ceeping Up With Texas

Lloyd Simpson, 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tell Simpson, of Jacksonville, was killed Saturday when his bicycle was in collision with an automobile.

Oscar Griffin, 55, of Dresden, west Navarro county, was injured fatally Sunday seven miles east of Corsicana PEGGY ROBERTSON when he was hit by an automobile.

The Pecos Enterprise last week purchased and took over the sub-The Pecos Enterprise last week scription list and good will of the Balmorhea Texan, which had discontinued publication with the previous week's issue.

Stewart Johnson, 34, of Cooksville, so identified from a registration card, was found dead by a Cotton Belt section crew, eight miles east of Mt. Pleasant Saturday morning. He was believed to have fallen under a freight train.

Flying Cadet William D. Croft, er association's annual Hallowe'en Saturday when the basic training 31, in the High School gymnasium. plane he was flying crashed near Randolph field.

E. J. Cass, 40, Big Spring policen, dropped dead of a heart attack Mr. and Mrs. Austin Robertson as ortly before noon Wednesday after High School Carnival queen and Ann rds. He had returned the Carnival queen. The two queens were tice Day: the patrol car when he col- crowned by their respective prin-

ifton, 38, farmer of Tra-Macogdoches, was killed The two girls won their honors by when he was hit by as he walked down the

selected a new A. (Neal) Pucy of the Lumberof Texas.

ncock, 53, Lufkin cilled Monday when n which he was ridion with a truck near

carnival crowd, awarded Christine State Highway Pat-Curington and Lon McDonald each Huddleston arrested 50 cents as the cleverest dressed girl er, holding him for inand boy, respectively. The Junior

night of injuries received Frid morning when struck by a pa

Weathersbee, 8, son of the booth turning in the most money. Wrs. T. E. Weathersbee, The Merkel High School band with died in a hospital there Sun- Dick Young directing played a livemogram at the first of the carni-

gy Scott.

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Carnival Last Thursday.

i featured in the introduction ing motorist, as he was crossing winne twelve queen candidates. Room highway near Odessa to wait for a thers and teach ers of each or

TOWN TO CLOSE **GENERALLY FOR**

MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1940.

SCHOOL QUEENS Armistice Day will be generally observed as a holiday here, with announcement from Supt. Connor Rob-Selected as Favorites of High inson that the schools will close and School and Grammar, Respec- agreement of all the business houses, tively, at Annual Hallowe'en with the exception of service stations, cales and drug stores to close for the day, which is next Monday. Merkel and its surrounding com-

ARMISTICE DAY

The post office will be closed all munities were well-represented in day, it is announced by Postmaster the merriment at the Parent-Teach-Wrenn Durham, and there will be no delivery on the rural routes. The 20. of Millington, Tenn., was killed carnival held Thursday night, Oct. Farmers & Merchants National bank will take holiday, as well as the fol-The evening's entertainment clilowing firms, who signed an agreemaxed in the crowning of Peggy Robment presented by R. T. Gray, presiertson, Senior queen and daughter of dent of the Lions club, working as a one-man committee:

"We the undersigned business cus catch on the 5 and fell forward ad captured a negro shoplifter Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. houses of Merkel, agree to close Mon- to the three. Two plays later Smith hase through the T. & P. rail- Ralph Walker as Grammar School day, Nov. 11, 1940, account of Armis-

"Farmers & Merchants National missed. cipals, Rex Myers and Gordon Green, Bank, Orchid Beauty Shoppe, Merkel The Badgers kicked off and after an on the gym stage at 10:30 p. m. Mail, West Texas Utilities Company, exchange of punts they gained pos-Adcock's Dry Cleaners, Eli Case & session of the ball in mid-field when penny votes at one of the carnival Son, Maurine's Shop, E. M. McDon- the Roby safety man fumbled. Runbooths. Other High School queen ald, Turners Grocery and Market, E. ning plays carried to the Lion 19 candidates were Mary Sue Grant, O. Carson Grocery and Market, Bul-I where it was first and 10. On second ars under Oscar Freshman; Billie Mae Cobb, Sopho- lock Hardware, Higginbotham-Bart- try Hickam caught Melton's pass on more (last year's carnival queen), lett company, J. T. Darsey, Hunter the goal line and stepped across withand Venita Allen, Junior. Grammar & Sublett, City Dry Cleaners, Black's out interference. Reynolds kicked the

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Mexican Killed When Car Struck by Freight Train Wednesday

class was awarded the \$2.50 prize as Mike Hernandez, 52, was killed instantly about 7:45 Wednesday morning when his car, a Pontiac sedan, was struck by an eastbound Texas & Pacific train at the section house crossing.

Hernandez, who had resided here 21 pass interference was called against property, two miles southwest of

BADGERS CHALK UP 19 - 12 WIN **OVER ROBY BOYS**

'Your Home Jown Newspaper"

THE MERKEL MAIL

Merkel Squad Annex Three Touchdowns Before Opponents Score: Lions Come Back Strong in Last Quarter.

Displaying a versatile attack of running and passing, the Merkel Badgers chalked up a 19-12 conference win over the Roby Lions here last Friday night.

Merkel started strong and, before the fans were comfortably settled, had pushed over the first touchdown of the night. From the Roby 40 Melton heaved to Cox who made a cirwent over center from the one-foot line to score. The kick for extra point

sented to the public by the band at extra point. the first annual concert on Dec. 17,

The Badgers scored again in the third quarter. This counter was set up by Bryant's 30 yard runback of Roby punt. Straight power plays carried to the Lion 4-yard line from which point Melton hit tackle for Merkel's third and last touchdown of the evening.

Roby came back strong in the last quarter to make a ball game of it and their efforts netted them two field. The second score came after staked location on the L. N. McRee 2,377, Corry 5,775.

Open date of Nov. 15 on the Bad-

will be acting captain.



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Credited with 468 Votes in Electoral College to Mere 63 for Opponent, Who Leads in **Only Nine States.**

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the precedent-breaker, smashed one of America's most ancient traditions Tuesday with a dramatic and sweeping victory in his battle for a third term

Credited tentatively with 468 of the 531 electoral votes on the basis of returns Wednesday night, he was leading his opponent, Wendell Will-

kie, in all except nine states. In the Willkie column were only Colorado, Indiana, Ohio, Kansas, Maine, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Vermont, with a total in electoral college of 63 votes.

Traditionally democratic Texas, with its 23 electoral votes, had given Roosevelt and his running mate, has been "Sweetheart" of the band Henry A. Wallace, approximately 81 per cent of its 674,992 votes counted Wednesday. The votes stood: Roosevelt, 546,355; Willkie, 128,379.

> In the same tabulation State Commissioner of Agriculture J. E. Mc-Donald was given 216,496, against which W. N. Corry, the write-in candidate, had polled only 141,679.

All state amendments carried with the exception of the Red River proposal, which was still in doubt Thursday morning.

Both Taylor county and Merkel voted overwhelmingly for Roosevelt, but endorsed the write-in candidate Seeking production in the Strawn

for Commissioner of Agriculture. touchdowns. Feagan went off left sand found last year by the Metcalf With only three small boxes out in tackle for the first after a sustained & Hallinan et al No. 1 Tipton, Ar- Taylor county, the vote stood; Roose drive had carried from past mid- thur Harvey, Dallas oil operator, has velt 7,667, Willkie 973; McDonald

> The Merkel box gave n 600 to Willkie's 58. Corry's name was written in by 482 Merkel voters, while McDonald received only 158.



