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RELIEF ROLLS DOWN, JOBS UP AS MARCH ENDS

Administration Sees Several Hopeful Recovery Signs; Rise in Employment General Among Industrial Workers.

Washington, April 4.—In support of oft-repeated assertions that business is getting better, the administration Wednesday pointed to reports of increased employment and a drop in the swollen relief rolls.

Secretary Roper's new weekly business summary said that data from various parts of the country for the week ending March 30 was that a rise in employment, as compared to the previous week, had been general among industrial workers and those in seasonal occupations.

Harry L. Hopkins, relief administrator, reported the decline in the millions receiving federal relief; news that was in sharp contrast to past reports of additional thousands on charity.

He said the number of families on relief in February were 4,485,076 as compared to 4,544,933 in January. "The encouraging feature of the situation," the administrator said, "is not the reported decline but the absence of any substantial increase which has occurred during recent years in February."

Waco Business Men Here Next Wednesday

Representatives of Waco wholesalers, manufacturers, jobbers, educational institutions and professions, traveling by special train on a trip through Waco's trade territory, will stop thirty minutes here on Wednesday, April 10, from 12:30 p. m. to 1 p. m.

"This is a strictly business trip," says W. V. Crawford, vice-president and general manager of the Waco Chamber of Commerce in a letter to The Mail, "and no entertainment is sought or desired but we do desire to visit and exchange greetings with the business men of your city."

Local Lions Avenue First Loss to Breck

Merkel Lions came back from Breckenridge Thursday night of last week with a 26-20 victory over their fellow Lions of that city, to make up for a previous loss to Breck, 30-28, on the local gym floor.

In the party going to Breckenridge were: Jim Cook, team captain; Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Zehnpennig, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Case, Miss Sarah Sheppard, Vaughn Holt, Benny Sheppard, Carlton Vick, Tracy Campbell, Byers Petty, Charlie Jones, Tom Allday and Chester Hutcheson.

MERKEL 20 YEARS AGO

(From the Files of Merkel Mail, April 9, 1915.)

Theodore B. Garoutte died at the family home, three miles north of Merkel, April 2, 1915, age 87 years, 11 months and 16 days.

Miss Mabel Laney visited friends in Abilene this week.

Mrs. F. M. Cordell has been dangerously ill the last ten days. Her son, J. G. Brandon, of Putnam, came in Tuesday to visit his mother.

Henry King, F. J. Smith and W. E. Douglass spent a part of this week on the river, angling for the finny tribe, but returned home with few reports that would ordinarily be accepted from fishermen so early in the season.

Elbert Touchstone entertained a few guests Friday evening at his home in West-Merkel. Cahdy making and games were greatly enjoyed by all. Those present were Misses Myrtle Dupree, Winnie Sharp, Ina Mae Adams, Mamie Ellis, Bessie Touchstone, Messrs. Merle Burroughs, Will Merritt, Lewis Swann, Ed Scott and the host.

Clarence Hamm entertained sev-

KEEPING UP WITH TEXAS

Abilene was chosen host city to the 1937 convention of the Woodmen of the World at the state meeting in Waco last week. Woodmen meet every two years. Place for the meeting of the Woodmen Circle next year will be decided later.

H. J. Luteher Stark of Orange was elected chairman of the board of regents of the University of Texas, succeeding Beauford Jester of Corsicana, whose term as regent expired recently.

The house of representatives of the Texas legislature voted Monday by resolution, 101 to 31, to adjourn the session, May 7, which is the constitutional limit for the session.

Decision to hold the 1935 State Fair of Texas, even though construction work on the Texas Centennial will be in progress at the same time, has been announced, the dates to be October 12-26.

Two men, Jack Barstow, former associate of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh in glider experiments, and Jack Cogwill, reporter of the Corpus Christi Caller-Times, were killed in a mid-air collision of two planes at Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Ruperta Estrada Durazon, reported to be 120 years old and believed to have been the oldest person in the United States, died Saturday in a San Antonio hospital.

