

Keeping Up With Texas

Macon Freeman, Jr., of Coleman, was the winner of first place in the state in the Latin tournament essay contest for second year Latin students. He will receive a medal from Texas Latin tournament, Dallas.

Andrew Jackson Houston, grizzled 86-year-old son of Gen. Sam Houston, Monday took the oath of office for the Texas senate seat at Washington which his father occupied 10 years before he was born. He is the oldest man ever to serve in the senate.

The mangled body of Saint Marcos Stanley, 47, was found Sunday at Victoria alongside the railroad tracks. Funeral services were held at Kennedy Monday.

Leslie Roberts, 28, of Llano, was killed in an automobile accident near Buchanan dam Monday afternoon when the automobile in which he was riding overturned.

Sgt. Clem Dobson of Camp Bowie, Brownwood, died Sunday in a Blanco hospital of injuries received in an accident which involved a station wagon and a sedan nine miles north of Blanco.

Three WPA workers were injured fatally at the Abilene Municipal airport Monday afternoon when a BT-14 training plane from Randolph field struck their old model automobile parked on a runway. The dead: Geo. E. Kniffen, Charles E. Belvin and Albert H. Waller, all employed on a WPA airport improvement project.

Eddie Franks, 32, of View, was shot fatally in an accident Sunday night at the home of his father-in-law, Jack Singleton, near Camp Barkeley. The men had returned from a rabbit hunt and a bullet struck Franks in the face as Singleton attempted to dislodge a shell from a small caliber rifle.

Although Governor W. Lee O'Daniel has made four appointments to the state liquor board, the vacancy is yet to be filled. The senate Tuesday refused to confirm Mrs. Claude de Van Watts of Austin, the fourth appointee.

E. O. Wilson, 51, well known farmer of the Pinkerton community west of Haskell, died of a heart attack in a Haskell drug store Tuesday afternoon shortly before 6 while talking to his family physician.

A hitch-hiker identified by papers as John S. Harrell, 51-year-old Big Spring war veteran, was killed Monday night when an automobile struck the rear of a tractor near Vernon.

Six persons were killed and six others injured Sunday night in a head-on automobile crash six miles west of Shamrock on State Highway 66. The dead: Mrs. Duke Morgan, 30, Mrs. Helen Wall, 25, Lewis Jester, 24, Shamrock; John Klaverweiden, 35, Dalhart; Richard A. Coffin, 25, Kansas City; Mrs. Minnie Stout, 55, Bell, Calif.

Former Pastor Here To Preach Sermon At West Funeral

Rev. Ira L. Parrack of Chillicothe, former pastor of the First Baptist church here, came to preach the funeral sermon last Friday afternoon for Charlie L. West, who was general superintendent of the Sunday School at the time Rev. Mr. Parrack was pastor. Other ministers taking part in the service of tribute were Rev. Cooper Waters, present pastor; Rev. J. W. Saffles and Rev. O. B. Tatum, Baptist preachers; Rev. J. Basil Ramsey, pastor of Grace Presbyterian church, and Rev. Marvin Boyd, Methodist pastor.

Five nephews, Charles Tipton, Woodrow, Bernard and Junior Clark and Melvin Jones, and Dean Higgins served as active pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were all of the barbers of the city: Bob McDonald, Homer Newby, Floyd McCoy, Pete Rutledge, Carroll Walton, Oscar Buford, Bernie Bell, A. C. Terry, Jr., and Byers Petty, and the following old-time barber customers: Ross Wheeler, Jack Cannon, R. B. Wells, Chas. Curb, Joe Holmes, Andy Hunter, Elmer Lowe, John West, F. Y. Gaither, A. A. McGehee, Frank Golladay, Booth Warren, Bob Malone, Dr. M. Armstrong, Bill Dunagin, Sam Mashburn, Harry Barnett, Sam Butman, Sr., W. O. Boney, Henry West, T. G. Bragg, Bishop Hunter, A. T. Sheppard, C. J. Glover, J. H. Witcher, Clyde Shouse, G. M. Sharp, John Mansfield, Will Hutcheson, Dave Shelton, W. E. Petty, J. W. Teaff, Paul Douglas and E. M. McDonald.

Members of the Alathean Sunday School class, of which Mrs. West was president, served in a group as flower girls, with three nieces, Mrs. Leonard Creswell, Lawton, Okla., Mrs. Melvin Jones, Haskell, and little Patricia.

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Merkel's Second 1941 Rodeo Slated for Saturday

HODGE HOME AGAIN WINS IN YARD CONTEST

Takes First Place in Home-Owners' Division of Beautification Contest; Mrs. McDonald's Home is Second.

First place in the home-owners' division in Merkel's second annual home beautification contest was again won by Mrs. Norman T. Hodge this year. Besides the cash prize of \$5.00, the award carries with it possession for another year of the silver cup offered by the Merkel Mail to the first prize winner, but which has to be won three years in succession before the owner comes into permanent possession.

Second prize of \$2.50 was awarded to Mrs. E. M. McDonald. While no prize was offered for third place, Mrs. Stanley King, the Woodrum home and Mrs. Elma McFarland were in a three-way tie for this distinction. Honorable mention was also given to the yards of Mrs. A. T. Sheppard, Mrs. W. F. Golladay, Mrs. R. T. Gray and Mrs. T. C. Allen.

In the non-home-owners' division, Mrs. David Gamble won first place, with Mrs. Connor Robinson winner of second place. The awards carried with them cash prizes of \$5.00 and \$2.50, respectively. Last year, these same two were winners, but it was Mrs. Robinson who placed first. Ranking third this year was Mrs. Johnny Cox.

Miss Mamie Ellis was general chairman of the home beautification contest, with Mrs. S. D. Gamble and Mrs. Stanley King other members of the general committee. The Fortnightly Study club, as sponsor, had the cooperation of three other civic clubs, the Junior Study club, the Merkel Home Demonstration club and the Lions club.

Serving on committees were: registration, Mrs. Norman Hodge, chairman, Mrs. Holt Vaughn, Mrs. Harry Bullock, Wrenn Durham; to select judges, Mrs. Andy Shouse, chairman, Mrs. Johnny Cox, Mrs. David Gamble, Stanley King; publicity, C. J. Glover, chairman, Mrs. Wrenn Durham, Mrs. Lem Dudley, Mrs. Connor Robinson.

Three Abilene women, Mrs. R. H. Thomason, Mrs. L. W. Hollis and Mrs. L. P. Johnson, served as judges. All three are members and officers of the Abilene Garden club, being president, corresponding secretary and recording secretary, respectively.

Any of the contestants interested in finding out suggestions and criticisms made by the judges as to their individual entries may see Miss Mamie Ellis, who has the records.

Hose Company No. 2 Is Loser in Contest

Climaxing a heated contest between the two hose companies of the local Fireboys, 22 out of 23 active members were present at the last practice of the contest.

Hose Company No. 1, captained by Claude Perry, were the winners, and according to agreement, will be royally entertained Monday night with a supper given by the losing Hose Company No. 2, headed by Howard Laney.

Change Date to Install New Lodge Officers

New officers of Merkel chapter 212, Order of the Eastern Star, will be installed Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at the Masonic hall.

The time has been changed from Saturday night, as originally announced. All members are urged to be present.

U. S. Tanks Best.

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., June 5.—Brig. Gen. G. M. Barnes of the army ordnance department declared Tuesday night that tanks being built for the U. S. army are far superior to any in the world. At the same time, he said, Germany is the only nation making full use of its tanks in modern warfare.

MISSIONARY TO BRAZIL VISITS FRIENDS HERE

Miss Katherine Cozzens, a visitor this week with Mrs. Forest Harper here, will realize her childhood ambition when she sails from New Orleans for Pernambuco, Brazil, to begin her work as a missionary.

A former Fort Worth school teacher, Miss Cozzens is a member of the Travis Avenue Baptist church, which is sponsoring her work in the foreign fields. She is also the namesake of the local Y. W. A.

After graduating from the Central High school, Fort Worth, she entered Baylor University and later attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, fitting herself for the missionary education field.

Miss Cozzens, the daughter of Mrs. W. N. Cozzens, will sail on the Brazilian liner, Del Brazil, July 21, for Pernambuco where she will spend a year studying the language and customs of the people among which she will work before she is assigned to a mission school.

Nominations Made For New Officers Merkel Lions Club

At Tuesday's luncheon of the Lions club, the nominating committee reported the following slate of officers to serve for the ensuing year: Connor Robinson, president; Chester Collinsworth, Johnny Cox and Dr. W. T. Sadler, first, second and third vice-presidents, respectively; Wrenn Durham, secretary-treasurer; Frank Breaux, tail twister; W. M. Elliott, Lion tamer; Byers Petty and A. T. Sheppard, new directors. Holdover directors are Milton Case and Nathan Wood.

The nominating committee consisted of C. J. Glover, chairman, Dr. L. C. Zehnppfennig, Mayor Henry C. West and Dee Grimes.

Election of officers will take place at the next meeting, June 17, at which time nominations may also be made from the floor.

Three Abilene women, Mrs. R. H. Thomason, Mrs. L. W. Hollis and Mrs. L. P. Johnson, who were spending the day in Merkel as judges in the annual home beautification contest, were guests at the luncheon. Also as guests were Miss Mamie Ellis, chairman of the committee, Mrs. Tom Largent, president of the Fortnightly Study club, Mrs. Andy Shouse, president of the Junior Study club, and Mrs. Grover Gilbert, president of the Merkel Home Demonstration club, which three clubs together with the Lions club sponsored the project.

Two Abileneans, Tom McGehee, county school superintendent, and L. R. Thompson, county auditor, were present. The former discussed the plan and purposes of the county-wide library project. Mr. Thompson, a former resident of Merkel and a member of the Abilene Lions club, had come over to accompany Mr. McGehee.

As spokesman for the judges in the yard contest, Mrs. Thomason made all of her listeners very happy by the appraisal given Merkel as "the biggest little city in West Texas." She praised very highly the many beautiful homes and concluded: "The only thing lacking is that you do not have a garden club."

Attendance pins from Lions International were presented by President R. T. Gray to six members of the local club: E. O. Carson, W. M. Elliott, C. J. Glover, Dee Grimes, Byers (Continued on Page Two)

Farm Vote Favors Marketing Quotas

The agricultural department's proposal to establish rigid marketing quotas on this year's wheat crop carried in last Saturday's nation-wide referendum with a favorable margin. The Texas vote was around 10 to 1 in favor of marketing quotas.

