

Romance, Songs, Fun, in "Rootin' Tootin' Rhythm"

A new Gene Autry musical western is promised theatregoers by the Queen theatre, which has booked "Rootin' Tootin' Rhythm," his latest, for Friday and Saturday.

The story is one of mistaken identity, with Gene in deep water over being mistaken as an ace bad man. With Smiley Burnette, his pal, he proves his real identity and brings a gang of villainous cattle rustlers to justice.

"Armida," the new Mexican sensation, plays opposite Gene in "Rootin' Tootin' Rhythm." (Supporting roles are taken by Monte Blue, Hal Taliaferro, Ann Pendleton and a top flight cast.

Gay, Magnificent Musical, "Thin Ice" Tootin' Rhythm"

A gay and magnificent musical that skims in shimmering delight along the silvery Alpine slopes, snow-drenched with dazzling spectacle and exciting beauty, heart-warming with riotous fun and young romance, brings Sonja Henie and Tyrone Power together, as you wanted them to be, thrilling, as you knew they'd be, in the Twentieth Century-Fox picture, "Thin Ice," which comes to the Queen theatre for the "Owl" show Saturday, also Monday and Tuesday.

Topping all her triumphs of "One in a Million," Miss Henie is more radiantly exciting than ever as she displays new beauty, new daring and new breath-taking thrills.

The story is swiftly paced, exhilaratingly exciting, and hilariously funny. It gets off to a fast start when Tyrone, a Prince who has come to an Alpine winter resort to escape the bickerings of two agents, (Alan Hale and Maurice Cass) over a neutrality pact, accidentally meets Miss Henie while skating, and introduces himself to her as a newspaper reporter.

A case of mistaken identity sends rumors about the village that Sonja is being favored by the Prince. The two agents, hearing the rumors, attempt to win her to their side in order to get closer to Tyrone. When she refuses, they dangle huge offers before her worthless uncle (Raymond Walburn), who is unable to refuse.

Although Sonja is still unmindful of the rumors she continues to meet Tyrone. At the same time, the agents discover trickery on the part of Walburn, and through sympathy for each other, become friends. This makes the situation more complicated than ever, until the ideal solution to the entire affair is found to be what all concerned had hoped for—the marriage of Sonja and Tyrone.

Three elaborate skating numbers with hundreds of gorgeous girls in sensational ice-revels in the dazzling winter wonderlands of the Swiss Alps, intersperse the romantic story. In these numbers, Miss Henie executes many skating routines more difficult than any ever before attempted on ice. Weeks of intensive practice were necessary in order to perfectly execute the routines.

"Confession" Brings Drama of First Rank

In what is described as the most elaborately staged, and most highly emotional picture of her brilliant career, Kay Francis comes to the Queen theatre next Wednesday and Thursday.

It is the Warner Bros. drama "Confession," adapted from the famed European play "Mazurka," which had sensational runs in the Continental capitals. The story concerns a famous opera singer who kills her betrayer in order to save from ruin her young daughter whom he is leading toward the fate of the mother. Basil Rathbone—suavest of all villains—plays the scoundrel whose life the bullet ends. Jane Bryan is the daughter. Ian Hunter is her husband, a war hero, who really loves the opera singer, but had been separated from her because of her brief affair with the betrayer.

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Besides the convention at Kansas City, to interest the boys will be the American Royal Livestock show.

Some of the other members of the chapter are planning on purchasing pigs for their projects this week. These pigs will be placed on feed and will be shown at the F. F. A. Boys Livestock show in Abilene about Mar. 1.

Boys using swine as projects are: Roy Coats, Griffin Barnett, Kenneth Neill, Mark Malone, Burnel Merritt, Willard Paine, Elwood Cox, Deuward Gilbreath, Horace Browning, David Gibson and Berdon Conley.

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Austin, Oct. 14.—Discontinuance of old age assistance after October, or a prorotation resulting in a sharp reduction in grants, was forecast this week by the Texas Board of Control in an official communication addressed to State Representative Harry N. Graves.

The official statement indicated the possibility that payments to the needy aged might not be made in November, December, January and, probably, in February. Cause of the crisis, as explained by the members of the board of control, which is the Old Age Assistance commission, is that all, or nearly all, of the present available state assistance funds will have to be used to take care of \$1,627,000 owed a Dallas bank and due not later than Jan. 1.

