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PIONEER DAY, CENTENNIAL FESTIVAL COMBINED IN DAY MULTIPLE FEATURES HERE

Street Parade of Historical and Educational Importance Ushers In Triple Program: Area Pioneers Are Honored.

With a triple-featured program directed by the Merchants Trade Extension association, Merkel held her own Centennial celebration Saturday, probably the most ambitious of any program yet sponsored during the past three summers and certainly a program that proved the most successful from every standpoint, as to size of crowd, manner of entertainment and satisfaction expressed by the honored guests, the "pioneers," and thousands of Merkel's friends from neighboring sections.

Festivities included a parade, re-creating history, scenes and relics of pioneer days, a chuck wagon dinner at noon for pioneer settlers of this section and a free rodeo in the afternoon. Ushering in the day's program, a colorful street parade combined both pioneer and Centennial atmosphere. With Bob Malone and C. K. Russell as marshals, Rader Thompson and George D. Richie, early day cowboys in this section who are now 79 years of age, carried large United States and Texas flags, respectively, flying from their mounts. Next came Mrs. J. R. Barnett, one of the pioneers, and Miss Leta Faye Barbee, each on old-timey side-saddles, with long skirts and complete riding outfit in vogue in side-saddle days.

Five pioneer riders followed, each an expert horseman in his day: Constable W. H. Laney, leading the pack horse, Sam Butman, Sr., John B. Brandon, John W. Wheeler, Sr., and Joe S. Holmes.

From start to finish the parade recalled the days of a half century ago with the contrast of modern times. Emphasis of this contrast was strongly demonstrated by the members of the Merkel Volunteer Fire department who showed the old-time reel hose cart, reminiscent of the bucket brigade days, with the hose and fire trucks now in use. The old fire bell—the actual bell which used to sound the dread alarm—was loaded on a truck and carried in the parade; beside the bell were Arlie Sanders and Bill Burns, charter members of the department, who rode the old ladder truck in early days.

Covered farm wagons lent colorful atmosphere; in one, driven by Sam Butman, Jr., and belonging to the B-T ranch, members of the Merkel Home Demonstration club rode, attired in fashions in keeping with the occasion.

Another farm wagon driven by Clyde Shouse had as passengers two of the section's oldest pioneers, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Grayson, with a number of their grandchildren, while the picturesque group in the covered wagon driven by J. L. Wilson numbered some of the girls of forty years or more ago: Mrs. H. C. Williams, Mrs. A. A. Baker, Mrs. W. W. Wheeler, Mrs. (Continued on Page Four)

Post Office to Close Saturday Afternoons

Beginning July 1, the Merkel post office will be advanced from third to second class, and, as customary with all first and second class post offices, the windows of the office will be closed at 12 o'clock (noon) each Saturday.

The first Saturday in July is a holiday, July 4, and therefore the office windows will be closed all day. Thereafter the office windows will be closed each Saturday at noon, excepting those days when a holiday falls on Saturday.

Patrons are asked to please bear this in mind and transact all business possible on Saturday morning.

The employees of the office will all be in the classified civil service beginning in July and they are allowed to work only a certain number of hours. "They are not allowed to work overtime," said Postmaster Durham, "so please refrain from asking them to wait on you during the time they are on duty after the office closes. The incoming and outgoing mail will be worked Saturday afternoon as usual, the only difference being there will be no window service."

Also due to the fact that this will be a second class office beginning in July, there will be kept on hand and sold to the public documentary internal revenue stamps.

77 GUESTS FOR PIONEER DAY

Chuck Wagon Dinner and Reunion Events Long to Be Held In Cherished Memory.

Designating the day as "Pioneer Day," the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel paid compliment Saturday to the early settlers of the Merkel trade area.

Seventy-seven of these "pioneers," each of whom was past 65 and had lived in the Merkel area for 40 years, were seated for a chuck wagon dinner served at noon at the city tabernacle by the ladies of Home Demonstration club. The occasion was one of happy reunion, for many had not seen each other for years, and the entire day was one round of pleasure and reminiscence for the honored guests.

Upon arrival, each was given a badge, "Pioneer," with his name and the year he came to this section. Assisting with the distribution of the badges and in the general welcome, the registration committee is indebted to Mesdames Frank McFarland, Henry C. West, and S. D. Gamble.

As chairman of the entertainment committee, Henry C. West welcomed the pioneers, and response was made by E. H. Cordell, an old-timer himself, whose father, F. M. Cordell, 90, was also one of the honored guests. Mrs. D. A. Hill of Golan and Mrs. A. A. Baker, wife of the first Presbyterian preacher here, were other nonagenarians present. Oldest to register was Mrs. Emily Wimans, 93, who came to this section in 1885, but who was not strong enough to attend the complimentary dinner.

Two pioneers date their residence in this section from the late 70's: Mrs. Harvey West, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Puckett, settled on Elm creek about ten miles from Buffalo Gap in 1876, and D. H. Clark, who bought a ranch in Mulberry canyon in 1878, when the only settler there was the Vickers house, later Sam Butman place.

Music was furnished during the (Continued on Page Five.)

Sosebee Sisters Sing Over KRLD at Dallas

While attending the Centennial at Dallas as members of the Anson party, the Sosebee sisters, Misses Mildred, Mozelle and Leona Sosebee and Mrs. Louise Sosebee McGinnis, sang over KRLD, Dallas, on Monday of last week, their number being "Boots and Saddle."

The visit of the Anson folks by special train had a two-fold purpose: to participate in the program on folklore and folk dances in the Cotton Bowl at the Centennial and to advertise the "Cowboys' Christmas Ball," held at Anson each year in honor of the late Larry Chittenden, who wrote the famous poem of early days in the West while he was living at Anson.

A number of other young folks from Noodle also went on the special train.

Mrs. S. J. Roberts Claimed by Death

Mrs. Margaret Reed Roberts, 79, wife of the late S. J. Roberts and a resident of Merkel for 30 years, died at 1:45 Thursday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. R. D. Tyler, in Abilene. Mrs. Roberts had been in bed for the past six weeks.

Since the death of her husband, Nov. 4, 1933, she had been making her home with her children here and in Abilene.

Funeral services were to be held at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the Church of Christ, conducted by Elder Melvin Wise of Abilene, an old friend of the family, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery beside the grave of her husband. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Mrs. Roberts was born in Leon county Feb. 24, 1857, and was married on July 28, 1878, at Leon. The couple moved here about 30 years ago, where Mr. Roberts first engaged in farming. He died at the age of 81.

Four children survive: Mrs. B. T. Sublett and Sam Roberts, Merkel; Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. R. H. Denton, Abilene. Ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive.

LAVEGA WHITE WINNER CALF ROPING EVENT

Alton Whiteaker and Orion Tittle Tie in Cow Milking, 18 Seconds Flat; Standing of Contestants Given.

Merkel's fifth rodeo of the summer season, staged last Saturday before the largest crowd that has witnessed any of the free rodeos during the past three years, drew a field of over 100 individual entries in the various events.

It was a show that, true to the efforts of the sponsors acting through the rodeo committee, classed up to the predictions made for it—the best exhibition of roping and riding in the whole series.

Visitors were present in the stands from distant points: New York City, Chicago, Hartford, Conn., Russell Spring, Ky., and all directions in Texas—the stands were sold out before the show started.

In a field of 39 rivals, Lavega White made best time in calf roping in 20 3-5 seconds; Sig Faircloth, second, 20 4-5; Giles Whites, third, 21 3-5, and Albert Oliver, fourth, 24 3-5.

Alton Whiteaker and Orion Tittle tied in 18 seconds for first and second money in cow milking; Jim Reynolds was next in 20 4-5 seconds, with Earl Stevens and Cub Young tying for fourth place, 21 1-5 seconds.

First place in steer riding went to Raymond Caldwell, with Bob Wilkerson and Johnny Dowas, second and third in the order named.

Including the records in Saturday's show, the ten ranking contestants in each event, with the number of shows in which each has participated, follow:

CALF ROPING.	
Lavega White (4)	23 3-10
Giles White (4)	27 7-10
Burl Hitson (4)	28 1-20
Tommy Hodges (5)	29 17-25
Alton Whiteaker (4)	33 3-20
Leo Huff (5)	41 19-25
Vester Parrish (4)	54 1-5
Cub Young (4)	55 6-20
Guy Caves (4)	55 11-20
Ralph Russell (5)	61 22-25

COW MILKING.	
Alton Whiteaker (3)	25 4-15
Cub Young (4)	26
Earl Stevens (5)	45 12-25
Giles White (4)	49 6-20
Lewis Cook (4)	52 12-20
Orion Tittle (5)	62 18-25
Orion Tittle (5)	62 20-25
Leo Huff (5)	64 15-25
Clinton McCain (3)	67
Elmo Williams (5)	69 2-25

Takes Six Stitches For Boy's Injury

Little Gene Frazier, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Frazier, sustained near serious injury about 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when he fell while passing in front of the post office.

A glass bowl which he was carrying under his arm shattered when he fell, causing a wound of about three inches in length on his left side that required six stitches. He also received a similar wound under the shoulder, but the second cut was only skin deep.

Jack Patterson Places In Olympic Tryouts

Jack Patterson, Merkel boy who has already won many track honors in state and national meets, placed third in the 400 meters high hurdles at Chicago Saturday.

Many of America's premier collegiate athletes participated in the tests at Chicago, preliminaries of the national collegiate track field meet championships to determine Uncle Sam's Olympic team.

Jack, who is now a second year student at Rice, received his High school education here. While attending the Merkel school, he came out for track, basketball and football, but did not enter any of the three his first year. During the other three years he made a splendid record in track and at basketball, playing football also his last year.

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Delmer McLeod, Goodman, Thursday, June 18, 1936.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Maxwell, Anson, Wednesday, June 24, 1936.

J. PAUL RUDD NEW PRINCIPAL MERKEL HIGH

Formerly Principal of High School at Earth; Vocational Ag Teacher Here July 1; Other Teachers Elected by Board.

At a recent called meeting of the Merkel school board, J. Paul Rudd was elected principal of Merkel High school. Mr. Rudd comes to Merkel from the principalship of the high school at Earth. He is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons university and his home is Abilene.

Miss Louise Stephen of Wingate was elected to teach Spanish. For the last three years she has taught Spanish at Wingate, having secured affiliation in Spanish for the Wingate high school. She is a graduate of McMurry college.

