

A new all-time high for attendance -1,252,527 paid admissions-was established at the State Fair of Texas this year. The figure compared with a 1940 attendance of 1,116,487.

Carmen Neal, 19, Brownwood, member of Company A, 142nd infantry, Camp Bowie, was killed in an automobile accident three miles west of Valera, near Coleman, early Sunday.

Three persons were injured fatally Saturday afternoon in a truck-automobile collision on the northwest highway, two miles west of Springtown, out of Fort Worth. The dead: Lester C. Ward, 25, Waxahachie, and W. A. Thomas, 46, of Dallas, and a middleaged woman, not identified in the daily newspaper reports Sunday morning.

Mrs. L. J. Cook, 44, injured in a car wreck Thursday night near Slaton, died Sunday. The wreck was caused by a blowout. Her husband, who was with her in the car, escaped injury.

J. H. Kinney, 49, of Abilene, and Mrs. Clara Cutbirth McCarty, 23, of Dudley (Callahan county), were drowned shortly after midnight Sunday when their automobile plunged into five feet of water beside highway 80 a mile east of Baird.

Judge S. H. German, member of the commission of the state supreme court, died Sunday at Austin at the age of 65 after a long period of intermittent illness.

Mundy. Members of the Sunday School class to which Mr. Sharp belonged Horace Preston, 30, of Kempner, was killed and Cecil Walker was cut about the face, when their car was wrecked as the result of a tire blowout between Buchanan dam and Burnet. where they were going to attend a picture show.

Mrs. Frank Buck, 80, mother of the big game hunter, Frank Buck, water; Misses Eunice Richards, died Sunday at San Angelo after a long illness. She was a native of Indiana, but 40 years ago lived in Dallas when her famous son was a lad.

A Kelly field instructor and a cadet were killed and an observer critically injured Wednesday when two nightpatrolling army airplanes collided, one of them finally coming to rest in the center of a main highway 12 miles north of San Antonio. The dead men were Lieut. Harold H. Jessen, instructor, and Cadet A. B. O'Brien. George Meador, 23, was critically injured.

Two persons were killed, John O. Beck, about 40, city secretary at Mc-Camey and superintendent of the Mc-Camey water system, and a woman tentatively identified as Mrs. Billy Merkel. All of the children were pre-Edwards, and three others were injured Wednesday night in an auto- died Nov. 17, 1929. mobile-bus collision at the west city On June 11, 1933, he was married more, Yvonne Perkins.



MERKEL, TEXAS, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1941.

On the "Broadway of America"

BADGERS ENGAGE

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FOUR APARTMENTS **CHEESE PLANT** PLANNED OVER OASIS LOCATION

DEATH TUESDAY Plans are being drawn for W. J. Fulwiler of Abilene, owner, for four modern apartments upstairs over the G. M. Sharp, 75, Retired Busi-ness Man, Passes Away After Three Months' Illness; Burial wildings, when remodeling plans are Oasis Filling station location, corner Increased Revenue from Milk A buildings, when remodeling plans are completed.

G. M. Sharp, 75, retired merchant George Smith, former tenant of the and resident of Merkel since 1900. upstairs quarters, has bought the died at his home here at 6:30 a. m. building occupied by his grocery and Tuesday, after an illness of three feed store from L. W. Hilgenberg, in which he has added a deck in the Funeral services were held at 10 rear and equipped it for living quarto'clock Wednesday morning from the ers.

First Baptist church, with Rev. Coop-Frame work has been nearly completed for the 4-story frame cottage which Mrs. W. W. Campbell is having er Waters, the pastor, officiating. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. C. R. Joyner, of Spur, former pastor erected on premises north of her new here. Burial followed in Rose Hill rock home. The new structure, which cemetery under direction of the Baris being built as a rent house, facing row-Sheppard company. Pallbearers were Booth Warren, west, will have a bath and a garage attached. J. L. White is the building Byers Petty, David Gamble, Dee contractor. Grimes, W. O. Boney and Clark

Honor Roll Includes Names of 165 Pupils

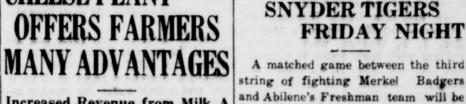
There were 145 students on the been conclusively proven that, when honor roll for the first six-weeks' properly handled, whey is better for period of the 1941-42 session of the chickens and pigs than skimmed milk." Merkel Public schools, according to the list announced by Supt. Connor ager Cox added, "is the nucleus around Robinson Monday. Of this number 85 which farmers can build a better marwere in Grammar school and 60 in ket for eggs, poultry and other farm High school.

The complete list of students on the honor roll follows:

GRAMMAR SCHOOL. Second grade: Glenda Cantrell, and should support (everything be-

Peggy Curb, Jimmie Lou McLeod, ing equal) markets in their trade ter-Ann Booth, Eloise Barker, Bobbie ritory or mail routes." James Dye, Jerry Don Cobb, Sara Joe Owen, San Antonio; Mrs. Carl Weaver, Alice, and Mrs. Nell Lee, Kenneth Baccus, Helen Deel, Billie Kenneth Baccus, Helen Deel, Billie Gene Greenfield, Elmer Lee Sandusky, Bryan Mundy, Connie Mack Seymore Mona Madolyn Robertson, Joan Sey-

Third grade: Doris Black, Patsy



Considerable Sum: Plant also Would be Nucleus For Marketplayed tonight (Thursday) on the lo cal field. The Abilene Eaglets and ing Other Products. third string Badgers are fairly even-

ly matched, so a hard tussle should In addition to playing a big part follow their meeting. in helping in national defense, it is Kick-off will be at 7:30, admission, pointed out by the sponsors of the cents and 5 cents, for the benefit of Merkel Cooperative Cheese plant that the manufacture of cheese locally will the Badger Annual fund. mean decided financial benefits Coach Carroll Benson listed the

individual farmers. The following figures, as furnish-

ed by Manager Johnny Cox of the ledge, c; Milton Cross, lg; David Lar-gent, lt; Ollie Higgins, le; Leroy Smith, rh; Billie Wayne Frazier, lh; Cooperative, indicate briefly the returns, direct and indirect, that will result to the farmer. "A cow producing 20 pounds of milk burn, qb. (2 1-4 gallons) per day for 300 days,

with a butter fat test of four per cent and a market of 44 cents per pound **Lions Pledge 100** for butter fat, will bring her owner \$105, or an average of \$10.50 per month. Increased and decreased production, butter fat test and price

would give proportional results. In addition, the whey from this amount of milk will, with a small amount of Of Public Schools feed, raise one pig to a very large hog, or will keep a nice flock of laying

At Tuesday's luncheon of the Lions hens thrifty and producing. It has annual Red Cross roll call, which gets of the evening. under way on Armistice day, Nov. "A cooperative cheese plant," Man-

Motion to enroll the club's full memproducts, together with a frozen locker plant, for which a demand rapidly growing in this section. man of the Red Cross rural drive in o'clock: "For convenience, farmers prefer Taylor county. Mr. Thompson told the

club the quota had been tripled this year, with the result that 1,000 dollar memberships would have to be sold in Taylor county outside of Abi-**First Baptist Church**

lene. Honors W. J. Largent Members and friends of the First

Frank Breaux and Ray Wilson, was Holloway; twelfth, Jean Paine. Members and friends of the First Baptist church, two hundred and fif- Elma McFarland to help raise Mer-

Per Cent In Annual

Red Cross Roll Call

PLAN CARNIVAL FUN AND FROLIC, FRIDAY NIGHT FOR HALLOWE'EN

Annual Affair to be Staged at High School Gymnasium Thursday Night, Oct. 30; Two Queens to be Chosen.

Room mothers, teachers and students are busy making all arrangements for the annual Hallowe'en Carnival to be given in the Merkel High School gymnasium, Thursday night, Oct. 30. Plans are under way to make following starting line-up: Calvin it the largest and most colorful car-Peterson, rg; Russell Smith, rt; nival yet given by the Merkel Parent-Wallace Frazier, re; Waymon Rut- Teacher association.

The doors will open at 6:30 and from that hour until 10:30 there will be a continuous program of fun and George Froeschl, fb; Buddy Mash- entertainment.

> Admission at the door will be 5 cents. There will be food booths, where "hot dogs," coffee, doughnuts, pies and cakes, cold drinks and ice cream will be sold, and also many fun booths. One of the feature attractions of the evening will be a stage show spon-sored by the High School Players' club.

A prize of 50 cents each will be given to the boy and girl wearing the cleverest Hallowe'en costume. A prize club members of this organization of \$2.50 will be awarded to the booth pledged themselves 100 per cent in the turning in the most money at the end

Climax of the program will be the crowning of two Carnival queens-one from High school and one from Grambership was made by Booth Warren, mar school-which will take place at following announcement of the roll 10 o'clock. The following queens have call campaign by L. R. Thompson of been selected by the classes and will Abilene, county auditor, who is chair- be introduced from the stage at

> First grade, Jan Lemens; second, Ann Booth; third, Wanda Tipton; fourth, Sandra Sadler; fifth, Barbara Sue McCoy; sixth, Marilyn Petty; seventh, Clara Frances Dwiggins; eighth, Mary Faye Johnson.

A committee from the Lions club, Ninth grade, Jean Curb; tenth, consisting of Dee Grimes, chairman, Bobbie Nell Bicknell; eleventh, Joy

Winners will be determined by the Jueen" having

limits of Midland.

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Angelo, died in a hospital Tuesday night as the result of injuries she suffered in a traffic accident east of Brownwood.

John Scharbauer, 89, head of wide-West Texas, died of a heart attack in noon.

Appointment of Karl Hoblitzelle of Dallas as chairman of the Texas Centennial of Statehood commission was announced Wednesday. He was named by Garland Adair, statehood commissioner, and the appointment was confirmed by Governor Stevenson.

Buford Test, Third Well in Merkel Pool,

Third producing well for the Merkel pool, northeast of town, W. H. Peckham of Wichita Falls No. 1 L. C. Buford flowed 137 barrels of oil in 4 hours and 55 minutes Wednesday, establishing a rating of 650 barrels, according to railroad commission potential gauge.

Production was natural from a lime section of 2,595 to 2,602 feet.

The well is a west offset to the Lewis Production No. 1 L. L. Huddleston, second well for the Merkel pool. which opened the second and deeper pay zone.

Peckham is due to move a rig on a and No. 1 Perry, for his next test.

Staley Oil company No. 1 Morgan, north offset to the No. 1 Buford, had cemented casing above a showing of oil in the same lime section at approximately the same depth.

Ungren & Frazier No. 1 Trinity university, Taylor county wildcat two and a half miles north of Merkel, was underreaming seven-inch casing from 2,817 to a total depth of 2,919 feet.