On the "Broadway of America"

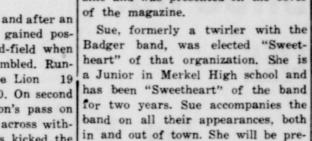
Sue Grimes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes, was selected as "Sweetheart" of the November issue of the Texas Music Educators Magazine and was presented on the cover

at the High School gym.

Location Staked for

New Test Near Trent,

Inside Taylor County



school bus.

Nelda Bowman of Amarillo was in-Amarillo was fatally injured in a ing, balloons, grab-box, fortune-telltwo-car and one truck collision 13 ing, "ring the duck," noise-makers, Homer Patterson's place. miles south of Canyon Sunday night. bingo and "white elephant" were Costen died early Monday in a some of the fun booths while food Canvon hospital.

Leonard Wright, 7, son of Joe Wright of Dallas, was drowned Monday in a private swimming pool on the T. C. Lupton estate at 8801 Preston road, while playing near the water.

the county commissioners' court for auditorium. Nov. 23. Package liquor sales, as well as beer and wine sales, are at

present legal in the county. Clifford Cordelia Kell, 36, of Odessa, died Tuesday of injuries received in a three-car collision north of Odessa Sunday in which seven persons were hurt.

Injured when his car and a cattle truck crashed at a street intersection in the north part of Hamlin at noon Tuesday, Henry Clifton West, Stamford hospital.

Taylor County Quota Filled by Volunteers

While the Taylor county draft boards had not been definitely advised up to Thursday morning of the initial quotas for the first call, eight volunteers have made applications Fire Destroys Garage to Draft Board No. 2, while more than 20 had applied to Board No. 1, and it is felt certain that these men will more than fill the first quota home place of Bud Winter were comwhen it is announced.

ly fill out the questionnaires.

had arranged colorful booths in a stantly killed and Tommy Costen of and carnival merriment. Dart-throw-

School candidates were Valerie Leon-

ard, Lola Mae Roland, Charlotte Har-

well, Lovita Coffman, Wilda Lee

Bowles, Norma Jean Hodge and Peg-

Judges, roaming throughout the

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Next P.-T. A. Meeting At Afternoon Hour

The regular monthly meeting of the A local option election on liquor Merkel Parent-Teacher association sales, the fifth for Howard county will be held Wednesday, Nov. 13, at in six years, was ordered Monday by 4 o'clock in the Grammar School

Fifth grade room mothers are to act as hostesses and the program will feature reports of the state conven-

tion, which is being held Nov. 6-8 in Dallas. These reports will be given he association's two delegates who are to attend, Mrs. H. C. Reid, local treasurer, and Mrs. Holt Vaughn, historian.

Mrs. Connor Robinson will act as program leader, and special music

Haynes of High school.

Mrs. Norman Hodge, Merkel P.-T. A. president, will conduct a short the same stage and was well receiv- includes two Merkel men, Clark business session preceding the pro- ed. gram.

At Bud Winter Home

The garage and wash house at the

pletely destroyed by fire, which Filing with Draft Board No. 2, broke out shortly after one o'clock (outside of Abilene,) were the fol- Sunday afternoon in the wash house. lowing volunteers: Preston Melvin Origin of the fire was traced to a Mayfield, V. L. Griffin, J. W. Street- | hot plate on a gas stove, which had man, Richard Forest Hazelwood, John been left burning by one of the hired William Moore, Cluster Casey, Jack men and which had boiled out all the Dawson West, Flujencio Hernandez. water in a separator on the stove. In the meantime, associate mem- The alarm was spread quickly by six gins at Merkel and those at stops in Merkel only for passengers bers have been appointed by the ad- phone and neighbors nearby rushed Blair, Stith and Noodle exceeded 600 to Milsap and beyond, is due at 9:31 night. visory board of Taylor county, con- to help several negroes on the place bales, indications are that the gath- a. m., 25 minutes earlier. The westsisting of R. M. Wagstaff, Judge W. protect the house with water from a ering of the cotton crop is rapidly bound Sunshine Special is due at R. Chapman and Judge Milburn water hose and cistern. Only a corner nearing completion. Long, to assist registrants to proper- of the house was damaged and a portion of the roof. Merkel fireboys

For Merkel, John R. West, W. O. answered the call with one truck. booth Warren and Judge N. Damage to the house was covered With season's total to date, how- schedule: eastbound at 1:30 p. m., we been named; for Tye, by insurance, but the garage was a ever, of 9,316 bales, prediction of a westbound at 2:30 p. m. ; for Trent, T. H. Wil- total loss, it was stated by Bud Win- 10,000-bale crop in the area seems Eastbound night train leaves at friends at El Paso. ter.

years and who owned his own home, Merkel on their own 2-yard Hallowe'en setting of shocks, spooks hit by the train, which it was reported was doing 55 miles. The Mexican

was on his way to pick cotton on

three blocks from the accident and the wrecked car was still on the front of the engine when Engineer J. D. Bar- ger schedule has been filled, Supt. ron, Big Spring, brought his train to Connor Robinson announced Tuesday. a stop after crossing Oak street. Her- Wingate, losers in only one start this nandez was dead when picked up by a Barrow-Sheppard ambulance. He here for a night game, to begin at had a fractured skull and chest. A 7:45. light signal and mail crane were leveled by the wrecked car protruding Badgers journey to Loraine for the

from the engine. Hernandez is survived by his wife, four sons and a daughter.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending word from a son, Fir- Reynolds, tackles; Bryant and Warmen Hernandez, a CCG camp enrollee

at Short Creek, Ariz.

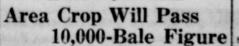
To Present Armistice Two Merkel Men on Program at Theatre

Monday night, Nov. 11, the Bad-The 104th district grand jury, is in charge of Miss Billie Gardner, ger band of Merkel High school will which was impaneled Monday morn-28, employee of a filling station, died music chairman. A demonstration of present an Armistice Day program ing by Judge W. R. Chapman, rea few minutes after reaching the individual progress in band work is at the Queen theatre. Many patriotic cessed for the Tuesday election and to be given by students, featuring numbers will be played and the reconvened Wednesday, recessing cornet solos by John Robert Walker audience will also take part in the again until Dec. 2 after reporting a of the Grammar School and Jack program with the singing of "God small number of bills.

Bless America" and "America." Last year the Band appeared on

-All American" is the feature at- Wilson and J. J. Jowers, Abilene; traction. It depicts the life story of W. M. Little, Lawn; L. O. Groves, the great football mentor of Notre Tom Vaughn, Tuscola, and Wayne

Dame university. The Badger band will also give a short program in front of the theatre Slight Change Made before the show starts.



While total figures for the week one change was over five minutes. The

628 bales, while for the previous these trains pick up mail via crane. friends.

week the figure was 768.

The mail trucks arrive on this

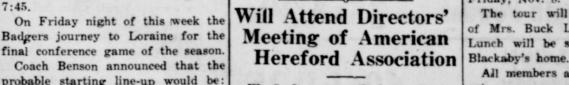
sure of realization. 2:10 a. m., westbound at 3:57 a. 1

line. Trent and a half, mile northeast of was traveling north when his car was From this point Clark carried over the Tipton well. (Continued on Page Two)

Harvey No. 1 L. N. McRee is scheduled to be drilled 5.200 feet with Badgers Try Loraine in rotary rig of Denver Drilling com- Merkel Club Plans

The victim's body was picked up Final Conference Tilt pany, spudding by Nov. 15. The test is in Taylor county, whereas the Tipton well is over the line in Nolan county.

> year in their division, will come of the Dunagin pool.



