# Keeping Up With Texas

L. R. Puttman, 35, of Fritch, Texas, was killed Saturday when his parachute failed to open after he had bailed out of his airplane, at Borger's birthday celebration.

Sergeant Frank C. Martin of Gonzales, member of the anti-tank company of the 141st infantry, Camp RETAINS FOUR Bowie, Brownwood, was killed and two other soldiers were injured early Monday in an automobile accident between Lometa and Lampasas.

Old age pensions averaging \$14.22 each will be paid to 125,471 Texans this month, it was onnounced Saturday by Director J. S. Murchison. The amount averages 16 cents more for each recipient than in February. The rolls were increased by 2,975.

B. E. Bullock, prominent Texico, Texas, farmer and member of the State Land Use Planning commission, was killed Monday and Boone miles east of Clovis, N. M.

The \$30,000,000 U. S. naval air base at Corpus Christi was placed in commission Wednesday, Mar. 12.

J. U. Elrod, about 55, Alameda, was killed instantly, and his two sons injured when their automobile collided with a truck on highway 80 near the Texas & Pacific railway crossing in Ranger Saturday afternoon.

Elona Lois Spruill, 26, daughter of Mrs. Nellia Spruill of Kermit, was killed almost instantly about 1:30 Friday morning in an accident on highway 80 about ten miles east of Monahans. Her car overturned when it sideswiped another she was attempting to pass. Her head was crushed when she was thrown to the pave-

David Reid, six-weeks-old baby of Mrs. R. B. Reid, Haskell, was injured fatally, two boys critically and three other persons less seriously Saturday afternoon when the automobile in which they were riding overturned tendent. four miles north of Haskell. The accident was attributed to a tire blow-

ed, apparently not critically, if automobile collision Thursday night four miles east of Midland.

Ragland Jones, former state legislator, and Ann Childress of Centerville were killed in an automobiletruck crash near Warren, 50 miles north of Beaumont, Friday night.

Sterling Wooten, Abilene business man and civic leader, was elected president of the McMurry college board of trustees, at a meeting of the one to five years, and may be paid board's executive committee held Friday afternoon at Abilene.

As a result of the Texas senate's refusal last week to confirm Auditor Tom C. King's re-appointment by Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel, the state is without a state auditor.

Mrs. Bob Hunt of Abilene was injured fatally about 12:30 Friday night when her automobile crashed into a concrete bridge abutment on Pass Lease-Lend Bill. highway 80 about three miles west of Abilene high school.

An additional \$1 per capita, amounting to \$1,537,684, was released to Texas schools Friday, bringing to \$13 the amount applied on the current \$22.50 apportionment.

Maj. Robert R. Williams, 101 Confederate veteran, former mem ber of the Texas legislature and candidate opposing T. M. Campbell in the governor's race in 1908, died Tuesday at his home at Cumby.

Catalogues announcing the Mid west Live Stock Show and Exposition at Sweetwater, Mar. 19-22, have been mailed to prospective exhibitors. The four-day show replaces the Midwest Exposition, which was the fall fair.

Earl Leofwin Frey, 45, Stephenville bank president and World War veteran, died Tuesday of injuries suffered late Monday night when his automobile plunged off an 80-foot embankment at an approach to the Brazos river near Mineral Wells.

Paul B. Hommel, 52, Dallas building contractor, was found asphyxiated in the upstairs bedroom of his home in Highland park at 2 p. m. Monday. A coroner's verdict pronounced the death accidental.

An automobile collision south of Waco Tuesday claimed two lives and injured three persons, one seriously. The dead: Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Long of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Miss Margaret Sanford, 27, bookkeeper for a sewing machine firm at Lufkin, was asphyxiated Monday night by gas that escaped from a heater which she left burning in her

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# DIRECTORS, FIVE **NEW SELECTED**

Annual Meeting of Taylor Electric Cooperative Attended by Around 300 Members; Directors To Meet Next Monday.

Five new directors were named when the annual membership meet-Allison of Lariat, Texas, was injured ing of the Taylor Electric Cooperawhen their automobiles collided 21 tive, Inc.'s A section was held Monday at the Queen theatre here.

> New directors elected are: Mrs. George Pepper, Bitter Creek, Nolan county; J. J. Anderson, Eskota, Fisher county; Lloyd Bynum, Potosi, Taylor county; J. M. Lister, Nolan, Nolan county, and John Ward, Ward-Dabney ranch near Maryneal.

> Old directors retained are: Sam Butman, Jr., Mulberry Canyon; Comer Haynes, Merkel; W. C. Church, Stith, Jones county, and H. R. Roberts, Guion, southwest Taylor county. The new board will meet next Mon-

> day, Mar. 17, at 1 p. m., to elect of-Some 300 members of Section A

> which was opened with a singsong, led by Miss Hattie Tacker, county home demonstration agent. Reports of the Cooperative's prog

ress were given by Sam Butman, Jr. president; W. C. Church, secretarytreasurer, and Johnny Cox, superin-

These reports showed 750 members including extra minimum bills, with week-end open house, Saturday and more than 300 prospects. A special Sunday, were more than one thous- companied by Mrs. Richard Young. Byron J. Voliva, 49, railway ex- drive is to be made to connect all and people, including visitors from Dr. Zehnpfennig revealed exceptionpress agent at Midland for 25 years, prospects within the next few months. nearby towns and others more dismember by signing the Cooperative who signed the guest register and \$5.00 membership fee and wiring his visitors.

> may be secured through the Coopera- son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and tive to wire premises, install light Mrs. Sterling Sheppard, of Dallas. fixtures, automatic water system and Others from out-of-town helping to complete plumbing installation. These loan draw 6 per cent simple interest. with light bills monthly, quarterly or semi-annually.

Electrical appliances may be bought through dealers approved by ter and Mrs. Weston West. Electric Farm and Home Authority on 5 per cent interest and from one to four year loans, or these purchases can also be handled through the Co operative office.

# **President Requests Fund of 7 Billions**

Washington, Mar. 13 .- In a breathtaking burst of speed, congress rushed the lease-lend bill to the White House Tuesday, President Roosevelt signed it, and four minutes later ordered an undisclosed list of war materials sent to England and Greece.

Final congressional approval took the form of a 317-to-71 house vote accepting amendments attached to the bill by the senate, where the bill was passed Saturday by a vote of 60 to 31, and the accompanying debate produced bi-partisan pledges of national unity, now that a majority of both houses had spoken.

000,000,000 appropriation to carry out the auction ring in the annual Texa "fixed policy of this government to as Hereford sale at Fort Worth Tues- Car Tags to be Sold make for democracies every gun, day afternoon. Purchaser was J. C. plane and munition of war that we Dibrell and Sons, Coleman.

# **Huddleston Plug to**

Plug is to be drilled Friday from the Humble Oil & Refining company test topped Swastika sand at 2,998 his herd of show cattle around the feet and found saturation at 3,003-05 first of the year. He was re-elected,

The Harry Hines et al No. 1 A. M. Wimberley is rated as high as 500 Fat Stock show included Tom Jinbarrels daily, following 2,000 gallon kens, Clesby Patterson, J. A. Pattertreatment with acidization, It was son, and J. E. Boaz. W. S. J. Brown treated last week in lime at 2,222 to and Sam Swann also attended the cas, Noodle, Wednesday, March 12,

#### TRENT GIRLS FIGHT WAY TO SECOND ROUND

Trent, Mar. 12.-Trent girls' basketball team, winners of the Abilene district, entered the state meet held at Waco, Mar. 6-7-8. In the first round, they won over Blanco, winners of the San Antonio district, by a score of 36-11. Then they encountered the strong Ennis team, winners of the Waxahachie district, in and four of the old board retained the second round of play and lost, 28-19. Ennis won the state meet by defeating Austin.

Every year at the state meet an East and West team is selected. Three Trent players, Mary Lou O'-Rear, Nadine Childress and Helga Beasley, were selected as outstanding players on the West team.