Further, it was pointed out, the income from present state sources is \$100,000 less each month than Texas funds paid to the needy aged, which necessitates a drastic reduction in the size of the average grant. Grants average about \$14 per month.

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BLAIR ITEMS

A norther came up over the weekend, with showers during intervals and still falling weather at this writing. Cotton had been coming in uninterruptedly and most farmers have been keeping up pretty well with it as it opened, until Saturday.

The Blair school of 1937-38 term opened Monday morning with sixty-one pupils enrolled. The faculty consists of Prof. T. R. Francis, principal; Miss Elleta Foster, intermediate, and Miss Nina Bell Russell, primary. Trustees of the school are Carl Hughes, R. E. Windham and Z. V. Moore.

Jim Campbell happened to a painful accident the past week when he cut his hand badly while heading feed with a slide.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Pruitt and family have moved back the past week to their farm here from Anson. Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Francis and family, who occupied their home here, have moved to Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell were called to the bedside of the former's mother, Mrs. Cavett, of Sweetwater, Saturday.

Mrs. Clarence Emerson and children of Gorman are the interesting guests of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Crate Wilson, for an indefinite time.

The M. E. church held their fourth quarterly conference here Saturday, conducted by the presiding elder of Abilene.

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SPORTSMANSHIP.

Are you a good sport? In other words, can you take it? Do you sulk and get angry when you lose or some one gets one jump ahead of you? Well, we all know that people who do these things never get anywhere in this wide and selfish world. So, buckle in, go to work, and don't quit just because some one criticizes you. Take that criticism with a grin and work hard to overcome the cause of the criticism. Don't be a poor sport!

SENIOR NEWS.

Hello, yes we are back again and with news of our carnival. We are going to put our booth over with a B-a-n-g. So, we will be looking forward to seeing every one there for a swell evening.

JUNIOR NEWS.

Fun is the word for it, but here it's the swelllest place for the carnival. So eat, drink, and be merry with the Junior class.

With the grand motto "Don't put it off; put it over," colors of red and white and flowers of red and white roses, the Juniors know that they have the prettiest and peppiest class in Merkel Hi.

SOPHOMORE NEWS.

It seems as though these clubs here in High school can't get along without the Sophomores. Our class is represented in the Choral club, Glee club, English club and the Dramatic club. We are sure that each Sophomore is going to make an extra good club member.

Now let's look into the class gossip. Let's ask—

Mildred McLean if she didn't turn down a date with Elwood Cox Saturday night a week ago.

Leona Harris who the boy is she insists on sitting by in the bus.

Evelyn Bigler how late she was out with a former High school boy the other night.

Leona Fay Orsborn why she is so interested in knowing whether or not Coach Davis was married.

Jack Smith whom he went to the Fair with.

Loudale Gray who asked her for a date last Saturday night.

Don Wood what Freshman he went with Friday night.

PEP SQUAD.

The Pep Squad is feeling rather "let down" along with our football boys this week, but we are expecting a grand pick-up on our game Friday against Rotan. We are planning a weiner roast for our "heroes" after they win that game. So, work hard boys and hit those Yellow Hammers hard.

CHORAL CLUB.

We are working very hard for a program for chapel next Thursday morning.

Last Thursday morning we had a meeting of the "Lovely Ladies" club. There were a number of entertaining numbers on the program. They were: a piano solo by Loudale Gray; a song "Throwing Stones at the Sun" rendered by Dorothy Lee Shannon; the "Characteristics of a Lovely Lady" by Gay West; a song by Julia Ella Holder, Katie Bigham, Ruby Bigham and Nettie Lee Teaff; and a reading by Dora Marie Gaiter. This was a very enjoyable hour and all the members are looking forward to the next meeting.

WHAT IF:

Vincent does turn into a vegetable garden? (He already has a cauliflower-ear.)

Mildred does get married? Hollis gets the longest, most interesting letters from Hymie Russell—about football games?

Mr. Robinson doesn't go to civics class?

Pete got his face scratched—and in a football game?

Jannell is getting better looking every day?

Fannelle is getting snubbed by everybody?

