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Oil Belt district members of the State Teachers association, in convention at Wichita Falls last weekend, elected T. B. Parnell of Wichita Falls president and selected Sweetwater for the 1942 meeting.

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BLAZE CLAIMS

MOTHER AS ITS

ters Snuffed Out in Blaze.

Fumes from gasoline which Mrs.

Kilgore was using to clean a pair of

family lived. Mrs. Kilgore, thrown

screen door, which was latched, was

Although not felt much at first

Funeral services for the three,

at the Trent Baptist church at 4:30

ruins by firemen.

THIRD VICTIM

G. D. Triplett, manager of the Anson chamber of commerce for the past three and a half years, has resigned his post; effective Mar. 15, he became advertising manager and editor of the Western-Enterprise, Anson weekly newspaper.

New athletic coach of Hardin-Simmons university, succeeding Frank Kimbrough, newly appointed head Mrs. Henry Kilgore Succumbs for the past four years, was elected Fifty-Eight Beautiful Wool iootball cor i at Baylor university, is Warren B. Woodson, former coach of the Arkansas State Teachers college at Conway.

Tarrant county recorded its 19th traffic fatality of the year early ceived third degree burns over prac-Sunday morning in the death of John tically every part of her body in the W. Roach, 49, a painter and paperhanger, struck by an automobile in day snuffed out the lives of her two front of his residence. He died 30 small daughters, died at 7 o'clock minutes later in a Fort Worth hos- that night at the Sadler Clinic, where she had been carried in a Barrowpital. Sheppard ambulance from the scene

Curtis Heaslip, 16, of Brownwood, of the fire. died in a physician's office at Rising Star Sunday, the result of the accidental discharge of a shotgun while trousers ignited and flames instanthe and a companion, Bill Barber, ly enveloped the one-room cabin at also of Brownwood, were hunting the Pence wagon yard, where the rabbits about 15 miles north of Rising Star. by the resulting explosion against the

Milo K. Roth, former secretary of the Chickasha, Okla., chamber of rescued by W. F. Sheffield and his commerce, assumed his duties Monday morning as secretary-manager of the adjoining cabin. The bodies of the the Sweetwater Board of City Development, succeeding George Bar- 14 months, were recovered from the ber, who resigned.

Two persons died Monday when a fire swept through two small second- the younger Sheffield received severe story hotels at Dallas. The dead: W. burns across his forehead. A. Hendon, 66, who suffered severe burns, and Alberta Perkins, 42, who mother and two daughters, were held was asphyxiated.

William Davis Jones, 22, of Fort Friday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Morgan, Colo., was killed early Mon- Buell Bradford, pastor of the Shiloh day when two trucks collided on the Baptist church, assisted by Rev. Melhighway near Edinburg.

Jose Martinez, 39, was killed Sun- Burial followed in the Trent cemeday near San Antonio when the trac- tery under direction of Barrowtor he was cranking suddenly started Sheppard. and crushed him against a tree.

Rev. E. D. Head, pastor of the



MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 1941.

On the "Broadway of America"

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BOARD ELECTS EDWIN READ AS NEW PRINCIPAL

At Friday night's meeting of the Merkel school board, Edwin E. Read, superintendent of the Noodle school

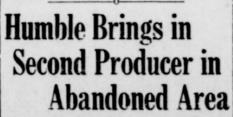
To Burns Late Thursday; principal of High school. He will Lives of Two Small Daugh- finish the present term at Noodle, however, before moving to Merkel and assuming the duties of his new post. His wife is a member of the

Mrs. Henry Kilgore, 25, who re-Noodle school faculty.

Mr. Read takes the place of Rex same fire that at noon last Thurs-Myers, who left Feb. 28 to join the service of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

> The new principal holds a B. S. degree from the North Texas State ing until the opportunity presented Teachers college, Denton, and his M. A. from Texas Christian university. Prior to accepting the superinten- from the Freuhauf Uniform Co., of dency at Nocdle, he had previously Wichita, Kans. been superintendent at Golan, later consolidated with the Noodle school. three parts, hat, coat and trousers. He first entered the teaching profession at Lakeview in Hall county and deep purple with a wide gold stripe later taught two years at Spade in Lamb county.

At the same meeting, the board also ple and white designs on the sleeves son, W. N. Sheffield, occupants of re-elected Chester Collinsworth as and collars; with the coat also is a vocational agriculture teacher for his beautiful purple citation cord of two girls, Emma, 4, and Shirley Ann, sixth term, and Richard Young, band woven design. The hats are of West director, for his third term.



vyn Bird, former Shiloh pastor. Second well to be drilled in a new the city of Merkel. part of the long-dommant Noodle These uniforms will be here in time Creek territory, the Humble Oil & to help the band make a fine rating Refining company No. 1-B D. O. in the state regional band and or- Miller, David Gibson.

The fire occurred while her hus- Huddleston, which threw oil all over chestra contest to be held in Abilene band was at work at the WPA air- the top of the mast when drilled in Apr. 24, 25, 26. Last year the band Hobbs. port project in Abilene. He was last Friday afternoon, established



grand slam in the Taylor County boy's tennis tournament at Abilene Whipcord Uniforms Ordered: les championships in senior and junior To Be Shown First Time at divisions. Supt. Connor Robinson has Spring Concert. been coaching tennis. Glen Barbee outstroked Trent's H.

No longer will the aspiring young Jones in the senior singles, 6-3, 6-0. musicians of the Merkel High School The doubles combination of Tag Badger band enter the parade with Shouse and Raymond Smith readily the complex of a pingpong champion playing his first game of football. in the title match, 6-3, 6-1. For the young musicians of Merkel will be adorned in the finest uniforms that are made. After years of wait-Lawn, 6-1, 3-6, 6-2. Jack Haynes and LeRoy Smith, as

itself, the band has purchased 58 junior doubles, defeated Carroll Pursbeautiful wool whipcord uniforms 5-7, 6-4, 8-6, 6-0.

The uniforms are composed of compete in the district tournament at Sweetwater. The trousers are of a wool whipcord,

Merkel to Send up each side of the leg. The coats are a burnished gold color, with pur-Point design, purple with gold trim, and adorning the hat will be a large

High school in the county inter-All of the uniforms will be identscholastic league contests to be held ical. In addition the band purchased this week-end, as furnished by Supt. a large banner bearing the words, Connor Robinson, includes: "Merkel, Texas." This banner will Junior declamation-boys, Benny be carried in front of the band and Kemper; girls, Marjorie Fulton. will serve as an advertising medium for both the band, High school and Coffman; girls, Eva Martin.

> Swafford, Ruth Bell. Typing-Sue Pinckley, Doris Clyde Shorthand - Dessie Baker, Lyla

ANNUAL MEET OF MERCHANTS MONDAY, MAR. 31 Merkel High school netters scored

Saturday, winning singles and doub- Gathering of Trade Extension Ass'n to be Held at Lions Hall; Wood and Wilson Named on Arrangements.

Annual meeting of the Merchants Trade Extension association, Inc., of Merkel, of which all business and disposed of O'Rear and Purser, Trent, professional men of Merkel and all others interested in the progress of Jack Melton won title in junior the city are automatically members, singles by defeating James Willis, will be held at 8 o'clock, Monday night, Mar. 31, at the Lions hall.

Preliminary organization was effected Feb. 26, with the election of ley and Bryan W. Clark, Tuscola, R. T. Gray, president; Nathan Wood, vice-president; C. J. Glover, secretary, and Booth Warren, treasurer.

> Besides Gray, Wood and Warren, the other seven directors on the board of ten are: Dee Grimes, Clyde Bartlett, E. Y. Bailey, Ray Wilson, S. D. Gamble, Owen Robertson and W. R. Yazell.

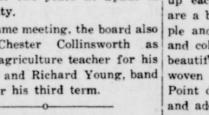
> Nathan Wood and Ray Wilson were named as a special committee on arrangements for the annual meeting, which was decided on at a meeting of the directors held Monday night of this week.

