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PERSONAL NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Harris spent last week with their daughter and son-in-law, Sgt. and Mrs. O. D. Allamon and sons, Brian and Bruce, of San Angelo.

Miss Marie Pinckley, who teaches in the Perryton schools, has arrived home to spend part of the vacation time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pinckley.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carr were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Housewright and son and daughter, Everett and Wanda, of Dallas.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Joyce were Mrs. Joyce's grand father, A. Tonn, of Wichita Falls, and two daughters. Miss Lydia Tonn, of Fort Worth, and Mrs. Karl Mc-Gregor, and Mr. McGregor, of Abilene.

son, Billy Day, of Fort Stanton, N. Jerold Salter and Clyan Whisenhunt. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brown and M., were recent guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brown, of the Goodman community, and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Ely, of Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bell of Dallas, who had been visiting his mother, Mrs. M. F. Bell, returned home last Friday.

Guests this week in the Hugh Campbell home were Mrs. R. J. Lopez and little son, Michael, of Port Arthur, and Mrs. Pearl Santord and daughter, Miss Eula Sanford, of Tuscola.

Mrs. John Shannon returned home Sunday night from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. James Shaver, who has been in the All-Saints hospital Fort Worth, with pneumonia.

Mrs. W. O. Hopper of Noodle is at tie McCord, in a Dallas hospital.

Mrs. Buzz Oliver and son, Donny, left Saturday for a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gale, of Terrell.

lave Wilkes of Oc were au uests of Mr. and Mrs. James Nel-

### **OF MERKEL HIGH** SCHOOL NAMED

HONOR STUDENTS

dictorian, with Buddy Mc- Menday evening in the school gym Keever Ranking Second: 37 Boys, 18 Girls in Class.

With an average of 95.00, covering the last two years in high school-Junior and Senior class work-Betty Joan James, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. James, was valedictorian of the Senior class of Merkel High school. Salutatorian was Buddy Me Kcever, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. M Keever, whose average was 93.11. In announcing these awards at commencement exercises held Tuesday evening in the school gym, High School Principal Edwin E. Read also recognized three Seniors who had been neither absent nor tardy during the past year: Betty J an James.

Three Juniors, Lorece Bond, Wayne Buchanan and Charles Simpson, also had perfect attendance records and two Sophomores, Betty Jean Davis and Allen James.

Highest ranking students in the other classes of High school were: Freshmen - Norma Jean Hodge.

95.37; Dudley Farr, 92.77. Sophomores-Sandra Sadler, 96.30;

Betty Jean Davis, 93.60. Highest ranking boy was Allen James, with in average of 92.60.

Juniors - Joy Lansford, 95.50 Gorald West, 94.70. In his address to the graduates

Joe Humphrey, principal of the Abi lene high school, described "Three Great Decisions" that the student must make as choosing life's work. the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Mat choosing a life's mate and choosing a life's philosophy.

The Senior class sang two groups of songs as part of the program clos ing their last year in High school In the first group were "Good-Bye. Mrs. Arnold Holcomb and Mrs. Old High" (Moore) and "Memories" (Morgan), and in the second group, "A Perfect Day" (Jacobs-Bond) and

### **JOHN S. HUGHES GIVES PARTY ON** EIGHTH GRADE **79th BIRTHDAY**

Forty-six eighth graders were presented certificates by Principal C. A. Farley in graduation exercises Betty Joan James, Class Vale- of the Merkel Grammar school held Valedictorian of the class was Von-

ceil Rust, with an average of 96.5. while salutatory honors went to Elmer Lee Sandusky, whose average was 92.25. Recognized as the boy and girl showing the greatest improvement in the school year were Delores

**CERTIFICATE TO** 

**46 STUDENTS OF** 

Trevino and Pauline Harriss. In announcing these awards, Supt. R. A. McCollum also presented Joy and Gaylon Johnson, brother and sister, as the outstanding students of the class who are to receive the American Legion medals and certificates in the county-wide presentation scheduled at the American Legion club house in Abilene next Monday night. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Johnson, residing off Route 1, Merkel.

As their graduation program, nembers of the eighth grade presented a program of songs, "Chimes of Spring," with Mrs. Norman Winter, teacher of public school music, as accompanist. Mrs. Ellen McReynolds

and Mrs. Edith B. Wright were class sponsors. Those receiving certificates were

Hugh Baker, Billy Beaird, Wan de Beaird, Martha Beene, An Ecoth, Kenneth Bowen, Bobby Campbell, Ramon Cordova, Thantha Decker, Carol Sue Dunagin, Bobby Dye. Emma Jean Ely, Billy Green field, Billy Harris, Pauline Harris Ernest Hobdy, Bob Johnson, Gaylor Johnson, Joy Johnson, Doyle Jones Maxine Kerns. Charlene Madison, Franklin Mashburn, Merkel McCoy Jimmie Lou McLeod, Boyd Moore, Julia Moore, Billy Mosier, Bryan Mundy, Ann Newton, Clinton Newton. Jimmy Petty, Charles Reddin Fayrene Reynolds, Ken Riney, Vonceil Rust, Elmer Sandusky, Sammy Scroggins, Connie Mac Seymore, Jo Ann Seymore, Bobby Shouse, Dale



Scores of Relatives and Friends on the J. L. White tract at the south Respond to Invitation and En- edge of town. toy All-day Barbecue Cele-

brating the Happy Occasion. In response to invitations from John S. Hughes to attend an all-day barbecue celebrating his 79th birthday, more than a hundred persons--including both members of the family and friends-gathered on the John B. Hughes farm south of Blair last Saturday and enjoyed the occasion to the fullest. Happiest of all was the retired

pioneer farmer himself, who was born in North Alabama and came to Taylor county 57 years ago. After 30 years on the farm he and his family have been residents of Merkel the past 27 years.

Under shady elm trees on the banks of Mulberry creek in the pasture of John B. Hughes place, a sumptuous barbecue dinner was spread on the flat bed of a trailer.