W. J. Largent will leave Friday Cox and Hickam, ends; Davis and for Kansas City, Mo., to attend a meeting of the board of directors of ren, halves; Smith, full. Red Davis the American Hereford association, of which he is a member.

> tered the Kansas City Royal, but nounced Saturday that visitors in **104th Grand Jury** will show their cattle at the Inter- October totaled 13,911, hanging up national Live Stock show at Chicago another record for the popular unbeginning Nov. 30.

Achievement Tour

The Achievement Day tour of the Operators were reported drilling Merkel Home Demonstration club Tuesday below 2,150 on the Eastland will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 12, as Oil company No. 1 T. Bigham, south Miss Hattie Tacker, the county agent, cannot be with the club on Friday, Nov. 8.

The tour will start at the home of Mrs. Buck Leach at 10 o'clock. Lunch will be served at Mrs. Paul

All members are urged to be present.

Cavern Visitors Total 13,911. Carlsbad, N. M., Nov. 7 .- Col. Thomas Boles, superintendent of the W. J. Largent & Son have not en- Carlsbad Caverns National Park, anderground wonderland.

SANTA FE TRAINS NOW

OPERATE.

busy during the week completing

Although we have not seen the of-



(From the Files of Merkel Mail, November 11, 1910.)

DEATHS OF WEEK.

Homer Hogan, a young man of Christian character living in the Canyon, died Monday night and was ficial schedule and announcement, buried Tuesday at Caps. The deceas- the Sweetwater papers announced ed was a brother of Finis Hogan last week the beginning of passenger and besides his relatives and many service from that city to Temple. friends leaves a wife, a bereaved Carpenters and fencers have been

bride of but a short while. In Train Schedule Mrs. W. B. Patterson died at her work on depots south of Merkel. A home Wednesday night and the grief- new depot has been erected at Hall-

Effective last Sunday, a new stricken husband has the universal ville and at View City and a siding 10,000-Bale Figure schedule went into effect on Texas sympathy of our entire community built at a place south of Trent. Some & Facific passenger trains, but only in his irreparable loss.

Mr. Dunning, one of our elderly proposition of the Dardens but no ending Wednesday night from the eastbound Sunshine Special, which citizens and a good man, expired at definite plans have been announced his home in this city Wednesday regarding that point.

Arthur Browning was afraid to stroyed by flames last night. 6:46, on the new schedule according come home to vote but came in a few The current week's ginnings were to A. J. Graham, local agent. Both days later to see his home folks and

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Harris have

work has been done on a townsite

The old J. E. Pitzer home was de-

J. E. Musick has bought the float business and interest of L. D. Priest.

D. J. Rawlings, one of the first returned from a visit to relatives and founders and always ardent supporters of our sister city, Trent, is among our new subscribers.

Other

C. W. Rogers of Abilene is fore-

man of the inquisitorial body, which

Mundy and Mark Malone. The feature picture also promises members are A. W. McKee, Sam B. to be a drawing card; "Knute Rockne Kennedy, D. H. Jefferies, James H.

Hunt, Bradshaw.

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THE MERKEL MAIL

PERSONALS

Miss Minnie Lee Coats, who teaches

in the schools at Coleman, was home

for a week-end visit with her mother,

Misses Thelma Mathews, Clara B.

White and Bess McNiece spent the

week-end in the Reid home at Santa

sister, Mrs. J. C. Randel, being ac-

companied home by Mrs. Randel and

Mrs. S. A. Coats.

Friday, No

Record Zone 1 Meeting THE MERKEL MAIL

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CARD OF THANKS.

and might have damaged the home

at Trent for his co-operation and the

Merkel fireboys for their response

There was an upward trend in ciency Banner" for the third consecutive month.

Held at Noodle Church

One of the best meetings of Sun-

day School Zone I was recorded in

5 superintendents and 14 teachers,

representative of 9 churches out of

a possible 11. It must be remember-

ed there are no town churches, or

The program was sponsored by Shiloh Sunday School. Weldon Rutledge, 14 year old Intermediate, con-We wish to thank the neighbors ducted the devotional, "God's Power," and friends who came to our assistance Sunday when fire destroyed and directed the program rendered the garage on the Bud Winter place by members of his class.

A well correlated story was the more except for your help; especial- one-ages old, yet ever new-related ly do we wish to thank Manager J. by these Intermediates. Basic Scrip-B. Winn of the telephone exchange tures were quoted almost verbatim and talks on the birth, childhood, object, mercy and death of Christ followed each other in such natural sequence the entire narrative was cor-

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Winter. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter.

and assistance.

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3-Year GUARANTEE		

by the same person.

Musical numbers alone lent inspiration to say nothing of the lengthy Scripture passages quoted and original thoughts covered. This class is worthy of much commendation for its efforts in rendering such an in-

the meeting at Noodle Baptist Church spirational and instructive program. Nov. 3. From the standpoint of at-The December meeting will be with tendance of officials it was the best, Riverside church, when Noodle will with 6 pastors and visiting ministers, render the program.

> dent, closed the meeting with the query, "Are you doing your best for your Sunday School?"

> > P.-T. A.

(Continued from Page One) booths sold popcorn, peanuts, drinks, little daughter, Penny, who are now

gum, coffee, doughnuts, cakes, pies, guests in the West home. hot dogs, ice cream, candy and soda Mrs. Jackson Parker and daughpop. Door prizes donated by the fol- ter, Jean, were visitors over the lowing Merkel merchants were award- week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. ed: Woodrum Filling station, Camp- S. Blair, returning Sunday to their bell's Grocery, Bullock Hardware, home at Andrews.

McGehee's Bakery, West's Auto Sup-Dinner guests Sunday in the home ply store, Merkel Drug Co., Queen of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dixon were Theatre, Ford Motor Co., and Wood's Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dixon and family Store. Jack Patterson presided for and Charles Horton of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tarpley and family the prize donations.

Mrs. Owen Robertson, general and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dixon and carnival chairman, Mrs. Lem Dud- son, Noodle,

ley, room representatives chairman, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Eiland of Snyrelated into a story as though told Mrs. Norman Hodge, local president, der were week-end visitors with her and Supt. Connor Robinson wish to parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Larpersonally and in the name of the gent.

school and P.-T. A., thank every per-A. C. Bland, Jr., visited his grandson who helped in any way, large or parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pick Allen, small, to make the carnival the out- Saturday and left Sunday for Destanding successful evening's enter- troit, Mich.

tainment that it was. "To give boys Recent visitors in the W. L. Barand girls a wholesome evening of nett home were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hallowe'en fun and to co-operate Bone, of McKinney. Mr. Bone is Mrs. with one another whole-heartedly Barnett's brother. Week-end visitors really shows the loyal spirit of Mer- with Mr. and Mrs. Barnett were Mr. kel school patrons and friends," said and Mrs. C. C. Harris and daughthe carnival leaders. To the Merkel ter, Judy, of Lubbock. J. A. Barnett Mail and D. B. Du Bose, go an es- accompanied them home and begins pecial "thank you" for their most work at Montgomery-Ward's at Lub-

helpful assistance at all times.

Badgers

(Continued from Page One) center for the score. Both extra point tries were missed.

Outstanding stars for the Badgers were the ends, Cox and Hickam, who played bang-up ball for three quarters. Roy Coats also played out- ball squad. standing ball at his center spot. On

Warren played excellent ball. For the losers it was Feagan and Sadler enjoyed the Texas-S. M. U Clark on wide end sweeps that ac- game Saturday.

counted for most of their yardage.

bock Monday. Passing visitors in the Barnett home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Harris and little daughter, Glenda Kay, and Mrs. Green, mother of Mrs. Harris.