In Taylor county the vote was 140 for, five against. Only two votes were cast against the proposal in Merkel, with 18 for. Trent voted 7 for, 0 against.

DESIGNATED AS CENTER FOR FOOD PRESERVATION

Commodities for Use in School Lunch Room Projects to be Canned, Dried, Preserved; Five Schools Participate.

Merkel has been designated as a food preservation center, according to word received from Mrs. Ruth F. Pearce, Taylor county supervisor of W. P. A. school lunch rooms, by Superintendent Connor Robinson. The purpose of this project is to can, dry or preserve in some accepted way, commodities which may be used in school lunch room projects next fall. Foods which may be canned are green beans, black-eyed peas, spinach, turnip and mustard greens, squash, beets, carrots, okra, corn, tomatoes and peaches. These commodities may be donated or contributed, or purchased either by actual cash or market price allowed on credit for school lunches. For example, if Mrs. Jones contributed one hundred pounds of green beans at five cents per pound, she can receive credit of five dollars on school lunches for next fall.

The Works Project administration will furnish approximately thirty-five cans for each underprivileged and undernourished child. The schools must supply any cans over that amount. The following schools will be served at Merkel using the Merkel lunch room for their canning program: Trent, Blair, Pleasant Hill, Butterfield and Merkel.

Any school which has or plans to have a lunch program may participate providing they deliver their produce to be preserved to the center on days designated for them and provided they pay their proportionate share of the expenses.

The project will be open about June 16 and be ready for actual canning about June 20. All workers will be required to have a health certificate before they can assist in the canning project. The program will be made out for each school indicated in time to get commodities to the canning center. Any one wishing to contribute garden produce to the Merkel school lunch room is asked to notify Superintendent Robinson by June 15.

Revival in Progress At Nazarene Church

The revival that began at the Nazarene church last Sunday night, in charge of Rev. J. Crowe and wife of Holdenville, Okla., is progressing nicely, with a growing interest being manifested each day.

The evangelist, who is the son of the pastor of the church, Rev. G. O. Crowe, and wife, is also a singer, being assisted by his wife both in the evangelistic work and in the singing. Services are held twice daily, at 9:30 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Record of Births.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dyer, Saturday, May 31, 1941.
Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux, Tuesday, June 3, 1941.

Services Saturday For Young Girl at Tye

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at the Tye Baptist church for Katie Marie Bigham, 18, who died Friday afternoon at the Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene, after an illness of several days. Rev. John L. Burleson, Baptist pastor, officiated, assisted by Rev. R. L. Gilpin, Methodist pastor. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Miss Bigham graduated from Merkel high school in 1939. Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bigham, and four brothers and sisters, Ruby Fay, Edward, Mary and Teddy Leon, all of Tye, and her grandmother, Mrs. Ruth Bigham, Abilene.

ITU Independent.

Indianapolis, June 5.—The International Typographical union has defeated a proposal to return to the American Federation of Labor, Secretary-Treasurer Woodruff Randolph announced Tuesday.

THIS WEEK TO COMPLETE ROSE HILL CLEAN-UP

About two more days' work will be required to complete the clean-up of Rose Hill cemetery, Mrs. Elma McFarland, general chairman of the committee, said Thursday morning.

The sponsors are indebted to County Commissioner Lem Dudley and City Marshal D. H. Vaughn and their helpers for much assistance with maintainers and trucks during the progress of the work, which has been done by day labor hired from funds raised by voluntary subscriptions and through donations in the bottle receptacles downtown.

Thirty-three other workers, some of them women, were used last Thursday, 51 on Friday and six each on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, entailing an expenditure of around \$135 to date.

With \$12.50 on hand from the previous year, the following donations have been received to bring a grand total of \$168.49: Mrs. J. L. Speck, \$1.00; W. E. Lowe, \$2.50; H. B. Chambliss, \$2.00; Lions club, \$10.00; Fortnightly Study club, \$10.00; Merkel HD club, \$2.05; Cemetery association, \$25.00; contributions made for this clean-up to the late Mrs. C. P. Church, \$64.00; Nubia church, 40 cents, and milk bottles, \$39.04.

Camp Barkeley Boys Compete in Games On Softball Lot

Boys from the Headquarters battery, 160th field artillery, Camp Barkeley, afforded stiff opposition in games on Merkel's softball field Thursday and Friday nights of last week. Besting the F. & M. 16-2 and Stith, 11-4, on Thursday night, they came back Friday night to break even with the Bankers, who lost the first game 11 to 1 but won the second by 5 to 3 odds.

In a twin bill Monday night, F. & M. defeated Yazzell Motor company 10 to 6, the Chevrolet boys also losing to Stith, 13 to 7.

Line scores and batteries for Thursday (Continued on Page Two)

Wins First Prize on Best Made Dress

At the yearly encampment at Lueders for 4-H clubs, the Noodle 4-H club girls and boys won the grand championship.

Pug Tarpley won first prize on the best made dress.

The girls who were present at Lueders were Jewel Chancey, Clarice Blair, Juanita Morgan, Ruthie Sosebee, Pug Tarpley and the Stevens twins. Sponsors are Mrs. A. C. Sosebee and Mrs. Odell Vick.

MERKEL 30 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, May 12, 1911.)

Judge Potter's lecture to the graduating class Sunday night on "The Epitome of College Life" was listened to by a crowded house. The graduating class occupied the stage. Miss Winnie Warren, salutatorian; Miss Fannie Burroughs, valedictorian.

The program consisted of essays and music, all of which was exceptionally high grade as to material and rendition.

The class was composed of Pet Sears, Winnie Warren, Frank Smith, Annie Smith, Ola Pope, Ina Wheeler, Ince Moon and Fannie Burroughs.

On Tuesday evening, May 9, Mrs. J. T. Warren honored the graduating class with a well appointed luncheon. Mrs. H. C. Burroughs, assisted by Misses Mamie Mann of Stamford and Margaret Tandy of Abilene, served a four-course breakfast to the graduating class Friday morning.

Friday evening Judge and Mrs. W. W. Wheeler honored their daughter, Miss Ina, and the graduating class

PERFORMANCE TO PROVIDE EIGHT EVENT PROGRAM

This Year's Two Added Attractions, Team Tying and Junior Steer Riding, Make Many Extra Thrills.

With a slight change in the schedule, providing for shows every third Saturday instead of every other Saturday, but not changing the number of performances or the high quality of exhibition, rodeo No. 2 in 1941 series of six free summer shows is to be the attraction for Merkel's many friends in this territory Saturday, June 7, starting at 2 p. m.

In the opening show of the season on May 17, a total of 114 entries were put through the chutes by Arena Directors Howard and Homer Laney—concrete evidence to the popularity with cowboys of the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel as sponsors of these shows. The huge crowd of more than 2,000 fully attested the thrilling treat afforded to Merkel's neighbors in all this wide-trade territory.

This year no effort has been spared in assembling 85 head of the toughest rodeo cattle by the Laney brothers, whose job it is also to put the stock through the chutes, and in providing a card of eight thrilling events, they as co-chairmen of the rodeo committee have done a complete job.

Junior steer riding and team tying are added events this year, which fully established their right to be included in the program during the opening performance of the season. Other events are calf roping, wild cow milking, bull riding, saddle and bareback bronc riding, with steer riding furnishing the climax of the day's card.

Rodeo fans in the territory will be further reminded Friday and Saturday over radio station KRBC, Abilene, of Saturday's big show, it was announced Thursday morning by President R. T. Gray of the Merchants association.

RESERVED SEATS.
Numbered reserved seats are on sale at both drug stores for Saturday's show. Price, 40 cents to everybody.

Other seats may be had at the rodeo grounds Saturday at 25 cents to adults, 10 cents to children under 12. Ticket office at the grounds opens at 1 p. m.

Oil Notes.
Drilled to a depth of 2,965 feet, Merry Brothers & Perini and Butler & Horne No. 1 T. E. Collins failed to find Swastika pay and was plugged Wednesday.

The J. L. McMahon et al No. 1 George L. Miller was reported drilling at 2,325 feet.

at their home in South Merkel with a six o'clock dinner.

Misses Medlen, Hawkins, Paylor, Dye, Allen, Leola and Willie Coats attended the prohibition rally at Trent Saturday.

An all-day picnic was enjoyed by the younger set Tuesday when Mrs. Doss Sheppard complimented her sister, Miss Dorothy Lee Potter. When the noon hour came, drops of rain caused them to seek shelter of the large hall of the Sheppard home where they spread their linen. Then came the contents of the baskets while each happy young maiden sat Japanese fashion around the hall and enjoyed the delicacies. In the afternoon they went to Bland's tank and tried their luck fishing. With buggies and surreys covered with wild flowers, the picnicers bade Mr. and Mrs. Sheppard goodbye at the first sign of approaching evening, each wishing to come again. There were 17 present.

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QUEEN THEATRE CALENDAR

Friday-Saturday—Roy Rogers, Geo.
(Gabby) Hayes in "Sheriff of Tomb-
stone;" color cartoon, "White Eagle"
No. 5.

Saturday preview, Sunday matinee,
Monday night—Humphrey Bogart
and Sylvia Sidney in "The Wagons
Roll at Night;" latest March of Time,
Paramount News.

Tuesday only—"A Shot in the
Dark," starring William Lundigan,
Nan Wynn and Ricardo Cortez; "Take
It or Leave It," selected shorts.

Wednesday-Thursday—Bob Crosby,
Ruth Terry in "Rookies on Parade;"
color cartoon, "Information Please."

"The Wagons Roll at Night"

A four star cast heads the new
Warner Bros. picture, "The Wagons
Roll At Night," which has been book-
ed by the Queen theatre Saturday
preview, Sunday matinee and Mon-
day night. The headliners are Hum-
phrey Bogart, Joan Leslie, Eddie Al-
bert and Sylvia Sidney and the pic-
ture is a powerfully dramatic story
of nomads of the road, living, loving
and hating by a code of their own.