Study Group Observes Parenthood Week

"Child Development" was studied by of 10 members over last year's enthe P.-T. A. Study Group which met rollment. dren What the Schools Make Them?"

hood week, which is from Oct. 20 to drive. Oct. 26, were pointed out. Others The room securing the most mem-present were Mesdames Grover Gil- bers has not been completely checked; bert, Clyde Reid and Edwin Walker. | yet.

to Mrs. Ida Chunn, who survives. Mrs. A. W. Williams, 24, of San Other survivors are a brother, Ed Jean Clark, Connie Beth Harris. Sharp, Stephenville, eleven grand- Norma Jean Hodge, Bobbie Nell children and one great-grandchild.

RESIDENT SINCE

Wednesday.

were honorary pallbearers.

Serving as flower girls were Mes-

dames Lucile White, Elsie Nash, J.

E. Boaz, Jr., L. V. Moore, Chester

Hutcheson, Howard Laney, Hoyle

Lemens and Glenn Bledsoe of Sweet-

Thelma Mathews and Grovene Ford.

as a retired business man of the

city, all the stores remained closed dur-

George Mason Sharp was born Nov.

26, 1865, in Tuscaloosa, Ala. He mov-

ed to Limestone county, Texas, at

an early age, then resided in Erath

county until the turn of the century

when he moved to Merkel. He was

married in 1890 to Annie Edwards.

George Sharp, Fort Worth; Dallas

(Dick) Sharp, Stephenville; Mrs. D.

C. Barnes, Plain Dealings, La.; Mrs.

sent when death came. Mrs. Sharp

Six children survive this union:

ing the hour of the funeral.

As a mark of respect to Mr. Sharp

months.

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Merkel, he was associated with his Maxine Buchanan, Barbara Bryant, brother, the late J. P. Sharp, in the Margie Skurlock, Wanda Tipton, Mary spread cattle, banking, oil and real dry goods and grocery business, later estate interests which had their begin- being engaged in the feed and grocery ning in the days of the open range in business for himself. During the years he was in business, he was an a Fort Worth hospital Monday after- active cotton buyer. Mr. Sharp was ris, Allen Alvin James, Sue Mayfield, converted at an early age and united Borden Perkins, Sandra Sadler. with the Baptist church.

Badger Band, Merkel Business Men Give Program at Divide

Tuesday night a group of Merkel business men, accompanied by the Merkel Badger band, directed by Ray Taylor, Marilyn Petty, Jackie Toombs, Olivadoti, presented a program at the Divide school gymnasium in the inter-Divide school and preceded a negro Mathews. minstrel by local talent.

A large crowd enthusiastically cheered the numbers given by the band. The drum majorettes were very impressive in their baton twirling and received, as did the band, many fine compliments on their performance.

The organization plan of the cooperative cheese plant and its enlarged advantages to the farmers of this community were thoroughly explained in a brief talk by Manager Johnny Cox of the Merkel cooperative.

On behalf of the Cooperative Cheese Plant sponsors, appreciation is exlocation west, between No. 1 Buford pressed to the band, Band Director Olivadoti, the bus drivers, Irl Walker and Bose Williams, and school officials, for making possible this program. Further appreciation is expressed to Supt. Norris and the people of Divide for their fine cooperative hospitality.

Trent P.-T. A. Hears

enrolled 221 members during the annual membership campaign, it was announced Wednesday by the chairman, Mrs. H. C. Reid. This was an increase V. Clark, rh; Higgins, lh; Smith, fb. R.

Wednesday morning at 9:30 with Mrs. | Mrs. Reid and the membership com Charles Knight. The Parents Maga- mittee, Mrs. Owen Robertson, Mrs. zine was used in the study with Mrs. O. E. Harwell and Mrs. J. S. Grant, Frank Breaux discussing "What to and the local P.-T. A. president, Mrs. Expect of a Young Child," Mrs. Ray Grover Gilbert, wish to express their Wilson, "Growing With Books," and appreciation to the room representa-Mrs. Charles Knight, "Are Our Chil- tives chairman, Mrs. Ernest Teaff, and all room mothers for their sup-Two objectives of Better Parent- port and co-operation given in this

Jinkens, John Ed Bow, Dudley Farr, For many years after coming to Charlie Ben Garvin, Bobbie Griswold, Tom Weston, Jesse Newton, Patsy Swann, William Robertson. Fourth grade: Mary Lou Bowen

Wanda Joyce Brewer, Betty Sue Har-

Fifth grade: Peggy Ann Bicknell, Lena Jo Fulton, Jimmie Boyd, Roger Bailey, Thelma Barbee, John Jay Horn, Betty Jean Derington, Barbara Sue McCoy, Patricia Turner, Gerald West, Leland Mundy, Jorene Risinger, Billy Reid, Peggy Humphrey, Beth Lee Thompson, Virgil Horton, Martha Faye Smith, Corda Jean Kemper.

Sixth grade: Betty Joan James, Mary Katherine Hampton, Betty Su Seventh grade: Clara Frances Dwiggins, Billie Joyce Ford, Peggy Produces 650 Barrels est of the Merkel Cooperative Cheese Joyce Hampton, Billy Pat Nash, plant. This program was given on in-vitation of Supt. H. D. Norris of the Murel Denn Thompson, Petty Jean

> Eighth grade: Bobby Joe Bland, horns. Mrs. Riney led the congrega-Robert Simpson, Joan Brown, Ann tion in singing several rounds. Groene, Wanda Mae Hudson, Mary Ruth Hutcheson, Mary Faye Johnson, La Fern Stanford, Lola Mae Roland, Nellie Faye Sandusky, Alice McLean. HIGH SCHOOL.

Ninth grade: Geneva Allen, Jean Curb, Doris Dudley, Becky Gaither, Betty Gilbert, Reba Kingsbury, (Continuea on Page Two)

Third String Badgers Meet Abilene Eaglets

After a week-end of rest, the Badgers are refreshed and ready to add another victim to their list of conquered. Friday night they go to Snyder and expect to easily take the Tigers. Snyder's team has lost two conference games, with Loraine topping them last Friday, 7-6. The Badgers Members in Drive are still undefeated after five games.

The starting line-up, according to Coach Carroll Benson, follows: Elbert Merkel Parent-Teacher association Hickam, re; Butman, rt; Euell Hickam, rg; Warren, c; Derington, lg; Reynolds, It; Cox, le; Melton, qb; V. Clark is taking over the position

> of blocking back, just vacated by J. C. Carson. The Badgers have yet to meet their

> toughest competition for District 6A championship. Next Friday, Oct. 31; Merkel will play Roby here. Rotan will play here Armistice, Nov. 11. The Badger eleven will journey to Baird Nov. 20 for the final conference game. Roby and Baird rank with Merkel in first place with all conference wins, with neither team being scored against in the conference. Last week, Baird outclassed Rotan 26-0, and

Roby stopped Roscoe 38-0.

ty strong, gathered in the church basement on Monday night, Oct. 20, for

Besides Mr. Thompson, other guests an all-church party. Honor guests were Willie Joe Largent, who has served as Sunday School superintendent for fifteen years, and his family. The family members who were of Abilene, and John Stagner and L ed and decorations put up.

and Cherry Lynn of Childress, and Mrs. Largent. In order to gain admittance, every-

one presented a ticket in the form of an old-fashioned family-picture. Mem-

bers of the young People's department took tickets. Intermediate girls furnished everyone a receipt for his picture, a miniature of the first

church building. Church musicians gave an enjoyable, varied program. Dwight Swafford played a group of favorite piano num-

bers; Thelma Mathews sang "An Old-Fashioned Garden" and "When Your Hair Has Turned to Silver;" Oct. 20.

Mrs. Don Riney and W. A. Bowman sang "Wonderful Man of Galilee;" Mary Eleanor King played a medley of sacred numbers; Billy Haynes, Charlsye Smith. Clyde Bartlett and Jack Haynes play-

ed a group of sacred songs on their High point of the social was the

picture show consisting of pictures representing almost every family in the church. Several times during the show Mr. Bowman led in singing the theme song for the evening, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." As the pic-

ture of the modern church building was flashed upon the screen, Mrs. ture.' Sam Swann gave a tribute to its past and present membership. Pastor Cooper Waters, who has recently re-

Charlie West, who with her husband

To MHS Senior Class

mer's poem, "Trees."

Bill Tom Hutcheson, class president, presided for the business session. Jean Paine, secretary; Jack Hester,

lma McFari kel's quota.

of votes, which will be a penny each. The gymnasium will be open to the at the luncheon were Joe P. Self, now room mothers and class sponsors from of Abilene, former president of the 9 a. m. Thursday, Oct. 30, on through Merkel Lions club; C. C. Head, also the day so that booths may be arrang-

munities are invited to attend

Week's Ginnings in Area 1,349 Bales

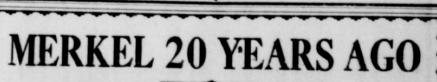
Following the 3½ inch rain early last week, cotton picking and ginning were almost at a standstill for the balance of the week, but Wednesday night's tabulation by The Mail of ginnings at the six plants here and those at Stith, Blair and Noodle reveals a surprising total of 1,349 bales for the week's run.

Total ginnings to date for the season in this area are 7,521. Up to the same date last year, 7,920 bales had been ginned.

Juniors Sponsor Hay **Ride Monday Night**

The Junior class of Merkel High school is sponsoring a hay ride culminating in a weiner roast Monday night, with everyone invited to meet at the High School gymnasium at 7:00 and join in the fun.

Charge per person is 25 cents with proceeds going to the Junior class fund to sponsor Joy Holloway as queen at the Hallowe'en Carnival.



(From Files of The Merkel Mail, October 21, 1921.)

Mrs. Ergeal Meadow and little, and most substantial families. She attending the Fair a few days.

Postmaster Shirley King left first will spend some ten days' vacation. cient in the performance of his duties as postmaster and his friends are glad of his privilege of a few days away from strenuous duties.

POPULAR COUPLE WED IN ABILENE

On last Sunday evening about seven o'clock, Mr. Parker Booth Warren and Miss Zoe West, both prominent Other officers who made reports were: and popular young people of Merkel, Jean Paine, secretary; Jack Hester, were happily united in marriage at the ceremony the happy couple left treasurer; Tag Shouse, reporter; Ruth the First Baptist church in Abilene; for Merkel where the energetic and Bell and Donald Cade, historians; the Rev. Millard A. Jenkens officiat- thoughtful young banker had prev.

daughter returned last week after is highly educated, accomplished and in fact one of Merkel's most charming

and popular young ladies; while the of the week for South Texas where he groom, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren, also a pioneer citizen Mr. King has been faithful and effi- and builder of Merkel, is one of our most popular young business men; being connected with the Farmers d Merchants National bank of this city as assistant cashier and in which position he is most efficient; and by his pleasing manners, courtesy and honesty has not only built for himself a most enviable record, but has added strength and growth to the splendid institution with which he is associated.