Griffin did have to walk Johnnie around Sunday night?

Nell Arnwine is in love with "Mule" Lowe?

Mark Malone goes with Grovener? (How happy we'd all be.)

Grace is mad at Frances?

Lucy Fae were to go to church again?

Vernie didn't cry when we lost the game?

Our boys stayed in training? Norman Winter (Bob Taylor, to you) wasn't so conceited?

Mrs. Davis came to school and saw

how these girls are taking on over our Coach?

"The Moon Got in Frances' Eyes" last Tuesday night at the Fair?

Dick W. couldn't brag? Pauline Blackaby didn't have so many shoes?

Mattie Lou wiped some dirt out of Griffin's eye?

Dorma Lee stayed home some Sunday evening?

Vincent and Grovener couldn't be together?

Roscoe did beat us?????

SENIOR PERSONALITIES.

Nell Arnwine.

Nell has been in Merkel High school for three years. She has proved herself an active member of the Dramatic club, Home Economics club, Senior Girls club, and she has also been a grand volley ball player. Nell wishes to be a stenographer when she finishes high school. We know that Nell will succeed in her chosen work if she works as she has done in Merkel Hi.

Waymon Adcock.

He is a real Badger, and has been for four years. Waymon will be missed next year for he is the president of the Senior class, a member of the Senior Boys club and F. F. A. club. Waymon's ambition is to be an aviator when he finishes school. Here's luck to you, Waymon.

JOKES.

Miss Barley: "So the waiter says to me, 'How would you like your rice?'"

Boy Friend: "Yes, dearie, go on."

Miss Barley: "So I says, wistfully, 'Thrown at me, big boy.'"

Mr. Davis: "I wonder what we shall wear in heaven."

Mrs. Davis: "Well, if you are there, Dear, I imagine most of us will wear surprised looks."

Friend: "It's true, isn't it, that your husband said he led a dog's life with you?"

Mrs. Robinson: "Well, yes. He did. He came in with muddy feet, took the best place by the fire, waited to be fed, growled at anyone who crossed him and snapped a dozen times a day."

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Badgers Defeated By Plowboys, 41-0

The Badgers suffered their second conference defeat of the season last Friday, when they lost to a powerful Roscoe eleven, 41 to 0.

With a strong wind to their backs, the Plowboys could never be stopped in the first quarter. Merkel elected to receive and Adcock fumbled on his own fifteen yard line. Coleman, right guard for Roscoe, came up with the ball. On the first play, Fitts circled his own left end for a touchdown. Gray converted. Fitts scored again in five minutes on another ten-yard gallop around end, Gray kicked goal. Twice more in the first quarter the Plowboys scored, Gray making one on a five-yard plunge and Shelansky sneaking through tackle for ten yards and another counter. Gray kicked goal after each score.

An alert Badger defense held the Plowboys through the second and third quarters, but on the first play of the fourth quarter Fitts again broke loose and behind perfect blocking made another 40-yard touchdown run. The final score came late in the fourth quarter when Gray plunged two yards through center. Gray missed only one extra point of the six attempted.

Outstanding for the Plowboys were Parks, left end; Coleman, right guard, and Ward, right tackle; Gray and Fitts starred in the backfield.

Woody, V. Barnett, Shouse and G. Barnett were outstanding in the Bad-

ger line, while Adcock and West' starred in the backfield.

The starting line-ups:

Merkel	Pos.	Roscoe
Jenkins	LE	Parks
G. Barnett	LT	McVean
V. Barnett (c)	LG	Harry Coleman
Shouse	C	Broadwell
Wozencraft	RG	Harold Coleman
Graham	RT	Ward
Winter	RE	Wilkins
West	QB	Emerson
Adcock	RH	Fitts
Walker	LH	Risinger
Windham	FB	Gray

Substitutes: Merkel, Cox, Russell, Malone.

First downs: Merkel 2, Roscoe 21.

Punts: West, nine times for 53-yard average; Gray, once for 40 yards.

Passes: Merkel attempted three, none complete; Roscoe did not throw a pass.

Fumbles: Merkel twice; both led to Roscoe touchdowns.

Penalties: Roscoe, nine for 105 yards; Merkel, once for 5 yards, off-side.

