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CATALOGUES FOR POULTRY SHOW OFF THE PRESS

Requests for Show Prospectus Come From Distant Points. One Wire; Auction Sale Feature Friday Night, Feb. 5.

Catalogues for this year's show of the Merkel Poultry association were issued from the Merkel Mail press one day ahead of schedule and are now being distributed. More than a hundred going to out-of-town exhibitors will no doubt give Merkel a boost among the big poultry raisers of West Texas.

Many requests from different sections of the state are coming to Secretary Arl Sharp for a catalogue of this year's show. One telegram was received. Dates of the show are Feb. 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The premium list gives cash awards of \$1.50 for first; \$1.00 for second; 50c for third and ribbons for fourth and fifth. In addition to these premiums, there is a generous list of special prizes to be awarded to the champion birds of the show in all standard breeds as well as in English White Leghorns.

On Friday night, Feb. 5, an auction sale will be held which will give the breeders occasion to dispose of all surplus birds on their yards, and at the same time will afford buyers an opportunity of purchasing birds of pure blood lines.

Eastern Star Honors Miss Higginbotham, Deputy Grand Matron

Preparations for the entertainment on Tuesday evening of Miss Minnie Higginbotham, deputy grand matron of section 6, district 2, of the grand chapter of the Eastern Star, were in charge of Mesdames Johnson, Williamson and Rea, appointed as a reception committee by Mrs. Bessie Merritt, worthy matron of Merkel chapter 212.

The chapter room was decorated with lovely potted ferns and the five colors, blue, yellow, white, green and red, appropriate to the degrees of Ada, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electra, were carried out at the star point stations.

Mrs. Lila Rea, conductress, presented Miss Higginbotham to the worthy matron in the east and she was given grand honors. She gave an interesting and instructive talk on the work of the order, then called for the exemplification of the degrees by the chapter members, which was put on in a very impressive manner, with Mrs. Lila Harris and Mrs. Ruth Mullins as candidates.

A lovely refreshment plate, with favors carrying out the Valentine theme, was passed to the members and the following guests: Miss Minnie Higginbotham, Mrs. Ruth Mullins, present worthy matron, Mrs. Blanche Houghton, past matron, Mrs. L. H. Carter, Mrs. Mary Alice Dean and Miss Flo Harper, all of Abilene chapter No. 30, also Mr. and Mrs. Victor Harris, past patron and past matron of Ellisville chapter.

On behalf of the chapter members Mrs. Mae Seago presented the deputy a lovely gift.

A school of instruction will be held in Abilene in March, and Merkel chapter has been invited to be a co-hostess with Abilene for this school.

Mrs. N. J. Armstrong Passes 89th Milestone

Mrs. N. J. Armstrong, mother of Dr. M. Armstrong, was celebrating her 89th birthday on Thursday of this week, enjoying the best of health and happy in the experience of years.

Mrs. Armstrong is the oldest in the family of brothers and sisters, of whom Tom Grimes is the youngest.

Merkel Negro Given 25-Year Sentence

A jury in 42nd district court returned a verdict of guilty and assessed punishment at 25 years in the penitentiary against Ray Mays, Merkel negro charged with the fatal slaying of Alberta Henry, negro, in the servant's house of a Merkel home on Dec. 26.

The case was given jurors late Wednesday after arguments of attorneys had consumed most of the afternoon.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

The social security board has announced a grant to Texas for aid to the aged from Jan. 1 to Mar. 31 in the amount of \$2,667,500 to care for 100,000 persons.

A charge of driving on the wrong side of the highway has been filed at Austin against Louis Cruise in connection with the death of A. E. Wood of Sulphur Springs.

A total of 7,548 new passenger cars were registered in 15 representative Texas counties during December, an increase of 10.1 per cent over November and 23.2 per cent over December, 1935.

Mrs. Alice Kelly, 42, of Fort Worth, died Sunday after being struck by a street car as she walked across the street downtown Saturday night—Tarrant county's fifth traffic victim of 1937.

Quick action by Dallas police was said by physicians to have saved the life of J. D. Young, 22, of Sherman, whose jugular vein was cut when his car collided with a taxicab at a busy intersection.

Announcement has been made that a San Antonio architect is preparing plans for an 18-story hotel to be erected at cost of \$1,500,000 at Corpus Christi by Mrs. Clara Driscoll Sevier of that city.

J. L. Heard, former trapper-partner of J. H. Reynolds, found half-buried last week in Borden county, was charged with murder Monday in Gail before a justice of the peace. Heard waived examining trial.

Representative C. L. Harris of Spur faced a charge of speeding in corporation court at Austin Tuesday. Officers charged they had to travel 80 miles an hour on Austin's main thoroughfare to ticket him.

Following the custom of rotating the chairmanship every two years, C. V. Terrell was chosen to head the railroad commission, succeeding Ernest O. Thompson. Lon A. Smith is third member of the commission.

Dr. Charles C. Sealeman, president of Southern Methodist university, and Mrs. Sealeman left Dallas Wednesday for Seattle, Wash., from where they will sail for the Orient Friday on an around the world cruise.

Ross Sterling, head of the Sterling Oil and Refining corporation, of Houston, confirmed reports from Edinburg that his company had purchased acreage in the new La Blanca field, Hidalgo county, involving \$840,000.

Shorty Ricker of Ranger, Texas, made the best time in the steer bulldogging event of the National Western Horse show and rodeo at Denver, Colo., when he grabbed a rangy, mean Texas steer and trussed it up in 9.3 seconds.

The founder of Grayson college, Whitewright, and its president for eighteen years, F. E. Butler, 84, died at Dallas Saturday. Among the pupils who studied under Mr. Butler were Dr. George W. Truett and John Nance Garner.

The Lindbergh federal kidnaping law was invoked in Texas for the first time at Dallas Monday when government prosecutors charged Thomas Moffitt and Royce Brown with abducting R. A. Haggard, automobile parts salesman.

Texas' youngest ranger, 10-year-old Marie Squires, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Squires of Galveston, paid a visit to New York City with her mother to commission Lanny Ross, radio star, as king of Galveston's 1937 Mardi Gras, Feb. 5 to 9.