C. L. Johnson was re-elected Tuesday to his second term as mayor of Abilene by a majority of 488 votes over Lee R. York, ex-mayor, whom Johnson also defeated two years ago, but then by a scant margin of 69. A total of 3,367 votes, an all-time high in an Abilene city election, was cast.

The Texas senate Tuesday finally passed a \$3,000,000 Centennial appropriation bill sponsored by Ben O'Neal of Wichita Falls by 17 to 12. It will be returned to the house because of differences between the two bills and may go to conference before being submitted to the governor.

While hunting squirrels, John W. Hughes, Sr., 61, of Fort Worth, was wounded by the accidental discharge of his shotgun as he crawled through a fence and died in a hospital from the effects of the wound.

Tom Redd of Amarillo was killed and his companion, Edward T. Ruff, also of Amarillo, injured seriously in an automobile accident on state highway 7, south of Lubbock, Saturday night.

Record of Births.

Giri, to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kite, on the Beasley ranch, Sunday, March 31, 1935.

Boy, to Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Martin, Tuesday, April 2, 1935.

MERKEL SCHOOLS WIN CHAMPIONSHIPS IN TWO DIVISIONS COUNTY MEET

School championships in two divisions were won by Merkel in the Taylor county interscholastic meet, and, as a result, all entries in athletic events and six winners of first place in literary events from the High school will go to district meet at Sweetwater. Dorma Lee Shelton as winner of junior girls' declamation will represent Grammar school at the district meet.

Merkel, unopposed in class A of

the high school division, scored 155 points and won first in ward division with 97 points.

The following winners in literary events in the high school division will go to district meet: Juanita Huskey, essay writing; Charles Tipton, boys' extempore speaking; Eva Faye Bush, girls' extempore speaking; Mildred West, senior girls' declamation; Betty Grimes, junior girls' declamation, and Ainsworth Gates, junior boys' declamation.

DEATH TAKES W. B. MASSEY

Long-Time Resident of This Section Dies Tuesday Morning at His Home Here.

W. B. Massey, 69, resident of Taylor county since 1903, died at the family home at 5 o'clock Tuesday morning. He had been in failing health for several months.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the residence, with Rev. P. H. Gates, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Eli Case, J. K. Pee, Tracy Campbell, B. T. Sublett, D. H. Vaughn and C. D. Hutchins.

Mr. Massey, who was one of Merkel's and West Taylor county's most highly respected citizens, was born in Tennessee on September 13, 1865. As a boy of 14 he moved to Texas with his family, settling in Fannin county, farming near Merkel until 1913, when he retired to make his home in Merkel.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three sons: T. O. Massey, Abilene, and J. L. and Ray J. Massey, Merkel, and five grandchildren. Other survivors include two brothers, A. Massey and Sam Massey, living near Bonham.

Mayor Elliott, All Officers Re-Elected

Mayor W. M. Elliott, completing four years as mayor, was re-elected to that post without opposition in the annual municipal election held Tuesday. Aldermen S. D. Gamble and Fred Baker also were re-elected without opposition.

Yates Brown, filling an unexpired term as city secretary, having been appointed last August, was elected for a full two-year term.

Only 54 votes were cast; Elliott, Gamble and Baker received 51 votes each, and Brown, 52 votes. Scattering votes of one each were given W. O. Boney, G. W. Boyce and Judge N. D. Cobb for mayor.

Holdover aldermen are Fred Hughes, W. W. Haynes and D. H. Vaughn

Three Trustees to be Elected on Saturday

Three members of the board of trustees of the Merkel Public schools are to be elected Saturday. Those whose terms expire are: O. J. Adcock, Fred Hughes and J. E. Richardson.

Mr. Richardson has expressed a desire to withdraw from the board, but the other two have consented to stand for re-election. Roy Reid's name will be third on the ballot to be voted Saturday.

J. I. Ford is to be election judge, the election to be held at the city hall. Holdover board members are: W. O. Boney, S. D. Gamble, C. P. Church and Herbert Patterson.