Fire Takes Toll of Eight in 4 Months

Out of the ten persons who have Extemporaneous speech - Dwight sustained serious burns in the last four months in Merkel, only two are living: Mrs. Tommie Smith and her little son, Carl Vernon, who were burned Jan. 18.

Mrs. Smith, whose burns were reported, is still improving and it is Ready writer-Dwight Swafford. hoped he will soon be able to sit up. Representatives in the literary A Mexican woman, two of her Friday afternoon, first estimates ran interest the city of Merkel shows in church. Abilene, at 9 Friday morn- ed to death here on Dec. 6. Last Thursday Mrs. Henry Kilgore and Volley Ball-Joyce Cox, Mickey two children lost their lives in a fire, and on Saturday little Stanley Stanford died of burns suffered Feb. 15.

gold plume.



First Baptist church of Houston, was elected executive secretary of the Monday by the executive board at Mrs. H. P. Washburn of Goodman. Dallas. He succeeds Rev. R. C. Campbell, who resigned to accept a call Carl Carey, Clyde Newton, Roy Steto the First Baptist church of Columbia, S. C.

Frank Posen, 43, a seaman, was killed Sunday when he jumped from the ninth floor of the Jefferson Davis hospital, Houston. Posen was recovering from knife wounds in the back and abdomen when he climbed through a small window and dropped to the ground.

R. L. Agnew, San Antonio salesman, was found dead near that city Stanford, 10, succumbed to his in-Sunday, the back of his head crush-

New Officers are Named for Taylor **Electric Group**

H. R. Roberts of Guion was elected president of the Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., at the annual meet- o'clock Sunday afternoon from the ing of directors of the organization Methodist church, conducted by Rev held Monday afternoon. He succeeds Sam Butman, Jr., of Merkel.

Mrs. George Pepper of Bitter Creek, Nolan county, was named vicepresident succeeding A. W. McKee of by a sister, La Fern, 12, and his ma-Potosi.

W. C. Church of Stith was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

son of Eskota, Lloyd Bynum of Po- Harrison Malone, John Malone. tosi, J. M. Lister of Nolan, John Ward of Maryneal, Sam Butman, Stanford, Corvin Leverich, Mark L. Haynes of Merkel.

Johnny Cox continues as superin- Misses Louella Hughes, Betty Jo tendent of the cooperative.

N. A. Dowell Attends

dent of Royse City.

grandchildren survive.

Trans "

Pallbearers were Homer Campbell, wart, Albert Vessels, Odell Dicker-

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Stanley Stanford, 10, **Succumbed Month** After Oil Explosion

A month to the day after he was critically burned, Stanley Kemp ed and his pockets turned inside out. death occurred at the home of an uncle, Mark L. Malone, in the Blair community. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stanford. On Feb. 15, Stanley suffered burns

covering most of his body when a crude oil drum in which he was building a fire exploded. He spent more than two weeks in Hendrick Memorial hospital, Abilene, having been dismissed from there on Mar. 4.

Funeral services were held at 3 Marvin Boyd, the pastor. Burial followed in Rose Hill cemetery under

direction of Barrow-Sheppard. Besides his parents, he is survived

ternal grandmother, Mrs. Ozella Kemp, San Angelo.

Six cousins served as pallbearers: Other directors are: J. J. Ander- Jack Stanford, C. R. Feterson, Jr. Flower girls were Mesdames Jack Malone, Carlton King, Ray Orsborn; year.

> Patterson, Ada Stanford. Among out-of-town relatives here

for the funeral were Mrs. Nina Wilson, Mrs. Jno. O. Holland and son, Funeral of Father Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Duward D. Kemp

and baby, Sanatorium; Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Dowell, ac- M. L. Young, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. companied by their son, Grisham M. Kemp, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Martyn Only three days before the advent Following orders received from Ray Garrett and T. J. Beidleman. Flippo, Miss Bernka Cartwright, scarcely a sign remained by noon. All materials and cut goods on

Odessa.

brought here by O. R. Jackson, sup- daily potential rating of 766.32 bar- this year it is going after an im- lie Sue Morgan, Dorothy Nell fully recovered. Carl Vernon, it is erintendent of the airport job. Mrs. rels daily, by flowing 319.33 barrels proved rating over last year. This Groene, Earline Walker. Baptist General Convention of Texas Kilgore was the daughter of Mr. and of oil in ten hours on railroad com- year's success will depend upon the mission gauge Monday afternoon. | amount of time the students spend in

> as high as 75 to 100 barrels per hour. encouraging the young players, Di- ing, It is an offset to one of the area's rector Young said. early wildcat tests, by the Oklavania Oil company, which lacked less than ful uniforms at their annual spring Frances Melton, Oleta Woolsey.

> open the east side sand field. The old depending on the arrival of the uni- ty Lu Higgins, Lou Jane Land. test was drilled to 2,885 feet, below forms. the Noodle Creek lime section, which at that time was the only horizon Reception Planned for

known to produce in that area. The Huddleston offsets No. 2 Sears estate to the west, which proved 1,juries at 9 a. m. last Saturday. His 182.4 barrels daily on railroad gauge. Queen theatre in raising funds for The Huddleston comented casing the Greek War Relief Committee, above a showing of oil at 3,003-05 Inc., and to welcome the Waco trade feet. When the plug was drilled Mon- trippers on next Thursday were apday, the well filled 2,000 feet in oil pointed at Tuesday's luncheon of the within an hour in drilling to 3,013 Lions club, and Dr. L. C. Zehnpfenfeet. The hole filled in, deepening to nig, who had outlined need for more 3,016 feet, and flowed within 30 funds by the executives of the Girl minutes. After flowing into pits, the Scouts to complete plans for a club tools were pulled and the well blew house on lots west of the Grammar over the top.

> ed in September, 1926, by the Phillips subscriptions for that cause. The Girl Petroleum company No. 1 Joe Winter Scouts have already purchased and from 2,500-lime pay.

Annual City Election Scheduled April 1

Robert Malone, Mark L. Malone, Jr., retary W. M. Elliott as a candidate m., is headed by Supt. Connor Robinfor re-election in the annual city elec- son, with W. R. Yazell, Dr. L. C. tion to be held Tuesday, Apr. 1. Two aldermen are to be elected at ing. the same time. Terms of S. D. Gam-Jr., of Mulberry Canyon and Comer Malone, Jr., Robert Malone, John ble and Fred A. Baker expire this augment the salary of the night- ball team of Abilene defeated the

Grimes.

First Snow of Season **Barely Beats Spring**

Dowell, of Phoenix, Ariz., who was Kemp and Mrs. Ben Wagnon, San of spring, the first snow of the sea- Miss Gladys Godwin, San Angelo, visiting here, returned late last Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Proc- son fell Monday night here, the district supervisor of sewing rooms, Thursday from Royse City, where ter, Brownfield; Oscar Kemp and depth being estimated at around three the local sewing room, with Mrs. they went to attend the funeral of son, Sylvester; T. W. Procter and inches. A rise of a few degrees in Bonnie Griswold in charge as assist-

inches.

150 feet of drilling deep enough to concert sometime in April, the date

Wacoans Thursday

school, was named a one-man com-The Noodle Creek field was open- mittee to accept individual voluntary moved a 4-room frame house to this location.

> On the Greek aid committee were named W. O. Boney, chairman, Owen Robertson and Dee Grimes.

Boney, John Mansfield and Dee Mayor H. C. West, who reported that declamation Wednesday morning:

Orders to Close Local Sewing Room Received

Besides the son who lives here, one Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stan- Moisture resulting from the snow hand have already been sent to Abiother son, two daughters, two broth- ford and son and daughter, Potosi, amounted to a quarter of an inch, lene headquarters, the machines and ers, 20 grandchildren and five great- and Mr. and Mrs. Corvin Leverich, bringing the year's rainfall to 3 -3-4 other fixtures having been temporarily stored here.