We are told that immediately after Mrs. Comer Haynes, sponsor. Guests were: Mrs. Ellen Duncan, sponsor of the Junior class, and mem-bers of the two speech classes. in Merkel as one of our pioneer, best in which the happy couple are now in Merkel as one of our pioneer, best

Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First Baptist church, was programspeaker for the regular Senior Class meeting, held Thursday morning, Oct. 16. Venita Allen, program chairman,

introduced the speaker. In the message, "Trees Versus Men," Rev. Mr. Waters inspired the class to rise above their natures. His thoughts were based upon Jcyce Kil-

(Continued on Page Two) **Baptist Pastor Speaks**

able to attend were their daughter and H. Vasbinder, both of Dallas, associat- All Merkel and surrounding com granddaughter, Mrs. Royce Eiland ed with the Chevrolet Motor company. Opening singsong was led by Rev. Marvin Boyd, with Gay West at the piano. Invocation was given by Mr.

Thompson.

Trent P. T. A. Hears Talks on "Home in

National Picture"

Trent, Oct. 23 .- The regular monthly meeting of the Trent Parent-Teacher association was held Monday night,

Miss Christine Collins presented a musical program in which the following took part: Cecil and Don Friend, Cliffa Jean Estep, Troy Kegans and

In the business session which follow ed, plans were made for the P.-T. A to sponsor a Hallowe'en Carnival on Oct. 31.

The speaker for the evening, scheduled to be present, Judge James P. Stinson, of Abilene, could not appear because of the illness of his wife, and Mrs. Bud Winter and Supt. R. L. Fortune gave an impromptu program

on "The Home in the National Pic-

jected a call to the First Baptist church of Eastland, received applause as his present-day picture was shown. Clark Mundy paid tribute to him. The last picture shown was a recent picture of Mr. Largent. Mrs.

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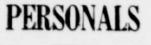
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Mrs. Carl Mathews and daughter, Brenda Carlynn, Mrs. H. G. Stephenson, Miss Estella Stephenson, Abi- visiting Mrs. West's sister and brothlene; Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Stephen- er-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Randel. son and son, Jerry Don, of San Angelo, visited Sunday in the R. H. Mathews, home.

Little Rodney Sheppard drove down from Big Spring with Mrs. Cecil Guthrie last Thursday and remained for a visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sheppard.

Misses Louise Patterson and Tommye Grimes arrived on the train Saturday morning from Texas State College for Women to spend the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Patterson and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Grimes. They returned to Denton Monday morning. Miss Patterson is ma-Grimes is majoring in home demon- Bliss, El Paso. stration and textile goods.

ed over the week-end with Miss Pearl Mathews.

Mrs. Ellen Duncan spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Boyd, and with her sisters, Mrs. A. L. Trowbridge and Mrs. Moye Smith, at Sweetwater.

Supt. and Mrs. Connor Robinson.

************************* TOYS -:- WAGONS Tricycles -:- Skates For Birthdays For Parties WEST'S AUTO

SUPPLY STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin E. Read and Mr. Texas Organizes 3637 and Mrs. Chester Collinsworth saw the **Observation Posts** T. C. U.-A. & M. game at Fort Worth last week-end, going over to Dallas

home with Mrs. Turner.

a stroke about a month ago.

Lubbock over the week-end.

turned to his home

Barbee

n Fort Worth.

A. T. Sheppard.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Sheppard ar-

ived Wednesday from Dallas for a

risit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Rev. Paul Collins, wife and family

nave returned to Merkel to make their

nome here. Condition of Mr. Collins

health was such that he is giving up

the ministry. After Jan. 1, he will en-

gage in farming, but temporarily he

is assisting his brother, at the Elmo

Texas.

home

after the game to visit the State Fair Austin, Oct. 23 .- The state of Texof Texas. They returned home Sun-W. A. Altman of Denton, a nephew

at Camp Barkeley and is making his jurisdiction of the Third Interceptor as the station. command, Governor Coke Stevenson, J. I. Ford returned Monday from a chairman of the National Defense first class seaman, who joined the two-weeks' visit with his daughter, committee for Texas, announced to-Mrs. Roy J. Massey, at Dallas. While day.

away, he also went to Celeste to visit a brother, John Ford, who suffered been completely organized. The next high school together. highest number was reported from Mr. and Mrs. Booth Warren, ac-North Carolina with 500 posts organiz-

companied by Mr. Warren's mother, ed. The U. S. Army Air force has as-Mrs. J. T. Warren, were week-end signed the state of Texas the duty of visitors with their sister and daughsetting up 3,637 observation posts, ter, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Coit, and Governor Stevenson reported. This is family, in Dallas. They greatly entwo and a half times the number asjoyed the Ice-Capades as Saturday signed to Oklahoma, the next highest, night diversion at the State Fair of which has been called upon to establish 1,499 posts, and is more than three Mr. and Mrs. John West and daughtimes as many as the average number ter, Gay, spent Sunday in Quanah, of posts for each of the eleven states Governor Stevenson is in receipt of a communication from Brigadier Gen-Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reid and Mr. eral W. H. Frank, commanding the and Mrs. T. L. Reid, of Santa Anna, Third Interceptor command, congratuwere callers Sunday in the McNiece lating the civilian observation posts in East Texas on the effectiveness of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hays and son, their work during the recent maneu-

Carroll, Mrs. Jarrett Pinckley and vers. The posts there will not be man-Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sparks of Abined again until further instructions ene visited relatives at Tahoka and are received by the Air Force. As explained by the U.S. army,

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tenison and the Aircraft Warning Service which family, who were guests during the is being organized over the entire week in the Joe Nalley home, departed country is designed to protect the Wednesday for their home at Anton. Thursday to spend his 15 days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. the United States army and has re- prepare themselves against air raids.

Misses Imogene Hayes and Himalya Of the 21 posts in Taylor county, Swafford, who teach in the Odessa R. T. Gray as post organizer in this schools, were home last week-end. community has been instrumental in Merkel High school in 1940 and soon Glendel Barbee, student at A. & M. establishing five, three near Merkel after graduation, he joined the U. S. Armstrong and Miss Linnie Fay Armollege, spent the week-end at home and two near Trent: with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J.

Locations of the posts, with the respective chief observers are: Mt. has proven his sterling character in Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb re- Pleasant, Stanley King; Castle Peak, urned Wednesday from a visit with Chester Collinsworth; Salt Branch, heir daughter, Mrs. George Coker. Byers Petty; Derstine Park, Luther Land, and south of Trent, G. L. Quattlebaum.

Surprise George Cook On His 58th Birthday

George Cook of Hawley was honored on his 58th birthday Sunday by having a large number of his relatives present for a surprise birthday dinner. Mr. Cook thought he had had surprise enough before the guests presented

Elwood Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. as has now taken the lead in the num- | A. H. Murphee, Merkel, Route 4, has ber of civilian observation posts received his second promotion to fireorganized for the Aircraft Warning man second class on the USS Minneof Mrs. Ed Turner, is now employed Service in the eleven states under the apolis, with Pearl Harbor, Hawaii,

Merkel Boys Making

Good in U.S. Navy

THE MERKEL MAIL

On the same ship is Etsel Hunter, navy at the same time, July 5, 1940. Etsel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A total of 557 of these posts have C. Hunter. They went to Merkel

Record of Births.

Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dillard, Thursday, October 16, 1941. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Orvin Robinson, Monday, October 20, 1941. Girl, to Mr. and Mrs. James Willams, Monday, October 20, 1941.

Pillow cases do not wear out so fast when they are two inches wider and ten inches longer than the pillows.

RURAL SOCIETY

COOK-ELLISON.

Geneva Ellison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ellison, became the bride of J. W. Cook Saturday at Sweetwater. The wedding was performed at 10:30 a. m. by Rev. A. C. Healer, pastor of Live Oak Baptist church.

Mrs. Cook is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ellison and is known for her lovely disposition and United States from aerial attack. Its numbers her friends by her acquaint-Cpl. Jack Smith arrived here last effectiveness, the army officials state, ances. She is a senior in Merkel High rests upon the co-operation of the school and is an accomplished speakthousands of civilian observers who er. She was attired in beautiful soljoring in home economics while Miss Ford Smith. He is stationed at Fort will scan the skies for the approach dier blue with black accessories. Her of hostile aircraft and report by tele- bridal bouquet was of lovely white Sgt. Royce Curb, last stationed at phone to army centers where the in- mums. For something old, she carried Miss Joyce Turner of Roscoe visit- Fort Francis Warren, Wyo., has re- formation is assembled and used as a a handkerchief made in Sweden giv ceived an honorable discharge from basis for the civilian population to en her by Mrs. Frank Demere, which

had belonged to Mrs. Demere for a number of years. J. W. is the only son of Mr. and Mrs.

Artist Cook. He was graduated from army where he has had several pro- strong. Refreshments, games and decomotions and as in every thing else he rations were of Hallowe'en theme.

every way possible. Mr. and Mrs. Cook are to make their Lee, H. W. Hester, Angus Garvin, in training at Camp Bowie. The entire community wish them a long and rett Pinckley, Joe C. Higgins, Nim happy life.

MRS. J. W. COOK HONORED.

Mrs. Frank Demere and Mrs. Joe Weston were joint hostesses to a beau- Christine Garvin, Ruth Pinckley, and tiful Hallowe'en party Tuesday after- the following children, Carroll Hays,

in honor of Mrs. J. W. Cook, nee Miss Joe Woodard. Geneva Ellison. Various games and Those sending gifts were Mesdames contests furnished amusement until W. U. Beene, Ed Turner, R. H. Math-

THE NAVY IS ON GUARD

Navy Day October 27th

The great mobile fortresses of the United States fleet-the greatest in the world-form America's first line of defense.

Today our navy is alert and ready, to uphold the glorious traditions of John Paul Jones, Stephen Decatur, David Farragut, and a long line of immortal sea heroes whose deeds have won respect for the American flag in all the waters of the world.

Americans have a right to feel proud and a right to feel secure-East and West-while the Navy is on the job.

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MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

and Paul E. Farmer.

BRIDAL SHOWER.

On Friday afternoon, Oct. 17, Mrs. George Wharton, (nee Lorena Higgins,) was complimented with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. Horace

Those registering were Mesdames George Wharton, Bill Hays, W. C

home in Brownwood where J. W. is Joe Jaynes, Gordon Hass, Lloyd Baird, Sam Hammock, Leroy Hammock, Jar-

Teaff, J. J. Jowers, Vernon Hudson, J. S. Pinckley, Ollie Higgins, Austin Robertson, J. O. Armstrong, Rupert Woodard; Misses Peggy Robertson, noon at the church at White Church Gloria Teaff, Paul Higgins, Ronnie

a late hour when the honoree was pre- ews and Johnny Teaff; Misses Sue

be there. Achievement day will be in the home of Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Nov. 18. It will be an all-day affair. Each member is to bring a covered dish. A Thanksgiving program will be given in the afternoon.