Start Tuberculin Tests In Canyon Next Week

Starting Monday morning in the Canyon, Dr. C. C. Parker, connected with the bureau of animal industry, assisted by Earl Lassiter, will make tuberculin tests of all dairy and milk stock and range cattle in that section of the county, working north from the Canyon.

Dr. Thomas, connected with the same bureau, will work east of Merkel to a line marking the Tye-Caps road.

MRS. PRINCE, 80, PASSES AWAY

Dies at Home of a Daughter in Pritchett; Had Lived in Merkel at Two Periods.

Funeral services were held from the First Baptist church at 2 o'clock last Friday afternoon for Mrs. W. H. Prince, age 80, with Rev. C. R. Joyner, pastor of the church, officiating. Interment was in Rose Hill cemetery.

Pallbearers were: Ollie Dye, Castle B. Ellis, W. M. Elliott, O. J. Adcock, Claude Perry and C. H. Jones.

Mrs. Prince, who lived here for about eight years sometime ago with her daughter, Mrs. Virgie Robbins, died March 27 at the home of another daughter, Mrs. C. O. Earp, at Pritchett. Up to a few weeks ago, when she went to Pritchett, she made her home for about six months with a granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Dye, Jr., here.

Born December 20, 1854, at Cadis, Trigg county, Ky., Mrs. Prince was the youngest child of a family of four brothers and four sisters and one half-sister and two half-brothers, all of whom preceded her in death.

She is survived by six children: Mrs. C. O. Earp, Pritchett; Mrs. Ophelia Corley, Fort Worth; Mrs. Virgie Robbins, Merkel; Mrs. Lois Slater, Brawley, Calif.; Ollie Prince, Weintert, and Floyd Prince, Shamrock. Several grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews in Texas and Kentucky also survive.

Mrs. Prince joined the Baptist church and was baptized at Mt. Pleasant several years ago. Her husband, W. H. Prince, whom she married in Kentucky sixty years ago, preceded her in death in 1924.

All of the children were present for the funeral, except the daughter, Mrs. Slater, from California. Among the out-of-town relatives, besides the children, and grandchildren, attending the funeral were a niece, Mrs. M. B. Tabor, and children, Slaton; a nephew, J. P. Madding, and family, Snyder, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Winters and family of Anson.

List of Petit Jurors Called Next Week

The list of jurors for the sixth week of the 104th district court follows:

R. A. Hill, E. W. King, S. T. Bird, Luther Land, Frank Carr, Roy Harrell, Merkel; Lloyd Hiner, M. H. Wolverton, J. T. Washburn, J. L. Laird, R. E. Dudley, Wiley Dodd, D. F. Farmer, T. L. Hilburn, Harve Wright, T. A. Lewis, Alex Bohnert, R. G. Hall, Sr., Jack Fulwiler, H. M. Sumrall, N. G. Hall, T. V. Grayson, W. O. Morris, L. T. Hawsey, M. P. Gentry, H. J. Rogers, Joe Jay, L. H. Hampton, C. C. Cowden, G. W. Simmons, W. G. Williams, W. Q. Bryan, F. Ben Allen, Abilene; O. L. Barrett, Buffalo Gap; G. H. Collins, W. L. McCormick, Houston B. Self, S. F. Carter, Tuscata; S. W. McClure, Wingate; O. L. Henson, C. D. Tekel, Wingate; J. D. White, F. A. Hollis, Guy Vernon, H. G. Cottrell, Ovalo; W. C. Rosson, S. O. Barnes, H. P. Brown, J. M. Barnes, Lawn; H. T. Durham, Brdshaw.

On Tarleton Honor Roll.

Stephenville, April 4.—Two students from Merkel were listed on the honor roll for the first preliminary of the second semester at John Tarleton college, according to report from the registrar's office. Students listed were Margaret Miller and Mildred Richardson.

CITY ASKED TO OBSERVE WEEK FOR CLEAN-UP

Next week was designated as "Clean-Up Week" and Tuesday was named as "Cemetery Day" at the regular meeting of the city council Monday night.