Spelling-Avalene Mathews, W1

The senior winners are eligible to

Large Number of

List of entries from the Merkel

Senior declamation-boys, Moody

Entries to County

On the strength of its performance practice and a great deal upon the events will meet at the First Baptist children and a third child were burn-

The band will show off their beauti- Diltz, Lucille Varner, Billy Finch, Tennis-girls' senior doubles, Bet-

> The track events will be held at the Abilene high school stadium Saturday morning.

directly to the district meet which should succeed his father, the late will be held at a later date.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Gordon Green, Grammar School principal, has furnished The Mail the Memorial in the Black Hills of South (Continued on Page Two)

Borglum's Son to Carry On. Washington, Mar. 20 .- The Mount Rushmore Memorial commission de-The High school track team goes cided Monday that Lincoln Borglum Gutzon Borglum, as sculptor-superintendent of the Mount Rushmore Dakota.



HIGH SCHOOL NOTES. (By Rosie Laney.)

Last Tuesday the Junior girls entertained the Junior boys and the faculty with a most sumptuous din-A reception committee for the ner. Miss Deal took the entire class Mayor Henry C. West, incumbent, Waco business men, who will be here to Warren's Lake where all enjoyed has entered his name with City Sec- next Thursday from 2:20 to 2:50 p. boating, fishing and swimming. Mr. Burgess and Bill Stevens took the Zehnpfennig and Byers' Petty assist- boys' basketball team to Trent Thursday afternoon where the Merkel and unattractive." The committee to get pledges to team was defeated. The girls' basket-

watchman, which was led by Presi- Merkel girls' team Friday, 12 to 8, back when she broke the engage-Holdover aldermen are W. O. deat R. T. Gray, was commended by The following students will try out in ment?"

> Giles and L. T. Toombs; Junior girls-Mary Frances Anderson, Vena Mays Jackson, Leoel Merritt and Jessie Maye Stevens; Junior boys-

Students Obey These Rules.

Note book in by next Friday. Do not walk across the baseball the elder Dowell's father, C. L. daughter, Lavada Swinford, Aubrey temperature Tuesday morning, how- ant project supervisor, was closed grounds after a rain. Remember the Dowell, 85, of Fairlie, a former resi- Stanford, son and daughter, Miss ever, caused it to melt rapidly so that indefinitely last Thursday afternoon. girls' basketball game. John A., move back here by me. Do not leave your seat without permission. dress."

A Huge Joke.

Miss Carlisle's age, Miss Smith's The teachers and High School girls keen eyes, Miss Deal's curls, Miss have a baseball team.

Whorton's demerit book, Mr. Miller's nose and Mr. Burgess' blush.

Spices of Life. Miss Carlisle: "John A., will you be quiet for a bit?"

John A .: "I'll do it for two bits."

Mary Cleo: "When did you first know you loved me?"

Jerome: "When I began to get mad when people said you were brainless

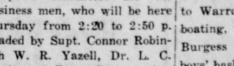
Bill: "Did you send her presents

Wade: "Did you send back the sil-Senior girls - Hattie Proctor; ver cup you had won when you re-Senior boys-Bill Stevens, Lewis signed from the basketball club?"

Wonder Why?

Faye Richie writes so much his tory. Hattie Proctor and Johnnie Sears are always exempt. Myrtle McDonald has to stay from 3:20 until four o'clock. J. J. Russell likes to sit by Mary Proctor. Miss Smith gives such long lessons. Miss Whorton has a sore eye. Iva. Lucille. Loyce, Hazel, Evelyn and Wade have to memorize the "Gettysburg Ad-

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County Meet

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names of entries from the ward school in the various events, viz .: Spelling - 4th and 5th grades, Clara Frances Dwiggins, Louise Graham; Jacquelyn Toombs, substitute; 6th and 7th grades, Reba Rae patent bag and shoes. Kingsbury, Jean Curb, Alice McLean. Ready writers-Betty Gilbert.

Music memory-Billy Ann Reidenbach, Valerie Leonard, Genevieve sories. Robertson, Lon McDonald; Billy Morris Baze, Billy Pat Nash, Billie Frances Hester, Bonnie Church, Dora

Joyce Ford, Peggy Simpson, Ima Ruth Shouse. Declamation - girls, Mary Faye ance of Miss Frances Cleveland,

Johnson, Doris Dudley, substitute; vocational homemaking teacher. boys, Orville Kemper. Number sense-James Roy Baccus,

Billy Gene Dye, Virgil Sears, Juanita Garvin.

Choral club-boys and girls, Lloyd Rutledge, Abie Turner, Gerald Renfro, James Roy Baccus, Frankie Taylor county 22 years, died at 2:40 Shults. Billy Gene Dye, Walter Sunday afternoon at his home here, Cox, Becky Gaither, Lois Harris, Bet- Merkel, ty Gilbert, Dorothy Lee, Jean Curb, Rev. R. T. Smith, former pastor of Valerie Leonard, Juanita Garvin, the Nazarene church, officiated for Betty Joe Seymore, June Nalley, the services at 4 p. m. Monday-first Geneva Allen, Reba Rae Kingsbury, held in the new Barrow-Sheppard fu-Mary Faye Johnson, Doris Dudley, neral home. He was assisted by Rev. LaFern Stanford, Alice McLean, G. O. Crow, present pastor of the Gwendolyn Vaughn, Evelyn Newton, Nazarene church. Burial was in Rose Billye Gene Grayson, Jo Anna Ram- Hill cemetery.

The Choral singing contest will take place Wednesday, Mar. 26. Volleyball team - Becky Gaither, Insert Lawson.

Geneva Allen, Gwendolyn Vaughn, Flower girls were Mesdames Ver-

Model Class Projects Members of the third year homemaking class of Merkel High school father, Dan Reidenbach, that David

modeled special occasion dresses Mon- Reidenbach, sergeant clerk, Troop F, day morning for members of the 112th cavalry, has been transferred Nelle Downing, Breckenridge, is sec-\$1.50 dents. Special occasion frocks were Paso. Junior Gilmore enlisted at the class projects that have just been same time with David and is a cor-

completed. Costumes were judged on general Enlistments last week in the United

her name.

appearance and originality as well as States army include: Tillman J. Rut-All obituaries, resolutions of respect, on workmanship. Judges for selecting ledge, son of D. T. Rutledge, and J.

with a blue polka dot frock with a

fitted midriff. Her accessories com-

bined a large red straw sailor hat,

red flower, white gloves and black

Laverne Douglas was third with a

and red beret and other navy acces-

Honorable mention was given to

Dresses were made under the guid-

Gaither and Janet Teaff.

as her jacket was embroidered with Houston, San Antonio.

Louise Patterson placed second Name Delegates to **Head Convention**

CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. L. M. Walsh

and Children.

Two Merkel members of the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance ship in this new organization. Four society will depart Sunday, Mar. 23, new members were admitted at this navy crepe dress worn with a navy for Beaumont to attend the biennial meeting, Oleta Huestis, Cisco; Linda Head Camp convention of the society. Wasson, Abilene; Edith Acker, Ro-They were elected to represent the tan, and Doris Perkins, Abilene. Merkel camp at the last meeting. [The association meets each six Representing the local camp here are weeks, one meeting being held on W. L. Blair and R. H. Mathews, Jr., Saturday night in connection with with W. M. Elliott and A. D. Ful- the quarterly meetings of the 17th ton, alternates. They will travel by District Dental association and the car, leaving Sunday in order to ar- other, six weeks later at 2:30 p.m. rive in the convention city by Mar. on Sunday.

Services Held Monday For Fred Lawson, 58 Fred D. Lawson, 58, resident of

24.

and heard.

Pallbearers were Clyde Shouse, T. ings. J. Bird, Verner Sublett, Roy Griffin, upon all of you. Clyde Matthews, Otis Foster.

Billy Ann Reidenbach, Elna Faye ner Sublett, A. J. Stapleton, Annie Frazier, Lois Harris, Betty Jo Perry, Brown, Leana Reeder, G. O. Crow

on Apr. 27, 1882, and moved to Tay-

Sent to Fort Bliss **Assistants Meet** Word has been received by his The Dental Assistants association, recently organized, of which Vera Roper, Sweetwater, is president and

17th District Dental

Taylor and Jones Counties____\$1.00 faculty and several High School stu- from Fort Ringgold to Fort Bliss, El retary-treasurer, met in the Hilton hotel in Abilene last Saturday night. Following the dinner which began at 7:30, a business session was held. poral in the same company.