Miss Vera Hayes of Wingate, a graduate of Abilene Christian college, was elected to teach geography in grades 5-6-7. She takes the place made vacant by the resignation of Miss Stell Ledger. For the past two years Miss Hayes has taught in the Wingate schools.

One vacancy still remains, that of history in grades 5-6-7, the position made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Wood. The board is looking for the right sort of an experienced man for that position.

Rex Myers, assistant coach of the Badger football squad last year, has been named coach of the 1936 team, succeeding Emil F. Hutto, who will attend West Texas State Teachers college at Canyon the coming year, where he will be Freshman line coach.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hollingsworth of Winters will move into the Sutphen apartment and he will be ready to assume his duties as teacher of vocational agriculture in the Merkel High school. During the months of July and August he will be on the job surveying the farm situation in and around Merkel and conferring with students who plan to take the course. He will have his office at the High school building and will be glad to see boys and others interested in the work of vocational agriculture.

With the exception of the position in history in grades 5-6-7, the school faculty for 1936-37 follows:

Grammar school: first grade, Mrs. Elsie Sharp Nash, Miss Sybil Smith; second grade, Miss Evelyn Curb, Miss Alzada Pogue; third grade; Mrs. Mary Bird, Miss Vennie Heizer; fourth grade, Miss Emma Joyner, Miss Imogene Hayes.

Intermediate grades; art and penmanship, Miss Ella Mae Hogan; English, Miss Frances Marie Church; reading, Mrs. Pauline Collins; geography, Miss Vera Hayes; arithmetic and principal, Mrs. Len Sublett.

High school: vocational agriculture, C. H. Collingsworth; home economics, Miss Nevada Cleveland; history, Miss Julia Martin; English, speech, Mrs. Comer Haynes; history, mathematics, J. Lee Coffman; English, Miss Nelda Clements; Spanish, Miss Louise Stephen; science, mathematics, coach, Rex Myers; commercial, mathematics, principal, J. Paul Rudd; superintendent, Roger A. Burgess.

Local Masonic Lodge Holds Installation

Merkel Lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., installed the following officers Wednesday night at the Masonic hall: Giles P. Graham, worshipful master; O. B. Leach, senior warden; J. M. Beasley, junior warden; Andy Shouse, treasurer, (re-elected); W. C. Black, secretary, (re-elected); Willie L. Moore, tiler.

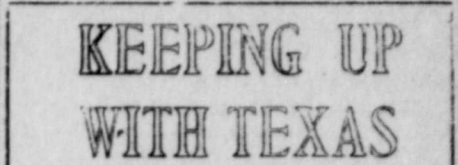
Following the installation of officers, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Former Merkel Girl Abilene Selection

Selected by the Goodwill committee of the Abilene chamber of commerce to represent that city, Miss Billie Bernice Gambill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Gambill, former residents of Merkel, was the first entry in the "Goddess of West Texas" contest to be held at Sweetwater July 16 and 17 in connection with the second annual Water Carnival.

Miss Gambill, who won honors at the Sweetwater Water Carnival last year as representative of the Merkel Lions club, participated this year in the Cisco Bathing beauty contest as representative of the Abilene Lions.

UNION ENCOUNTERS TRUBY FIRST GAME OF TWIN BILL; TYE VS NOODLE IN SECOND



The world's first bale of 1936 cotton arrived in Corpus Christi at 3:30 p. m. Monday, bringing a \$500 premium to its grower, Teofilo Garcia, of La Grulla, Starr county.

O. E. Slaughter, 50-year-old carpenter foreman, San Antonio, was killed instantly when he fell from the fourth floor of the new federal building there.

J. P. Hathorn, 41, professor of education at Sam Houston State Teachers college, died while lecturing to his morning class.

The Rev. George Shawver, 35, Mineral Wells, lost his life in a gravel pit accident while working on a job he had undertaken to supplement his income as a rural minister.

Jim Barrow's attempt to ride a plow mule to liberty from Eastham farm ended Saturday when a bullet from a dog sergeant's rifle felled the forger as he tried to flee across a corn field six miles from the farm.

Tarrant county's third drowning of the summer occurred Thursday at Schneider Lake near the Lake Worth dam, when eight-year-old Robert Fitzhugh slipped from a rubber tube on which he had been floating in the middle of the pool.

John R. Bearden, 63-year-old Haskell county farmer, was shot to death at Rochester late Saturday by Fontis Greenway, Rochester constable, after the officer had been stabbed with a knife under the arm.

Jesse Riggs, 39, farmer, was killed by lightning at his home at Aspermont Monday night during a rain and hail storm.

Charlie Fisher, 37, of Graham, driller on an oil well 17 miles west of Crowell, was fatally injured when he became entangled in the belt of a portion of the drilling machinery.

W. E. Beasley, an Abilene abstractor and former Taylor county clerk, led a field of six candidates in the race for city commissioner and a proposal for a charter commission was favored in a special election held Tuesday at Abilene.

Deaths of four persons in Texas early in the week were blamed on excessively high temperatures. Victims of the torrid weather were: L. C. Odum, Lufkin; Eugene Squyare, Waco, who died in Dallas; William A. Falls, Fort Worth, and John D. Jefferies, Olton, Lamb county.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, June 25, 1916.)

The vast movement of state troops began in twenty-four hours after General Funston had ordered the mobilization of 100,000 men from every state in the union. The number will be adequate to protect American lives from the hostile barbarous elements beyond the Rio Grande.

SHOT IS FIRED AT TROOP TRAIN.

A shot fired at a troop train just before it reached Tye, on Saturday night, created great confusion among the National Guardsmen thereon, who wanted to go back and investigate the source of the shot.

Officers in charge of the detachment held the boys in charge and the trip was continued westward. The shot which was fired apparently at the engineer struck the engine cab.

HOT IN TEXAS.

Friday afternoon, when one of the troop trains passed through Merkel, a private of the National Guards from New Jersey handed a boy a picture post card of Abilene to be mailed back to some point within his home state. The card was addressed to the soldier's mother and told her that it was "hot as the devil in Texas." We have received no information as

Truby, One of Contenders Saturday, Also Plays on Wednesday's Schedule, Marking the First Week-Day Games.

Contenders in Saturday's double-header of the Merkel Inter-Community league will be Truby vs Union in the first game, with Tye and Noodle following in the nightcap. The first game will start promptly at 1:30 p. m.

With a string of three victories, Truby stands undefeated at the top of the percentage column, but all of the teams have good strong aggregations and, now with crops nearly laid by, will be able to present well rounded out teams.

Playing of mid-week games will begin on Wednesday of next week, July 1, when Truby vs Divide are scheduled first, with Tye and Union to follow.

Shaded grandstand seats are now provided for those who wish to pay for the extra comfort and convenience. The price is 10 cents for the twin bill.

Merkel Lions Lose to Visitors, 11 to 1

Although heavily manned by the managerial brains of Dr. L. C. Zehn-pennig and his assistant, Postmaster Wrenn Durham, with Heavyweight R. T. Gray as active captain, the Merkel Lions softball team lost, 11 to 1, to their fratres from Abilene in a matched game played here Tuesday afternoon.

Galveston Given Lions' 1937 State Convention

Galveston was selected as the next meeting place by Lions club delegates at the state convention held in Brownwood Monday and Tuesday. About 100 delegates attended.

Postmaster Wrenn Durham and Milton Case went to Brownwood as delegates from the Merkel club.

Business Firms Agree To 6 O'Clock Closing

Beginning Monday, June 29, the following business firms of Merkel have agreed to close their places of business at 6 p. m. each week day, except Saturday, during the remainder of the summer, neither will they open for business on Sunday, except the two markets:

West Co. Inc., Wood's store, Campbell grocery, McDonald grocery, Bragg Dry Goods company, Wheeler's market, Reid Variety store, Max Melling-er, Jones Dry Goods company, E. M. McDonald, Eli Case & Son, J. M. Garrett, Bullock Hardware company, A. R. Booth grocery, A. A. McGehee bakery, Economy grocery, Patterson's market, E. O. Carson.

to what term this northern boy used to express the degree of heat he encountered in Mexico.

MAKES FAST TRIP OVER PLAINS.

News from Mr. Thos. Johnson, who with several others, left here for a cross-country trip by auto to Roswell, New Mexico, last week, intimates that while it has not rained in that section for some time, it is still "wet." Mr. Johnson's communication also suggests that the plains country is the home of the gas wagon, according to the distance that may be traveled in that country by an automobile. He said he and party left Snyder, Texas, one day, arriving in Roswell, New Mexico, the same day, covering a distance of 262 miles.

Mrs. J. O. Crenshaw and children, Miss Bert Boring and Will Buchanan, all of Fort Worth, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boring, and other Merkel relatives.

At sunset Wednesday evening, June twenty-eighth, Miss Pet Sears became the wife of Virgil Touchstone of Childress. The ceremony was performed at the Methodist church in the presence of a large congregation of relatives and friends.

Double Holidays Mean Increase in Traffic in Roads

Local highways will be heavy with traffic on at least one week-end in the near future in the opinion of S. M. Hunter, local dealer for The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

"With Independence Day falling on Saturday this year, many persons ordinarily not so benefitted will have a two-day holiday," Mr. Hunter said. "This means that drivers can plan trips farther afield than in their usual custom."

"The great majority of motorists in this vicinity are not anticipating inconvenient road delays, if the manner in which they have been buying new tires is any indication."

"And motorists who check their tires thoroughly before starting out on a trip in warm summer weather are really showing excellent judgment," he continued. "Old, worn smooth tires are dangerous, because they permit skids at times when quick stops are imperative, and also because they are much more susceptible to blowouts."

"New tires, such as the Goodyear line we sell, with gripping traction in the center of the tread, give the utmost protection against skids and blowouts. Motorists who start out on trips with poor tires are really asking for trouble, and should not be surprised if they encounter irritating delays along a hot, dusty roadside, at a time when they should be traveling along toward their destinations."

BLAIR ITEMS

"Her Honor the Mayor," a comedy drama in three acts, will be presented at the Butman tabernacle Saturday night, June 27. Admission charge will be: 5c for children from 7 to 12 years, 10c for adults.

Mrs. Thomas and granddaughter, Joan, of Bronte, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Brown, of San Angelo, visited here with another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mitchell, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mayfield are the proud parents of a fine baby boy who came to brighten this home on June 15.

Rev. Howard Martin of View delivered an interesting message on "Discipleship" at the Baptist church Sunday morning. Rev. Roy Audings of Abilene preached at the evening service on "Negligence."

