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LAST RITES FOR MRS. BROWN AT WHITE CHURCH

**Widow of Late W. H. Brown Dies
At Home of Daughter in Hen-
rietta; Had Been Resident of
County 59 Years.**

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at White Church for Mrs. W. H. Brown, 70, who died at 2:45 p. m. Saturday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. P. R. McLain, of Henrietta, Texas, where she had been the past two months. She had been in ill health for several years, becoming seriously ill three weeks ago.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. F. Click, Methodist pastor, of Tye.

Pallbearers were six grandsons: Wilfred McLain of Wichita Falls, Odell McLain of Henrietta, Lenton McLain and Ben Hall of Olney, Marvin Lindsay of Brownfield and Morris Pressly of Merkel.

Flower girls were: Madlyn Brown, Lola Mae Riggan, Maxine Phillips, Earline Brown, Melba Shugart, Jean Pressly, Joyce Lindsay and Joan Brown.

Mrs. Brown is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Nell Pressly of Merkel, Mrs. P. R. McLain of Henrietta, and Mrs. A. D. Wilson of Levelland; two sisters, Mrs. T. M. Shugart of Merkel and Mrs. C. H. Hutchins of Sweetwater, and one brother, J. M. Norris of Hurley, N. M. All were present for the services except J. M. Norris.

Her husband, W. H. Brown, preceded her in death eleven years ago. She has made her home in Taylor county for the past 59 years.

Among those attending the funeral (Continued on Page Six.)

Lions to Co-Operate In Red Cross Drive, Unemployment Census

Steps were taken at Tuesday's luncheon of the Lions club to co-operate in the Annual Red Cross Drive and in the approaching unemployment census to be undertaken by the federal government through the postal organization.

Since the former quarters had been leased for business purposes, the club met at Woody's cafe. With President Joe P. Self in charge, Yates Brown led the singing of a verse of "America" and the invocation was given by W. W. Haynes.

Speaking in behalf of Mayor Elliott, City Secretary Yates Brown presented the request that had come to the mayor to name two representatives of business to serve on a general committee of civic leaders working with the local postmaster in carrying out the plans for the federal unemployment census. As members of this committee President Self named N. T. Hodge and O. R. Dye, after Postmaster Wrenn Durham had given a general outline of the plan for and details of the census.

As chairman of the public health and welfare committee, S. D. Gamble presented a request from Mrs. F. C. McFarland, local chairman of the Red Cross membership drive, for the Lions club to assume canvassing of the business area. The public health committee was empowered to name committees to work the business part of town under their supervision.

Many Business Firms For Armistice Holiday

When the matter of observing Armistice Day, which falls on Thursday of next week, was brought up by Henry West at the Tuesday luncheon of the Lions club, expressions from heads of all business firms present indicated unanimous approval of the stores closing that day.

No definite action was taken further than to get an expression from the business firms represented, as it was considered a matter to be decided by the business men of the town rather than the Lions club.

Girl Loses Fingers In Gin Machinery

Mary Sue Danley, age 9, was brought to the Merkel hospital Tuesday night after she had lost three fingers of her right hand in an accident at a gin in Trent.

The child had accompanied her father, E. L. Danley, to the gin, with a bale of cotton, and while playing about the place her hand was caught in machinery.

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

James A. Correll, 54, professor of electrical engineering at the University of Texas, died at his home at Austin Saturday morning after a heart attack.

Livestock shipments from Texas to Fort Worth stockyards and interstate points in September totalled 7,704 cars, 81 per cent higher than the same month a year ago.

The state board of control has called for bids Dec. 7 on construction of the new hospital for insane at Big Spring, for which the legislature appropriated \$817,000.

Rio Grande Valley Citrus Exchange, representing 23 packing associations will begin Nov. 15 a nation-wide advertising campaign to increase the sale of Texas grapefruit and oranges.

Double funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at a Dallas funeral chapel for Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Hutson, who, after being together in life for over a half century, died less than a day apart.

An automobile whose ownership was traced to Milton Hedrick, missing Olney salesman, was reported found Oct. 22 near Mason, the sheriff's office at Vernon was advised, Hedrick has been missing since Oct. 21.

The body of W. F. Cato, 50, former Garza county sheriff for ten years, was found sprawled on a bed with a bullet wound through his heart an instant after a shot was heard at his home at Post early Tuesday.

Four persons were killed Tuesday night in a head-on collision near Madisonville. The dead are three girl high school students: Janice Scott, Floradel Coleman, and Betty Ash, all 15, and Marian Jordan, a negro.

Harry N. Graves, veteran member of the house of representatives from Georgetown, was appointed by Governor James V. Allred to succeed the late Judge O. S. Lattimore as a member of the court of criminal appeals.

Twelve deaths resulted during the Halloween week-end in Texas from accidents and violence. One man was burned to death, one committed suicide, two were shot, one accidentally, one beaten to death, seven in traffic accidents.

With a \$300,000 permit for erection of a library building at Texas Tech college as the contributing factor, Lubbock led Texas cities for new construction last week. The West Texas city's permits for the year were raised to \$1,401,694.

Earl Dodson, 18, was crushed fatally by a falling tree trunk near Kimball lake in western Anderson county. Earl and his father had been using a crosscut saw to fell the huge oak which split as it fell and kicked backward, crushing Earl.

J. T. Lloyd, about 27 years old, was instantly killed Monday morning when the oil truck loaded with oil which he was driving turned over on him north of Roscoe. He was pinned under the machine, the upper portion of his body being badly crushed.

In a referendum as to the action of the executive board of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce on Oct. 15, when that body voted to move headquarters from Stamford to Abilene, town directors of the regional group balloted 115 to 38 for removal.

Mrs. Roxie Glass, 36, of Aquilla, was killed instantly when a double-bladed axe her husband was using glanced off a fence post and pierced her skull. W. L. Glass, the husband, was using the flat side of the implement to drive down the post and she was helping him.

Houston was chosen as the 1938 convention city of the Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star, at the state convention at El Paso. Mrs. Norma D. Allen of Edna was installed as worthy grand matron and Clyde E. Smith of Woodville as worthy grand patron.

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jenkins, Noodle, Thursday, October 28, 1937.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Chase, Tye, Wednesday, November 3, 1937.

Boy, to Mrs. Leonard Jenkins, Thursday, November 4, 1937.

BADGERS OPEN UP IN FOURTH WITH SNYDER

**Score Two Touchdowns in Last
Quarter With Effective Pass-
ing; Tigers, However, Out-
weighing Locals, Win Easily.**

The Snyder Tigers defeated the Merkel Badgers 50-13 last Friday night at Snyder. The Snyder boys would easily outweigh the Badgers ten pounds per man, but this did not make much difference, as the Badgers made up for the lack of weight with plenty of fight and hustle.

The Tigers received and with Tate, 200-pound fullback, making short line plunges, they scored early in the game. Woolever, 180-pound tackle, missed the extra point after Tate had scored from the five-yard line. The Tigers hit pay dirt again in the first quarter when Strayhorn broke away and galloped 40 yards to score. This time Woolever's kick was good. The Tigers scored twice in the second quarter, on a 15-yard run by Head and a short plunge by Tate. Both extra points failed.

As the third quarter began, G. Rogers scored after a 20-yard run, and Strayhorn made another tally from the one-yard line. The quarter ended as Strayhorn completed a 40-yard aerial to Head which was good for another touchdown.

The Badgers opened up with a fierce passing attack in the fourth that completely baffled the Tigers. West chucked one to Adcock which was good for a touchdown from the Tiger 20-yard line, and West passed to Adcock for extra point. The Badgers scored again in five minutes, when West threw a long one to Jenkins, who took it on the fly and scampered across untouched. The pass and run were good for 55 yards. West's pass for point failed.

Outstanding for the Badgers were Wooley, Cox, Barnett and Jenkins in the line, and Walker, Adcock and West in the backfield.

Woolever, Mebane and Hargrove starred in the Tiger line, while Tate and Strayhorn played best in the backfield.

Statistics of the game:
First downs: Merkel 7, Snyder 20.
Punts: Merkel 6 times for average (Continued on Page Six.)

Complete Plans for Red Cross Roll Call

With dates for the Annual Red Cross Roll Call set for Nov. 11 to 25 inclusive, Mrs. F. C. McFarland has accepted the chairmanship of the local membership drive. L. R. Thompson, of Abilene, county auditor, is chairman of the rural communities and school division.

Co-operation of members of the Farnightly Study club and of the Lions club has been enlisted by Mrs. McFarland, with plans being worked out for a one-day drive on Tuesday, Nov. 16.

On that day members of the Study club will canvass the residence parts of town and the schools, while teams from the Lions club will cover the business part of town.

Readers of The Mail will remember a report of activities of the Merkel Auxiliary of the Taylor County Red Cross society 20 years ago, which was reproduced in the "Merkel Twenty Years Ago" column, showing more than a hundred members enrolled at that time, and the drive this year is expected to exceed even that quota.

