, if you want to include your subscription to The Mail, we are in position to make special clubbing of-Reports from J. Ben Campbell's bedside early Thursday were to the fer. See us before you renew.

> Standard Typewriter Ribbons 75c each at Merkel Mail office.

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> Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.



Cantaloupes, each .10c **Red and White** Tomatoes, pound Supreme Salad Wafers, pound ..... COFFEE Mart, pound Early Riser, pound .... Bird Brand Shortening, 4 lb. carton FLOUR Red and White 12 pounds 24 pounds 48 pounds \_\_\_\_\_\_\$1 Pure Cane Sugar, 10 pounds. Red and White Pears, No. 21-2 can Dried Prunes, 2 pounds **Old** Fashion Pickles, sliced, jar WEST CO., Merkel D. C. HERRING & Son, Noo HERRING

	Corn Flakes, pkg
8c	Supreme Peanut Butter, pint
.17c	Beans, 4 pounds
	Red and White Olives, 1-2 pint
25c	Brer Rabbit Syrup, qt 19c—Gal62c
.15c	Blue and White Pork & Beans, 16 oz. can 5c
45c	Red and White Peas, No. 2 can
	Sun Spun Salad Dressing, 8 oz. jar 13c
.53c	Red and White Broom, each
.95c 1.75	Red and White Vinegar, bulk, gallon 29c
	Sliced Bacon, pound28c
.53c	Cured Ham, half or whole pound22 1-2c
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.17c	Salt Pork, pound 16c
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HALDEN-HARKRIDER. Merkel friends have received the following interesting announcement: Mr. and Mrs. Roger Goodhue Halden announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Florence, to Mr. SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. William LaFayette Harkrider on Sunday evening, May the thirty-first, ing Sunday Schools here last Sunday at 11 a. m. NYPS at 7:15 p. m. from the tiny casings used on hand San Saba, Texas. At home, Brown- was 657, as compared with 633 on the Preaching at 8 p. m. Mid-week prayer trucks to the giants required by big wood, Texas, 3520 Austin Avenue.

#### GILES-LEDGER.

(Tuesday's Abilene Reporter.) Announcement was made today of the marriage Sunday of Stell Ledger, ing at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. BTS at youngest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. 7:15 p. m. WMU at 3 o'clock Monday C. H. Ledger, and Lewis Giles, son afternoon. Prayer meeting at 8 o'clock of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Giles. Dr. O. Wednesday evening. P. Clark, St. Paul Methodist church pastor, read the ring service at the these services. home of the bride's parents.

Claudialea Ledger, sister of the bride, played an arrangement of "Love's Old Sweet Song" as the ser- ing at 11 a. m., followed by a com- ness in Merkel?" (2) "Why More vice was read.

a soft shade of yellow with white Prayer meeting on Wednesday even- etc., will be discussed. The pastor will accessories and tailored corsage of ing at 8:15. pansies

After the service, coffee was ser- services. Strangers welcome. ved from a table covered with a hand-made lace cloth and centered with pink roses in an antique white pottery bowl and green candles in Grimes, Oscar Adcock, Phyllis Smith, matching holders.

for Ruidoso, New Mexico, where Vincent Barnett, Dorothy Fae Carrol, they will spend a few days before Bcb Grimes, Fannelle Gray, Vernon going to Midland to live. Mrs. Giles Man field, Hollis Perry, Pete Morgan. Brother A. J. Rollins, young people's was graduated from the Merkel high school and the liberal arts school of Texas Technological college. She

college, Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Ledger and given a prize.

here for the wedding.

#### MOORE-KYLE.

Moore, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ferguson, Hollis Perry. V. Moore of Abilene, was solemnized Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in Sweetwater, Rev. Mr. Cotes, pastor

read the ring ceremony.

kel High school, Mrs. Moore was a dear father and grandfather, and to are we grateful.



8 u'clock.

Come worship with us.

R. T. Smith, Pastor.

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Next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock

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CHURCH OF CHRIST.

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Bible study 10 a. m. Lord's day,

For the Wednesday evening service

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of kindness and words of sympathy in

the illness and death of our loved one.

Especially, to Dr. Armstrong, to

Bill E. Dowell, Pastor.

The Elders.

welcomed by every one.

program 7:15 p. m.