"The Wagons Roll At Night" is
the exciting drama of reckless men
and women who live in a city on
wheels, with new adventures turning
up at every bend of the road. Bogart
plays the role of the tough and im-
pregnable owner of a carnival. In
his troupe are the worldly-wise for-
tune-teller, Florina, played by Sylvia
Sidney, and Matt, small town boy
who joins the troupe and becomes the
tough-tamer, played by Eddie Albert.
The "hard guys," Bogart has
a soft spot, which he guards carefully
from members of his troupe. It is his
young convent-bred sister, played by
Joan Leslie, for whom he maintains
a comfortable country home, where
she is looked after by an old couple.
His careful plans for keeping her
away from all contact with the car-
nival folks go awry when Sylvia
drives Eddie up there to recuperate
from a battle with the "cats." Be-
fore Bogart learns of his whereabouts,
Eddie and Joan have fallen deeply
in love. He endeavors to break up the
romance, but when he sees how im-
possible that is, he tries another meth-
od for getting Eddie out of the
way. The results are fatal—but for
Bogart, not for Eddie.

Besides the cast's four headliners
there is a featured cast which in-
cludes Sig Rumann, Cliff Clark, Char-
ley Foy, Clara Blandick and Ald-
rich Bowker, as well as hundreds
of extra players for the many big
scenes. Fred Niblo, Jr., and Barry
Trivers, wrote the screen play, from
a story by Francis Wallace.

"Rookies on Parade"

Wittier, brighter and more colorful
than any comedy of the season, and
with a theme as modern as 1941, Re-
public's "Rookies On Parade," pre-
sents tunes and laughs and a cast
which includes Bob Crosby, Eddie
Foy, Jr., Ruth Terry, Marie Wilson,
Gertrude Neisen, Cliff Nazarro, Sid-
ney Blackmer and William Wright.
The film presents band-leader Bob

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Angels of Mercy for Britain



Some of the nurses who left for England to staff the American Red
Cross Harvard hospital, now under construction in embattled Britain.
Left to right: Miss Theodisia Hawley; Miss Charlotte Raymond; Miss
Helen Johnson; Miss Gertrude Madley; Miss Elizabeth Phillips, and Har-
old E. McKenzie, who is to be the hospital chef.

BLAIR ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moore of
Paris, Texas, have been visiting their
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore, and
other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doan and chil-
dren of Post and Daniel C. Doan of
327 S. S. Kelly field, and friends,
Bill Stange of Milwaukee, Wis., and
T. L. Davis of Colorado Springs, Colo.,
were guests Sunday in the home of
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doan.

Mrs. B. B. Reynolds, Mrs. Will
Miller and Mrs. Ralph Miller and
children of Nubia visited here in the
home of Mrs. Will Moore.

Several from here attended the
preaching services at Butman Sun-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Pruitt visited
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. King of Abilene
Sunday afternoon.

Crosby as a happy-go-lucky song-
writer, who is always having trouble
with his showgirl girlfriend, enacted
by Ruth Terry. Crosby's inability to
save his money for a marriage finally
causes a complete break. Crosby then
writes a musical comedy with
Eddy Foy, Jr., but William
Wright, the wealthy playboy whom
he gets as backer, turns out to be
Ruth's new boyfriend. Then Crosby,
Foy and Wright are drafted, and the
scene changes to a training camp.
Ruth goes along as an official hostess.
Wright and Ruth agree to help Cros-
by stage his show at the camp, but
balk when they find that his inten-
tions seem purely mercenary. With
Crosby fighting to clear himself in
Ruth's eyes, and attempting to put
Wright in disfavor, the film comes
to a hilarious close.

"Rookies on Parade" comes to the
Queen Theatre Wednesday and Thurs-
day.

White Church News

Everyone is working very hard try-
ing to kill the weeds and quite a bit
of good has been accomplished in the
past week of sunshine.

H. E. Farmer, Sr., M. H. Farmer,
Sr., J. F. West, Frazee Demere and
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes and John
Coomer attended the funeral of John
Dudley at Divide last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hunter visited
Mrs. Hunter's parents, Mr. and Mrs.
H. B. Chambless of Abilene Sunday.

J. W. Cook of Camp Bowie spent
the week-end with home folks.

Miss Johnnye Hardin has been on
the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Riggan and
children were recent guests of Mrs.
Lydia Payne of Trent, who is quite
ill.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Farmer visit-
ed in the home of Mrs. Aubra Ray of
Abilene last Thursday.

J. D. Burkham of Weatherford and
Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Edington and
children of Abilene were recent visit-
ors in the A. D. Barnes home.

Morgan Frazier of near El Paso
spent the week-end here visiting re-
latives and was accompanied home by
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fraz-
ier, for several weeks' visit.

Miss Olive Mae Reed is home from
McMurry college of Abilene, where
she received her degree at the close

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Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Reed of Post
are visiting Mr. Reed's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. O. W. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tye of Mer-
kel were Sunday visitors of Mr. and
Mrs. Beryl Brown.

Miss Ailene Frazier of Merkel
spent the week-end with home folks,
Mr. and Mrs. John Frazier.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Russom
and children, J. R. and Cleo of Big
Spring, visited Sunday in the home of
Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Conley. Mr. Rus-
som returned home Monday but Mrs.
Russom remained for a longer visit
in the interest of her health.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd West and P. F.
West attended the funeral of Chas.
West of Merkel Friday. Mrs. Beryl
Brown and daughter, Joan, and Mrs.
A. D. Barnes attended the West
funeral also.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ellison and
daughter, Geneva, were shopping in
Abilene Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Demere
were recent visitors at Putnam look-
ing after their ranch at that place.

Quite a number from our commu-
nity attended church at Butman Sun-
day and also witnessed the Healer-
Cook wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weston were at
home Sunday evening from 7 until
10 o'clock to the many friends of Mr.
and Mrs. Jack Noel, who are moving
to New Mexico. A refreshment plate
of cake and punch was served to

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noel and children,
Jewell Faye and Buford, Mr. and Mrs.
Arnold Noel and daughter from Sweet-
water, Mr. and Mrs. John Frazier and
children, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Har-
ris and daughter, Lois, Mr. and Mrs.
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THE TEXAS AND PACIFIC RY.

832,000 Young Men To Register July 1

Washington, June 5.—The census bureau has calculated that 832,000 21-year-old men would have to register for selective service on July 1.

President Roosevelt recently fixed this second registration date for men who have become 21 since the first registration last Oct. 16.

The census estimate was below the 1,000,000 guess of army officials, but the bureau pointed out that while there might be that many 21-year-olds in the country on July 1, a certain percentage of them were that age at the time of the first registration and filed then.

Although acknowledging that various factors made the state-by-state columns unreliable, the breakdown given on the basis of available statistics, included: Oklahoma, 15,343; Texas, 41,439; New Mexico, 3,509.

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For Tax Revision



Assistant Secretary of Treasury John L. Sullivan, appearing before house ways and means committee on the new \$3,500,000,000 tax program, urged drastic revision of the excess profits tax levied last year, in an effort to drain off arms profits.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to take this method of expressing our sincere thanks to our many friends for every kindness shown in the illness and passing of our husband and father.

Mrs. P. C. Forrester.
Bill Forrester.
Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Tittle and Family.
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Rutherford and Family.
Mr. and Mrs. Granville Price and Family.
Mr. and Mrs. Berry Forrester and Family.
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An annual cotton crop ranging from 11 to 12 million bales would require the use of 100,000 to 150,000 bales if the entire crop were wrapped in cotton bagging.

Requirements are Lowered in Flying Cadet Training

Dallas, June 5.—Lowering of the requirements for entrance in the U. S. Army's Flying Cadet training will enable many first and second year college students to take advantage of this \$25,000 education while on the army's payroll.

Under the new plan examination in five subjects is required for candidates who do not have half enough credits to graduate from a four-year college. The candidate then is allowed to pick two out of five optional subjects.

Candidates who have the necessary college work do not have any entrance examination except the physical. Required subjects are English composition and grammar, arithmetic, algebra to include quadratics, plane geometry and plane trigonometry.

Two subjects are to be selected by the candidate from among: United States history, general history, elementary physics, inorganic chemistry and any modern language except English.

Unmarried male citizens between 20 and 27 years of age of good character and in good health can obtain additional information and application blanks at any U. S. Army Recruiting Station.

Age for Marine Corps Reduced to 17 years

Notice that for the first time in the organization's history the minimum age requirement for enlistment in the U. S. Marine Corps has been reduced to 17 years was received at the Abilene Marine Corps Recruiting station last week.

The lowered limit applies both to the regular enlistment in the Marine Corps and in the Corps Reserve. Enlistment in the Corps is for four (4) years, and in the Reserve for the duration of the National emergency.

Along with the lowered age limit the local office received an additional recruiting sergeant permanently here. He is Sergeant H. C. Lindsey, transferred from the Dallas office. The Abilene office will continue to serve the West Texas territory.

Standard Typewriter Ribbons 75c each at Merkel Mail office.

Trinity Students are Praised by English Woman for Benefit

Waxahachie, June 5.—Trinity University Chapter of Blue Key, national honor fraternity, received, direct from the war-torn areas of Britain, a letter from Mrs. F. Thompson-Schwab, of Penton, England, complimenting the organization's recent benefit production, a four-act melodrama written and directed by Dick West of Merkel, for the British War Relief fund.

The entire cast and all stage obligations of the original comedy were handled by members of the fraternity and attendants, eager to aid in the worthy cause, termed the show an outstanding success. Proceeds from the presentation, a satire on state dignitaries called "Gone For The Gin," were forwarded to the British government.

Because of its novelty the production was recognized in numerous metropolitan newspapers which came to the attention of Mrs. Schwab and prompted her to express the appreciation and the spirit of all England as follows:

"In a clipping sent me by my mother, Mrs. Dickson G. Thompson of Dallas, I have read with great interest of the play written and presented by Trinity University Blue Key members for the benefit of 'the war torn areas of Great Britain.'"

"I am now living in Penton, England, which has been my home for twenty years. I am personally very touched by this gesture of these young people, and I would like them to know that it will deeply stir those I tell about it here. It is not only the material help that the proceeds of such a production will bring, but the warmth of the friendship behind it from unknown young men to those who are so gallantly facing daily horrors never before imagined by the average citizen for the sake of their belief in and their love of freedom of thought."

The letter, addressed to Dr. Frank L. Wear, president of the university, was read and presented to the fraternity at the final meeting of the chapter for the year before public acknowledgment was made.