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mathews and family of I. X. L. attended services at the Baptist church Sunday and also dined in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Patton of Goodman visited last week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Doan and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Horton of Trent.

Marshal Provine of Kentucky, en route to New Mexico, is the guest of his brother, Sam Provine, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan for the week.

Rev. Lloyd Mayhew, Methodist pastor, is to fill his regular appointment Sunday, June 28. Every one is invited and we need your prayerful cooperation.

Elma Harrison is on the sick list, also Miss Susie Doan, at this writing.

Mrs. McPherson of Hamilton is spending an indefinite time with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. John Neighbors.

Mrs. Ed Blackburn and daughter, Miss Ruby Blackburn, of Butman, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Russell, Mrs. Roy Audings and daughter of Abilene and Mrs. George Richie of Castle Peak attended services Sunday at the Baptist church.

Doyle, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton, entered the Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene, Monday for treatment and was doing fine at last report.

Irvin Melton left Tuesday for Arizona to visit relatives at that place.

Ellsworth Bell, Jr., is spending several days with his aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy R. Coats, of White Church.

Bereavement cards, already printed, with envelopes to match, 50c per set of one dozen at Merkel Mail office.

Standard Typewriter Ribbons 75c each at Merkel Mail office.

Read Merkel Mail Want Ads.

TELEPHONE THE MAIL

The Mail will be glad to receive news of entertainments or visitors in Merkel home, as well as other news items of a general nature. If you have company, entertain friends or return from a trip please telephone 61 or 29.

NOODLE NEWS

Rev. Crumpler filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

The singing Sunday night was attended by a large crowd. An added feature to the regular program was a quartette from the Henry Eason family of Truby.

Mrs. T. B. Cox has been called to Tarrant county to attend the bedside of her mother, who has been sick for several weeks.

Ted Bicknell and family of Merkel visited her sister, Mrs. Troy Sloan, and family Saturday night.

Mrs. Norman Sloan has as her guests this week her nieces, Ruby and Marie Gregory, of Neinda.

Miss Nelda Melton of the Carpenter's Gap community spent the week-end with Miss Leta Tarpley.

Mrs. Flora James and daughter, Florence, of Goodman were week-end guests of the Bill James family.

Mrs. D. C. Calloway returned Thursday from a two-weeks visit to Corpus Christi and San Antonio. She was accompanied home by her daughter, Mrs. Roy Whitehurst, of Corpus Christi.

A. J. Barbee of Kermit visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sloan and Jack Pierce were Stamford visitors Saturday night.

W. J. Bicknell returned home Tuesday from Birmingham, Ala., where he has been for the past two weeks visiting friends and relatives. He reports crop conditions in the east are not so favorable as here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Herring, Wayne Satterwhite and Mildred Sosebee left Sunday for Detroit, Mich., where Mr. Herring expects to purchase a truck. They will visit the Centennial en route.

The following Noodle people were among the Centennial visitors last week, going on the special train from Anson: Misses Leona, Mildred and Mozelle Sosebee, E. O. Criswell, Wayne Satterwhite and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McGinnis.

Mr. and Mrs. Hester Brewer and children of Trent were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper.

Mrs. O. B. Crow spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. George Crow and family, near Merkel.

Ewell and Ivy Lucas and J. D. Sose-

bee attended church at Comper Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Sosebee and Baby Joy of Stamford visited relatives here Sunday. They were accompanied by Mrs. G. G. Cantrell and children of Carlsbad, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Spurgin and children of Anson were Noodle visitors Sunday, attending the singing Sunday evening.

The condition of Alec Carter still continues to be serious. He is in an Abilene hospital.

Adding machines rolls 15c, or two for 25c; regular retail price everywhere. For Sale at Merkel Mail office.

We take orders for egg stamps. The Merkel Mail.

Surplus seed, livestock and farm products may be sold through a want ad in The Mail.

Typewriting and carbon paper at Mail office.

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The petit jury list in 104th district court for next week includes the following names:

Ben Jones, S. T. Bird, J. A. Campbell, W. H. Pogue, J. H. Campbell, Merkel; A. D. Odell, M. M. Thomson, C. E. Edwards, H. H. Wilson, C. F. Dodson, F. F. Suggs, W. L. Lilly, James H. Powers, T. J. Weed, C. E. Wingo, W. C. Shaw, P. C. Jones, J. E. Hawk, R. M. Randerson, C. F. Knowles, L. C. McNatt, R. E. O'Rear, W. W. Graham, T. H. Taylor, Roy Davis, R. P. Adams, G. P. Pechacek, Chester Gross, J. W. South, Claude Newberry, T. A. Dodson, H. H. Honeycutt, W. F. Bilger, M. M. Harwell, Robt. W. Rogers, Abilene; W. H. Ward, Buffalo Gap; G. W. Shafer, Wingate; John A. Woodard, Carl Murdock, Trent; T. J. Johnson, Ovalo; J. M. Holley, W. L. Williams, T. C. Humphrey, Tye; L. B. Windham, Lawn; M. C. Neithercutt, Bradshaw.

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The DIVORCE COURT MURDER

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FINAL INSTALLMENT.

The man who came to the door was an easily recognizable, albeit older edition, of the marine's portrait in Washington. The passage of time had served only to improve his appearance: broad and tall, six years had filled out the gangling frame Ellen Trent once described, into an enviably perfect physique. His dark hair had been bleached and was now blond and curly, but his handsome, broad features remained the same.

For an instant he was so startled by Rankin's appearance that he dropped his guard. His mask off, an ugly light of fury flashed across his face; and his lips drew into a snarl. Both were swiftly gone, however, before the detective could be certain of them.

Rankin began facetiously "Mr. Seymour King, I believe," he greeted him. "I'm lucky to find you in; and I must apologize for my intrusion at this late hour."

The other frowned, then forced a smile that developed into a hollow laugh.

"Mr. King?" he repeated. "Yes, of course, that's how I rented the apartment, so my wife wouldn't find out about it or trace me. . . . But come in, Rankin. To what do I owe the honor of this visit?"

Rankin stepped inside the door, careful, however, not to close it.

"You use a good many names, don't you, Rowland?" His voice developed a steel edge. "Perhaps you'd prefer to be called Fred Dennis or Steve Harmon."

His quarry turned white, fear mingling with anger at this provocative onset. He retreated, his eyes glaring; it was all he could do to control the savageness that crept into his voice.

"What do you mean, Rankin?" he demanded furiously. "I never heard of them. I don't know what you're talking about and neither do you."

"Oh, you understand me all right," the detective returned evenly. "You've been many places and tried your hand at many jobs, besides being a life-guard at Miami and a movie extra in Hollywood. A marine on the U. S. S. Wyoming, for instance, who deserted, and a burglar in Fort Wayne. And you knew Ellen Trent there. I should have connected the sort of roving life you led before your marriage with your activities in Indiana."

Allen Rowland clenched his fists. "You must be crazy, Rankin," he cried; his alarm betrayed the truth of the accusations. "You had better be careful; if you've come here to insult me, I advise you to get out!"

Instinctively, the detective's muscles tensed as though preparing for an attack.

"I'd stay where I am if I were you," he warned him ominously. He dug his hands into his pockets.

"I have a warrant for your arrest for the murder of Barbara Keith, Allen Rowland alias Fred Dennis alias Steve Harmon. And I caution you that anything you say—Stand back there, Rowland!"

Simultaneously with his shouted admonition, he leaped back, ducking to the door; and from his coat came the staccato bark of a revolver. Physically no match for Rowland, he moved just in time to escape his half-anticipated forward lunge. His assailant had sprung with huge, muscular arms outstretched to pin Rankin to his side and bear him down by sheer weight. The bullet caught him in mid-leap; halted by the shock, he dropped to his knees with a groan and clapped his left hand to his right shoulder. Blood spurted between his fingers and an expression of astonishment on his face gave swift place to one of agony.

"Damn you, Rankin!" he ground out with an effort, through clenched teeth.

"You asked for it, Rowland," Rankin said heartlessly, "I warned you I had you covered; you won't escape this time as easily as you did from the American Express office and the Stager House in Fort Wayne. Now perhaps you'll behave yourself."

He turned to the two officers, who had rushed hastily from the corridor at the shot and pushed their way into the apartment anxious and alert.

"It's all over but the shouting, boys," he reassured them. "I don't believe there will be any more trouble. . . . You can take him along as soon as I put these irons on him. And see that his wound is treated at Headquarters immediately."

He first permitted his prisoner enough time to tie a handkerchief about his shoulder. Then he produced the handcuffs; and disregarding Rowland's stream of oaths and

abuse, the policemen held him while Rankin clicked them on his wrists.

As Rankin followed his prisoner to City Hall, he was quite satisfied with the accuracy of his solution and his ability to establish his guilt.

Mortimer Keith shook his head slowly, with the bewildered air of one who cannot grasp a fact presented to him.

"It's utterly beyond me, Rankin," he protested uncertainly, "to understand how Rowland could be Barbara's murderer. They were in love with each other; everything indicated that they were having an affair and that," a look of anguish came into his eyes and his voice dropped, "she was his mistress."

The detective waved his hand positively. "That's just the point, Mr. Keith," he contradicted, "they were nothing of the sort. I've already told you why they hated each

other; from the very beginning they were enemies."

"But what of their friendship in Florida, and Barbara's many contacts with him since?" the manufacturer queried. "She did go with him to that bedroom at Sunset Inn, and two weeks ago helped him obtain the evidence of Mrs. Rowland's infidelity. And she was willing to testify at the hearing."

"Yes, that is how it all looked and what Rowland doubtless intended. There were two possible reasons to account for Mrs. Keith's willingness: one, a genuine attachment; the other, a very real dread. Like you, I was misled by the obvious belief that there was some intimacy between them."

For a moment the other covered his face with his hands. "Poor Barbara," he murmured sadly, "she must have suffered much from him. If she had only chosen to confide in me, instead of keeping her story a secret. I'm afraid I have been most unjust to her."