The suggestion comes from the mayor and members of the city council that all business houses be asked to close at five in the afternoon of Tuesday and go to the cemetery for two hours work.

A hand bill will be printed by the Merkel Mail in a day or two outlining the "Clean-Up" campaign by mayor's proclamation and will be placed in every home within the city limits. "Let's all co-operate," says Mayor Elliott.

All tin cans, trash, etc., placed in the alleys will be hauled off by the city free of charge as in the past.

Dates of Methodist Revival April 7-21

"There comes a time in every line of business, when new life, new interest, new efforts must be put forth to keep alive this business. No business will run within itself; there must be co-operation on the part of every one that is connected with the institution by membership, or by citizenship—let one fail and it is weakened."

With this apt illustration, Rev. P. H. Gates, pastor of the Methodist church, announces the dates of the revival at his church—April 21.

"We are glad to state," he says, "that Rev. J. B. Baker will do the preaching through the meeting. Brother Baker preaches a gospel that is fundamental in living the Christian life. He is a spirit-filled man of God, a man of great faith, one that believes in the Old Time Power."

"We invite the public; come and be with us. If you sing, come and help in the singing; that's your part in the revival."

"Remember the date—April 7th to 21st."

Protracted Meeting to Close Sunday Morning

The spring protracted meeting at the First Baptist church, which started Wednesday, March 27, and which has stirred up a gratifying response in the hearts of church members and others interested in soul-saving, will close with the morning sermon at 11 o'clock Sunday.

Rev. J. D. Brannon, district missionary, who has been doing the preaching, will discuss the following subjects at the evening sermons during the remainder of the series of services:

Thursday night—"A Question that God Must Answer."

Friday night—"What It Costs to be Lost."

Saturday night—"Extended Mercy."

Sunday morning—"Heaven."

TO SOUTH TEXAS TO PURCHASE RODEO STOCK

Pasture Leased and Other Plans Being Perfected for Opening Date, April 20; Baseball Managers Are Asked to Meet.

Delegated by the central planning board of the Merchants Trade Extension association of Merkel to purchase rodeo stock for use in the series of free rodeos sponsored by the association for the entertainment of the surrounding communities in Merkel's trade territory, Elmer Lowe, accompanied by C. K. Russell, left Monday morning for South Texas. Exchange of wires with Henry West, president of the association, has resulted in the purchase of some thirty head of stock, which will be shipped at once to Merkel.

The Hill pasture, just west of town and near the rodeo corral, has been leased and the rodeo livestock will be taken there direct when they arrive.

Date for the first rodeo for 1935 has been set for April 20, with succeeding rodeos to follow every two weeks.

Preliminary plans for organization of the inter-community baseball league for 1935 will get under way at a meeting Thursday night of this week of the prospective club managers with the baseball committee, of which L. J. Renfro is chairman. Definite organization of the league should be perfected at this time, and just as soon as the number of clubs is determined, a schedule can be arranged and the opening date set, probably sometime in May.

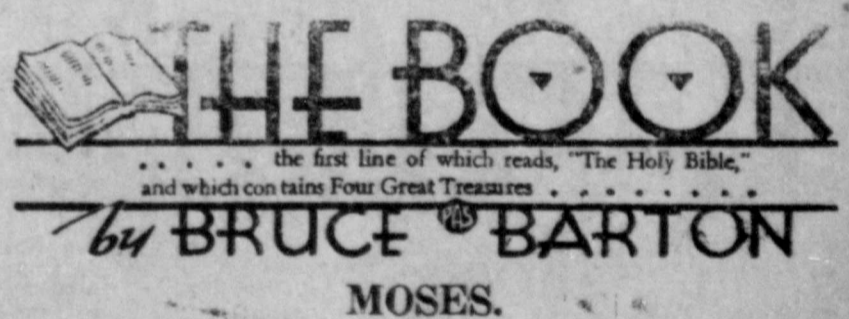
Led by the president, members of the board are putting forth every effort to make the 1935 series of rodeos and baseball games of such high quality that they will merit the same hearty approval and patronage as they enjoyed last summer.