Refreshments of fruit jello, cookies, fruit cake and iced punch were served to Miss Lottie Butman and Mesdames A. R. Toombs, A. L. Farmer, Ford Butman, Tom Russom, Will Butman, Dewell McLean, R. G. Toombs. Joe Swinney, Jim Perry, Ray Reynolds, Elmer Patterson and the hostess and children.



CAFE

Clarence Perry, Prop.

1.45

Friday, October 24, 1941.



Collins Service station.

25 beautifully-designed HALLMARK Christmas Cards, smartly imprinted with your own name in sparkling silver or gold. Includes envelopes. Really the biggest Christmas Card value. Come in soon and choose your favorite design.



the large and varied selection of gifts, but he had to admit that this was a good part of the surprise.

At the dinner hour turkey and dressing, with all the trimmings, was served to forty-five guests: his mother, Mrs. J. M. Cook, Merkel; Mr. and son and three children, Coahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Grant Riggan and daughter, Jim Cook, Mrs. Inez Chadwick, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Rose, Mr. and Mrs.

Cook and daughter, Abilene; Mrs. George Cook and Lanelle, hostesses. Two children of the honoree who were not present were Pvt. Howard Earl Cook of Fort Clark and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Baker, Bisbee, Ariz.

Baptists

(Continued from Page One)

served for a number of years as secretary of the Sunday School, brought the tribute to Mr. Largent. The pastor presented the gift from the churcha platform rocking chair.

At the close of the program, ladies from the adult department served bottled punch.

Mr. Largent, who is retiring as Sunday School superintendent after having served for 15 years, is succeeded by Comer Haynes, who assumed his new duties last Sunday.

Honor Roll

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Valerie Leonard.

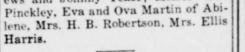
Tenth grade: Bonnie Jaynes, Carlene Hughes, Dean Bigham, Dorothy Jinkens, Frances Walker, Bobbie Nell Bicknell, David Largent.

Eleventh grade: Avalene Mathews, Esther Farr, Dorothy Nell Groene, Gwindolene Sandusky, Ruth Butman, Crenella Swope, Johnnie McDonald, Mary Alice Hester, Mary Jo Hutchins, Patricia Leonard, Willie Sue Morgan, Ala Jean Kingbury, Wanda McCoy, Nedra Swafford, Don Hutcheson, Jack Haynes, Harold Powers, Billy Gamble, Jack Butman, Wanda Dingle. Twelfth grade: Glenn Barnes, Edward Bigham, Ernest Blackburn, Donald Cade, Billy Haynes, Jack Hester, Billy Tom Hutcheson, Joe Kimbrough, Cheetham McFarland, Buster Jack Melton, Dwight Swafford, Tag Shouse, Jim Sublett, Venita Allen, Ruth Bell, Mary Jo Bicknell, Joyce Cox, Martha Denton, Sue Grimes, Iva Ruth McWilliams, Jeanette Neff, Nina Orsborn, Jean Paine, Sue Pinckley, Bobbye Teaff, Janet Teaff.

sented a lovely array of gifts. A delectable refreshment in the Hal. lowe'en theme was passed to the fol- Harris.

lowing: Mesdames J. W. Cook, Roy Ellison, Artist Cook, J. B. Bunch, P. R. McLean, Ed Blackburn, Ernest Meeks, R. L. Swinney and Travis, J. C. Mrs. Sam Cook, Mrs. Vance Cour. Riggan, A. D. Barnes, J. H. Swinney, R. D. Hunter and baby, Sara Frances, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Cook er and Raymond Reed and children, A. R. Toombs led in prayer. A mem-Roy Hunter, O. W. Reed, John Coomand son, Mrs. Tutt Garnett, Matador; Jimmie, Ann and Hazel Conley, Bill and J. B. Weston. Tacker.

Those sending gifts were Mesdames Waymon Adcock and son, Merkel; A. L. Farmer, Hugh Campbell, Susie Mrs. Roy Meeks, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Doan, E. E. Conley, Deverle Conley, Meeks, Slaton; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. W. S. Hendrix, M. E. Harris, A. M. tary-treasurer, Mrs. R. G. Toombs; Meeks, Lubbock; Mrs. T. D. Scott, Jackson, M. H. Farmer, J. D. Harreporter, Mrs. Ray Reynolds; coun-Trent; Mrs. Buck Cook and daughter, din, Rex McLean, H. E. Farmer, John cil member, Mrs. Ford Butman; par-Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Gilbreth, Mr. and Frazier, Dewey Rodgers, Marvin Eg- liamentarian, Mrs. Dewell McLean. Mrs. Floyd Watts and two sons, An- ger, Fraze Demere; Misses Lois Har-On Nov. 1, Family Fun night will son; Mr. and Mrs. Ray DeRusha and ris, Johnnye Hardin, Betty Perkins, be in the form of a Hallowe'en party.



BLUEBONNET CLUB. Mrs. Ralph Miller was hostess to the Bluebonnet club in the home of Mrs. Tom Russom, Oct. 14. Mrs. A. L. Farmer called the club to order and

-:- Mamburgers orial service was held for Miss Hattie -:- Steaks Officers were elected for 1942: presi-:- Sandwiches dent, Mrs. A. L. Farmer; vice-president, Mrs. Elmer Patterson; secre-

> Your Patronage Will Be Appreciated



Friday, October 24, 1941

Negro Minstrel is Staged at Divide

A negro minstrel, sponsored by the homemakers club of Divide high school, was presented in the school auditorium Tuesday night.

Jack Stinebaugh, high school principal, was interlocutor, with Less Lister, Raleigh Mason, Hershal Hammonds and Edward Lewis as endmen. A large number of community men and women appeared in the chorus and various stunts.

Members of the cast were J. B. Westerfield, Mrs. Less Lister, Dorma Jean Buchanan, Lorene Clayton, Ruth Dunlap, Dot Lucas, Joyce Dudley, Bertha Nell Daniels, Mrs. Gar-Wesley Moore, Adrain Barton and taken for treatment. Odis Moore.

Olga Ann Elliott, homemaking played the accompaniments.

The first post office in the United States was established in 1639 at the home of Richard Fairbanks in Boston.



1.45

Champion Lamb of Divide Boy Sells For \$1.25 per pound

Alfred Pool, Divide 4-H club boy showed the grand champion Southdown lamb at State Fair of Texas. Dallas.

When sold at auction Saturday, the lamb brought \$1.25 per pound. Neuhoff Packing company of Dallas purchased the lamb at the unusually high price. The regular market price was around 12 cents.

LOCAL NEWS BRIEFS FOR SALE- Windcharged radio and

Mrs. Lucile White was called to land Story, Jean Pool, Mrs. Frank Maryneal Tuesday by the illness of FOR SALE-Largent white face bull Keller, Harold Wayne Ensminger, her father, Wesley Edwards. Mr. Ed-Elton Barton, Raymond Cross, Mac wards, who suffered a heart attack, Hyde, Mrs. Jess Brown, Elvin Lewis, was reported improved Wednesday at Everett Jones, Carson Buchanan, Carl the Roscoe hospital, where he was FOR SALE-Three houses in Merkel;

Among those from out-of-town here teacher, directed the minstrel and for the funeral of G. M. Sharp Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Yates Brown of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards of Monahans and Allen Edwards of Maryneal.

> Clarence Perry has opened a new cafe in town-the Postoffice cafe, located, as its name indicates, just across the alley from the post office. SEED WHEAT; have 4,800 lbs. He will feature hamburgers, steaks and sandwiches.

> Improvements under way at the Mathews Texaco station include a new ceiling to the building and drive, also the partitioning of an office inside. W. E. Lowe is owner of the building, R. H. Mathews, Sr., being operator of FOR RENT OR SALE-Building the Texaco station.

Friends here have learned of the removal of W. S. Slayden and family from Santa Paula, Calif., to Enide Okla

Worthy Matron Attends **Grand Chapter Meeting**

As worthy matron of the Merkel chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, Mrs. Andy Shouse will represent the local chapter at the Grand Chap- BRING US YOUR LAUNDRY; wet ter meeting of the state of Texas to be in session at Amarillo from Monday to Friday of next week. Mrs. Shouse may be accompanied by other members of her chapter, arrangements being incomplete at this WE TEST CREAM every day in the time

ORDER APPROVING COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

On this 13th day of Oct., 1941, the Commissioners' Court, Taylor County, Texas, in regular session compared and examined the Quarterly report of Roy C. Fuller, County Treasurer, for the quarter ending Sept. 30th, 1941 and WILL PAY CASH for clean cotton found the same to be correct and the respective amounts to have been received and paid out since the preceding report.

THE MERKEL MAIL

Classified

-:- Ads -:-

FOR SALE

FOR SALE-Two mares, one 5 years

old, other smooth-mouthed; also 3

year-old horse and two mule colts;

some bundle cane. Lige Harris,

calf, subject to registration. C. K.

160-acre farm, 20 miles northwest;

35 good one and two year old steers,

some cows and calves. Joe Garland.

FOR SALE-1937 Special Deluxe

Chevrolet town sedan. Herbert Pat-

Route 2, Merkel, Texas.

Russell.

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per sack.) Booth Warren.

E. M. McDonald for key.

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FOR RENT

corner Elm and Edwards streets;

can give possession immediately,

building formerly occupied by Bar-

row Furniture Company. Write E.

AN APARTMENT FREE to couple

for company and to help with

chores. Mabel McRee, Route 2, Mer-

WANTED

or dry wash, or do it yourself; we have mangle and hand iron to do

your finished work. Stevens Laun-

week; pay cash for all produce,

cream, eggs and chickens. See us before you sell. Merkel Creamery, in

rear Campbell's grocery. Joe Stalls,

a used windmill. Joe Amason.

Nubia News Everyone is still pulling bolls and ily Sunday. wishing for pretty weather so it can e finished Mr. and Mrs. Sam Butman, Jr.

and Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Latimer visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cordill Tuesday. Mrs. J. L. Cargill and daughter

Annie C., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cargill of Brownwood.

Marvin Hester of Abilene spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Hester. Miss Mildred McLean, who is in

college at Stephenville, spent the week-end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewell McLean. Tex Little has returned home after

working a month in East Texas. Miss Louise Richie spent the weekend in Abilene with Miss Mary Huf. and Mrs. Quannah Dudley. stedler.

(Omitted Last Week.) W. C. Mathews attended church last Sunday at the M. E. Church at

The pastor and his wife, Rev. and

period of more than five years; and duly registered, using and enjoying TRACTOR TIRES for sale, new and that he has been cultivating, using

and enjoying the same for more than used; good stock 6.00-16 used tires. ten years, during which period he has had such land and tenements actually enclosed

Nubia.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays Tenmarg seed wheat, free of Johnthat the Defendants and each of them son grass, recleaned, in new 100be cited to answer this petition, and lb. sacks, at \$1.50 per bushel (\$2.50 that on a final hearing hereof he have judgment for the title and possession of the premises described above, to which he may show himself entitled

to receive. Issued this the 30th day of September, 1941.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Abilene, Texas, this the 30th day of September, G. Neely, 4311 Hall St., Dallas. See A. D., 1941. ROY SKAGGS, Clerk,

District Court, Taylor County, Texas By Penn Gilbreth, Deputy.

