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On the "Broadway of America"

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PERSONAL NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Melton and day night from Long Beach, Calii., where they had been making the:r home for the past seven months.

Mrs. J. L. Tucker visited last week with her daughter, Mrs. Mary Tank ris, and Mr. Burris.

Detroit, Texas.

After a visit with her husband, home town. Lubbock.

Mrs. H. B. Leeton, at Goldsmith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Fox were dinner future cars. guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Allison The class has been studying inven-

have been residing in Abilene, have growth of our nation in business. As removed to Lamesa, where Jerry has 'a concluding part in their United been appointed station manager for States history and a climax for their the Pioneer Airlines station, which unit, this field trip was used. As to is to formally open Feb. 13. He was health and social work, the group one of the four veterans who last visited the Red Cross and Welfare month completed on-the-job training office, Mrs. Elma McFarland did : for work as transportation agents splendid part by them in her explan under Marshall Warren, Abilene sta- ation of the origin, founders and ac tion manager for the Pioneer.

who went to Houston to be with their explained safety and fire prevention daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jack Patter- descriped the best methods of fireson, ill with pneumonia, have re fighting, lectured some time on the located in the four corners of Taylor, ber of the old board, runs to April, turned home, reporting that she is history and work of the fireboys in Jones, Fisher and Nolan counties, 1948.

Southeast. They also plan to visit slid down the fire pole, a very thrift- school auditorium and attended by in Pensacola, Fla., and will be gone ing experience for them. about two weeks. Mr. Storey is local For future citizens learning busimanager for the Trent cannery.

Funeral Held Monday

for H. C. Lowery, 64, retired Nolan cial accounting. of Abilene.

county Mar. 19, 1882, and was mar- his citizens. ried to Cornelia Mobley in 1901. They Another place of visual education maintenance, as the strength of its loop. The Badgers will go to Roby moved to Nolan county 25 years ago, for the group in communication, news vote is divided, with only a minori- Friday night for a tussle with the where Mr. Lowery was engaged in and community service was in The retired about three years ago.

daughters, Mrs. D. R. Butler, Mrs. the ads and news and publishing the S. L. Rakes, both of Trent, Mrs. S. home town paper. IF explained the E. Venable of Weatherford: one son, operation of the printing press and Joe Lowery of Trent; three sisters, other phases of the work. The third Mrs. Nannie Perkins of Cisco, Mrs. Edna Pillow of San Diego, Calif., Mrs. Ulmer Gohghtly, Alexander: five brothers, Anson F. and Claude Erection of New Movie strength of its voters. He urged citi- were never headed from thereon. of Stephenville, Wylie of Wichita For Merkel Announced zens of the school district to go be- Billy Pat Nash led the local scorers Falls, Walter E. of Cisco and Sid A. Lowery of Lubbock; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Lions to Sponsor Chili

At Tuesday's luncheon, held in the Community Center, the Lions club voted to sponsor a chili supper for acquired several months ago from all Boy Scouts and their parents and for all boys of Boy Scout age and the year, the west portion was occutheir parents, to be held Friday night, pied by the Point cafe, and the first Feb. 21, in the Community Center. of this month John Brooks, owner of The Boy Scout committee from the the Domino Parlor, vacated the other Lions club will have charge of ar- pertion of the building. He has storrangements, the food to be prepared ed his equipment for the present. and served by the Youth Project

The club also voted to sponsor the project of providing a more suitable place for Boy Scout meetings than the school gym, which is now used.

ber of the Abilene club, who was mak- it was reported Saturday by Local ing up attendance. Invocation was Chairman Norman T. Hodge. The given by W. M. Elliott.

Hospital Notes at Sadler Clinic were: Mrs. S. C. tributed by pupils of the grade school Coker. Jan. 31, treatment; Mrs. \$3,50 taken up incidentally in R. Baker, Feb. 3, surgery; the and another donation of et 50 loward Stanley boy, Feb. 4, ton- As chairman of West Taylor coun-

SIXTH GRADERS TAKE DAY OFF AND TOUR CITY

daughter, Mary, arrived here Thurs- Tuesday of Last Week Spent in Observing Community Acti-vities; Visit a Number of C. A. Farley, Scoutmaster. City's Industries.

ersley, in Fort Worth, and returning Grammar school found the subjects group. All the boys and their par- at the February meeting the board | Collection of \$14,738.71 - 91 per stopped over at Breckenridge to visit of history, geography, science and ents are invited to attend this special of trustees of the Merkel Independ-cent plus of the current year's tax her other daughter, Mrs. George Bur- citizenship very interesting last Tuesday-school was not so painfui After a visit with her cousin or boring. The 67 students with their will be an interesting Boy Scout meeting which followed Buster Hor- Tax Collector W. M. Elliott. This Miss Jennie Keny, Miss Nerva Jop- teacher, Mrs. Ellen McReynolds, lin returned Monday to her home at spent the day in Merkel, observing

who is shop manager tractor repair They visited the Merkel bakery, for the Farm Supply company at watched the cakes and doughnuts in for Thursday afternoon, Feb. 13. Lubbock, Mrs. Elmo Collins, who their making and baking. At the West had previously resigned from the Teas Utilities Mr. Hughes explain-Merkel school faculty, returned to ed power and lights, the importance Feb. 18. make preparations for moving to of electricity in our homes; uses of it in Merkel and new appliances were Miss Johnnie McDonald, who has demonstrated. At the Merkel Motor been at home with her parents since company they viewed the farm tracgraduation from SWTSC, San Mar- tor, plows, cultivators, the Ford- 21, in the Community Center. The in connection with the merger were cos, left Thursday to visit her aunt, Ferguson terracing plows, mechanics at work and improvements for our

of Sweetwater Sunday evening. | tions, social betterment, ways Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Warren, who travel, communication and the rapid tivities of the American Red Cross Mr. and Mrs. Homer Patterson, At the fire station, Mr. Mansfield improved but still in the hospital Merkel. The boys examined the newthere.

In February of last year, Supt. R.