To this end, while both rodeo and baseball will be free to everybody, just as last year, arrangements have been completed to move the bleacher stands from the high school football field and fence them off in a special section for those wishing to pay for seats. Only a small price, 15c per person, will be charged.

Another feature that is receiving special attention is a big street parade on the morning of the opening day, Saturday, April 20.

Rabbit Drive at Tye.

Tye citizens and farmers in the community are urged to gather Friday morning for a rabbit drive south from the Texas and Pacific railway tracks. The drive is to start at 8 o'clock.



Reared as the grandson of an emperor, doted on by a royal foster mother, Moses, who might have had every luxury, preferred, like Abraham, like each of the prophets, like John the Baptist and Saint Paul, to be "not disobedient to the Heavenly vision." He was modest, as most men of genius are.

And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? . . .

Behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The Lord hath not appeared unto thee.

And the Lord said unto him, What is in thine hand? And he said, a rod.

And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

And the Lord said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand.

That rod was to play a mighty part in the history of the next forty years. By it the plagues were brought upon the Egyptians in tragic succession until even the stubborn will of Pharaoh was broken; the Red Sea divided at its touch to let the children of Israel pass through; and in the wilderness, when water failed, the rock which it smote gave forth a crystal stream. Moses had need of its help and of all the encouragement and support that Aaron, his colleague, and the strong men of the twelve tribes could give. As law-giver, military commander and executive, Moses transformed his ex-slave followers into a self-governing people.

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THE BOOK

(Continued from Page One.) There have been many leaders of powerful personality who failed because they could not associate strong men with them.

He needed the sword of Joshua. He needed the eloquence and priestly help of Aaron.

And Moses said unto the Lord, O my Lord, I am not eloquent . . . but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses, and he said, Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well.

And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth.

And he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of God.

The special talent of each of these associates supplemented his own abilities, and he was big enough to know that they required supplementing.

Next Week: David.

GOLAN NEWS

(Omitted Last Week.) Orvel Hill of Truby visited home folks here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Williams of Newman visited with relatives here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Hill of Hermleigh are visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hill.

Brother Price, the Methodist pastor, preached here Sunday morning at 11 and Sunday night at 7:45.

There are a number of cases of whooping cough in the school at present.

Mrs. W. W. Hill of Snyder was moved to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hill's home last week from the Abilene hospital and is improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Kinsey entertained visiting relatives from Rottan Sunday.

and Mrs. Roy Powers of near Anna were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Jeffrey.

F. Jeffrey has returned from a several months vacation near Corpus Christi.

Several men from here were in Abilene Sunday to attend the greyhound races.

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DORA DOINGS

Tuesday morning was cloudy with a sprinkling of rain. If a good rain were to fall, we would have some sure enough pretty fields of grain in this section.

Mrs. S. E. Porter, who has been quite sick for the last week, is improving nicely.

Mrs. Wiley Post and her mother-in-law, Mrs. May Post, of Oklahoma were week-end visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tyrone returned Monday from Arizona, where they were called a week before to the bedside of his brother, Bill, who was very low with pneumonia. They left him well on the road to recovery.

R. W. Porter and D. W. Jones made a business trip to Merkel and Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. Floyd Dennis was shopping in Merkel Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Perry were Abilene visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Oscar Rape is reported resting very well after a severe appendix attack.

Ford Phillips and Earl Clayton made a business trip to Cedar Gap Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lister announce the arrival of a baby daughter. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

We regret to say Mrs. Jeffries is on the sick list.

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Honor Roll

WHITE CHURCH SCHOOL.

The honor roll for March is as follows:

First grade—Billie Frazier, 91; Floyd Hanley, 92; Dorothy Lee Jacobs, 90.

Second grade—Dorothy Jo Weston, 90; Kenneth Hanley, 90.