The principal speaker for the meeting was Mrs. Dale Morrison, of the faculty of McMurry college, Abilene. cards of thanks, etc., are classed as outstanding dresses were Mrs. Car- B. McBride, son of W. R. McBride, Her subject dealt with the proper edvertising, and will be charged for roll Benson and Mrs. Landon Hill. assigned to the 31st infantry, Philip- preparation of young women for the Jeanette Neff, first place winner, pine department, Fort McDowell, work of a dental assistant. Nobie wore a rose polka dot dress made with Calif., and Thomas E. Mashburn, Jr., Pope, Abilene, vice-president, made a a plaited skirt and a navy jacket, her son of T. E. Mashburn, and Robert I. talk on the early history of dental accessories were navy and white, and Gilmore, son of Mrs. Beulah Gilmore, assistants. The program was arrangher bag, made of the same material assigned to the infantry, Fort Sam ed by Nelle Downing, program committee chairman; Thelma Mathews,

Merkel, and Gene Worley, Sweetwater, with the assistance of Nobie

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FIFTH SUNDAY SINGING. The convention will convene Mar. 24 and run through the 26th. The Head Camp is one of 25 such meet- another Fifth Sunday, thought I -Sunday week is the day, not this est kite; (4) 100-yard dash, and ings being held all over the nation. would drop you a few lines through next Sunday. So hope every one will many others. All kites are to be hand-Reports on progress of the Wood- the Merkel Mail. Let's all get busy. invite some one and by so doing we made and, if entered as a small kite, men of the World, addresses by Mail out a few postals to our singing will have a house full. Remember the it must fly one minute. Whisenhunt, Bonnie Church, Donald the Arlie Sanders house in South national officers and a mass initia- friends, urging them to come be with time, Mar. 30. Come early. We begin tion of new members will be seen us.

> Our local talent is fine and we appreciate every one of them, but we want a lot of our singing friends

We wish to express our heartfelt from other communities and territhanks for the love and sympathy tory. We like visitors and want them shown us in the illness and death of with us to help us. So every one inour beloved husband and father; terested in the singing, please drop also for the beautiful floral offer- a card to some singer or quartet. Say,

'May God's richest blessings rest Fifth Sunday, Mar. 30, 1941."

a full day singing good gospel songs will be prizes for the winners. and serving the Lord in a musical The divisions are: (1) highest fly- Offers.

Hello, Friends: As we are nearing way. I'm writing this a week early ing kite; (2) largest kite; (3) small-If the weather is bad, the tourna-

ment will be postponed.

Stewart in Army.

Hollywood, Mar. 20 .- James Stewart, 32, who won the 1940 Oscar for doing the movie's best job of male Abilene March 22 acting, will become an army selectee Mar. 22.

Dr. W. T. Sadler

Booth Warren

All boys in Merkel are invited to "Please come be with us at Noodle enter the annual kite tournament to be held in Abilene Saturday, Mar.

Please do not be late. Let's put in 22, at the Fair Park polo field. There

Kite Flyers Meet in

Has your subscription expired? Come in and renew it next time you are in town. Special club rate on Pathfinder and several Magazine

10 a. m. Respectfully, Tom Spears.

W. S. J. Brown

Pope, Abilene. The assistants of all the dentists making up the 17th District Dental association are eligible for member-

Betty Joyce Cook, Juanita Garvin, and Eara Salmon. Jean Curb. This event is scheduled Mr. Lawson was born in Arkansas

for Mar. 28-29. Track team-J. L. Gilbreath, Billie lor county with his family in 1919. W. Frazier, James McBride, Buford He had lived in town the past five Noel, Dorman Clark, John Stapleton, years.

Geo. Wayne Richie, Leon Floyd. Rice Institute.

Lions

(Continued from Page One) increased to a sufficient amount.

the Lions club will make an effort ers. G. E., J. E., R. D. and R. R., all to induce Draft Board No. 2 to send of Abilene, and eleven grandchildren enrollees by Sunshine Special, in- also survive. stead of bus, as a matter of convenience and comfort for the boys.

Cotton Owens was elected as a new member of the club, with special attention to be given to his initiation at the next meeting.

Elliott.

Fire Victims

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Flower girls were Doris Stevens, Ophelia Vessels, Ozella Wade and Norman Mae Wilson.

who came for the funeral were: Mr. lieve them of worms and all inand Mrs. J. H. Kilgore, parents of sects. Sold and guaranteed bythe husband, and two sisters, Mrs. Melvin Horton and son, Ray, and Mrs. Lowell Burton and husband, all from Fort Worth, and another sister. Mrs. L. D. Oliver and husband, of Paris: also Mrs. L. A. Lutrell, a sister of Mrs. Kilgore, and her husband and son, Harry Luther, of Cross Plains, and Mrs. Walter Neill, an aunt of Mrs. Kilgore, and her husband, Fort Worth.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our appreciation to those whose thoughful deeds and tender words of sympathy brought comfort to our hearts in our sad bereavement-the loss of our beloved wife and daughters, also for the beautiful floral offerings. May God's richest blessings be upon

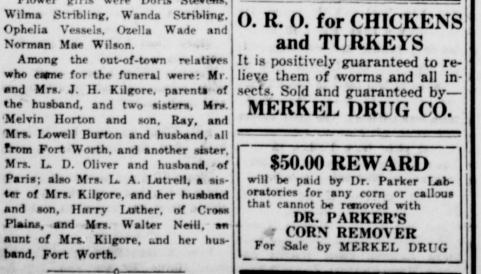
you. Henry Kilgore. Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Washburn and Family. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kilgore.

Surviving are his wife and ten The track team, which will com- children, eight daughters and two pete Saturday, is coached by Jack sons. The daughters: Mesdames Don-Patterson, a former star in track at nie Walker, Avis McHaney and Louise Campbell and Laverne Lawson, all of Merkel; Mesdames Cleo Moody, Velma Robinson and Bennie McSpadden, all of Abilene; Mrs. Fay Dawkins, Littlefield; the sons, Raymond and Joe, Merkel. His father, J.

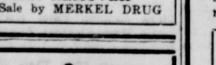
the monthly subscriptions had been S. Lawson, Abilene, two sisters, Mrs. Eunice Alsabrook of Tyler and Miss At the suggestion of Mayor West Pearl Lawson, Abilene; four broth-

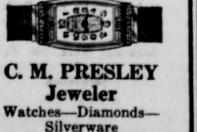
> To Report for Active Duty at Camp Bowie

Clifton Bellamy, 2nd Lieut., U. S. Opening singsong was led by Army reserve, was home for the week-Nathan Wood, with Gay West at the end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. piano. Invocation was given by W. M. W. R. Sumpter. He has received his orders to report for active duty Mar. 24 at Camp Bowie, Brownwood. Also visitors in the W. R. Sumpter home over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Manscill of Dallas.









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Friday, March 21, 1941.

THE MERKEL MAIL

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QUEEN THEATRE CALENDAR

Friday-Saturday - Charles Starrett, Sons of the Pioneers in "Blazing Six Shooters;" serial and select- lived by her wits. Thanks to her ed short subjects.

Saturday preview, Sunday matinee, suits she has done right well for her-Monday night-Carole Lombard and self until, on her last two campaigns Robert Montgomery in "Mr. & Mrs. she draws blanks. Thereupon she Smith;" color cartoon and Paramount hits upon the bright idea of grooming News.

Tuesday - "The Long Voyage wealthy playboys, so the two can live Home," starring John Wayne, Thom- in the luxury she always has enjoyed. as Mitchell, Ian Hunter; also selected short subjects.

Wednesday-Thursday - Kay Francis in "Play Girl," with James Ellison, Mildred Coles and Nigel Bruce; also "Meet the Fleet," in technicolor. Coming, Mar. 29-30-31-"Western to coast-until James Ellison, as a Union," in technicolor.