Leroy Riney.

losed, night or day, in 125 years.

Mrs. J. B. Stewart, ate dinner with Sees Brother First Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Latimer and fam-W. B. Cargill of Brownwood visited with his mother and sister, Mrs. J. L.

Cargill and Annie C., last week-end. Lula Bell Patterson spent last Sunday with Betty Jo Seymore. Donald Latimer visited Sunday with

Jack Whisenhunt and Elby Frazier of Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Matthews and daughter, La Del, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Toombs and Mrs. Allie Toombs

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pyle and Mrs. T. A. Blackburn visited with Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Horton and family last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Riney spent Saturday night at Divide with Mrs. Riney's sister and brother-in-law, Mr.

Rena Mae Dean of Union Ridge spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs.

The doors of the principal club in Batavia, capital of Jave, have not been

Time in 36 Years

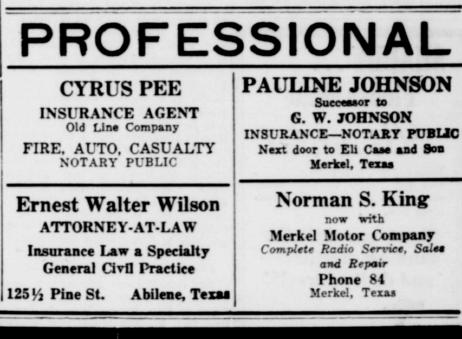
Mrs. D. G. Ash has returned from a two months' visit in Hayesville, N. C., with her brother, Arthur Passmore, whom she hadn't seen in 36 vears.

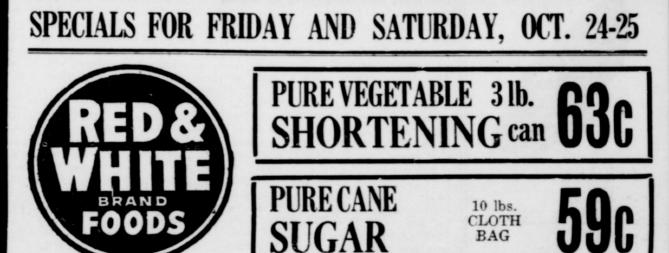
Accompanied by her niece, Mrs. Lillie Keith of Grandbury, and nephew, Zeb Tidwell, of Alexander, she also visited relatives and friends in Tennessee and Georgia, and after returning to Texas stopped at Austin for a month and then visited in Hico before coming home.

SINCE 1883

Ballard's Snow Liniment has been an inexpensive aid in relieving the discomforts of Muscular Congestion that accompanies Sprains, Strains, Bruises, and Muscular Soreness from over-exertion or undue exposure. In 30c and 60c bottles.

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Fund	Balance Last Repo	rt This		Out Balance Qtr. Sept. 30, '41
Jury Fund	10,699.33	\$ 1,506.20		
Prect. No. 1, Fund	19,480.25	3,031.48		
Prect. No. 2, Fund	25,451.87	2,567.66		
Prect. No. 3, Fund	4.733.65	2,288.18		
Prect. No. 4, Fund	8,872.93	2,890.32		
3rd Class Gen. Fund	11,245.87	6,600.95		
5th Class Pauper Fund	9,693.110			
Court House Skg. Fund	385.88	274.57		
Road Dist. No.1 Skg. Fund		490.36		
Road Dist. No. 2 Skg. Fun		34.59	430.0	
Road Dist. No. 3 Skg. Fun		32.38		
Road Dist. No. 4 Skg. Fun		10.41		
Road Dist. No. 5 Skg. Fun		94.90		
Road Dist. No. 6 Skg. Fun		5.15		
Road Dist. No. 7 Skg Fund		1,146.60	1,723.5	1 4,528.90
Hwy. 1 & 30 Skg. Fund	3,310.22	266.36		
Hwy. 600 M. Skg. Fund	11,104.21	913.21		
Hwy. 275 M. Skg. Fund	2.123.84	267.84	.04	2,391.68
Perm. Improvement Fund		754.85	2,656.4	3 2,417.47
Taylor Co. Jail Fund	1,803.04	830.72	.00	2,633.76
County-Wide Mch. Fund	1,166.57	2,507.69	1,151.10	6 2,523.10
Taylor County New Bond				
Account (125 M.)	187.50	.00	.00	187.50
Special County Road				-1100 I I.C
and Bridge	786.00	.00	.00	786.00
Officers' Salary Fund	760.65	15,682.90	16,120.48	3 323.07
Taylor County Lateral				
Road Account.	1.136.73	.00	1,136.73	3.00
Road District No. 2				
Lateral Road Account	nt 68.75	.00	.00	68.75
Road District No. 6.				
Lateral Road Accoun	t 1,104.51	.00	178.50	926.01
	107,166.80	\$ 46,822.39	\$ 87,370.73	\$ \$ 66,618.46

Owned	by	Hwy. 600 M. Skg. Fund	2,640.00	\$ 6,613.81
		I funds) and Securities		\$ 73,232.27

POND AND WARRANT INDERTEDNESS

BOND AND W	ARRANT IN	DEDITEDITED	•
	Original Issue	Bonds Redeemed	Outstanding
Taylor County Jail Bonds	\$100,000.00	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 68,000.00
Road Bonds Series 1923	350,000.00	125,000.00	225,000.00
Road Bonds Series 1927	600,000.00	171,000.00	429,000.00
Road Bonds Series 1929	275.000.00	70,000.00	205,000.00
County Warrants Series 1926	54,000.00	24,000.00	30,000.00
Road District, Refunding	40,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00
Road District No 3, Bonds	15,000.00	11,000.00	4,000.00
Road District No. 4. Bonds	15,000.00	11,000.00	4,000.00
Road District No. 5, Bonds	25,000.00	22,000.00	3,000.00
Road District No. 6, Bonds	25,000.00	22,000.00	3,000.00
Road District No. 7, Bonds	25,000.00	19,000.00	6,000.00
Taylor County New Bond Acc	't		
Series 1941 (125 M.)	125,000.00	.00	125,000.00
Totals	_ \$1,649,000.00	\$527,000.00	\$1,122,000.00
Machinery Contracts:			
Prect. No. 1 (Hi-Way Mch	1. Co.) \$	3,000.00	
Prect. No. 3 (R. B. Georg		3,398.00	
Prect. No. 4 (McClure Mc	th. Co.)	2,000.00	
County-Wide (McClure M	ch. Co.)	3,180.06	\$ 11,578.00
Total outstanding indebtedness			\$1,133,578.06

R. L. YOUNG, Commissioner Precinct No. 1	L. A. DUDLEY, Commissioner Precinct No. 2	l
JNO O. CUNNINGHAM,	J. L. McMILLON,	l
Commissioner Precinct No. 3 CARL F	Commissioner Precinct No. 4 P. HULSEY, ty Judge	
and the second	me this 15th day of Oct., A. D. 1941.	
(SEAL)	VIVIAN FRYAR, County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas	

WANTED TO LEASE-Farm land, from half to section. W. L. Boyd, Jr., at bonded cotton warehouse.

Legal Notice

rags. Merkel Motor Co.

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: J. M. Daugherty, Fenton L. Jusband, F. R. Jones, Alpha Grimnett, a feme sole, Allen B. Curry, W. A. Grimmett, R. D. Allen, Annie L. Stevens, a widow, Nellie Curry, a eme sole, and the unknown heirs, if ny, executors, administrators and asigns of all of the above Defendants; he residences and whereabouts of bove defendants are unknown to laintiff, GREETING: You are commanded to appear and

inswer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first fonday after the expiration of 42 ays from the date of issuance of this litation, the same being Monday the 7th day of November, A. D., 1941, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Ionorable 42nd District Court of 'aylor County, at the Court House Abilene, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed n the 29th day of September, 1941. he file number of said suit being Io. 12.633-A.

The names of the parties in said uit are: R. B. Wells, Plaintiff, and M. Daugherty, Fenton L. Husband, R. Jones, Alpha Grimmett, a feme ole, Allen B. Curry, W. A. Grimmett, R. D. Allen, Annie L. Stevens, a widow, Nellie Curry, a feme sole, and the unknown heirs, if any, executors, administrators and assigns of the above defendants; Dora Cobb and husband, N. D. Cobb; Matt Blanton, Thomas L. Blanton, Sr., and Thomas

L. Blanton, Jr., as Defendants. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff was on the 1st day of September, 1941, and still is the owner in fee of the following described premises, situated in Taylor County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: Blocks Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12; and Lots Nos. 7 to 12, inclusive, of Block No. 6; of the W. N. M. Grimmett Addition to the Town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas, according to the plat of said addition now shown in Vol. 1, page 39 of the Plat Records of Taylor County, Texas to which reference is hereto made, containing 35 acres, more or less: Plaintiff was in possession of such premises on 1st day of September, 1941, and defendants unlawfully entered upon and dispossessed him of such premises and withhold from him the possession thereof to his damage in the sum of \$1,000.00. Plaintiff says that if he be mis-

taken as to the allegations alleged above and then only, he pleads as fol-

Plaintiff further says that he has had and held peaceable, continuous and adverse possession under title or color of title from and under the State of Texas, for more than three years; that he has title under deeds the same and paying all taxes for

SUG	AR BAG JJL
APPLES, Jonathan, dz. 19c GRAPEFRUIT, 3 for10c TEXAS ORANGES, doz29c	LETTUCE, head
SUPREME Salad Wafers, 1 lb. box 17c RED & WHITE CORN, No. 2 can 15c	KUNER'SPEAS,No. 2 canTURNIP or MUSTARDGREENS,No. 2 can10c
R & W 12 lb. bag 63c FLOUR 24 lb. bag 98c	Sour or Dill PICKLES, quart . 17C
Peaches, No. 2½ can 25c RED & WHITE Pineapple Juice, 2 cans 19c	Prunes, 2 lbs. 25c RED & WHITE Catsup, 14 oz. bottle17c
Red & White COFFEE, 1 lb. can 29 C	Sun Spun pint 23 C SALAD DRESSING 23 C
MACARONI, pkg	RED & WHITE CLEANSER, 2 cans
-:- MEAT MARKET PORK ROAST, lb. 23c Pork Chops, lb. 29c White Label Bacon, lb. 35c SLICED BACON,	WEINERS, lb. 20c
	A. W. WOOD, Trent E. BRADLEY MERC. CO., Stith

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THE MERKEL MAIL

d Gamble, Raymond Ferguson, W. A.

son; Misses Imogene Schulze, Hettie

Logan Clay, Frances Cleveland, Mary

HALLOWE'EN PARTY.

he beautiful new home of Mrs. W

W. Campbell was the setting for bats,

Methodist church being the guests.