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Sweetwater BCD Plans Santa Claus Parade

Sweetwater, Oct. 14.—Merkel schools are to be extended an invitation to participate in the Santa Claus parade at Sweetwater on Nov. 27 and to compete for the \$150.00 cash prizes, it has been announced by the Sweetwater Board of City Development, sponsors of the parade and contest.

There will be two divisions, one for city schools and one for rural schools, with equal cash prizes to be awarded in each division. Schools in independent districts, including Merkel, will be placed in the city school group.

Prizes to be awarded are: For the best decorated school bus \$20, second place \$15 and third place \$10; for the school having the greatest percentage of its total enrollment in the parade \$15, second place \$10 and third place \$5. These same prizes are to be given in the rural schools division, making a total of \$150.00 in cash.

The parade is to be held at 9:30 on the morning of Saturday, Nov. 27, and will be led by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus giving free candy to all children present. The Sweetwater high school and municipal bands are also expected to be in the parade, a part of the formal opening of the Christmas shopping season in Sweetwater.

Mrs. Hamilton Again Heads HD Council

Mrs. J. M. Hamilton of Colony Hill was re-elected chairman of the Taylor County HD council for the coming year at the meeting of the council last week.

Other officers selected are: Mrs. C. P. Church, Merkel, vice-chairman; Mrs. Alfred Thomas of Tye, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Johnny Cox of Salt Branch, reporter.

Reports prepared by Mrs. W. E. Williams of the Merkel club, Mrs. Sam Betman of the Bluebonnet club and Mrs. Glen Johnson of Buffalo Gap, on the state meeting at San Antonio were given.

Study for next year will include cookery, production and preparation, and third and final year of bedroom demonstration work, Miss Peggy Taylor, county agent, announced. The club yearbook is being published by the Abilene chamber of commerce.

Mrs. Ora Jacks, state administrator, was to be in Anson Oct. 14, for a meeting, and Taylor County HD members were invited to attend.

As winner of first place in the HD booth division of the West Texas Fair, the Tye club received a cash prize of \$45; second place brought \$12 to the Salt Branch club, and third prize won by the Merkel club was \$10. All other clubs having booths but not winning prizes will receive checks for \$8 each for having acceptable booths, it was announced.

4-H Club Formed by Dozen Noodle Boys

On Tuesday, Oct. 12, the boys of Noodle, with the assistance of County Agent Lynch, organized a boys 4-H club, with 12 charter members. Many others are expected to enroll later.

Some of the boys intend to fatten calves, while others are going to raise cotton, poultry, hogs, etc.

Officers are: Roy Tarpley, president; Glen Morgan, vice-president; Cleo Sosebee, secretary-treasurer; Joe Tarpley, reporter; Jim Dixon, song leader; J. E. Boaz, Jr., O. F. Hill and Supt. Read, sponsors.

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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Massey and four younger children of Denton were week-end guests of Mrs. Massey's mother, Mrs. J. I. Leamon. Sunday dinner guests also in the Leamon home were Mrs. Twyman Collins, and Mr. Collins of Merkel, also Mr. and Mrs. Mathews and two daughters of the I. X. L. community. Mr. and Mrs. Massey had as their guest here Mrs. Frasier of Denton, who departed by bus for Lubbock to visit ten days with relatives.

Miss Sallie Roberts, student in Parsons Beauty school, Abilene, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Roberts.

Mrs. J. B. Winn and son, J. B., Jr., spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Hattie Boozer of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Tannie Jones and son, Lindley, of Odessa spent a few days here visiting relatives. Mr. Jones is employed by an oil concern.

Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Allen and baby, Wanda Faye, of Fort Worth, arrived Saturday to spend a few days with Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Reeves.

Mrs. Andy Shouse attended a county teachers' meeting held in Abilene Saturday. She is an instructor in the Union Ridge school.

J. B. Winn, Garnet Wilks, Malcolm Beasley and Ed Bowers, members of the local board of trustees, made an inspection this week of school buildings now under construction in Knox county.

J. T. Lucas and Jack Bowers of the Lucas Funeral home, Fort Worth, were Monday night guests with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bowers. They were en route to Fort Worth from Rotan where they had charge of funeral arrangements.

FORMER TRENT GIRL SWALLOWS GRASSBUR.