Fourth grade—W. L. Brown, 90. Fifth grade—Berdon Conley, 94; Othel Walden, 93.

Sixth grade—Homer Tye, 95; M. H. Farmer, 90.

Read the advertisements in this paper. There's a message in every one of them that may enable you to save money. At least you will know where to find what you want without doing a lot of hunting and asking questions, and you also know the merchants appreciate your patronage because they solicit your business and make special offering of their goods.

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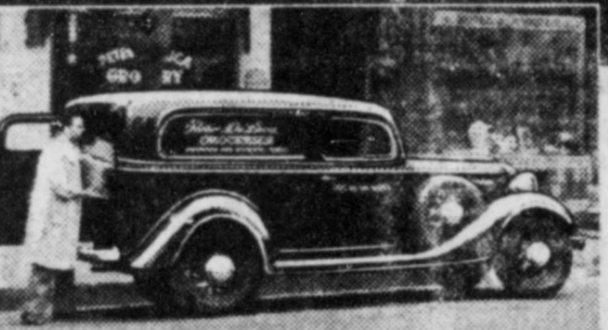
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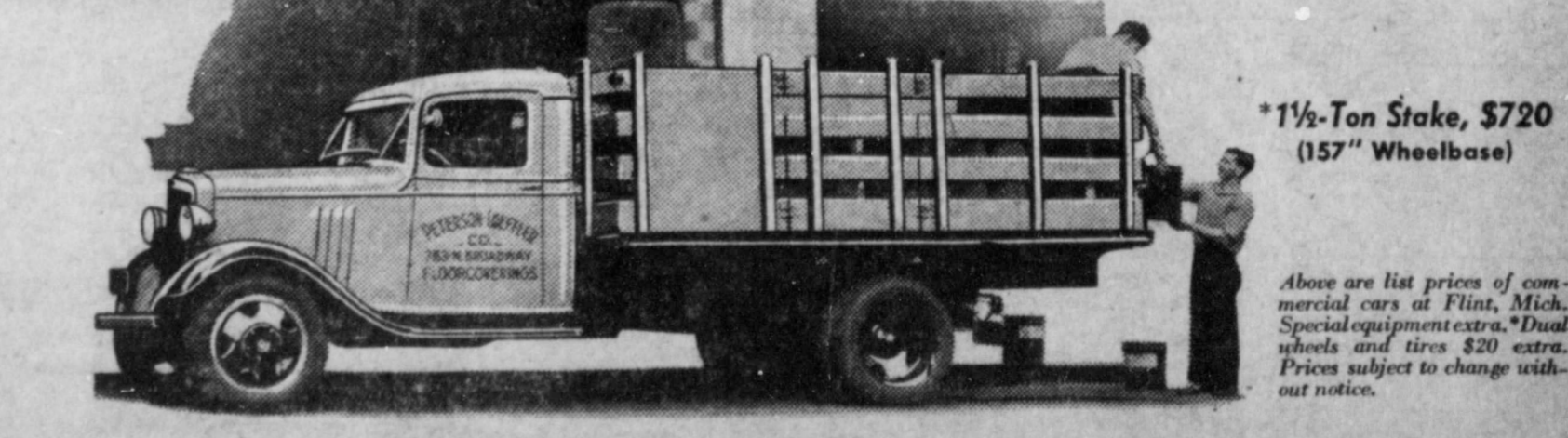
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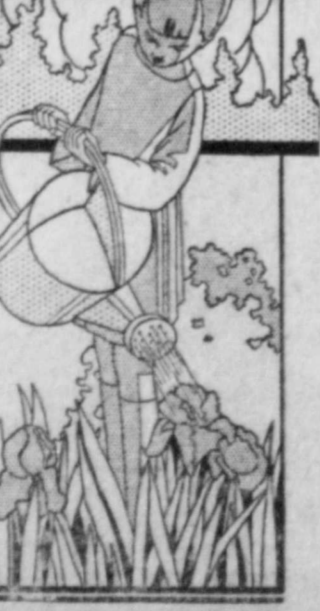
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THE BADGER WEEKLY

THE "HAS BEENS" AND "WILL BE'S" OF THE LEAGUE

Both Junior High school teams won the county. The boys, however, were beat out by Elmdale for right to enter the district, while the girls won.