In February of last year of Trent, left this week for car 25 years ago). To chanax that club, an organization of Trent busi Mobile, Ala., and other points in the visit, they played junior firemen and nessmen, which was held in the

ness goals, methods and practices, ties and the commissioner from Taythe 6th graders inspected the Farm | lor county Precinct No. 2. ers and Merchants National bank; for one hour the employees gave For Trent Farmer their attention and time to teaching the youths about deposits, posting Trent, Feb. 6 .- Funeral services checks, adding machines and finan-

county farmer, were held at 3 p. m. | The post office was another stop Monday from the Trent Baptist for interesting information on mail church, with the paster, Rev. R. L. service, parcel post, classes of mail, Higdon, officiating. Burial was in postage rates, and Postmaster Wrent the Trent cemetery under the direc- Durham answered the various intion of Kiker-Warren funeral home quiries made by the eleven and twelve year old youngsters about Uncie ties was, the speaker said, the main The locals have a record of 5 wins Mr. Lowery was born in Erath Sam's work handling the mail for reason why Trent had not been get- and 3 losses so far and are tied with

took three groups, giving out infer Survivors include his wife; three mation on the linotype, setting up (Continued on Page Two)

Erection of a new motion picture theatre in Merkel some time in the near future is announced by Norman T. Hodge, manager of the H. Supper for Boy Scouts and H. theaters, which operates the Queen theatre.

Site will be the business building on Front street, which Mr. Hodge Mrs. Annie Cain. Until the first of

Contributes \$294.65 To March of Dimes

Merkel's contribution to the March Only guest was J. C. Penrod, ment- of Dimes annual drive was \$294.65 amount included \$156.05, net, realized from the benefit party sponsored last Thursday night by the junior Patients received during the week chamber of commerce, \$133.60 con-Frank Duncan, Feb. 3, treatment: meeting of the Merkel VFW Post

ectomy; Mrs. J. S. Touchstone, tv. Mr. Hodge also reported the sur 4, surgery, and Miss Dorn Ris- of \$20.05 contributed by the Trent

PLAN FOR 37TH BIRTHDAY BOY SCOUT PROGRAM

Plans for the observance of Boy Scout Week, Feb. 7-13, which marks the 37th birthday of the Boy Scout movement, have been made for the Trustee Group Recently Elected BETTER THAN 91

On Sunday night, Feb. 9, the members of the troop and the leaders will The 6th grade children of Merkel attend the Presbyterian church in a ervice, which begins at 7:30.

play.

A troop hike has been scheduled en secretary.

event and the members of the Fort-!!swing results:

Better Roads in Our District," is Slogan

about 250 persons, including county Roscoe Beats Badgers judges of Taylor and Fisher coun-

Supt. Ben W. Newhouse of the Trent school, who is president of the Trent Community club, was in charge of the meeting. He urged Trent citi zens to seek a farm-to-market road to the Fisher county line to join a road there from Sylvester, which ter men present reported had been West title for Coach Woods' boys, started in that county.

The fact that the Trent trade district was spread over the four coun- to play. missioner and proposed a campaign Tuesday night. to organize an association.

fore their county officials to seek with 13 points. repairs to the roads.

County Judge Wiley Caffey, called tinued their string of victories by on to speak, said that he had not winning a hard-earned 50 to 24 game previously been aware of the situa- from the Roscoe "B" team. Don Dudtion, as no one from the district had ley paced the attack with 11 tallies. brought the problem before the coun I Last Friday night on the local ty commissioners. He suggested court Benson's boys had to come

each county would contribute. whereas some roads were in worse

Other speakers were: W. R. Moffet, chairman of the road committee at Sylvester; Fisher County Judge Hailey; Sam Swann, owning large ranch interests in Fisher county and (Continued on Page Two)

Five Veterans Start Homes Under GI Loan

Plans have been drawn and contracts are ready to start 5 new homes in the Southland addition, under the GI loan program, it was stat d early this week by J. L. White building contractor.

The five veterans who are build ng homes of their own are: Le Mack Reynolds, J. D. Bradley, F. C. Stevenson, H. H. Cunningham and 'alvin Peterson.

SIX MEMBERS OF NEW BOARD ARE INSTALLED

Take Office; Buster Horton Elected President, Bartlett Remains Secretary.

Six new members were installed window display at the Bragg Dry ton was elected president and Clyde covers the period from May 1, 1946. Goods. On Saturday afternoon, Feb. Bartlett, only member of the old to Jan. 31, 1947. In the full year activities and industries of their 15, there will be a live window dis- board to be retained in the special since Feb. 1, 1946, a total of \$15, election held Jan. 11, was again chos- 739.26 had been collected.

Lions Club program on Tuesday, places formerly held by the six mem \$20,787.57 for the twelve bers of the old board who tendered period ending Jan. 31. The highlight of the local observ- their resignations, according to an ance will be the chili supper for all agreement made before the consoli-Boy Scouts and their parents, which dation election last August that they Merkel, Blair School is scheduled for Friday night, Feb. would resign when all legal matters Lions club is sponsoring this annual completed, was by lot, with the fol-

nightly Study club will prepare and Bryan Dunagin succeeds Ray Wilserve the food. A Court of Honor is son, term to expire in April, 1947; being planned in connection with the M. H. Ely takes the place of Claude supper and Paul Ireland, Scout Exe- Warren, term expiring April, 1949; cutive from Abilene, will speak and Buster Horton succeeds Riggs Shep present a motion picture on Scout- perd, term expiring Jan. 1948; Earl Hughes qualified to take the place of George Woodrum, term expiring April, 1947, but as the former has sister now teaching in the zchool he resigned and the board named Riggs Shepperd in his place; Dewel divisions. Adopted at Trent McLean succeeds Nathan Wood, term expiring April, 1947, and Wel-Trent, Feb. 6 .- Neglected condi don McAninch takes the place of Frent Independent School district, 1949. Term of Clyde Bartlett, mem-

In Crucial 5A Game; Tied for Second Place

The Roscoe Plowboys came from behind in the last half here Tuesday night to down the Merkel Badgers. 38-25, in a thrilling battle before the largest crowd of the season.

This victory over the Purple and project a group of about 20 Sylves- Gold squad virtually cinched the 5A who have won 7 and lost 1, and have only Colorado City and Loraine left Merkel Girls Receive

ting its part of taxes paid in road Colorado City for second place in the ty group in the commissioners' pre- cellarite Lions and then close out gested that every one write his com- Snyder Tigers on the local court on

In Tuesday night's fracas with the Another local speaker was J. G. Nolan County lads, the Badgers had Wilks, who declared that the district the upper hand during the first hall Hughes home ec degree. "had been discriminated against for leading 6-4 at the end of the first | Johnnie came home to take a rest many years" by the four counties quarter and 14-12 at the intermisbecause of its location in the corners sion, but the Farmers overcame the of the four counties and the divided lead early in the third period and ing staff of the Big Lake school.