Guests Friday night of last week in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Cooper Waters were friends from Roby, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnes and two sons, Kenneth and Billy Bob, the former a member of the Roby foot-

As week-end guests of Railroad the backfield, Smith, Melton and Commissioner Jerry Sadler and Mrs. Sadler at Austin, Dr. and Mrs. W. T.

Miss Imogene Hayes, who teaches

WE STILL CELEBRATE **ARMISTICE DAY!**

November 11 is still a holiday in the United States, commemorating the end of World War I twenty-two years ago. Our nation is still at peace . . . every effort will be made to preserve peace. Let our celebration be one of thankfulness that we are Americans in America ... let our determination be to preserve our birthright of freedom and liberty.

> In observance of Armistice Day, this bank will transact no business on Monday, November 11.

- The Old Reliable -**FARMERS**[&] MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK

MERKEL, TEXAS

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Deficit Hits Peak. deficit in the general Austin, Nov. 7 .- Reaching a new of the state treasury high of more than \$28,250,000, the ed all previous recor-



Anna Houston Smith, zone superinten-Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock have as their guest, Mrs. Adcock's sister, Mrs. E. J. Graves, of Lubbock. Mr. and Mrs. John West and daughter, Gay West, drove to Quanah for a week-end visit with Mrs. West's



WHILE STOCKS ARE STILL UNBROKEN WHY NOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR **Stock-Reducing Sale**

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MERKEL, TEXAS

Loraine at Odessa, was home to spend the Follow the Badgers to for a very important conference week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hayes. game this Friday night.

The starting line-ups:

Merkel-Cox and Hickam, ends; Davis and Reynolds, tackles; Gibson and Rutledge, guards; Coats, center: Melton, guarter: Carson and Warren, halves; Smith, full. Roby-Cooper and Holler, ends; and Burros, guards; Ashley, center; Feagan, quarter; Wetsel and Mc-Clure, halves; Headstream, full.

tions, Merkel 3 for 57, Roby 4 for 51. Interceptions, Merkel 2, Roby 1. Funts, Merkel 7 for 268, Roby 8 for 304. Penalties, Merkel 7 for 45, Roby 3 for 25. Yards rushing, Merkel 174. Roby 135.

Visiting for a short while Sunday with their mother, Mrs. T. J. R.

Swafford, were Miss Himalya Swafford and Don Swafford from Odessa. Miss Billie Gardner will spend the week-end at Austin, where she will take in the Texas-Baylor game Sat-Hopson and Deel, tackles; Bunton urday and also attend the annual Founder's Day dinner of her sorority, the Gamma Phi Betas, on Sunday night. Misses Imogene Schulze and Hettie Logan Clay will accompany First Downs, Merkel 12, Roby 10. her part of the way, the former to Passes, Merkel 9, Roby 6. Comple- Bangs and the latter to Goldthwaite. Leaving Wednesday, Mrs. H. C. Reid, treasurer, and Mrs. Holt Vaughn, historian, of the local unit of the P.-T. A., are attending the sessions of the Texas Congress at Dallas. Wednesday through Friday.

Pvt. Van H. McSpadden, Battery B. 53rd field artillery of the sixth division, Fort Sill, Okla., is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. A. McSpadden, here and his brother, Lynn McSpadden, and family, Abilene, on a 25day furlough.

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

Information was given The Mail this week by the owners of Lee-Bailey Drug that they planned to re-open in their old location, recently damaged by fire, on Saturday, Nov. 16.

Attending the quarterly meeting of the Taylor County Rural Carriers in Abilene last Saturday were F. M. Simpson and R. L. Adcock. Mr. Simpson is president of the associa tion

. The Merkel Drug store has installed the latest type lighting, the new Fluorescent system. Recently added to the force at the Merkel Drug soda fountain is Miss Grovene Ford.

Joe Nalley, rural carrier on Route 2 out of Merkel, has completed negotiations for the purchase of the Costephens home and moved his family here Tuesday from Trent.

Recent enlistments in the United States army include James W. O'-Rear of Trent and Raymond E. Cannon of Merkel, both of whom have been assigned to the air corps Kelly Field.

Office supplies-Mail office.

BEANS (With Por	k) No. 2 can 13c	
Tamales No. 2 can 15c	Utah Valley Pumpkin No. 2 can 10c Ocean Spray Cranberry	
Chili No. 2 can 23c	Sauce No. 2 can 15c Mince Meat 1 qt. 25c	
Tabasco Flavor Sauce 14 oz. 18c	Wine and Brandy Added New Crop	
Red Hot Sauce 6 oz. 10c	Challed Desame 10.	
Sour or Dill	Cocoanut 1 lb. 25c Pitted Dates 7 ^{1/2} oz. 15c	
ORANGE, LEMON, PI	NEAPPLE or CITRON laced Fruits 10c	
	the second process of the second second	
Syrup ^{1/2} gal. 43c	Admiration of Folgers Coffee, any size, lb. 25c	
Crisco 3 lbs. 49c Mrs. Tucker's	Sanka Coffee Lb. 39c	
Compound 8 lbs. 79c	Bulk Cakes 2 lbs. 25c	
Cake Flour	Raisins 4 lbs. 35c	
Reg. 25c Size	Crackers 2 lb. box 15c	
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s Held at Trent or Mrs. W. J. Reynolds

Trent, Nov. 7.-Funeral services were held at the Baptist church here Thursday afternoon at 2:30 for Mrs. W. J. Reynolds, 72. She died at Abi- Mesquiteers in "Rocky Mountain lene Wednesday morning following Rangers;" added, 2-reel comedy, an illness of about three years.

The services were conducted by serial and cartoon. Rev. A. A. Davis, Baptist pastor at Baird, assisted by Rev. Fred Porter, Monday night-"Knute Rockne-All pastor of the Trent Baptist church. American." On the stage Monday Burial followed in the Trent cemetery beside the grave of her husband, under the direction of Kiker-Knight program. Mortuary, Abilene.

Pallbearers were Ray Freeman Carl Carey, Buster Edwards, Slim Cooper, Robert Harris and Marshall Owens.

Mrs. Reynolds was born Dec. 10 1867, in Louisiana and in 1892, she was married to W. J. Reynolds. They came from Cass county to Taylor county in 1906, and had resided in this county since that time. Mr. Reynolds, a farmer, died in 1939.

Survivors are two sons, G. N., of Trent, and Rev. John W., of Proctor; two daughters, Mrs. I. E. Kelly, Rule, and Mrs. Spurgeon Scott, of and Monday night. Trent; a brother, Joe Frazier, of obertson county, and two sisters, 's. Howard Gilmore, of Turkey, and J. I. Jally, of Mission.





"Just a Cute Kid," Red Ryder No. 2 dents, the largest fall enrollment in the college's history.

Saturday preview, Sunday matinee only, Merkel High School band presenting a 30-minute Armistice Day record by 38 students. Tuesday only - "Calling Philo

Vance," with James Stephenson and Henry O'Neill." Wednesday - Thursday - Tyrone

Power, Linda Darnell, Dean Jagger in "Brigham Young;" added, latest March of Time, "Mexico."