Tuesday witnessed ceremonies in the hall of the house of representatives at Austin wherein thirty-seven-year-old James V. Allred took the oath as governor of Texas for the second time and Lieut.-Gov. Walter F. Woodul was also re-inaugurated.

A state-wide traffic safety conference has been called by Governor James V. Allred to be held in Austin on Feb. 1. Those participating will be the committee of 100 recently named on a state safety board and members of the state safety commission.

Probably the oldest person to attend the re-inauguration of Texas' second youngest governor Tuesday was Capt. W. H. Bristol of Galveston, aged 100 years and 47 days, one-time Confederate captain. His eyes remain so good that he doesn't use glasses even to read.



If everybody here put wings on their dollars, THIS COMMUNITY would soon be a graveyard of blasted hopes and abandoned homes.

G. W. HARVELL PASSES AWAY

Resident of This Section for 30 Years Succumb at Home of Son at Warren.

G. W. Harvell, 86, resident of this section for more than a quarter of a century, died at 10 o'clock Friday night at the home of a son, T. F. Harvell, in the Warren community.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 Saturday afternoon from the family residence, conducted by Rev. R. A. Walker, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church, and Elder W. G. Cypert, retired minister of the Church of Christ. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

Mr. Harvell was born in Tennessee on May 11, 1850, coming to Texas from Arkansas about 30 years ago. Besides his wife, he is survived by five sons: T. F. Harvell, Merkel; John Harvell, Plano; Bill Harvell, Clyde; R. T. Harvell, of Arkansas, and Joe Harvell, El Reno, Okla., and one daughter, Mrs. T. M. Walker of McKinney. One sister, Mrs. Josie Combs of Ennis, and several grandchildren also survive.

Brother of Merkel Woman Dies Monday

Robert Morris Randerson, Jr., 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Randerson, Sr., of Abilene and brother of Mrs. J. P. Rudd of this city, died at 2 a. m. Monday at the family residence, 1357 North Nineteenth street, Abilene. He had been ill since Thursday, but his condition did not become serious until Sunday morning.

Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. Monday from the Laughter chapel, Abilene, with Rev. C. A. Powell, pastor of the University Baptist church, officiating. Burial was in Cedar Hill cemetery.

Young Randerson was born in Robert Lee, Texas, Feb. 11, 1912, and removed to Abilene ten years ago with his parents. His father is branch manager in the Abilene district for the General Electric Supply corporation.

Besides his parents and the sister here, he is survived by another sister, Miss Marie Randerson, student in Texas Technological college, Lubbock.

Missionary Institute To Hold Session Here

The Merkel church is to be host for an all-day meeting Monday of the Methodist missionary institute, comprising the churches in the Abilene district of the Northwest Texas conference. An attendance of more than one hundred is anticipated.

Membership includes all the preachers and presidents of woman missionary societies in the Abilene district, and all others who care to attend will be welcomed.

The all-day program will begin at 10 a. m. A covered dish lunch will be served at noon by the ladies of the missionary society, of which Mrs. W. D. Hutcheson is president.

Record of Births.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Knox, Noodle, Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1937.

Medal for Dr. Dafeo.
New York, Jan. 21.—To Dr. Allan Roy Dafeo, physician to the Dionne quintuplets, went the 1937 medal for outstanding service to children, Parents Magazine announced.

DEATH OF TRENT BOY ACCIDENTAL

Body of Ellis Howell, 16-Year-Old School Boy, Found Under Gasoline Drip.

Funeral services for Ellis Howell, 16, who was found dead early Monday morning on an oil lease near the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Howell, of Noodle Dome, were held at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon from the Trent Baptist church, with Rev. J. J. Gentry, retired Baptist minister of Lamesa, and the pastor, Rev. H. East, conducting the services.

Members of the family said that when the boy did not return home Sunday night they presumed he had gone to spend the night with a friend. When the school bus passed Monday morning and Ellis was not aboard, a brother, John Howell, 18, began the search. The body was found crumpled on the ground with the head downwards under a gasoline drip.

Justice of the Peace Lee Williams of Noodle Dome, who conducted an investigation, returned a verdict of accidental death from carbon monoxide poisoning. The coroner was aided by a Merkel physician and Sheriff J. Lee Gordon and County Attorney Gilbert Smith of Jones county, who were accompanied by Justice of the Peace E. M. Sprayberry of Anson. The boy had apparently gone to the drip for gasoline when overcome by the fumes, Judge Williams reported.

Survivors, besides the parents, include seven brothers and four sisters. They are: Bob, Bud, John, Pete, Tillman and Gordon Howell, all of Trent, and Shelby Howell of Lamesa; sisters, Mrs. Roscoe Owens, Trent; Mrs. Tom Winters, Abilene; Mrs. Ellis Smith, Lubbock, and Mrs. C. S. Phillips, Sheffield.

Schoolmates of the boy served as pallbearers and flower girls.

Baptist SS Workers Gather at Banquet

With Superintendent Willie Joe Largent directing the program, officers and teachers of the First Baptist Sunday School gathered around a banquet table in the parlors of the church on Monday evening last week to review the year's work and plan for the future.

After the invocation by Mrs. Sam Swann, inspiring talks were made by Rev. C. R. Joyner, the pastor, Mrs. John Childress, Mrs. J. L. Winter and Clark Mundy. Special numbers included a vocal solo by Mrs. O. B. Leach, a duet by Mrs. Yates Brown and Miss Helen Joyner and a reading by Mrs. Comer Haynes.

Brief talks in appreciation of Sunday School work and workers were also made by Joe Self, W. J. Largent, Miss Ruby McNiece, Byers Petty, Rev. O. W. Dean, Rev. C. R. Joyner and Roy Reid.

Partaking of the banquet were: Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Joyner, Messrs. and Mesdames Roy Reid, W. J. Largent, J. C. Childress, Byers Petty, Yates Brown, Comer Haynes, Paul Rudd; Mesdames Sam Swann, A. R. Booth, O. B. Leach, J. L. Winter, W. L. Johnson, Lum Gilbreath, E. O. Carson, Clyde Deavers; Misses Ruby McNiece, Lona, Emma and Helen Joyner, Vennie Heizer, Mae Lassiter and Maurine White, and Rev. O. W. Dean, Messrs. Joe Self, W. L. Barnett and Clark Mundy.