The Merkel second stringers con-

forming a road district, to which from behind in the last haif to take a 30-22 victory from the up-and-At this juncture, Chairman New- coming Loraine Bulldegs. The visitese revealed that taxes were being ors led 5-3 at the end of the first collected on property valued at bet- quarter and 11-7 at the half. A torter than \$1,500,000 in the district rid third quarter put the Baigers out in front 24-18 going into the condition now than 25 years ago, he last period. Scoring honors went to Robert Sledge with 9 points.

In the preliminary "B" game, the Badger reserves ran roughshod over the Loraine subs, 36-4. Don Dudley was again high man with 11 points. the Loraine grade school team, 18-3, Mr. Elliott puts it, they still have 9 o'clock on last Sunday morning, and Roscoe, 27-8. The Merkel grade a warm place in their hearts for the pronounced the words that bound in school team will play Divide here at noon Friday and Tye Friday night, is no finer to be found, further stated Alma Patterson both well known and

Donnelly Brothers to Open Hatchery Feb. 8

The Donnelly Brothers Hatchery. to be operated by G. F. and E. R. Donnelly, experienced hatchery mernore recently located in Abilene, will est Farm Machinery company.

GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW SADLER CLINIC IN SOUTH MERKEL; 16-BED HOSPITAL

PER CENT CITY TAXES PAID

ent School district, held Tuesday roils-was reported to the city coun-Beginning Saturday, Feb. 8, there night, and in the re-organization cil at Monday night's meeting by City

Delinquent taxes collected from Method of procedure in the suc- May 1, last year, to Jan. 31, totaled Several Scouts will appear on the cession of the new trustees to the \$5,048.31, making a grand total of double size, and has also acquired

Districts to Vote on Consolidation Feb. 22

Residents of the Blair common chool district No. 32 and of the ewly formed ten-school consolidated district, known as the Merkel Independent School district, will vote on in the clinic and hospital units bethe issue of consolidation in a spe ing erected here. cial election to be held Feb. 22.

Order for the election was issue Jan. 29 by County Judge Wiley Caffey of Taylor county upon presentation of petitions from the two school

majority of the voters in each of the equipment of a complete clinic. The tion of the roads embraced in the Earle Watts, term expiring April | constituted districts is required to other wing, extending west from the carry consolidation.

The Methodist church at Blair will hospital. be the voting place for the Blair The present Sadler Clinic was es-

In the Merkel district bailots will assistants.

In a previous election, held last summer when Blair, Union Ridge and Merkel were involved, the Biair district voted against consolidation. Following the election in August, Dr. U. H. Zehnpfennig, (now Dr. whereby nine other districts consoli- U. H. Zee of Lamesa), with whom dated with Merkel, pupils from the Blair school have been attending the the building project, but because Merkel school, pending the call of materials could not be had the plans another election.

Degrees from SWTSC

Miss Johnnie McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDonald, and degrees from Southwest Texas State Derrick, J. L. White was the seller. college, San Marcos, last week. Each one of the girls majored in home economics and received the Smitn-

for the present, but Wanda has at ton, Jr., Saturday, February 1, 1947. ready accepted a place on the teach-

Two Camp Barkeley Structures, Former Recreation Buildings, Purchased: To Be Made into Hospital Here.

Ground was broken the first of the week for the new home of Sadler Clinic, which is to include a 16-bed hospital, to be erected in South Merkel.

Location is in block J of Edminson's subdivision of Sheppard's addition to the city of Merkel, out of which Dr. W. T. Sadler, founder and owner of the Clinic that bears his name has bought three-fourths of the east half of the block, which is month three lots on the southwest corner of the same block-the eighth block south

of the railroad on Locust street. Two Camp Barkeley buildings, formerly used as recreation buildings. have been bought by Dr. Sadler, the overall dimensions of each building being 40x99 feet, and they are to be moved here to form the nucleus of the hospital structure of two-

wings to be erected in T-shape. The heating and cooling plants now in these buildings will be installed

One wing, running north and outh along Locust street, will face east to house the clinic, plans for which provide for a reception room on the southeast corner. Other parts of the unit will house the X-ray, All legally qualified voters are eli- laboratory, operating room, delivery gible to vote in the election, and a room and the component parts to the clinic unit will house the 16-room

ate Dr. R. I. Grim after coming to Merkel in 1926. He be cast at the city hall. T. L. Grimes later formed a partnership with Drs. is presiding judge, with Andy Shouse, Ramsey, Cooper and Hedrick, of J. Parker Sharp and Earl Baze as Abilene, but continued to make his home in Merkel and took care of the practice here.

Before the war plans had been drawn for a new clinic and the contract had been let by Dr. Sadler and he was associated in practice and in had to be cancelled at that time.

Claude Smith Buys Kent Street Building

Claude Smith closed the deal the past week for the purchase indivi-Miss Wanda McCoy, daughter of dually of the building on Kent street. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd McCoy of An occupied by the grocery store in farming and stock-raising until he Merkel Mail office, where the editor cinets of the four counties. He sug- their conference schedule against the son, both received bachelor of science which he is a partner with Gerald

> Record of Births Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lee, Friday, January 31, 1947. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tip Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Rister,

Wednesday, February 5, 1947.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From Files of The Merkel Mail, February 11, 1927.)

CITIZEN, ON VISIT.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott and they should," he continued. their son, Jack, of San Antonio, arrived in Merkel Tuesday for a few Elliott were guests in the homes of days visit among old friends and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dennis and Mrs. former neighbors.

The Elliotts were citizens of Mcrkel for about 25 years prior to their going to San Antonio some ten years age, having come to Merkel when the pioneer.

glad to see the town waking up to friends of the contracting parties.

MR. JOHN ELLIOTT, FORMER | keep abreast the progress of the times if they prosper and grow as

> While in our city and Mrs. J. R. Dye.

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE MARRY LAST SUNDAY.

Rev. W. R. McCarter, paster of the town was only a small village, the Methodist church, in his usual The local grade school defeated along about the year 1889, and, as happy and appropriate manner, at town and citizenship, of which there marriage Mr. Claude Dve and Miss popular young people of this city, in Mr. Elliott also stated that he was the presence of only a few close

many signs of civic improvements, The groom is the son of Mr. and such as good schools, water, sewer Mrs. A. V. Dve and is very popular and fine lighting system. However, among a host of young friends. The he whispered, "a little paving would bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. not only add comfort and good busi- and Mrs. A. B. Patterson, who by ness but would bring your city out her many womanly charms and graces pen Saturday with a capacity of the mud and country-town class, also commands a wife circle of ad-2 000 evgs in the Will Toombs builded and many high class citizens to miring friends, with whom this paper ing on Front street, next door to the the already excellent citizenshin." joins in extending congratulations "1 cz know towns, like people, must and good wishes.