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CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our many friends for their kindness shown us at the time of the death of our dear husband and father. Thank you for the many beautiful flowers.

Mrs. John Dudley.
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Nathan Hale

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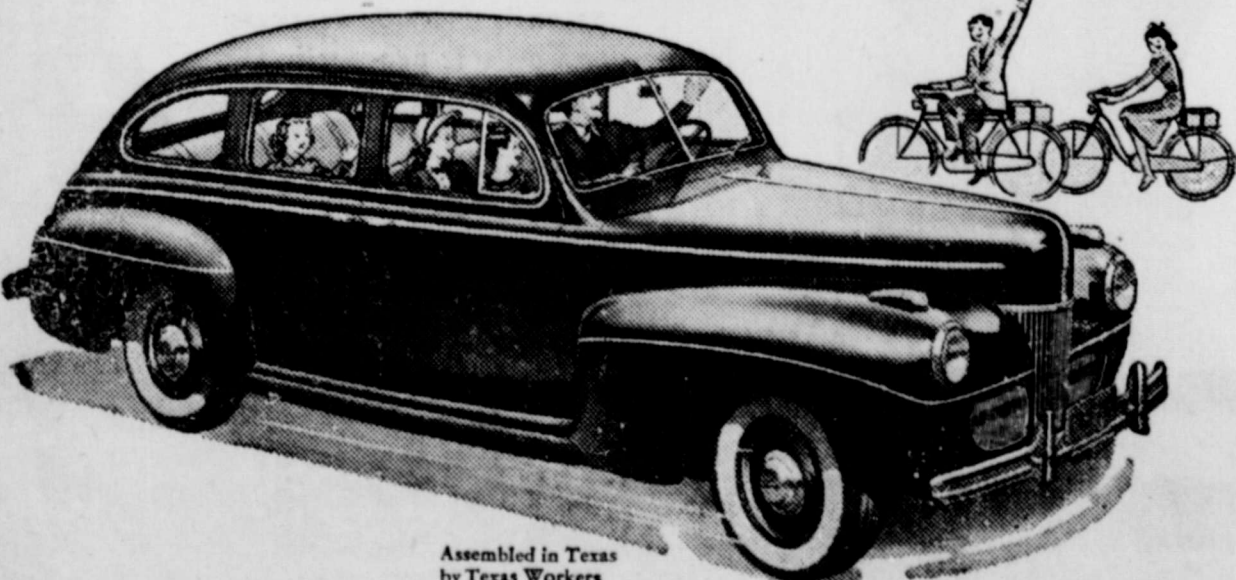
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Q. How much per day do most families spend for electric service?

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Q. What do you say to a husband (or wife) who fusses at you for letting a 100-watt light burn all night?

A. "Don't get excited, dear. Believe it or not, it costs only about a nickel—and maybe it scared a burglar away!"

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A. You do. Every family who has a bank account or a life insurance policy is part owner. The money you put in the bank, or pay to an insurance company, is invested in various businesses, including electric utilities. This makes you one of the millions who have a stake in the American system of private initiative and enterprise.

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Personals

Dick West, student at Trinity university, Waxahachie, returned home last week-end. He has been elected editor of the Trinitonian, college weekly, for next year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds and son, Lee Mack, Mrs. Ransom Moore of McCamey and J. L. Holmes spent the week-end visiting in Comanche and Brown counties.

Grant Riggan came down from Big Spring last week-end to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Conley and Mrs. Payne of Trent.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Conley and children were accompanied by Mrs. Lloyd Harris and children and Grant Riggan to Big Spring to visit a sister, Mrs. Raymond Russom, who has been ill for some time. Mrs. Conley and children spent the week with Mrs. Russom, and Mrs. Russom and children came home with them.

Miss Mildred McLean, student at John Tarleton college, Stephenville, reached home Saturday for vacation. Mrs. J. L. Speck and children are visiting for several weeks with relatives at Missouri City, Texas.

Overnight guests last week in the E. O. Carson home were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCormick and son, Clarence, of Los Angeles, Calif., also a daughter, Mrs. Robert Phillips, and daughter, Barbara Ann. Mrs. McCormick is a sister of Mrs. Carson.

Miss Delia Kuykendall left Sunday for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Betterton and children of Odessa are visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Adcock.

Last Friday Postmaster and Mrs. Wrenn Durham drove to Brownwood to take Mrs. Durham's mother, Mrs. Earl Clements, home after a visit here. Mrs. Tom Durham, of Clovis, N. M., mother of Mr. Durham, is now a guest in the Durham home.

Mrs. William Sheppard and two sons of Odessa are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Shelton. With

them also is Miss Marjorie Dunn of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Patterson went to Lubbock Sunday for the graduation of their son, Truett, from Texas Technological college.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes, Mrs. T. G. Bragg and Miss Sue Grimes, returned Monday from Denton, where they had gone for the graduation of Miss Betty Grimes from the Texas State College for Women.

Prof. Claude Elliott returned Sunday to San Marcos after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Elliott. Accompanying them back to San Marcos were Misses Mary Jo Garland and Elizabeth Elliott, who will attend summer school at the Southwest Texas State Teachers college.

Miss La Verne Hughes, student at Texas Technological college, Lubbock, returned Tuesday to Lubbock at attend summer school. Misses Comora Hughes, Mabel Murray, Norma Lee Shelton and Rachel Patterson, also students at Texas Tech, have returned home with the close of the college year.

Miss Jessie Margaret Berry returned Sunday to attend summer school at the East Texas State Teachers college, Commerce, after a visit home with her mother, Mrs. Florence Berry.

Tom Blair and Miss Hattie Joe Anthony, of Fort Worth, were here for a week-end visit with his mother, Mrs. J. S. Blair, and other relatives.

Mrs. Coat Balian of Phillips visited several days last week in the W. O. Boney home. Mrs. Balian is a niece of Mrs. Boney.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Boney spent the week-end with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Boney, at Colorado City.

Miss Imogene Hayes, who teaches in the Odessa schools, arrived home Saturday for the summer vacation. Her sister, Miss Joyce Hayes, who is employed at Odessa, has returned there after a week-end visit home.

Bob Martin returned the latter part of last week from a two weeks' visit with his brother-in-law, W. C. Calvert, at Sweetwater.

Homer Reynolds, Company B, 133rd artillery, Camp Bowie, was home for a week-end visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Douglas and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Douglas and two children returned Sunday from a visit with Mr. Douglas' brother, G. C. Douglas, in Glenwood, Ark. They also visited in Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Beech and two children, Patsy and Jimmy Donald, spent the week-end at Breckenridge in the home of Mr. Beech's parents, meeting three of his sisters there: Mrs. Harry Lancaster and two children and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gentry, of Whitesboro, and Miss Thelda Beech of Albany.

Visitors with Mrs. Sally Angus are her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Esker Curtis, of Breckenridge.

Miss Himalya Swafford, who teaches in the Odessa schools, is at home for the summer vacation.

T. H. Christopher left Saturday for Lamesa, where he will make his home with two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Stuart and Mrs. T. A. Kellam. He will visit during the summer with other children in California.

Mrs. M. M. Leemen of Carlsbad, N. M., is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. C. Boyce, and Miss Loraine Boyce.

Mrs. W. D. Haynes is staying with a daughter, Mrs. J. M. Arnett, in Anson, and will probably make her

home there.

Mrs. Jewel Haskins of Dallas is visiting her mother, Mrs. T. J. Toombs.

Mrs. M. T. Shults and sons, J. L. and Frankie, left on the early morning train Monday for Paris where they will visit Mr. Shults' mother, Mrs. J. R. Shults.

Misses Annie Bagley and Minnie Mae Huffman returned this week from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mashburn of Blackwell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Farmer and son, Billy, of Baldwin, La., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Huffman and family. Mr. Farmer is a brother of Mrs. Huffman.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Kerns and children returned home Sunday night after a week's visit at Safford, Ariz., in the home of Mrs. Kerns' parents. While there they visited the Graham mountain and Coolidge dam.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Williams, Sr., had as their guest last week-end their son, Barney, who left Monday for Fort Bliss to assume army duties. He was met here by his aunt, Mrs. J. D. Morrow, of Wichita Falls, and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Williams, Jr., of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Walker, Jr., and baby, of Burbank, Calif., are visiting Mr. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Walker, Sr., on Oak street. Mr. Walker, Jr., is employed by the Lockheed Aircraft, Inc., in Burbank, Calif.

Leon Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Walker, is now attending the school of aviation mechanics in Chanute Field, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Stalls left Tuesday morning for their home in Odessa, after a short visit with relatives in Merkel.

Guests this week in the J. L. Tucker home are Mrs. E. E. Tankersley, their daughter, and three children from Handley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Graham had as their dinner guests last Sunday, R. S. Marshall and family of Abilene. Mrs. Marshall is Mrs. Graham's sister.

Miss Louise Graham visited her cousin, Miss Mary Marshall, in Abilene last week-end. June Graham is visiting his old friend and schoolmate, Jimmie Coffee, in Loraine this week.

Neill Keith, Mrs. F. I. Weaver and Mrs. Claude Foshee, of Dallas, visited last week in the A. J. Graham home. Mr. Keith is a brother of Mrs. Graham and the two ladies are her sisters.

After a visit with their parents here, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Earthman and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McAninch, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Earthman of Amarillo, left Monday for a vacation trip to Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Shouse returned Sunday from a trip to Dallas, having taken Mrs. Shouse's mother, Mrs. R. O. Bailey, for a summer visit with her children in Dallas and Nacogdoches counties. While away they saw two fast Texas league games between Dallas and Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Davis and son of Fort Worth visited this week with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Gertie Davis, here and with a nephew, Jack Davis, in Abilene.

Miss Nora Foster left Wednesday for Denton to attend summer school at the North Texas State Teachers college.

A guest in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Murdock last Thursday was H. D. Power, of Dallas, a brother of Mrs. Murdock. On Friday visitors in the Murdock home were R. F. Shaw and daughter, Jackie, of Brownwood.

Mrs. Spencer Bird and son, James, left Tuesday evening over the Sunshine Special for Big Spring to visit Mrs. Jack Terry.