NEW HEADSTONE MARKS GRAVE OF LATE MIDNIGHT

Johnstown, Colo., Jan. 21.—A new headstone marks a lonely grave on Colorado's plains.

It is a cowboy's tribute to Midnight, the buckingest bronc of them all.

In life, he was the arch enemy of the top hands who ride the nation's rodeo circuit. Only once in 14 years from coast to coast did a waddie ever manage to stay on him—and then Midnight was old and tired.

Last November, when Midnight died after three years in retirement, he was buried in a grave on the ranch of McCarthy and Elliott, who had shown him during his career.

Now the wayfarer who chanced past the grave reads:

"Under the sod lies a great bucking hoss

There never lived a cowboy he couldn't toss.

His name was Midnight; his coat black as coal,

If there is a hoss-heaven, please God, rest his soul."

Former Trent Man, Gassed in France, Claimed by Death

Cecil Steen, 42, World War veteran, succumbed at the Veterans sanitarium in El Paso at 5:30 Sunday morning, according to a message received by his sister, Mrs. John Strawn, wife of the Trent postmaster. He had been a patient in Denver, Colo., for a period of fifteen years.

Mr. Steen was born in Greenville, Hunt county, on Aug. 29, 1895, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen. His mother died in 1915. He was a member of the 90th division and was gassed while serving overseas.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Marie Steen, of El Paso; three sisters, Mrs. E. E. Holt, Waco; Mrs. C. E. Harrah, Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Strawn, Trent; three brothers, Marvin and Algie Steen, Silver City, Colo., and Ozro Steen, Trent, also his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen, of Clyde.

He was buried in the Veterans cemetery in Denver, Colo., Tuesday, with the D. A. V. in charge of the funeral rites.

County Tax Collector To Spend Friday Here

For the convenience of tax-payers in Merkel and West Taylor county, County Tax Assessor-Collector Comer Patterson is at the city hall here Thursday and Friday of this week with the tax rolls for state and county. He is also prepared to issue poll tax receipts.

Announcement was made by Collector Patterson that the office in the court house would be open until everybody is served on Saturday, Jan. 30, the last day to pay taxes this year, as the 31st comes on Sunday. As usual, however, remittances by mail bearing postmark of Jan. 31 will be accepted.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, January 25, 1917.)

V. B. Sublett, the well known and genial doctor of time-pieces domiciled at the Merkel Drug store, has just returned from a visit to relatives at Alpine. He says the border does not look very dangerous to him, and, from some of the splendid variety of photographs he brought back, we judge he had a great time.

The Girls' Gymnasium club met again last Tuesday evening with quite a number present to enjoy the exercises. Several new girls signed pledges to become members and are expecting more to sign next Tuesday evening. Mrs. Willie Scarborough was elected president; Marion Hairston, secretary; Louise Warren, treasurer, and Ona Faye Bland, press reporter. Miss Fuller will direct the gym exercises.

In Judge Wheeler's office last Saturday afternoon that gentleman officiating at the ceremony, W. W. Toombs and Miss Mattie Crow were married, the former being a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Toombs of Merkel, while the bride resided in the Canyon south of Merkel. The young couple will make their home in this section on the Y-Bas ranch. Congratulations.

A group of ten young ladies enjoyed

DELEGATION OF MERKEL LIONS TOPS DISTRICT

Local Club Sends Largest Group to Quarterly Meeting in Sweetwater; Albany Presented with Live Goat.

With a personnel totaling 25, Merkel carried the largest visiting delegation to the quarterly meeting of group five, district 2-E, Lions club, held on the roof of the Blue Bonnet hotel at Sweetwater Tuesday night.

Towns included in group five, besides Sweetwater and Merkel, are: Albany, Abilene, Haskell and Roscoe. Ross E. Covey, superintendent of the Sweetwater schools, is district governor.

"The Albany club was not represented and consequently will receive the goat to be fed and kept until the next quarterly meeting," said Mr. Covey in announcing the result of this novel plan for attendance incentive.

Haskell was awarded the next group meeting to be held in April. Group officers are: George Thompson, Sweetwater, chairman, and Carl Sellers, Abilene, secretary.

Each club attending reported on its activities of the year and furnished an entertainment number, Merkel's contribution to the program being a solo, "When I Grow Too Old to Dream," by Delma Compton, with W. W. Wood as accompanist.

The Merkel club was represented by the following members and entertainers: E. O. Carson, N. W. Durham, A. A. McGehee, Bill Haynes, Byers Petty, Paul Douglas, Dee Grimes, Byron Patterson, Carlton Vick, Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig, Norman Hodge, A. H. Lawson, Bishop Hunter, Yates Brown, R. T. Gray, C. H. Jones, W. A. Stockbridge, C. P. Church, Beoth Warren, Joe Self, W. W. Wood, Delma Compton, Stanley King, R. A. Hoover, C. H. Collinsworth.

Two new members were elected to membership and two guests were present at the regular Tuesday luncheon of the Merkel Lions club. New members are: W. A. Stockbridge and C. F. Church. Guests were E. W. Morgan, newspaper man recently from Faduach visiting in the city, and Bill Kelly, employed temporarily at Reid Variety store.

Each visitor expressed his pleasure at being present, paying special compliment to the cordiality evidenced by all Merkel citizens.

A special nominating committee consisting of Nathan Wood, Carlton Vick and Norman T. Hodge, was named by President West to fill vacancies on the official board.

Dollar Job Costs Dollar.

Independence, Mo., Jan. 21.—Ellis Short, democratic candidate for city attorney, had no opposition "because the job pays only \$1 a year and it costs \$1 to file," he explained.

a dining with Miss Ona Hamblet on last afternoon. Those invited were Misses Seams, Atkinson, Sutphen, Martin, Sheppard, Collins, Atkinson, Huffaker, Jones, Rister and Williams.

The S. D. S. S. Q. met for the first time Jan. 23 with Miss Jewell Toombs. Victrola selections and kodaking were the main diversions, followed by a most enjoyable car ride which was interrupted by the usual blow-out.