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In The Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

en reporting Sunday Schools last same Sunday a year ago.

NAZARENE CHURCH

13. Our friends are invited to come and hear him.

All other services Sunday and during the week as usual. Mrs. J. D. Roedler, Pasto:

METHODIST THURCH

ing 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. MYF and juriors meet at 6 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting at 7 p. m. Wednesday.

L. M. Brown, Pastor.

FIRST PAPTIST CHURCH Morning sermon at 11:00. Training

Union at 6:00. Evening sermon at Prayer meeting at 7:00 Wednesday

evening.

Merle Weathers, Pastor

PRESBYTERIAN CHERCH. sermon at 11. Children meet at 6:30 p. m. At the evening service, begin ning at 7:30, members of the troc; and the leaders of the Merkel tree of Boy Scouts will attend in a body. day evening at 7 o'clock. D. S. Neel, Pastor.

CHURCK OF CHRIST

preaching 10:50 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Kelso, F. J. McDonald, Jr. A. M. Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:00 Evans, C. R. Rogers, Jr., Wilburn

Reporter.

CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preachweek-prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

B. W. Wallis, Paster.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD. ing services at 4 p. m. and 8 p. m Brenda Lou Mashburn. Services every Thursday night. H. S. Earp, Pastor

Announces John Deere Day in Merkel, Feb. 11

day, Feb. 11, will be John Deere day in Merkel, when a popular farmer's day program will be held, featuring I. D. Vancil and Mrs. W. M. Lawlis as the main attraction a 55-minute Hollywood film offering, "The Windjammer," starring "Bazooka"

In addition four other new ati talking pictures will be shown. Admission will be by ticket only, aqcording to Bullock Hardware. An farmer who has not received tickets can get them free by inquiring at the store before the day of the show.

JUST RECEIVED

Shipment of Certified Martin Seed Distributed by Luker Brothers of Levelland

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We carry a Complete Line of Bewley's Dairy and Chicken Feeds

> DOAN FEED STORE

> > D. C. DOAN

RURAL SOCIETY

OFFICERS INSTALLED IN CANDLELIGHT SERVICE.

Demonstration club were installed Agent A. J. Graham explained how \$1.50 the home of Mrs. Kenneth Pee. Those thing about travel, trains and the \$2.00 taking office were: Mrs. O. E. Har- work of railroads and their schedules. well, president; Mrs. Kenneth Pee, Relative to civics and government-H. Clark, council member; Mrs. O. explain the workings of the mayor R. Douglas, reporter.

oman's Collect.'

Union Ridge club. After the business hour, the ladies for tomorrow. viewed and admired the many features in the re-decoration of Mrs. Mother of Mrs. C. E. Pee's home. Miss McRee was present-

ed a shower of lovely gifts as past president. Delicious refreshments were served to three visitors, Mrs. Sally Gant, Mrs. Joe Seymore and Miss Charlotte Harwell. Members present were Mesdames M. L. Douglas, Weldon Mc Aninch, J. H. Clark, Lee Tipton, Deverle Teaff, Denzel Cox, Clyde Newton, O. R. Douglas, O. E. Harwell. George Crow and Miss Mabel McRec.

at the home of Mrs. J. H. Clark. The family are sick. agent will be present.

GIFT PARTY COMPLIMENTS RECENT BRIDE.

plate favors.

Those attending were Mesdames C. Gouge, Carl Mashburn, C. I., Sherrell, T. E. Woolsey, Faye Nor-Sunday: Bible School at 9:45 a. m.; man, J. S. Varner, Roy Kelso. Ina oflin, Bryan Dunagin. M. C. Church. Barney Berry, Walter Keiso, John FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST Sam Burns, Fred Richardson, Robert Carter, Wesley Mashburn Bill Dunagin, Earl Dwiggins Jimmy ing at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Mid- Cooley, Bill Mashburn, Jim John-

Clyde Rushing and Bob Mashburn. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Preach Jackie Rogers, Lelin Norman and other was in Japan, as they had nev

GOLAN CLUB.

The Gelan Home Demonstration lub met in the home of Mrs. Orvil dent of the club; Mrs. H. C. Vancil, Jan. 5. Paternal grandmother Bullock Hardware, local John cil, council delegate. Mrs. Cecil Stevens dealer, announces that Tuesens was elected program chairman. vice-president, and Mrs. Boyce Van- Mrs. Ethel Turner of Shep. The club membership committee consisting of Mrs. P. D. Skidmore, Mrs.

> Plans for the work in the new year book were discussed at the meeting A demonstration on candiewicking was given by Mrs. Beyee Vancil and Mrs. I. D. Vancil. Also "Sunshine Pals" were revealed and new names

Refreshments were served to Mesdames W. C. Hill, A. L. Cade, Wilrd Rogers, Cecil Stevens, Office Skidmere, V. P. Byrom, I. D. Vancil, . D. Skidmore, Boyce Vancil, W. M. awlis and Mrs. Webster.

Notice

The West Texas Insulation company, Abilene, Texas, announces a emonstration of the blowing of Genuine Rock Wool-Home Insulation, the home of Mr. and Mrs. John ! Walker, 502 Oak street, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7-8, beginning at 1 p. m. Friday. The citizens of Me. kel and community are invited to at tend this demonstration.