Knute Rockne-All American' One of the most unusual screen stories in recent times will make its local debut at the Queen theatre when

figure for this fall is 1,009. Warner Bros.' new film, "Knute Rockne-All American," is shown **Twelve Boards of** Saturday preview, Sunday matinee

It is a film life story of one of

America's greatest and wisest heroes Austin, Nov. 7. - Announcement -Knute Rockne. The picture traces was made Friday by Gov. W. Lee Rockne's life from his early childhood O'Daniel of his recommendations to in Norway to his tragic death in the president for the appointment of 1931. His life was full of excitement, members of the twelve selective serv-

despair, love and triumph. The film ice boards of appeal for Texas. with Pat O'Brien cast as the Notre The state is divided in twelve Dame football wizard, faithfully board of appeal areas of approxiportrays those elements and keeps mately 70,000 registrants each. The alive the true 'spirit of Rockne.' His boards of five members represent vigor, his astute philosophy, the labor, industry, medicine, law and great teams he built, the developing agriculture.

dents listed.

of the famous 'Four Horsomen' are It will be the duty of each board all told with a skillful blending of to review any decision concerning of "LETO'S" fails to satisfy. Merkel power and subtlety in "Knute Rockne | the classification of a registrant by Drug Company. -All American." O'Brien is said to any local board within the area of have given such a realistic portray- the board and to affirm, modify or al of the real "Rock" that Knute's reverse the decision provided an apclosest friends were amazed at the peal has been filed with the local startling likeness in even the small- board. The decision of a board of est gesture. appeal will be final, unless modified

The brilliant supporting cast con- or reversed by the president.

sists of Gale Page as Bonnie, Knute's San Angelo is headquarters for the wife; Donald Crisp as Father Cal- eleventh district, members of the lahan, president of Notre Dame, and board being Pat Murphy, Dr. W. E. Ronald Reagan in the greatest role Schulkey, Bill Taylor, U. B. Kent, of his career, that of the renowned Cecil Meadors. George Gipp. The players that por-

tray the roles of the "Four Horse-A bulletin entitled "More Facts men" have all seen action on the About School Lunches," available

They are, Kane Richmond, from the U.S. department of agriculher Layden; Bob Byrne as ture, explains briefly the provisions Jumes Crowley; Nick Lukats as Har- under which state welfare agencies ry Stuhldreher and William Marshall may make surplus foods available to

THE MERKEL MAIL

Geographical Range

Elbert Barnes, who was injured in Enrolled at A. C. C. a car accident Saturday, is getting along fairly well at this writing. Abilene, Nov. 7. -- Drawn from a Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith and

BLAIR ITEMS

G. W. Smith of Mt. Pleasant attended Sunday School services at the M. lege has a total of 661 resident stu- E. church Sunday. Miss Etna Wright of Buffalo Gap

spent the week-end with Misses Indicative of the institution's con- Dorothy Derington and Louise Addisistent growth, this is the sixth recson and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Moore. ord enrollment figure established Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan and during the past nine years with this son, Sammie, and Marshall Provine fall's number surpassing last fall's returned home Wednesday morning from Capitan, N. M., where they at-Harvey Demmert, native of Alastended the funeral services of the

ka who enrolled as a freshman busi- latter's brother, Burton Provine. Mr. ness administration student, and Provine formerly lived here and will Helen Pearl Scott, senior from South be remembered by many of the Africa, are the two most distant stupioneer settlers. Misses Lena Faye and Nina Ors-

Appeal Appointed

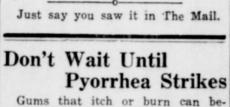
With 217 enrolled in Abilene born entertained with a senior Sun-Christian college's extension depart- day School class social in their home ment and 131 pupils attending the Saturday night. Fruit and cake were grade and high school operated on served to the guests. the campus, the grand enrollment Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks and son,

home.

J. L., visited relatives on the plains last week-end.

Mrs. J. A. Bryan and son, Harvey, left Tuesday for Alabama on an extended visit.

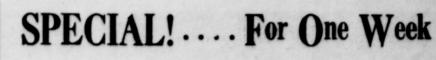
J. L. McLean, who left recently to attend the World's Fair at New York City, will visit relatives in North Carolina before returning



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as Don Miller. films, has kept his record unmarred

schools for lunches for needy and Lloyd Bacon, whose forte is action undernourished children.

in the direction of this greatest of Topography and geography of Texfilm biographies. Robert Buckner as make rural line construction much wrote the original screen play based less expensive than had been expectupon the private papers and reports ed in early surveys at the time REA of Rockne's intimate associates and was created.

friends. "Knute Rockne-All American" is more than just a great life story, it

The epic and heroic Mormon trek

Young. But it remained for Darryl

F. Zanuck, production chief for 20th

Century-Fox, to realize the screen

potentialities of such a colorful sub-

ject. Zanuck, who has recreated

many outstanding characters and

events for the screen, saw in Brigham

Young and his people a stirring story

-and decided to bring it to life. The

famous Louis Bromfield was as-

signed to write the story for the pro-

duction of "Brigham Young," which

comes to the Queen theatre Wednes-

Tyrone Power was given the im-

portant role of Jonathan Kent, Mormon scout in "Brigham Young." Op-

posite him is beautiful Linda Darnell as "the outsider." Twice denied

success in Hollywood, Dean Jagger had returned to the New York stage

where he had first made his mark.

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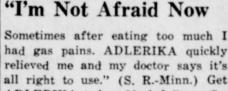
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Today our nation labors with feverish haste that we may erect a man-made barrier against the thunderous wrath now sweeping a continent in the wake of human hatred. The torch of America is being carried to light forever the path of peace for this hemisphere. For twenty-two years we have shed no blood in war ... yet American motherhood trembles as children kneel in evening prayer for fear that this precious peace may not be maintained ... that the overseas lightning may yet flash across the ocean with its blighting destruction.

Well today may we add to our pleas before the Almighty's throne our prayer for a continuation of the golden silence that came on this day in 1918 . . . and from the merest child to the tottering patriarch, add these words to our supplication . . .

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Jones County Workers

Meet at Stith Church

The Stith Baptist church enter-

tained the Workers Conference of the

5. Rev. W. L. Daniels, Anson, is pas-

troduced by P. D. O'Brien, Stam-

ford, speaking on the subject, "De-

nominational Loyalty Essential to

Church Work." District Missionary

J. Henry Littleton spoke on "Dis-

trict Missions Fundamental to Our

An inspiring message, thrilling

every one, was that of the noon hour

tor of this church.

the afternoon program.

Program."

Jones association on Tuesday, Nov. Mrs. Claud Rosson of Taft.

Messages of the morning were in- Mrs. A. Williamson and Mrs. C. T.

Beckham.

week.

course.

THE MERKEL MAIL

White Church News

The Jones County Baptist Zone meeting was held at the Noodle Bap-

ed a program to the many different quite cold. churches represented there. Noodle will carry a program to Riverside the first Sunday in December. The annual Sunday night singing started at the high school auditorium Sunday night. Every one is in-

vited to come and take part in the singing. Norman Bicknell returned home

from Fort Worth Sunday.

Mrs. Waldo Cox visited Miss Fannie Boaz Sunday.

by Rev. Cooper Waters, Merkel, on geles, Calif., arrived home last Fri-Misses Betty Lou and Erma Her-"God's Inextinguishable Love." "Find- day for a visit with his parents, Mr. ring visited Beryl Dean Jenkins ing Sufficiency for Our Needs," by and Mrs. J. P. Roberts. He will re-Sunday afternoon.

> Mrs. A. C. Sosebee visited friends in Hamlin Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson returned home Tuesday from a short visit to Dallas.

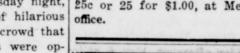
Mrs. Howard Stanley and son, Larry, from Breckenridge, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee

Miss Fannie Boaz entertained a group Saturday night with a "42" party. Chicken salad served on lettuce leaves, pickles, Ritz crackers,

served to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bicknell, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Strange and daughter, Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Otto and Peggy Anne, and Mr. Albert Criswell.