Mr. Hughes and his wife and the son, John B., were joined in entertaining guests by four other children and a daughter-in-law and their He had entered the hospital May 7 families. Present from inside the family circle were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes and Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Snencer Bird and James Spencer Mrs. William Hughes, Bobby and Davd. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Barrick, Larry and Linda, of Grand Prairie, Mrs. Powell Miller, 'Michael and Johnny. and Carlene Hughes and Mrs. Paxton Hays, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hughes, who were unable to be present because of illness of Mirs. Hughes' mother, Mrs. J. J. Russell. Also present were Mr. Hays and their two children, Carla Fay and Kenneth. Besides those children present. there are Mrs. G. F. Eiliott, of Port- his parents at the age of 18. He was land, Ore., Capt. William Hughes, U. married Jan. 2, 1898, to Beulah Turn-S. Army, now stationed in Panama. er, the wedding having taken place

### ABUNDANCE OF WATER PROMISED BY NEW WELLS

An abundant water supply guaranteed from the tests on wells being drilled by the City of Merkel

The fourth well, drilled on the northwest corner of the original block, tested over 100 gallons per minute when completed by Bob Dennis Wednesday afternoon from depth of 124 feet. It is planned t put the first pump, when delivered. on this well, Water Commissioner B. T. Sublett said Thursday morning. One of the three previously com pleted wells showed a capacity of 80 gallons from 110 feet, and the other two tested over 60 gallons from 100 feet. When the road contractors on the Blair project complete their job, the city will have the output from their well, also on this property. which tested better than 60 gallons.

### Services Held Monday For Pioneer Farmer

Jim Dye, 71, pioneer Taylor courty farmer, died at 5 a. m. Sunday at Sadler hospital, about 15 minutes after he had suffered a heart attack. for treatment of a heart trouble.

Funeral services were held at 2:56 p. m. Monday from the Primitive Baptist church, with the pastor, El der B. R. Howze, of Big Spring, officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery under direction of the Barrow-Sheppard Funeral home.

Pallbearers were W. L. Blair Booth Warren, Alvin Skurlock, Leon Scott, Cramer Reynolds and Riley Whisenhunt.

James William Dye was born July 31, 1876, in Comanche, Texas, but had lived practically all his life in Taylor county, having come here with

and Wayne Hughes, of Denver, Colo. in Mulberry Canyon, The couple cele-

**LIMITED OFFER ON DELINQUENT** TAXES DUE CITY

### All Penalty and Interest Will be Waived on Back Taxes Due City of Merkel, If Paid by the First of August.

The penalty and interest on delinquent taxes due the City of Merkel will be waived, if the taxes are paid before Aug. 1st. Decision to remit. penalty and interest on this basis was reached on motion of B. T. Sublett at the regular meeting of the city council held Monday night, J. L. White seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

In the absence of Mayor A. J. Canon, Mayor Pro Tem Bob Hicks presided. All other members of the council were present: viz.: B. 1. Sublett, L. A. Coats, Earl Hughes and J. L. White.

City Secretary W. M. Elliott reported receipt of check for April oil amounting to \$189.64 from the Onyx Refining company, including \$131.92 royalty and \$57.72 overriding payment of the additional consideration of the lease, from the West Central Drilling Co. No. 1 City of Merkel.

On motion of B. T. Sublett, seconded by J. L. White, location for a surplus fire plug, not now in use, was designated as the southeast corner of S. 10th and Yucca street, a short distance from the new water line being laid from the recently drilled wells to the main at the end of Oak street.

### **Criswell Found Guilty Of Simple Assault**

A. F. Criswell, Noodle tenant farmer, was found guilty of simple assault and assessed a fine of \$25 by a jury in 42nd district court Wednesday afternoon.

He was retried in a suit based on

Buck Nelson of Odessa, accompan-Sweetwater, recently visited Mr. and Mrs. John Oliver.

Mrs. John W. Nall and daughter left Sunday morning for their home in Cleveland, Miss., after a 10-day visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton. Other visitors in this home were their son, Denzel Ray and wife and son, of Kermit, and Mrs. Melton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Doan, of Monahans.

Mrs. J. J. Russell, who was taken to Hendrick Memorial hospital on Wednesday of last week for examination and treatment, was able to be removed to her home Monday and is reported "getting along nicely."

Mr. and Mrs. Artist Cook and Sgt. and Mrs. J. W. Cook and Linda, cf San Angelo, visited the week-end in Merkel with relatives. Their daughter, Betty Joyce, accompanied them home and returned to Merkel Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ornold and family of Brownwood visited first of the week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, and other relatives here. They came for the funeral of Mr. Arnold's nephew, Carlton Smith, at Sylvester.

Leaving Monday, Mrs. W. T. Sadler and Sandra and Sue Mayfield will make an extended trip to the eastern states, visiting first with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frazier, of Kensington, Md., and going on to see the sights of Washington, D. C., and New York City.

With the return to El Paso of Kenneth Sharp, who had been manager of the City Drug company, Mrs. Mary Carr, co-owner with her broth. er, Bob Boules, of Monahans, is actively in charge of the business and plans to continue here permanently.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. W. T. Walker, who fell on the steps of her back porch Wednesday of last week and suffered a brcken rib, is improving satisfactorily. Her daughter, Mrs. Paul Douglas, and Mr. Douglas, who came to be with her, were returning Thursday to their home at Ruidoso, N. M., and Mrs. W. L. Brown, Jr., who accompanied them to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Webb, also returned home at the same time.

Passing guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Marshall were her sister-in-law, Mrs. Roland Nash, and route home.

"I Love Each Brick and Stone" (Shannon). The processional, as the ied by his sister, Mirs, D. A. Kelly of cap-and-gown attired Seniors marchd down the center aisle and took their places on the stage, was played by the High School band, who also

played the recessional. The invocation and benediction were said by Rev. E. M. Weathers, pastor of the First Baptist church. On Sunday evening, Troy M. Cum

mings, minister of the Merkel Church of Christ, had delivered the sermon to the graduates, using as his sub ject. "The Meaning of Life."