Meyer Mellinger returned Tuesday from Livingston, where he had been managing the store there during the absence of his uncle. His place was taken by his brother, Sylvan Mellinger, who went there from Austin after the close of the University of Texas session.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Harper of Hamilton are spending several days here with her father, J. M. Garrett. Pvt. John W. Cook from Camp Bowie, Brownwood, was at home over the week-end and attended his sister's wedding at the New Live Oak Baptist church Sunday.

Those who visited in the Artist Cook home Sunday were Rev. A. C. Healer and family from Sweetwater, Grandma and Grandpa Healer from Roby, Grandma Hammons of Sweetwater, Miss Bonnie Lois Campbell from Abilene, Mrs. Fay Brown and daughter, Mabel, Mrs. Ed Blackburn, Mrs. Houston Martin and daughter, Doris.

Don Warren, student at A. & M. college, returned home Monday night. He will be employed during the summer in the bookkeeping department of the Farmers & Merchants National bank.

Stanley King left Sunday to enter the Veterans hospital at Hines, Ill., for treatment.

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS

Jim Kuykendall, who came here from Throckmorton, is now in charge of the Red & White market at the West company store, taking the place of Dillard Dunn. The latter with his family has moved to Southland, where he is to engage in farming.

Having received a medical discharge from the Marine Corps, San Diego, Calif., Jack Lowe visited with friends in Merkel the latter part of last week. He has just recently been appointed a member of the Abilene police force.

J. L. Baker was up town one day this week, which was only the third time in four months he had been away from home, where he has been confined with illness.

After a week-end visit home with his wife, V. C. Hennessee returned to El Paso Sunday and was transferred to Tucson, Ariz., assigned to the 6th Reconnaissance.

A fine lot of onions was being exhibited Wednesday by J. R. Baze, who raised them in his garden here, this year without having to do any watering, he said. He expects to sell about 75 pounds altogether.

The editor of The Mail is indebted to Mrs. T. C. Allen for a sack of luscious peaches from the orchard at her home here.

Hospital Notes.

A daughter was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux at the Sadler Clinic.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation of the love, sympathy and kindness extended us in the recent loss of our beloved husband, brother and uncle, also for the beautiful floral offerings and to Dr. Sadler for being so faithful.

Mrs. Chas. West.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark and Children.
Mrs. B. C. Tipton and Children.

Mrs. J. M. Williamson left last Thursday night for Cameron upon receipt of news of the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Baylock. She will remain awhile in Cameron.

Lions Club

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Petty and Ray Wilson.

Named as an advisory board to co-operate with the Texas and Southwest Feeder Airlines to extend pickup air mail service to towns that do not have air service were Dr. W. T. Sadler, W. R. Yazell, Wrenn Durham, Johnny Cox, Owen Robertson and C. J. Glover.

A verse of "America" was sung as the opening number, with Miss Gay West at the piano. Invocation was given by Johnny Cox. As guests of members, F. H. Boyle of Sweetwater and Wayne Davenport of San Angelo were introduced.

West Funeral

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sy Jean Clark.

Relatives from out-of-town here to attend the funeral were: Mrs. Leonard Creswell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tipton and baby, Lawton, Okla.; Woodrow Clark, Woodward, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jones and two children, Haskell; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Coughy, McCamey; G. W. Lakin, uncle of Mrs. West, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lakin, cousins of Mrs. West, El Reno, Okla.

Besides the wife, two sisters, five nephews, three nieces and three cousins survive. The cousins are: Mrs. W. J. Coughy, McCamey; W. J. Hayes, Salt Branch, and P. F. West, Mulberry Canyon.

Merkel Boy Assigned To Marine Corps

James Monroe Bagley, son of Mrs. Minnie Mashburn, has been accepted for enlistment in the United States Marine Corps, and along with six other West Texas youths, transferred to the Marine Corps base, San Diego, Calif., for training, it is announced by Claude B. Reid, NCO in charge of the Marine Corps Recruiting office, Post Office building, Abilene.

This young man attended school at Merkel, and stated that he intended to continue his education while in the Marine Corps by taking advantage of the many educational advantages offered to men in the service.

Standard Typewriter Ribbons 75c each at Merkel Mail office.

Softball

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day's and Monday's games are printed herewith.

Been and Elliott were batteries for the soldier boys in the first game Friday night, opposing Floyd, Melton and Davis for the Bankers; in the second game, soldier batteries were White and Brown; for the Bankers, Melton and Davis.

It is planned to continue two games every Monday and Thursday nights, even though the league has not yet been perfected, Chairman Buck Leach said Thursday morning.

Score by innings:

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Batteries: Shaw, Robertson and Berry; Elliott and White.

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Batteries: Robertson and Davis; Bowman and Burns. Umpires, Laney, Perry and Dowell.

Yazell Mtr. Co. 410 20 — 7 6 6
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Batteries: Perry and Burns, Clark; Woolsey, Jones and Berry, McQuire.

Merkel Girls on Honor Roll at Draughton's

Three Merkel girls were among the nineteen highest ranking students whose names appeared on the honor roll of Draughton's Business college this term.

They are Misses Lois Finch, Evelyn Finch and Mildred Bird.

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In areas where the disease has been shown to be present all horses should be given the protection of vaccination.

The new vaccine is somewhat different from that in past years. It is now put up in one (1) c.c. doses instead of ten (10) c.c. doses. The injection is given into the skin and not under the skin. In order to properly handle this dose a small syringe is required. We are prepared to loan you a syringe of the proper type with your purchase of vaccine.

The vaccine is given in two doses which are administered seven days apart. The cost is 60 cents per dose, or a total of \$1.20 for the vaccination of each animal.

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Each new industry means more jobs. It makes added tax values for our State and local governments, bigger payrolls for our workers, and greater prosperity for you and every other Texan.



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TEXAS MID-CONTINENT OIL AND GAS ASSOCIATION

Receives Bachelor of Science Degree at TSCW

Denton, June 5.—Miss Betty Grimes of Merkel received a bachelor of science degree at the thirty-eighth annual commencement exercises at Texas State College for Women June 2 when approximately 400 girls were graduated.

Dr. L. H. Hubbard, president of the college, delivered the commencement address Monday morning, while Dr. Wallace Bassett, pastor of the Dallas Cliff Temple Baptist church, gave the baccalaureate sermon Sunday June 1. During the last week graduates and their parents have been honored at many functions on the campus including garden parties, teas and luncheons.

Miss Grimes received her degree in speech, minoring in English. She has been a member of the Chaparral literary-social club and the Abilene club of which she was secretary and treasurer. She also has been active in extra curricular affairs and has been in the class stunts and a Mardi Gras duchess. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grimes.

Hens lay about as many eggs during March, April, May and June as they do all the other eight months of the year.

Cowboy Reunion to Offer Cash Prizes Amounting to \$3,500

Stamford, June 5.—Premiums and cash prizes amounting to \$3,500 will be awarded in various events in the twelfth annual Texas Cowboy Reunion here July 3, 4 and 5.

Expensive saddles will be awarded to the champion calf roper, the champion wild cow milker, the winner of the cutting horse contest and the winner in the sponsors' contest. Sterling silver belts, with gold overlay and set with rubies, will be presented to the champion bronc rider and champion steer rider. A grand prize of similar value will be awarded in the bareback bronc riding contest. Other trappings will be awarded for the place winners in some of the events.

In the rodeo event, day money will be paid in calf roping, cow milking, saddle bronc riding, steer riding and bareback bronc riding.

Cash prizes amounting to \$650 will be paid in the quarter horse show being held jointly by the reunion and the American Quarter-Horse association.

Cash prizes of \$105 will be awarded for best entries in the various sections of the grand parade. Cash awards in the old fiddlers' contest will total \$32.50.



FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Garage doing good business. C. S. Higgins.

FRUIT—My May peaches ripe now and early Wheelers will be ripe by June 10; will meet competitive prices. D. R. Myers, six miles south of Anson.

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FOR SALE—My house and two lots on Oak street. Mrs. S. H. L. Swafford, 3945 S. E. Pine St., Portland, Ore.

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NOTICE MASONS

A stated meeting of Merkel Lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., will be held Saturday, June 7, at 8 p. m. Election of officers. All members are urged to be present. Visiting brethren cordially invited. J. F. Walker, W. M. W. C. Black, Secretary.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF ADA FRANCIS STEVENS, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of Ada Francis Stevens, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 3rd day of June, 1941, by the County Court of Taylor County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Merkel, county of Taylor, State of Texas.

BOOTH WARREN, Executor of Estate of Ada Francis Stevens, dec'd.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Taylor County—Greeting:

You Are Hereby Commanded to summon Edith Rosenbaum by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, to appear at the next regular term of the 104th District Court of Taylor County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in Abilene, Texas, on the Fourth Monday in June, A. D. 1941, the same being the 23rd day of June, A. D. 1941, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1941, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court No. 3867-B, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnett and G. W. Smith spent Sunday in Stamford, wherein Lutha V. Rosenbaum is Plaintiff, and Edith Rosenbaum is Defendant, and a brief statement of plaintiff's cause of action, being as follows:

Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about May 1, 1930, and on or about September 1, 1933, defendant left and abandoned Plaintiff with

If the diet of everyone in the United States could be raised to what is accepted as a good diet, approximately 20 per cent more milk, 35 per cent more eggs, 70 per cent more citrus fruit and 100 per cent more of some types of vegetables would be consumed than have been used in recent years.

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the intention of not returning and has continued to reside away from Plaintiff since then, all of which is fully alleged in Plaintiff's petition on file in said court.

Herein Fail Not but have before said Court at its next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, on this 25th day of April, A. D. 1941.

ROY SKAGGS, Clerk, District Courts, Taylor County, Texas By Penn Gilbreth, Deputy

Homemaking Class at Divide School Begins Summer Project Work

The summer project work of the homemaking department of the Divide High school, under the supervision of Olga Ann Elliott, homemaking teacher, is well under way with twenty-eight girls enrolled.

Quite a variety of projects have been selected by the girls. Some of these are yard improvement, bedroom, kitchen, living-room and dining-room improvement, food preservation and clothing construction. Most of the projects show promise of being very successful.

As a group project, the class has chosen to improve the homemaking department. Friday, June 6, an all day group meeting will be held to start work on the project. A picnic dinner will be served at a nearby scenic spot.