The boys had close games all day. The first two games were won by two scores. In the second game they won over Potosi 5 to 4. The last game for county championship was a thriller, going eight innings with Merkel winning 4 to 3. In the last game, which was played for right to enter the district, Elmdale managed to score on an error in the ninth inning which won the game by the score of 5 to 6. The girls won their first game when Bradshaw forfeited. They then met and defeated Ovalo 14 to 11. In the last game, they defeated Tuscola 26 to 13. By winning all these games, the girls won the county championship.

The line-ups:
Boys—Mansfield, c; Gambill, p; Cribley, 1b; West, 2b; Boney, 3b; Davis, 1ss; Dye, rss; Hawkins, lf; Young, cf; Gibson, rf.

Girls—Williams, c; Pruitt, p, 3b; Derrick, 1b; Hughes, 2b; Perry, 3b, p; Dwiggins, 1ss; Bird, rss; Whisenhunt, lf; Davis, cf; Higgins, rf.

Those track boys of Merkel have been working hard for the district meet which will be held Saturday, April 6, at Sweetwater.

Merkel's hopes will be centered around Robert Higgins and Robert Malone, who scored several points at Ovalo in their meet there. Both are capable of stepping the hundred under 11 seconds, and can step the 220 fast also. Come to Sweetwater and watch those boys go.

At Ovalo Merkel took the following first places:

High hurdle—Higgins.
Half mile—Robertson.

The relay team, which is composed of Robertson, Malone, Joy and Higgins, was defeated by a very close margin.

CHAPEL PROGRAM.

The following cast, Vivian Davis (Marie), Veda Helen Bradley (the grandmother), Clara F. Largent (Malista), and Clifton Bellamy (Mr. Brown), presented the play "One Fine Day" as chapel program last Thursday morning at 10:45 in the Gym. This play was given at county meet and won second place. Everyone who saw the play seemed to have enjoyed it very much, and it seems to be very highly recommended.

Our Seniors

Edith Neil.

Edith has been a member of our large class for two years, and we are sure that she is doing her best to make it a record-breaking class. We all like Edith, for she is intelligent, humorous and lovable.

Thelma Matthews.

Thelma is friendly, industrious and intelligent. She is the librarian and main office girl. Everyone likes her because of her friendly way and her aid to all those in distress. Thelma was in the Pep Squad, the Choral club and she represented us in debating.

Weldon Hudson.

Weldon has been a member of our class for one year, but we have learned to like him. Weldon is a good sport with plenty of energy. He was a member of our basket ball team and our track team. Hurray for Weldon!

Charles McCormick.

Right in Weldon's tracks comes Charlie in the process of gaining a large number of friends. He was also a member of our basket ball team and our track team.

APRIL SHOWERS.

There fell an April shower, one night: Next morning, in the garden bed, The crocuses stood straight and gold; "And they have come," the children said.

There fell an April shower, one night: Next morning, thro' the woodland spread, The Mayflowers, pink and sweet as youth; "And they are come," the children said.

There fell an April shower, one night: Next morning, sweetly, overhead, The bluebirds sang, the bluebirds sang; "And they are come," the children said.

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Joke Editor—Tracy Wood.

SENIOR WRITES FAREWELL FOR CLASS TO MHS

Dear friends, in behalf of the Senior class I have been asked to give this parting word "Farewell." Do not ever say that you hate school and wish you didn't have to go or that it would soon be out, for there will be a sad feeling rise up in spite of all the joys of an occasion like this. We, as the Senior class, are giving our bright room and smiling sponsor to the juniors of this year; we are also leaving a few of the students who love M. H. S. so well that they are going to stay another year by failing. We are going on though, most of us, from here to the higher climb of life. Some will go to college; some will enter business; some will continue to do as they have done all through high school, just get by.