Diplomas were presented by Supt R. A. McCollum to fifty-five graduates-37 boys and 18 girls, who were Larry Bailey, Douglas Baker, Billy Morris Baze, Carol Walton Best Nena Joyce Best, Jimmy Forest Black, Billy Glenn Bowen, Jackie Brown, Betty Buchanan, Geneva Carr, Sanford Leo Carr, Doris J. Cooper, Bobby J. Criswell. Don Fuller Dudley, J. R. Dye, Valton Hamp Dye, John Henry English, Leon David Floyd, Vivian Gasio, Bob. by Glenn Gilbert, Della M. Gilmore, Andrew J. Greenfield, Charlotte C. Harwell, Robert Tom Hodge. Beatrice Hohhertz, Joyce L. Irvin. Betty Joan James, James Luther Land, William A. McDonald, Mini ford McCoy, Buddy McKeever, Hol lis McLean, Treva Marton, T. C. Melton, Ralph R. Miller, Billy Pat Nash, William E. Patterson, Jarice M. Pat- Patsy Lou Hill Named

terson, Royce Glenn Peterson, Oris Reynolds, Jerold Hampton Salter Barbara Sandusky, Becky Nan Seynore, Billie Seymore, Robert Wayne Sledge, William M. Shoemaker, La- for four years of high school, verl Audry Stout, G. H. Suber, Leroy valedictorian of the Noodle Consoli-A. Teaff, Ada Marie Thompson, dated School graduating class, and Jackie Toombs, Jimmy R. Walker, Geraldine Stanley, with an average

hover, Clyan R. Whisenhunt. **High School Annuals Dedicated to Faculty** 

Copies of The Badger, published tist church of Merkel. by the Senior class of 1948 of Merkel High school, were received and Bettye Lang, Willa Jo Rogers, Glendistributed the latter part of last nis Satterwhite, Oretha Sipe, Willi week

This year's annual is dedicated by the staff to the faculty members, "as | ine Stanley. a token of appreciation for your ut.tiring and unselfish devotion to the students of the Merkel High School." Neva Bishop, Wendell Bockman, Curt Buddy McKeever is editor of the is Caffey, Delores Clemmer, Clara B '48 edition, with Jackie Toombs, as- Gregory, Bessie J. Herring, Kather daughter, Peggy, who were accom- sistant editor, and the following staff: ine Herron, Kenneth Kirk, Dannette panied by Mrs. Mack Brownlee and Beatrice Hohhertz and Nena Joyce daughter, Shirley, and J. P. Midkiff; Best, literary editors; Janice Patter- Wheeler, Larue Weeks and Freddy and daughter, Nena, all of Wheat- son and Betty Joan James, activities Griffin, ley, Ark. Returning from a tour editors; Douglas Baker and Gerald to Oklahoma City, Tahoka, Texas, West, snapshot editors, and Dick and Phoenix, Ariz., they were en Lindsey and Jackie Brown, art editors.

Shugart, Wanda Thompson, Delore Trevino, Joe Frank Warren, Merrell Watkins.

### **Burial Here for H. C. Ely, Former Resident**

H. C. Ely, 49, former Merkel res ident, died Wednesday morning in a San Antonio hospital, and the body was returned here in a Barrow-Sheppard Funeral coach early Thursday morning.

Funeral services were held from the Barrow-Sheppard chapel at p. m. Thursday, with Rev. A. B. Armstrong, pastor of the Tye Methodist church, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. R. Karkalits, Baptist paston of Tye. Burial was in Rose Hill center Pre-School Children terv

Pallbearers were Garland Teaff. Comer Haynes, Hubert McCartney, Howard Laney, Stanley King and Clyde Newton.

Mr. Ely was born at Whitewright, June 3, 1898. He came to Merkel with his parents in 1907 and made his home here until 1925. Survivors include two brothers, M.

H. and R. D. Ely, both of Merkel, to be held Friday afternoon from 2 and five sisters, Vera and Ideen Ely, to 4 o'clock in the office of Mrs. Elma it was called on account of the lateboth of Merkel, Mrs. Walter Teaff of Tye, Mrs. J. C. Allen of Abilens and Aura Ely of Indianapolis, Ind.

### Noodle Honor Student

Patsy Lou Hill, who averaged 93.09 Raylord Lee Ward, Glenn Westen- of 92.8, was named salutatorian. Judge Owen Thomas of the 104th district court was selected as speak. er for the commencement exercises held Thursday night of this week. Sermon to the graduates was delivered last Sunday morning by Rev. E. M. Weathers, pastor of the First Bap-

> The senior graduates are Iris Kirk. L. Spurgin, Cleta Mae Weeks, Joyce Williamson, Patsy Hill and Gerald-

The eighth grade graduates are Bobby G. Amason, Kenneth Baccus. Perrien, Alice N. Spurgin, Wallace

**Record of Births** Boy. to Mr. and Mrs. Cody Caldwell, Saturday, May 15, 1948.

Numbered among relatives from out-of-town were T. H. Christopher, of Alhambra, Calif., and his daughters, Mrs. T. A. Kellam and Mrs. R. A. Stuart, of Lamesa; Mr. and

Sylvia Lou, of Wimber, Pa.; W. H. Frazier, of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Snow and son, Jimmy, and Dorothy Massey, of Abilene. Also as guests from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. Spillman Dorton of El Paso, old friends of the family. An especial guest was the family pastor. Rev. R. L. Butler, Methodist minis ter, and his grandson, Robin.

Making the party complete, the honoree was the recipient of a large number of birthday gifts.

### Round-Up, May 21

Dr. David M. Cowgill, director of Jis Carter, Merkel dentist, will be present for the summer round-up of pre-school children sponsored by the and place. Merkel Parent-Teacher association.

McFarland on Kent street. This will be the final well child conference sponsored for the school year by this organization.

brated their 50th wedding anniversary [2 this year.

Survivors include his wife; five sons, Afred Dye, of Roaring Springs, Rubin, Robert and Hamp Dye, all of Mrs. 3ob Greybeck and daughter Merkel, and Zack Dye, of Kerrville; four daughters, Mrs. Elmo Kingery of Roaring Springs, Mrs. Tom Bryan of Paducah, Mrs. W. R. Smelser. of Big Lake, and Mrs. John Blair, of Levelland; one brother, G. W. Dye. of Glen Rose; two sisters, Mrs. Levia Finch, of Rotan, and Mrs. May Kinsey, of Sweetwater, and 23 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

### Jaycees vs. O'Brien Here Friday Night

The O'Brien team from the Double Mountain league comes to Merkel for a game Friday night with the Jaycees the Abilene-Taylor County Health to be played on the High School Ath-Unit, with a county nurse, and Dr. letic Field, beginning at 8 o'clock The Jaycees will play Denton here next Tuesday night at the same time

Wednesday night's game with An son went 11 innings, to a 5-5 tie, when ness of the hour.