Elected Treasurer District Music Clubs

Miss Christine Collins, who is a member of the Music Unit of the Abilene Woman's Forum and who served the past two years as member of the state board from the Sixth district, Texas Federation of Music clubs, was elected treasurer of the Sixth district at the fall meeting held in Abilene last week.

Mrs. R. P. Wyche, president of the Music Unit, was elected district president, and Ozona was chosen as 1938 meeting place. One hundred and eighty-four members attended the session.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. Norman Locks, Brownwood, vice-president; Mrs. E. D. Shurley, Sonora, secretary; Mrs. Sheridan Newman, Brady, auditor; Mrs. J. E. Sentell, Snyder, parliamentarian. Named to the state board were Mrs. H. B. Tandy of Ozona and Mrs. L. B. Horton of San Angelo.

165 STUDENTS ON HONOR ROLL FIRST PERIOD

**Mary Ruth Hutcherson Leads
Group With Average of 97;
But Several Students Average
As High As 95.**

According to word received from Supt. Connor Robinson, there were 165 students in the Merkel Public schools who made an average of 90 in all their subjects to qualify for a place on the honor roll for the first six-weeks period. Complete list of the averages was not available, but several students averaged as high as 95. Mary Ruth Hutcherson led the entire group with an average of 97.

The honor roll students are listed by grades as follows:

First grade: Joan James, Allen Causseaux, Bobby Tom Hodge, Don Dudley, Grace Lea Lang, Harvey Hicham, Hollis McLain, Phyllis Freeman, Della Marie Gilmore, Marilyn Petty, Becky Nan Seymour, Jo Maryvryn Tipton, Billie Seymour, Elberta Reynolds, Ralph Ray Miller, Grady Williams, Cris Reynolds, Dick Sears, J. L. Shults, Doris Edith Turner, Janice Patterson, Verdean Smith and Glenn Westenhover.

Second grade: Billy Morris Baze, Betty Joyce Bond, Beth Ann Day, Carl Causseaux, Maurice Dunn, Patsy Ruth Daniel, Patricia Douglas, Royce Gilbreath, Wayne Haynes, Peggy Joyce Dye, Douglas Baker, Leon Floyd, Mattie Lou Bicknell, Ray Ann Hamm, Junior Greenfield, Bobby Glen Gilbert, Peggy Joyce Hampton, Ann Walker, Jimmy Walker, Betty Jane Keifer, Waymon Leopard, Billy Pat Nash, Marvin Jones, Stanley Stanford, Mack Knight, Flossie London and Betty Jean Matthews.

Third grade: Mary Ruth Hutcherson, George Ann Groene, Minor Junior Burns, Frankie Henry, Geraldine Jenkins, Robert Burns, Jimmie Lee Latimer, Doyle Conley, Bonnie Church. (Continued on Page Two.)

November Grants of Old Age Assistance Not to be Reduced

Austin, Nov. 4.—November grants of old age assistance in Texas will not be reduced, the state board of control announced Tuesday. Checks will be mailed as usual on Nov. 15.

Reduction of administrative staff and re-investigation of the rolls will be necessary, the board said. Steps to reduce the debt to a Dallas bank were made with increased revenue during October.

Postoffice Receipts Set October Record

October receipts at the Merkel post office were \$1,060.89, setting a new record for the month, according to figures revealed by Postmaster Wrenn Durham. This was nearly \$200 over October, 1936, receipts of \$886.70 and slightly more than for October, 1935. Total receipts of \$7,664.09 for the first ten months of 1937 are \$87.46 behind those of \$7,751.55 for the same period in 1936.

Start Plans Federal Census of Unemployed

Forms for use in taking the national unemployment census Nov. 16-17 have already been received by Postmaster Wrenn Durham, together with full particulars of the plan to register every unemployed or partly employed person in the United States, which is to be carried out through the postoffice department.

The forms will be distributed Nov. 16 to all postoffice boxes and general delivery patrons and will be supplied by the rural mail carriers to every box on their routes. These cards are to be filled out and returned, either by mail or direct to the postoffice, by midnight of Nov. 20, by every unemployed or partly employed person, with the ultimate object of making an absolutely accurate check of the nation's unemployed.

While the census is undertaken largely by the postoffice department, assistance of business men, clubs and civic leaders is expected to see that the purpose is promptly carried out, viz., to enroll every unemployed or partly employed person.

It is of greatest importance to those who are in the unemployed class to secure a card, fill it out promptly and return it before midnight of Nov. 20.

NEXT MEETING P.-T. A. COMES TUESDAY NIGHT

Next meeting of the Merkel Parent-Teacher association will be held at 7:30 Tuesday night, Nov. 9, in the High School gymnasium, at which time the program committee has planned the following excellent program to follow the business session:

"Good Times in the Family," Ed Shumway, Boy Scout executive in the Chisholm Trail area.

One-act play by the Dramatic club under the direction of Mrs. Comer Haynes.

"Games for the Family," Miss Violet Barley, High School physical education teacher.

Demonstration by the girl's physical education department.

Family games will be directed by Miss Barley and Yates Brown, to be followed by a social "get-acquainted" time for all.

The president of the association, Mrs. Connor Robinson, wishes to call an executive committee meeting at 7 o'clock Tuesday night, Nov. 9, and officers and chairmen of all committees are urged to be present and on time.

Merkel Man Taken to Fort Worth to See Brain Specialist

Having shown steady improvement all week, J. A. Patterson, who has been at the Merkel hospital for the past two weeks following a hemorrhage of the brain, was taken to Fort Worth on the 2:10 T. & P. morning train Thursday to see a brain specialist there.

Shortly before noon last Saturday he suffered a recurrence of a brain hemorrhage and he was unconscious for several hours.

In charge of a special nurse, he was accompanied to Fort Worth by his wife and two sons, Clesby and Jim Patterson.

Week of Hot, Dry Weather Rushes Staple to Gins

With a solid week of hot, dry weather, the six gins in Merkel and those at Blair, Stith and Noodle turned out 1,881 bales of cotton in the six days ending Wednesday night, according to tabulations of The Mail. The Noodle gin accounts for over a third of this amount.

Total for the season, including the above figures, is 13,319. The total 1936 crop in this area was only 10,088 bales.

Pan-American Closes.

Dallas, Nov. 4.—The Greater Texas and Pan-American exposition, which inherited most of its sprawling and colorful plant from last year's Texas Centennial, officially closed at midnight Sunday to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne."

Signs School Aid Bill.

Austin, Nov. 4.—Governor James V. Allred has signed a bill revising administration of rural school aid and re-allocating the funds so as to provide an additional \$835,000 a year for school bus operation.

Chow university, the principal school of the Southern Methodist church in China.

H. A. Sanders purchased the Burroughs Drug store the past week. Mr. Sanders and family have been living in Merkel for two weeks. He opened the business yesterday and is making considerable improvements.

Mrs. R. L. Moore, Mrs. Rainbolt, Mrs. Eugene Hargrove and Joel Counts, joined by Mrs. J. E. Musick of Abilene, made a trip to Fort Worth last week. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Musick visited Mrs. Moore's son, who is at Camp Bowie, and the rest of the crowd went on to visit the Fair at Dallas. Mrs. Moore was delighted with the way the boys at the Camp are fixed up. She says it is a great place and that her son has gained seventeen pounds since he has been in the army.

Miss Ola Sharp entertained her Sunday School class a few days ago, by taking them car riding out to Mulberry creek, where they had luncheon. They remained out there for sometime and played up and down the hills and had a general good time.

In a state election Thursday woman suffrage carried New York by a large majority.

PTA CARNIVAL DRAWS CROWD OF OVER 600

**Combined Receipts of All Booths
Total \$150.90; Junior Class
Wins Prize for Making the
Most Money.**

Approximately 600 patrons and friends were in attendance at the Merkel School Carnival held Thursday night in the school gymnasium under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher association.

Each grade was in charge of a booth or display and the Junior class won the \$2.50 prize for making the most money. George Mack Owens won the \$1.00 prize for being the most appropriately dressed boy, while the girl's prize was won by Frances Walker for wearing the cleverest costume.

With each of the eleven grades, the three P.-T. A. booths, the Lions club booth and the school board booth playing to a full house from 7:30 to 9:30, the P.-T. A. took in a total of \$150.90. The organization has just been recently organized and with these funds to carry out desired projects they can be of real benefit to the community and school.

Fifty new members were added as a result of the Carnival which brings the total membership up to 132.

Arrangements for the Carnival were in charge of the hospitality and room representatives committees and approximately 50 room mothers, who had charge of booths and decorations. Children from each of the grades also helped, as did several father volunteers.

Mrs. F. C. McFarland is chairman of the hospitality committee, with the following assistants, Mesdames A. R. Booth, Stanley King, Rex Myers, John Shannon, C. B. Gardner, Miss Mamie Ellis. Mrs. Allen McGehee is chairman of the room representatives committee, assisted by Mrs. Robert Hicks and Mrs. T. L. Grimes.