Willie Joe Hamner, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hamner of Wink, was rushed to an El Paso hospital Thursday of last week for the removal of a grassbur from her throat. An emergency operation was performed immediately upon her arrival in El Paso.

The accident happened when the bur became entangled in her nose and while removing it with her teeth it lodged in her throat. A pulmotor was used to revive the patient after the bur had been drawn just before reaching the lung.

Attending the girl from Trent were her grandmothers, Mrs. Will Hamner and Mrs. Flora Brown. Others were Miss Winnie Brown, Mrs. Buddie Burks and John Hamner. The party returned to their home here Friday afternoon.

RURAL ROUTE CHANGES.

Upon recommendation of P. O. Inspector P. M. Juvenal, consolidation of Route 2, Trent, and Route 2, Merkel, will go into effect Nov. 1. In consequence, a shake-up will occur in the rural carriers' section. Joe Nalley, the present carrier here, has been transferred to Sweetwater, Route 1, a vacancy caused by the retirement of J. D. Southworth of that city. A. C. Terry, Sr., carrier for Trent, Route 1, will assume 16 miles of the consolidated Route 2, while the remainder will be transferred into Merkel. Route 2 is north of Trent, including the Goodman community. The division will increase Terry's route to 65.87 miles.

The route in consideration was originated July 1, 1909, with John C. Howell, now of Abilene, as its first carrier. The length then was 31 miles. Dr. McFerrin was postmaster at that time. He was succeeded in office by Mrs. Anna Bowers, now associated in the dry goods business with her husband, Ed Bowers. Royce Dowdy followed Mrs. Bowers as postmaster after her return from the World War. Joe Nalley assumed duties for Route 2, Nov. 1, 1921, exchanging routes with Howell. John Strawn is the present postmaster.

Mr. Terry began as carrier July 19, 1910, rounding out 27 years of service the past July.

Mr. Nalley plans to move his family to Sweetwater at an early date. His family includes his wife and two adopted children, June and Joy, daughters of his deceased sister, Mrs. Donna Bruteke.

STUDY CLUB ORGANIZED INTO WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Executives were nominated and elected at the Thursday meeting of the study club composed of Methodist women. Mrs. Alton Boone was elected president of the organization and presented plans to be affiliated with the Northwest Texas conference. Mrs. R. B. McRee, Sr., will serve as vice-president.

Others named were: Mrs. R. B. Johnson, secretary; Mrs. Andy Shouse, treasurer, and the following superintendents: Mrs. H. H. Kegans, children's work; Mrs. John Payne, literature and publicity; Mrs. Tom Williamson, Christian social relations and supplies; Mrs. Alsie Carleton,

Bible and mission study; Mrs. Earl Strawn, spiritual life and message.

Initial meeting of the group will be held Thursday at 3 p. m. at the Methodist church, at which time the officers will be installed.

The business meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Andy Shouse, following the study and round table discussion of the book, led by Mrs. Alsie Carleton. Newspaper clippings and pictures of the Moslem world were presented by members present.

Refreshments were served to Messdames W. E. Shouse, R. O. Bailey, John Strawn, Allen Terry, Miss Imogene Mangum and the above named officers.

M. E. YOUNG PEOPLE.

(Omitted Last Week.)
"Youth's Responsibility in the Church" was the subject at the regular meeting of the young people's department held regularly each Sunday at 7 p. m. Van Sawyer was leader of the study group who presented the opening program. Mrs. Iva V. O'Neal read the scripture, followed by talks by Ruby Cooley and James Strawn; their topics were "Influence of the Church on the World" and "Influence of the Church in the Community."

Mardell Shouse, district president, had as his subject "Youth and the Church Today."

Hughie Cooley, president of the local organization, announced plans to entertain the district of the Union of the Lighted Cross, to be held at Trent Methodist church the evening of Oct. 14.

The league benediction was given in unison.

NOVELTY SUPPER PROVES SUCCESSFUL EVENT.

(Omitted Last Week.)
Net proceeds of the novelty supper held at the Methodist church Saturday afternoon were announced as \$18 by the chairman of the committee in charge, Mrs. Andy Shouse. The fund is being used to purchase equipment for the church. This was sponsored by the Women's Bible class.