9-6, last Friday night.

grand jury indictment returned charging him with the murder of Albert C. Sosebee, Noodle, a Jones county commissioner.

In the first trial, May 28, 1947, he was found guilty of aggravated assault and sentenced to six months in jail and fined \$750.

The case was reversed by the Court of Criminal Appeals and ordered retried on grounds that the court's charge in defining the difference between aggravated assault and simple assault was faulty.

The charge in the second trial of Criswell followed the high court's opinion on the legal difference between the two-that an assault, to become aggravated, must posses be expected to inflict serious bodily injuries to the person attacked.

### Change of Schedule For Eastbound Trains

In schedule changes effective last Sunday, the T. and P. eastbound Sunshine now arrives at 9:52 a. m. instead of 9:20, and the eastbound Texas, at 12:58 a. m. instead of 1:13. No change was made in the westbound trains. The Sunshine arrives Novice defeated the Merkel boys, at 8:09 p. m., and the Southern at 3:30 a. m.



nate of Noodle Dome fame, was visit-Of Conference Year ing with his family in our city the will likely be not less than forty

> Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Underwood of schools of that city the past term.

Merkel, is listed on the honor roll of new rigs surrounding this latest and Mrs. McGee of Fort Worth, are stopthe University of Texas for the past best producer in the Noodle Creek ping at the Woodrum botel and lookfield, with three rigs under construc- ing after their farming interests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lowe had as tion near the Smith well, two miles their guests this week, Mr. and Mrs. northeast, making a total of eight new tests soon.

While this rush of operation since cowboy, was on his way to Pampa to the Tiner became the field's biggest producer looks big in a way, those close to the situation intimate that Mr. Joe Walling, another oil mag- the real operation has not started yet and that by the end of summer there new wells going down in the Noodle Creek field. In fact, it has been rumored for some time among those close

> The tests going down immediately around the Tiner are: two on G. M. Sharp place by Phillips company, east offset to the Tiner; two on the J. H. Grayson place, north offset to

Mrs. J. J. Stallings and daughter,

first of the week.

EIGHT NEW WELLS WILL BE

SPUDDED SOON IN NOODLE CREEK EXTENSION.

the 700-barrel mark, and work is beson of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCoy of ing rushed on the completion of five

As next Sunday will be the last Sunday of the conference year, Rev.

R. L. Butler, who came to the Merkel Beaumont arrived this week for a to the operating forces of the big church last June, will preach his visit with the latter's father, Mr. F. companies, that "the Noodle Creek

Amarillo. The Mail joins members of the con-

gregation in the hope that he and his good wife will be returned to this

semester

field for another year.

two final sermons of the year before J. Smith, and other relatives. Mr. Un- Field would get the big play this sumthe annual meeting of conference in derwood has been connected with the mer."

Reliable reports state that the Tiner | the Tiner; one on Mrs. Carter's place well continues to produce close around | east offset to Grayson.

On U. of T. Honor Roll. Austin, May 20 .- Medford McCov.

Preaches Final Sermons

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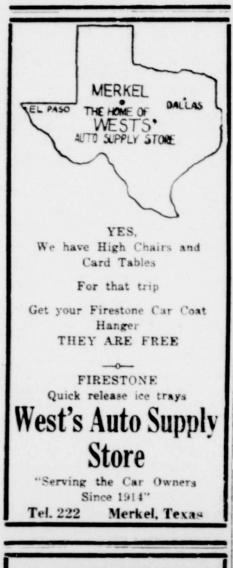
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Get TE-OL at any drug store, Apply this POWERFUL PENETRAT. months above norm; seventh grade, ING fungicide FULL STRENGTH. Reaches MORE germs to KILL the grade, about four months below norm. itch. Get New foot comfort or your 35c back. Today at

Merkel Drug Company



### **Average Class Ranks About Three Months** Above Norm Score

In The

nesday evening.

the pulpit Sunday.

Wednesdays, 7:00 p. m.

nesday evening.

A series of achievement tests given to the pupils of the Merkel Grammar school recently revealed that on Sunday Schools last Sunday was the average each class ranks about three months above the norm or standard score.

During the past seven months each class has gained about seven and onehalf months on the average.

Only two grades, the eighth and at 7:00 p. m. Evening sermon at 8:00. Prayer meeting at 8:00 Wedfirst grade, about 4 months above norm; second grade, one month above norm; third grade, five months above norm; fourth grade, six months above norm; fifth grade, about 5 months above norm; sixth grade, about six about 3 months below norm; eighth

The school as a whole ranked below norm in only two subjects, literature and social studies. Here's how the school ranked in the ten subjects: science, 12 months above norm; choice of words, one and onehalf months above norm; literature, 10 months below norm; dictation, 5 months above norm; reading vocabulary, about one-half month above norm; reading comprehension, 7 months above norm; social studies, 2 months below norm; health, 10 months above norm; arithmetic reasoning, 6 months above norm. and arithmetic computation, 3 months above norm.

Last October about 50 per cent of the pupils were ranked below norm, but in April this figure had been ing services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Services Thursday 7:45 p. m. reduced to 31 per cent, a reduction of 19 per cent in the number of pupils ranked below standard score.

### **Badger Nine Closes** 1948 Home Schedule ing at 8 p. m. Wednesday.

The local Badger baseballers wound up their 1948 home schedule during the past week by chalking up wins over Colorado City and Snyder. The local lads have a season record of seven losses and four victorics. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8:00 The last game of the season will be p. m. played at Anson Friday afternoon.

The Purple and Gold crew led the Colorado City Wolves all the way here last Friday night to rack up an easy 12-9 win behind the eight hit twirling of Jimmy Floyd. Two big innings, the second and fourth, brought in 10 of the 12 runs. Floyd whiffed 11 Wolves. Oris Reynolds and Bobby Hodge connected four

home runs,

loyd came back in to put out the

fireworks. Larry Bailey belted a

"Mike", Airdale terrier, owned by

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Butman, won

16. Born Feb. 8, 1945, the breeder

**Trent Social Notes.** 

SURPRISE GIFT SHOWER.