Merchants Sales Books 5c, six for 25c or 25 for \$1.00, at Merkel Mail

Bicknell and daughters, Bobbie Nell



tive and likable junior, was voted

TRENT LOSES TO TUSCOLA. Trent high school's six-man team, unbeaten and unscored on in four previous conference games, bowed to Tuscola last Friday afternoon, losing 25 to 14.

and the other to Othel O'Kelley. First downs were: Trent 6, Tus-

cola 7.

Billy Jones, John Barnes, Billy Tit tle, Othel O'Kelley, Billy Jo Purser and H. H. Jones.

NOODLE NEWS

We are beginning to realize that tist church Sunday. Shiloh present- corner as this (Tuesday) a. m. is been doing some carpenter work.

> Mrs. Johnnie Frazier and son, Wallace, Mrs. Beryl Brown and A. D. Barnes have been on the sick list, but are improving at this writing. home for a visit in Sweetwater.

their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Reed.

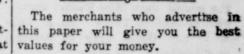
AN NEW COOK BOOK

HANDLE TO

Merkel last Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Brown are at

Old Man Winter is just around the Rochester, where Mr. Brown has

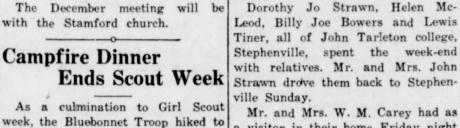
The ladies of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met in the home Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Alexander of of Mrs. P. R. McLean the past week Sweetwater were recent visitors with and guilted the church quilt. They Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bunch in the home are planning to have a box and pie. of Mrs. Bunch's parents, Mr. and and also ice cream supper on Wed-Mrs. Monroe Harris. Mr. and Mrs. nesday evening, Nov. 13, at 7:30. At Bunch accompanied the Alexanders the same time the quilt will be auctioned off. Every one is asked to Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Reed of Post come and bring a pocket full of



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in Sylvester Sunday.

a visitor in their home Friday night the Walter Teaff home Saturday to their son, O. R. Carey of Post. Mr. cook a dinner over campfire. They and Mrs. Carey returned home with were sponsored by Miss Billie Gardhim for a week's visit. Miss Linebaugh of Kansas City is

TRENT NEWS AND

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Woods re-

cently had as their guests Mr. and

Mrs. J. R. Fisher and Mrs. Mary

Winston of Thayer, Mo., are visiting

Mr. and Mrs. Yewell Johnson visit-

ed relatives in the White Flat com-

munity and visited friends here last

Ola Lee Winn visited with friends

Jake Roberts, who is a student at

Anderson Airplane school, Los An-

These girls were present: Beth Ann spending the week in Trent assist-Myers, Mary Faye Johnson, Ann ing the Seniors of Trent school in Groene, Mary Ruth Hutcheson, details pertaining to publication of a Dorothy Nell Lee, Ima Ruth Shouse, school annual. Betty June Toombs, Geneva Allen,

Becky Gaither, Genevieve Robertson, TRENT CARNIVAL A SUCCESS. Trent school sponsored a Hallo-Doris Dudley, Ann Walker, Marian we'en Carnival last Thursday night, 41; building now Cobb, Reba Rae Kingsbury and Miss which afforded a night of hilarious office. fun for the rather large crowd that attended. Ten concessions were operated and approximately \$125 were the proceeds.

> Mary Lou O'Rear, a very attracqueen of the high school and was presented a large box of candy.

Both touchdowns for Trent were made on passes, one to Billy Jones

Neely, 4311 Hall Joyce Ford and Peggy Simpson. . **New Pastors to Begin Duties Here Sunday**

in California.

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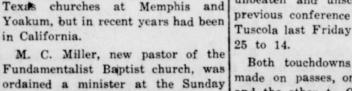
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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS A stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710. A. F. and A.

a former pastor of this M., will be held Saturday, church, will preach Saturday night Starting line-up for Trent was:

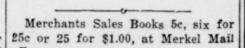


Fundamentalist Baptist church, was ordained a minister at the Sunday evening service of the church. It is that Rev. J. L. Burleson

Fred Moreland, Lueders, climaxed turn in a few days to complete his

D. Williams.

coffee, hot chocolate and candy were

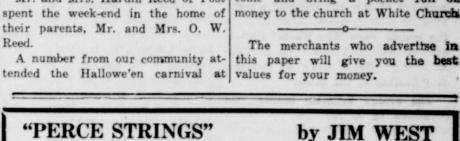


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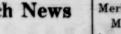
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home after several weeks' stay in

Mrs. A. M. Shugart has returned home after a visit with her daugh-

ter, Mrs. Cliff Petty, of Lueders.

ov. 9, at 7:30 p.m. All members ar urged to be present. Visiting brethrdially invited. F. Walker, W. M. C. Black, Secretary.

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Bible Presented to Baird Church by Mrs. Walker and Family

Driving to Baird last Sunday, Mrs. R. A. Walker, accompanied by two daughters, Misses Robbie and Velma Walker, presented the congregation of the Baird Presbyterian church with a beautiful leather Bible, similar in every respect to the one given two weeks before to Grace 'Presbyterian church here.

The gift was a memorial to her husband, the late R. A. Walker, who also served the Baird church, beginning with the year 1930 until his death.

Box and Pie Supper.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service is sponsoring a box and pie supper, also ice cream and cake at the White Church on Wednesday, ey will also sell at aucch quilt just completed. invited to attend. A to eat is promis-

Substitutes were John Armour, Roy Yandell and Leo Reynolds. Trent has an open date for this Friday.

"Week of Prayer" is **Observed** by Society

Members of the Woman's Society H. R. Surratt, Place, Bragg Dry Goods Company, of Christian Service of the Methodist church observed the Week of Prayer with an all-day program Wednesday at the church, joined by members of the Trent society. Theme of the program was "New Roads Untried." About sixty women were present. Mrs. Tom Largent, president of the local society, was in charge of the program, which opened at the morning hour with quiet music, "The Lord is in His Holy Temple," and the call to worship by the leader. Devotional was led by Mrs. E. C. Richards; a poem, "Faith" was given by Mrs. John Grable, and a talk, Bradshaw, W. S. Womack, Win- Brownie troops of the Girl Scouts "Built for the Future," by Mrs. F. E. Church. Mrs. Clark Mundy led the prayer, Mrs. W. A. McSpadden gave a musical reading and Mrs. S. P. Ross, J. V. Sims, Chas. Dil- will do themselves and the Girl Grover Hale concluded the morning program with meditation, "Adventuring on Untried Roads."

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We appreciate very much the as- of the afternoon program, with sistance and help rendered us by prayer by Mrs. W. G. Anderson, neighbors and friends, and especially poems by Mrs. Hale McRee and Mrs. do we thank the fireboys for their Wright, responsive reading by the efficient help in controlling the fire leader, Mrs. E. L. Mangum, a song at our home Sunday, Oct. 27. We wish by Mrs. Norman Hodge and a talk to assure all of you that your efforts on Scarritt's "New Day" by Mrs. L. were greatly appreciated. N. McRee. Mrs. T. H. Williamson Mr. and Mrs. Eli Case. gave the benediction.