The following program was presented as one entertainment feature preceding the sale of the men's Sox auctioned by Rev. Alsie Carleton; dialogue, Van Sawyer and Alvis Cooley; quartette, Virginia Chlo McRee, Helga Beasley, Virginia Lee Cooley, Willadene Strawn; violin solo, Prof. Leonard Scott, with piano accompaniment by Imogene Mangum; musical number, Smith Trio; musical reading, Eobby Ruth McLeod; duet, Mrs. Alsie Carleton, Imogene Mangum; reading, Dorothy Jo Strawn; song, Cliffa Jean Estep; group singing of southern songs and rounds.

LOCAL CIRCLE PLANS GRADUATION.

(Omitted Last Week.)
A ceremony of graduation is planned by the local Woodmen Circle No. 668, Tuesday, Oct. 12, was the date set by the committee appointed by the guardian, Mrs. Ed Burks. This occasion will promote those candidates who previously were in the Junior Forest but serving in the senior division and are now entitled to senior privilege and initiation. The business session

followed the usual procedure of the ceremonies of the order.

Present were the following officers: Imogene Mangum, captain; Mrs. Ed Burks, guardian; Mrs. Hattie Gafford, secretary and junior counsellor; Mrs. John Payne, attendant; Mrs. H. R. Poor, banker; Mrs. Isom Burks, advisor pro tem; Mrs. Ruby Windland, chaplain; Miss Vera-Bright, musician; Mrs. William Neill, auditor, and Miss Elsie Bishop.

Ogden L. Mills Dies.

New York, Oct. 14.—Ogden L. Mills, once secretary of the treasury, succeeding Andrew W. Mellon to that post in Hoover's administration, and one of the last great leaders of the once powerful republican old guard, died Monday of a heart attack.

Black Charges Dismissed.

Washington, Oct. 14.—The supreme court Monday dismissed two challenges to the right of Associate Justice Hugo L. Black to sit upon the high bench. The action of the court put an end, for the present, to any court action to bar Black from his place on the bench.

Funeral Rites for Child.

Funeral rites were held Tuesday afternoon by Elder O. J. Adcock, of the Church of Christ, for Geraldine Pruitt, 3-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Pruitt, who came here from Bell county to pick cotton. Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery.

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Clowns have always been the backbone of the circus, yet the business of making people laugh is really a serious one. When the Al G. Barnes and Sells Floto combined circus arrives in Abilene, Tuesday, Oct. 19, it brings one of the largest contingents of buffoons ever to be seen in any circus.

The funmakers, who have been collected from all four corners of the globe number 160. Many of them are European importations and each one, no matter how minor a role he essays, is a star in his own right. Many of these funsters you will see cavorting about the hippodrome track circus day, spent the long winter months designing and planning their grotesque make-up and costumes. Unlike other professions the clown has to be 100 per cent sure his particular skit will elicit at least one hearty guffaw from all who see it. Failure to reach this 100 per cent record means more long months of planning and designing. This rigid rule explains, in part, why clowning is really a serious business.

Clowns of today, more than in the years past, lampoon current events. A national happening, a blunder that has set all America wondering; picture stars, in fact anything in the nation's eye falls today into the circus clown's category. To him they present what is termed "sure fire" material. Translated this means everyone will laugh at his satire. The entire life of a clown is spent planning ways and means of making huge audiences laugh. He cares about nothing else. Meal time, or anytime wherever clowns forgather you will hear them earnestly discussing new ways to create merriment. On the other hand no clown ever attempts lampooning anything that will cause anyone pain or sorrow. Indeed clowning is a serious business and is only followed by the highest type men, who make it a life study. Many of these men have passed up movie offers solely because

they would not be allowed to work out their own clowning problems.

Strange to say clowning is the one profession women have failed in. A wise old clown, who has been at the business all his life and who just recently came from the continent to join the Al G. Barnes and Sells Floto Combined Circus said: "Women, no matter how they are disguised cannot stand to be laughed at." Perhaps this explains why there are no women clowns.

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SOCIETY

STUDY CLUB HEARS BOOK REVIEW.