Mrs. Connor Robinson, as president, wishes to express her personal appreciation for the splendid management and to those who contributed in any way toward making the Community Halloween Carnival a success.

Badgers Play Loraine In Armistice Game

As The Mail goes to press, the Merkel-Roby game, moved up from Friday in order to permit fans to take in the Abilene-Stephenville game also, was in progress on the High School gridiron.

On next Thursday, Armistice Day, the Badgers will play Loraine at Loraine.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, November 2, 1917.)

Lewis Swann is working at the Grimes Drug store every morning and evening before and after school and on Saturdays.

Roy B. Mefferd, principal of the High school, has been denied his appeal and will have to report for military duty at once. Mr. Mefferd is an efficient High school man and athletic instructor and the work will doubtless be hampered by his withdrawal.

Ira Armstrong has leased the garage on Kent street, formerly known as the Ford Garage. He is installing some modern machinery and will conduct the plant as a Ford repair shop.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Hancock, who have been operating the Merkel Bakery for the past few years, decided to close the plant for awhile and Mr. Hancock has accepted a position in Fort Worth. We regret to see this young couple leave Merkel. However, they expect to return as soon as conditions improve and again operate the bakery.

C. Touchstone is visiting his people here. He has been in Nashville, Tenn., for sometime and is now on his way to Soo Chow, China, where he will be in charge of the office of the Soo

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Honor Roll

(Continued From Page One.)

Ruby Nell Henslee, Nellie Sandusky, La Fern Stanford, Betty Jo Perry, Joanna Ramsey, Betty Jo Seymore, Mavelene Seymore, Jackie Boaz Smith, Drusilla Wheeler, Glenn Toombs.

Fourth grade: Lora Pearl Haynes, Dormon Clark, Doris Dudley, Becky Gaither, Betty Gilbert, James Roy Baccus, Rachel Miller, Sammy Myers, John Robert Walker, Gwendolyn Vaughn, Foy Westenhover, A. G. Stout, Virgil Sears, Geraldine Williams, Jennie Reg Teaff, Bobby Nell Reagan, Betty Lee Reynolds, Johnnie Wheeler.

Fifth grade: Bonnie Jaynes, Dorothy Jean Jinkens, Frances Walker, Joy Sue Self, James Reece.

Sixth grade: Dorothy Nell Groene, Mary Alice Hester, Doris Curtis, Dorothy Nell Haynes, Jack Haynes, Marjorie Fulton, Mary Jo Hutchins, Glenn Blair, Freda Huddleston, Avalene Mathews, Wanda McCoy, Willie Sue Morgan, Doris Lepard, Irene Walker, Patricia Leonard, Don Hutcheson, Matilene London and George Mack Owens.

Seventh grade: Sue Grimes, Bill Hutcheson, Laverne Douglas, Hazel Burns, Normal Bland, Jack Melton, Billy Clyde Haynes, Jack Hester, Tag Shouse, Dwight Swafford, Bonnie McAninch, Sue Pincley, Billy Wood, Juanee Holt, Evelyn Sears and Margaret Sharp.

HIGH SCHOOL

Eighth grade: Dora Marie Gaither, Becky Gardner, Bob Williamson, Mary Elizabeth Francis, Doris Clyde Miller, Betty Lou Higgins, Louise Patterson and O. C. Shouse, Jr.

Ninth grade: Madlyn Addison, Evelyn Bigler, Winnie Merle Click, Billy Largent, Evelyn Latimer, Winona Kelso, Mildred McLean, Lester Rister, Gay West and Don Wood.

Tenth grade: Medford McCoy, Mary Jo Russell, Billy Wood, Dorothy Horton, Mattie Reynolds, Bernice Lewis, Nora Lee Baird, Bonnie Campbell, Joy Doan, La Verne Harwell, Edith Butman.

Eleventh grade: Jannell Black, Ruby Bigham, Freda Farmer, Frances Higgins, Dorris Coats, Julia Holder, Johnnie Chadwick, P. A. Diltz and Mildred Humphrey.

Hodges Happenings

Our school is progressing nicely. We are glad to welcome the new principal, Mr. Howell, and his wife to our community. They have moved into the teacherage, as also Mr. and Mrs. Walls and baby; we are also glad to have them back.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wilson and children visited Mr. Wilson's grandfather at Rule Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Walsh of near Hamlin were week-end guests last week at the home of Mrs. Walsh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McCoy. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Lee are here visiting friends and relatives. They are now living in Portales, N. M.

Gilbert Benton is sporting a nice looking '33 Oldsmobile.

Grady Wilson has the "flu." We hope he will soon be o. k. again.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our many friends for their loving kindness shown us during the death of our beloved mother and grandmother, Mrs. W. H. Brown, also for the nice dinner and beautiful floral offerings.

May God's richest blessings rest upon all of you.

Mrs. Nell Pressly and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. McLain and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wilson and Daughter.

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Popular Trio Again In "Rustlers' Valley"

That popular trio of the Western screen, "Hopalong Cassidy," "Windy" and "Lucky," return to the screen of the Queen theatre on Friday and Saturday in "Rustler's Valley," latest of the Clarence E. Mulford action stories.

The story is a mile-a-minute account of how "Hopalong" triumphs over a crooked banker who is out to wrest valuable lands away from a group of ranchers, and who does not hesitate to use rustling methods and trumped-up murder charges to accomplish this end.

"Rustler's Valley" returns charming Muriel Evans, who appeared with the three inseparable saddle-mates in "Three on the Trail" and "Call of the Prairie," to the popular Mulford outdoor romances. Since her last appearance in these stories she has scored in "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town" with Gary Cooper and Jean Arthur.

Much of the action in "Rustler's Valley" was filmed in Columbia, California, famous "ghost town." Once the center of the gold rush in the Mother Lode country and the Mecca of prospectors from all over the world, Columbia now lies practically deserted, just as it existed in the fighting fifties, a typical frontier town of the last century.

William Boyd plays the role of "Hopalong" as usual, with George Hayes as "Windy" and Russell Hayden as "Lucky." The cast also includes Stephen Morris.

"Lost Horizon" in Popular Price Run

Previewed from coast to coast by more than three million persons, who paid "roadshow" prices to see it, Frank Capra's long-awaited "Lost Horizon," starring Ronald Colman, comes to the Queen theatre for the "Owl" show Saturday night, Monday and Tuesday.

Regular prices of 10 and 25 cents will prevail at the engagement at the local theatre, it is announced by Manager N. T. Hodge.

Briefly, the story of "Lost Horizon" concerns five persons who are kidnapped in an airplane in China, and flown deep into the heart of Forbidden Tibet. Picked up by a caravan headed by a mystic and elderly Chinese, they are escorted to what is perhaps the most unusual place on the face of the earth—the lamasery of Shangri-La.

Here, cloistered securely by mountains impenetrable to the uninitiated, is a setting of indescribable beauty and serenity, peopled by members of the strangest cult of modern times. Romance and adventure fall to the bewildered kidnappers, and soon, all but one surrender to the utter contentment and rare loveliness that is Shangri-La.

Written and directed by Robert Riskin and Frank Capra, respectively—the men responsible for such memorably hits as "It Happened One Night" and "Mr. Deeds," to name only two—"Lost Horizon" stars Ronald Colman and a huge cast of players featuring such outstanding screen personalities as Jane Wyatt, Edward Everett Horton, Isabel Jewell, Thomas Mitchell, Margo, H. B. Warner, John Howard and Sam Jaffe.

Two New Film Finds In "Midnight Madonna"

A powerful story of a mother's struggle for the possession of her baby in the face of a hostile society poisoned against her, serves to introduce two newcomers to the screen who bid fair to go far on the path of cinema fame.

The story is "Midnight Madonna," which plays at the Queen theatre Wednesday and Thursday, and the newcomers are four-year-old Kitty Clancy, described as one of the season's sensational "finds," and Mady Correll, a beauty from the New York stage, who enacts the mother role.

Little Miss Clancy is a gorgeous curly-haired blonde who hadn't as much as seen a motion picture camera before in her life. Daughter of a Bridgeport, Connecticut couple, she has proved herself a trouper from the very moment she first appeared before the camera when she endeavored herself to actors, director and technicians for the business-like way in which she went about her chore.

Miss Correll, almost a youngster herself, comes to pictures after a short but brilliant career on the stage, notably in New York. She is the daughter of a New York advertising man. She chose the stage early in life as the vehicle to express her talents. As a night club entertainer who is forced to battle a naïf-do-well husband, played by Robert Baldwin, for the possession of the child, heir to millions through the will of an eccentric grandparent, she has the opportunity not only to display her histrionic ab-

ility but also an excellent singing voice.

The cast of "Midnight Madonna" is headed by Warren William, and includes, besides Miss Clancy and Miss Correll, a corps of beautiful singing girls, Jonathan Hale, Edward Ellis and several other well-known featured players. The picture was directed by James Flood from an original screen story.