It was two days after Allen Rowland's arrest that Rankin visited Mr. Keith to discuss with him the ultimate solution to his wife's death. The two

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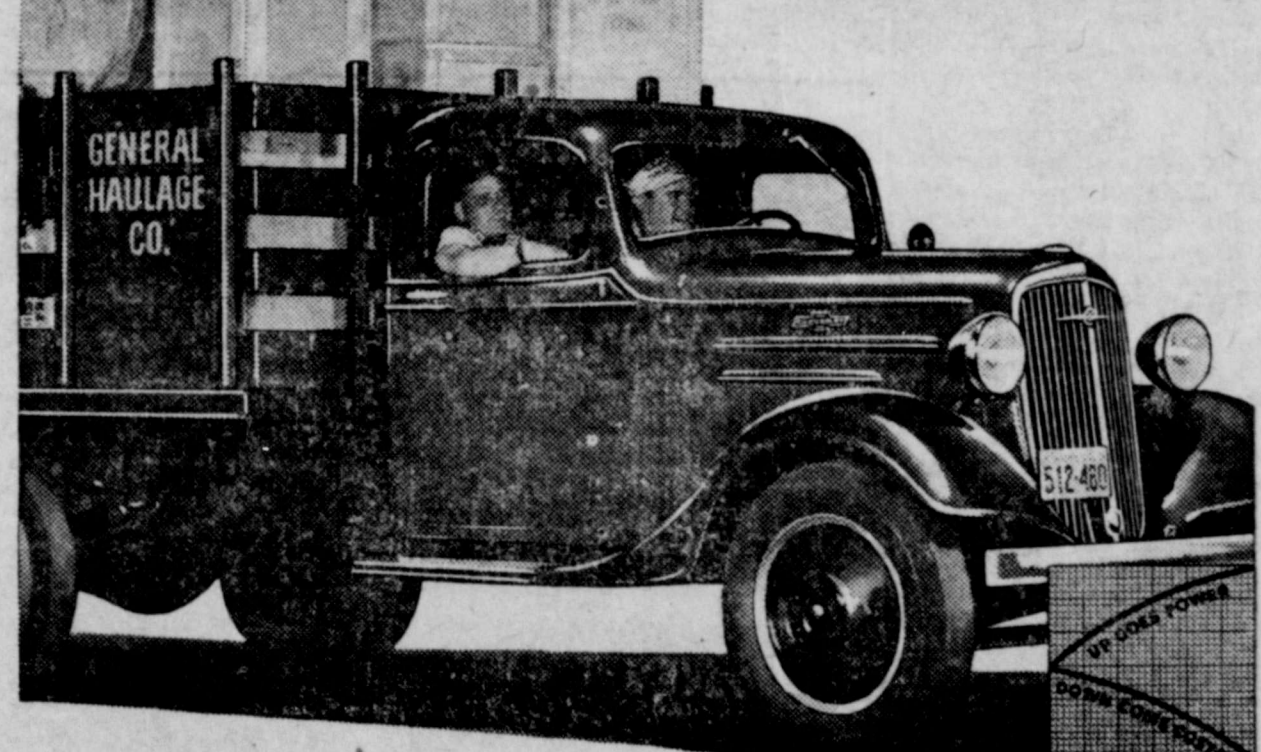
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Candidate Rally at White Church School Friday Night, June 26

The White Church Home Demonstration club is sponsoring a candidate rally at the White Church school house Friday night, June 26.

There will be an old fiddlers' contest, a quilt auctioned off and plenty of ice cream and cake. Prizes will be given to the best fiddlers.

All candidates from Taylor and Nolan counties are invited to come, and they will all be given an opportunity to speak.

Three-Year-Old Son of Transients Dies Here

Funeral services were held at the graveside at Hose Hill cemetery at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon for Johnnie Adolph Bales, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bales, of Tulsa, Okla. Rev. John H. Crow conducted the rites.

The child died at 3:15 Tuesday morning of a stomach complication in a camp tent a few blocks east of town on the highway.

Included in the party which arrived here Sunday morning, traveling in a two-passenger car and bound for their home, Tulsa, Okla., besides the parents, were three other children, ages 8 years, 5 years, and the youngest, three months, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blevins and their two-year old child.

Women of the town assisted the family in every way possible, and through the services of Mrs. Benno Schmidt, of Abilene, secretary of the United Welfare association, and philanthropic citizens here, provision was made for living quarters and food for the party and for labor for the men until they could earn enough to continue their journey.

Program to Celebrate Anniversary of Home

Friday evening, June 19, members of Merkel Grove No. 563, Woodmen Circle, and W. O. W. Camp No. 719, together with their families and friends, gathered at the W. O. W. hall to commemorate the sixth anniversary of the Woodmen Circle Home of the Supreme Forest, located at Sherman. The Kelso Sisters sang "Our Beautiful Home" and dedicated it to the Home.

The flag was presented and Mrs. Katie Church, guardian, welcomed the visitors and the Woodmen. A program was carried out consisting of songs, readings and tap dances.

The drill team, dressed in their new evening dresses, under the supervision of Captain Mae Seago put on the floor work and a fancy drill forming a "star," carrying out the Circle colors, lavender and green, was very effective. Many compliments were paid the team and its progress.

Interesting talks were made by Messrs. Blair, Elliott, Harry Barnett and Mrs. Church.

Punch and cookies were served to 200 in attendance.

District Rural Letter Carriers Name Officers

Substitute Carrier Harold King and Mrs. King, with R. L. Adcock, attended the annual meeting of the Rural Letter Carriers' association and Ladies' auxiliary of the 17th congressional district at the Hilton hotel, Abilene, Saturday night. It is estimated that about 100 were present.

Adcock and Joe Nalley of Trent had as their guests three of the candidates for commissioner from Jones county: L. R. Cade, E. F. Vantress and A. W. Hampton. Commissioner A. J. Canon of precinct No. 2, Merkel, was also present and made a talk.

Earl Slater of Clyde was re-elected president of the association. Other officers are: J. S. Sloan, Stamford, vice-president, and L. V. Spencer, secretary.

Auxiliary leaders are: Mrs. Joe Nalley, Trent, president; Mrs. E. T. Gilbert, Roby, vice-president, and Mrs. W. C. Adams, Stamford, secretary.

Slater and Mrs. Adams were chosen state delegates to the San Antonio convention to be held in July.

Standard Typewriter Ribbons 75c each at Merkel Mail office.

Comings, Goings, Doings

Clarence Grayson and family returned last Monday to their home in Tulare Calif., after spending a week here with friends and home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill and son, Boyd, also Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Grayson and son, Lonnie Fred, of Burleson, returned home Monday evening after a short visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Grayson.

While Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Grayson and family were here from Tulare, Calif., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Grayson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill and family and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Grayson and baby also came from Burleson to make a reunion of the family. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Webb and Shirley Faye, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bigbee and Deloss Grayson were also at home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris and Mrs. S. G. Russell, Jr., and son, and Mrs. J. M. Harris and daughter, Joan, of Brenham, spent the week-end with Mr. Thomas and family of Ackerly, Miss Syble Harris remaining for a longer visit.

Mrs. J. M. Harris, and daughter, Joan, of Brenham returned home Monday after spending three weeks visiting their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Ollie Skidmore, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bolls and little daughter, Frankie Mae, have returned to their home at Whittenburg after a few days visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stapleton. They were accompanied home by their sister, Miss Eula Mabel Stapleton.

Mrs. A. J. Stapleton, Mrs. J. F. Bolls and little daughter, Frankie Mae, and Miss Eula Mabel Stapleton visited in the home of Misses Isla Mae and Lou Ella Hughes of Castle Peak Sunday afternoon.

Miss Peggy Earnett returned home Saturday after a month's vacation in several eastern states, spending a few days at the Centennial in Dallas on the return trip.

Mrs. H. E. Mayfield of Waco, Mrs. Sam Moore of Wink and Mrs. Bernard Norfolk and son of Lothian, Md., were week-end visitors in the W. D. Butler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Wright of Lamesa and Mrs. Bernie Williams and little son of Sparenburg visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wright, over the week-end.

Mrs. Clarence Walden and daughters, Dolores and Barbara, of Eunice, N. M., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walden and Mrs. L. A. Watts, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. King and daughter are here from Hobbs, N. M., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hodge have as their guests Mrs. Hodge's mother, Mrs. T. A. Clarida, of Terrell, and brother, Jed Clarida, of Amarillo.

Miss Mary Jo Russell accompanied County Auditor and Mrs. L. R. Thompson, of Abilene, for a week-end trip to the Centennial at Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson were up from San Antonio for the week-end to visit their daughter, Mary Faye Johnson, and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Golladay and Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Sr., Mrs. Johnson remaining over for a month's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lepard of Anson were week-end visitors with Mrs. Lepard's mother, Mrs. W. W. Wheeler.

Mrs. E. O. Carson and three sons, Howard, J. C. and Dave, left Thursday of last week for a visit to Eunice, N. M., and other points in New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. McCracken and Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Locke of Hamlin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Reidenbach last week.

Week-end guests of W. E. Petty and family were Mr. Petty's cousin, R. R. Petty, of Waco, and Otto Petty, of Temple.

Joe P. Self, cashier of the Farmers State bank, went to Fort Worth Saturday upon receipt of news of the death of a friend, W. A. Stephens, formerly with the state banking department. He also attended the funeral which was held Sunday at Greenville.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jinkens were Mrs. Jinkens' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McNay, of Fort Worth. The visitors were among those present at the rodeo performance Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. E. Q. Warren of Knox City was here to spend the week-end with her mother, Mrs. H. C. Williams, also enjoying as a spectator the many features of "Pioneer Day" and the rodeo.

Mrs. Cowan Hudson and little daughter, Doris Jane, of San Angelo are spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Higgins, also visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. T. L. Derrick of Wink is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wells.

The presence of Prof. and Mrs.

Claude Elliott of San Marcos was the occasion for a family reunion Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Elliott. Returning home, they were accompanied by his sister, Miss Pearl Elliott.

James Garnet Leach of Russell Spring, Ky., is visiting his brother, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Leach, and his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leach, in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Vaughn, son, Kenneth, and daughter, Shirley, of Long Beach, Calif., after viewing Boulder Dam and visiting in Omaha and Lincoln, Neb., stopped on their return to California to see their aunt, Miss Dora Garoutte.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morton and daughter, Ernestine, of Snyder, were week-end callers with their cousin, Miss Dora Garoutte.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Willingham, sons, Barton and Wellborn, and Mrs. Bobbie Willingham, of Hobbs, N. M., were Monday visitors with Miss Dora Garoutte.

Miss Virginia Pike of Bogota is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Pea. Johnny Booth, dental salesman out of Dallas, was a guest for the rodeo of Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Zehnppennig. It was the first exhibition of the kind that he had witnessed.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrnes Thomas and two children of Fort Worth are here for a visit with Mr. Thomas' father, J. S. Thomas, who is quite ill.