New England is the setting for the present best seller, "Paradise," by Eather Forbes, which was reviewed by Mrs. W. T. Sadler on Tuesday afternoon for members of the Fortnightly Study Club. Mrs. H. C. West gave a Bible drill and guests answered roll call with half-minute current events. Mrs. E. Clyde Smith extended hospitality as hostess.

Those present were Misses Mamie Ellis, Johnnie Sears, Christine Collins, Mesdames Comer Hayes, Sam Swann, Twyman Collins, Henry West, F. C. McFarland, Lige Gamble, Clyde Smith, W. T. Sadler, Joe P. Self, Tom Warren, A. R. Booth, Johnny Cox, W. W. Haynes, Byers Petty, George Wilhite, Norman Hodge and Connor Robinson.

T. E. L. CLASS HOLD INSTALLATION.

Mesdames J. W. Mansfield, E. B. Barnes, A. D. Fulton and A. D. Barnes were hostesses on Thursday afternoon of last week to members of the T. E. L. Sunday School class, entertaining in the Mansfield home.

Mrs. W. J. Largent opened the meeting with a prayer, after which Mrs. John Childress brought the devotional on "God's Securities" and Mrs. Jinks Winter presided for the installation of officers.

A Hallowe'en motif was used at the refreshment hour when a delicious sandwich plate was served with orange drink to Mesdames A. R. Booth, Lucy Ford, O. R. Dye, F. C. McFarland, J. C. Childress, W. J. Largent, J. L. Winter, W. B. Stephens and the hostesses.

BUTMAN HOME OPENED.

Miss Lottie Butman had as her co-hostess for Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Eteyl Church, in entertaining members of the Gleaner Sunday School class. Mrs. S. J. Roberts brought the devotional from the twenty-third Psalm and Mrs. Clyde Sears led in prayer.

Two vocal numbers were sung by Mrs. Comer Patterson with Christine Collins playing her accompaniment, after which class members packed a box of fall clothing for an orphan girl they are supporting. A dainty sandwich course with hot tea was passed to Mesdames Len Sublett, T. L. Grimes, Dee Grimes, Eli Case, John Shannon, Eteyl Church, Bill Brown, Homer Patterson, Ross Ferrier, Clyde Sears, Fred Guitard and S. J. Roberts and Christine Collins.

KING'S DAUGHTERS SOCIAL.

Mrs. E. C. Richards assisted Mrs. M. Armstrong in entertaining her Sunday School class, the King's Daughters, on Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Armstrong.

Mrs. Patterson presided for a business meeting before going into a social meeting. Mrs. W. A. McSpadden gave two readings and Frances Walker also read, after which a Thanksgiving contest was enjoyed. Sandwiches, angel food and hot chocolate were passed to Mesdames Logan, Cox, Armstrong and Jordan, visitors, Mesdames Russell, Hale, H. C. Williams, B. M. Williams Hill, McSpadden, Watts, Hutcherson, Rainbolt, Black, Frazier, Curb, Pee, Cox, Dry, McCoy, Patterson and the hostesses.

ALATHEAN CLASS.

The Alathean class of the First Baptist church met Wednesday of last week with Mrs. J. Ben Campbell in her beautiful suburban home. Mrs. F. A. Polley, class president, was in charge. Opening prayer was led by

Merkel Hospital Notes

Hollis McCoy, who was brought to the hospital Thursday afternoon with injuries sustained in an automobile collision, was dismissed Saturday.

Tonsillectomies were had by Robert Wayne Sledge, son of L. E. Sledge, and Euel Mashburn.

Two boys were born at the hospital during the week: one to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Mauldin, of Sylvester, on Oct. 8, and the other to Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Vancil on Oct. 9.

Mrs. E. N. Brown, and Mrs. J. J. McNiece brought the devotional. Mrs. J. B. Jones gave the closing prayer after the business session.

Following a social hour refreshments were served to Mesdames E. M. McDonald, E. N. Brown, J. M. Meek, W. L. Whately, O. B. Tatum, J. B. Jones, J. J. McNiece, G. M. Sharp, W. F. Patterson, A. H. Zollinger, J. W. Newsom, J. D. Porter, B. C. Tipton, Charles West, W. A. McCandless, W. L. Johnson, J. M. Ashby and the hostess and co-hostess, Mrs. F. A. Polley.