Trent, May 20 .- Mrs. Rufus Kitch-

ens and daughter, Christine, were

honored with a surprise gift shower

meeting of the Women's Society of

church, Tuesday afternoon in the

good they had done while living in

cream and cake were served to the

honorees and Mesdames John Strawn.

Named Mail Messenger.

ham. He assumes his duties June 1. you.

Omce supplies-Mail omce.

Refreshments of home-made ice

tertaining.

Trent.

tesses.

of Bri-Manitou's Kathleen.

Kennel Club's Show

Wins Two Ribbons in

homer in the fourth frame.

### THE MERKEL MAIL

Providence and and and and

Churches

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE

795 as compared with 689 on the pre-

vious Sunday. The attendance on the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

ing sermon at 11. Training Union

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 a. m. At the

time this notice is furnished the pap-

er, there is no one available to fill

METHODIST CHURCH

worship 11. Youth Fellowship 7:00

p. m. Evening worship 7:30 WSCS

Mondays, 2 p. m. Mid-week prayer

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

ing at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Mid-

week prayer meeting at 7:00 Wed-

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preach-

NAZARENE CHURCH

at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meet-

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Worship 10:50 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

Young People's meeting 7:15 p. m.

Troy M. Cummings, Minister.

Woman Passes Away

Mrs. J. M. Salter was called to the

who died Wednesday night of last

week at Cisco. He had celebrated his

**Father of Merkel** 

Bible School 9:45 a. m. Sunday.

Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preach

Church School 10 a. m. Morning

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morn-

Merle Weathers, Pastor.

Reporter.

R. L. Butler, Pastor

A. T. Suskey, Pastor.

H. S. Earp, Pastor.

R. T. Smith, Pastor.

all

same Sunday a year ago was 741.

Attendance at the seven reporting

### **MOVIE CALENDAR**

-:- QUEEN -:-

Friday - Saturday - Double feature program: Johnny Mack Brown, Raymond Hatton in "Overland Trails" and John Carroll, Robert Paige, Vera Ralston in "The Flame;" color cartoon and Vigilante serial. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday Spencer Tracy, Lana Turner, Zachary Scott in "Cass Timberlane;" color cartoon and latest world News. Wednesday - Thursday - Joan Fontaine, Patric Knowles, Herbert Marshall in "Ivy;" Artie Shaw musical, color cartoon and sport.

'CASS TIMBERLANE"

"Cass Timberlane," Sinclair Lewis' absorbing story of a conservative judge who fights to save his marriage with a younger wife, has been brought to the screen with fidelity and resourcefulness and, with Spencer Tracy, Lana Turner and Zachary Scott as its trio of principals, emerges as a photoplay of compelling excitement and dramatic integrity.

The thousands who were held so spellbound by this best-seller novel will not be disappointed in the M-G-M film version of Lewis' turbulent tale of married life between two people of opposite temperaments.

#### Trent Elevator Opens.

Trent, May 20 .- Opening of the elevator owned by Great West Grain, Inc., and located on the T. and P. right-of-way here, was announced Thursday by D. W. McLeod, manager.

#### CARD OF THANKS.

We appreciate very much the many expressions of love and sympathy ex tended us at the time of the re-burial of our loved one; to all who took part in the services we are deeply grateful, and we want to express our heartfelt thanks to all others who helped in any way. We also want to convey our thanks for the lovely flowers. May God's blessings be with you

The Addison Family.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

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TO: Hazel Smith and the unknown heirs of Hazel Smith, if deceased, 1948. and of Hazel Smith Thompson and Thompson, if she is married, and the bedside of her father, J. J. Bachus, Thompson, if she is deceased, Greetunknown heirs of Hazel Smith ing.

You are commanded to appear and

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With Bobby Gilbert leading the 100th birthday with Mrs. Salter last September. way with two triples and two singles Born in Carlton, Ga., Sept. 13, 1847, ut of four trips to the plate, the

he was reared in Alabama where he Badgers found the Snyder Tigera became the owner of several lumber asy pickings and won to the tune mills. In 1907, he moved to West f 15 to 10, here Tuesday afternoon. Texas where he bought a ranch on immy Floyd hurled a six hit ball which he resided until his retirement ame until the seventh, when "Slugin 1925. After the death of his wife er" Sledge took over mound duties nd walked three men, hit two and in 1937, he had made his home with ielded two hits, allowing the Wolves another daughter, Mrs. B. C. Ingram, o chase across five runs before of Cisco.

He was the father of seven children, two of whom preceded him in death. He is survived by five children: Mrs. J. M. Salter, Merkel, Mrs. B. C. Ingram, Cisco, Spencer Bachus, Birmingham, Ala., Joe W. Bachus, Cisco, and James Bachus, Zephyr; 27 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

#### two ribbons-first prize and best in **Nominations Made** breed (Novice dogs)-in the Abiene Key City Kennel Club's first For Lions Officials all-breed sanctioned match on May

Edwin E. Read, principal of Merwas Forest J. Helm, by Ch. Conquest kel High school, heads slate of new officers for the Merkel Lions club. reported at Tuesday's luncheon of the Lions club. Nominations for the other officers included David Gamble, Norman T. Hodge and Lester Dorton, as first, second and third vice-presidents, respectively; Doyle Seifried, secretary-treasurer; Chester Collinsworth, tail twister; Poweil at the regular business and social Miller, Lion tamer; Riggs Shepperd and Henry West, directors. Hold-Christian Service of the Methodist over directors are Jack Miller and Milton Case.

home of Mrs. Lonnie Halbrooks. Mrs. L. V. Moore was welcomed as a Paul Collins was co-hostess in ennew member at Tuesday's luncheon. As institutional representative of After a short business session, in the local Boy Scout executive board, which Mrs. Milton Patton was elect. Supt. R. A. McCollum presented to ed secretary of study and Mrs. Dow the club the troop charter for the Williamson was elected treasurer, Merkel troop for the calendar year Mrs. Lee Keyes spoke of how the from the Boy Scout National organhonorees would be missed when they ization. move away in June and of the great

### **Expresses** Thanks for **Nice Birthday Gifts**

A. H. McElmurray, Hub Kegans, O. John S. Hughes phoned The Mail A. Smith, George Holloway, Mike office Thursday morning that he Jackson, Dow Williamson, T. H. wished, through the columns of this Williamson, Oliver Bright, Leslie paper, to express his thanks to kins-Beasley, A. A. Holt, Dessia Butler, folk and friends for "for so many "Red" Shaffer, P. D. Bishop, W. Y. nice presents received on his birth-Steen, Milton Patton, Lee Keyes, J. day. M. Stowe, Bea Reeves and the hos-

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We wish to express our appreciation to those whose thoughtful deeds Charles A. Smith has been appoint- and tender words of sympathy ed as mail messenger, to serve in brought comfort to our hearts in the transier of mail received from trains loss of our beloved husband and faihand dispatched to the depot from the er, also for the beautiful floral offerlocal post office, it was announced ings. Monday by Postmaster Wrenn Dur- May God's richest blessings be upon

> Mrs. J. W. Dye and Family.