The group returned Sunday evening after spending Sunday attending Mildred Maddera, Avis Neil, Mary Lou O'Rear, Willadean Strawn, Wil-They were accompanied on the trip by T. B. Friend, coach, J. M. Beasley and Mrs. John Strawn.

# were present for the annual meeting, Over 1,000 Visit **New Funeral Home**

company during the hours of the played several numbers. Following, application blank and paying the several of whom assisted in receiving

Welcoming guests were Mr. and Loans up to 80 per cent of the cost Mrs. A. T. Sheppard, joined by their receive were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Rites Set Friday Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ward, Dan Laughter, Abilene: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon A. Carlisle, Lubbock, and J. T. Turk, Waco, while assisting locally were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sump-

> Besides communities immediately contiguous to Merkel, visitors registered from Tye, Trent, Abilene, Hylton, Lawn, Dallas, Sweetwater, Paint Rock, Brownwood, Ovalo and Ham-

Among members of the profession who came to extend congratulations to the Barrow-Sheppard organization, other than those who assisted in follow in the Stith cemetery under receiving, were George D. Kiker, Abi- the direction of Barrow-Sheppard. lene; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Yates, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Barrow, Hamlin; Mr. and Mrs. Pinto had lived there continuously since Allen, Abilene; W. A. Horton, W. T. that time with the exception of nine Bennett, Ovalo.

flowers sent in from local and out- for a number of years. of-town friends gracefully decorated Surviving are his wife, three sons,

# Largent-Stevens Get

sent to congress a request for a \$7,- Largent and Stevens of Merkel, at grandchildren also survive.

In addition to consigning the top bull of the sale, Largent and Stevens also consigned one of the top females, breeders placed in the money.

however, as a director of the Texas Hereford association.

A party going down Sunday to the show this week.

# **MEN'S NIGHT** FEATURES NOVEL **ENTERTAINMENT**

sented by Men.

The Merkel Parent-Teacher association met in the gym at 7:30 Tuesday night with a special program, designated as "Men's Night." Gordon Green, principal of the Grammar school, acted as program leader, introducing Jack Patterson, who read the minutes, and Carroll Benson, who gave the treasurer's report.

Charles Clark read a report from the nominating committee, of which Mrs. C. B. Gardner is chairman, and the Fort Worth Stock show. Those the following officers were nominated making the trip were Helga Beasley, for the coming year: Mrs. Grover Nadine Childress, Louise Dudley, Gilbert, president; Mrs. Ray Wilson, vice-president; Mrs. Lem Dudley, secretary; Mrs. Gordon Green, treasma Stribling and Wanda Stribling. user; Mrs. Owen Robertson, parliamentarian, and Mrs. Norman Hodge, historian. Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Hodge were elected representatives to attend the district meeting at Big

Many were surprised at the musical talent displayed by the men's orchestra Richard Young arranged. The orchestra, composed of Chester During Open House Collinsworth and Dr. L. C. Zehnprennig, cornets; Milton Case, trombone; Rev. Cooper Waters, drum, and Viewing the modern, new \$10,006 Charlie Sherrell at the piano, aided funeral home of the Barrow-Sheppard by a few High School students, rell played several numbers.

Climaxing the evening's program was the review of the book, "Democracy In Action," written by Melvin J. Evans, and given by Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First Baptist

# For L. M. Walsh

L. M. Walsh, 65, died at 8 o'clock daughter, Mrs. Clarence Church, at men in the debris of the small apart-Stith. He had been confined to his bed for the past two weeks.

Funeral services will be held at 2 'clock Friday afternoon from the Methodist church at Stith, with Rev. Nazarene church, Abilene, officiat- Mrs. Kilgore. ing, assisted by Rev. R. L. Gilpin, Methodist pastor at Stith. Burial will

Mr. Walsh came to the Stith commonths spent in Arkansas. He had Baskets and displays of lovely cut been a member of the Nazarene church

the reception hall, chapel and other Charles, Harold and Pete, and one rooms throughout the specious fu- daughter, Mrs. Church, all of Merkel; three brothers, R. C. Walsh, Arkansas City, Ark.; Tom Walsh, Delight, Ark., and Pitts Walsh, Pasadena, Calif.; five sisters, Mrs. B. F. Thom-Top Price for Bull as, Mrs. W. L. Shope, Okalona, Ark.; Mrs. H. F. Thompson, Mrs. W. P. Top price of \$1,025 was paid for Calhoun, Arkadelphia, Ark., and Mrs. On Wednesday President Roosevelt L. S. Publican D. 17th, consigned by T. W. Duncan, San Antonio. Eight of Miss Evelyn Louise Williams, of visit with friends and relatives.

# Here March 14-15

Automobile licenses for 1941 may be obtained at the city hall here Fri-Miss Real Domino 23rd, sold to Shir- day and Saturday of this week. Ac-Be Drilled Friday ley Phillips of Dallas for \$660. All cording to custom of the past several the animals entered by the Merkel years, representatives from the of-For the first time in more than 30 tax assessor-collector, will be here ago from this city, and he, too, is well strong," the first tractor to be turn-No. 1-B D. O. Huddleston for com- years, W. J. Largent looked on at the two days for the convenience of resipletion in the Swastika sand. The Fort Worth show, having dispersed dents of Merkel and West Taylor

# Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Satterwhite, Monday, March 10, 1941. Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Russell, Monday, March 10, 1941.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Newell Lu-

# GOLFERS ELECT COLLINSWORTH NEW PRESIDENT

C. H. Collinsworth was elected president of the Merkel Golf club at the annual meeting of members held Men's Orchestra, Arranged by at the Lions hall Monday night. Dick Young, Makes Big Hit; Byers Petty was named vice-presi-Entire P.-T. A. Program Pre- dent and Dean Higgins was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

> Supt. Connor Robinson, the retiring president, was named chairman of the tournament committee. Other committee chairmen are: Norman T. Hodge, grounds; Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig, entertainment; T. G. Bragg. grievance; Booth Warren, member-

As chairman of a new committee, Mrs. Connor Robinson was named to make plans for a woman's tourna-

About 25 members were present with the "flu."

Entertainment feature was furnished in three reels of moving pictures, shown by Chester Collinsworth, named, with one representative from depicting "How the Big Shots Do each club on the respective commit-

A hot-tamales-and-chili menu was served by Cotton's Cafe.

# Two Children Burn To Death; Mother Is Barely Alive

Two small children were burned to death in a fire shortly after noon was injured fatally and four others Any person living within 1,000 feet tant, together with a number of with Richard Young. Charlie Sher- from the explosion of an oil stove in Pence wagon yard. The mother was reported barely alive at 1 p. m. Thursday by attendants at the Sad- monthly meeting of the Trent Parler Clinic, to which she was taken in a Barrow-Sheppard ambulance.

> Mrs. Henry Kilgore, about 25, the mother, suffered first, second and, third degree burns, over practically, H. C. Simms of Sweetwater, a forevery portion of her body.

The charred bodies of the two children, both girls, Elma, 5, and Shir-Thursday morning at the home of a ley Ann, 2, were recovered by fire-

The husband and father is a WPA worker, now employed at the Abilene airport job. Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wash-W. B. Chandler, pastor of the First burn of Goodman are the parents of

The building burst into flames an instant after the explosion, which occurred in the second cabin from the east end of the row. This cabin and munity from Arkansas in 1918 and the one adjoining were almost entirely destroyed.

# PLANS FOR HOME BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST MADE

Two Divisions Announced, Same Basis As Last Year; To Start With Clean-Up Week: Committees Are Named.

Plans for a second city-wide home beautification contest are being made, with the Fortnightly Study club as general sponsors. Co-sponsors are the Junior Study club, the Home Demonstration club and the Lions club.

Just as was done last year, prizes will be offered in two divisions: home owners and non-home-owners. List of prizes and rules of the contest are to be announced later.