Students taking the summer work are as follows: Nell Alexander, Lois Benningfield, Mae Bradberry, Earlene Brown, Lorene Clayton, Oleta Clayton, Betty Jean Cleek, Mona Lee Davidson, Launa Day, Mary Jo Day, Joyce Dudley, Ruth Dunlap, Billie Elliott, Winona Elliott, Dorcas Hanks, Billie Holland, Justine Jones, Jackie Lewis, Loneta Lewis, Dorothy Ann Lucas, Wanda Mae McKee, Vaudy Rotan, Mary Shirley, Jane Swann, Geraldine and Feraldine Vanlandingham and Geraldine Sproul.

This is a good record with an enrollment of three-fourths of the entire high school girls.

In Siam the first wife may be divorced, but not sold, as the others may be.

Former Kaiser Dies.
Doorn, Holland, June 5.—Former Kaiser Wilhelm II, 82, last of Germany's Hohenzollern emperors, died at 11:30 a. m. Wednesday (3:30 a. m. CST) at Doorn House.

Fresh cabbage ranks high in the fruits and vegetables containing Vitamin C. This vitamin helps prevent tooth decay, bone softening and muscle weakening.

Students who work their way through school—about 60 per cent at the University of Texas—average better grades than their non-working colleagues, records at the state school show.

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Salad Wafers, 1 lb. box **17c**

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MEAL, 5 lb. bag **18c**

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Pineapple Juice 3 cans **25c**

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Salad Dressing, qt **29c**

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GREENS, No. 2 can **10c**

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Tomato Juice, ½ gal. **25c**

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CORN, No. 2 can **10c**

OUR VALUE
Tomatoes, 3, No. 2 cans **25c**

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Letters from Our Readers

SEE TEXAS FIRST.
Editor, The Mail:

As a constant reader of The Mail, I could not help but see the article in it written by a person that had been visiting in one of the coastal states about its beauty. I do not intend to disagree with that party, but I have been all over most of the west coast and have seen what is supposed to be the most beautiful spots there. I have been all the way from our southern border to our northern border and out quite a ways into the Pacific, both on the water and in the air. After seeing this and then hearing people talk, I am really inclined to think that people have missed the best and most beautiful spot in the United States. This spot has been done a great injustice and has never had a great deal of publicity as a beauty spot or never been thought of as a place to spend a vacation. I think that Texas is most friendly, most beautiful, and has the most historical places that there are. Instead of saying, "See America First," it should be for Texans to "See Texas First."

There are very many places of interest here in our state that a very large per cent of us have never seen, and a few places that some of us never heard about. I think it a great pity that our travel minded neighbors who enjoy pretty trees, lakes, beaches, architecture, and other attractive things, have to leave the state to see them when we have them practically in our own back yard.

If a person wants to see tall mountains, we have plenty of tall ones in the foothills of the Rockies in the Big Bend country south of El Paso. We also have very nice beaches and some beautiful bathing beauties to go with them, and large lakes if one cannot afford to go to the beach for a swim.

In the way of historical places we have the Alamo, where our famous forefathers died in a very brave at-

tempt to make us free from Mexico. Then along our highways there are markers, or monuments, that mark the historical spots of interest.

I suppose this may sound a bit radical, but I have seen other states praised by our native people so much that I decided that it was just about time Texas got a bit of publicity for a change. I suppose the reason that we do not mention our good fortune in having a good state, is that we, that is most of us, were born and raised here and do not notice it. Just look around you and take a bearing on what you see and then decide for yourself. I think that you will think just as I do, that it is the most beautiful place, with the most wonderful people, that you ever saw.

Hoping this will be published, I remain

A Loyal Texan.

STITH NEWS

The schools are out now and Stith is a very busy little place. Farmers are having to plant their crops over after such heavy rainfall.

Students who have returned from college are: Edgar Bradley, Jr., who has for the last four and a half months been attending NTSTC at Denton; Miss Florine Varner, who has been in Abilene Christian college.

Miss Pauline Bradley is home after spending several months in South Texas.

Miss Muriel Kelso was home the past week-end for a short visit from Abilene where she is going to Draughon's Business college.

Miss Faye Varner, after six successful months at Scoggins Beauty Academy, has received her license as a beauty operator. She is now working at the Guest Beauty Shop.

Visitors who have visited our community recently are: Mr. and Mrs. McDonald from Taft, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Varner from Wilson, Okla.,

Celebrating Flag Day in Hawaii



Hope of reaching statehood some day was the fundamental thought in Hawaii's flag day festivities. At Waikiki, Honolulu, anti-aircraft artillery man Winkler and naval air station man Nash conduct a private parade of their own with Emmaline Correa, left, and Lolita Kahele.

visiting with their parents and relatives, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Shaver from Rochester visiting Mrs. Shaver's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Church.

The boys at Stith have entered the softball league again this summer. They have played their first games. The girls team is to be organized sometime in the very near future.

We are glad to know those on the sick list are improved. Mrs. Pete Walsh, who has been at the Hendricks Memorial hospital, is expected home in a few days. Mrs. J. S. Varner and Mrs. Walter Kelso, who have had the flu, are also improved.

There will be church services at the Baptist and Methodist churches at Stith and at the Church of Christ at Hope, Sunday. You are invited to attend.

How to Eat to Fight Told by Food Expert

Answering President Roosevelt's appeal for improved diet, Albertine Berry of Dallas, home economics director for Lone Star Gas system and home service chairman for American Gas association, suggests ways by which foods and cooking advisers can strengthen a fighting nation. To obtain high food value menus at mini-

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mum cost she urges education on wise planning, proper buying of foods, purchasing from reliable food sources, protection of food by proper storage, and what foods are available and the ways of preparing them.

She listed the following as a typical high food value menu of comparatively low cost:

Breakfast — baked pears, fried mush, margarine, cane syrup, hot milk, coffee, cream, sugar.

Lunch — cream potato soup, raw carrots, crisp toast, margarine, bread pudding with raisins.

Dinner — stew of beef, potatoes,

carrots and onions; cabbage slaw topped with dressing of salt, sugar, milk and vinegar; whole wheat bread, margarine, fruit tapioca, milk to drink.

Miss Berry said the food dollar should be divided into five parts, with 15 cents for milk and cheese; 25 cents for vegetables and fruits; 20 cents for flour, wheat, corn meal, oats, rice, grits, bread and other grain foods; 20 cents for butter, lard, other fats, and sugar and molasses, and 20 cents for meat, fish and eggs. For a family with children the milk and cheese allotment should be increased 10 cents on the dollar, she said.

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Fresh Corn, 3 ears for **10¢**
Blackeyed Peas, pound **5¢**
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Cucumbers, fresh and crisp, lb. **5¢**
Squash, white or yellow, lb. **5¢**
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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Carter Dyer are announcing the birth of a son, Robert Carter, born May 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Falkner have recently taken an apartment in the home of Mrs. Jack Bright.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Matthews and little daughter, La Delle, of Nubia, visited Saturday in the W. C. Matthews home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Kegans attended the funeral of John P. Dudley at Slater's Chapel last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dennis of Brady and Mrs. Jodie Bright of Texico were week-end guests of their mother, Mrs. Driggers. They also attended the home-coming at White Flat Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Blankenship had as recent guests Misses Opal and Leona Blankenship and Bryant Blankenship.

Miss Lola Burnett spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Walter Rogers, of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Taylor and two daughters returned Friday to their home at Sandra after spending several days here as guests in the J. B. Winn home.

Jake Roberts, who is employed with the Douglas Aircraft corporation in Santa Monica, Calif., is home for a ten-days' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Woodard and daughter, Dorris, Mrs. Dorris Murdock and daughters, Ruth Marie and Ann, of Dallas, were guests from Saturday until Monday of Mrs. Mary Archer and other relatives.

Mrs. Geneva Tomlin and three children, Barbara, June and Donald, of Arlington, are here for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Pauline Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Jones of Abilene were Sunday guests in the J. P. Roberts home.

Mrs. Joe English and children, who have been visiting relatives here for the past week, returned Sunday to their home at Lamesa. They were accompanied by Mrs. Elmer McLeod and Golda Ann, who will have a short visit with them and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. McLeod had as guests over the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Will Blackmon and son, Timmie, of Beaumont. They were accompanied by Mrs. T. J. (Grandma) Blackmon, who plans to spend the summer here. Other guests in the McLeod home Sunday were Tim McLeod, of Abilene Christian college, who is working at Camp Barkeley part time and also doing special work at college this summer, and Jo Ella Leverich, also of Abilene.

Mrs. Grant Riggan and daughter, Fay, of Big Spring, are visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Scott and Lon Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mayfield and children were recent guests here. They were accompanied to their home in Abilene by Mrs. Bill Springer and children for a visit of several days.

Mrs. W. M. Carey visited recently with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Crockett, of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Bob McLeod and daughter, Erma Dean, stopped over Sunday for a visit with relatives and friends. They were moving from Big Spring back to Mineral Wells, where Mr. McLeod has recently gone and is engaged in the filling station business.

Linley Jones of Crane City came Saturday for a two-weeks' vacation. He will visit his grandmother, Mrs. M. B. Jones, also in the Harvey Jones home and with other relatives.

Miss Joyce Patterson of Llano is guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Bishop were week-end visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Deverle Bishop of Lamesa. They were accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Hawks.

Mrs. Odell Freeman and little son, Ronnie, are home after a three-weeks' visit at Tyler, DeWitt and Fort Worth.

Mrs. Sadie Tucker of Clovis, N. M., attended the home-coming at White Flat Sunday, also taking the opportunity to visit old friends, spending part time in the homes of Mrs. Maggie Walker and Mrs. Fenton Boyd.

A. W. and J. O. Clark, also Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Clark, of El Paso, came last week to be at the bedside of their father, who is very ill at this writing.

Mrs. C. W. Hawks of San Antonio is here for a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Roy Banner.

Mr. and Mrs. Leck Lester and family returned Sunday to their home in Tulsa. They were accompanied by Wanda Kegans for a visit of about two weeks.

Little Miss Peggy Lu Tittle of Fabens came Sunday for a visit of several weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Tittle.

Among those attending the commencement exercises at McMurry college last Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Williamson, Mrs. Leslie Beasley and daughter, Patricia, Mrs. Hale McRee and Misses Virginia Chole McRee and Nadine Childress.