While the damages were being repaired, a short business session was held and the following officers elected: Virginia Swafford, president; Jewell Toombs, secretary, and Marion Hairston, reporter. Immediately after returning home a six o'clock dinner was served to the following club guests: Gladys Haynes, Ruby Hamm, Edythe Brown, Virginia Swafford, Irene Hairston, Jewell Toombs and Marion Hairston.

Messrs. Davis Beasley, Ben Little, George Ferrier and Edgar ("Ed") Teaff are out on the Plains this week looking after property interests they have.

A portion of the time will be spent in digging post holes for Mr. Beasley, while a small part of their outing will be in quest of game, said to abound in that vicinity.

"Anthony Adverse" is Acclaimed Biggest Sensation of Screen

The long awaited Warner Bros. production of "Anthony Adverse," rated as one of the ten best pictures of 1936, filmed from Hervey Allen's cyclopean novel, which boasts of 3,000,000 readers, comes to the Queen theatre for Saturday prevue, Monday and Tuesday, with Fredric March in the stellar role and Olivia de Havilland playing opposite him in the feminine lead.

In its panoramic story sweep through five countries and three continents, the magnitude of its 131 sets, the picturesqueness of its backgrounds, the gigantic scale on which it was produced and the vast number of talented players in its cast, "Anthony Adverse" surpasses any picture filmed by Warner Bros., and is said by those who have seen the prevue to be the most pretentious piece of entertainment ever attempted in Hollywood.

The novel, which took Hervey Allen four years to write, was finally whipped into its finished screen form after more than two years of arduous labor on the part of nearly 3,000 technicians, in addition to more than 2,500 players who portray the many characters seen in the film.

In dynamic action, intense drama, glamorous romance and thrilling adventure, probably no story was ever better fitted for screen material. And Warner Bros. are said to have caught all the vividness, the fire and color of the original and to have transmitted it to the film.

The cast is a tremendous one in size and remarkable for the number of talented players, there being 98 speaking parts, with 2,550 bit players and extras appearing. Besides March and Miss de Havilland, some of the more important players include Edmund Gwenn, Claude Rains, Anita Louise, Louis Hayward, Gale Sondergaard, Steffi Duna, Billy Mauch, Donald Woods, Akim Tamiroff, Ralph Morgan, Henry O'Neill, Pedro De Cordoba, George E. Stone and Luis Alberni.

Out of gas or got a flat? Phone 245. We hurry.

FOR STUDENTS.

The Centennial edition of the Texas Almanac is filled with valuable information for students. For sale at the office of the Merkel Mail for 65c per copy.

Second sheets for sale at Merkel Mail office.

The merchants who advertise in this paper will give you the best values for your money.

BLAIR ITEMS

There has been a number of changes in the community since the beginning of the New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilson of Anson have moved into our midst, about two miles southeast of Blair, and Mr. and Mrs. B. Novian and family of Nubia have moved about one mile north of our little village. We are very glad to have these fine people with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Peterson and family have moved to the Tye community for the year. We hate to lose these good people, but wish them every success in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Latimer left the past week for Corpus Christi for an indefinite stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Matthews and niece of I. X. L. attended services at the Baptist church Sunday, also Rev. Mr. Russell of Abilene attended services.

The farmers are very busy preparing their land for the year; tractors can be heard humming in every direction. Tom Melton has bought a new tractor, also Z. V. Moore. "Real farmers," did ye scribble say? We're really proud of our community and its enterprising citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Gosden of Iredell have moved into our midst and Mr. Gosden makes us a real merchant, as he is in partnership with his brother, Charlie, here.

Mrs. Tom Melton has returned home from Arizona after several months stay with her children and other relatives.

Rev. Lloyd Mayhew, M. E. pastor, will fill his regular appointment Sunday, Jan. 24. Every one is invited to attend these services.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

Published every week right at Washington, D. C., the capital of the nation and news center of the world, the Pathfinder has a tremendous advantage over all other magazines. That is why we are happy to offer the Pathfinder in combination with the Merkel Mail at the big bargain price of only \$1.60. Leave your order at our office or mail it in promptly. We will gladly show you a sample copy of the Pathfinder if you wish, but the important thing is, don't let this chance slip!

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DORA DOINGS

Well, this old scribe has been sick and couldn't write, but here goes for part of what happened while she was out.

Moving has been one of the main employments for the past fifteen days. Mr. Smith moved back to Van Zandt county, Mr. Daniels from Bertram going where Mr. Smith moved from.

D. J. Laine moved to the Plains near Lubbock, Mr. Lucas moving in from Caps, with several other changes around.

Some have had colds and some chickenpox, but there is no serious illness at all now in our community.

The Divide Home Demonstration club gave a party and shower Saturday night at the home of Mrs. John Holt, for Mrs. Frank Magee, who moved to Loraine Monday and a large number were present to enjoy the evening. Games were played as diversion. After refreshments were served, another game was played and Mrs. Magee was lucky in finding a large basket of nice towels, handkerchiefs, curtains, dishes and numerous other things.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Meere are announcing the arrival of Roxie Ann on Jan. 7. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Richardson of Sweetwater were visitors here Sunday.

W. G. Oliver and sons bought a new Oliver tractor and implements Friday of last week.

Miss Mildred Cook of Sweetwater visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook, Sunday.

Farming has begun, but due to cold frothy mornings a fellow can't get in a full day.

The McDaniel ranch east of Dora

was stocked with sheep last week, coming from San Angelo.

H. A. Tyrone trucked a load of mixed buys to Fort Worth Tuesday. John Dudley has bought the N. F. Hardy estate and took possession last week.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions, and you also know the merchants appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offering of their goods.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Glenn Woody, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Hunter, returned home to Lubbock Thursday of last week.

Miss Mary Anne Lovelace of Farwell, student at McMurry college, was the week-end guest of Miss Anna Lou Church.

Rev. Willis P. Gerhart, rector of the Church of Heavenly Rest, Abilene, on his way to Big Spring for a church convocation Jan. 17 and 18, stopped for prayer service Saturday afternoon in the home of Miss Dota Garoutte.