"Mr. & Mrs. Smith"

Co-starring Carole Lombard and tions that make for dramatic enter-Robert Montgomery, who are seen to- tainment. gether for the first time, "Mr. & Mrs. Smith," coming to the Queen theatre Saturday preview, Sunday matinee and Monday night, presents these top favorites in a riotous social comedy of a young Park Avenue lawyer and the woman who for three years has been accepted as his wife.

Weaving its story deftly around the marital life of this highly modern pair and the unique domestic rules by which they live, the film hits a crisis when the two discover that their wedding was illegal. In their emotional rebound they find their romance has become a triangle, with died at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, the lawyer's partner stepping in as a rival for the heroine's hand-if, of course, she doesn't remarry his associate.

And, for various reasons, she isn't ficiated, assisted by Rev. R. L. Gilpin, at all sure she does want to remarry Methodist pastor at Stith. Bural folhim, although he frantically endeavors lowed in Stith cemetery under directo induce her to do so. The upshot of tion of Barrow-Sheppard. it all is that the three principals wind up at Lake Placid in a hectic and hilarious finale as both men grimly press the lady to make up her mind.

Giving both stars notable opportunities to display their mirth provoking talents to the full, the picture Coy. features Gene Raymond as the partner, with Philip Merivale and Lucille Watson as his dignified Southern parents, and Jack Carson as a playboy.

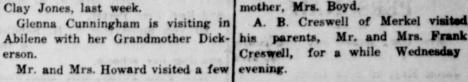
Laid in ultra-modern surroundings,

role tailor-made to her versatile tal- church Sunday afternoon. ents. Providing the pleasing romance Nolan Walker of Weatherford was are James Ellison and Mildred Coles. In sharp contrast to her character-| Sunday. izations in "Little Men" and Deanna

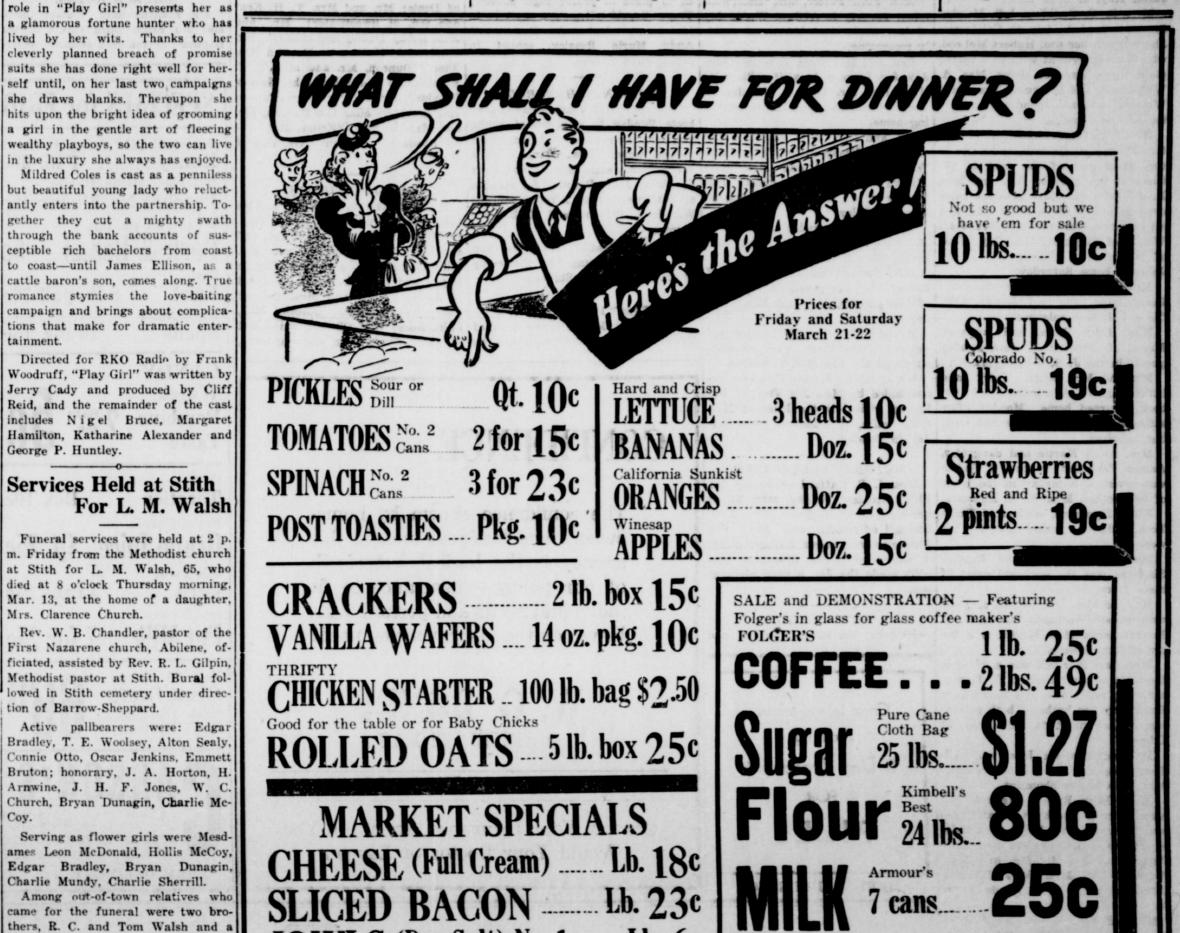
drive last Tuesday and Wednesday. home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. visiting friends of this community daughter, Mrs. Red Howard, of Abilene.

We had several visitors from dif-Mr. and Mrs. Ray Darnell of Abi- erson. ferent communities at our rabbit lene spent a few days visiting in the Mr. and Mrs. Howard visited a few evening.

Mrs. Boyd is visiting with her Clay Jones, last week. Glenna Cunningham is visiting in



days last week in the home of her



Services Held at Stith For L. M. Walsh

George P. Huntley.

Durbin's "It's a Date," Miss Francis'

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Friday from the Methodist church at Stith for L. M. Walsh, 65, who Mar. 13, at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Clarence Church.

Rev. W. B. Chandler, pastor of the First Nazarene church, Abilene, of-

Active pallbearers were: Edgar Bradley, T. E. Woolsey, Alton Sealy, Connie Otto, Oscar Jenkins, Emmett Bruton; honorary, J. A. Horton, H. Arnwine, J. H. F. Jones, W. C. Church, Bryan Dunagin, Charlie Mc-

Serving as flower girls were Mesdames Leon McDonald, Hollis McCoy, Edgar Bradley, Bryan Dunagin, Charlie Mundy, Charlie Sherrill.

Among out-of-town relatives who me for the funeral were two

the film's settings include two Park Avenue apartments, an office suite, an exclusive men's club, a big department store and a resort hotel and cabin at Lake Placid. In addition to the two stars, such favorites as William Tracy, Charles Halton, Esther Dale, Betty Compson and Adele Pearce have important supporting roles.

Norman Krasna wrote the original screen-play of this fast-paced and modern-mannered photo drama.

"The Long Voyage Home"

Based on Eugene O'Neill's famous four one-act plays, John Ford's Ar-1 gosy production, "The Long Voyage Home," to be shown at the Queen theatre Tuesday only, through United Artists release, is filmed with a cast studded with outstanding screen personalities.

John Wayne, Thomas Mitchell and Ian Hunter appear in the principal starring roles, while the featured cast includes Wilfrid Lawson, Barry Fitzgerald, Arthur Shields, 'Mildred Natwick, Carmen Morales, Ward Bond, John Qualen and J. M. Kerrigan.

John Ford, who is known for such brilliant screen achievements as "Stagecoach" and "The Grapes of Wrath," produced and directed "The Long Voyage Home," and Dudley Nichols wrote the screen play. The picture was filmed at the Walter Wanger studios.