Rev. R. T. Smith, pastor of the Nazarene church, left Friday of last week to attend the general assembly of that denomination meeting at Kansas City, Mo.

Guests during the week in the home of Mrs. E. N. Brown include a daughter, Mrs. Geneva Evans, and two children, Melvin, Jr., and Joy, of Chicago; a niece and her husband, Dr. and Mrs. Albert Vining and son, Albert, Jr., of Cleburne, and another daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Tippet and three younger daughters, of San Angelo. The Tippetts and Vining have returned to their homes, while Mrs. Evans and children remain for a summer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Lee, accompanied by their daughters, Beth and Madeline, of Throckmorton, and Katherine Pate of Cleburne, La., were guests in the homes of Mrs. J. A. Grable and Mrs. Fred Hughes on their way to the Carlsbad Caverns and other western points.

Mrs. Joe P. Self and little daughter, Joy Sue, joined by Mrs. Joe P. Self, Jr., of Abilene, left Wednesday for the Lueders encampment. The Selfs have recently purchased a cottage there.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sparrs and daughter, Miss Zuma, spent the week-end with another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Patterson, and family, of Littlefield, and three of their grandchildren accompanied them home for an indefinite visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell and son visited relatives at Trent Sunday and are spending an indefinite time with their aunt at Vaferz.

Miss Laverne Hughes spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hughes and family at Blair.

Joe Cook, who was the week-end guest of Robert Grimes, Jr., returned to Iraan Sunday afternoon, accompanied by his sister, Miss Mary Frances Cook, who had been the guest of Miss Betty Lou Grimes.

Tom G. Fergusson and daughter, Miss Minnie Fergusson, are visiting this week with their daughter, Mrs. Dan Simpson, in San Antonio.

Mrs. Milton Case and little daughter, Creta Key, are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Key, at Winters.

Mrs. J. L. Tucker returned Wednesday from Fort Worth where she underwent an operation some weeks ago. She is greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Foy of Baird were among the visitors here Saturday for the rodeo and the "Pioneer Day" features.

Mrs. Ray King returned Tuesday to her home at Monahans after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Dye.

Roy Ford of Eunice, N. M., arrived Wednesday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. W. A. Ford, returning Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Weir of Abilene were over Sunday to visit Mr. Weir's sister, Mrs. S. F. Haynes.

Queen Theatre Really Cooled by Washed Air

After two days of fast work in installing a new cooling system by washed air, patrons of the Queen theatre enjoyed decided comfort at the Wednesday night's showing of "The Seven Keys to Baldpate."

While all details are not yet perfected, Manager Hodge is to be congratulated on the success of the cooling arrangement, and theatre patrons will find the interior of the Queen a delightful place to enjoy a good show.

Centennial Parade

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J. L. Harris, Mrs. C. M. Largent, Miss Dora Garoutte, Mrs. N. Causseux, Mrs. G. R. Holloway, Mrs. Harvey West, Mrs. S. P. Martin, and Mrs. D. G. Ash and possibly others. This mere scribe would not attempt description of costumes worn by the "belles," but a high lace boot was certainly conspicuous.

Boy Scouts, carrying flags, women horseback riders, girls and boys on horses and bicycles, candidates with banners, and a line of some forty or more cowboys augmented the many individual floats of the merchants who went so whole-souled into the spirit of the occasion.

Assisting Nathan Wood, general parade chairman, and his co-workers, Byrds Petty, Milton Case and W. W. Haynes, were Dee Grimes, president of the Merchants association, and the following committees:

Registration: C. J. Glover, chairman; A. T. Sheppard, Booth Warren, Chuck wagon dinner: W. W. Wozencraft, chairman; Milton Case, Byrds Petty, Byrds Patterson.

Finance: W. W. Haynes, chairman; Joe Cypert, Wrenn Durham, S. D. Gamble.

Centennial features: Yates Brown, chairman; O. R. Dye, Joe P. Self, Carl Black.

Entertainment: Henry C. West, chairman; C. H. Jones, Dr. L. C. Zehnppennig.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PARADE. While necessarily incomplete, a review of the parade features is attempted herewith:

Driving just the mere skeleton of an old-fashioned buckboard, Postmaster Wrenn Durham in his most typical "hick" outfit, including the long chin whiskers, pictured the methods of carrying the mails when the old timers were in their prime.

Attired after the style of 60 years ago, Miss Jannell Black represented the Black Radio shop. The black dress she wore was made in 1890 and is owned by Mrs. W. V. Cranford. Walking beside her was Buck Leach, wearing a much outmoded suit with high collar and the inevitable derby of the long ago. Walking is a fundamental part of his profession, shoe repairing.

The old-fashioned, cut-under surrey, 40 years old or more belonging to Dan Reidenbach, was the entry of the Bragg Dry Goods company. With Miss Johnnie Sears driving, other occupants of the family carriage, all costumed after the manner of a half century ago, were Misses Maurine Tipton, Marilyn Sue Grimes and Doris Durham. In Miss Durham's lap quietly nestled young Tommie Lar-

gent, whose long white dress reached the floor.

The 30-year-old buggy and 35-year-old mule, driven by Cliff Westenhov, "on his way to McDonald Grocery," is owned by Arch Harris and is said to have been the first rubber-tired buggy to be purchased in Merkel. (It has been said that Arch courted his wife in the buggy and with the same mule.)

Wood's Store also went back to covered wagon days for their exhibit in the parade. Atmosphere was preserved in the two mules, a wash tub and other paraphernalia of use to those who blazed the trail to a new land, and a cur dog loyally and patiently trotted under the vehicle.

The City Shoe shop was represented by a model T Ford, and following this came the truck arranged by the Queen Confectionery. Interesting relics of bygone days were shown in an old spinning wheel, (property of Mrs. John Hughes,) which was brought from Ireland and is over 300 years old; an ancient churn, itself 65 years old, belonging to Miss Dora Garoutte, and an old chair, which was Miss Garoutte's grandmother's. The young lady was none other than Miss Laverne Hughes.

Only the paint pony between the two pole shafts was missing to complete the page from Indian wild life depicting the brave of the red tribe, Waymon Adcock, and his Indian maiden, Elma Mae Gamble, who were going to the Modern Beauty parlor and both of whom were in full war paint and feathers.

An itinerant rig, a four-wheel, rubber-tired wagon, drawn by two burros, was impressed into service by the Jones Dry Goods company as their entry in the Centennial parade. A pair of old fire tongs, picks, wash tubs, etc., were suspended from all angles of the vehicle, which was the property of Russell Sprague, El Paso, traveling via slow motion to the Centennial.

A reproduction of a reaper 110 years old was displayed by the West Co., Inc., who in contrast showed, immediately following, the latest Farmall binder. In similar contrast the same firm was sponsor for the International School bus, in which a large number of pioneer guests rode with comfort while others of the old timers had places in farm wagons of the early days.

With a prairie schooner depicted in canvas mounted on the hood and a typical cowboy in full regalia mounted on the automobile's top, the Farmers & Merchants National bank paid tribute to the pioneer settler, the early day cowboy and the current rodeo attraction at the same time.

With a truck carrying valued and

well selected mementos of the past, the Bullock Hardware company showed appropriately arranged and mounted: an antelope head, a deer head and a buffalo head, an old squirrel gun, a live badger, a mounted skunk and a bobcat, typifying range life of the long ago. The cap and ball rifle is the property of Mrs. E. L. Wilson's father. Fifty years ago even, it was hard to get caps and balls to fit its age is not known.

Modern transportation again came to the limelight when from the 1913 Model-T, (owned by F. B. Slater of the Divide,) was traced through "23 years of progress" to the 1936 Ford Fordor sedan, entered by the Merkel Motor company.

Further embodying progress, a 1936 de luxe Plymouth sedan, entered by the Church Motor company, was contrasted with the 1928 Chrysler coupe, "178,000 miles and still going," belonging to George Sablett.

Evolution from the primitive log cabin hut to the latest improvements of the modern home was shown in the exhibit of the Burton-Lingo company.

Earl Walker, representing Porter's Sinclair station, rode a donkey, along side of which hung appendages of a can of gasoline on one side and a can of oil on the other, visualizing how petroleum products were peddled a century ago. (At that time petroleum was used for medicinal purposes.)

A flour barrel, labeled 1896, on the float of Eli Case & Son, was in marked contrast to the latest products of the modern flour mill, stacked systematically in sacks.

"Greetings to the Pioneers" were extended by Max Melinger's car; the Economy grocery carried a streamer, "In the beginning," signifying appreciation of the old timers, while numbers of patriotically decorated floats completed the long street parade. Included in this group were: the Patterson Brothers Rattlesnake ranch, the West Texas Utilities company, Reid's Variety store, Magnolia Petroleum company, Ferrier's Filling station, with a boat load of the younger generation trailing, the Merkel Lunch room, and a gravel truck from the PWA.

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(Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July.)
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MERVYN MEEKS.
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For Public Weigher, Precinct No. 5:
CLYDE SHOUSE (Re-election.)
For District Clerk:
MISS BELLE WELLBORN (Re-election.)

For County Attorney:
ESCO WALTER.
For County Tax Assessor-Collector:
C. O. (Pat) PATTERSON.
W. P. BOUNDS.

For Representative, 116th District:
DENT GIBSON.
For Judge, 104th District Court, (Taylor, Jones, Fisher Counties):
OWEN THOMAS.
W. R. CHAPMAN (Re-election.)

For Attorney, 104th District Court, (Taylor, Jones, Fisher Counties):
THOS. E. HAYDEN, JR.
OTIS MILLER (Re-election.)
For Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 5:

S. C. VICK.
N. D. COBB.
E. L. WILSON.

For County Judge:
A. A. HEATHINGTON.
JOHN CAMP (Re-election.)
LINDSAY P. WALDEN.

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Liberty Bell Clangs.

Independence Hall, Philadelphia, June 25.—Mayor S. Davis Wilson tapped the Liberty Bell 19 times Monday night with a rubber mallet to herald the opening of the democratic national convention.

Confiscate Double Eagles.

New York City, June 25.—Secret service agents Monday seized \$1,250,000 in gold double eagles at a Broad street deposit company. They acted on information from Washington, it was said.

Gambling Legalized in Mexico. Mexico City, June 25.—Legalized gambling, banned in Mexican federal territories nearly a year ago, was restored by order of President Lazaro Cardenas.