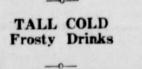
answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 28th day of June, A. D., 1948, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 104th District Court of Taylor County, at the Court House in Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 8th day of May, 1948. The file number of said suit being

No. 5787-B. The names of the parties in said suit are: Macilyn M. Lester as Plaintiff, and Hazel Smith and the unknown heirs of Hazel Smith, if deceased, and of Hazel Smith Thomp. son and the unknown husband of Hazel Smith Thompson, if she is married, and the unknown heirs of Hazel Smith Thompson, if she be deceased, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: This action is brought as well to try title





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#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO: S. M. Oldham, Ella Sandell, O. D. Sandell, the heirs and unknown heirs and legal representatives of Larce Oldham and Minnie Oldham Emmons, both deceased and their unknown owners if any, 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 the 14th day of June, A. D., 1948, at in Abilene, Texas.

on the 17th day of April, 1948. The file number of said suit be-

ing No. 15.746-A.

suit are: B. G. Marshall and wife. in Abilene, Texas. Arillia Marshall as Plaintiffs, and S. M. Oldham, Ella Sandell and husband, O. D. Sandell, Rosa Duncan and husband Tom Duncan, the heirs and unknown heirs and legal representatives of Larce Oldham and Minand their unknown owners if any, fendant. as Defendants.

the part of plaintiffs against the day of December, 1945. defendants to the Southwest 1-4 of There were no children born to the section 6 Blk. 3 under Certificate No. | plaintiff and defendant, and they own 17-365 S. P. Ry. Co. lands located no community property. in Taylor County, Texas, and containing 160 acres and to quiet plaint ff's grounds of cruel treatment. title and for all legal and equitable relief to which the plaintiffs



be entitled to and for cost of suit, to be adjudicated. for all of which the plaintiffs pray. Issued this the 26th day of April, 1948.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day of April, A. D., 1948.

(Seal) J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, 42nd Dist. Court, Taylor County, Tex

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION. THE STATE OF TEXAS

this Citation, the same being Monday TO: Jewell Vera Johnson, Greeting: You are commanded to appear and or before 10 o'clock A. M., before answer the plaintiff's petition at or the Honorable 42nd District Court before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first of Taylor County, at the Court House Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of Said plaintiff's petition was filed this Citation, the same being Monday the 7th day of June, A. D., 1948.

> at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court

The names of the parties in said of Taylor County, at the Court House Said plaintiff's petition was filed

on the 18th day of August, 1947. The file number of said suit being No. 15,448-A.

The names of the parties in said suit are: R. J. Johnson as Plainnie Oldham Emmons, both deceased, tiff, and Jewell Vera Johnson as De-

The nature of said suit being sub-The nature of said suit being sub- stantially as follows, to wit: Plainstantially as follows, to wit: Tres- tiff and defendant were legally marpass to try title and title by adverse ried on 3rd day of August, 1942, and possession of 10 years limitation on lived together until or about the 1st

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 21st day of April, A. D., 1948. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 21th day of April, A. D., 1948.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk, (Seal) District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Dorothy Smith, Deputy.

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TO: Albert Saunders, Greeting: You are commanded to appear and

### THE MERKEL MAIL

The nature of said suit being sub- days from the date of issuance of this tiff and defendant were legally mar- 21st day of June, A. D., 1948, at or Greeting:

May, 1945. riage and there are no property rights in Abilene, Texas.

Plaintiff sues for divorce on the grounds of cruel treatment, and asks that her maiden name be restored.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 26th day of April, A. D., 1948. Given under my hand and seal of

said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 26th day of April, A. D., 1948.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk 1948. There were five minor children (Seal) namely: Peggy Joy, Glora Gale, District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Grace Jenkins, Deputy.

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Henrie Scott and her unknown heirs, Thomas F. Scott, and his unknown heirs, Laura Gamble and her unknown heirs. Sublett H. Scott and his unknown heirs, Dan R. Scott and her unknown heirs, 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 14th day of June, A. D., 1948, 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 30 day of April, 1948. The file number of said suit being No. 5773-B.

The names of the parties in said suit are: James A. Tidwell as Plaintiff, and Henrie Scott and her unknown heirs, Thomas F. Scott, and his unknown heirs, Laura Gamble and her unknown heirs, Sublett H. Scott and his unknown heirs, Dan R. Scott and his unknown heirs, Jewel Scott and her unknown heirs, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Suit in trespass to try title for the title and possession of the North 88 feet of east 140 feet of Block B. McNairy's subdivision of Lot No. 2., Block No. 201, City of Abilene; and for damages.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuanswer the plaintiff's petition at ance, it shall be returned unserved. or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Issued this the 30th day of April, Monday after the expiration of 42 A. D., 1948. Given under my hand days from the date of issuance of and seal of said Court, at office in this Citation, the same being Mon- Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of day the 14th day of June, A. D., 1948, April, A. D., 1948.