A clean-up week, by proclamation for Monday night's meeting, which of the mayor, will inaugurate the was presided over by Booth Warren contest, the date of clean-up week to in the absence of Supt. Connor Rob- be either the last week in March or inson, club president, who was ill the first week in April, to conform, if possible, to the state clean-up pro-

The following committees have been

Registration - Mrs. Norman T. Hodge, chairman; Mrs. Holt Vaughn, Mrs. Harry Bullock, Wrenn Durham. Publicity-C. J. Glover, chairman; Mrs. Wrenn Durham, Mrs. Lem Dud-

ley, Mrs. Connor Robinson. Judges-Mrs. Andy Shouse, chairman; Mrs. Johnny Cox, Mrs. David Gamble, Stanley King.

# Trent P.-T. A. Elect Officers for Year

Trent, Mar. 13. - L. C. Haugness holm Trail area, spoke on "Safety in Home, School and Community" at the ent-Teacher association, held Tuesday night in the school's study hall and attended by one of the largest crowds

to be present during the year. Other speaker for the evening was mer superintendent of the Trent school, who talked on "Safe Insur-

Officers were nominated for 1941-42. Mrs. C. W. Edwards and Mrs. Karl Bonneaux were re-nominated as president and vice-president; Mrs. R. L. Fortune, secretary; Mrs. Joe Boone, treasurer; Mrs. Roger Williams, parliamentarian, and Mrs. Ola Lee Winn, historian.

Other program numbers were given by the second, fourth and fifth grades. Declamations were given by Buddy Winter, Jennie Mae Reynolds, Dorotha Butler and Carletta Hood. Mrs. Karl Bonneaux was program leader. Supt. R. L. Fortune paid tribute to the Fathers. A social hour climaxed the program.

# **MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO**

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, March 18, 1921.)

MERKEL COUPLE MARRIED | Falls. IN MISSOURI.

Cards are out announcing the this city, to Mr. Ellis Q. Warren of Knox City. The happy event, we are

H. C. Williams, is charming and ad- attended by 200 stockholders, who mired by all who know her; in fact, one of Merkel's most accomplished tractor, the magnificent plant and and popular young ladies.

of clee friends.

Dr. J. A. Adkisson, wife and son, marriage on last Monday, March 14, Ray, of Beaumont are here for a

Quite a number of Merkel's splentold, took place in Missouri where did citizens went over to Sweetwater the bride had been visiting relatives. last Saturday where a demonstration The bride is the daughter of Mrs. of the Armstrong Farm tractor was were most highly pleased with the the possibility of the glowing future The groom is a well-to-do and well when this great tractor will revoluknown business man of Knox City, tionize the farming industry. It is fice of C. O. (Pat) Patterson, county going there a little more than a year said that the two-row model "Armand favorably known by a wide circle ed out by the Armstrong people, performed nicely with its inventor, Ira Armstrong, at the wheel, and the We are informed that Rev. Fred directors and stockholders attending S. Rogers of Cumby, Texas, has been were more than pleased with the fine called to the pastorate of the Grace work done by it. The Mr. Armstrong Presbyterian church in Merkel and referred to above is well known in will enter upon the duties of same Merkel, having once lived here, and about the first of April. As is well is a brother to our fellow townsmar known, this call has been made upon and splendid citizen, Dr. M. Armthe resignation of Rev. C. C. Dooley, strong. A demonstration of the tracwho has accepted a call to Wichita tor will be made in Merkel very soon.

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#### **Adopt Resolutions of** Respect on Death of Mrs. C. P. Church

At a meeting Saturday of the Taylor County Home Demonstration council, the following resolution of respect with reference to the death of Mrs. C. P. Church, was adopted:

On Friday, January 31, 1941, our Heavenly Father called from our midst our beloved friend, Mrs. C. P. Church. Her death followed only a few hours' illness.

Funeral services were held February 1, 2:30 p. m., at the Merkel Methodist church with Rev. Marvin Boyd officiating, assisted by Minister Lee Starnes of the Church of Christ, and Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First Baptist church. Following services at the church, the body was laid to rest in Rose Hill cemetery at Merkel, Texas.

At the time of her death she was serving as council chairman of Taylor County Home Demonstration council. Through her loyalty, kindness and desire to help where her services were needed, she endeared herself to all who knew her, friends and neighbors alike, Mrs. Church was an inspiring leader; one who was always loyal and democratic. Her life was a life of unselfish service and love. In her passing we have lost a dear friend and leader, yet her memory and influence lives on in our hearts.

Therefore, be it resolved by the members of Taylor County Home one of its most valuable and dis- Dallas visited last week in the R. H. tinguished members; the church, a Mathews home. Mrs. McMurtry is beloved and sincere member: her hus band and children, a companion and comforter whose deeds of kindness and acts of mercy will be greatly

Resolved that to the members of the family we extend our sympathy in their sorrow; be it further

Resolved that a copy of this resolu tion be spread upon the minutes of this council, and a copy be sent to the bereaved family and a copy to the Merkel Mail and the Abilene-Report-

> Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Grover Gilbert. Chairman Mrs. L. A. Groene.

Mrs. W. C. Perkins. Committee.

## Celebrate Anniversary Of AAA Farm Program

Fifty people of Mulberry Canyon met at Butman school house Saturday night celebrating the eighth birthday anniversary of the AAA farm program. A radio provided from one of the homes was used to bring the speeches of President Roosevelt, Vice-President Wallace and Secretary Wichard to the listening audience.

In short the president assured the audience that "we cannot escape our collective responsibility for the kind of life that is going to emerge from the ordeal through which the world is passing today. We may discharge that responsibility unwisely, but we cannot escape the consequences of our choice. We would have it a world in which we may live in peace, freedom and security-the kind of world our farmer forefathers dreamed of and worked for."

incidentally, pupils of Butman school who were trying for declamations in Taylor county were ready for their tryouts. J. E. Meeks won first, Harold Swinney second, Calvin Smith third, of the junior boys.

In the junior girls contest Frances Perkins won first and La Verne Denton was next with a very close secend. These declamations were enjoy-

ed very much. A series of games was played, old school day experiences reviewed and a good time in general was enjoyed. In due respect to the farmers, president and others who strive to help our nation, members of the Bluebonnet Home Demonstration club, with Mrs. A. L. Farmer in charge, acted as hostesses for the occasion, serving apples and oranges.

Just say you saw it in The Mail.

# **PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Barnett and Mrs. Paul Inglis and daughter, Paula, his brother, John Shannon, and famof Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Chester C. Harris and daughter, Judy, of Lubbock, all were guests of Mr. Barnett and Mrs. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barnett, Worth party returned home Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Harris and Judy remaining to spend a few days here. Mr. Harris returned to Lubbock Sunday night.

Mrs. J. C. Randel and daughter, Penny, of Quanah, are visitors this week in the John West home.

John Robert and Marjorie Ann Walker were over from Abilene to spend the week-end with their grandmother, Mrs. R. A. Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes and daughter, Sue, returned Monday night from Dallas. They were met there by another daughter, Miss Betty Grimes, senior student at Texas State College for Women, Denton.

Visiting Sunday in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Ramsey were Mrs. Ramsey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Sollock of Rule.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Sheppard and Mrs. Doss Sheppard, of Dallas, who were here for the opening of the new Barrow-Sheppard funeral home last week-end, returned home Mon-

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith and son, Claude, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ueckert and Bobby Barbee of To Hold Week-End Noodle were a party that visited the Fat Stock show at Fort Worth Sun-

Mrs. J. T. King, a former resident of Merkel, is visiting in the home of Mrs. C. S. Curb. The last of the Falls to visit a son, S. E. King, and Mar. 14-16. family.

Among the soldier boys from Camp Bowie home for the week-end were J. W. Cook, J. B. Bunch, J. L. Cook and Robert Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Malone, Mrs. J. dail spent Sunday in Big Spring.