DAUGHTER BEATS MOTHER

simple chest colds by using Derhem's Ne-Mo-Reb, the modern Guiacol-Camphor chest rub. Doctors agree that its 29% Guio col-Camphor formula is a decided improve ment over Mother's old-fashioned Eucalyp-tus style calves. Try Nu-Mo-Rub for croupy coughs. Double the purchase price re-funded if you do not find Nu-Mo-Rub more effective. In 35c and 60c jars at your

Merkel Drug Company

Community Life

(Continued from Page One) visit on ways of communication was Officers of the Union Ridge Home the Texas and Pacific depot, where Jan. 17 in a candlelight ceremony he received his telegraphic message, conducted by Mrs. O. R. Douglas in codes, duties of an operator, some

vice-president; Mrs. Denzel Cox, as all affairs the group heard City Secistant secretary-treasurer; Mrs. J. retary W. M. Elliott at the City hall and aldermen; he named the offi-From a table laid with a beautiful pers of the town, their duties, menutwork linen cover, tall tapers were tioned names of the streets, historigiven each officer as she took the cal facts about Merkel long, long ath of office, after which the pledge ago. He gave the first location of was read, following with the "Club- the churches, homes, businesses and schools, including facts of our cont-Mrs. Harwell presided for the munity life today. Merkel now has meeting, which was opened with a about 2,500 population, he told them.

ingsong. Mrs. Douglas gave the In their tour of the city, the stuouncil report and announced a new dents received more information, betdership program which has been ter labor, trade, industries and ways aunched in home demonstration of human relations, by seeing, bear work, since the county agent cannot ing out the thought that visual edumeet as often with each club as is cation is more interesting and lastdesirable. Two leaders to be trained ing than reading and hearing. The by the agent will be elected by each contacts with our leaders, citizens, Sunday, as compared with 765 or club. Mrs. Denzel Cox and Miss Ma- business men and women, were benethe previous Sunday, and 737 on the bel McRee were chosen leaders for ficial in learning facts about the city where they live.

Mrs. Weldon McAninch gave a The 6th grade pupils were very brief talk about the needs of the grateful for their good lectures Merkel Youth center and of the bene- talks, explanations, courtesies and trict superintendent of the Church fits the young people will receive teaching. This trip will aid them in of The Nazarene, will preach at the from it. The club voted to make a building a better Merkel, a newer local church Thursday night, Fcb. gift purchase for the Youth center. community and a stronger nation

Huff Reported Better

Mrs. J. D. Newton of Trent, who while spending the Christmas holiday with her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Huff and Mr. Huff, fell and almost broke her back and has been bedfast every since, is reported some better. daughter, Mrs. William Lankford, of Garvin, Okla., who came to be with her mother in the Huff home, was The next meeting will be Feb. 7. called back home as members

In connection with her mother' illness, Mrs. Huff recalled the fami ly reunion in their home during Christmas with all their children Mrs. Buddy Mashburn, who was present: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Huff and Wanda Gouge until her marriage on children. Izella and David, and au-Jan. 11, was named honoree for a other son, Leonard, all from Greet. tiely party given in the home of ville, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mrs. Roy Mashburn at Stitn Thurs- Huff from Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stanford from Penwell, Mr. At the refreshment hour cake and and Mrs. J. R. Payne from Lamesa ice cream were served on Valentine Mr. and Mrs. Leo Huff and daughter of Boy Scouts will attend in a body. plates. Red and white hearts inscrib- from Cisco, Mr. at Mrs. Elmer Mid-week prayer meeting Wednes- ed with "Wanda and Buddy" were Huff and son, Coy, from Cisco, and Buddie and Loman Huff, who are

With Our Boys

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baccus have re ceived word from their son, James Malone, Ross Pratt. Guy Thompsen, Roy, who has been stationed in Tokvo, Japan, since Jan. 1. that he has just been dismissed from the 49th General hospital after a severe illness. Just before leaving the hospital son, Maggie Wilson, Fletcher Jones he was very much surprised to meet un with his cousin. Joe A. Landreth. Misses Nora Kelso, Patry, Carol who was also in the same hospital and Beth Dunagin, Hilda Berry Lin- recuperating from an attack of pneuda Ann Dwiggins, Lanajohn Malore, monia. Neither of the boys knew the er received any mail since they left nome ear in December.

Birth Announced Mr. and Mrs. George Kenneth Hill on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 29. Turner of Carlsbad, N. M., are an-Mrs. Orvil Hill is the new presi- houncing the birth of a son, born

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Friday-Saturday - Double feature program: Charles Starrett. Smiley Burnette in "The Desert Horseman" and Frank Mergan. Keenan Wynn in "The Cockeyed Miracle;" Crimson Ghost serial and cartoon.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday-Red Skelton, Marilyn Maxwell in 'The Show-Off;" Bugs Bunny cartoon and latest News.

Wednesday-Thursday-Edward G. Robinson, Loretta Young in "The Stranger;" March of Time "The American Cop" and cartoon.

The story of an over-officious, over-loud, over-hearty egetist who makes a mess not only of his own household but of his in-laws as well, s unfolded in M-G-M's adroitly filmed comedy-drama, "The Show-Off."

This is the picture which brings Red Skelton back to the screen for the first time since the war, and he again reveals himself to be one of the most discerning comedians in

Better Roads

(Continued from Page One) near Trent; R. B. Terry, rural mai carrier, who had had personal experience as to the "bad roads" in his 29 years on the job; Alonzo McE! murray, of East Nolan county, and County Commissioner Houston Robertson of Precinct No. 2, Taylor cour.

The latter stated that in his off: ial capacity he tried not to show partiality as he endeavored to disribute the work throughout the cunty, and added that he wished he had funds and equipment to more adequately do the work, but that he had to follow the precinct budget.

As one proposal to improve the oad conditions in the district, Chairman Newhouse said "we want the naintainer in this district, even if we have to hire labor curselves to maintain the roads."

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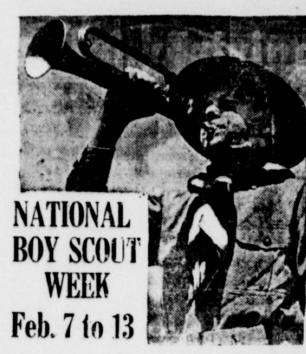
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Sweetclover is a tap-rooted plant subject to dying from Texas rootrot. Whereas Madrid may be killed because of its two-year growth period, hubam usually matures before being adversely affected by the disease. In fields which "die cotton", hubam sweetclover may be used as soil-building and temperary pas

INCOME TAX NOTICE

All persons having a GROSS income of \$500.00, if single, and \$1,000.00, if married, are required to file a return of income for the year 1916 on or before March 15, 1947. If you are required to file, suggest you come early and avoid last minute rush.

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his is the snow-suit that fitted Sally so well only two years ago. It was a little snug last winter, but still wearable. Now it's outgrown. Sally needs a new outfit-fast!