Miss Correll introduces a new hit tune in "Midnight Madonna." It is "The Plain Old Blues," which was written expressly for this picture by Johnston and Burke, the brilliant song-writing team who wrote the Bing Crosby hit "Pennies From Heaven."

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. McLain and children of Henrietta are visiting her sister, Mrs. Nell Pressly.

Mrs. Hattie L. Cooper returned Tuesday from a three weeks visit in Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and Louisiana, stopping over in Galveston and Houston en route home. She was accompanied by her brother, T. A. Moore of Midland, and a sister, Mrs. J. M. Cowden of Abilene.

Miss Phyllis Smith, who is attending John Tarleton college at Stephenville, was home to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Clyde Smith.

Postmaster and Mrs. Wrenn Durham spent the week-end in Crane, having been accompanied home by the former's mother, Mrs. Tom Durham, who will visit her children here and later go to Albany to visit another daughter.

After a visit with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Laney, Mrs. Floyd Davis returned Monday to her home at Big Spring.

Mrs. A. T. Sheppard returned Sunday from Dallas where she visited her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Sheppard, having been joined there Saturday by Mr. Sheppard. Mrs. Sheppard went to Dallas from Temple on Thursday of last week, having gone to Temple with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cox when Mrs. Cox went through the clinic there.

T. H. Christopher and Mrs. Len Sublett were called to Lamesa last Friday on account of the serious illness of the former's daughter, Mrs. Ralph Stuart, teacher in the Lamesa schools. Mr. Christopher and Mrs. Sublett returned Monday. Last reports were that Mrs. Stuart's condition was somewhat improved.

Those who attended the meeting last week at El Paso of the Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, were Mrs. Tom Allday, worthy matron, Mrs. Wade Ensminger, past matron of Merkel Chapter No. 212, and Mrs. Will Butman, member of No. 212.

B. H. Hale of Lipan in Hood county is visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hale.

After a two weeks visit with her mother, Mrs. R. E. Cole, Miss Lucille Cole returned Tuesday to San Angelo. Jack Sublett, a student in Texas Tech at Lubbock, was home to spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Sublett. On the previous week-end, both sons, Jack and Ben, were here from Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley King spent Sunday with their son, Norman King, who is a student at John Tarleton college, Stephenville.

Sunday guests in the C. P. Stevens home were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cash of Christoval, Mr. and Mrs. Purl Fannin and daughter, Merdelle, and niece of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Newman of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. Silas Stevens of Abilene.

Mrs. Lila Rea has returned from a business trip to Dallas and Fort Worth.

Mrs. George Woodrum, who was sufficiently recovered to be brought home Monday from the Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene, continues to show improvement and is able to sit up.

Mrs. S. D. Gamble is visiting this week in Austin with her son, David Gamble, student in the University of Texas.

S. M. Hunter returned Monday from Lubbock, Mrs. Hunter remaining with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Reeder, for treatment at the West Texas hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Watters of Cleburne are guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Baker. Mr. Watters is a brother of Mrs. Baker.

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Book-keeping Class of Miss Violet Barley Makes Field Trip

In order to acquaint the class more thoroughly with the purpose of bookkeeping, the entire class in bookkeeping at the Merkel High school was given a complete demonstration and lecture at the Farmers State bank in Merkel.

Joe P. Self, cashier, explained and illustrated the high points in banking and the importance of its bookkeeping.

The group was composed of the following: Miss Violet Barley, sponsor, Johnny Chadwick, Mattie Lou Ford, B. G. Gant, Frank Dye, L. S. Tipton, Doris Raye Mitchell, CeVene Daniel, Pauline Blackaby, Annie D. Garvin, Rolna Hudson, Cora Mae Newsom, Arlie Joe Barron, L. B. Gibson, Charles Iddings, Marvin Hunter.

Keep Up Payments, Teachers Are Told

Austin, Nov. 4.—Claude D. Teer, chairman of the board of trustees of the teachers' retirement system, said Thursday that teachers would be safe in completing applications and maintaining membership despite the failure of the legislature to provide matching funds.

Many teachers have started paying 5 per cent of their salaries, he said, which will be kept intact and carefully managed. Asserting teachers would be safe in maintaining membership, he said the legislature no doubt at its next session would make an appropriation with which to finance the system.

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As Europe again turns into an armed camp and the far East bursts into flame, November 11th brings back vivid memories of the horrors of war.

Those whose hopes and dreams were touched but lightly by the last great war have found the power to forget. But to the millions of others whose lives will never be the same again, War remains a stark reality, always.

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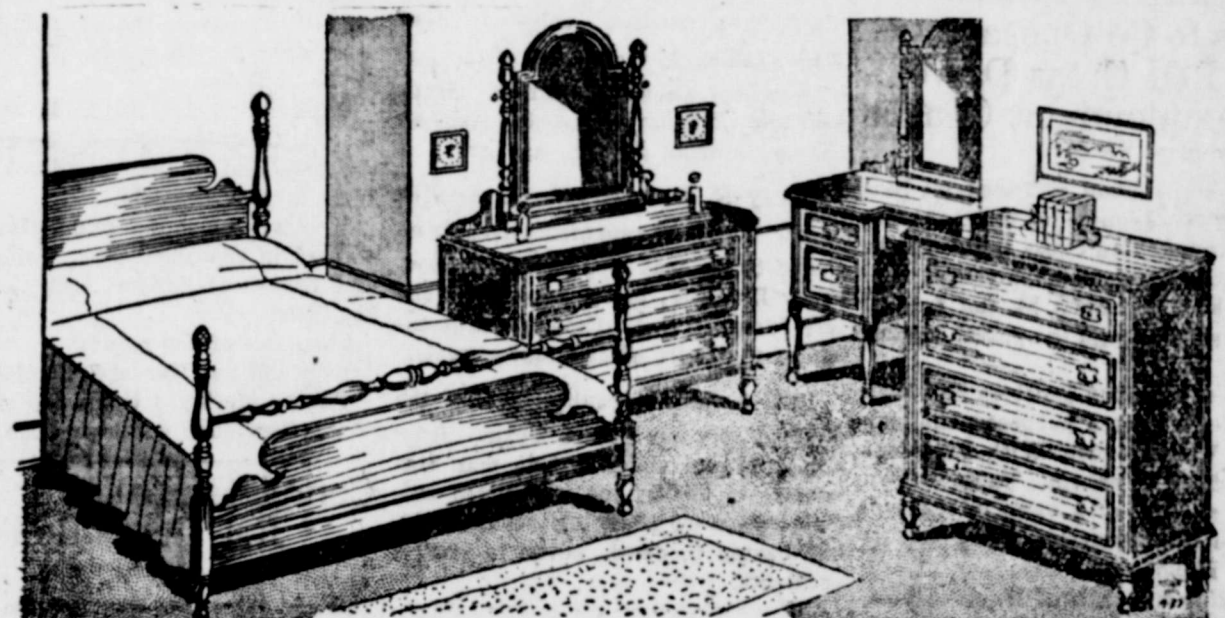
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WEAR A SMILE.

Why go around all day with a long face and a big frown? What if your face should freeze that way?

The happiest people are those that smile through their troubles. Look at the bright side of life instead of the gloomy side. Did it ever occur to you that if you smile it might cause someone else to smile? Be happy and full of life. Try not to worry. Just smile, and the world will smile with you.

PERSONALITIES.

Dorothea Sue Bird.

Dorothea Sue is a very brilliant student of Merkel High school. Her rank is always among the highest. During her four years in High school she has been in the Choral club, Home Eco club, Senior Girls club, and has been a member of our volleyball team. After finishing school, Dorothea Sue wishes to be a secretary. We know that she will succeed.

O. D. Blair.

O. D. is another of our high ranking students, and he never disturbs the "peace" but always works hard. He is a member of the Spanish club and played two years on the baseball team. He wishes to study either journalism or electrical engineering after he graduates.

PEP SQUAD.

Another hard fought game and we couldn't be there to yell and give our Badgers more spirit and fight to battle against those Snyder Tigers. But they put up a hard fight and what more could we ask?

We girls are meeting every afternoon of this week in order to work up a swell formation for our game with the Roby Lions. We're looking forward to this game and we'll be there—rain, snow or shine.

SENIOR NEWS.

At last! At last! We have them. Our rings—and, incidentally they are not the ones in the bathtub—but they are gold with a purple "M." Merkel is spelled out underneath with H. S. in the corners. We received them last Friday and we are really proud of them. We also received either a bracelet, football, or belt buckle, whichever we chose, as a gift from the Star Engraving company for sending our orders in last spring.

SPANISH CLUB.

The Merkel High School Spanish club, sponsored by Miss Stroud, has its first entertainment of the year Tuesday night, Nov. 2, at 7:30. This is to be a gala introduction to the Spanish work for 1937-38.

SOPHOMORE NEWS.

The Sophomores want to thank everyone for patronizing their booth at the carnival last Thursday night.

The Sophomores seem to be in a wondering mood this week.

We wonder—
Who Bonnie's tall, dark, and handsome secret boy friend is and who Gay's tall, blonde, and handsome one is.