Mesdames Gertrude Pee and L. A.

Watts assisted Mrs. Campbell in en-

Each class member was in Hal-

the old witch was perched upon the

piano with her broom. She was at-

tended by two imps. Several games

were enjoyed and Mrs. H. C. Williams

After a short business session, the

hostesses served baked apples, cake,

cheese, crackers and an iced drink to

Mesdames Hill, R. N. Campbell, B. M.

Williams, Sears, McSpadden, Collins,

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB.

club met in the home of Mrs. R. L.

Adcock on Friday, Oct. 17, for Ach.

ievement day, with a covered dish

luncheon. Mrs. C. W. Newton was co-

Each member gave a report on what

she accomplished during this year,

with the following subjects carried

out: canning, yard improvement, re-

Mrs. Andy Shouse was in charge of

the memory of Miss Hattie Tacker.

Those on the program were Mesdames

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Gilbert and John Hughes.

The Merkel Home Demonstration

W. F. Golladay and the hostesses.

gave a humorous reading.

On Tuesday evening of last week

Collins and Pauline Ballew.

tertaining.

hostess.

and papering.

Society

Y. W. A. INSTALL OFFICERS IN | torium lights were dimmed. The lighted CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY.

Officers of the Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church were installed in a beautifully impressive ceremony Tuesday evening in the church auditorium. In the form of a pageant, retiring and new officers were in white robes, with each retiring officer giving an ideal with a crown to the incoming officer or committee chairman.

the W. M. U. and mothers of the Y. W. A. girls. Mrs. Clyde Bartlett, sponsor of the auxiliary, gave the welcome address and Mrs. Lum Gilbreath, president of the W. M. U. gave the response. Using the topic, "Possessing the Understanding Heart," Mrs. Cooper Waters, Young People's leader, led the devotional. As the retiring president, Miss Nadine Clack, took charge, the audi-



-:- EASY -:- FAST -:- DUSTLESS -:- QUIET

baptistry made an effective background as each girl, impersonating a Y. W. A. ideal took her place. Miss Mary Eleanor King played soft accompaniments during the installation. The ceremony ended with the singing of the Y. W. A. song, "Oh, Zion, Haste.'

New officers are: president, Thelma Mathews; vice-president, Nadine Special guests for this service were White, and the following committee Clack; secretary - treasurer, Clara chairmen: personal service, Mrs. W L. Fugat, Grovene Ford; mission study, Maurine White, Mildred Bird; devotional, Bessie McNiece, Janet Teaff; social, Marie Morgan, Thelma Mathews; publicity, Pearl Mathews; music, Mary Nell Morgan, Vivian Davis; finance, Cleo Reece, Mrs. Don Riney; library, Lucile Crick, Dot Swafford.

A social hour and singsong follow-

ed and refreshments were served, after which the following signed the new Y. W. A. guest book: Rev. and Mrs. Cooper Waters, Messrs. and Mesdames W. A. McCandless, W. L. Fugat; Mesdames E. R. Clack, Walter Teaff, T. J. Bird, Seth Morgan, Byers Petty, A. R. Booth, J. A. Kuykendall, Betty Crick, H. W. Lemens, Lige Harris, Lum Gilbreath, J. M. Williamfinishing furniture, upholstering, made-over garments, closet making son, R. H. Mathews, Clyde Bartlett,

Don Riney ; Misses Dot Swafford, Jan Lemens, Marilyn Petty, Mary Eleanor King, Mary Nell Morgan, Mildred Bird, Nadine Clack, Thelma Mathews, Janet Teaff, Maurine White, Lucile Crick, Clara White, Anna Lake Wat-

ers, Bess McNiece, Pearl Mathews. FORTNIGHTLY STUDY CLUB. The last October meeting of the Fortnightly Study club was in the home of Mrs. Byers Petty on Tues-day, Oct. 21. The living and dining Barnett.

rooms were beautifully decorated with red roses and red dahlias in pastel potteries.

Mrs. Clyde Bartlett complimented Each member answered roll call with her little son, Ralph, with a party some current event or late news on on his sixth birthday Tuesday after-American leaders or political figures noon. A number of friends called and of present-day news. The president, a play hour was enjoyed before Ralph Mrs. Tom Largent, read a paper on was delightfully surprised with a "Flag Etiquette." shower of gifts.

Mrs. S. D. Gamble very capably gave the lecture of the afternoon. Her birthday cake were served to Jan theme was "National Defense in In- Lemens, Barbara Wilson, Peggy Scott, dustry." She stressed new inventions Carol Ann Bailey, Anna Lake Waters, in America, new discoveries in science, Linda Bowman, Joy Walker, Jo Ann chemistry, including the use of Nylon. | Moore, Creta Key, Karen Sue and La In her talk she mentioned: farming Jan Case, Boyd Moore, Jimmy Horn, as an aid in defense-increased pro- Bobbie and Billie Fowler, Colonel duction, and new uses of cotton in new James Wallace, Charles Jennings and products. The major idea given was Ralph Bartlett. for the American people to sweat hard

PADGETT-HAILEY.



SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE There were 551 present at the six

reporting Sunday Schools here last cats and witches, with dimly lightly Sunday, as compared with 546 the rooms, for a Hallowe'en party, the previous week. On the same Sunday King's Daughters class of the a year ago the attendance was 564.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Sunday School 10 a. m. Morning worship at 11:00. Sermon subject, "The Christian Challenge." Text, lowe'en regalia and, as they entered Matt. 11:28-30. Evening worship 7:30. Sermon subject, "The Christian Believes." Text, II Tim. 1:12.

> Junior-Intermediate C. E. Sunday evening at 6:30. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m.

J. Basil Ramsey, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday services: Sunday School Armstrong, Russell, H. C. Williams, 11 a. m. Intermediate League 7:00 9:45 a. m. Morning worship service p. m. Young People's League hour begins at 7:00 p. m. Evening preaching service at 7:30 p. m.

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning sermon at 11. Training Union at 6:30. Evening sermon at 7:30.

J. S. Grant, Ernest Teaff, Grover Sunday: Bible School 9:45 a. m., preaching 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Fred Baker, Jr., Ted Windham, C.

The public is invited to attend each

Claud C. Smith, Minister.

NAZARENE CHURCH. Sunday School 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. NYPS at 7:30

nesday evening at 8 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited to

G. O. Crow, Pastor.

FUNDAMENTALIST BAPTIST

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

W. I. Cogburn, Former **Resident**, Dies Tuesday

Relatives here were advised Wednesday of the death of W. I. Cogburn, well known former resident of this section, Tuesday night at Fort Worth. Burial was to take place some time Thursday.

Floyd, Fort Worth, and Hurley, Cal- to the Carlsbad Caverns.

ifornia, and three daughters, Mrs. Ray Cox and Mrs. Rube Henslee, Fort Worth, and Mrs. Bruce Beall, Tuscola. Four half-sisters, Mrs. M. P. kel; Mrs. John Thomas, Mt. Pleasant, half-brothers, Charlie and Bailey Whisenhunt, Merkel, and Frank Whisenhunt, Mineral Wells, and a numbe of grandchildren also survive.

Hospital Notes.

Three girls were born at Sadler Clinic during the past week. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dillard, Mr. and Mrs. Orvin Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. James Williams. Lee Ponder was admitted to the hospital for a tonsillectomy Oct. 17. Buck Cook received an appendectomy Oct. 21. Mrs. Jack Medcalf was admitted for a blood transfusion the same day.

Wednesday night.

Methodists.

the program, which was dedicated to evening.

Other members present were Mesdames Charles Knight, Frank Breaux, young people's Bible class 6:30 p. m.

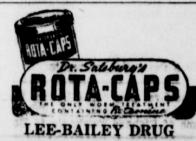
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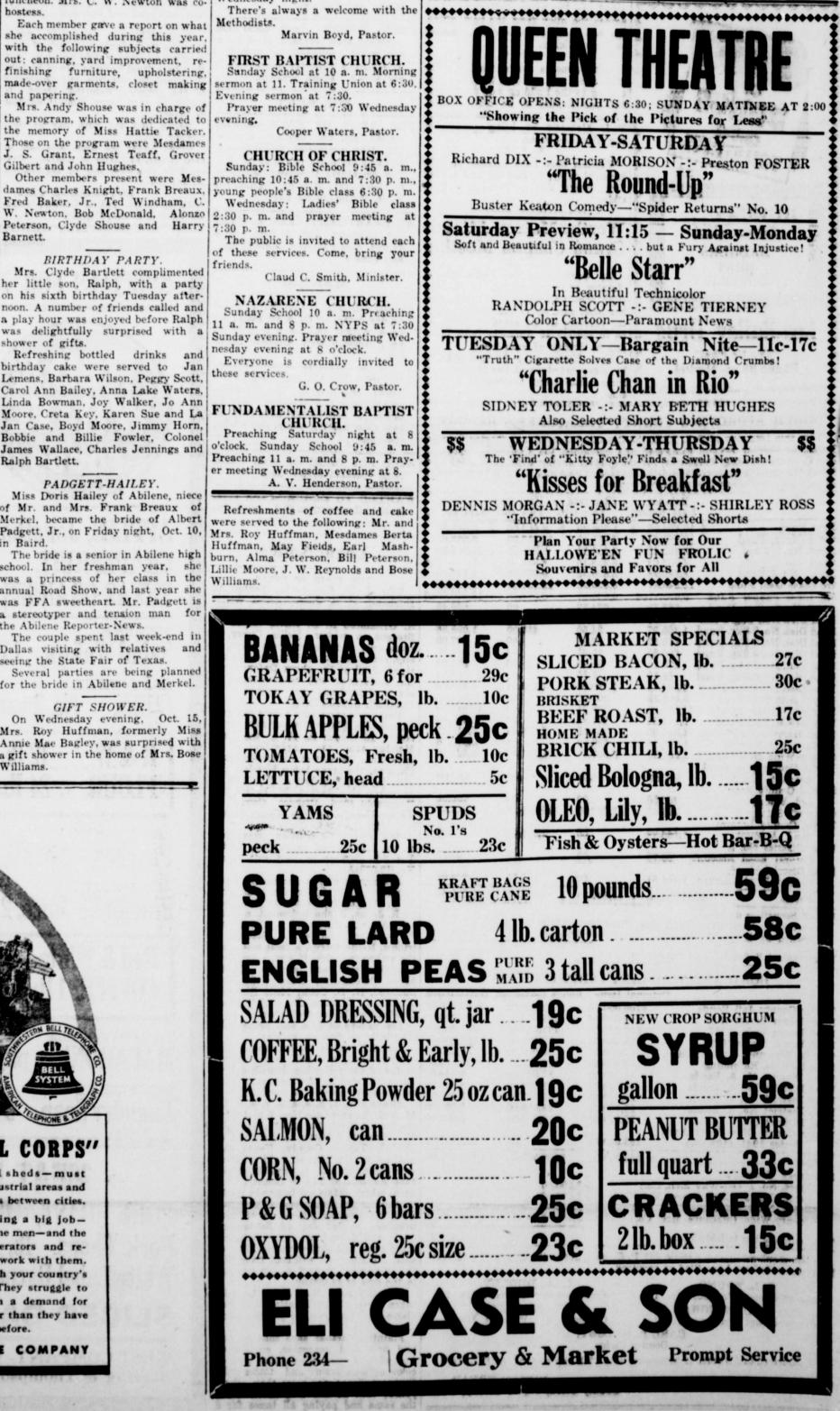
Mississippi Couple **Here to visit Parents**

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Ashmore of Charleston, Miss., are here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas. On Friday they will be joined by a friend, Jewel E. Brett, of

Surviving are three sons, Roy and Memphis, Tenn., and they plan a trip

Mr. Ashmore is employed by the Tallahatchie Clay company of Charleston. The Ashmores live only 50 miles Latimer and Mrs. Wood Turner, Mer- from Sardis dam, near Batesville, Miss., which is one of the largest and Mrs. Joe Davis, El Paso, and three earthen dams in the United States. In describing the many points of interest in that section of the Old South, Mrs. Ashmore referred especially to a trip they had made to the military park in Vicksburg, Miss.