Auto Vacuum Aids Anglers



To many the call of the open road also means the call of the open water. The automobile and good roads have brought thousands of beautiful lakes and streams within reach of the vacationist or the week-end. Fishing seasons throughout the country are opening, and these young people were among the first to seek their favorite stream. They carry their own boat, lashed to the top of their Chevrolet, and held securely with a new vacuum-grip holding device actuated by vacuum power from the motor. Note the tube connecting boat rack with motor vacuum.

Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter, Betty Lu, returned Monday from a visit of a few days with Mesdames Stanford and James of Fort Worth. Rev. Cecil Tune and wife left Monday for a two weeks' vacation at Taos, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Steen, joined here by Mr. and Mrs. Tutt Riddle of Texas City, left Saturday for a trip of a month or six-weeks to the west coast. They will visit Los Angeles, San Francisco and other points of interest.

Principal T. B. Friend and Mrs. Friend left Monday to enter Texas Christian university, Fort Worth, for special school work. They plan to return later in the summer to Hardin-Simmons, Abilene, for more special work.

C. H. Foley of Wichita Falls was a guest Sunday of friends here.

Miss Hazel Wanda Williamson is spending the week in Abilene, attending the young people's assembly at McMurry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bowers were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bowers of Abilene, all driving over to Buffalo Gap in the afternoon.

Mrs. Buena Stribling underwent a tonsillectomy at the Young hospital, Roscoe, the first of the week.

James Strawn, Mark Williamson, Lewis Tiner and Dorothy Jo Strawn, all students of John Tarleton college, Stephenville, are home for the summer.

Mrs. Jack Childress and children of Odessa are guests in the C. W. Edwards home.

Rev. Fred Porter, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene, on May 26, is at home and improving rapidly.

EADS-NEILL.

Last Friday evening at 6:30 at the home of Rev. Thomas Young, Miss Avis Neill and Jack Eads were united in marriage, with Rev. Mr. Young officiating. After a brief honeymoon in Oklahoma, they returned here Monday.

The groom is a soldier at Camp Barkeley. The bride is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neill, having lived here practically all her life. She finished high school this year and numbers her friends by her acquaintances, all wishing for them a happy married life.

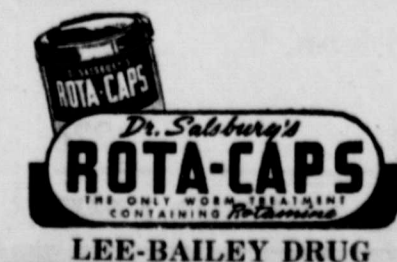
RUTHERFORD-BRIGHT.

On last Saturday Mary Frances Bright and Gene Rutherford were married.

The bride, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bright, has lived here most all of her life and has had most of her school work here, finishing with the 1941 class. She has a charming personality and her friends wish for the young couple much happiness.

The groom is a Camp Barkeley soldier. They plan to live in Abilene.

One out of every 11 acres of cropland in the 10 leading cotton states is unfit for row-crop cultivation, according to H. H. Bennett, chief of the Soil Conservation service.



Railroads in Texas Spend Over Ninety Millions in 1940

Railroads in 1940 spent in Texas a total of \$90,875,589 for materials and supplies of all kinds and for wages of railroad employees, the Association of American Railroads has announced.

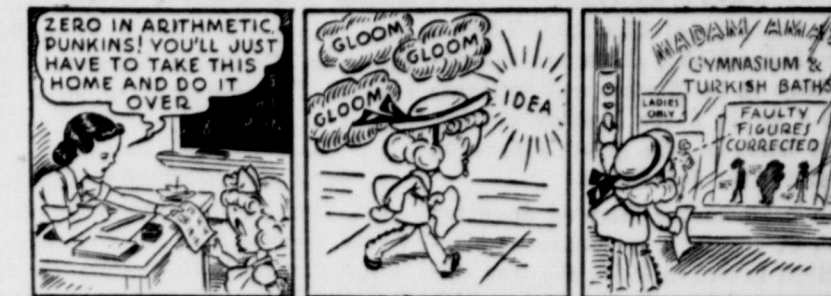
This total does not include taxes paid by railroads to state and local governments in Texas, for which 1940 figures are not yet available. In the years 1939, however, such taxes totaled \$6,483,733.

The stimulating effect of these expenditures is felt throughout the state because of the wide distribution of railroad wage payments, and the fact that supplies and materials were purchased in approximately 603 localities in Texas.

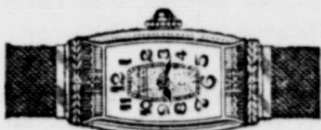
Railway purchases in Texas in 1940 totaled \$15,650,630, of which \$15,567,803 was expended for fuel, materials

and supplies and \$82,827 for the purchase of new equipment. In addition, the railroads paid \$75,224,959 in 1940 in wages to employees located in this state, the total number of such employees in July, 1940, having been 44,600. The number of employees represents the total number receiving pay in July, some of whom, however, only worked a part of the month. Average wages, therefore, cannot be calculated from these figures.

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ANNOUNCEMENT PARTY FOR JANNELL BLACK AND FELIX STALLS.

The marriage of Miss Jannell Black to Mr. Felix Stalls, which was solemnized May 12 in Odessa, was announced at a lovely party Monday evening in the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stalls.

The bride is the talented daughter of W. C. Black; a graduate of Merkel High school in 1938, she was valedictorian of her class, after which she attended Abilene Christian college for one year before entering Southwest Texas State Teachers college, San Marcos, which she was attending at the time of her marriage.

The groom is the splendid son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stalls. He graduated from Merkel High school in 1937, and became local agent for the Abilene Reporter-News, later attending Texas A. & M. college for a year. He is now employed by the Ferrier Oil company at Odessa where they will make their home.

Guests at the reception were served cake and frosted punch by candlelight in the dining room. The table was decorated with a centerpiece of flowers of baby's breath and pink double larkspurs.

Guests were ushered by Ellen Duncan, cake was served by Evelyn Ensminger and punch served by Fannie Boaz and Frances Derington. Mrs. Evelyn Boaz Scroggins assisted in serving the refreshments. Mary Collins pinned corsages of sweet peas on each of the guests and Lucile Crick sat at the bride's table where approximately fifty guests registered in the bride's book.

Music was furnished by Venita and Geneva Allen and Leroy Eason.

FAMILY REUNION.

All the children were present for a family reunion Sunday in the home of Mrs. Mary Pogue.

The occasion was in honor of her birthday, which was May 31. A bounteous dinner was served and a white birthday cake in tiers decorated the table beautifully, while the grandchildren sang "Happy Birthday."

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Pogue and son, Horace, Eden; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burks, Billy Frances and Max Burks; Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Pogue and two daughters, Mary Dove and Patsy Ann, Snyder; J. M. Burks, Mrs. Nannie Brown, Mrs. Willie Mae Thompson and daughter, Genevieve, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jones; Mrs. E. Ingram and daughter, Bobby; W. H. Connie and Alzada Pogue, of Merkel.

L. L. L. CLASS PARTY.

Members of the L. L. L. Sunday School class of the First Baptist church were most graciously entertained in Mrs. Owen Robertson's home Monday evening with Miss Geraldine Teague hostess. An unusual floral arrangement decorated the mantel and cut flowers were attractively placed throughout the house. A social hour preceded the business meeting, presided over by Miss Sue

Bird of Abilene.

Orange and lime sherbet and dainty cookies were served to Misses Mildred Bird, Sue Bird, Grovone Ford, Pearl Matthews, Geraldine Teague; Mrs. Cooper Waters and Mrs. Owen Robertson.

KING'S DAUGHTERS CLASS.

On Tuesday evening, Mrs. L. A. Watts opened her new home, the "Cozy Cottage," to the members of the King's Daughters Sunday School class of the Methodist church with Mesdames Pearl Hollingsworth, Gertrude Pee and H. C. Williams as joint hostesses.

The meeting opened with the song, "Blessed Assurance." Mrs. Richards gave the devotional and Mrs. Tom Durham, a former member, offered the prayer.

At the close of the business session, a social hour was enjoyed. Zedie Glenn Johnson rendered two beautiful cornet solos, a select reading by Mrs. Russell and a catchy contest tested the wits of the class.

At the refreshment hour, delicious ice cream, angel food and olives were served to Mesdames Collins, Dry, B. M. Williams, Richards, Milliken, Harkrider, Patton, Golladay, King, Campbell, Russell; visitors, Mesdames Durham, Rogers, Johnson and son, Zedie Glenn, and the hostesses.

LAS AMIGAS PARTY.

Mrs. T. T. Earthman, who is teacher of the Las Amigas Sunday School Class of the First Baptist church, entertained them in her suburban home on last Tuesday evening.

The devotional was brought by Miss Himalya Swafford and following the business meeting, a delightful social hour was spent in games and music. Miss Vivian Davis gave a vocal solo, followed by a vocal duet in which Miss Thelma Mathews joined Miss Davis.

At the refreshment hour sandwiches, olives, cookies and punch with flags as plate favors were passed to Misses Mabel Maddox, Cleo Reese, Dot and Himalya Swafford, Nadine Clack, Maurine and Clara White, Lucile Crick, Vivian Davis, Thelma Mathews and Mrs. Don Riney.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

The Texas food standard, proposed by the Texas State Nutrition committee and embodied in the plan, "For a Good Diet I Need Daily," was discussed by Miss Hattie Tacker, county Home Demonstration agent, when the Merkel club met last Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Clyde Shouse.

Copies of the Texas food standard, a part of national defense, are given out at club meetings and the diet is studied in all club homes. In this diet, special stress is given to "one serving of whole grain products," Miss Tacker said.

Mrs. Grover Gilbert, club president, had charge of a short business session before turning the meeting over to Miss Tacker. Present were Mesdames John Hughes, Don Riney, Grover Gilbert, Holt Vaughn, Craig Humphreys, Bill Sumpter, Fred

Baker, Jr., Charles Knight, Bob McDonald, Walter Teaff, R. L. Adcock, E. B. Wallace, Ernest Teaff, Norris Barnett, J. B. Campbell, A. P. Peterson, Clyde Shouse; Misses Hattie Tacker and Irene Warren.

RURAL SOCIETY

HEALER-COOK.