Come and join our Bible School next

Total attendance at the six reportprevious Sunday. On the same Sunday meeting each Wednesday evening at

a year ago 689 were present.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preach-

All are cordially invited to attend services-many visitors.

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preach- questions as "Why the Spiritual Deadmunion service. Offering for Reynolds Souls Are Not Being Saved in Merkel" The bride wore a knitted suit in home. Evening service at 8:15 o'clock, and coming judgments of Merkel,

You are cordially invited to these negro. Be sure and come.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

Jack Stanford, Mary Helen Mash-The couple left Sunday morning burn, Murray Toombs, Sis Gamble,

CLUB PARTY.

Miss Hollis Perry entertained her at 8:15 o'clock, we will have one of taught in the Merkel school for two club, the "Three 'F' " members with an the young preachers from A. C. C. years. Graduate of the Merkel high enjoyable afternoon of card games on You are cordially invited to all of school, Mr. Giles was for two years last Saturday. In games of rummy, these services student at North Texas Agricultural piggy and animals, Miss Frances Higgins was high point winner and was

daughter, Eleanor Jo, of Wellington Dainty tuna fish sandwiches, olives and Ray Watts of Tahoka were potato chips, ice cream and macar- for their kindness during my hus oons were passed to Misses Dorothy band's long illness and death. Carrol, Mary Helen Lancaster, Fannelle Gray, Bettye Grimes, De La Marriage of Ruth Kyle, daughter Vergne Teague, Verne Moore, Phyllis of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Kyle, and A. V. Smith, Mary Helen Mashburn, Jane our appreciation for the many deeds

#### CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express to each and evof the Lamar Street Baptist church, gry one our deep appreciation and sin- those who nursed him so tenderly, to "Showing the Pick of the Pictures" cere gratitude for the assistance giv- the friends serving meals each day, Graduating this year from the Mer- en us at the time of the death of our and for the beautiful floral offerings

May God's grace abide with each

THE MERKEL MAIL

#### Production Mark Set In Goodyear Plants

Reaching a production milestone inequalled in the rubber industry, The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. recently celebrated completion of its two hundred and fifty millionth tire, acording to S. M. Hunter, local Good-

is the experience of 38 years of manufacturing tires of all types and sizes, tractors and huge transport planes," Mr. Hunter explained. "The particular tire that bore No. 250,000,000 was a Double Eagle Airwheel in the popular 6.00-16 size. The Double Eagle Airwheel is the new 'super' tire recently announced by the company, and sales records indicate motorists everywhere are becoming more and

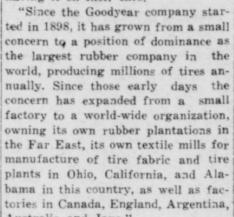
"The Double Eagle Airwheel is in reality a far better tire than mere need demands. It represents all that is known and all that can be done in design, materials, and workmanship to make, the best and safest tire possible. Because of the fact that it does offer the utmost in safety, drivers are interested in having it on their cars.

the Far East, its own textile mills for manufacture of tire fabric and tire plants in Ohio, California, and Alabama in this country, as well as fac tories in Canada, England, Argentina,



rear dealer. "Back of this remarkable record Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching We had a good day over Sunday.

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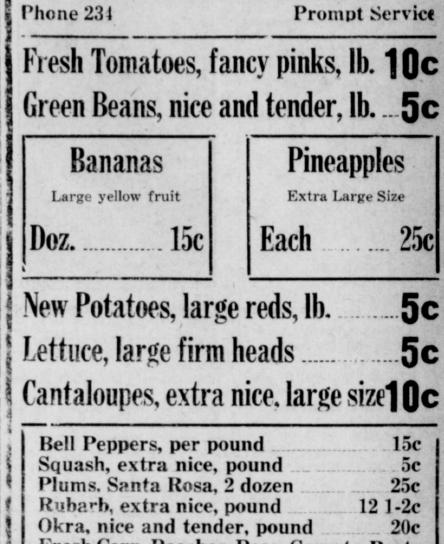




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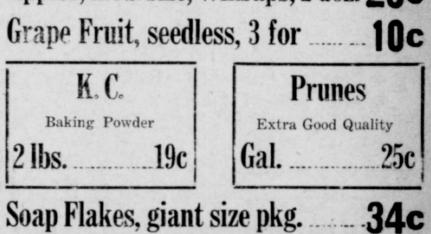
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