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WINESAP APPLES	Doz. 15c		
BULK APPLES Peck 35c	SPUDS		
CRANBERRIES Lb. 23c	TEXAS ORANGES Doz. 15c		
CELERY Bunch 10c	Texas Grapefruit 6 for 13c		
PEANUT BUTTER Pint 15c Quart 25c			
Salad Dressing Qt. 29c	Pumpkin No. 2 can 12c		
Catsup Bottle 17c	Fruit Cocktail 2 cans 25c		
Peaches No. 2 ^{1/2} can 2 for 31c	Coffee 1-lb. can 25c		
Sugar 10-lb. cloth bag 49c	Pickles, sour or dill, Qt. 15c		
Peas No. 2 can 17c	Macaroni Pkg. 5c		
Green Beans No. 2 can 17c	Spaghetti Pkg. 5c		
RED & WHITE	FLOUR PRICES		
6 lb. bag 29c	24 lb. bag		
	48 lb. bag		
RED & WHITE Laundry Soap 7 bars 25c	Supreme Salad Wafers 1-lb. box 17c		
MARKET SPECIALS			
SHORTENING 4 lb. ctn. 39c	CHEESE Lb. 25c		
PORK ROAST Lb. 19c	SLICED BACON Lb. 19c		
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SEARS-GRAY. son was very lovely in a magenta Two prominent families were unit- evening frock and she was the

Lou Dale Gray, daughter of Mr. and Those present were: Mesdames W. Mrs. R. T. Gray, became the bride A. Whiteley, Homer Patterson, Clesof Clyde Sears, son of Mrs. Clyde by Patterson, Earl Beech, Comer noon, Nov. 5, for their regular meet-Sears, in a simple home ceremony Patterson, Claud Dye, Herbert Pat- ing. just at the twilight hour.

only brother of the bride.

The bride's brunette beauty was enhanced by a red fox fur jacket over a frock in soldier blue. She will best be remembered as the vivacious little drum major who led our band for three years, and her popularity was evidenced when she was elected "most popular girl" in Merkel High school last year.

Clyde (Bubba) Sears is a son of a generation of cattle people and they will live on the Sears ranch southeast of Merkel. He was also a popular graduate of Merkel High school, after which he attended Texas Tech for a time.

Immediately following the ceremony, a lovely wedding cake was cut and served with hot chocolate after gent, W. W. Toombs, George Woodwhich the couple left for an automobile trip to San Antonio and other points of interest.

TWILIGHT TEA IN GARDNER HOME COMPLIMENTS RECENT BRIDE.

Mrs. Jack Patterson, who was un til her marriage October 11th Miss Lois Whiteley, was a most charming honoree Tuesday evening when four hostesses entertained in her honor in the C. B. Gardner home on Oak street. Sharing hostess duties with Miss Billie Gardner were Miss Mary Collins, Miss Fanny Boaz and Mrs L. V. Moore.

Built around the nursery rhyme. "the house that Jack built," the guest to the girl who played the music who lived in the house that Jack "Friendliness," as his theme. Rev.

ed Wednesday evening when Miss recipient of many lovely gifts.

terson, Brooks Patterson, Byron Pat-Rev. John H. Crow, pastor of the terson, J. A. Patterson, Will Patter-Methodist church, officiated, in the son, John Shannon, J. H. Crow, C. presence of only the immediate mem- V. Shelton, Joe Stalls, F. E. Church, Johnny Cox. Mrs. Stanley King, re bers of both families. Attendants to Earl Stanford, C. P. Church, Clyde porting for the committee on the the couple were Miss Rachel Patter- Sears, Orvil Crick, Charlie Russell, cemetery clean-up drive, stated that son, student in Texas Tech at Lub- Lizzie Latham, R. L. Proctor, Elmer the work is now under way. bock, and Doyle Gray of Abilene, Holland, Elmo Collins, J. M. Collins,

> Teague, J. E. Boaz, Sr., Elsie Nash, Len Sublett, Comer Haynes, Lige Gamble, Connor Robinson, Abbie Ruth Hutcheson, Warren Smith, Frankie McDonald, Howard Heath, Johnnie Cox, C. R. Tittle, W. W. Campbell, Nathan Wood, Cyrus Pee, T. G. Bragg, Dee Grimes, Joe Cypert, Raymond Ferguson, S. H. Berry,

Weldon McAninch, Frank Golladay, Cotton Owens, John Mansfield, Ellen Duncan, G. C. Green, Chester Collinsworth, Carroll Benson, Norman Hodge, David Gamble, Otto Bicknell, M. E. Campbell, John Grable, A. A. McGehee, R. T. Gray, Lynn Shelton, Mack Buzbee, Robert

Malone, W. S. J. Brown, Tom Larrum and Bill Fugat.

Misses Louise Patterson, Lucille

Crick, Hettie Logan Clay, Imogene Schulze, Alzada Pogue, Ruth West,

Christine Collins, Ona Johnson, Pauline Johnson, Luna White, La Verne Dunbar, Frances Cleveland, Mildred Holt, Mamie Ellis, Vinnie

Heizer, Mary Helen Mashburn. BAPTIST TEACHERS HONORED. A splendid tribute was paid last Saturday evening when the officers and teachers of the Baptist Sunday School were entertained with a banquet at the church.

A patriotic theme furnished in spiration in decorations of red, white party theme was delightfully infor- and blue with red roses in white conmal. Little Miss Dorothy Nell Lee tainers centering the tables where a opened the door to introduce each chicken menu was served in courses. Clark Mundy presided as master for the bride who married the man of ceremonies, using the term,

THE MERKEL MAIL

Fetty, Hubert Turner; Misses Mae Lassiter, Clara B. White, Thelma Mathews, Pearl Mathews, Doris Clyde Miller, Willie Belle Virden, Bessie McNiece, Vinnie Heizer, Maurine White and Aline Cox.

FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB TO ABILENE FOR MEETING.

Mrs. W. W. Haynes, a former president of the Fortnightly Study, was hostess to members of the club in her Abilene home Tuesday after-

Mrs. Tom Largent, vice-president, presided for the business meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs

Mrs. Connor Robinson and Mrs. Paul Collins, John R. Walling, Earl Owen Robertson were leaders for an interesting program on "Women of Today: Creator, Leader, Citizen." Members answered to roll call with short sketches of "Women Worth-While."

> Mrs. Haynes served a salad plate to two guests, Mrs. R. O. Pearson, a past president of the club, and Mrs. tess. Clyde Beasley, a former member of the club, both of Abilene, and the following club members: Mesdames W. S. J. Brown, S. D. Gamble, Comer Haynes, Stanley King, Tom Largent, Elsie Nash, W. P. Petty, Owen Robertson, Connor Robinson, W. T. Sadler and H. C. West; Misses Vinnie Heizer, Mildred Holt, Johnnie Sears and Mamie Ellis.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Grace Presbyterian church met Monday afternoon, Nov. 4, at the church with Mrs. Delma Compton as leader of the program on "Thailand. and the Southern Mountain Work." The Scripture readings were from Matt. 6:19-21 and Psalms 21. "Three Epochs in Thailand," a devotional service, was given by the leader. Mrs. R. A. Walker gave "A Field Talk from the Southern Mountains," and Mrs. W. M. Elliott spoke of "The Work of the Alpine Rural Life Center in Tennessee." "The Howard Industrial School Lives On In Thailand" was discussed by Mrs. Connor Robinson, and Mrs. Henry West told of work in the Bangkok School 'Down Long Years."

Following the business session Mrs. Henry West, Abilene Presbyterial president, gave a report of the state



Mrs. Weldon McAninch was hostess on Friday afternoon to members of the Union Ridge Home Demonstration club.