Mrs. D. C. Johnson and young daughter of Big Spring were first day, begin at 7:30. Sunday's program be present. of the week visitors with Mrs. J. T. Demonstration council, that it is the Johnson and Miss Delia Kuykendall. served at noon. sense of this body that it has lost Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McMurtry of oce of Mrs. Mathews.

> Lieut, William Spight and Mrs. Spight and Staff Sgt. Floyd Brennamen and family, from Camp Barkeley, have taken apartments with Miss

> Mrs. Floyd Davis of Big Spring is risiting her mother, Mrs. W. H. Laney, and family.

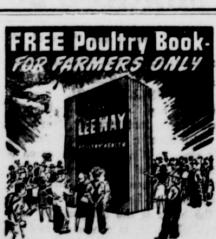
Shirley Ann Sharp left Sunday for Anthony. N. M., where her father, Kenneth Sharp, is working for the Moline people.

Mesdames J. D. Morrow, J. W. Parker and Joyce Bradley of Wichita

# This New Amazing **Cough Mixture** COMES FROM CANADA

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Falls were recent visitors with their sister, Mrs. B. M. Williams and fam-

Mr. and Mrs. W. U. Shannon of sons, Barney and Bill, and Mr. and Amarillo were visitors last week with

> Miss Vedalee Pannell of Dallas is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pannell.

Miss Christine Collins was a week during last week-end. The Fort end visitor with Mrs. Paul Marr at Stephenville. Miss Maurine Tipton, who teaches

> in the Ballinger schools, was home last week-end for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Tipton. Miss Rachel Patterson, student at

Texas Technological college, Lubbock, was home to spend the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson. She was accompanied by her roommate, Miss Vera Spight.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Middleton of Lamesa were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McAninch here for a week end trip to the Fort Worth Stock

Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Zehnpfennig were among those who went down to Fort Worth for the Fat Stock show last week-end.

Supt. Connor Robinson, ill since to return Thursday morning to his school. school duties.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodrum and White sanitarium.

# Study Course at Church at Hebron

Rev. J. Henry Littleton, missionary for District 17, will conduct a study week she plans to leave for Wichita course at the Hebron Baptist church

> the missionary will show movie pic- ing department. tures of missionary work in China.

T. Johnson and Miss Delia Kuyken- ple's, intermediate, beginner and pri- and entertainment will follow the mary departments.

Night meetings, Friday and Saturwill begin at 9:30, with a basket lunch

# LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

Miss Lucille Crick, student of Draughon's Business college, Abilene, has accepted a position as bookkeeper-stenographer with the Southwestern Products company, Abilene.

This week the Turner Bros Grocery and Market are celebrating their first birthday in Merkel with an anniversary sale. As a special courtesy to patrons, Admiration coffee and cakes will be served all-day Saturday.

Mrs. Dent Gibson, who has been employed the past few months at Woolworth's, Abilene, has re-joined the sales force of Nutt's Variety store, having begun her duties last Monday morning.

Monroe Wozencraft enlisted in the United States army on Thursday of last week at the Abilene recruiting station and has been assigned to Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio.

Lieut. Landon Hill, Troop F, 112th cavalry, who has been stationed at Fort Clark, was here the early part of the week. He was to leave Thurslast Friday with the "flu," was able day for Fort Riley, Kans., for a staff

W. E. (Elmer) Lowe, former Mer-Mrs. Ada Heeter left Tuesday morn- kel man, was re-elected county juveing for Temple where Mrs. Woodrum nile officer Monday at a joint meetwas to go through the Scott and ing of the county commissioners' court and city commission of Abilene. The term is for two years, dating from last November.

## Weta-Frances to Use Irish Theme at Party

The Weta-Frances club of Merkel High school will be "a wearin' of the green" to a St. Patrick's party Thurs-Beginning at 7:30 Friday evening day night at 7:30, in the homemak-

> Bonnie McAninch is chairman of Irish theme.

sponsor.

# "I didn't know the Bank did that"

Occasionally even old customers overlook some of the services which this bank is prepared to render. In fact, it is impossible to make a complete list of these helpful services.

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## **Board 2 Fills Quota** With Eleven Draftees

Taylor county draft boards have The public is cordially invited to at- the program committee consisting of listed 28 men who are to report Montend. There will be classes taught on Wanda McCoy, Gwyn Renfro, Jewel day, Mar. 17, for transfer to the in-"Stewardship" in adult, young peo- Keener and Matilene London. Games duction station at Fort Bliss, El Paso, and begin a year's military service, assigned to Fort Francis E. Warren. Three of the eleven drafted from Cheyenne, Wyo., Murry and Vincent About 40 members are expected to board No. 2 are local boys: Jack were placed in the same barracks. Keith Graham, Marvin LeRoy Per- Co. B., 2nd training regiment, Quar-Miss Frances Cleveland is club kins and Reubin Grady Curb. Others termaster Replacement center. Willie

T. J. Moody, Antonio Olivaz Ivarra, Robert Andrew Colclazer, Albert Freeman, Woodie John Wilson Harbuck, Olan Routh Tally and Archie Clifford Carter.

Murry Toombs, Vincent Barnett and Willie Webb have all three been from board 2 are Jay Earnest Ivey, Webb was assigned to Co. H.

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# QUEEN THEATRE **CALENDAR**

Friday - Saturday - The Three Mesquiteers in "Oklahoma Renegades;" 2-reel Andy Clyde comedy, cartoon, serial and short.

Saturday preview, Sunday matinee Monday night-James Cagney, Olivia de Havilland in "Strawberry Blonde;" latest March of Time.

Tuesday only - "Father's Son," with John Litel and Billy Dawson, selected short subjects.

Wednesday-Thursday-Orrin Tucker and his orchestra in "You're the One," with Bonnie Baker, Jerry Colonna, Edward Everett Horton.

#### "Strawberry Blonde"

"The Strawberry Blonde," which is scheduled at the Queen theatre Saturday preview, Sunday matinee and Monday night, is just the gala fun fest you've all been waiting for to chase the blues away. The jolliest show this side of the naughty nineties, the new Warner Bros. comedy has the warmth and color that made those gay nineties so gay and you won't want to miss it.

There's James Cagney, the guy who put the roar in the "Roaring | end, Cagney gets a chance to get back deserting her epic screen romances he chooses to stick with Olivia. with Errol Flynn to play the kind of girl your mother probably was. siren. Rita Hayworth, playing the naughty, but oh, so lovable, Strawberry Blonde. Bluff and gruff Alan Jack Carson is the city slicker who and George Tobias, whose roster of philosophical Greek barber.

Stepping out of the tough guy roles of the story. of the century days, in a comedy scenarists. that gives the bird to the gilded age. He's that way about Rita Hayworth. the Strawberry Blonde, but his "pal"

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> This was the counsel given by the South's beloved general, Robert E. Lee, to a woman who declared bitterly that she could never become reconciled to the

Twenties" as the bad boy of the nine- at Carson and to win the Strawberry ties. There's Olivia deHavilland Blonde, but true love triumphs and

Director Raoul Walsh, whose recent hits include such films as "They There's the screen's new and luscious Drive By Night" and "High Sierra," this time it's in a comedy vein. He pear on the screen. It was Gene Mar-Hale plays a likable old bar-fly, has managed, too, to create an au- key, who wrote and produced "You're whose avocation is street-cleaning. thentic picture of the era when a mug the One," who induced the popular runs off with the Strawberry Blonde, racket was something you played ture. tennis with. The music by Heinz

#### "Father's Son"

to be filmed-Warner Bros.' "Father's Son," which will come to the Queen theatre Tuesday.

To play the boy, Warners cast Billy Dawson, a handsome, vital, boyish boy who shows much talent. The father's role is carried by the capable actor, John Litel, and the mother is played by the charming British player, Frieda Inescort.

The sympathetic story concerns Billy, a well-intentioned lad who just can't help getting into trouble. His father is also well-intentioned, but away from home. When he returns, fic age, such as 18 to 21 years. his father foolishly continues to anending happily.