WILLING WORKERS CLASS.

Mrs. S. A. Derstine entertained members of the Willing Workers class of Grace Presbyterian church Tuesday afternoon. After an interesting program, refreshments were passed to the following members:

Mesdames R. A. Walker, Marvin Smith, S. G. Russell, J. E. Tucker, L. L. Murray, J. J. Russell, W. M. Elliott, Miss Mary Keny, and one visitor, Miss Vera Walker.

Mrs. J. J. Russell will entertain the class on Nov. 9.

Many Relatives Come For Funeral Rites for Mrs. W. D. Butler

Among relatives from out-of-town, who came for the funeral of Mrs. W. D. Butler, held last Thursday morning, were:

Mrs. H. W. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Berry, Ropesville; E. B. McKee, Levelland; J. B. McKee, Mrs. Byrd James and son, Bobby Lee, Altus, Okla.; J. M. Holt, W. L. Holt and daughters, Alice Marie and Margie Lee, Lamesa; Joe Butler, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bertram, Snyder; Mrs. Claud Rittenberry, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Blair, Levelland; A. C. Butler, Weatherford; Mr. and Mrs. Sim Moore, Wink.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all the good neighbors and friends for their sympathy and kindness in our dark hour of sorrow. We also wish to thank them for their floral offerings and the meal brought during this hour. We wish to thank the preachers and undertaker for their kindness.

May each of you find such friends as these in your hour of sorrow. W. D. Butler and Relatives.

WEDDING ANNOUNCED.

Friends were surprised to hear of the marriage of two sisters within a few days of each other.

Mrs. Zelma Ellerbee was quietly married Sept. 24 at Abilene to Carl Williams. After a few days spent in Austin they have moved to Burnet, where Mr. Williams is employed.

A younger sister, Donnie Brooks, was married to Leonard Cassidy of Lamesa, and it is there they will make their home.

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CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Inclement weather cut the attendance at the six reporting Sunday Schools here to 492 last Sunday. On the previous Sunday 579 were present, while on the same Sunday a year ago 618 were present.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30.

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

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Young people's meeting 6:45 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. John H. Crow, Pastor.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S PROGRAM.

For Sunday, Oct. 17, at 6:45 p. m.: Leader, Harold Miller. Theme, "Serving Our Church." Song No. 34. No. 200. Scripture, Psalm 125:1-5. "Speaking the Truth in Love," Vernon Hudson.

"When the Pastor Gave the Young People Some Work to Do," Jimmy Bickley. Special number, Dora Marie Gaither, Dick Sears, Bobby Hodge. Prayer, Mary Collins. Business. Benediction.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. W. H. Jackson of Abernathy will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m. B. T. S. at 6:45 p. m. WMU at 3 Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening. All are cordially invited to these services.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching at 8 o'clock Saturday night. Bible study 10 a. m. Sunday. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. J. L. Burtleson, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible Study Sunday 9:45 a. m. Preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by Raymond Kelsey of A. C. C. Young people's program 6:30 p. m.

Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock a service of song, prayer and Bible study. Come to our services. The Elders.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Every one is cordially invited to these services. R. T. Smith, Pastor.

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- Tomatoes, 2 lbs. 15c
- Cabbage, firm heads, lb. 3c
- Okra, home grown, lb. 15c
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- 2 bunches .. 15c
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- Beans, pound .. 15c
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- Apples, large, doz 40
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- Lemons, doz. .. 29c
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- Grapes, 2 lbs. .. 15c
- Elberta Peaches, doz. .. 25c
- Large yellow firm
- Bananas, doz. .. 15c
- Calif. medium size
- Oranges, doz. .. 19c
- School size
- Apples, 2 doz. .. 29c
- Seedless
- Grapefruit, 3 for 25c

Syrup, Pure Ribbon Cane, gallon .. 59c

Crackers, A-1 Saltines, 2 lb. box .. 19c

- Peanut Butter, 24 oz. 25c
- Rice, 3 lb. pkg. .. 25c
- Catsup, 14 oz. bottle, 2 for 25c
- Potted Ham, pure meat 7 for 25c
- Pure Cane Cloth bag
- Sugar, 10 pounds .. 59c

Milk Baby size can 7 for .. 25c

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