A large number of friends gathered at the Live Oak Baptist church of Butman Sunday at high noon for the wedding of Miss Louise Cook and F. E. Healer of Sweetwater, with the father of the groom, Rev. A. C. Healer, performing the ceremony, and Neomia Healer, of Sweetwater, sister of the groom, as their only attendants. Miss Bonnie Campbell of Abilene played the wedding music.

The bride is the lovely and talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Artist Cook. She graduated from Merkel with the class of 1941 and is one of the Canyon's most estimable young ladies. Her host of friends here wish her lots of happiness in her new home as she goes to live in Sweetwater.

The groom is the son of Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Healer of Sweetwater; a young man of sterling character, he is employed by the Sunbeam grocery of Sweetwater.

The bride was attired in a lovely navy sheer, with white accessories. Her bridal bouquet was of white rosebuds. Her attendant was attired in lovely light blue with black accessories. For something old and something borrowed, she wore a 29-year-old bracelet and locket belonging to a cousin, Mrs. A. L. Farmer.

After a short honeymoon trip, they will be at home to their many friends in Sweetwater.

SHOWER HONORING MISS LOUISE COOK.

On last Thursday afternoon, May 29, Mesdames Roy Hunter, R. D. Hunter and A. L. Farmer were joint hostesses to a miscellaneous bridal shower honoring Miss Louise Cook, who was married on June 1 to F. E. Healer at the Live Oak Baptist church of Butman.

Various games and contests were participated in during the entertainment hour presided over by Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. R. D. Hunter and Mrs. Hugh Campbell of Blair, after which a lovely array of gifts was presented to the honoree.

A dainty refreshment plate was passed to the honoree and Mesdames Hugh Campbell, W. C. Perkins, P. R. McLean, J. C. Riggan, R. L. Swinney, Marvin Egger, Fay Brown, Lena Meeks, Ed Blackburn, Jesse Smith, J. O. Dulin, Artist Cook, Dewey Rodgers, E. E. Conley, J. H. Swinney, Frank Demere, A. D. Barnes, Beryl Brown, Joe Weston, Joe Swinney, Will Butman, A. D. Scott, Houston Martin, and Sam Butman, Jr.; Misses Lola Mae Riggan, Ruth Denton, Bertie Smith, Theresa Dulin, Betty Joyce Cook, Ruth Butman, Louene Butman, Nell Butman, Dorothy Smith, Doris Reeves, Rosa Alice McLean, Betty Lou Riggan, Ima Jean Rodgers, Joan Brown, Mabel Denton.

Children present were Don McLean, Eula Denton, Blanche and Freddie Farmer, Donald Riggan, Travis Lee Swinney, Novis Smith, Royce D. Rodgers, J. B. Swinney, Mary Tom, Stanley Joe and Billy Frank Weston, Tommie Marvin and Joe Nelson Swinney, Barry Doyle and Payton Scott.

Sending gifts were Mesdames W. H. Ensminger, Jake Patterson, Walter Hunter, Ray Ellison, Pierce Horton and Miss Geneva Ellison.

BRIDAL SHOWER.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Reynolds of Nubia graciously opened their home to a group of friends on Thursday afternoon, May 30, complimenting their niece, Mrs. William B. Cargill, with a beautiful bridal shower. The home was decorated with lovely spring roses.

Miss Annie C. Cargill, a sister-in-law of the bride, presided over the register. Interesting games directed by Mrs. Hugh Campbell provided the afternoon's diversion. The honoree was the recipient of a lovely array of gifts brought or sent with the best wishes and felicitations of their friends to this young couple.

Mesdames Ralph Miller and J. L. Cargill were co-hostesses to this gala affair. Assisting in the dining room were Mesdames T. J. Neill, Ray Reynolds, Jake Patterson, Ralph Miller; Misses Louise Richie and Annie Cargill.

A dainty refreshment plate of pimiento cheese sandwiches, cookies and fruit punch was passed to Mesdames William B. Cargill, Jake Patterson, Ray Reynolds, Sam Butman, Jr., Will Miller, Dewell McLean, George Anderson, Whit Richie, A. R. Toombs, S. C. Keith, Letha Thomas, B. B. Reynolds, J. L. Cargill, Ralph Miller, A. D. Scott, J. T. Neill, Hugh Campbell; Misses Louise Richie, Nell Butman, Annie C. Cargill, Edith Butman.

Children present were Ralph, Jr., Jack, Jerry and Jean Miller, Imogene Thomas, Barty Lou Reynolds, Cevene, Piggy and Joe Neill.

Two Merkel Students Graduate From Tech

Lubbock, June 5. With degrees conferred on 412 graduates in annual commencement exercises June 2, Texas Technological college has graduated 4,967 since it was founded in 1925. The summer class to graduate in August will swell this figure to more than 5,000. Of the degrees conferred, 13 were master's and 379 bachelor's.

Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of Dallas delivered the address to the graduates Monday evening. The baccalaureate service Sunday evening was delivered by Dr. C. E. Hereford, pastor of the First Baptist church of Lubbock.

Two Merkel students were awarded degrees: Truett Patterson, bachelor of science in mechanical engineering, and Sara Malone, bachelor of arts, majoring in zoology.

BLUEBONNET CLUB.

The Bluebonnet Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Raymond Thomas May 26. After Mrs. A. L. Farmer called the meeting to order, roll was called and Mrs. Lloyd Matthews led club songs, followed by a brief business meeting. A program was rendered on "Floor Finishing: How to Finish New Floors." Those on program were Mesdames Ray Reynolds, Ralph Miller and Jim Perry.

Two new members were added: Mrs. Arlie Whisenhunt and Miss Wanda Keith.

A dainty plate of chees-its, cakes and ice drinks was served to Mesdames Joe Massey, Lloyd Matthews, Arlie Whisenhunt, Tom Russom, Joe Seymore, A. R. Toombs, Jim Perry, Dewell McLean, James Simpson, Fort Butman, Carl Keith, N. M. Keith, Ralph Miller, Ray Reynolds, A. L. Farmer, Miss Wanda Keith and the hostess.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Joe Seymore on June 10. Mrs. Ben Butman has charge of the program. At this meeting a delegate for Short Course will be selected. All members are urged to be present.

SALT BRANCH CLUB.

The Salt Branch Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. W. U. Beene on May 29. Miss Mary D. Coupe of Abilene gave a very interesting discussion on "A New County Library." Later Miss Hattie Tacker gave a demonstration on serving foods which contain vitamin B-1.

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Jess Higgins, J. C. Allen, Roy Harrell, Bill Teaff, J. S. Pinckley, Buster Horton, T. C. Allen, Vernon Hudson, Misses Ruth Pinckley and Lena Faye Harrell and the hostess. The following were visitors: Mrs. Roy Hewitt, Mrs. Church, Mrs. Sam Hammock and Misses Hattie Tacker and Mary D. Coupe of Abilene.

In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

There were 569 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools here last Sunday, as compared with 615 the previous week. On the same Sunday a year ago the attendance was 546.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11. Sermon subject, "Coming Judgment." Text, II Cor. 5:10, "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in the body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." Heb. 9:27, "And as it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment." Communion. At the morning hour, Delma Compton will sing "Morning Prayer."

Evening worship at 8. Sermon subject, "Righteousness, Peace, Joy." Text, Romans 14:17, "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost." Junior-Intermediate C. E. at 7 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.

J. B. Ramsey, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training Union at 7. Evening sermon at 8.

Prayer meeting at 8 Wednesday evening.

Cooper Waters, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday services: Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Morning worship service 11 a. m. Intermediate League 7:15 p. m. Young People's League hour begins at 7:15 p. m. Evening preaching service at 8 p. m.

Week-day activities: Women's Society of Christian Service meets Monday at 3 p. m. Mid-week service every Wednesday night.

There's always a welcome with the Methodists.

Marvin Boyd, Pastor.

METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE.

Topic for the meeting of young people Sunday night is "Books Few People Know." The program is as follows: hymn, prayer, leader's introduction, William Cypert; special number, talk, "Behold, I Come Quickly," Billie Tom Hutcheson; talk, "What John Saw," W. A. Whiteley; business, League benediction.

The League has just re-elected officers and we feel that under the leadership of Miss Bonnie Church as president; J. V. Patterson, vice-president; Billie Tom Hutcheson, secretary, and Charles Church, chairman of social services, the League will be very interesting to you.

We would like to invite all the

young people to come and help us make this year one of the best we have ever had. We have often heard the statement, "The more we put into a thing, the more we will get out of it." Let's try our best to make the best of our opportunities. By setting our goal on Christian perfection and on knowing more about our Lord Jesus Christ, I am sure that we can do anything we start out to do.

Let's all be at the young people's meeting at 7:15, where we can have a good Christian fellowship.

J. V. Patterson.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

R. C. Bell of Abilene Christian college will preach at the morning and evening hours Sunday, 10:45 a. m. and 8 p. m. All other services as usual.

The public is invited to attend each of these services. Come bring your friends.

The Elders.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching Saturday night at 8 o'clock. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8.

M. C. Miller, Pastor.

NUBIA M. E. CHURCH.

There were 41 present for Sunday School on June 1. Much interest was manifested in spite of the very busy week that preceded. We are very happy to welcome Mr. Hester and family into our community and into the church services.

Nubia Leaguers are very happy to have Mildred McLean home from Tarleton college. Mildred is one of our most efficient workers in the League. There was some very good singing Sunday under the leadership of Gladys Horton.

Our pastor, Rev. J. B. Stewart, will be in Pastors school Sunday, June 8, and J. V. Patterson of Merkel will fill the pulpit.

Merkel Methodist church has helped Nubia church greatly and we appreciate it. You have furnished us speakers, flowers for special occasions and singers, made donations, and now you are sending our pastor to Pastors school. We want to say "Thank you." We invite you to visit our church.

—Reporter.

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PURE LARD	45c	MILLNOT CANNED MILK, 6 small cans	25c
4 lb. carton		MACKEREL, tall can	10c
Any Color—Liquid ...	10c	PECAN VALLEY PORK & BEANS, 16 oz. can	5c
JET-OIL, bottle		Quart Jar ...	10c
BRISKET ROAST, lb.	15c	PICNIC HAM	23c
PORK CHOPS, nice and lean, lb.	22c	Pound	
SEVEN STEAK, pound	27c	MARGARINE	15c
CHUCK ROAST, pound	22c	Pound	
HOT BAR-B-Q, DRESSED FRYERS, FISH			