# "You're the One"

happy blend making up Paramount's tain a large army. latest screen contribution, "You're the One," to be shown at the Queen theatre Wednesday and Thursday, with Bonnie Baker and Orrin Tucker and his orchestra and Jerry Colonna heading a cast of brilliant comedians and entertainers.

This is the picture in which the baby-voiced Bonnie, who has won enormous popularity with her provocative manner of singing, and Orrin Tucker, make their film debuts. has kept up the swift pace of these Their radio fans for a long time had action hits in the new picture, only been clamoring for the pair to apwas used only for shaving and a radio favorites to appear in the pic-

Among the new song hits which film roles reads like an assembly call Roemheld, composed of themes remin- the picture introduces are "Strawof the League of Nations, plays a iscent of those father used to sing, berry Lane," "I Could Kiss You for adds to the charm and authenticity That," "Gee, I Wish I'd Listened to My Mother" and "You're the One." that he has been playing recently, The script, based on a play by In the picture, Colonna is seen as Cagney is seen in "The Strawberry James Hagen, was written by Julius the proprietor of a weight-reducing Blonde" as a gay blade of the turn J. and Philip G. Epstein, the twin sanitarium, which is run in the style of a summer resort or night club, featuring Bonnie Baker, Orrin Tucker and a floor show as part of the Booth Tarkington's pen, which has entertainment. Lillian Cornell is Dr. Jack Carson, elopes with her, leaving delighted readers young and old for Colonna's beautiful nurse-assistant. Cagney to console himself with sweet, years with his impish, real, human Dekker is an orchestra leader, who devoted Olivia deHavilland. In the boys, has to his credit another story tries to lose weight at Colonna's

#### Change in Draftee Ages is Considered

Washington, Mar. 13. - Selective 35, inclusive.

Officials said reduction of the age limit would make it possible at some later date to reorganize the present his severe handling of the boy puts a set-up easily under the European barrier between the two. This de-system-calling all youths for milivelops, and eventually Billy runs tary service when they reach a speci-

The plan to reduce the age limit tagonize the boy, so the lad and his soon to 21 to 25 years, it was said, mother leave together. But now Billy is based on the theory that the realizes how unhappy both parents United States will remain at peace are, separated, and he gets to work and that the army's job will be to on his ingenious plan that finds all maintain a backlog of militarily trained youths for use in event of an emergency. Officials explained that even though the United States re-Hilarious comedy, hit tunes and mains out of the present war, they saucy romance are all mixed in the believe it will be necessary to main-

No final decision on the change has been made and, if it is decided to go ahead with such a plan, congressional action will be necessary.

wacky sanitarium, in order to be able to obtain a radio contract. Teddy Hart is the chauffeur, and Edward Everett Horton is Bonnie Baker's theatrical agent.

Produced by Gene Markey, the picture was directed by Ralph Murphy.

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#### TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. L. N. McRee and daughter, Sue, accompanied by Miss Virginia Chloe McRee and H. L. Mc-Ree, spent from Friday to Sunday seeing the Fort Worth Stock show and visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Howell.

J. W. Williamson and his grandson, Tom Williamson III, from Batesville, Ark., were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Williamson. On their return they were accompanied as far as Fort Worth by Hubert Beckham and Tom Williamson

Capt. Wade Stribling of Camp cent guest of home folks. Barkeley was a guest Saturday in ling and, while here, he in company with C. C. and Mrs. Stribling, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Willis and Mr. and Mrs. Odie Stribling, who live on the Newman ranch. Mrs. C. M. Stribling is also a guest at this time of her sons at the ranch.

Burks were guests Wednesday in the panied by a group of 4-H club boys. After the business session, refreshhome of the former's sister, Mrs. Alice Moody, Sweetwater.

friends here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson from Blair were visiting friends and also shopping some here Saturday night.

Walter Smith of Camp Barkeley was a guest over the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wil-

Artemus Howell, who is working at Camp Bowie, was home Friday. was accompanied by his wife and mother, Mrs. H. B. Chambliss. son, Donald. The latter returned Sunday while Mrs. Howell remained for a several days' visit.

Mrs. T. B. Adams of Wayside came last Friday for a visit of several days in the home of her sister, Rev. and Mrs. Fred Porter.

Mrs. Reuben Reeves is recovering from a tonsil operation.

Mrs. Beckham and son, Hubert, had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Trevethan and Mrs. J. M. Bland of Wichita Falls, also Mrs. W. T. Hamor of Winters, who was accompanying them home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hughes and son, Bobbie, were recent guests in the home of Mrs. Hughes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Everett, of Woodson.

Marshall Thixton of Corsicana was a guest last Tuesday and Wednesday of his aunt, Mrs. Rose Ed-

Mrs. Woodrow Cooper, who has been ill for some time, is improving and is at the home of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones.

Mrs. Helen Williams, who is teaching in Abilene, was home for the week-end.

Misses Yvonne Hodge and Virgie Hardy, accompanied by Jack Chapman and Miss Ruth Chapman of Blair, spent Sunday in Brownwood. visiting Miss Hardy's brother, Weldon Hardy, who is in training at Camp Bowie. They were met there by Mr. and Mrs. Hardy of Clyde and all together enjoyed the day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Burkett of Andrews were recent guests in the home of Mrs. Burkett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mangum. On their return home they were accompanied by the Mangums who spent several days in their home.

Mrs. J. B. Winn returned home Sunday from a ten days' stay in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Taylor, of Sonora. The Taylors are announcing the birth of a

his parents.

John Hamner has gone to Dallas where he has employment.

Bob Howell, who has been in the hospital at Marshall for the past several weeks, has returned and is now back on the job with the T. & P. His run is from Monahans to Abi-

Miss Thelma Titsworth has gone to Rankin to visit with her brother, L.

Miss Hazel Wanda Williamson, who is attending McMurry, was a re-

the home of his cousin, C. C. Strib- day to her home near Big Spring Saturday evening with a turkey dinafter a week's visit with relatives ner. Other guests invited were Mr.

> Edgar Lee Mangum, who is work- lie Joe, and Vernon Howe. ing at Camp Barkeley, spent the week-end with home folks.

J. B. Wade and Bud Winter attended the Fat Stock show at Fort in regular session Mar. 1, when a Mesdames J. A. Brown and Ed Worth Monday. They were accom- very interesting program was given. among them being J. B. Winn, Jr., ments of cream and cold drinks were Buddie Winter, the two Wade boys, Clarence Duke of Brownsfield was Paul Ueckert, Odell Swinney, Wela passing guest of relatives and don Rutledge, Billie Hodges and Bil- O. W. hall on Apr. 5, at 2:30 p. m. lie Joe Swinney.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scogins of Blair have recently moved here. Mr. Scogins has charge of the Gulf sta-S DE LOS

as their guests Mrs. Wright's father, her sons, O. R. Carey and family, Mr. Powledge, of Van Horn.

children attended a birthday dinner Carey and family, Trent; her daugh-Returning to his work Saturday, he Sunday in Abilene for Mrs. Reynolds' ter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ver-

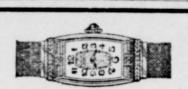
in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Hodge of Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen were guests from Wednesday to Saturday in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Holt, of Waco.

Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Tune, accompanied by a number of young people, attended the meeting of the Union of the Lighted Cross at the Merkel M. E. church Monday evening.

W. M. U. MEETS IN HOME OF MRS. BECKHAM.

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baby girl, named Mary Beth, on Feb, on the program were Mesdames W. C. Matthews, C. C. Stribling, Spur-Karl Bonneaux, Jr., of Hardin- geon Scott, Carl Edwards, Newman Simmons, spent the week-end with Reynolds and Orvin Robinson. Mrs. Thomas A. Roberts of Big Spring gave a very interesting review of the Home Mission Study book, "Trail of the Seed." Others present were Mrs. W. P. Stocker and her motherin-law, Mrs. Stocker, of Abilene, Mrs.