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W. O. Ash Succumbs To Long Illness

W. O. Ash, 47, who was born and reared in Merkel, died Monday morning at 9:10 at the Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene. Ill for several months, he entered the hospital in a critical condition on June 2.

Funeral services were held at the graveside in Rose Hill cemetery at 6:30 Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. John H. Crow, Methodist pastor, assisted by Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Ash; two sons, Twyman and Lewis Ash, Abilene; two sisters, Mrs. Dent Gibson and Mrs. Clarence Perry, and four brothers, Dee Ash, Hamilton; Paul Ash, Albany; Ray Ash, Houston, and Melvin Ash, Sterling City. Two of the brothers, Dee and Paul, were present for the funeral.

Pallbearers were: Charlie Higgins, Allen McGehee, Joe Cypert, John Westenhover, E. B. Dunn and Clark Mundy.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Sam Butman, Sr., reports the sale of his wool clip of 15,000 pounds to San Angelo buyers for the gratifying price of 32 cents, about the top of the market. All told, about 1,750 head were sheared.

Additional relics displayed in the Bullock Hardware window reveal an assortment of planes used by the late J. R. Dye, a razor 150 years old, a silver cup 80 years old and a bell past the century mark.

While the average yield of wheat is around 15 to 20 bushels in this section, Comer Haynes averaged 32 bushels from a field of 100 acres, the best reported, so far as The Mail is able to learn.

Among those going on the Anson special train to the Texas Centennial last week was Ed Criswell, who reports taking in all the sights and having a generally good time.

Mary Faye Johnson, little granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Golladay, was brought back from the Hendrick Memorial hospital Wednesday, where she underwent a tonsil operation.

One of the interested spectators of the "Pioneer Day" parade was Mrs. Edna Diefenbach, of Long Beach, Calif., who is the daughter of the late J. L. Vaughn, first postmaster and depot agent here, and who is probably the oldest living settler of Merkel. She was accompanied by her husband. Her brother, T. O. Vaughn, and family, of Long Beach, Calif., were also here Saturday.

First Under Lindbergh Law. McAlester, Okla., June 25.—Arthur Gooch, 27-year-old gunman, was hanged at daybreak Friday, June 19, for the kidnaping of two Paris, Texas, officers—the first man to die under the Federal Lindbergh law.

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DORA DOINGS

The Divide was well represented on Pioneer Day at Merkel Saturday and all reported a very fine day and a nice parade, good rodeo, and, best of all, so many old and familiar faces smiling greetings to every one.

We are sorry to say George Whiteaker is on our sick list this week; under orders of the doctor he is in bed to rest and we hope it proves the treatment he needs and that he will soon be out again.

R. R. Petty is combining his oats this week, and they are running 50 to 60 bushels per acre, which is very good, considering the cold dry spring we had.

George and John Hawkins were visitors last week with their sister, Mrs. G. W. Whiteaker.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Perry were visitors a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Comer Pogue near Eden. They returned home Friday.

H. D. Norris and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Holt, who spent Thursday night on the Concho, reported a small catch.

Harry Rogers and wife left Tuesday morning for their home in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Elliott were callers in Merkel Sunday.

Did you notice the "Belle of 1913" Lizzie in the parade Saturday? Well, this is the Divide's own relic—the property of F. B. Slater.

Jess Anderson and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday visitors here with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anderson.

We had a number of ex-soldiers Monday who received their bonus bonds, and the postmaster's office was busy giving their mail and getting proper deliveries finished. We are all proud of our soldiers and think that they deserve the bonus checks and the friendly hand of every one.

Wise Chapel baseball team came over Sunday and played our boys a game, the score being 3-2 in favor of Divide. We will return their game Sunday, meeting them at Hamlin.

Pioneer Dinner

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morning and at lunch by a group from Mt. Pleasant, including Tom Humphries and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Anderson. All of the pioneers participated in the parade, many in costume, and as many as desired were invited to attend the rodeo and sit in a reserved section in the grandstand.

REGISTRATION.

The complete list of pioneers, according to the registry list, reads: Mrs. D. A. Hill (1891); T. H. Spears (1894); Mrs. T. H. Spears (1894); A. W. Cook (1892); Mrs. A. W. Cook (1892); G. W. Boyce (1886); J. H. Grayson (1887); Mrs. J. H. Grayson (1887); D. O. Hudleston (1882); J. L. Tucker (1881); Mrs. Sallie C. Boyce (1883); R. A. Martin (1886); S. L. Ensminger (1887); S. A. Coats (1892); Mrs. S. A. Coats (1892); H. D. Clark (1878); Mrs. H. D. Clark (1896); D. R. Thompson (1881); Sam Butman, Sr. (1882); J. T. Dennis (1890); Miss Dota Garoutte (1887).

Mrs. H. C. Williams (1891); W. A.

Sheppard (1890); Mrs. Julia A. Perkins (1891); J. H. Ensminger (1882); John S. Hughes (1889); J. H. Campbell (1890); W. A. Campbell (1886); D. J. Gibson (1885); Mrs. D. J. Gibson (1888); W. M. Hays (1889); A. M. Daniels (1892); G. W. Moore (1891); J. S. Barnes (1883); J. T. Warren (1891); Mrs. J. T. Warren (1891); W. D. Haynes (1891); Mrs. W. D. Haynes (1891); D. G. Ash (1884); Mrs. D. G. Ash (1884); Mrs. S. W. Sheppard (1890); Mrs. T. J. Tombs (1889).

Paul W. Neumann (1888); August Neumann (1887); Mrs. W. W. Wheeler (1890); E. H. Cordill (1890); F. M. Cordill (1889); J. A. Woodard, Sr. (1881); C. A. Higgins (1888); Z. R. Martin (1893); W. A. McCormick (1880); J. S. Hutson (1889); Mrs. Nannie Causseaux (1886); O. B. Boden (1893); Charles West (1889); Wade Hampton Vancil (1886); C. L. Brown (1878); C. M. Largent (1896); Mrs. C. M. Largent (1896); Mrs. S. F. Martin (1888); Mrs. Emily Wiman (1885).

A. W. Hunter (1886); J. W. Wheeler (1891); Mrs. I. R. Trent (1883); J. W. Moore (1889); Mrs. A. W. Hunter (1886); Mrs. S. M. Compton (1894); T. W. Neill (1890); S. F. Province (1889); W. P. Moore (1888); Mrs. A. A. Baker (1885); T. H. Hass (1892).

J. L. Baker (1885); Mrs. J. L. Baker (1891); S. E. McLure (1890); E. C. Richards (1891); J. W. Campbell (1886); Mrs. J. W. Campbell (1885); George D. Richie (1884); Joe Holmes (1886); Mrs. J. R. Barnett (1889); B. N. Wheeler (1893); Mrs. J. W. Dowdy (1894); Mrs. G. R. Holloway

(1895); Mrs. J. L. Harris (1888); Mrs. H. West (1876); E. Barnes (1892); J. B. Brandon (1880); C. F. Hogue (1883); J. M. Camp (1883); Mrs. M. E. Boaz (1883); H. H. Daniel (1889); Mrs. J. M. Cook (1885); Jim Casey (1883); S. M. Stevens (1891).

Baby Daughter Arrives

News has been received of the arrival of a baby daughter, born June 18, to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pannell of Dallas.

Use The Mail Want Ads.

Tom Hunter to Speak At Abilene July 1st

Tom F. Hunter of Wichita Falls, who is making his third campaign for governor of Texas, will speak in Abilene the night of Wednesday, July 1. Five other West Texas dates were announced for Hunter before July 4—Weatherford, June 27; Brownwood, June 29; San Angelo, June 30; Lubbock, July 2, and Brady, July 3.

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Blackberries, No. 2, 2 for 23c

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Corn, 12 oz. can, 2 for 25c

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Peas, No. 2 can, 2 for 27c

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Divorce Court Murder

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men sat in the manufacturer's private office.

Rankin lit a cigarette. "The development of the crime is quite plain," he related, "if you follow it in proper sequence. From the time Rowland—or Dennis, as he was then—escaped from Fort Wayne, and Miss Webb was arrested, they never crossed each other's paths until two years ago."

"And when did you first discover Allen Rowland was the man you were after?" Mr. Keith queried.

"Not until I recognized his photo in Dennis' service record in Washington—the picture of him in the marines as Steve Harmon," the detective answered. "The description I had of him didn't put me on his trail, despite its similarity to Rowland. Dennis was thin and had dark hair. In the last six years, he had filled out, with a really fine physique and had bleached his hair. Still, even without the photo, I would have discovered his identity, when I got around to comparing his fingerprints, with those I had collected back here."

"I suppose there's no doubt you'll make a successful case against him?"

"Oh, no, a conviction is practically certain," Rankin said firmly. "You see," he proceeded, "the most elusive factor in the evidence against him was that of motive; incidentally, it was his second protection against being suspected. His apparent relations with Mrs. Keith let him out completely. As her lover and protector, he would have no reason to harm her; and all his actions seemed to clear him, as being sincere and really devoted. But now that Rowland is revealed as Dennis, it is easy to establish the true situation and his motive for the crime. And there'll be no difficulty about the question of opportunity, either. More than likely, we'll manage to trace to his possession some of the money she paid him and that will prove him a black-maller. And to top it all, he left his fingerprints in Dr. Brantman's office, on the bottle from which he stole the chloroform for the murder."

The manufacturer nodded. "Yes, that clinches the case, I should say. But what about the others, Rankin? What do you expect to do with Campbell, for instance?"

In reply, Rankin frowned and shook his head in exasperation.

"That is a big disappointment to me, I'll admit, Mr. Keith; I had counted on a really big killing in convicting such a notoriously successful criminal. But he had no connection with your wife's death. And since Riley was silenced, I can't establish his conspiracy to kidnap her. He acknowledged that to me, but without witnesses, so I can't use it in court. And Mrs. Rowland's purchase of chloroform for that purpose isn't sufficient evidence either, since Mitch never had a chance

to administer it. So I'm afraid I'll have to release him, unless Gurck confesses to being hired to kill Riley. And that's hardly likely, even when we lay hands on him; he'll have an alibi a mile long, and we'll never bring that crime home to anyone."

"And Mrs. Rowland and Mr. Willard?" Mr. Keith pursued. "Will you take action against them?"