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One other advantage that hubam may be overseeded with hubam. If the farms of A. H. Murphree of the has over Madrid is its ability to make rainfall is adequate, a grain crop may Castle Peak Conservation group, W. a more rapid spring growth, thereby be harvested as well as a clover seed A. Richburg of the South Trent Confurnishing earlier spring grazing, crop. If desired, hubam may be drill-The grazing period is not as long, ed, with a grain drill.

however, as first-year Madrid. Hu- Hubam may be plowed under for bam may also be used where a short a green manure crop, grazed for rotation is desired with only one year pasture and used as a cash crop by group. being devoted to a soil-building crop harvesting the seed: Possibly the mos The cultural practices used in profitable use of hubam sweetclove growing hubam differ but little from is by grazing it for about three these of Madrid sweetclover. A firm months and remove livestock to al: seed-bed should be prepared in ad low the erop to produce the maximum vance of seeding in February. Secil- amount of seed. In this way soil-inbed preparation and time of seeding prevement, may be had while obtainshould be considered in relation to ing a valuable pasture and seed crop.

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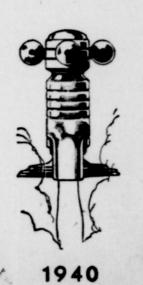
in this district. Once the root system is well established, sweetclover is a

drought-resistant plant. The plant-

ing rate when drilled in rows is ap

proximately 5 pounds per acre. Small







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CITATION BY PUBLICATION. THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Patty Martin, her heirs, unknown heirs, and assigns; Frank A. Martin; Jennie Martin Armstrong, her heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; Sue Martin Duncan, her heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; Jim Duncan, his heirs, unknown heirs and heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; Joe Delle Bailey Barrios and hus-Martin Johnson, her heirs, unknown heirs and assigns, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 3rd day of March, A. D. 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of September, 1946. The file number of said suit be-

ing No. 5334-B. The names of the parties in said said Court, at office in Abilene, Texand Patty Martin, her heirs, unknown A. D., 1947. heirs and assigns; Frank A. Mar- (Seal) tin, Jennie Martin Armstrong, her District Court, Taylor County, Texas heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; By Thelma Graham, Deputy. Paschall M. Armstrong; Ada Beile Presswood and E. E. Presswood; Ed Martin; Henry Martin; Inez Matlock and husband, A. J. Matlock; Sue Martin Duncan, her heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; Jim Duncan, his heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; Loretta Duncan Bailey, her heirs, unknown heirs and assigns; Joe Delle Bailey Barrios and husband, Harry A. Barrios; Hattie Lou Duncan Key and husband, Charley Key, Max Duncan and Flora Martin Johnson, her heirs, unknown heirs and assigns, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Plaintiff alleges and says that on or about the 3rd day of February, 1946, he was lawfully seized and possessed of the following described lands and premises situated in Taylor County, Texas, holding and claiming the same in fee simple towit: Lot ? Block A of John M. Blackburn Subdivision of Lot 1 Block 201, City of Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, as shown by plat of said subdivision recorded in Volume 28, Page 640 Deed records of Taylor County, Texas, reference to which is here made.

That on the day and year last aforesaid the defendants herein unlawfully entered upon said premises and ejected plaintiff therefrom and unlawfully withhold from his pos session thereof to his damage in the sum of \$1000.00. That the reasonable annual rental of said lands and premises is \$200,00 per year.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. Issued this the 16th day of Jau-

uary, A. D., 1947. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 16th day of January.

A. D., 1947. J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, (Seal) 104th District Court, Taylor County Texas. By Thelma Graham, Deputy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEVAS.

TO: Emma Lee Stephens, Greeting: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 3rd day of March, A. D., 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M.

| before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 18th day of January, 1947. The file number of said suit be-

The names of the parties in said suit are: Winfred B. Stephens as Essigns; Loretta Duncan Bailey, her Plaintiff, and Emma Lee Stephens as Defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, band, Harry A. Barrios; and Flora to wit: Plaintiff and Defendant were married on or about August 9, 1925, Alabama, and lived together as husband and wife until on or about July 29, 1936.

> No children were born of said marriage and no children adopted. No community rights are to be adjudicated.

> Plaintiff sues for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment and abandonment.

If this Citation is not served withn 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. Issued this the 18th day of January, A. D., 1947.

Given under my hand and seal of

suit are A. L. Frazier as Plaintiff, as, this the 18th day of January, J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors, for their sympathy and kindness, during the sickness and tragic death of our husband and father. We thank you for the lovely floral offerings and especially do we wish to express our thanks and everlasting gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winter and family, also all our friends in Merkel. We are grateful to Dr. Sadler and the nurses for their faithful and

untiring efforts. May God bless each of you who selped in any way.

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windy character, Bob Newton by name, who claims to be able to make animals talk. His ex-

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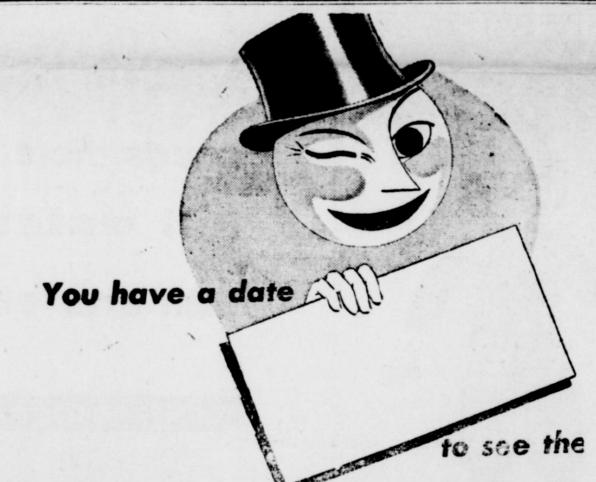
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L. C. Zee, D. D. S.

S. King. Phone 56.

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Good 6-room, two lots N side, gas, lights, commode, lavatory, kitchen built-ins but no tuo, nice place and close in.

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Small house, 2 16x16 foot rooms and shed room, boxed and weatherboarded; for quick sale, \$250.00. 20 acres good land all cultivation, close in, \$100.00 per acre.

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LODGE CALLS

NOTICE MASONS

Stated meeting of Merkel lodge No. 710, A. F. and A. M., Thursday, February 13, We make frequent trips to Merkel, at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged Write us your needs. Will be glad to be present. Visiting brethren corto deliver them to your door next dially invited

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ORDER APPROVING COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT On the 13th day of Jan., A. D., 1947, the Commissioners' Court, Taylor Cour-J. R. Clark County Treasurer, for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1946, and found the same to be correct and the respective amounts to have been received and paid out since the preceding report.