Fred Porter, Mrs. C. T. Beckham. A covered dish luncheon was served at the noon hour and an offering for home missions was taken.

SIX O'CLOCK DINNER. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter, Betty Lu, honored their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. John James, of Fort Worth, and Miss Mrs. Grant Reagan returned Mon- Garnetta Bailey of Slaton on last

WOODMEN CIRCLE.

and Mrs. J. E. Bowers and son, Bil-

Woodmen Circle Grove No. 668 met

The next meeting will be at the W. All members are urged to attend.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER. Mrs. W. M. Carey was honored at her home last Sunday with a surprise Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wright have birthday dinner. Those present were Post; C. S. Carey and family, Stith; Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Reynolds and Truman Carey and family, Carl non Lofton, Trent; her sister, Mrs. Mrs. A. R. Payne and daughter, Will Austin, Anson; a nephew and Miss Magdalene, were guests Sunday wife, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Austin, Anson; a niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Will Roogie, Maryneal; a daugh-

ter, Miss Alice Carey, and her husband, W. M. Carey. Mrs. Carey received many nice gifts.

SCHOOL NEWS.

R. L. Fortune attended the sup-Monday night.

The debate team, accompanied by Mrs. T. B. Friend, visited the invitation tournament at Abilene Satur-

Each Monday night there is a picture show at the high school audi-

CHURCHES.

Methodist-Sunday School 10 a. m Morning sermon 11. Night services at 8. Young people's meeting at 7. Mid-week services Wednesday night at 8. Women's Society of Christian Service Monday at 3 p. m. There is always a welcome. Cecil Tune, Pas-

Baptist-Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. on the first and third Sundays. Training Union Sunday at 7. Miss Alice Carey, director. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30. W. M. U. meets Monday 2:30 p. m. Every one is cordially invited. Fred Porter, Pastor.

Church of Christ-Preaching Sunday 11 a. m. Evening service at 7:30. Bible study 10 a. m. Mid-week services Wednesday evening at 7:30. Gaston Cogdell, Pastor.

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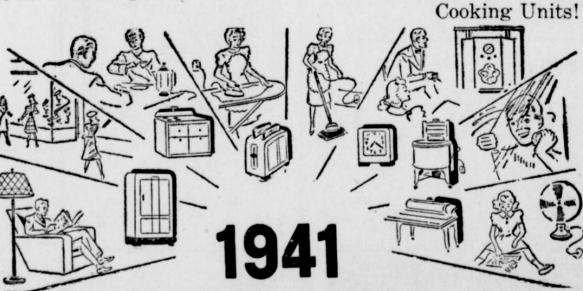


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# LOST AND FOUND

STRAYED-White-faced heifer calf, about six months old. Notify Ira Stanley, Route 1, Merkel Texas.

England Builds 480 Ships. Grantham, Eng., Mar. 13.-Large and small warship construction for the year ending Apr. 1, will total 480 vessels, Sir Victor Warender, financial secretary of the admiralty, said

#### **Baird Group Carry** Union Banner Home

One hundred and twenty-five young people and their adult leaders were present at the Merkel Methodist church Monday night for the March meeting of the Union of The Lighted Cross. The following churches were represented: Caps, Wylie, Baird, quality chicks from blood-tested breed- Clyde, Trent, Merkel, Grace church, Fairmont church, St. Paul church and First Methodist, Abilene.

Ministers present were: Alsie Carlton, Baird; Cecil Tune, Trent; market for roosters and hens when Franklin Ivey, Caps; R. L. Butler, Fairmont; C. A. Long, St. Paul; Aubrey White, Grace church; C. B. Meador and J. H. Hamblen, First church, Abilene.

The recreation hour was directed by Miss Jewell Posey, instructor in Mc-Murry college. Following the recreational period, the Merkel young people served refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, cookies and drink. The business session was un-FOR SALE or TRADE immediately der the chairmanship of Union -One used piano in excellent condi- President Marvin Hunter of Merkel. tion for sale at bargain or will trade The session concluded with a worship

The check on the items of work included in the award of the Union Banner found Caps, Merkel and FOR SALE-350 bushels of Qualla Baird tied for first place for the Cottonseed from Green Tag Seed last month, and it was decided to allow block, 75 cents per bushel bulk or 80 ner for the month as this is their cents per bushel sacked; ginned sev- first time in the banner rating, while eral bales at a time. E. F. Vantreese, both Merkel and Caps have shared

> The next Union meeting will be at Trent on Apr. 14, and the next meeting of Methodist young people of the entire Abilene district will be at Hamlin on Apr. 25 and 26.

#### **Methodists Begin** Loyalty Campaign

The board of stewards of the Methodist church met in regular After a month's attendance check at morning and night services, the stewards with the lowest attendance record provided the group with a chili and "hot-dog" supper.

The board decided to lead in a the church for the next six weeks. cent. The date for a one-week spring remakes Easter Sunday the day of be- coupled with a growing income from ginning. It was also decided that a live stock and live stock preducts two-weeks revival will be held in the is the basis on which Dr. F. A. Bue-

used; cash or terms. White and granted leave for a week beginning search, makes his calculation. Mar. 30 to preach in a revival meet-

# **BLAIR ITEMS**

Rev. E. L. Whitaker, Baptist minister, delivered an interesting discourse here Sunday afternoon from church, Mrs. D. W. Ashby, Merkel, Christian life in an hour of crisis yards and starting spring gardens. where God's cause is at stake. May our people do much praying for the FOR RENT - Furnished 4-room series of services and may be we as apartment, to couple. Mrs. John Gideon's band, "Then every man stood age American should have had \$1.38 at his post round about the camp," (Judges 7:21,) and await with con- February than he did the month be-FOR RENT-Three-room apartment; fidence each member's presence. The fore, the treasury said Saturday. public is invited to attend these ser- Total per capita money in circulavices each Sunday afternoon at 2:30 tion on Feb. 28 was \$66.28, as com-

The woman's division of the Christian services met Tuesday, Mar. 4, FOR RENT OR SALE - Building with Mrs. Jim Campbell as program all women should be at the next meeting, as worship service is found in each program. Next meeting will be for 5 cents; 25 cents per dozen. At

#### Heads Jackson Day Campaign in Texas



George A. Butler

George A. Butler, well-known Houston attorney and Democratic leader, is chairman of the Texas Jackson Day campaign this year. He heads the annual drive to collect funds for the national Democratic party organization which will culminate with the annual Jackson Day Dinner to which all subscribers of \$25 or more are invited guests. The Jackson Day Dinner will be held in the Rice Hotel at Houston, where the Jackson Day committee have opened offices. Previous Jckson Day rallies have all been held in Day rallies have all been held in Dallas. The banquet will be on the night of Saturday, March 29. Appointment of George A. Butler s chairman was announced by National Committeeman Myron G.

# Rise Predicted in '41 Texas Farm Income

Austin, /Mar. 13 .- With January setting a fast pace, a University of session Tuesday night at the church. Texas agricultural statistician forecasts 1941's farm cash income in Texas will exceed that of the past several vears.

Texas farmers in January received \$21,414,000 for their products, compared with \$16,959,000 for the loyalty campaign for attendance of same period in 1939, a gain of 26 per

An almost unprecedented favorvival was set for Apr. 13-20, which able range and live stock condition chel, associate director of the Uni-The pastor of the church was versity's Bureau of Business Re-

Rising production and prices in ing for Rev. E. D. Landreth and his dairy and poultry industries will contribute in no small way to improvement in the agricultural situa-

# Keep Your Chickens Up.

There is a city ordinance against chickens being allowed to run at the 26th chapter of Acts, the power- large and emphasis is placed on this FOR RENT - Three unfurnished ful vision of the Apostle Paul, em- restriction at the present time, berooms, first house north of Christian phasizing the importance of living a cause so many are improving their

# Per Capita Hiked.

Washington, Mar. 13 .- The avermore in his pockets at the end of pared with \$64.90 on Jan. 1.