Mrs. W. W. Webb and sons, Charlie and Tommie, left early Wednesday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Webb's mother, Mrs. M. E. Ballard, at Quitaque, Texas.

Mrs. J. M. Dry returned last week from a visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Clyde Smith, at San Saba.

Paul A. Marr of Stephenville was a week-end guest in the T. G. Braag home.

Miss Fannelle Gray returned Wednesday from a visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bennett, in Abilene.

Mrs. Milton Case and daughter, Creta Key, are visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Key, in Winters. Creta Key, who has been ill for several days, is reported much improved.

CARD OF THANKS.

We want to express our heartfelt appreciation for the sympathy and for the assistance and many kindnesses shown us in our recent bereavement, the loss of our baby boy and brother, also our thanks for the beautiful floral offerings.

May God's richest blessings be with you all.

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Former Pastor Here Called by Church in Corcoran, Calif.

Rev. Bill E. Dowell, former pastor of the North Side Missionary Baptist church here, has recently been called to the First Baptist church of Corcoran, Calif., a city of 2,500 population. Mr. Dowell is now in a revival meeting there.

FIFTH SUNDAY SINGING.

On next Sunday week, we will meet at the Butman tabernacle for our Fifth Sunday singing. So I'll be more than pleased for people to have this announcement read at all the churches on next Sunday, which will give people a week to arrange for the singing. Would be glad for all preachers to speak of this singing and would be glad to have as many ministers as can attend, as it is a religious service and will be gospel singing.

There has not been a singing at this place in a number of years, and we earnestly request all singers and lovers of music to meet with us and give the Butman community one of its greatest thrills. So come, bring your lunch and song books and, if the weather is not real favorable, come on, the tabernacle is enclosed, and there's a stove with plenty of fuel to keep it warm, and, adding to this, Mrs. Tommy Russom will make plenty of good strong coffee to supply every one for noon hour. Please do not get the days mixed—it is Sunday week, not next Sunday.

We are looking for some of our best musical talent and are planning a big day. If you have a friend who sings, please drop him a postal urging his presence on that day. Tell him to please be on time, 10:30 in the forenoon. We would like to have Mr. Glover, our publisher, who has been so nice in giving us these write-ups, to meet with us also. So please come Sunday week, 10:30 forenoon.

Lovingly yours,
Tom Spears.

Report of Activities Of Pine Tree Troop

The Pine Tree troop of Girl Scouts delved into the study of signalling Wednesday, Jan. 20, at which time three contests were held. Becky Gardner held high score, Sue Grimes and Dora Gaither tied for second and Louise Patterson received third.

Peggy Toombs and Louise Patterson have completed their aprons, (useful garments), and all others will have finished by next Wednesday. Another new member, Betty Jo Speck, has joined.

Those present Wednesday were: Dora Gaither, Becky Gardner, Sue Grimes, Tommy Grimes, Louise Patterson, Betty Jo Speck, Johnnie McDonald, Gwendolyn Renfro and Peggy Joyce Toombs.

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Two More Laundries Of Helpy-Selfy Type Being Erected Here

Laundries of the helpy-selfy type are on the increase locally, with two new establishments under construction, one on the north side and the other on the south side of town.

Work was started Monday on a building to house a laundry of this type to be operated by Mrs. C. P. Stevens and son, Silas Stevens, on premises between the Stevens' home place and blacksmith shop. Equipment, which has been ordered, is expected within ten days.

Claude Dye also began work this week on a building to house his laundry on the back end of the lot on which his home place is located in South Merkel and expects to be ready for business within a few days.

FOR STUDENTS.

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School Set Enjoys Skating Rink Party

Members of the school set formed a merry skating party at the Jowers' rink on Monday evening when the floor was chartered from 7 to 8 o'clock.

With Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Jowers as chaperons, the following participated in the pleasure: girls, Misses Gertie Lou Pee, Helen Heeter, Anne Lee Blake, Billie McGehee, Fay Walker, Loudak Gray, Marian Diltz; boys, David Reidenbach, Clyde Sears, Sammie McGehee, Othar Suber, Louis Kyle, James Hagler, W. I. Wozencraft.

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FOR SALE—4 young mares, two young horses and two smooth-mouthed horses. J. L. McAninch at Barron Motor Co.

BABY CHICKS: Will take off our first hatch next Tuesday, Jan. 26. See us for baby chicks and custom hatching. Sharp's Hatchery.

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Fresh Meat Missing.

W. J. James, residing a half mile east of Noodle, reported to Jones county officers the disappearance on Sunday night from his premises of two hams, two shoulders and two mid-dlings.

Barrymore Sued for Divorce.

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 21.—Elna Jacobs Barrymore filed suit for divorce in superior court here Friday afternoon against John Barrymore, actor. She charged mental cruelty.

Elected Chaplain of Senate.

Austin, Jan. 21.—Father Theodore Drees, pastor of St. Mary's church at Taylor, Williamson county, has been elected chaplain of the senate, the first Catholic priest to hold that position in the state's history.

Pension for Mrs. Coolidge.

Washington, Jan. 21.—President Roosevelt signed a bill Friday granting a \$5,000 annual pension to Mrs. Grace G. Coolidge, widow of former President Calvin Coolidge.

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List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The jury panel in 42nd district court for next week includes the following names:

J. B. Hamblet, E. Barnes, T. M. Allday, L. B. McClain, W. C. Moore, W. S. Maserang, Lonnie Bryan, Merkel; Ralph Wolfe, Gilbert McGuffey, Luther Kirk, C. H. Glover, W. B. Barnes, E. Ables, Troy Briggs, F. H. Bryant, Joe J. Badami, B. H. Kirby, D. C. Musick, E. L. Hamilton, W. B. Burnes, A. C. Old, W. V. Cross, E. B. Barry, Clifford Hale, E. C. Atwood, J. C. Hancock, E. N. Kirby, Ed Austin, W. E. Large, R. J. Morgan, J. F. Bodine, Joseph A. Baker, (colored), W. W. Middleton, T. A. Hackney, R. C. Seaggins, Frank Hale, N. G. Hall, Abilene; J. A. Williams, Buffalo Gap; H. P. Allen, S. D. Musick, O. O. Herrington, E. L. Norris, Lawa; H. Huff-erman, Tuscola; J. G. Carter, Guion; E. M. Kennedy, H. O. Muston, Bradshaw; G. M. Kirkpatrick, Tye; W. O. Lackey, W. L. Karrh, T. J. Johnson, Ovalo.