Balan ?

| | Last Quarter | This | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| Jury Fund | \$\$ 7,699.25 \$ | 232.41 | \$ 4,761.50 | 8 3,170.16 |
| Precinct No. 1 | 12,497.90 | 11,147.00 | | 2,319.17 |
| Precinct No 2 | 5.520.90 | 9,448.63 | 18,488.90 | 3,119.37od |
| Precinct No. 3 | 15,340.67 | 9,405.00 | 14,393.25 | 10.352.42 |
| Precinct No. 4 | 21,484.72 | 8,997.95 | 25,136.18 | 5.296.49 |
| GeneralFund | 43,467.94 | 36,091.43 | 34,908.11 | 44,651.26 |
| Pauper Fund | 7,991.29od | 13,900.19 | 5,899.13 | 9.77 |
| Road District No. 1 | 361.55 | 11.98 | .00 | 373.38 |
| Road District No. 3 | 455.10 | .00 | 451.25 | 3.85 |
| Read District No. 4 | 542.96 | .00 | 531.06 | 11.90 |
| Road District No. 7 | 3,936.82 | .00 | .00 | 3,936.82 |
| Hwy 1 and 30 | 3,236.55 | .00 | 3,189.59 | 47.34 |
| Hwy. 600M | 12,878.51 | 9,672.45 | 1,943.32 | 20,607.64 |
| Hwy 275M | 1,555.90 | .00 | 1,447.05 | 108.85 |
| Perm. Imp. Fund | 8,845.61 | 4,905.71 | 733.96 | 13,017.36 |
| Court House 4th Class | 31.74 | 5.00 | .00 | 36.74 |
| Special R&B Fund | 786.00 | .00 | .00 | 786.00 |
| Victory Tax Fund | 1,151 50 | 3,669.00 | 3,436.50 | 1,384.00 |
| Officers Salary Fund | 2,426.73 | 35,633.54 | 25,845.99 | 14,214.28 |
| Taylor Co. Jail Fund | 6,949.19 | 4,867.24 | 944.20 | 10,872.23 |
| CoWide Mach Fund | 2.70 | 2,595.40 | 2,595.40 | Σ.70 |
| | \$141,531.13 \$ | 150,582.93 | \$164,031.12 | \$123,082.94 |

Farmers and Merchants National Bank \$ 87,223.34 Citizens National Pank 40,859.60

\$128,082.94

| SECURITIES OWNED | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Owned by Hwy. M (Bradshaw School) | 440.00 |
| Owned by General Fund | 40,000.06 |
| Owned by Precinct No. 2 | 10,000.00 |
| Owned by Jury Fund | 15,000.00 |
| Owned by Court House Fund | 1,500.00 |
| Owned by Road District No. 7 | 4,000.00 |
| Taylor County Road Bonds | 9,000.00 |
| Precinct No. One | 20,000.00 |
| \$ | 99,940.00 |
| Owned by Perm. School Fund | \$3,000.00 |

BOND AND WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS Original Issue Bonds Redeemed Outstanding

| | \$1,409,000.00 | \$717,000.00 | 692,00.00 |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Road District No. 4 | 15,000.00 | 13,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Road Dist. No. 3 Bond | 15,000.00 | 13,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| County Warrants '26 | 54,000.00 | 50,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| Road Bond Series '29 | 275,000.00 | 115,000.00 | 160,000.00 |
| Road Bond Series '27 | 600,000,00 | 271,000.00 | 329,000.00 |
| Road Bonds Series '23 | 350,000.00 | 194,000.00 | 156,000.00 |
| Taylor County Jail Bonds | \$100,000.00 | \$ 60,000.00 | \$ 40,000.00 |

The requirements of Article 401 P. C. have been complied with and tabufar statements have been filed as required.

LUTHER J. WEBB.

HOUSTON ROBERTSON, County Commissioner Precinct No. 1 Commissioner Precinct No. 2

A. L. CLEVELAND, FLOYD. TATE. County Commissioner Precinct No. 3 County Commissioner Precinct No. 4 WILEY CAFFEY,

County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

Subscribed and sworn to this the 18th day of January, A. D., 1947. MRS. CHESTER HUTCHESON, County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF EXECUTRIX. Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the es tate of J. D. Hilton, deceased, that the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified as executrix of said estate on the 4th day of February 1947, by the county court of Taylor County, Texas, and all persons having claims against said estate, are required to present same to the undersigned within the time required by law, whose residence and post office address is 2146 South 3rd Street, Abilene, Taylor County, Tex-

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Red and White-Medium Ripe-Tastit Vanilla-Extract, 2 ounce Red and White-CHOCOLATE-Malted Milk, 1 lb. 16c Del Rio_CUT_ Green Beans, No. 2 can ... 15c BANC-O-Popcorn, 10 ounce 15c PALMOLIVE-Soap, reg. bar KANINE-Peanut Butter, quart ___ 49c | Dog Food, No. 2 can ___ 15c Spaghetti Dinner, box 29c Luncheon Meat, 12 oz. 39c 47c Chili, No. 300

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MRS. WRENN DURHAM GIVES Bradley, Clyde Rushing, J. F. Jones, REVIEW ON "PAVILION OF WOMEN."

Wrenn Durham reviewed the book, Bryan Dunagin. "Pavilion of Women", by Pearl S. Miss Dorothy Dunagin, Ella Wint | were honored with a gift "12" party do, cultivated, aware and in the McAninch. midst of the variety of human experience.

Those present were Mrs. Bill Har-Cypert, Johnny Cox. Weldon McAn- Patterson. inch, Griffin Barnett, Paul West Christine Collins.

CAPT. AND MRS. LA MOINE SHERRELL HONORED AT GIFT RECEPTION.

Red gladioluses and orange blos Beauty shop here. soms flanked with greenery decorated Mr. Patterson is well known in E. Touchstone, Walter Kelso and years.

John Shannon entertained with a gift ten Wednesday, Jan 29, complimenting Capt, and Mrs. L. Moine Sherrell, who were married Jan. 19 in the home of the groom's parents, Mr. of Holyoke, Mass.

tain Sherrell, who introduced his of grey gaberdine with silver button trim, Mrs. Sherrell's brunette beauty was accented with a shoulder corsage of pastel pink carnations.

Mrs. Malone and Mrs. Abbott presided at the registry, while Mrs. Hudson invited guests into the dining room where the Valentine motif was emphasized in miniature red and white hearts with the inscription, "Madelyn and La Moine."

Mrs. Leonard McCoy assisted Mrs. Kelso and Mrs. Shannon in serving red and green cartwheel sandwiches, sand tarts and spiced tea from a lacelaid table, centered with an array of years in the Army with 35 months red gladioluses.