"Play Girl"

Bristling with spicy situations and smart dialogue, and cleverly blending emotional drama with sophisticated comedy, "Play Girl," booked at the Queen theatre Wednesday and Thursday, stars Kay Francis in a

thers, R. C. and Tom Walsh and a sister, Mrs. B. F. Thomas, all of Arkansas; also Mrs. T. W. Duncan and son, Prendel, Okalona, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Duncan, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Billingsley, Slaton, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Moorman, Okalona, Ark.

Independence Hall Repaired. Philadelphia, Mar. 20. - Workmen have started a \$42,500 WPA restoration project on old Independence hall -the nation's birthplace where the declaration of independence was signed.

NEWMAN NEWS

We had Brother Lee Hollis of Sweetwater, pastor of the Baptist church, and Levi Brazelton of Eskota as visitors at the Methodist



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PAGE FOUR		THE MERKEL MAIL	Friday, March 21, 1941
TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS	Mrs. Roy Banner, Mrs. J. B. Winn and Rev. Fred Porter.	junior ward events in county meet, scene of a happy gathering, when all H. Jones won second place in senior singles; Billie Purser and Tommie and a few other relatives came to-	After a bountiful lunch the entire home. party motored to Merkel and had the Services were conducted at the M
Mrs. Cecil McRee left last Thurs-		O'Rear, second in senior doubles; J. gether for the day.	pleasure of going through the new E. church, both morning and even Barrow-Sheppard funeral home. ing, entirely by the young people.
y for a visit with her sister, Mrs.	of Abilene spent Tuesday here in-	lie Hadres and Hamen Comphell fail	Date for the Baptist revival ha
on May, of Sour Lake.		ad to place in junion high doubles. Arthur Duncan and two daughters,	CHURCH NOTES. been set. It is scheduled to begin Sum
	minor surgery in Abilene Wednesday	They Could Farmer and in of Doole; Mr. and Mrs. 1. H. Kent	The Blanche Rose Walker Circle day, July 13, with the Rev. Mr
an extended trip to California.	of last week, is at home and rapid-	junior ward singles; Ace Powers and Mrs. Bobby Dudley and children, Mr.	and the Edith Boyd Circle of the Sparkman of Lamar Street Church
will join her son, Hubert McLeod,		Andy Murle Beasley, second in and Mrs F. H. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs.	Baptist church met Monday after- Sweetwater, doing the preaching.
has employment with an airplane	Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Tune left Sun-	Junior ward doubles. Shorty Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. T. C.	
nt there, also her sister, Mrs. A.		Blankenship and baby, John Garner	
	tives. Rev. Mr. Tune is planning to have a tonsil operation before return-	STUDENTS HONORED. Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duncan	SPECIALS for FRHDAY and SATURDAY!
in Los Angeles.	ing home.	and daughter, miss Ola Duncan, Mr.	SI EUIALO IVI FILIDAT AILU SATURUAT:
Irs. J. C. Randel and little daugh-		hosts Sunday to a group of young people at the noon hour. Among those nie Boone and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert	
	daughters, Misses Helen, Wilma and	people at the noon hour. Among those nie Boone and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert present were: Lewis Tiner, Mark West.	Burleson's (In Syrup Pitcher) Any Flavor
latter part of the week in the	Wanda, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl	Williamson James Strawn and their	Honey 1 lb. 39c Jello Pkg. 5c
ne of her parents, Mr. and Mrs.	Strawn were luncheon guests last	daughter Miss Dorothy Lo Strawn	Rosedale, Melba Halves Liberty Bell
. B. Johnson. Mr. Johnson came	Sunday of Capt. Wade Stribling of	all students in John Tarleton college; Mr and Mrs S H Esten had as	Peaches No. 2 ^{1/2} can 15c Crackers 2 lb. box 15c
er Saturday for a short visit and returned home Sunday. Mrs. John		Willadean Strawn and Billie Joel and the strate of Sunday Man	1 Lb. Can Phillips 1 Quart White Swan
	M., came Monday for a visit with	9, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rogge and	
Merkel were also visitors in the		immediately after lunch, Mr. and daughter, Billie Mae, Mr. and Mrs.	Pork & Beans 5c Salad Dressing 25c
hnson home Saturday.	Mrs. Edward Seago and baby of	Mrs. Strawn accompanied the group Slim Cooley, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton of students back to Stephenville. Rogge and little daughter. Beth. all	Pure Break O' Morn
	Rising Star are guests in the home	of students back to Stephenville. Rogge and little daughter, Beth, all of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Willard	Lard 8 lb. pail 70c Coffee 1 lb. 15c
	of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chil-	FAMILY REUNION. (Estep and daughter, Dorothy Nell,	
a visit with relatives.	dress.	On Sunday Man 10 the house of Deint Dack. Man Clifford Estan and	U. S. No. 1 Smaller 10 Hay 15 View Apple Cider
Mrs. Hattie Boozer and daughter,	Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Darden and son of Sweetwater were Sunday	Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duncan was the daughter, Cliffa Gene, and son, Jerry,	Spuds 10 lbs. 15c Vinegar Qt. 10c
ests in the J. B. Winn home.	guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. Lofton.		
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Terry and			CANDY— Onion Sets Gal. 35c
	companied by Mrs. Joe Vick, of Big		Wings P 2 Buncher
	Spring, visited in the home of Mrs.		Bambino 9 Bars ho 3 Bunches
	Cliff Smith, of Eastland, from Fri-	COMPENSION	
g relatives. Mrs. Ansel Martin and daughters,	day to Sunday.	CONFIDENCE — —	Taste UU Union Flams 100
melia Faye and Yvonne, of Sweet-	BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED.		
ater visited Saturday in the home	Mrs. J. R. Gafford celebrated her		Post Carton of Satin Tip
her mother, Mrs. W. E. Hamner.	70th birthday Friday, Mar. 14, at		Toasties Box 10c Matches 6 boxes 15c
	her home in North Trent. Mrs. W. J.	The confidence shown by home-	
	Bicknell of Noodle and Mrs. Foy	owners and business men in this	
ek-end.	Steadman were guests during the day.		Grape Juice Qt. 25c Lemons Doz. 18c
	A shower of cards, telegrams and gifts made the day a very pleasant		3-X Field Macaroni and
me folks.	one.	of our policy — insurance to fit	Corn 3 cans 23c Spaghetti 3 boxes 10c
Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Musick of Tulia			
re guests Wednesday in the J. E.	BOYS' TENNIS.	individual needs and pocketbooks.	Small Cans Armour's Star (1 Lb. Cans)
wers home. Mrs. Musick is a sis-	Entering the senior, junior and	Have you the insurance you need?	Pet Milk 7 for 25c Chili 2 cans 35c
of Mrs. Bowers.			
Mrs. Carl Murdock was a guest in e home of her father, P. H. Thoma-			Reg. 65c Large
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nday by her husband, both return-	Come in and ask us	W. O. BONEY	With 10c Pkg. PINTO BEANS
g Sunday night to their home at			BOTH FOR. UU 5 lbs. 20c - 10 lbs. 38c
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Mrs. Oscar Bishop has returned me after a month's visit at Hous-	I.C.N		
, Galveston and Waco. She visit-	PILES	Consult Your Insurance Agent As You	and MARKET
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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mayfield of Norman, Okla., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Howell of Abilene were here Tuesday seeing old friends. It will be remembered by many that Mr. Mayfield was with the firm of Neill and Mayfield in the general mercantile business some 30 years ago.

Mrs. Frank Wilson and daughters, Ollie May and Elizabeth of Capitola, were here Friday to attend the funerals of Mrs. Henry Kilgore and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crawford of Stamford were guests in the home of Mrs. T. L. Stevens several days last week.

Mrs. Paul Johnson returned last Friday to her home in Abilene after a week's stay in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Martin.

Mrs. Sidney Pass of Abilene was a guest last Thursday of her aunt, Mrs. Pauline Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones and children of Roscoe visited Sunday in the L. C. Murry home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Owens has as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Earl Palmer and son of Noodle, all visiting in the afternoon in the home of Mr. Palmer's aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee Tittle left Sunday for Dallas where Mr. Tittle has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Casey Wash and daughter, Zoteen, of Odessa, spent the week-end here, dividing the time with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Wash.