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RURAL SOCIETY

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 12, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Matthews entertained with a birthday party for Mrs. Matthews' sister, Miss Jimmie Dell Perry. Games led by the honoree were played during the evening.

Cake and coffee were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Dock Eymore and Mrs. Dewell McLean; Messrs. Paul Riney, Ralph, Garrett, Norvel Gullion, R. G. Neill, Stanley and Junior Connell; Misses Grace Huff, Billie Jo Riney, Nell Hughes, Mary Catherine Cole, Una Muryl Garrett, Cleo Henley, the host and hostess and little nephew, Bobby Glenn Peterson.

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club met on Friday, Jan. 15, in the home of Mrs. Denzel Cox. The topic for the program was "The Care of Poultry Flocks."

Roll call was answered by "How many chickens must I add to my flock this year?"

Mrs. Denzel Cox, Lee Tipton and W. A. Harris were appointed a program committee; Mrs. W. C. Lee, recreation chairman, and Mrs. M. L. Douglas, extension chairman.

Hot chocolate and cookies were served to Mesdames Lee Tipton, J. H. Clark, Kenneth Pee, O. E. Harwell, Lige Harris, M. F. Carey and Miss Mabel McRee.

The next meeting will be on Feb. 12 in the home of Mrs. M. F. Carey.

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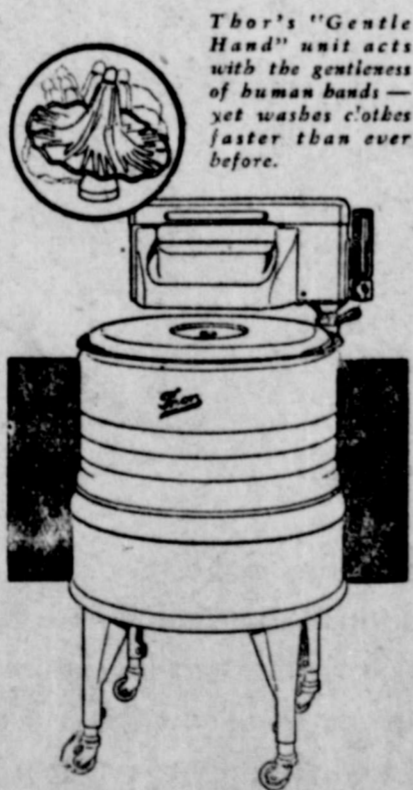
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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. Hosea Winn and children and Miss Virgie Strawn of Sylvester were week-end guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boone of Memphis are announcing the birth of a baby boy Jan. 12 at 1 a. m., weight 7 pounds, and he was named Jackie Ben. Mrs. Boone was formerly Miss Fern Martin of Belton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Allen were guests this week-end of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Reeves. They returned Monday to their home near Dallas.

Charlie Hutcheson and Dave Howell have returned home after having been employed at Rising Star for several months.

Mrs. Bob Dennis spent Thursday until Sunday visiting in Merkel.

John Barnes, local blacksmith, was given emergency treatment at the Sadler hospital in Merkel Thursday of last week for a painfully bruised and cut hand caused when he attempted to drill a hole in a pipe, his right hand slipping between the pipe and a speeding emory board. A. C. Wash is employed to fill his place until he recovers the use of his hand.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen returned Tuesday to their home in Clyde after spending the night here with Mr. and Mrs. John Strawn.

CIRCLE SUPPER PLANNED.

Trent Grove No. 668 of the Woodmen Circle completed plans at their regular meeting Tuesday night for a chicken supper to be given at the W. O. W. hall on Tuesday night, Jan. 26, at 7:30 o'clock.

Committees for the various divisions were appointed, according to Mrs. H. B. Kegans, local guardian, who is general chairman of arrangements, as follows: program, Miss Vera Bright, Mrs. Bob Billington, Mrs. A. C. Wash, Mrs. T. G. Hamner; menu, Mrs. Ed Burks, Mrs. H. B. Kegans, Mrs. H. R. Poor, Mrs. Ruby Windland; house and table, Mrs. Odessa Butler, Mrs. Grace Butler and Mrs. R. L. Reeves.

A nominal sum will be charged for the supper, proceeds to be used toward the purchase of a piano. The program will consist of musical numbers, readings and novelty arrangements. The public is invited.

NEPHEW OF TRENT MAN KILLED IN ACCIDENT.

A charge of driving on the wrong side of the highway has been filed against Louis Cruse in connection with the death of A. E. Wood of Sulphur Springs, who was killed when the automobile in which he was going to Austin for a highway hearing collided in a heavy fog Sunday night near Round Rock with a truck driven by Cruse.

Another man, L. L. Shaffit, also of Sulphur Springs, suffered bruises and cuts about the forehead. Two other passengers in the car from the same town were not injured.

Mr. Wood is a nephew of John R. Gafford of Trent, W. O. W. secretary. A message was received here by the Gaffords Sunday night revealing the accident. Young Wood is survived by his wife and one child.

CLASS PARTY.

Bobby Ruth and Gregory McLeod were hosts for a seventh grade class

party Friday evening at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McLeod.

Mrs. J. P. Roberts and Superintendent and Mrs. G. W. Scott were chaperons. Mrs. Scott also being sponsor for the group. Indoor games were played for entertainment.

Refreshments were served to Betty Lou Howell, Willadene Strawn, Virginia Chloe McRee, Herbert Dene West, Johnnie Roberts, Alvagene Riggans, Lavada Reynolds, Billy Tittle, G. H. Riggans, Leo Reynolds, Roy Yandell, Leslie Storey, Leonard Storey, Homer Faulkner, Radell Bishop, John Barnes, S. D. McLeod and the visitors.

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HEBRON NEWS

Sunday School and B. T. U. met as usual, although only a small crowd attended.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Merritt and son visited with Mrs. J. F. Merritt of Comper Saturday night.