What makes Billy Cox so romantic. If Mildred McLean ever has a date.

If Evelyn Latimer is really engaged.

If Sammie makes a hit with all the teachers.

If A. C. will find Fredia dateless some night.

If Evelyn B. thinks she can fool us with that wedding ring.

Why it was O. K. to sit with anyone you wanted to at Euvalda's theatre party Saturday night.

If "Dutchy" has finally found out that some of the Sweetwater boys are very fickle.

If these little white Fords are the apple of Loudale's eye or whether it's the owner.

If Billie McGehee has a slight touch of Soph love too.

If Helen really takes thing seriously when it comes to a certain boy, Anne, and herself.

JUNIOR NEWS.

We are certainly proud of ourselves, because, as you know, we won the prize for taking in the most money at the carnival. And take it from me, we earned it. The costume winner, Faye Walker, was a Junior, also.

From all reports Mary Nell and Joyce had a good time at the carnival. Hey! LaVerne, what do you think this is?

Where's Red, James?
The Three Musketeers—Dorma Lee, Comora and Mabel.

Why were you so dressed up, Berna Mae?

Preacher, what you saw was an optical illusion.

What did you do Hallowe'en, Billy Joe?

Why is it that some women are so weak, Mary Love?

There is something that I almost forget. But don't forget the Junior program Thursday morning in chapel. It consists of an amateur contest with President Jack Lowe acting as master of ceremonies. Don't miss it!

ASK:

Vincent and Grovone, what they stayed on detention for.

Verne, if Norman is going to board with her.

Hollis, why she didn't go to Fort Worth.

Dick, why he kept bothering James Saturday night.

Mattie Lou, what happened to her eye. (Is it catching?)

Fannelle's boy friend if he stays out late.

Mary Nell, if her heart interest is still in Abilene.

Grovone and Verne, why they were glad Johnnie stayed home Tuesday night.

Frances, if she lost her heel.
Coach, if it was onions that were making him cry.

Dorma Lee, if she can imagine what Fannelle and Frances thought when they read her opinion of them in a letter of that "just between you and me" stuff to Vincent?

Betty Lou R. and Cora Mae N. if they enjoyed church Sunday night.

Jannell, if she knew Felix has gone "red-head."

Waymon, what happened to the glass in the car window.

Griffin, if it's fun to open gates and go through people's barn yards.

Leon, who asked him to take her to the carnival—just as a favor.

Joyce, what she meant imitating Miss Burnett. (Do you suppose she wants to hold night class?)

CeVene, if she still thinks she is as important as a football game to the Coach.

Morris, if he enjoyed his trip to Kansas City.

Preacher, where he got that shave. (What do you mean shave?)

Byron and W. D., what they got so tickled about in the sixth period hall.

JOKES.

Griffin: "I told Johnnie that I was knee deep in love."

Leon: "What did she say?"

Griffin: "She said that she would keep me on her 'wading' list."

The greatest undeveloped territory lies just under our hats.

Miss Burnett: "Whatever on earth made you write a paragraph like that."

Heavy: "I quoted it from Dickens."

Miss Burnett: "Beautiful lines, aren't they?"

The old narrow trails where two cars would barely pass without colliding are happily being replaced by splendid wide highways on which six or eight cars can collide at the same time.

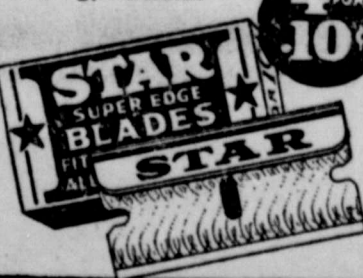
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BLAIR ITEMS

H. E. Addison of A. F. E., Fort Bliss, was the interesting guest Monday of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Addison. The climax of his visit was a birthday celebration honoring Miss Madlyn Addison and Shorty Swafford, with H. E. Addison as the honor guest. Those enjoying this hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell and son, Billie, Mrs. Susie Doan, Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Swafford and son, Bobbie Joe, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Mrs. J. C. Horton, Odie Latimer, Howard Windham, Louise Addison, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Addison.

Mrs. J. R. Curb of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. D. Moore and daughter, Miss Irene, of Tye, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore. Mrs. John Hill, Mrs. Fred Guitart and Mrs. Jim Tucker were passing visitors in this home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. M. C. Connally and son, Ralph, of Gladewater, were guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Peterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Claudie Derrington are the proud parents of a fine baby boy born the past week and weighing 10 1-2 pounds. He has been christened Tommie Keith.

J. C. Horton left Saturday for Pampa to visit his brother, Huron Horton, also another brother, Monroe Horton, who is in school at Canyon.

Mrs. Lou McKenzie, Abilene was a guest Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Campbell.

J. E. Tucker of Noodle was seen in our midst Saturday.

Carl Doan, Arthur Addison and Ellsworth Bell have gone to Wilson where they have accepted employment at the gin there.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melton and

family and Pattie Melton visited relatives in Big Spring last week-end. Mrs. Joe Ramsey of Merkel was guest Friday of Mrs. Hugh Campbell.

CARD OF THANKS.

We want to express our heartfelt thanks for the many evidences of love and friendship shown in our sad loss of our dearly beloved son, brother and uncle; to Rev. Ted McGehee, we are indeed grateful for his kind words. May God's richest blessing rest upon all of you.

R. A. Toles.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Toles and Family.

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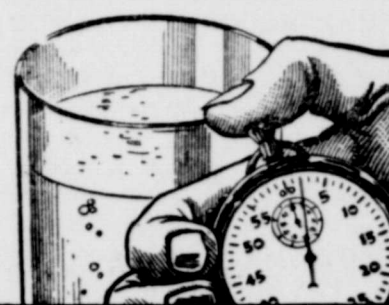
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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. Grace Estep of Houston was a guest a few days last week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hale, and sister, Mrs. John Crane and Mr. Crane.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Walker of Lamesa were guests Thursday night of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burks.

Mrs. W. H. Watkins of Lubbock attended to business here over the week-end and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods. Miss Mildred Steadman of Brownfield also accompanied Mrs. Watkins and spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Asha Steadman.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cooley spent the week-end in Lamesa visiting relatives.

Rev. Alsie Carleton attended a district meeting in Abilene Monday, the purpose of the meeting being a "check-up" of ministers and laymen of the Abilene district before conference Nov. 17 at Quanah. The group met at the First Methodist church under the leadership of Dr. C. A. Long, presiding elder of the district.

Mrs. J. Cal Hamner had as her Sunday guests her sister, Mrs. H. B. Griffith of Abilene, and her cousin, Mrs. Pentecost, wife of Dr. Pentecost of Winters. Together with Misses Odell Banner of Merkel and Moreen Banner, the party visited with Mrs. Roy Banner of Newman Sunday afternoon.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

Dr. O. P. Clark was the chairman for a business meeting of officials of the Methodist church Thursday evening. He was here to conduct quarterly conference in the place of Dr. C. A. Long, who was unable to attend. Church reports were read by division superintendents, also by the pastor, Rev. A. H. Carleton. H. R. Poor was secretary for the meeting.

Dr. Clark delivered a sermon preceding the business session.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL PROVES GALA AFFAIR.

Net profits from the school carnival held Friday evening were \$80, according to Supt. R. L. Fortune, director general for this affair.

Black and orange streamers and everhead festooning marked the places for the ten booths, midway fashion, upon the well lighted basketball ground. Old Man Weather also did his part in furnishing a real moon and a more than perfect night for the occasion.

The tumbling team from Abilene Christian college was the featured attraction, sponsored by the Parent-Teacher association; however, the Beana booth carried off the prize for the most typical booth. This booth was under sponsorship of Principal Leonard Scott and the Sophomore class.

The jail was a money-making scheme, new to Trent people, and many adult citizens were taken "unawares" by the "cops" and bundled off to jail to pay a fee before his or her release. Mrs. Mae Seago of Goodman proved to be an excellent "policewoman."

The Parent-Teacher group also featured a cooked food sale. Miss Maggie Payne and her pupils presented a circus for the people's approval and it proved to be educational. They featured wild animal life with money schemes interspersed with suitable prizes.

The Young Married Women's class of the Baptist church sponsored a very attractive booth offering homemade candies for sale. Mrs. Ed Bowers is teacher of this class.

High school held their sales strictly to eatables. Soda pop, candies and groceries were sold and tickets sold for a white elephant. J. W. Goode, Jr., was awarded a Halloween basket of groceries.

Mrs. R. L. Fortune and students sponsored a novelty booth with a clever fishing pond.

The tumbler were under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Dowell, physical education instructors at Abilene Christian college. Members were Blanche Banosky, June McKnight, Vivian Swearingen, Helen Merwin, Dora B. Williams and Gailen Cox; Wilson Dowell, Joe Templeton, Herman Johnston, Will Grover, Coyt Briscoe, Charles North and Albert Williams.

The Spinks string band furnished music from a specially built platform.