J. Neil Daniel, Clerk,

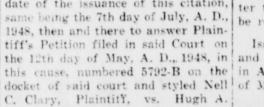
Monday after the expiration of 42. CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS stantially as follows, to wit: Pla.n. Citation, the same being Monday the TO: Hugh A. Clary, Defendant,

ried in April, 1945, and separated in before 10 o'clock A. M., before the You are hereby commanded to ap-Honorable 104th District Court of pear before the Honorable 104th Dis-

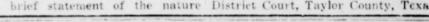
No children were born to said mar- Taplor County, at the Court House trict Court of Taylor County at the Court House thereof, in Abilene, Tex-Said plaintiff's petition was filed as, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the ex-The file number of said suit being piration of forty-two days from the The names of the parties in said suit are: Barbara Worth Williams 1948, then and there to answer Plainas Plaintiff, and Mansil Alvis Will-

the 12th day of May, A. D., 1948, in and the Seal of said Court, at office this cause, numbered 5792-B on the in Abilene, Texas, this the 12th day docket of said court and styled Nell of May, A. D. 1948. Attest

Clary Defendant. A brief statement of the nature District Court, Taylor County, Texas



J. Neil Daniel, Clerk. (Seal)







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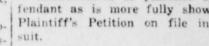
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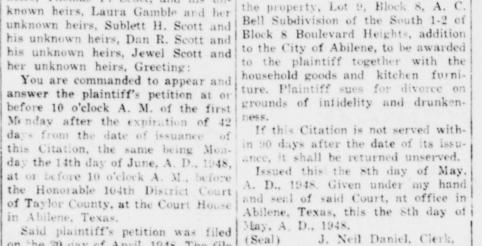
of this suit is as follows, to wit: A suit for divorce upon the ground of abandonment of plaintiff by defendant as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. If this Citation is not served within ninety days afbe returned unserved.

Issued and given under my hand



date of the issuance of this citation, ter the date of its issuance, it shall



on the 8th day of May. 1948.

stantially as follows, to wit:

The nature of said suit being sub-

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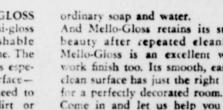
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5772-B.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed CITATION BY PUBLICATION. on the 24th day of April, 1948. The

THE STATE OF TEXAS file number of said suit being No. TO: Mansill Alvis Williams, Greetings:

The names of the parties in said You are commanded to appear and suit are: Frances Saunders as Plain. answer the plaintiff's petition at or tiff, and Albert Saunders as Defend. before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first

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TO BE SAFE \_\_\_\_\_ when you buy fabric to make a garment, have the material pre-shrunk prior to cutting out the garment.

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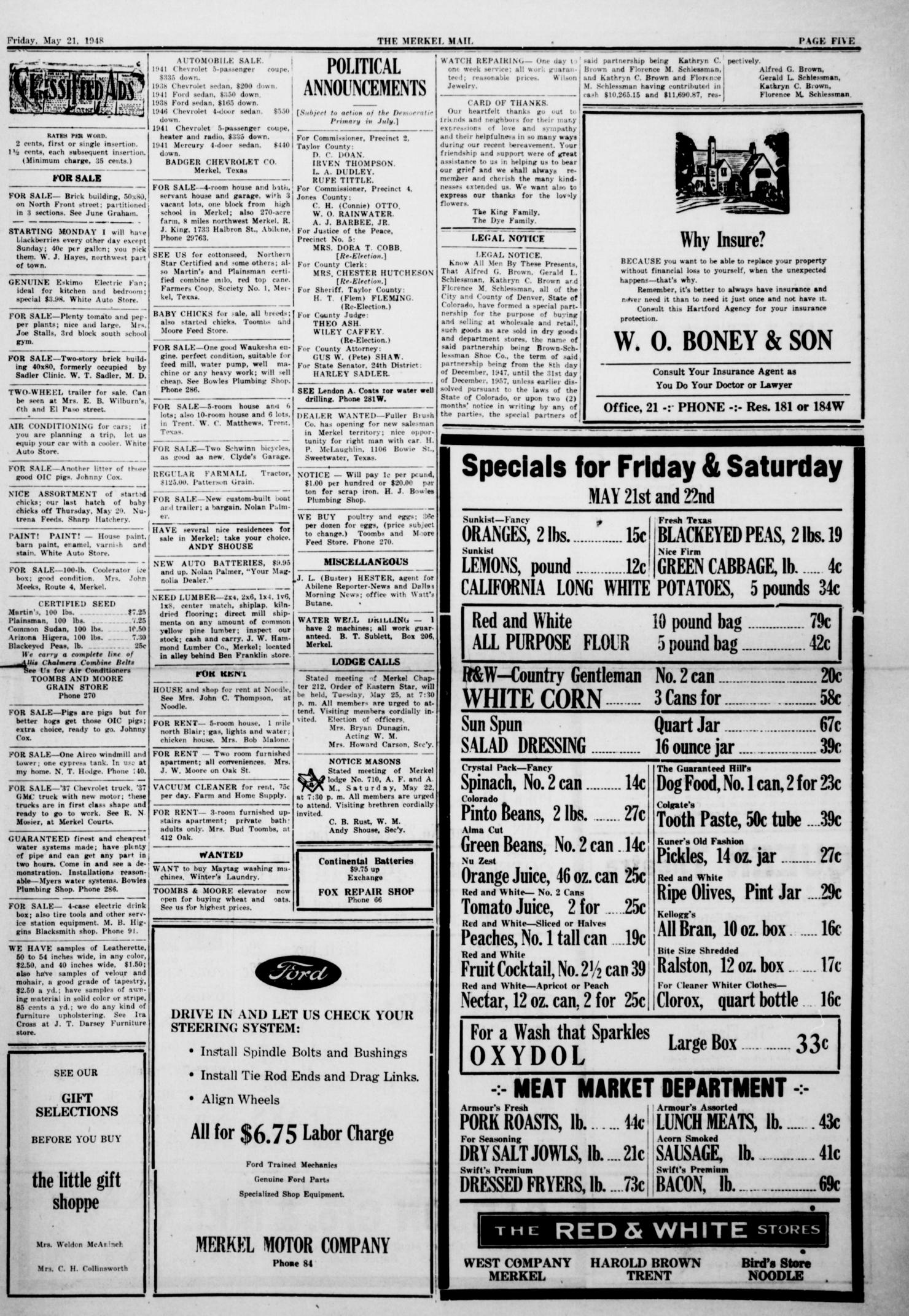
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drix, M. E. Harris, Homer Freeman, Mrs. Harry Barnett and Mrs. Ber W. M. Loflin, O. D. Bland, C. E. nard Clark gave demonstrations or Giles, E. M. Weathers, W. A. Mc- making crochet. The club voted to Candless, H. R. Hicks, Herman Doan, Tresent Miss Myra Tankersley, who V. H. Horton, Misses Billie Bland, is the retiring home demonstration Wanda Horton and Phyllis Freeman. agent, a gift.