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JUNIOR STUDY CLUB.

ing program, titled "Women in Na-

Misses Mary Eleanor King, Nita

worth and Miss Mary Collins.

elected to club membership.

The Merkel Junior Study club met

Members present were Mesdames of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breaux of Harry Bullock, Johnny Cox, Ellen Merkel, became the bride of Albert were served to the following: Mr. and Duncan, S. D. Gamble, Tom Largent, Padgett, Jr., on Friday night, Oct. 10, Mrs. Roy Huffman, Mesdames Berta

Winter; Misses Vinnie Heizer, Mamie was a princess of her class in the Williams. Ellis, Alzada Pogue. Mrs. Cooper Wat- annual Road Show, and last year she ers was a visitor for the program. was FFA sweetheart. Mr. Padgett is a stereotyper and tension man for

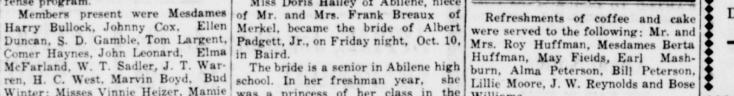
the Abilene Reporter-News. The couple spent last week-end in Thursday, Oct. 16, in the home of Dallas visiting with relatives and Miss Mary Collins. A very interest- seeing the State Fair of Texas. Several parties are being planned

Miss Doris Hailey of Abilene, niece

tional Defense," was given by Mrs. Elmo Collins, Mrs. Chester Collins-

GIFT SHOWER.

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 15, Shahan and Mary Lou Ashburn were Mrs. Roy Huffman, formerly Miss Annie Mae Bagley, was surprised with Those present were Mesdames El-mo Collins, Chester Collinsworth, Dav-Williams.



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Watson, G. Baker, L. A. Beyer, H. G.

Castle, Theo. R. Baack, C. T. Hutchison, W. J. Harrison, C. W. Bright, W.

A. French, Jacob Davis, W. D. Gul-

ledge, Baxter D. Tollett, T. F. Grisham, Lee Hay, L. T. Harris, E. H. Horn, H. S. Orsborn, Lucian Gilbert,

M. L. Grimes, Clark Collins, M. L.

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Hudson, W. H. Dunbar, Tuscola; Jno.

A. Woodard, T. G. Hamner, Trent; H.

B. Gamble, Wingate; Tom Drummond,

Receives Appointment

Charlie T. McCormick, Route 3, has

received notice of his appointment as

aviation cadet in the United States

As Aviation Cadet

QUEEN THEATRE **CALENDAR**

Friday night only, 11:15 p. m .-Hallowe'en fun frolic, with "Ellery Queen Master Detective" as feature picture; two-reel comedy, selected shorts.

Friday-Saturday-The Three Mesquiteers in "Saddlemates;" two-reel comedy, "Spider Returns" No. 11. Saturday preview, Sunday matinee, Monday night-"Sun Valley Serenade," starring Sonja Henie, John Payne; color cartoon, selected shorts. • Tuesday only—Jean Hersholt as "Dr. Christian" in "They Meet Again;" color cartoon, Color Cruise. Wednesday - Thursday — Wayne Morris, Brenda Marshall in "Smiling Ghost;" one-reel sport and selected shorts.

"Ellery Queen Master Detective"

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Master of mystery, hero of a hundred fascinating stories on radio and in fiction, "Ellery Queen Master Detective" comes to the Queen theatre as the special attraction for the Hallowe'en fun frolic Friday night at 11:30, in the toughest case of his career. A statue . . . a jewel-handled dagger . . . a versatile raven . . . how do they bring about that eeriest of mysteries, a psychological murder!

According to advance report, humor and romance are intrinsic parts of the fascinating story. While in search of material for his newest piece of fiction, Ellery accidentally becomes involved in a murder mystery and, incidentally, causes a beautiful young stranger to become the chief suspect. In order to clear the girl, he manages to hide her successfully in the very apartment he shares with his police inspector father, even while Inspector Queen is himself ordering a dragnet out for the young woman.

The girl, to make matters worse, is herself a would-be writer, who not only thinks very little of Ellery's abilities as a writer of detective fiction but even less of his abilities as a detective. After all, he got her into the jam; he should get her out. He does, too.

Ralph Bellamy plays the title role in the new Columbia film, first of a series, with Margaret Lindsay seen as Nikki Porter, Charley Grapewin as Inspector Queen, James Burke as Sergeant Velie. Others in the film Mille, Fred Niblo, Douglas Fowley and Marion Martin.

"Sun Valley Serenade"

Home Accident Deaths **Highest In Five Years**



scratches play major role on the home accident front. Above—The kitchen butcher knife is a poor whittling blade, especially when it is drawn toward the body. Right—Falls last year killed 16,000 Americans in their homes. Never use a chair or other furniture as an improvised ladder.

Washington, D. C .- Carelessness is writing a new stanza to "Home Sweet Home.

According to the American Red Cross, home accidents last year accounted for their greatest fatality toll in five

years. Some 33,000 persons lost their lives through falls, burns, poisoning and other hazards of everyday home life. Although less dramatic-consequently less apt to attract public interest-home accident fatalities ran a close second to death on the street and highway

use of chairs and other articles of tributed. Householders will furniture as improvised stepladders. Burns and accidental poisoning folcheck-up to determine and correct hazarda

"They Meet Again"

Elements designed to appeal to lovers of a wide range of music as well as suspenseful drama are combined are Michael Whalen, Katherine De- Jean Hersholt starring vehicle in endar as the day you will visit Camp

only at the Queen theatre. This is a story of a wrong committed

"Sun Valley Serenade," 20th "Sun Valley Serenade," 20th Century-Fox's new entertainment in-spiration starring Sonja Henie and John Payne and featuring the irresist-tian's" efforts on his behalf, and efforts on his behalf, and on behalf of the man's motherless daughter, make for suspense in the plot. The child, a nine-year-old singing prodigy, all but passes away as a result of a broken heart which the country doctor is unable to mend. A new discovery, Anne Bennett, is given the chance of a lifetime in a role secondary only to that of Hersholt's. The little girl displays an amazing range that won her the part of the sensitive child in the picture whose glorious voice is almost stilled as result of her mental breakdown. Prominent in the cast, too, are the regulars of the series, comedienne Maude Eburne, and romancers Doroof the lighter moments of the film are provided by the lovers, as Dorois engaged to Lynn Bari. The hilarious thy tries to bag her man despite his ostensible indifference. An important feature of the film is the original music, ranging from operatic waltzes to sweet swing, that playing of seven new Mack Gordon was written especially for the picture. There are five of these songs in all, in addition to which Anne sings the aria from "La Traviata" in a rousing

army. He is to report to the recruiting office at Lubbock on Nov. 10 for enlistment. He will then be sent on to Kelly field for basic training. Charlie is a graduate of Merkel High school and received two years' credit in Texas Technological college, Lubbock. He passed the physical ex-

View.

amination Sept. 18 at Goodfellow field. San Angelo, after attending both summer terms at Texas Tech, to complete the necessary college requirements.

BLAIR ITEMS

Dr. C. A. Bickley of Abilene delivered an interesting discourse at the fourth quarterly conference Friday night. Other churches of the circuit were well represented at the meeting.

Rev. J. B. Stewart filled the pulpit here Sunday for the last time until the general conference and brought a very impressive message on Matthew 7:22, his subject being "Home." Brother Stewart and Mis. Stewart have done some mighty fine work and will have a far reaching effect on the entire community.

T. D. Compton of Compere visited Hugh Campbell Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Reynolds of Nubia

"For Twenty Years

List of Petit Jurors were guests in the Campbell home Sun-Called for Next Week Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Moore and two

sons, Kenneth Clyde and Donald Ray, The petit jury in 104th district and Jessie Earl Wilson of Red Springs court for next week has been called to were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. report on Thursday morning. In the J. W. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes of White Church attended services at the M. E. Paul Blackaby, W. M. Warner, Lloyd Baze, Stanley B. King, S. D. church Sunday.

Mrs. Claud Doan and daughter, Gamble, Merkel; S. N. Best, Jerome Mrs. Lem Patterson, and two children of Clyde, visited the former's daugh-J. M. Patterson, E. R. Konzak, J. H. ter, Mr. and Mrs. Price Melton, and family Thursday. Burton, Raymond Eikner, H. W. Wal-

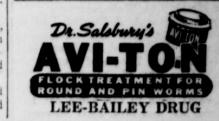
Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Melton and family, Misses Maxine Phillips and

ernoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Owens of Trent. A. M. Jackson made a business trip to Post the past week.

Mack Russom of East Texas is visiting his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Jess

Jimmie Nell Horton spent Sunday aft-

Russom, for an indefinite time.



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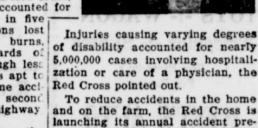
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and on the farm, the Red Cross is trailing by 1,500 deaths. With carelessness playing the leading role, more than half of home accident deaths were attrib-none accident deaths were attrib-calls—occurring on stairs. urged to conduct a cellar-to-attic

> Hold Open House at **Camp Bowie Nov. 16**

Camp Bowie, Tex., Oct. 30 .- Cirin "They Meet Again," the latest cle Sunday, Nov. 16, on your calwhich he plays his popular role of "Dr. Bowie, home of the 36th division, to Christian," to be presented Tuesday see just exactly how your son, brother, husband, or sweetheart lives.

November 16 has been set aside as

ible rhythms of Glenn Miller and and his orchestra, is to be shown Saturday preview, Sunday matinee and Monday night at the Queen theatre.