Miss Idell Cooper spent the week-end with Misses Bessie and Murle Jones of Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harris and daughter of Brenham are spending

the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lige Harris.

James Reese attended the birthday party of Charley May Smith of Goodman Sunday.

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DON'T GIVE A COLD AN EVEN BREAK!



Reports from health authorities warn against the danger of the common cold. It is an illness that should be regarded with utmost seriousness. With the warning comes the startling information that fifty per cent of all disabling diseases start with a common cold. If you do catch cold consult your family doctor before it has an opportunity to undermine your health.

If your home is inadequately heated... if you "huddle" in one or two rooms... if some rooms are kept warm while others remain cold, your family cannot avoid sudden temperature changes as they go from room to room. Quick changes of temperature within the home make it easy for the cold germ to attack. Therefore, don't give a common cold an even break. Take the important precaution of providing adequate heat and proper ventilation of fresh air in every room of the home during the treacherous weeks ahead.

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Social Security Act Upheld by Federal Judge in Alabama

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 21.—Federal Judge David J. Davis Friday had held the national social security act valid under the "general welfare" clause of the constitution in dismissing suits by 200 Alabama firms which sought to restrain collection of unemployment insurance taxes.

Judge Davis ruled he could not enjoin collection of a valid federal tax. "For the last five or six years," Judge Davis said "many people have been unemployed x x x many people were hungry. x x x To relieve this situation, the federal government spent billions of dollars.

"Can it with reason be said that the congress cannot levy an excise tax on the privilege of employing others to aid in prevention of a recurrence of such a calamity and the alleviation of its hardships should it come again? x x x"

Hodges Happenings.

The weather has been fine for the past few days and the farmers have taken advantage of it and put up lots of land.

We have our share of sickness as usual. Those confined to their beds are: Mrs. Josh Cook, who has the mumps; Mrs. Jack Parr, with the "flu"; Mrs. Lee Huddleston has been sick with a cold, and Shirley Mae, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dafus Winter, has been very ill with scarlet fever. We hope for all the sick a speedy recovery.

We are glad to report that all the pneumonia patients are able to be up again, except Mr. and Mrs. Harvell's son. Pneumonia settled on his left lung and a tube was inserted in his side. He is improving and we hope will soon be able to be back in school and in Sunday School. "Peewee," as we all call him, is quite a favorite.

Mrs. Clyde Sears and children, Evelyn, Toots and Dick, from Merkel were Sunday guests of the Charles Walsh on Jan. 10. A birthday dinner was served at noon time by Mrs. Walsh, honoring her mother, Mrs. Nelly Spradlin, on her 53rd birthday. The John Northams, Jr., have moved to California for Mr. Northam's health.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Spradlin and son of Tye visited relatives here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt McCraw have moved to the Plains near Anton. They will be greatly missed by the Hodges and Midway folks.

Some of the ladies of this community met with Miss Gladys Martin, home demonstration agent of Jones county, at the home of Mrs. Strawn of Mars on Monday, Jan. 11, and organized a home demonstration club with the following officers: Miss Mae Warren, president, Mrs. Charles Walsh, vice-president; Mrs. Fred Daniels, treasurer, and Mrs. Jerdon Gentry, reporter. Mrs. Charlie Cranston is bedroom demonstrator, and Mrs. Charles Walsh, home food supply demonstrator. The next meeting will be Monday afternoon, Jan. 25, at the home of Mrs. Fred Daniels. All the ladies of this and surrounding communities that are interested in club work are invited to meet with the ladies and join the club.

W. M. S. meeting at the M. E. church each Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, after each 2nd and 4th Sunday preaching days.

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TUCC Representative Stationed in Abilene To Assist Employers

Austin, Jan. 21.—L. Thurmond Krueger, special representative of the Texas Unemployment Compensation commission, will be stationed in Abilene to assist employers of the surrounding district during the next few weeks, Chairman-Director R. B. Anderson has announced.

Krueger's headquarters will be in the Abilene chamber of commerce and all employers of that district are urged to go to Krueger for help on problems arising under the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act, Anderson stated.

First contribution under the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act will be due Jan. 25, and Krueger will be prepared to assist employers in filling out their contribution report forms and in determining their status under the law.

LOST ANYTHING? A little ad in our Lost and Found column may bring it right back.

Honor Roll

BLAIR SCHOOL.

The following pupils were reported on the honor roll for the second and third months at the Blair school, of which T. R. Francis is principal:

Second month—First grade: Don Harrison, 91; Bobbie Joe Swafford, 93; Maxine Doan, 93; second grade: Vaughn Doan, 93; third grade: Ellsworth Bell, 90; Otilla Doan, 95; Billie Ann Reidenbach, 90; fourth grade: Annie Clara Doan, 95; Betty Alice Patterson, 90; seventh grade: Madlyn Brown, 93; Mary Francis, 93; Mary Lou Hughes, 93; Mildred Maddera, 90.

Third month—First grade: Bobbie Joe Swafford, 94; second grade: Vaughn Doan, 94; third grade: Jo Dean Bryan, 91; fourth grade: Orvel Brown, 94; Annie Clara Doan, 93; Durwood Doan, 92; Carlene Hughes, 92; fifth grade: Alberta Gregory, 92; sixth grade: Geraldine Cox, 91; Gladys Whatley, 90; seventh grade: Madlyn Brown, 94; Mary Francis, 94; Mary Lou Hughes, 94; Mildred Maddera, 91; eighth grade: Madlene Addison, 93.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Herald	6 mos.
<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Grower	6 mos.
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior Home (for Mothers)	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> McCall's Magazine	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Movie Classic	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Needlecraft	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Road (Boys)	2 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Parents' Magazine	6 mos.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pathfinder (weekly)	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Pictorial Review	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Progressive Farmer	2 years
<input type="checkbox"/> Romantic Stories	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> Screen Book	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> True Confessions	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> American Fruit Grower	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Capper's Farmer	2 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> The Farm Journal	3 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Progressive Farmer	2 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Southern Agriculturist	2 yrs

*NOTE—Check one of the following instead of True Story if you wish. Only one substitution allowed.