# Religion on Wheels.

Berlin, Mar. 13 .- Catholic clergy-

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#### **Methodists to Observe** Young People's Day

Sunday will be Young People's day of Methodism.

Young people will present the opening worship service at the Sun- 2:20 to 2:50 p. m. day School hour. They will stand before the adult classes and teach them at the discussion period. The boys will act as ushers at the morning and evening preaching services. The sermon at the morning service will be planned for the youth of the congregation. Special music will be given by the young people.

At the regular League hour, the customary activity will be a regular Epworth League program. At the night preaching service, three young people will be on the program, presenting the story of the Hughes-Caperton Memorial, which has now become a well established tradition with young Methodists in this section.

#### Hospital Notes.

Mrs. Comer Patterson of Abilene was admitted to the Sadler Clinic Mar. 7 for treatment.

The son of Alex Carter, a meningitis patient, was admitted Saturday. Mrs. Annie Scott was admitted

Monday for treatment. Orb Fletcher, of Hamlin, who entered the hospital Feb. 27 with a fractured shoulder, was dismissed Wed-

nesday. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Satterwhite at the hospital Monday, Mar. 10.

Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

# Wacoans on Goodwill Tour Coming Mar. 27 merce.

at the Methodist church. This is an tour into West Texas, Mar. 25-28, neighbors and to further develop the annual observance in all the churches will bring more than fifty business friendship which has always existed

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entertainment is planned by the Waco hour.

group. The goodwill tour will be con ducted by the Waco chamber of com

"We are making these visits in or Waco, Mar. 13.-Waco's goodwill der to get better acquainted with con and civic leaders by special train in- between Waco and the people of this to Merkel on Thursday, Mar. 27, from area," V. M. Cox, president of the Waco chamber of commerce, said.

An outstanding feature of the visit | Souvenirs will be distributed by the will be a goodwill program of enter- trippers in each town visited. Memtainment at a central point in the bers of the tour will include Waco business district, which will be broad- manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers

An exchange of greetings between A government survey in Canada Waco leaders and local leaders will several years ago disclosed many men be on the program. Special musical and women working for ten cents an

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PROGRAM ON "GARDENS" BY ABILENE LADIES.

peas in low containers flanked by ica" and "The Eyes of Texas," with ture quotations and the program burning tapers. Each guest perform- Mrs. Andy Shouse at the piano. tion" project as a civic enterprise.

Mrs. Sadler graciously acted as Thelma Woolridge, member of the Holt Vaughn. Abilene Garden club, who was a most | A dainty Saint Patrick's plate enthusiastic speaker and is a recog- was served to Mesdames W. R. Sumpnized authority on her subject, that ter, F. A. Polley, Clark Mundy, Holt of "Gardening." Mrs. Ethel Gear- Vaughn, Bob Sumpter, Charles Jarrett Pinckley entertained with a hart, also of Abilene, offered helpful Knight, Craig Humphreys, R. H. "42" party for a number of his suggestions in the round table dis- Mathews, Jr., A. P. Peterson, Don friends. After games were played, re- Society of Christian Service meets cussion which followed the main ad- Riney, Buck Leach, Andy Shouse, freshments were served to Rev. Mar- Monday at 3 p. m. Mid-week service

numbers was given by Mrs. Homer nett, Harry Barnett, Walter Teaff, Higgins, Clyde Shouse, Comer Hay- Methodists. Patterson. She sang "An Old Fashioned Garden," "As in Old Gardens" and "Thank God for a Garden." Christine Collins was accompanist for Mrs. Patterson.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY FOR JOLLY NEIGHBORS.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse entertained members of their game club of district 2, section 7, Order of the with one of the most cleverly planned Eastern Star, is expected to be presprograms of the year on Monday ent Monday night, Mar. 17, for her evening. Spring flowers graced the annual official visit. rooms where tables were appointed All members are especially urged ressions of the games and dainty reproach of Saint Patrick's day.

which again stressed the green meeting for Merkel chapter No. 212. Monday afternoon at the First Bap-Shamrock was passed to Messrs. and Several inspirational talks were made, tist church. Two songs were sung Mesdames Frank Golladay, Clyde and an impressive Memorial program and a talk was made by Mrs. R. O. Shouse, Spencer Bird, Herbert Pat- was given, at which time a list of Collins. The program was given by terson, Raymond Ferguson, John those members deceased since 1910 Betty Buchanan, Melba Jean Smith Grable, Johnny Cox, Andy Shouse, was read. Two songs were sung by and Petty Jean Mathews. New of-Christine Collins and C. J. Glover.

## TURNER-BROWN.

coe, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Turner, to M. Williamson, Aurra Johnson, Bes- rene Stover, Udean McCamey, Ina Miss Doris Lynn Brown of Colorado sie Merritt, Ida Sharp, Ruby Dean; Milton, Mrs. Collins and a visitor. City. The wedding took place in the Messrs. and Mesdames Charlie Seago, Baptist parsonage here, January 3, H. G. Smith and Andy Shouse. with Rev. Cooper Waters reading the single ring ceremony.

Attending the couple were Geraldine Brown, a sister to the bride, and the Baptist Training Union were chatting and sewing. Mrs. Hoyle Cecil Turner, a brother to the groom. graciously entertained in the lovely Lemens was welcomed as a new mem-Others present for the ceremony were country home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miss Dorothy Feaster of Colorado Fugat on Tuesday evening. Using St. Jene, as a visitor. City and Mrs. Cooper Waters.

Mrs. Turner, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Brown of Colorado City, wore a black ensemble with black and pink accessories. She was an honor graduate of the Colorado plate, consisting of lime sherbet, City high school in 1940. The groom, a frequent visitor with his brothers, and candy sticks, was served to the Hubert and Cecil Turner, grocery- young people. men here, graduated from Roscoe high school in 1938.

The couple will live in a beautiful just completed in Roscoe where he is engaged in farming.

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afternoon of last week. The rooms the president. Miss Hattie Tacker, were given by all members. were beautifully decorated with sweet | county agent, led in singing "Amer-

er wore corsages of sweet peas. After reading of the minutes and that Binds," and prayer by Mrs. J. Misses Pauline Ballew was welcomed reports of committees, the program R. Walling. as a new member and during the was turned over to Miss Tacker who business session the club voted to co- gave a most interesting demonstra- and cake was served to the following: sponsor another "Home Beautifica- tion on marketing of eggs and feed- Mesdames S. G. Russell, J. E. Tuc- of these services. Come bring your ing for egg production.

mistress of ceremonies in the absence school on "Home Hygiene and Care West and Misses Mary and Jennie of Mrs. Norman Hodge, who was ill of the Sick." First meeting will be Keny. The class will meet Apr. 8 for at that time. She introduced Miss held Mar. 18 at 2 p. m. with Mrs. their Easter program, the place to

An appropriate group of vocal Teaff, E. B. Wallace, Norris Bac- Frank Breaux, Byers Petty, Dean Miss Tacker and the hostess.

The next meeting will be on Mar. and Paxton Hays. 21 with Mrs. Ernest Teaff.

DEPUTY GRAND MATRON

COMING. Mrs. Gladden, deputy grand matron

for progressive "84" with an all green to be present for this meeting and for freshments were served to 60 guests. and white motif accenting the ap- several important meetings following her visit.

At a late hour a dainty salad plate Tuesday, Mar. 11, was the regular Mesdames Mae Seago, Bessie Merritt ficers were elected. and Anna Belle Shouse and Charlyse

SAINT PATRICK'S PARTY.

The Young People's department of Patrick's day as a theme, the house was beautifully decorated with white cut flowers and greenery.

After an enjoyable evening of progressive games, a refreshment Shamrock cookies, mint gum-drops Moore, E. Y. Bailey.

WILLING WORKERS.