With most of the scenes set on the sunny, snowy slopes of the nation's glorious vacationland, "Sun Valley Serenade" is a gay, romantic musical with new skate and ski surprises.

Sonja is featured in two new skating ballets and several skiing routines. She is again given the opportunity to show the mastery on ice which won her renown as the World and 'Olympic Figure Skating champion.

The laugh provoking story has John Payne awaiting a refugee he has promised to care for. Much to his sur- thy Lovett and Robert Baldwin. Some prise, the "little" girl is Sonia who decides to marry him even though he ending provides a novel climax to the unusual story.

The performance of Glenn Miller and his orchestra is tops. The band's and Harry Warren tunes will please his most exacting fans.

Each of the four Gordon and Warren tunes is destined to go into the hit class. Written especially for "Sun Valley Serenade," they are "I Know Why And So Do You," "It Happened In Sun Valley," "Chattanooga Choo Choo" and "The Kiss Polka."

finale. "They Meet Again" is a Stephens-Lang production for RKO Radio directed by Erle C. Kenton from an original screenplay by Maurice Leo and Peter Milne.

in the camp area. All tents, recrea- ADLERIKA for QUICK relief. Get tion rooms, day-rooms, shops and of- it TODAY .- Merkel Drug Co. fices will be open for your inspection.

Probably 'Johnny' will be proud to show you how he makes up his bed and 'stores' his clothes.

At noon you will be invited into the company mess halls to eat 'soldier food'. This will be the best way for you, Mom, to find out how the army feeds and serves its food.

Dad, you too, will get a real surprise. 'Johnny' will show you over the whole camp and you will have a better idea as to just how big a 'city' Camp Bowie is. In all probability you will go home Monday morning and say, "Things weren't like that when I was in khaki."

And Sweetheart Sue, you will have something to marvel at, too. This will be a wonderful chance for you to see a great collection of uniforms on some of the finest soldiers in Uncle Sam's army.

"Since the purpose of this open house," said Brig. Gen. Fred L. Walker, division commander, "is for visitors to be with their loved ones, to inspect their quarters and obtain first hand views of camp life, no divisional entertainment or demonstration is planned, but unit commanders should encourage their units to put on interesting programs."

Mary Jo Russell Made Member of Alpha Chi

Abilene, Oct. 30 .- Mary Jo Rusell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Russell of Merkel, was elected this week by the McMurry College faculty to the James Winford Hunt chapter of Alpha Chi.

Alpha Chi is a national honor society in which membership is attained by both character and scholarship. Members are selected from the upper ten per cent of the junior and senior classes.

Miss Russell is a junior student majoring in English. She is a member of the Wah Wahtaysee drum and bugle corps, the Chanters and Quartet, a choral organization, Sigma Lamba Kappa, a literary club, and the Mc-Murry College theatre.



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TRENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

L. Z. Titsworth of Rankin visite with his parents last Wednesday. Mrs. Bob Howell was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Pauline Freeman from Monday to Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. English had as guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Jo Boone and children of Baird and Mi and Mrs. Byron Dingle of Merkel.

Mrs. Don May of Sweetwater re turned home Wednesday after a visit of several days in the home of he parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevens

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mangum an home after a visit of several week in the home of their daughter, Mrs Bill Burkett, of Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLeod and thei little granddaughter of Mineral Wells attended to business and visited with relatives and friends here last Friday.

Mesdames Orion and Neely Tittle of Fabens were visiting last week in the C. R. Tittle and C. C. Stribbling

Mrs. Ansil Martin and daughters Amelia Fay and Yvonne, have recent ly moved here from Sweetwater, Mr Martin has employment in Neosho Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Estep had as Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rogge and daughter, Billie May, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Estep and daughter, Dorothy Nell, of Paint Rock.

Miss Virgie Strawn of Plains, Texas, was a guest over the week-end of her brothers, John and Earl Strawn, and families.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Burks and Mr. and Caz Lansford, S. Armour, E. Smith Mrs. Isom Burks were Sunday guests of Roscoe, D. Armour, S. Martin, F. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Martin, Dorothy Armour, T. G. Ham-Burks of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stribbling made Hamner, L. Beasley, R. M. Beasley, a business trip to Fort Worth Monday R. L. Fortune, L. Z. Titsworth, L. of last week, returning Wednesday. Misses Dorothy Jo Strawn, Ladie tin, Joe Winter, Bud Winter, J. R.

Fred Crain and Dorothy Rutledge of Gafford, J. Crain, C. McRee, J. B. Hardin-Simmons university and Winn, C. Crocker, E. Strawn, Bruce Dean Strawn of McMurry spent the Hughes, C. C. Estep. week-end with home tolks.

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Taylor. Tyler of Abilene, W. Churchill of R. Reeves and B. Burkhart. Mr. and Mrs. Deverl Bishop

Lamesa were week-end guests of relatives. Mrs. Bishop and daughter, Sue remained over for a few days' visit.

SMITH-MARTIN.

Miss Helen Martin and Elery Smith, Jr., were married recently in Washington, D. C., culmination of a romance that began in early school days. Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr and Mrs. Frank Martin, pioneer farm and ranch family. She attended Trent high school, finishing in the 1940 class. Mr. Smith finished in the class of 1938 and later joined the navy, enter-



Canadian fliers have found the wreckage of plane of Thomas Smith of Clarksburg, W. Va., who left Portland, Maine, May 28, 1939, and has never been found. Top picture shows trapper's hut near wrecked plane. Bottom: A mound of stones and sticks pointing the N.W. direction Smith had said in his note (in plane) that he would walk.

broom stirred in a large black pot. fishing out fortunes, also gifts that were presented to the honoree.

The guest list included Mesdames

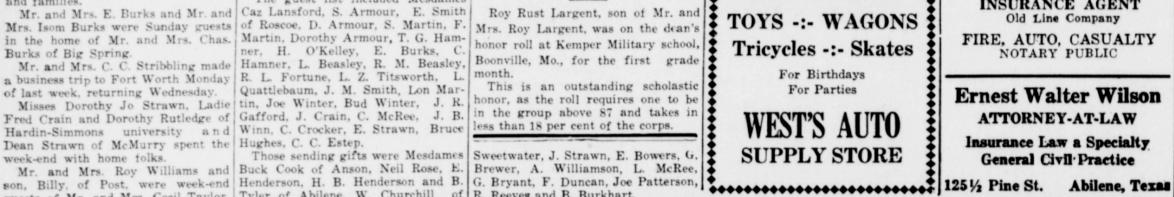
Mrs. Roy Largent, was on the dean's honor roll at Kemper Military school, ner. H. O'Kelley, E. Burks, C Boonville, Mo., for the first grade month This is an outstanding scholastic Quattlebaum, J. M. Smith, Lon Mar-

onor, as the roll requires one to be in the group above 87 and takes in less than 18 per cent of the corps.

Rov Rust Largent on

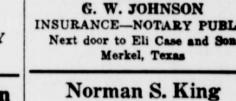
Honor Roll at Kemper

Those sending gifts were Mesdames Sweetwater, J. Strawn, E. Bowers, G. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams and Buck Cook of Anson, Neil Rose, E. Brewer, A. Williamson, L. McRee,

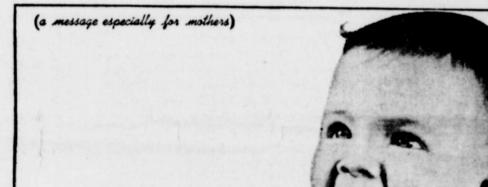


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General Civil Practice

ing the radio division, and has for the past 12 months been stationed at Pearl Harbor. They will be at home in Washington, D. C., where he is permanently located.

CLASS PARTY.

Mrs. A. Williamson entertained her Sunday School class last Friday evening in her home. After games and contests were enjoyed, a lovely plate of smothered steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, nut salad, hot biscuits and jello was served to Rev. and Mrs. Fred Porter, Mary Lou and Tommy O'Rear, Sarah and Norma Wilson.

LINEN SHOWER.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. J. Cal Hamner, assisted by Mrs. Stanley Armour entertained at her home honoring Miss Helen Martin, who was leav. ing for Washington, D. C., to be married to Elery Smith, Jr., on Oct. 30.

Mrs. R. L. Fortune and Mrs. J. P. Roberts welcomed guests as they arrived. Mrs. Clark Hamner was at the bride's book and Mrs. T. G. Hamner presided in the dining room, serving punch and cake. A tiny red, white and blue airplane, inscribed Elery, Jr. and Helen, Oct. 30, was presented each guest by Mrs. A. W. Woods.

Miss Jonnie Roberts sang "Until Tomorrow" and "Because of You:" Glenna Scott gave "Mary, Quite Contrary," and Joy Lansford sang "Kiss the Boys Goodbye." Mrs. Bud Winter read "A Woman's Question" and "We Have Lived and Loved.'

Dressed as a witch Miss Jonnie Roberts entered and with a witch's





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den oir into the home through ode tion (3) Keep connecting door

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Children live in a different world

and the climate is 5 to 10 degrees colder!

THE FLOOR is the most popular winter playground. Have you ever asked yoursell, "How is the climate down there?" So far as healthful comfort is con-cerned, it is a different world at floor-level temperature than it is in the comfort some in which grown ups move about in the household.

in which you heat your home

in every room and at all times avoid danger

Lone Star Gas Co.

HEAT YOUR ENTIRE HOME FOR YOUR HEALTH'S SAKE

In guarding your ramily's health against winter illness, give serious thought to proper heating. Give your floor the "Health Test." Note the temperature at floor level and compare it to the temperature at five-foot heights. You'll find it to be 5 to 10 degrees COLDER at floor levels, depending upon the manner

Heat your entire home and live all over it this winter. Provide adequate hea

THIS is not an ordinary advertisement

... and his welfare is an important responsibility.

It offers neither goods nor merchandise for sale.

Its purpose is to remind you of the added obligation of parents during the winter season. At the same time we are ever mindful of our own responsibility in keeping your gas service dependable so that you may have the protection of adequate heat to safeguard your family's health. You see, we too, have children.

We know of the anxious hours in every mother's life when illness threatens those she loves. We have watched with alarm a child's mounting fever of serious illness that started as a simple, common cold. With sleepless, fear-filled eyes we've watched through the night into the sunrise of a new day-as across our worried mind Cashed that grim published warning-one death every four minutes from pneumonia! It was then that "prevention is the best remedy" impressed us with its full significance. It was then we recognized the vital importance of guarding against



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the simple, common cold.

TBOUT A YEAR AGO when the above advertisements were published we did not know they would be judged among the best public utility advertisements of the year. However, we knew, beyond question, that the message they carried was of vital importance to our customers in safeguarding their family's health during the winter. With another winter approaching we urge you to review these two advertisements in the interest of your family's welfare. Apply the simple, logical formula of "Heating your entire home for your health's sake" as a protection against the dangers of winter illness. Play safe . . . DON'T GIVE A COMMON COLD AN EVEN BREAK!