<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Mechanic & Inv.	1 year
<input type="checkbox"/> American Girl	1 year
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<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Culture	1 year

GROUP A

Select One Magazine

<input type="checkbox"/> Better Homes & Gardens	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Herald	6 mos
<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Grower	6 mos
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine	2 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior Home (for Mothers)	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> McCall's Magazine	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Movie Classic	2 yrs
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<input type="checkbox"/> The Farm Journal	3 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Progressive Farmer	2 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Southern Agriculturist	2 yrs

GROUP B

Select Three Magazines

<input type="checkbox"/> American Poultry Journal	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Country Home	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Dixie Poultry Journal	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> The Farm Journal	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Gentrywoman Magazine	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Stories	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Circle	2 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Friend	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Mechanics	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Home Life	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Needlecraft	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry Tribune	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Progressive Farmer	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Southern Agriculturist	2 yrs
<input type="checkbox"/> Successful Farming	1 yr
<input type="checkbox"/> Woman's World	1 yr
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GIFT PARTY.

The spacious suburban home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Boaz was the scene of a pretty party Tuesday afternoon when Misses Fannie and "Sis" Boaz entertained, naming Mrs. Monta J. Moore, nee Miss Vernie Derrick, the honoree.

Miss Loucille Justice opened a seated program with a "Toast to the Bride," and Miss Mozelle Sosebee read first "His Question" and, second, "Her Answer." Vocal numbers sung by the Sosebee Sisters were "The One Rose" and "No Greater Love." The presentation speech, for a shower of lovely gifts, was made by Sis Boaz.

At the refreshment hour delicious date-nut pudding with olives and coffee was served. Plate favors were Dresden wedding slippers tipped with gold Love Birds.

Those accepting invitations were: Mrs. Monta Moore, Mesdames John S. Hughes, Otto Bicknell, Waldo Cox, Norman Sloan, Troy Sloan, W. Roundtree, L. R. Cade, C. B. Jinkins, Inez Sosebee, O. L. Justice, A. J. Barbee, O. W. Sosebee, C. T. Derrick, Fred Wright, F. T. Bell, Jim Boaz, Warren Smith, J. R. Murdock, J. M. Sloan, R. T. Jackson, Oscar McGinnis, J. E. Boaz, Jr., J. S. Bird; Misses Christine Collins, Helen Faye Reddell, Authala Williams, Leta Tarpley, Teria Mae Murdock, Johnnie Chadwick, Imogene Bird, Geraldine Sloan, Loucille Justice, Mozelle Sosebee, Leta Faye Barbee, Mildred Sosebee, Leona Sosebee, Mary Collins, Sis Boaz, Fannie Boaz.

CLUB NOTES.

Miss Fannelle Gray was hostess to members of the "Three F" club" on Saturday afternoon. Miss Rachael Patterson was initiated as a new member. Entertainment was informal and at the refreshment hour marshmallows were roasted before an open fire and served with sandwiches, potato chips, olives and coffee to Misses Jane Ferguson, Hollis Perry, Phyllis Smith, Rachael Patterson, Verne Moore, Frances Higgins, Bettye Grimes, Sis Gamble and the hostess.

MERKEL HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

A year of work for the Merkel Home Demonstration club was planned at a regular meeting held Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. E. O. Carson. Meeting places and dates were set for the forthcoming year.

Members answered roll call with New Year resolutions regarding club work.

Demonstrations were given of the faggoting stitch and the proper way of fixing corners and seams on dresser scarfs and vanity sets.

Refreshments were passed to Mesdames John Hughes, Joe P. Self, Watt

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CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

A total of 615 was present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 309 on the previous Sunday, which was extremely cold. On the same Sunday a year ago only 298 were present, due to the worst blizzard of 1936.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. BTS at 6:15 p. m. WMU Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

CHEERFUL WORKERS SOCIAL.

Johnny Cox, teacher of the Cheerful Workers, and Mrs. Cox were hosts to his Sunday School class in their country home on Friday evening, Jan. 15. Games of "42" were played until the refreshment hour, at which time a lovely salad plate was passed to Misses Elna Tucker, Mary Collins, Wanda Hunter, Imogene Hayes, Lois Whiteley, Frances Marie Church and Bessylea Church and Mr. and Mrs. Terrell Mashburn.

A short business session followed. Each member is urged to attend class next Sunday. Visitors are cordially invited.

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Friday-Saturday Gene Autry in "Ride, Ranger, Ride"

Every one is cordially invited to these services. Strangers welcome. R. A. Walker, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. each Sunday by Brother A. J. Rollings. Young people's program 6 p. m. on Sunday.

A service of song, prayer and preaching for each Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

The Elders.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. NYPS meeting at 6:30 p. m. Preaching 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. R. T. Smith, Pastor.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching Saturday night at 7 o'clock. Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. Sunday night song service at 6:45 o'clock. Preaching 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. All are cordially invited to our services.

E. B. Early, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Herbert Patterson, general superintendent. Preaching 11 a. m. Sermon by pastor. Special music. Evening worship 7 p. m. Thirty minutes singsong each Sunday evening beginning promptly at 7 p. m. Preaching 7:30. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 7 p. m. John H. Crow, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. As this will be the pastor's day at Baird, there will be no preaching service. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

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Shortening, 8 pounds \$1.04

Coffee, Maxwell House, 3 lb. can 79c

Milk, Baby size, 7 cans for 25c

Rice, Fancy Blue Rose, 3 lb. pkg. 21c

Table listing various grocery items and their prices, including Crackers, Prunes, Sugar, Peanut Butter, Macaroni or Spaghetti, Syrup, Ribbon Cane, Pork & Beans, Pinto Beans, Prepared Mustard, and Pickles.

Coffee, Cooper's Best, 3 lb. can 75c

Spinach, full No. 2 can, each 10c

Potted Ham, 7 cans for 25c

T.N.T. Laundry Soap, 7 bars 25c

Sliced Bacon, pound 28c

Hams, half or whole, lb. 29c

Bologna, 2 pounds 25c

Chili, 1 lb. brick, each 20c

Cheese, Lorchorn, lb. 23c

Chuck, pound 17c

T-Bone, pound 20c

Round, pound 23c

Pork Chops Pound 25c

ROAST Chuck, pound 15c

Rib or Brisket, lb. 12c

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