"The D. A. will have to decide whether to disbar Willard for malpractice and his part in framing the divorce," Rankin shrugged. "It isn't the kind of offense about which I can do anything. For the same reason they and Campbell will go scot-free; actually, they weren't involved in the murder, and I can't prove their kidnapping plan. I could hold Miss Edmond for threatening to blackmail you, if you didn't mind the fresh publicity and the entangling of Mrs. Keith's name in that mess at Sunset Inn. But if you refuse to prosecute . . ."

"Oh, no, Rankin." The other raised his hands in quick protest. "I prefer to let that business quite alone. Whatever her reason, she prevented Barbara from being correspondent in Mrs. Rowland's divorce suit. For those services I was willing to pay."

A sardonic smile played on the detective's lips, but he nodded understandingly.

"There you see why the police have such a hard time bringing culprits to justice," he commented. The smile changed to one of satisfaction. "Still, come to think of it," he concluded, Adele Rowland and Harvey Willard won't go altogether unpunished. She has no genuine grounds for her suit, which means it will be refused. She'll still be tied to Rowland, and unable to marry the man she happens to fancy at the present moment, and Campbell won't get his hands on her for-

ture. At least not yet; later, she may be divorced on the legal basis that Allen Rowland is a convicted criminal. But that won't happen in time to save Willard from financial ruin and his assets from his creditors." He sniffed contemptuously. "That's very little consolation for you, I realize, Mr. Keith. But I'm human enough to derive a decided pleasure out of any misfortune they may have; they played a despicable game and don't deserve anything better."

(THE END.)

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Do You Know Origin Of Expression O. K.?

The editors of the Chevrolet dealers' magazine have been doing research work, seeking the origin of the expression O. K., in response to inquiries received from its readers. The expression figures so largely in the company's used car advertising, which features the "Guaranteed O. K. tag" affixed to reconditioned used cars, that dealers became interested in its history.

Several plausible explanations have been uncovered. One of the most likely is that the expression is derived from a seaport on the southern coast of Haiti, which was a famous source of superior rum and tobacco shipped to the American colonies. The name of the port was Aux Cayes (pronounced "oh cay"). The colonists buying rum or tobacco would ask, "Is it Aux Cayes?" If it was, they knew it was good. The words soon became a symbol for good quality, but the letter O. K. naturally took the place of the words

when written by persons not familiar with the real meaning.

Another theory traces O. K. to the Choctaw Indians. In their bartering with other tribes, they used the word "okeh" to designate a piece of merchandise or livestock as fit and good.

Others hold to the theory that the initials O. K., meaning "ordered recorded," being carelessly written on documents, were misread as O. K. and so came to stand for a symbol of correctness. It is also asserted that O. K., as an abbreviation for Artemus Ward's spelling of "all correct," first gained currency among oldtime telegraph operators.

Still another theory is that years ago a customs inspector whose initials were "O. K." stamped them on bales of goods that he passed.

As a verb, the Chevrolet publication says, the expression should be written O. K.'d or O. K.'ing.

As used by Chevrolet dealers O. K. means that used cars bearing these letters were carefully checked and reconditioned before being put on display.

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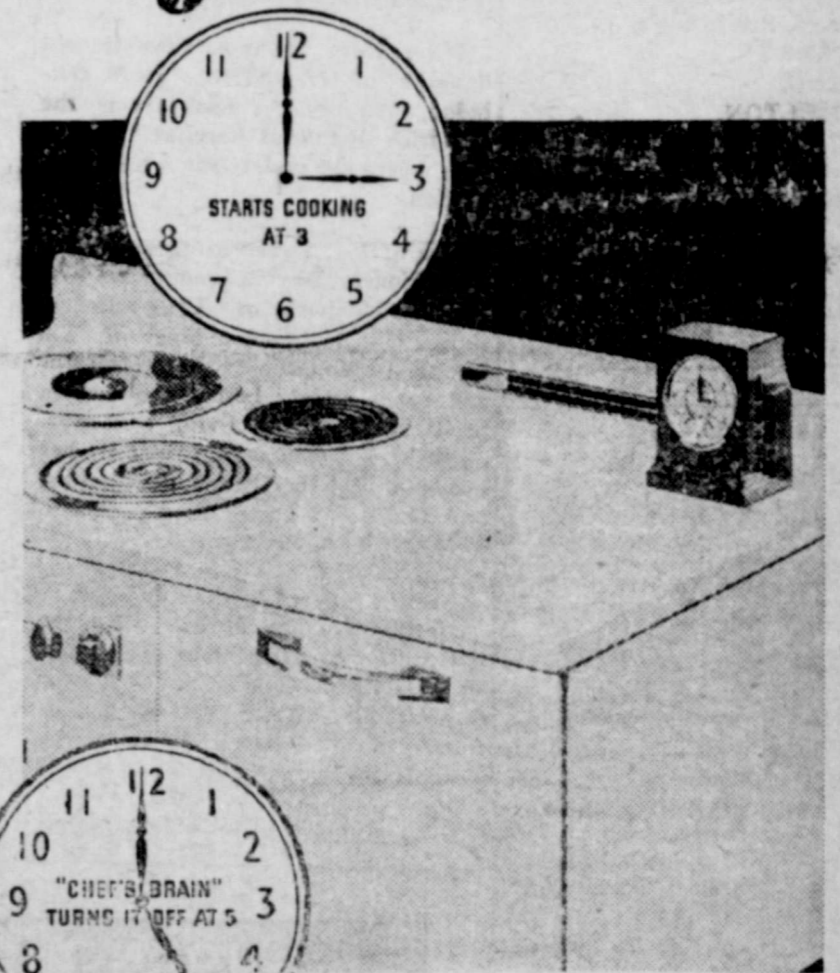
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Health Officers Class Widespread Disease "A Major Menace"

The following article labeled "A Major Menace" was reprinted from the Houston Press, April 24, 1936, in the April-May bulletin of the Texas State Department of Health:

State health officers, at an annual conference in Washington, devoted a full day to discussion of the dread, widespread disease of syphilis. Here are some of the things the health officers said:

That an estimated 12,000,000 American men, women and children suffer this affliction;

That an estimated 3,000,000 new cases a year should be given treatment, but that only about 1,000,000 cases actually do receive treatment;

That, in the opinion of Surgeon General Parran, new head of the Public Health Service, the control and eradication of this disease would constitute a more important contribution to society than discovery of a method of immunizing against infantile paralysis.

That syphilis is "one absolutely controllable disease"; that the cause and mode of spread is known; that diagnosis by blood tests is reliable, and that tried methods of treatment are effective.

That, despite the medical world's competency to combat this disease, it continues to spread because of public ignorance on the subject, because many doctors have not been educated to recognize early symptoms and because of lack of facilities for free treatment of millions of sufferers who have not the money to buy the cure.

Here are some of the things the health officers proposed:

Compulsory examination of the entire population to search out the 10 per cent said to be infected;

Providing, at public expense, clinics for free treatment on a mass scale;

Providing, also at public expense, better laboratory service and information for private physicians;

Educational publicity.

Syphilis ranks with tuberculosis and cancer as a major cause of death. It causes untold misery. It denies many married couples the privilege of parenthood. It causes helpless, innocent children to be born blind or deaf. It cripples and finally drives insane many of its luckless victims. It pollutes

3,000,000th Ford V-8 Driven to Southwest Exposition



The Centennial at Dallas, Texas, made a great "to-do" when the 3,000,000th Ford V-8, off the assembly line in less than a year after the 2,000,000th left last year for the Exposition at San Diego, California, arrived at the Exposition gates. In the upper photograph, taken in front of the Ford Exposition building are shown Rex Ryan, of the Ford Motor Company, a group of the Exposition's Rangerettes, the 3,000,000th V-8 after its trip from Dearborn, Michigan, Sheriff Smead Schmidt, of Dallas County; the city manager of Dallas, Hal Mossley; Nathan Adams, chairman of the Centennial; Fred F. Florence, president of the Centennial; Mayor George Sergeant, of Dallas, and smiling James Roney, who drove the V-8 from



Dearborn, collecting "3,000,000" Rangerettes, too. In the lower photograph, taken after the Ford had entered the Centennial grounds, are shown

Messrs. Ryan, Florence and Adams with Jimmy Rooney holding the scroll, making the car an "Ambassador of Goodwill."

the wells from which posterity must spring.

If we as Americans are to preserve the physical, mental and spiritual vigor of our society it is high time that we start a conquest of this menace.

The tragic seriousness of the problem was summarized by Dr. Joseph E. Moore of Johns Hopkins Hospital. He said:

"If there were in this country a million cases a year of smallpox, typhoid fever, poliomyelitis, plague, meningitis, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, or any one of a dozen other infections less serious, there would be a public health war indeed. The public health official would not require to be forced into action by popular panic."

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Announce Recruiting Station of the Marine Corps Opened at Dallas

The Marine Corps announces the opening of the district headquarters recruiting station, Dallas, Texas.

All applications for enlistment in the Marine Corps from Texas and Oklahoma on record at the recruiting station, New Orleans, La., have been transferred to this station for the convenience of applicants in this district, and men enlisting at this office will be transferred to the Marine Corps base, San Diego, Calif., for a short period of training.

Any further information relative to the Marine Corps, and duties of a marine ashore and afloat, both at

home and on foreign station will be furnished by the officer in charge, recruiting district of Dallas, room No. 822, Allen building, 1700 Commerce street, Dallas, Texas, on request. Use The Mail Want Ads.

GOODMAN NEWS

My! My! But wouldn't a good rain and some cool weather be fine for a change?

There is a lot of sickness in our community.

Brother W. K. Horn and family visited our church Sunday, also Mrs. Goode of Noodle. We invite them back again.

Alec Carter has been moved to the hospital at Abilene. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Delmer McLeod is also in the Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene. Mrs. Vera Rossen and Mrs. Walter Phillips were week-end visitors to Lamesa.

Mrs. Tom Greene of Hobbs, N. M., is spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grayson.

Mrs. W. P. Scott of O'Donnell is spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips.

Because of illness, our pastor did not fill his regular appointment Sunday, but Brother Mann of Hardin-Simmons preached instead.

E. H. Grayson of Monument, N. M., spent the week-end here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Billington spent the week-end at Blair with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hampton.

Sunday night is our regular singing night. We would like to have lots of visitors. Come help us out. We are going to try to have a good singing this time.