H. L. Wilson and sons, Talmer and Lester, spent some time in Fort Worth last week, seeing the Fat Stock show and going on for a visit this week in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Honeycutt of Crane were guests last Friday night in the L. Z. Titsworth home.

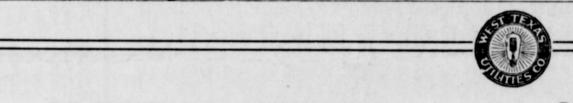
Messrs. R. B. Johnson and Stanley Armour were in Fort Worth Tuesday and Wednesday, seeing the Fat Stock show.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hamner had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. John Rudd and two sons and Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Sorelle, Jr., of Eskota.

Mrs. Bob Howell was the week-end guest of friends in Abilene.

Three girls, La Nelle Edwards, Wanda Lou Kegans and Betty Wright, accompanied and assisted by their teacher, Miss Christine Collins, went to Sweetwater Saturday and sang over KXOX.

Those attending the Baptist Workers' meeting at Shep Thursday, Mar.

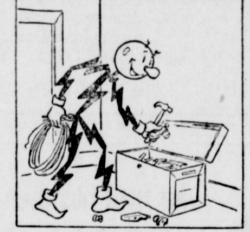


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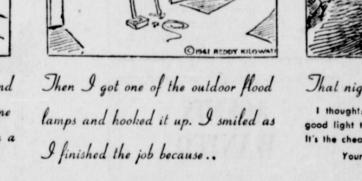
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Friday, March 21, 1941.



FOR SALE

FOR SALE-Good bundle cane, cane met her at Freer. Her daughter-inseed, seed maize and maize heads; law from Freer came home with her 8 mi. north. Lee D. Williams.

FOR SALE-1940 Fordor Ford se dan. 16,000 miles. S. M. Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. Algie Daniel and little daughter, Patsy Ruth, and Mrs. Nat Anderson, all of Abilene, were visitors in Merkel Sunday of last FOR SALE-350 bushels of Qualla week.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Annie Turner, who had been

visiting her son, David Cannon, and

wife, at Freer, Texas, returned home

ast week. She also visited two other

sons, Raymond Cannon, San Antonio,

and Roy, from Chicago, Ill., who had

Supt. and Mrs. Connor Robinson

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Toombs and

daughter, Sandra, of Meadow, were

here last week-end to visit Mr.

Toombs' mother, Mrs. Betty Toombs,

Home from Texas Technological

college, Lubbock, for a week-end visit

were Misses Mabel Murray, Comora

Hughes and Dorma Lee Shelton. Miss

Betty Diltz, also from Texas Tech,

accompanied them and visited Misses

Mrs. W. L. Diltz of San Angelo

visited Saturday with friends here

and in Abilene. Her son, Emory, is

recuperating from a recent appendi-

Mrs. Pat Davis and son, Billy Pat,

and other relatives.

Murray and Hughes.

citis operation.

W. R. Sumpter.

home last week.

Cottonseed from Green Tag Seed last Mr. and Mrs. Leon Toombs and year, one year closer to the breeding little son and Mrs. T. J. Toombs and block, 75 cents per bushel bulk or 80 Billie Joe visited Cullen Toombs and cents per bushel sacked; ginned sev- family in Fluvanna last week. eral bales at a time. E. F. Vantreese, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Shaver, Jr. Hawley, Texas, two miles west of of Rochester, were visitors over the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Church.

ton.

for a short visit.

TRACTOR TIRES for sale, new and used; cash or terms. White and were in Colorado City Sunday to Palmer. spend the day with Mr. and Mrs.

Hodges.

John Pratt and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. ORDER your Baby Chicks from Robinson, at Mr. Robinson's sister's Dunn's Hatchery, Cisco, Texas. Enhome. glish White Leghorns, \$6.95 per 100. Mesdames W. W. Hamilton and Blood-tested chickens, all from 2-Maxwell of Snyder and Mrs. G. B. year-old hens; chickens that live and Hamilton of Chickasha, Okla., were Saturday guests of Mrs. Seth Hamillay.

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FOR RENT-3-room house, newly papered. Mrs. Grover Hale.

FOR RENT-3-room furnished apartment on Oak Street. Mrs. Frederickson.

FOR RENT - Furnished 4-room apartment, to couple. Mrs. John Shannon.

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WANTED to exchange piano for work horses; would buy some yearold mules, also 2-row cultivator and planter; peanut hay 40 cents bale, less for ton. Joe Garland.

THE MERKEL MAIL

past week.

Curb, Sunday.

well recently.

Denzil Ray Melton visited his

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud

Vivian Ferrell of Abilene and Miss

Laine of Inadale were Sunday guests

Etsel Farmer of Brownwood, Mr.

and Mrs. A. L. Farmer and family

of Butman were visitors in Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jackson and

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Scogin moved

to Trent Thursday where Mr. Scogin

children visited relatives at Black-

for the funeral of his father, F. D. Lawson, returned Tuesday to camp. Miss Mary Nell Morgan began a three-months' course at Gail college

this week. Grisham Dowell, after spending two weeks at home with his parents, the heart-broken loved ones. Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Dowell, left Friday of last week for Phoenix, Ariz., where he is employed by the Southwestern Greyhound lines.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhone from Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. Thelton Hamilton and two children, Phyllis View this week-end. and Gene, of Lubbock, visited with Mrs. J. A. Milliken over the weekend. They also viewed Camp Barkeley.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Howard, Yvonne and Betty, Sunday were Mrs. Clint Maderra Sunday. Mrs. A. J. Barbee and daughter, Dorothy; also Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Cowan and Mrs. Wilbur Cowan and baby daughter, Dorothy Ann, of Abilene and Mrs. Joe B. Toombs and her two daughters, Betty and Jackie.

Miss Aileen Frazier accompanied Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bunker to their home at Brownwood Saturday, and Doan, of Clyde this week-end. also visited J. L. Cook at Camp Bowie, returning home early this week. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Love of of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Campbell.

Monahans on their return from Dallas spent Wednesday with Mrs. Melvin Shults. Melvin Shults, section foreman of Mrs. Hugh Campbell's home Sunday.

the Texas and Pacific railroad, left Mr. and Mrs. Riley Jones and fam-Monday morning for Marshall, where ily of Merkel were recent guests of he will undergo an examination at Mr. and Mrs. Otis Moore.

the railroad hospital there.

After a visit of several weeks in Joins Husband at Arizona, John Wheeler returned **Randolph Field**

Mrs. Robert Rice and daughter, Gail Mayfield, of Abilene, departed Tuesday for Randolph field, San Antonio, to join Sergeant Rice. Marriage of Sergeant and Mrs. Rice took place on May 6, 1940, at Abilene, with Dr. E. B. Surface per-

forming the ceremony. Mrs. Rice will be remembered to Merkel friends as Ola Ellen Smith.

Eula McDonald and little son were **Five Circle Members** down from Sweetwater to spend Sun-**To Get 25-Year Pins** day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

The local grove of the Woodmen First Lieut. Doyle Nutt, 52nd Sig-Circle will present five 25-year pins nal battalion, Fort Sam Houston, was in a ceremony to be held at the Woodman hall Monday evening at 7:30.

A special program will be given

BLAIR ITEMS home.

Several from here attended the fufamilies visited relatives at Longneral services of little Stanley Stanworth. ford, Jr., of Merkel Sunday afternoon.

The utmost sympathy is extended to filled his regular appointment at Blair Sunday afternoon and was ac-Reuben Horton, Billy Jackson, Fancompanied by Mrs. Whitaker and atnie Lou Jackson and Mrs. Luther Ostractive little son, Daniel Lee, who born have been on the sick list the Jack Chatman and his sister, Miss Ruth Chatman, visited home folks at Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Derington

helpful atmosphere. and family visited Mr. and Mrs. R. Rev. J. B. Stewart, M. E. pastor, E. Windham of Merkel recently. is to fill his regular appointment Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Bell and Sunday, Mar. 23. Attend these serchildren of Merkel visited Mr. and vices. The fellowship of Christians Mr. and Mrs. Tom Spears visited makes being a Christian easier.