P-T. A. FORMALLY ORGANIZED—DRIVE ON.

A report from the nominating committee last Tuesday afternoon brought about the formal organization of a Parent-Teacher organization for Trent. Mrs. Alsie Carleton acted as temporary chairman for the committee's report read by Mrs. L. E. Adrian, chairman. Mrs. H. J. Kegans and Mrs. O. L. Reaves were other members of this group.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. J. G. Wilks, president; Mrs. Clois Edwards, vice-president; Mrs. John Payne, secretary and reporter; Miss Marjorie Adrian, treasurer.

A regular meeting date was decided

upon. Night meetings will be held at the school auditorium each first and third Mondays. Alternate night and afternoon meetings will be held beginning at a later date.

A fee of 50c was set for initial membership; 25c remains with the local association, while the other 25c is sent to the state organization, to assure official recognition in both state and national chapters.

L. R. Thompson, county auditor and chairman of the rural Red Cross enrollment, spoke briefly on this subject, and this organization was named sponsor for the membership drive to begin with Nov. 11 and include Thanksgiving Day.

HALLOWEEN PARTY.

The Young Married Women's class of the Baptist church were hostesses for a delightful Halloween party Thursday evening in the church parlors. Mrs. Ed Bowers is teacher of this class.

Greetings were given by a ghost, which was followed by registration of guests. Each guest was named a comic character upon entering the entertaining suite, and partners were chosen by a unique method, matching a pumpkin jack-o'-lantern.

A clever Halloween menu was served to the following guests: Messdames C. T. Beckham, John Payne, O. L. Reaves, Alex Williamson, Bill Springer, Ed Burks, C. M. Stribling, E. M. Rutherford, John Goode, E. Howell, M. B. Jones, Robt. O'Rear, Alma Howell, Davis, H. Wheatley, Bud Brown, Reasner, Wilson; Messrs. and Mesdames A. W. Woods, Gordon Howell, Foy Steadman, Pat Duncan, C. C. Stribling, G. N. Reynolds; Messrs. J. B. Winn, Sr., Ed Bowers and L. W. Ross; Misses Vera Bright, Alice Carey, Louise Smith, Wanda Dingle, Jeanine Dingle, Nell Edwards, Cliffla Jean Estep, Norma Mae Wilson, Jeanie Mae Reynolds, Peggy Tittsworth, Johnnie Rutherford, Sarah Wilson, Wilma and Wanda Stribling, Mary Lou O'Rear, Elena O'Rear, Joyce and Jean Payne, Mary Sue Howell, Johnnie Roberts; J. B. Winn, Jr., Billy Payne, Joe Goode, J. W. Goode, Wilden Mac Springer, Jimmie O'Rear, Jimmie and Bobby Owens, Cull Currington, Mark Williamson, Jake Roberts; Ray and Mrs. H. E. East, Abilene, Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Carleton.

Hostesses were Mrs. Clifford Estep, Mrs. Roscoe Owens, Mrs. Earl Norwood, Mrs. Helen Williams and Mrs. Isom Burks.

RURAL SOCIETY

COMPERE CLUB.

Twenty-seven guests gathered for "Achievement Day" of the Comper club at the home of Mrs. I. B. Ray on Oct. 28. Mrs. Ray sketched her work as pantry demonstrator from garden to cellar. Attractive white shelves in a "dug-out" held chart, crisp curtains and canned products for family table—the lady's number of jars in dry 1937 being five hundred.

Mrs. Dewey Ramsey gave a report of a delightful trip to San Angelo and an entertaining reading. Misses Marshall, Newman and Smith furnished several vocal numbers to Miss Marshall's accompaniment on the guitar.

One table held an old time school lunch basket and, in contrast, a dainty basket of today's style. Another table showed menu cards with jars or raw products for breakfast, dinner or supper. Scarfs, bedspreads and woolen articles made by members added to the decorations. But the finest displays of all were the sunshine and angel food cakes made by Mesdames Bristow, Ray, Hayes and Marshall. Cellophane covers were removed at last and these lovely cakes cut and served with an iced punch.

Besides members present, the following guests were there: from Abilene, Mrs. Hampton, Mrs. Harber; from Comper, Mrs. Childers, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Garrett, Mrs. Horton; from Wise Chapel club, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. Herps; from Anson, Miss Martin, agent; from Pleasant hill, Mrs. Hodges.

Next meeting will be Nov. 11 with Mrs. Ray, at which time officers will be elected.

SALT BRANCH CLUB.

The Salt Branch Home Demonstration club entertained with a Halloween party Oct. 29 at the Salt Branch school house. Owls and bats flitted here and there while numerous black cats prowled. Ghosts were

visible but gay music and dancing put an end to all ghostly fear.

The crowd was entertained with interesting games and unique stunts, and all were kept guessing who was who, as the costumes disguised many. The little ape won the prize in costume who proved to be W. B. Criswell when unmasked. Loreta Randel and Roy Lee Martin won in a foot race and so were crowned king and queen of the carnival.

Cornucopia opened, pouring out apples and popcorn balls and all enjoyed a feast.

BLUE BONNET CLUB.

The Blue Bonnet club met Tuesday, Nov. 2, for their annual meeting, and the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Roy Hunter; vice-president, Mrs. Wade Ensinger; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Tom Russell; parliamentarian, Mrs. Walter Hunter; council member, Mrs. Ben Butman; reporter, Mrs. Wade Ensinger.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Roy Hunter, Tom Russell, Homer Newby, Will Butman, Sam Butman, A. D. Scott, Walter Hunter, Joe Sweeney and Wade Ensinger.

The club will have their "Achievement Day" on Tuesday, Nov. 9, at the home of Mrs. Homer Newby.

WEINER ROASTS.

The ladies of the Weaver Springs Home Demonstration club entertained their husbands and families with weiner roasts Saturday evening near the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Reed, and on Sunday afternoon near the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. King. They were served weiners, bread, pickles, fruit, coffee, cocoa and pie, and pictures were taken Sunday afternoon.

The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Reed, Frank, Olive May, Jack Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs and son, Leon, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Demere, Mr. and Mrs. James Mainard, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reed and children, Mary Alice, Pauline and Olive Earl, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. King and son, Allen, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bryant, Mr. and Mrs.

Raymond Demere, Mrs. H. D. King, Mrs. S. M. Mainard, Mrs. P. R. Demere, Mr. and Mrs. John Coomer and W. C. Demere.

UNION RIDGE CLUB.

On Friday afternoon, Oct. 29, at the home of Mrs. O. R. Douglas the Union Ridge Home Demonstration club held their annual "Achievement Day."

A short program was rendered by club members, and a miscellaneous shower was given Mrs. Morris Ashmore.

Guests reviewed the handwork that members had done during the year: bedroom linens, bedspreads, quilts, all kinds of canned foods and a table set for four with noon-day meal.

Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and iced tea were passed to Mesdames Fred Guitart, O. R. Douglas, W. A. Harris, Kenneth Pee, J. L. McRee, Denzel Cox, S. O. Patton, O. E. Harwell, Clarence Church, Dale Burleson, W. C. Lee, H. C. King, G. L. Price, Andy Shouse, Lee Tipton, O. L. Humphries, J. Ben Campbell, F. A. Polley, Marvin Douglas, and Misses Peggy Taylor, Mabel McRee, Fay Douglas, Norma Patton and Lucille McKourn.

The club will meet Friday, Nov. 5, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Clarence Church.

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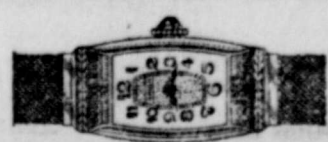
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Red Cross Day Proclaimed.

Austin, Nov. 4.—Gov. James V. Allred has proclaimed Nov. 10 as Red Cross Day. He urged every Texan to join wholeheartedly the annual roll call, "for in no other investment are the returns more worthwhile."

Author of "Sky Pilot" Dies.

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 4.—Rev. Charles Gordon, known to millions as Ralph Connor, author of "The Sky Pilot," died here Sunday. He was 77. Among his other books were "Black Rock" and "The Man from Glen-gary."

The area of Alaska is nearly equal to that of California, Delaware, Maryland, Montana, and Texas combined.

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Rising Newspaper Costs May Cause Increase in Rates

New York, Nov. 4.—Prediction that many newspapers may be forced to raise their circulation rates because of a fast rising newsprint and other production costs, was given by W. G. Chandler, chairman of the newsprint committee of the American Newspaper Publishers association.

Chandler already has asked publishers to protest to newsprint manufacturers the threatened price increases for 1938.

Newspapers in more than fifty American cities have been forced to raise their rates recently because of increased costs, he said.

Costs of newspaper publishing, according to statistics tabulated, have been advancing recently far out of proportion to increased receipts from advertising and circulation.

Every commodity going into manufacturing a newspaper, with one or two minor exceptions, has advanced in price over the previous year, according to A. N. P. A. statistics. Publishers are paying more for metal, fuel, services, newsprint, and all the numerous requisites to producing a well-printed, interesting newspaper, promptly delivered to a wide coverage.