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T. E. L. CLASS.

had a good time and will be glad to The T. E. L. class of the First meet with Mrs. Riney again. Baptist church met Tuesday, May 18, in the home of Mrs. Earl Baze, with 28, at 3 p. m., with Mrs. Leon Big-Mrs. T. J. Bird and Mrs. Lucy Ford bee. co-hostesses.

Mrs. Ernest Teaff brought the de-Master.'

Delicious ice cream and cake were served to the following members: Mesdames Earl Lassiter, A. R. Bocth. Pick Allen, John Mansfield, Ernest Teaff, Irl Walker, W. J. Largent, Jim Kuykendall, E. R. Clack, Booth Warren, Owen Robertson, one visitor, Mrs. George Murphy of Stephenville,

Hospital Noles.

Sam Butman, Sr.

Charlie Seago underwent an appendectomy Saturday at Sadler hospital. Patients admitted during the week for treatment were: Elmer Patterson, May 13; Mrs. Jarrett Pinckley, Gloria Doan, May 14; Mrs. non Mansfield, Horace Boney, J. E. H. R. McKeever, May 15; the H. F. Boaz, Earle Watts, Jack Dawson Kimmey child of Tye. Mrs. J. H. West, Geo. T. Moore, Riggs Shepperd. West, May 16; Mrs. John Boyd, L. S.

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ert Malone, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. New.

by, Mr. and Mrs. June Hogan, Betty

Jane Tittle, Betty Kathryn Smith,

Miss Lottie Butman and her father,

The Methodist Junior Choir was

ranklin, May 18; Daisy Price, May 19. Receiving tonsillectomies were Deborah Patton, Johnny Tucker and Twyla Jo Moore.

See J. W. HAMMOND at the Ben Franklin store. if you are in the market for lumber.

Friday, May 21, 1948.

### RURAL SOCIETY

UNION RIDGE CLUB. The Union Ridge Home Demonstration club will meet on Friday, May 22, in the home of Mrs. Jessie Adams, residing north of Warren.

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Those present were Mesdames Dav. TO MERKEL SOCIETY. A quartet of popular hostesses, id Gamble, Carroll Benson, Elma namely Mesdames W. T. Sadler, Paul McFarland, Geo T. More, Vincent West, Owen Robertson and Helen Barnett, Grif Barnett, Weldon Mc-Mayfield, complimented Mrs. Houston Aninch, W. T. Sadler, H. C. West, Byrd and Mrs. Jim Carter Wednes- Paul West, Weston West, Johnny Cox, votional on "Going Faither for the day morning with a "brunch" in the Wrenn Durham, Owen Robertson, S. Sadler home for the purpose of in | D. Gamble, Hoyt Byrd, Edwin Read, | troducing the two honorees who have Earl Lassiter and Andy Shouse, Miss only recently come to make Merkel Christine Collins, and one visitor, Mrs. M. E. Ryals. their home

The rooms were attractively decor ated with sweetpeas and stock fo this informal "come-and-go-affair" for 125 guests who called during the cool morning hours. Mrs. Sadler greeted guests and introduced Mrs. Center immediately following com-Byrd, whose husband, Dr. Byrd, is mencement Tuesday evening. The associated with Dr. Sadler at the clinic, and Mrs. Carter, bride of Dr. spring flowers and the threshold was Carter, new dentist who took Dr. draped with streamers of Purple and in the Community Center by Mrs. Zee's practice on his removal to Midland.

A musical program was presented by the following High School stu- were served to the following: Geneva dents, Vivian Gasio, Sandra Sadler, Dick Lindsey and Jerold Salter. A Betty Joan James, Betty Buchanan, dainty refreshment plate was served Hollis McLean, Larry Bailey, Norma by Sue Mayfield, Wilda Bowles and Jean Hodge, William Shoemaker, Mona Robertson.

These attractive ladies were given Toombs, Sammy Doan, Lon McDonan enthusiastic welcome by all who met them and the "brunch" was voted | Wanda Kegans, Bobby Gilbert, La a most novel innovation for summer Nelle Edwards, Robert Tom Hodge, entertaining.

HOSPITALITY OF THE BOOTH WARRENS' LODGE EXTEND-

ED STUDY CLUB Members of the Fortnightly Study lodge where, Mesdames Carroll Benson, Edwin Read and Paul West were nostesses for an all-day affair to close the year's program.

versions.

Elma McFarland, as outgoing president, was presented a lovely gift and Mrs. Edwin Read as presidentto serve when the club resumes meet-

rooms were gaily decorated with Murray Toombs on Wednesday af-Gold, the school colors. ternoon of last week. Delicious frosted punch and dainty Those present were Mesdames Vercookies fashioned in Purple and Gold Carr, Douglas Baker, Ralph Miller,

Grif Barnett, Carroll Benson, Pete st. Hoyle Lemons and Dill La anice Patterson, Robert Lee, Jackie g

The next meeting will be at M: ild, Mary Nell Winter, Corky Land, Earle Watts' at 4 p. m. co Mar 26,

MERFEL HD CLUP,

The Morkel Home Demonstration Melba Cook, Don Dudley, Miniford McCoy, Charlotte Harwell, Ike Turn- club met Friday afternoon of last er, Buddy McKeever, G. H. Suber, week in the home of Mrs. Don Riney, Oris Reynolds, Joan Willingham, with 15 members, 3 visitors and a Jackie Brown, Jim Black, Billy Bow- number of children present.

Mrs. Rhett Eidson, Jr., president, en, Beatrice Hohhertz, John Gleneclub enjoyed a most pleasant social winkel. Robert Sledge, Billie Seymore, was in charge of the business moctouting Saturday at the Warren Bill Patterson, Mary Frances Teaff ing, which was opened with singing and Glenn Westenhover; Mr. and The meeting time was changed to 3

Mrs. E. E. Read, Mr. and Mrs. Car-

SENIORS FETED.

The Seniors of Merkel High school were honored by their room mothers with a party held at the Community and the hostesses. SEW7NG CLUB.

### The Sewing club was entertained