The Willing Workers class of the white stucco home the groom has Presbyterian church met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. G. F.

song, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," and prayer was led by In The Mrs. West.

The devotional was given by Mrs. R. A. Walker, on "Peace" with Scriptures from Gen. 28th chapter, SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. Psalms 29th chapter and Isaiah 53rd chapter. The story of the song, JUNIOR STUDY CLUB HEARS HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB. "Church in the Wildwood," was given The Merkel Home Demonstration by Mrs. S. A. Derstine; "Serving club met in the home of Mrs. Fred God Through Work," by Mrs. J. E. The home of Mrs. W. T. Sadler was A. Baker on Friday afternoon, Mar. Tucker; "If We Can Conform Our opened to members of the Junior 7. Mrs. W. R. Sumpter called the Wills to God's Will," by Mrs. J. R. Fortnightly Study club on Thursday meeting to order in the absence of Walling. Helpful talks and poems

> Roll call was answered by Scripclosed with a song, "Blest Be the Tie

A refreshment plate of grapejuice 7:30 p. m. ker, S. A. Derstine, W. M. Elliott, J. friends. The club voted to have a training R. Walling, R. A. Walker, G. F. be announced later.

ENTERTAINS FRIENDS.

Clyde Shouse, J. W. Bryan, Ernest vin Boyd and Messrs. P. H. Douglass, every Wednesday night. Stanley King, John S. Hughes, J. nes, Carroll Benson, Mason Barker, Ben Campbell, Fred A. Baker, Jr., Bill Hays, H. B. Robertson, Pete Petty, Nim J. Teaff, Joe C. Higgins

> BENEFIT "42" TOURNAMENT. The Fortnightly Study club sponsored a "42" party on last Friday Fay Johnson, song leader; Frank evening at the Lions hall for the purpose of boosting a depleted treasury

Musical numbers by Misses Doris Clyde Miller and Bonnie Church and Mrs. Nell Groene interspersed prog-

GIRLS AUXILIARY.

The Junior Girls Auxiliary met

Melba Smith, Ila Mae Douglass, Petty W. R. Collins, W. J. Higgins, J. A. Announcement has been made of Those present included a visitor, Jean Mathews, Betty Buchanan the marriage of Veltie Eurcy Tur-, Mrs. Andy Anderson, of Hamlin, and Louella Massey, Geraldine Jinkens, ner, son of a pioneer family of Ros- the following members: Mesdames J. Joanna Ramsey, Ruth Russell, Flo- Hays, Joe Bickley and Miss Tacker.

SEWING CLUB.

Mrs. E. Y. Bailey was hostess to the Needle and Thimble club on Wednesday. The afternoon was spent in ber and Mrs. Tommy Autrey, Abi-

Members present were Mesdames Earl Watts, Herbert Dunn, Stacy Bird, L. V. Moore, Max Swafford, Connor Robinson, John Grable, Milton Case, Nolan Palmer, Worth Lee, Spencer Bird, David Gamble, Geo. T.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Spencer Bird on Mar. 19.

FIDELIS MATRONS.

The Fidelis Matrons class of the First Baptist church met Wednesday afternoon in the home of Miss Johnny West. The meeting opened with a Sears, with Mrs. Dean Higgins as cohostess. The devotional was brought by Mrs. Cooper Waters and Mrs. Higgins presided for the business session. After a social hour, refreshments were served to Mesdames Cooper Waters, Sam Swann, George T. Moore, L. V. Moore, Ed Sandusky, Max Swafford, C. W. Newton, Bob

W. M. U. CIRCLE.

Fowler, Hoyle Lemens, David Gamble, Jarrett Pinckley and the hostesses,

Miss Sears and Mrs. Higgins.

The Blanche Rose Walker Circle of the First Baptist church met in the home of Mrs. J. S. Swann on Monday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. R. O. Collins led the opening prayer and Mrs. J. O. Castles directed the Bible lesson. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Castles.

Those present were Mesdames J. O. Castles, W. W. Wheeler, Sam Swann, A. D. Fulton, E. O. Carson, J. S. Swann, Cooper Waters, R. O. Collins and W. L. Johnson.

The next meeting will be Mar. 24 in the home of Mrs. J. S. Swann.

Sponsor Game Night.

The Gleaner class of the Methodist Sunday School is sponsoring a game night at the Lions hall Friday night, beginning at 8 o'clock. Everybody is invited. A charge of 25 cents per couple will be made.

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Churches

There were 526 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 517 the previous week. On the same Sunday a year ago the attendance was 548.

CHURCH OF CHRIST. Our regular schedule of services is as follows:

Sunday: Bible School 9:45 a. m., preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., young people's Bible class 6:30 p. m. Wednesday: Ladies' Bible class 2:30 p. m. and prayer meeting at

Lee Starnes, Minister.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday services: Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning worship service ing 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. NYPS at 11 a. m. Intermediate League 6:30 p. 6:30 Sunday evening. Prayer meetm. Young People's Fellowship and ing Wednesday evening at 7:36 On Thursday night of last week League hour begins at 6 p. m. Evening preaching service 7:15 p. m.

Week-day activities: Woman's

There's always a welcome with the

Marvin Boyd, Pastor.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE. We invite every one to come to our League Sunday at 6:30 p. m. Leaders are Benny Kemper, president; Robert Simpson, vice-president; Mary

# RURAL SOCIETY

SALT BRANCH CLUB.

The Salt Branch Home Demonstration club met Thursday, Mar. 6, in tend these services. the home of Mrs. J. A. Horton. The program, began with group singing. Miss Hattie Tacker, county agent, gave an interesting talk on "The Care and Feeding of Poultry."

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Jess Higgins, T. C. Allen, Ida Higgins, Johnny Cox, J. C. Allen, Hob Robertson, Bill Hays, M. H. Barker, Vernon Hudson, W. U. Those present were Irene Stover, Beene, Buster Horton, J. E. Smith, A. Garvin, Henry Hester, Paxton The next meeting will be with Mrs.

Johnny Cox on Mar. 20.

WHITE CHURCH WSCS.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of White Church met Tuesday, Mar. 11, at 2 p. m. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. John Coomer.

The subject of the lesson was "Investing Our Heritage in Health in the World." Those on program were tion for District 17. Mrs. Fay Brown and Mrs. John

The society will meet Mar. 25 at the home of Mrs. Raymond Demere

Those present were Mesdames John visitor, Mrs. Will Butman.

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Teachers' and officers' meeting and prayer meeting 7:30 Wednesday evening.

\* Coeper Waters, Pastor.

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. The pastor will preach at Tye at the morning hour, but there will be no evening worship at the church here The public is invited to attend each for third Sunday.

Mid-week prayer meeting Wednes day, 7:30 p. m.

J. B. Ramsey, Pastor.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Preacho'clock.

Everyone is cordially invited to these services.

6. O. Crow, Pastor.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening COLORADO WHITE

M. C. Miller, Pastor.

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A. C. Healer, Pastor.

# Revival Meeting to **Continue Over Sunday**

The series of gospel meetings which began last Sunday at the Church of Christ will continue through next Sunday. Good crowds, PREPARED considering the weather, have been present for each service and four ready resulted.

The local minister, Lee Starnes, is doing the preaching. Services are held each evening at 7:30 o'clock.

# **Dental Assistants of** District 17 Organize

Dental assistants and receptionists met together at the Hilton hotel, Abilene, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 to organize a Dental Assistants associa-

Officers elected were: president, Vera Roper, Sweetwater; vice-president, Nobie Pope, Abilene; secretary and treasurer, Nelle Downing, Breckfor a covered dish luncheon and quilt enridge, and reporter, Anna Benton, Abilene.

Nelle Downing was named chair-Coomer, J. B. Stewart, Fay Brown, man of the program and social com-Raymond Demere and John Swinney; mittee of which Gene Worley, Sweetone child, J. B. Swinney, and one water, and Thelma Mathews, Merkel, are members.

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