Mrs. Will Campbell is in Buffalo their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hump[Gap nursing a friend for an indefinite time. Mr. and Mrs. Artist Cook and two

daughters of White Church attended services at Blair Sunday afternoon.

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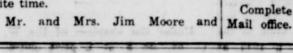
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them the best of luck in their new granddaughter, Jimmie Nell Horton visited Mr. and Mrs. Dee Moore and The Thompson brothers and their family of Tye Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Pruitt left Sunday for several days' visit with Rev. E. L. Whitaker of Abilene relatives in New Mexico.

MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS. We will appreciate the privilege of sending in your subscription to the attended the services. Don't forget leading magazines. On a great many the services each Sunday afternoon of them, if you want to include your at 2:30 o'clock. Come to these ser- subscription to The Mail, we are in vices, you will receive a welcome and position to make special clubbing ofhear a message and help create a fer. See us before you renew.

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Bob's Barber and Beauty Shop.

Miss Ruth Roberts, bookkeeper for the Taylor Electric Cooperative, Inc., is in Fort Worth this week attending of Quanah, are guests this week in the a school for REA bookkeepers.

blaze in a feed stack on the premises Davis and son remained over there of Alonzo Peterson. It is thought a until mid-week. spark from a trash fire in the alley had smoldered in the feed and was fanned by the wind into a blaze.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Walker Terrell. have been advised in a letter from their son, Leon, that he is now sta- Mrs. Ada Heeter returned Friday tioned at Jefferson barracks, St. from Temple, where Mrs. Woodrum Louis, Mo. He is a member of the went through the Scott and White Porto Rican detachment of the air Clinic. corps.

Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First Baptist church, accompanied by Seth Morgan, attended the annual state rally of pastors and laymen, held in Dallas Monday and Tuesday.

As chairman of a committee to receive donations for the use of the Girl Scouts in finishing their club house, Dr. L. C. Zehnpfennig reported Thursday morning a total of \$23.00 contributed. It is desired to raise at least \$60 at this time.

Waitresses at Woozy's cafe were attired Wednesday in their new uniforms, carrying out the patriotic colors of red, white and blue in the skirts, with red blouses.

- Gerald Derrick has returned to Front Royal, Va., and has resumed his duties at the Remount station there.

Attends Funeral at Cleburne Tuesday

Mrs. Connor Robinson returned Wednesday evening from Cleburne, where she went Monday with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Surface, of Abilene, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Surface's first cousin, W. F. Howard of Cleburne.

Rev. Mr. Surface conducted the funeral service Tuesday morning, and the three drove to Waxahachie to spend Tuesday night with Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Surface, brother of Mrs. Robinson.

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Miss Jane Ferguson, who teaches BEAUTY OPERATOR wanted. in the Cross Plains school, visited and Mrs. R. M. Ferguson.

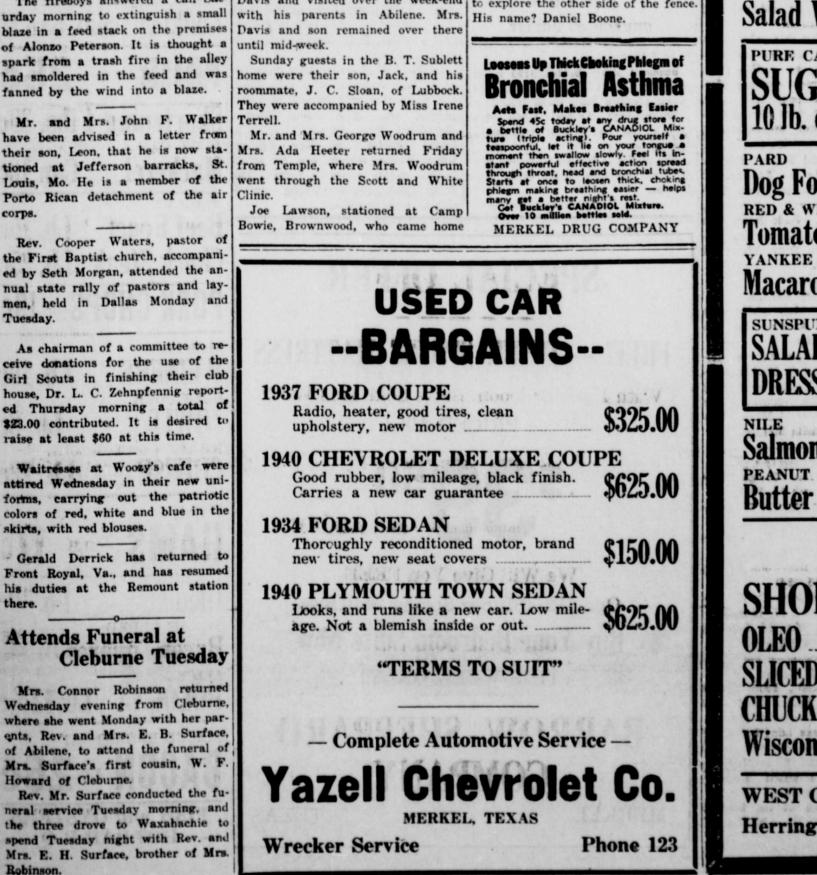
home for a week-end visit.

and refreshments served. Every memlast week-end with her parents, Mr. ber is urged to be present. Those who will receive the pins J. C. Randel of Quanah joined his are: Miss Mae Lassiter, Mesdames

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS wife and daughter, Penny, for a week- Lee Cox, Tom Coats, W. H. Laney end visit in the John West home, the and Dona Martin, Dallas. family returning Sunday to Quanah.

Lives Up to Name.

Los Angeles, Mar. 20.-Police George T. Moore home. They were searched two hours before finding a accompanied down Saturday by Mr. 4-year-old boy who left his backyard The fireboys answered a call Sat- Davis and visited over the week-end to explore the other side of the fence.





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Society.

Mrs. Elma McFarland and Mrs. By- in Stamford on May 1. ers Petty, acting as program leaders, At the refreshment hour, a delightintroduced Mrs. Marjorie Bailey of ful sandwich plate, stressing a St. Hardin - Simmons university, and Abilene, WPA area supervisor, to club Patrick's day theme, was passed to

members and guests.

land. Following her graduation from Sharp, Bob Dean, J. F. Merritt, and a girls' finishing school in Oxen, Eng- Mrs. Hale, a visitor from Rotan. land, she went abroad and traveled for four years in North Africa and

time, being most beautifully decor-

FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB. | and brought many new and helpful The Fortnightly Study club was ideas. She encouraged and offered again privileged to hear a most charm- special inducements for as many as ing and gifted speaker March 18, in possible to try for certificates at the the home of Mrs. Henry West, when annual school of instruction to be held

marriage, the bride was a student in formerly attended the Texas State College for Women, Denton. the following members: Messrs, and

In introducing Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Mesdames Gene Reese, H. G. Smith, McFarland gave a few brief facts of Andy Shouse; Mesdames Vernie Mer-Mrs. Bailey's life: She was born in ritt, Aurra Johnson, R. J. Miller, J. New Market, Cambridgeshire, Eng- M. Williamson, Henry Ueckert, Ida

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RURAL SOCIETY

FORTNER-HARWELL. Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Harwell are announcing the marriage of their

daughter, La Verne, to Floyd Fort-

The wedding took place Monday

morning at 9:45 at the home of Dr.

C. A. Long, pastor of St Paul

Methodist church, Abilene, Dr. Long

Mrs. Fortner graduated from Mer-

Mr. and Mrs. Fortner left Wednes-

day for a visit in Oklahoma before

going to Albuquerque, N. M. Mr.

Fortner, who has been engaged in

construction work at Camp Barkeley,

will do the same type of work in

camp construction at Albuquerque.

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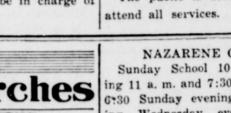
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REV. J. R. BALCH

Rev. J. R. Balch, who for 20 years | has served as pastor of the First throughout the week. The morning



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