In an effort to make outgoing dollars match incoming revenue, many publishers are faced with the problem of cutting down the total amount of newspaper given the reader, or advancing the retail sale price.

"Most publishers," Chandler said, "believe that their readers prefer the newspaper of today, which gives the greatest amount of informational, educational and entertainment value in the history of newspaper publishing."

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List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

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

W. O. Boney, J. B. Toombs, D. T. Rutledge, William Vehle, C. P. Stevens, Merkel; C. B. Biggers, George W. Murfee, P. A. Demarce, Sid J. Robinson, S. S. Stubbs, Dow Vinson, H. H. King, A. C. Slaughter, W. L. Whitley, W. M. Bowen, Wm. D. Bond, C. McDonald, H. V. Smith, T. T. Brooks, A. Griffin, R. W. Rasco, J. W. Babb, C. M. Lindley, Tom McWhirter, I. G. Harris, W. H. Scott, C. L. McWilliams, G. A. Collins, Oscar Sims, H. G. Castle, C. Spicer, A. B. Lankford, H. P. Compton, Ed Williamson, Ralph B. Coats, Abilene; H. F. Bailey, W. A. Jones, Guion; C. H. Braune, G. F. Isom, Tye; W. H. Ward, Buffalo Gap; W. S. Stockton, C. E. Lucas, J. E. Graham, Sr., A. J. Drake, T. J. Pinkston, Tuscola; Curtis Payne, Trent; E. E. Meador, Bradshaw; W. L. Falwell, Guy T. Rogers, Ovalo; J. A. Sneed, Wingate.

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Suspend Changes Trent Mail Route

Changes previously announced to become effective Nov. 1 in rural route deliveries on Routes 1 and 2 out of Merkel and consolidating Trent, Route 2, with Route 2, Merkel, were suspended Saturday on order from the postoffice department at Washington. Postmaster John M. Strawn of Trent advised The Mail by phone Saturday afternoon.

Changes as worked out by the post-office inspector for this territory were held up, following pressing protests to congressmen, senators and postal authorities by Trent citizens.

Merkel had no part in originating the proposed changes. Postmaster Durham stated Monday, as the survey was made by the inspector and the changes were based on his recommendation. One point, about which there seemed to be a misunderstanding by patrons of routes where changes were contemplated, the Merkel postmaster said, was that the delivery, if changed, would follow the present roads and no changes in box locations would have been necessary.

The fastest mile in horse race records is Equipoise's time of one minute 34 2-5 seconds, raced at Arlington Park, Illinois, in 1932 under 128 pounds.

During the past year there were reports of 3,402 missing persons in St. Louis; 5,108 in Philadelphia; 10,796 in New York City; 2,638 in San Francisco, and 3,082 in Los Angeles.

Second sheets for sale at Merkel Mail office.

Vestal Hicks Getting Along Fairly Well

Bob Hicks and T. C. Allen returned Sunday from Gorman where they had been several days at the bedside of Vestal Hicks, who has been ill 55 days, first with typhoid fever and then undergoing an operation for an abscessed liver. A report by long distance Wednesday night said that he was getting along fairly well.

Others going to Gorman for a Sunday visit with the sick man were Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Sublett, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Allen and Mrs. T. C. Allen.

Work Starts on New Home of Eli Case

Work was started Thursday morning pouring foundations for another substantial home in Merkel, a 5-room rock veneer which Eli Case is erecting on the site of his former home.

The old home place was torn away during the past two weeks to make room for the new structure, with Bob Fowler as contractor.

The National Zoological park at Washington contains about 2000 animals.

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A total of 138,220 persons were in jail in this country on Jan. 1, 1935. The most prisoners any one state had was 10,748, in Illinois.

Grand Jury Returns Seven Indictments

After having been in session only two days, grand jurors in 104th district court recessed late Tuesday, returning seven indictments, naming six persons.

G. B. Waldrop, Abilene, Route 5, was chosen foreman. Other members of the inquisitorial body are: O. N. Smith, Trent; H. B. Robertson, Roy Hunter, Bob Mayfield, Merkel; B. H. Gray, J. P. Keith, Roy Johnson, Abilene; Leon Copeland, Lawn; S. J. Foster, Wingate; Joe Saunders, Bradshaw, and Walter Latta, Tuscola.

Dates Set for Jones County Poultry Show

Anson, Nov. 4.—Dates have been set for the fourth annual Jones County Poultry show for Dec. 9, 10 and 11, with an increase in all prize money for the show as well as an increase in both amount and number of special prizes for the show.

Besides exhibitors from all over Jones county, the show last year had exhibitors from Snyder, Haskell, Abilene, Merkel, Roby, Rotan, Munday, Sylvester, Sweetwater, Albany and other points.

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Red and White
Strawberry Preserves, pint 25c
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Salad Dressing, pint 23c
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BAKER-CULLEN.

The marriage of Miss Ruth Cullen of Abilene to Mr. Fred A. Baker, Jr., will be of interest to a wide circle of friends, both here and in Abilene. The ceremony was read at twilight on Friday evening in the home of Rev. E. P. Meade, the Rev. Meade officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cullen, of Abilene. Educated in Abilene, Ruth is very accomplished and popular.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Baker. A graduate of Merkel High school, he has for several years been employed at the City Dry Cleaners where he is proving himself an ambitious young business man.

After an automobile trip, Mr. and Mrs. Baker will be at home in the W. D. Butler residence.

GIFT PARTY.

Mrs. Fred A. Baker, Jr., who was Miss Ruth Cullen on last Thursday afternoon was complimented with a miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. Carl Douglas, Abilene. Following a delightful game hour, gifts were presented to the bride and refreshments of hot chocolate and cake served.

Announcement of the marriage had already been made but the actual date was not revealed until plate favors tied to bags of rice were read. Four Merkel ladies drove over: Mrs. Fred Baker, Mrs. Buck Leach, Mrs. Leon McGaughy and Mrs. Weldon Coats.

FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB.

Mrs. Stanley King was hostess to the Fortnightly Study club on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 2. The president, Mrs. W. W. Haynes, presided for a business meeting, after which Mrs. George Wilhite gave a most interesting review of the book, "Hudson River Bracketed," by Edith Wharton.

The following club members answered to roll call with a current event: Mesdames W. B. Petty, W. W. Haynes, A. R. Booth, Tom Warren, Joe P. Self, T. E. Collins, W. T. Sadler, H. C. West, Tom Largent, Norman Hodge, Comer Haynes, W. S. J. Brown, Connor Robinson, Sam Swann, F. C. McFarland, Clyde Smith, Johnny Cox, Stanley King, George Wilhite, Misses Christine Collins, Johnnie Sears, Julia Martin and Mamie Ellis.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY.

The "Three 'F' Club" entertained in the home of Miss Verne Moore last Saturday evening. House decorations were witches, skeletons, pumpkins, bats, in all a Halloween atmosphere prevailed while fortunes, drawn from a huge pumpkin, were read aloud and games of "bingo" and "piggy" were played.

A yellow and black color theme was used on tables at the refreshment hour when an orange ambrosia salad, cheese and pimento sandwiches made of orange tinted bread and orange drink was served.

At 11:15 club members and their escorts attended a midnight matinee at the local picture show. Those present were Misses Phyllis Smith, Fannelle Gray, Hollis Perry, De La Verne Teague, Mattie Lou Ford, Johnnie Chadwick, Rachael Patterson, Frances Higgins, Verne Moore, Grovne Ford, Messrs. Felix Stalls, Horace Boney, Cecil Justice, Murry Toombs, Waymon Adeock, Griffin Barnett, Lloyd Robertson, James Russell, Norman Winter and Vincent Barnett.

HD HALLOWE'EN PARTY.

Misses Maurine and Clara White were hostesses last Friday evening to members of the Merkel Home Demonstration club for a Halloween party.

In a short meeting preceding the games, Mrs. W. R. Williams gave a most interesting report of her trip to San Antonio. Each member was remembered with a souvenir from the Alamo City. The club then presented her with a "love" gift in appreciation for her faithful attendance at the club's booth at the fair.

A vocal number, "Remember Me," was given by Miss Pearl Mathews and Miss Evelyn Sears rendered a piano solo.

Guests were then seated for games of "42," after which refreshments of punch and cookies were passed to Mesdames D. M. Hill, John S. Hughes, Clyde Shouse, J. Ben Campbell, Joe P. Self, J. W. Bryan, O. D. Blair, G. W. Stanford, R. H. Mathews, Bob McDonald, W. R. Williams, E. O. Carson, George L. White, J. R. Barnett, V. B. Sublett, Stanley B. King, Ted McGee, F. A. Polley, Dee Bland, J. L. White, E. B. Wallace, Clyde Sears, H. C. Dunn, C. P. Church, Misses Lottie Butman, Myrtle Barnett, Pearl Mathews, Mary Jo Russell and Evelyn Sears, and Dick Sears and Oscar Bonnie Church and the hostesses.