Guests were Mesdames Lee Hud dleston, Carroll Benson, Everett ative, Inc. Beavers, James Shaver, Bob Mash burn, Roy Harrison, E. M. Blanken. ship, A. J. Canon, A. W. Clemmer, W. C. Church, Dee Grimes, Sam Mashburn, Cyrus Pee, C. C. Bond. Guy Glenn, C. L. Daniels, Ernest Hardy. T. W. Vantreese, Lyle Cade, Jack Corder, Bill Little, Ulm Akins, Ar-Blackman, Harry Bullock, Harvey Allred, Maggie Wilson, Leroy Norman, Urban Shannon, Ed Vantreese, W. J. Hayes, J. S. Toucle stone, T. A. Tucker, Roy Kelso, Ina Kelso, G. R. Cundiff, Homer Payne, T. E. Woolsey, Vernon Horton, Maude Cade, Charlie McCormick James Earl Stevens, R. C. McAninch. Wilmer Criswell, Charlie Childress Dewey Ramsey, Ben Adkins, Clyde Chancey, Ida L. Weaver, E. L. Berry, Pearl Allred, Fred Horton, Lloyd Mashburn, Carl Mashburn, Troyce

Wesley Mashburn, J. S. Varner, G. F. Cook, Truett Thompson, E. H. The Fortnightly Study club met Thompson, C. R. Rogers, E. R. Fos-Tuesday afternoon in the home of ter, W. S. Allred, Bill Childress, Bill Austin Petty and the hostesses Dunagin, M. E. West, Gene Bun-Following the business session Mrs. pass, Norman Winter, Lee Wilch and

Buck. In this book Pearl Buck has er, Johnnie Warren, Irene Warren, on Feb. 1 in the Jack Hogan home, distilled her most pungent memories Laurel Sherrell, Helen Childress, with Mrs. Walter Hensley, Mrs. Jack of the Chinese life which she shared Lanajohn Malone, Ann Benson, Dur- Hogan and Mrs. June Hogan as co for decades. The story is of a great lene McCoy, Linda Ann Winter, Vir- hestesses. Those present were Mr. family of the landed gentry, well-to- ginia Ann Criswell and Carol Sue and Mrs. La Verne Moore, Messrs

PATTERSON-MEDLEN.

ris, a visitor, Mesdames Wrenn Dur- were united in marriage Tuesday Don Riney, Robert Riney and Robert ham, Comer Haynes, Carroll Ben evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Campbell; Miss Loneal Teaff, R. D. following: Messrs. and Mesdames son, Henry West, Edwin Read Joe the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Lela Ely and the hosts.

The single ring ceremony was per-Weston West, David Gamille, Earl formed by Rev. Roy Patterson, pas- The Missionary society of the Hughes, P. C. Wylie, Chester Col- tor of the Longworth Methodist First Baptist church met Menday allinsworth, D. H. Vaughn and Miss church and brother of the bride ternoon at the church for a business

> G. W. Langford of Bonham, She at- Irl Walker. The closing prayer was tended Scoggins Beauty school in given by Mrs. P. F. Harris. Abilene and is employed at the LaRue

the home of Louise Hudson when Mes- Merkel, where he has been in the dames John Malone, Rex Abbott, J. plumbing business for a number of

The couple will make their home

BEAIRD-RODGERS.

On last Saturday evening, Miss and M.s. Charley Sherrell, Mrs. Sher- Marie Rodgers, daughter of Mr. and rell is the former Madelyn Musante Mrs. J. C. Rodgers of the Mt. Pleas ant community, became the bride of Lonnie Beaird, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Beaird. Rev. D. S. Neel, pasbride, Attired in her bridal frock tor of Grace Presbyterian church, read the double ring ceremony at the manse at 8 p. m.

Present for the wedding were Mr and Mrs. J. R. Johnson, sister and prother-in-law of the bride, and Albert Beaird and Imogene Williams, brother and sister of the groom.

The bride were a navy blue two-Pleasant and later Gail Business ollege in Abilene and is now employed in the sales department of the Cor ins Variety store. Mr. Beaird atended the Mt. Pleasant high -chool, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and served three overseas. He is a member of the work crew of the Taylor Electric Cooper-

The couple is at home in the apartment of Mrs. Ed Turner on Oak

FIDELIS MATRONS CLASS. The February meeting of the Fidelis Matrons Sunday School class



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"The Stranger"

March of Time "The American Cop"-Cartoon

Leach gave an interesting devotional Johnson. followed by an enjoyable social hour, Pibie study in the home of Mrs. Earl Oscar Johnson. after which refreshments were serv- Lassiter. ed to Mesdames David Gamble, Geo. T. Moore, E. B. Wallace, Buster Horton, Gordon Pursley, Vernon Horton, O. B. Leach, Bob Fowler,

Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Moore and Mesdames James D. Denison Tom Hogan, Ford Smith, Jr., Willie their new home. B. Toombs, Arthur Moore, Jack Hope Medlen and W. J. Patterson Smith, Lee Darden, Morris Smith,

session. Opening song was "I Am The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Thin," followed by prayer by Mrs. Those present were Meadan

uesday afternoon in the home of Weathers, H. R. Hicks, J. O. Cas- Smith, A. C. Terry and Arnold Arn. Mrs. Nim Teaff, with Mrs. Jarrett ties, A. D. Fulton, Mack Tucker, T. strong, Mesdames W. L. Johnson, R. E. Cellins, Irl Walker, Dan Riney, J. Miller, Craig Humphreys, C. W. Following the opening prayer by Sam Martin, J. C. Gregory, L. T. Mrs. David Gamble, Mrs. O. B. Derington, P. F. Harris and W. L.

EASTERN STAR. Five candidates were initiated into

the Order of the Eastern Star on Jan. 31 at the Masonic hall, namely Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffin and Mrs. H. R. McKeever. A number of short talks were made to welcome these members into the order.

Following this ceremony a farewall gift was presented Mr. and Mrs. Fred Price who are moving to Odes sa. The chapter regrets to iose this fine couple but wishes them well in

With Valentines as favors a dainty refreshment plate was served by Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Armstrong to the

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the First Baptist church was held R. Booth, Earl Lassiter, E. M. Bill Duragin, J. B. Griffin, H. G. Seago, Irvin Humphreys. H. C. Reid Bryan Dunagin, Ed Gant, Fred Price, D. S. Neel, Edd Turner. on "Envy." The business session was Next Monday they will meet for Claude Warren, G. M. Sharp and

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