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SPECIAL FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JUNE 26-27

Tomatoes Full No. 2 can Limit 12 cans to the customer None sold to merchants, per can **5c**

PORK & BEANS, per tin **5c** TOMATOES Fresh Pinks

OATS, Mother's or 3 Minute, per pkg. **25c** Pound **5c**

COMPOUND Wilson's Advance MATCHES, per carton **17c**

8 lb. pail **90c** CORN FLAKES, per package **10c**

Flour 24 pounds Yukon's Best **90c** LEMONS Medium Size

48 pounds Yukon's Best **\$1.70** Dozen **18c**

COMPOUND Wilson's Advance CORN, Primrose, No. 2 can, 2 for **25c**

8 lb. carton **82c** SALMON, Pinks, 2 cans **25c**

RAISINS, 2 pounds **17c** LIMES

PRUNES, large dried, 2 pounds **15c** Each **1c**

COFFEE All Star WHEATIES, 2 packages **25c**

Per pound **17c** GELATIN, White Swann, per package **5c**

Peaches Large No. 2 1-2 cans, 2 tins **25c** LETTUCE Crisp and Fresh Head **5c**

BOLOGNA Large Sliced SLICED BACON, per pound **28c**

2 pounds **25c** JOWLS, dry salt, per pound **15c**

DRY SALT BACON, pound **18c** PINEAPPLE Large Fresh

HAMBURGER, fresh ground, 2 pounds **25c** Each **19c**

FREE 1 COMPLETE 32-PIECE SET OF CHINAWARE AT 4:40 P. M.—BE PRESENT FOR THE GIFT

STEAK, loin & T-bone 2 pounds **33c** THE ONE STOP STORE

PICKLES, lg. 26 oz. jar **15c**

VINEGAR, pure apple Cider in bulk gallon **35c** FREE DELIVERY PHONE 173



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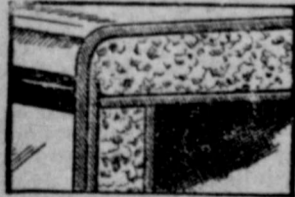
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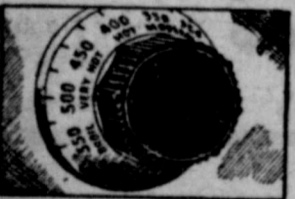
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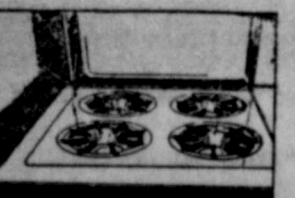
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FERRIER-BRYAN.

A wedding of interest to a wide circle of friends was solemnized in Austin Wednesday morning when Miss Lona Bryan became the bride of Ross Ferrier, Jr. Simplicity marked all details of the wedding and the bride and groom left immediately after the ceremony for a brief honeymoon trip to San Antonio.

This marriage is the culmination of a romance begun in High school where both Lona and Ross graduated in the class of 1931. The bride is the very lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bryan. Formerly she was connected with the personnel of the local relief office, more recently she was employed as secretary in the county surveyor's office, Abilene, from which she resigned.

The groom is the splendid son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ferrier. He attended State university and is now bus agent for the Southwestern Greyhound lines at Austin, where they will make their home.

OPEN HOUSE.

The lovely new Methodist parsonage, which has just been completed, was open to the public on Monday evening and entertainment was concluded on the Bragg lawn just across the street. The newly furnished cottage was decorated with baskets of cut flowers for this most auspicious occasion.

Mrs. P. H. Gates received guests with Mrs. Crow as callers were shown through and escorted to the lawn where a seated program was enjoyed by two hundred guests.

An opening song preceded the introduction of guests by the pastor, Rev. John H. Crow, and other numbers included a reading by Frances Marie Church, a solo by Mrs. Homer Pattenon, another reading by Betty Jane Gates, a song by Harold Hughes and an amusing and novel automobile stunt, with various individuals representing the parts of the car and another group, its passengers a la family style. A song by Bonnie Church was followed by a history of the church, prepared by S. M. Hunter, and a song by Mrs. Ernest Old, of Abilene.

Out of town guests included: Dr. W. M. Murrell, retired presiding elder, and Mrs. Murrell; Dr. C. A. Long, present presiding elder, Mrs. Long, and Mrs. McGraff, Abilene; Mrs. P. H. Gates, wife of the former pastor, and children, of Claude, and County Auditor and Mrs. L. R. Thompson, Sheriff and Mrs. Burl Wheeler, Abilene.

An interesting feature of the evening was the presentation of two charter members of the Methodist church here, Mrs. H. C. Williams and Mrs. J. L. Harris. A third charter member, and the only other living member of the original church, is Mrs. Sallie Boyce, who is ill and could not be present.

Delicious iced lemonade and home made cake were served at the conclusion of the program and gifts were presented Rev. and Mrs. Crow.

THREE "F" CLUB NOTES.

On Saturday of last week Miss Phyllis Smith entertained members of the Three "F" club during the hours from three to six. Games of rummy progressed until tea time when delicious sherbet, cake and punch were passed to the club members present.

On Friday evening of this week the new Derstine park was the setting for a supper party, served picnic fashion for the following members of the Three "F" club and their escorts: Misses Hollis Perry, Jane Ferguson, Bettye Grimes, Elma Mae Gamble, De La Vergne Teague, Fannelle Gray, Mary Frances Cook, Clara Frances Largent, Frances Higgins, Messrs. Horace Boney, Waymon Adcock, Vincent Barnett, Oscar Adcock, Cecil Justice, Doyle Gray, Murphy Dye and Alton Bicknell.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB. Members of the Merkel Home Demonstration club, meeting with Miss Lottie Butman on Thursday afternoon of last week, voted to serve lunch for "Pioneer Day."

They also planned a program for the Butman picnic, which is July 8-9. After the business meeting, refreshments were served to Mesdames C. P. Church, E. B. Wallace, Bob McDonald, Harry Barnett, R. H. Mathews, Jr., Watt Blair, Mack Buzbee, Clyde Shouse, Chester Hutcheson, R. A. Burgess, Tracy Campbell, Lake Renfro, Misses Thelma Mathews, Lillie Claude Barnett, Clara B. White and the hostesses. Visitors were Mrs. L. H. Hughes and Mrs. W. A. McSpadden.

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CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

There were 639 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 668 on the previous Sunday. On the same Sunday a year ago 687 were present.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

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

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School 10 a. m. This will be the only service at this church Sunday, as it is the pastor's day at Baird. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

You are cordially invited to these services. Strangers welcome. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible study 10 a. m. Lord's day, preaching 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. by Brother A. J. Rollins, young people's program 7:15 p. m.

For the Wednesday evening service at 8:15 o'clock, we will have one of the young preachers from A. C. C.

You are cordially invited to all of these services. The Elders.

NAZARENE CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. NYPS at 7:15 p. m. Preaching at 8 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

R. T. Smith, Pastor.

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Howdy Folks;—We heard about a girl who lost her sweetie in an accident. He was caught in an explosion and became a man about town.

G. Fitz says that fight fans are funny. He says they'll razz a fighter's bathrobe and then go wild over his socks.

And you Used Car buyers will go wild over our bargains in RENEWED AND GUARANTEED USED CARS. Just traded for a nice clean 1935 V-8 Coupe.

A man was given ten days in jail for stealing a bar of soap, down in a southern city.

As our friend Joe Cypert might say, the man was very much out of lux.

We don't know who is back of this Nudist movement, but figure that it must be some manufacturer of sun burn lotion.

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NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

We had the largest attendance Sunday and Sunday night that we have had for some time. The revival meeting is now in progress; interest is growing; crowds are increasing. Brother Sheppard, with a burdened heart for souls, is bringing great heart-stirring messages.

By all means attend these services. No formality, no man-made programs, we are just depending upon the old time power of the Holy Spirit. Forget prejudice, throw away pride; come on, friends, let's join together in a great soul-winning campaign for the sake of the lost souls in Merkel. Pray! Bill E. Dowell, Pastor.

NOTICE.

Any one interested in buying a lot in White Church cemetery should see Beryl Brown, and arrangements must positively be made through him before space is used.

E. H. Cordell, D. D. Coats, Mrs. Raymond Demere, Trustees.

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Celebrate Completion Highway from Texas Border, Mexico City

Washington, June 25.—Vice-President Garner was named to head a United States delegation at the opening, July 1, of the Pan-American highway at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.

The state department, in making the announcement, said other members of the delegation probably would also be named. Ambassador Josephus Daniels already has been designated by President Roosevelt.

Through its embassy here, the Mexican government last week invited United States participation in ceremonies which will mark the formal inauguration of the highway, now completed from the Texas border to Mexico City.

RURAL SOCIETY

SALT BRANCH CLUB.

The Salt Branch Demonstration club met with Mrs. Vernon Hudson on June 18, and the food demonstrator, Mrs. Johnnie Cox, gave a talk on "Eating for Health." She also scored our Sunday menus.

Those present were Mesdames Beene, Will Higgins, Guy McCain, Frank Ramsey, Roy Harrell, Bill Hays, Vernon Hudson, Johnnie Cox, Misses Celia Hester and Ruth Pinckley. Visitors were Mrs. Buster Brown and Mrs. Martin.

A called meeting will be held at 8:30 Tuesday morning, June 30, on vegetable cooking. Miss Vara Crippen will give the demonstration. Ladies of the community are invited to attend.

Advertising in The Merkel Mail.

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K. C. Baking Powders, 2 one lb. cans 19c

Apple Jelly, pure, full qt. jar 25c

Macaroni or Spaghetti, per pkg. 5c

Table listing Corn Flakes, Corn No. 2 cans, and Pork & Beans prices.

Smax, the buttered crax, 8 oz. pkg. 10c

Pickles, sours 32 ounce quart jar 15c; 48 ounce jar 29c

Prunes, gallon buckets 25c

Table listing FLOUR! prices: Light Crust \$1.90, Amaryllis \$1.85, Hill Billy \$1.90, American Beauty \$1.85, Gold Medal \$1.90, Gladiola \$1.90, Pillsbury's Best \$1.85, Western \$1.60, Quality Cross \$1.40.

Mustard, 24 oz. jar, Prepared 10c

Gelatine Dessert, all flavors, pkg. 5c

Shortening 8 pound carton 90c; 8 pound pail \$1.00

Table listing Soap, Coffee, and Syrup prices: T. N. T. Yellow Laundry 6 bars 19c; Maxwell House 3 lbs. 75c; Pure Ribbon Cane Gal. 59c.

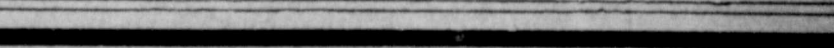
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