Next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. H. C. Dunn on Nov. 5, at

which time every member is urged to be present for the election of officers.

S. S. S. CLUB.

At a meeting of the S. S. S. club Saturday evening in the home of Euvalda Fox, with Joyce Renfro and Euvalda Fox as hostesses, the following officers were elected: president, Euvalda Fox; vice-president, Mildred McLean; reporter, Syble Harris.

After the business meeting was over, several friends came in to join the group and interesting games were played. Following the awarding of prizes, delicious refreshments were served and all bled away to the midnight show at the Queen.

The following members were present: Mildred McLean, Dutchy Diltz, Gertie Lou Pee, Syble Harris and the hostesses, Euvalda Fox and Joyce Renfro; guests, Willodean Thornton, Bonnie Church, Billy McGeehee, Helen Heester and Loudale Gray.

The next club meeting will be in the home of Gertie Lou Pee on Nov. 13.

POSSUM HUNT.

Members of the Senior B. T. S. of the First Baptist church enjoyed a real possum hunt on Friday night of last week, and thanks to Rube Henslee's possum dog at least one of the dissembling marsupials was treed and brought home.

In the Largent truck, the group of some eighteen young folks, chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Largent, Yates Brown, department leader, and Joe P. Self, general B. T. S. director, drove to Rubel Johnson's pasture at the foot of the mountains, where games were played and a general good time had, with a mock band and all joining in songs around the campfire.

A menu appropriate to outdoors, consisting of weiners, red beans, rolls, pickles, onions and coffee, was enjoyed by Misses Vivian Davis, Fannelle Gray, Thelma Mathews, Joyce Fulton, Rachael Patterson, Bess McNiece, Frances Scogin, Clara B. White, Nadine Clack; Messrs. Robert Higgins, Lloyd Robertson, Victor Joyner, Kit Carson, Dickie Sharp, Horace Boney, Billy Largent, Charles Tipton and the chaperons.

Mrs. W. H. Brown

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were: Mr. and Mrs. P. R. McLain, Odell, Rose Alice and Don McLain, Henrietta; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred McLain, Mrs. Kenneth Bailey and Sam McLain, Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hall and Lenton McLain, Olney; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Wilson and Mrs. W. C. Elliott, Jr., and Dr. G. W. Wilson, Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lindsay and daughters, Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Watkins, Rochester; Joe Watkins, Knox City; Mrs. Ada Watkins and Kenneth Watkins, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Shuff, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown and Don Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shuff and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Boyd, Mrs. Willis Evans and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Mondel Rogers and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noel and family, all of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Perry and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Rae Perry, Tye.

Football

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of 45 yards; Snyder two times for 30-yard average.

Passes: Merkel attempted ten, five were complete, two of which were good for scores; Snyder attempted four passes, two were complete for a gain of 40 yards, one was intercepted by Winter, Badger right end.

Merkel was penalized 20 yards, Snyder 50 yards.

Fumbles: Merkel once for loss of ball; Snyder twice for loss of ball.

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Week of Prayer

Program Announced

In observance of the week of prayer the following program will be carried out by the ladies of the Methodist Woman's Missionary society Monday, Nov. 8, beginning at 10 a. m.

Quiet music and song 74 will be followed by a devotional led by Mrs. Richards, then a prayer and a solo by Mrs. Fred Guita, Jr.

"Our Comrades," leader, Mrs. Armstrong. First milepost, Mrs. Brown; second milepost, Mrs. Vaughn; third milepost, Mrs. Hicks; fourth milepost, Mrs. Church.

Poster of Deaconess, Mrs. E. Clyde Smith.

"Our Comrades along the Highway," Mrs. Herbert Dunn.

The afternoon program will begin with quiet music, then song 220, the devotional by Mrs. Fred Latham, a prayer, and a solo by Mrs. Hodge.

"Serving Thru" will be the topic of Mrs. Clyde Sears, Miss Lottie Butman will give poems and a playlet, entitled "At a Quarter of Three," will be presented by Mesdames Grable, Davis and Collinsworth.

After the offering the seventh chapter of "What is This Moslem World" will be discussed by Mrs. Thomas Durham.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S PROGRAM.

For Sunday, Nov. 7, 6:45 p. m.: Song service, Scripture, Mary Collins, leader. "When Writings are Alive," J. V. Patterson.

"Our Brother's Needs," Bonnie Church.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Attendance at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday was 583, as compared with 557 on the previous Sunday. On the same Sunday a year ago 656 were present.

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Church Visitation

Team Here Monday

A "church visitation" team, consisting of Rev. S. P. Collins of Cross Plains, Mrs. Collins and Mesdames E. B. Surface and J. M. F. Gill of Abilene, spent Monday afternoon and night meeting members of Grace Presbyterian church here in carrying out the two weeks church program for this territory. Dr. Surface was unable to accompany them because of illness.

A devotional program in the afternoon was followed by discussions in the interest of church work and Rev. Mr. Collins preached the sermon at night.

Together with Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Walker, the visitors were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James H. West.

The same team, joined by Rev. Mr. Walker, visited the Tye church Tuesday.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m., followed by a communion service. Offering for Reynolds home.

As the Fifth Sunday singing at Baird was postponed from last Sunday, there will be no preaching service here Sunday night. Delma Compton and Miss Mabel Murray from Grace Presbyterian church will be on the program at Baird and a number will go from here for the singing.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Every one is cordially invited to these services. Strangers welcome.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Dr. Atwood of Hardin-Simmons university will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m. B. T. S. at 6:45 p. m. W. M. U. at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

The church will go into the calling of a pastor at the Sunday morning hour.

All are cordially invited to these services.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Bible Study Sunday 9:45 a. m. Preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. by Raymond Kelsey of A. C. C. Young people's program 6:00 p. m.

Wednesday evening at 7:00 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.

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. Burleson, Pastor.

Typewriter paper for sale at Merkel Mail office.

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

Dora Couple Observe Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallis celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home at Dora Sunday, with a number of children, relatives and friends present for the day.

Among some of the relatives were Mr. and Mrs. Mack Beall and daughter, Austin, also Willie Beall and family of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Wallis of Grapevine, a granddaughter, Mrs. Alvis Thompson of Hobbs, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Primm of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. George Whiteaker of Lawn, Georgia and John Hawkins and Mrs. Ida Piercall of Kansas.

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

Merkel Hospital Notes

Joe Weston, who underwent an appendectomy Oct. 20, was dismissed last Friday.

Other patients received were: Mrs. Lee Cox, for surgery, and Mary Sue Danley of Trent, who had the misfortune to have three fingers cut off late Tuesday.

J. A. Patterson, whose condition has steadily improved the past week, was taken to Fort Worth early Thursday morning to consult a brain specialist.

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Kentucky Wonder

Green Beans, 2 lbs 25

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Yellow

Squash, 2 lbs. 19c

Large size

Bell Peppers, lb. 10c

Firm heads

Cabbage, lb. 3c

Large heads

Lettuce, each 5c

Bulk

Beets, lb. 5c

Green

Tomatoes bushel 65c

Bananas

Large yellow fruit

Dozen 15c

Apples

Delicious

2 dozen 29c

Oranges

Texas

Dozen 23c

Strictly No. 1's

Spuds, 10 lbs. 23c

Yellow Yam

Sweet Potatoes, pk. 33c

Spanish Sweet

Onions, pound 5c

Large bunches

Beets, each 5c

Jumbo well bleached

Celery, stalk, 15c

Tokay

Grapes, 2 lbs. 15c

Texas Marsh Seedless

Grapefruit, 6 for 25c

Shortening, 8 lb. cartons 89c

Flour, K. B., guaranteed, 48 lbs. \$1.85

Sugar, Pure Cane, 10 lb. cloth 59c

Coffee, Maxwell House, 3 lbs. 81c

Tomatoes, No. 1 can 5c

Corn, No. 2 can, 3 for 25c

Milk, Baby Size, 7 for 25

Mackerel, tall can 10c

K. C. Baking Powder, 25 oz. 18c

Syrup, R. Cane, gal. 59c

Macaroni or Spaghetti, 3 for 10c

Potted Ham, 7 for 25c

Crackers, A-1, 2 lbs. 19c

P. Nut Butter, 2lbs qt. 29

6 lb. pail \$1.19

Catsup, 14 ounce bottles, 2 for 25c

Pickel, sour or dill, large jar 15c

Salad Dressing, Miracle Whip, qt jar 39c

Bacon

Armour's

Lb. 38c

Steak

Fancy Chuck

Lb. 19c

Roast

Fancy Chuck

Lb. 17c

Roast

Rib or Brisket

Lb. 12 1-2c

Steak

T-Bone

Lb. 23c

Ham

Center Slices

Lb. 45c

Chili

Home made

Lb. 25c

Bacon

Sugar cured

Lb. 30c

Liver

Calf

Lb. 15c

Sausage

Lb. 19c

Jowls

Lb. 17c

Bologna

2 lbs. 29c

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