With the president in charge, roll call was answered by "Things I Am Thankful For." A singsong was followed by a Thanksgiving program consisting of songs by Mrs. Don Riney and Corky Cox, and a play by Jackie McAninch and Nan Shelton. Poems were given by Mesdames Kenneth Pee and Weldon McAninch. Achievement day was planned. It will be held Nov. 15. Lunch will be at the home of Mrs. W. C. Lee. At the refreshment hour delicious nut pie and coffee was served to the following visitors and members: Mesdames Jack Canon, J. W. Blanton, Velma Shelton, Don Riney, Houston Clark, W. C. Lee, Pierce Horton, Kenneth Pee, Chester Bond, Lee Tipton, O. E. Harwell, Denzel Cox, Burly Bond, Clarence Church, O. R. Douglas, Woodrow Patton, Lige Harris, M. L. Douglas, S. G. Russell, Jr., and Miss Mabel McRee and the hos-

> BRIDAL SHOWER. (Omitted last week.)

Mrs. J. B. Harris, the former Mildred Browning, was honored with a bridal shower on last Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Ira Stanley of Stith, with Muriel and Winona Kelso as co-hostesses.

Everyone enjoyed an afternoon of lively games after which a beautiful array of useful gifts was presented the bride.

At the conclusion of the social hour a dainty refreshment plate of cookies and punch was served to Mesdames D. W. Ashby. C. S. Sherrell, Clovis Stanley, M. E. West, Norman Winter, T. O. Butler, John Browning, Irvin Burton, W. H. Kelso, Henry Miller, Clement Carey, Britt Baker, C. R. Rogers, Jr., E. H. Thompson Don Riney, Paul Bradley, J. S. Varner, Earnest Owens, Henry Berry, J. B. Harris; Misses Pauline Bradley, Louise Hudson, Bersha Mae Thompson, Muriel and Winona Kelso. Those sending gifts were Mesdames Fletcher Jones, Clyde Rushing and Truitt Jones and Mrs. O. B. Tatum, grandmother of the bride.



SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. There were 580 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 599 the previous week. On the same Sunday a year ago the attendance was 640.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training Union 6:15. Evening sermon at 7:15.

Teachers' and officers' meeting and prayer meeting 7:15 Wednesday evening. Cooper Waters, Pastor.

BAPTIST W. M. U. The Baptist W. M. U. will meet

n Circles on Monday, Nov. 11, at 2:30 p. m., as follows:

Blanche Rose Walker, with Mrs. A. D. Fulton; Maybelle Taylor, with Mrs. M. E. Campbell; Elkin Lockett, with Mrs. J. R. Reece in the S. J. Criswell home.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday School at 10. a. m. is the only service at our church. Everyone is urged to attend regularly. W. M. Elliott, Clerk of Session.

METHODIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Morning sermon at 11 a. m. Young people's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Evening worship at 7:15. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:15.

John H. Crow, Pastor.

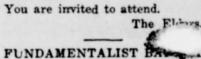
NAZARENE CHURCH. . Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. NYPS at 6:30 Sunday evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Everyone is cordially invited to these services. G. O. Crow, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Sunday services: Bible classes 9:45, preaching at 10:45, young people's meeting at 6:30. Preaching at 7:30

Wednesday evening Bible study at 7:30 o'clock.



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Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Criswell, Route 1, Wednesday, November 6, 1940.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Seagroves, Route 4, Wednesday, November 6, 1940.

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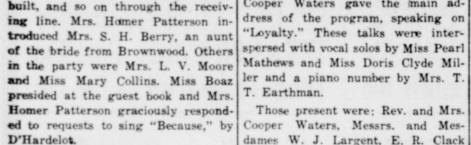
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A most colorful autumn decoraand Comer Haynes; Mesdames T. T. tion was effected with bronze mums, Earthman, J. L. Winter, J. O. Casautumn leaves and fruit by candle- tles, A. R. Booth, Sam Swann, Owen light. Mrs. Comer Haynes and Mrs. Robertson, Twyman Collins, Lake Len Sublett poured tea from a table Renfro, Lum Gilbreath, Bill Fugat, spread with hand-woven Mexican Clyde Deavers, W. L. Johnson, W. A. hostess. cloth, whose bright colors were re- Ford, A. A. McGehee, Roy Miller, flected in the pottery used and re- L. V. Moore, Clyde Bartlett, Holland plicas of Thanksgiving table center, Teaff, E. O. Carson, Irl Walker, W. fashioned of dwarfed marigolds and A. McCandless, Florence Berry, Seth grapes, were cleverly used as plate Morgan, Ed Sandusky, Ruby Jinkens favors. Tea dainties were served by and C. B. Knight; Messrs. Alvin little Misses Mary Ruth Hutcheson Wozencraft, Charlie West, E. Neff, and Mary Fay Johnson, Mrs. Patter- Clark Mundy, Howard Carson, Byers



Added: Latest March of Time. "MEXICO"

Cooper Waters gave the main ad synodical meeting held in October at dress of the program, speaking on at the next missionary meeting. Those present were Mesdames R. Mathews and Miss Doris Clyde Milton and Connor Robinson.

MRS. WAYNE BOYD COMPLI-MENTED WITH SHOWER. planned party, honoring Mrs. Wayne Boyd, the former Eloise Perry, was given in the home of Mrs. Claude vited to be present and help in the Perry, with Mrs. Ollie Fox as co- opening program promptly at 9:45.

After several games were played a dainty refreshment plate was passed and gifts were presented the bride by the following: Mrs. C. J. Reed and Mrs. Pierson Morgan of Forsan: Mesdames Fenton Boyd, Sammy Roberts, Ed Burks, Oscar S. Bishop, Chock Hutcheson, Charlie Keys, John Boyd, Trent; Mesdames Watt Blair, R. H. Mathews, Sr., R. H. Mathews, Jr., S. G. Russell, Jr., Pierce Horton, Harry Barnett, M. B. Bell, Joe Reneau, Stacy Bird, Homer Patterson, F. T. Hogan, Jr., Joe Cypert, Mae Seago, Ed Turner, W. W. Campbell, Andy Shouse, Pete Rutledge, and Mr. Dee Perry and family. Misses Luna White, Robbie Walker, Euvalda Fox, Mickey and Dutchy Diltz, Thelma and Pearl Mathews. Margaret Turner, Ounita Douglas, Faye Boyd and Betty and Bonnie Reed of Forsan.

BUFFET SUPPER.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Palmer entertained a group of friends with a buffet supper on Hallowe'en night. The table was centered with a pumpkin made in traditional jack o' lantern style, and candles were used for lighting the festive scene. Those present were Messrs, and Mesdames Herbert Dunn, Joe Cypert, Earl Watts, E. Y. Bailey, Ray Wilson and the host and hostess.

Open House Sunday at New Ferguson Home

The handsome new home of R. M. Ferguson on Austin street has been completed and the family moved into it Wednesday. The structure, which is a story and a half, is of semi-English design.

For the benefit of the general public, who may be interested, open house hours will be observed Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock.

The Business Men's class will have Paris. This report is to be continued the opening exercise program at the Methodist church Sunday morning. "A large attendance is urged," said A. Walker, Henry West, Ralph Johnny Cox, superintendent of the Walker, W. M. Elliott, Delma Comp- Sunday School, "at both the Sunday School and church, as next Sunday is the last service for Rev. John H. Crow before conference. He is now completing his fifth year at the Mer-On Thursday afternoon a prettily kel church, being the only preacher serving more than three years." All stewards and members are in-

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Preaching Saturday night at o'clock. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7. M. C. Miller, Pastor.

Hospital Notes. Mrs. M. Townsend, Route 3, entered Sadler Clinic Saturday with a fractured hip.

E. Barnes, Route 4, who had minor surgery Sunday, was dismissed the following day.

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