This year should hold a greater memory for us than any other year for it is our last year to assemble in the crowded study hall for chapel while Mr. Burgess makes his familiar announcement, "If you are going to dance, always pay the fiddler."

We wish to thank all the teachers for the worries they have spent over our dumb and mischievous past. We do so dearly love all of them for the patience they have shown while we were careless with our conduct. "Especially do Randell McNiece, Frances Scoggin and Lena Fae Harrell ask that their degrading conduct be forgotten." We appreciate Miss Martin for starting us off so brilliantly as a class of Fish. Miss Patterson will be remembered for her limber back used in teaching the girls' physical education class and for giving the boys such tongue lashings for not bringing up their geometry. Mr. Riddle is famed among us as the teacher who is an A-1 scientist, teaching not to be afraid of the dark, believing black cats mean good luck instead of bad luck, and saying that a dropped nickel does not fall to the floor because it is too heavy to float, but it falls by the pull of gravity. Mr. Burgess is not a politician because he knows too much about the United States government and modern history. I don't know why every one seems to be afraid of Mr. Irvin, but they surely must be, because every time he steps into the study hall not a creature stirs, not even Lynn Shelton. Last but not most honored by us now is Mrs. Irvin who has toiled and striven to teach us enough English

the last year so she will not be ashamed of Cal McAninch when he makes a big Methodist preacher, Leslie Welsh when he makes a judge of the supreme court, or Cleo Henley when she becomes an English teacher of Texas State Teachers' college. As we go, we want all you Juniors to feel free to call Mrs. Irvin your guide just as we have done. You Sophs will be glad to give the present Juniors a banquet next year under Miss Patterson's careful instructions. The Fish of this year will be glad to change their name that they will make Mr. Riddle an excellent class. There comes to Miss Martin another group of beginners in High school life and we hope that they enjoy and appreciate High school as we have enjoyed it.

Wood's Dope

(By Tracy Wood.)

An Awful Come Down.

Mr. Burgess was making one of his famous speeches before a large crowd. He had built a platform and was making a hot campaign speech for the mayor.

A small boy worked his way toward the front of the crowd and finally stood before Mr. Burgess.

"Where is it? Where is it?"

Mr. Burgess: "I guess I'm it, my boy."

"Pshaw!" responded the boy with disgust. "I thought it was a dog fight."

"The Limit."

Mr. Riddle: "Are you good at measurements, Jack?"

Jack Stanford: "I am that."

Mr. Riddle: "Then could you tell me how many shirts I could get out of a yard?"

Jack Stanford: "Sure, just as many as were on the line!"

Jack Lowe met Mary Helen Mashburn and while not remembering who she was, but feeling certain he was acquainted with her, held out his hand and said,

"I'm sure I've met you somewhere!"

"No doubt," said M. H. coolly, "I have often been there."

Wrong Number?

"Get my kit ready quickly," shouted Dr. Gardner. "Some fellow has phoned that he can't live without me."

"Oh, that call is for me," said Sis as she seized the phone and glued it to her ear.

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Loans	\$114,956.08
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CASH & U. S. SECURITIES	91,171.72
Total	\$236,923.75

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Capital Stock	
Surplus and Debentures	\$ 67,500.00
Undivided Profits Net	3,124.16
DEPOSITS	166,299.59
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PERSONALS

Miss Thelma Tucker of Slaton was
the week-end guest of her cousin, Mrs.
M. A. Dunn, and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Wheeler of
Ada, Okla., are guests of Mr. Wheeler's
brothers, J. W. and Ben Wheeler,
and families and his niece, Mr. and
Mrs. C. P. Church.

Miss Ruby Grace Janes is visiting
this week with Mrs. Leslie Clawson
of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gaines and
three sons of Ysleta were guests
Tuesday night in the John Collins
home.

Miss Mary King, of Rising Star,
who had been guest for the past two
weeks of Miss Fannie Belle Boaz on
the Boaz ranch, was accompanied on
her return home by Miss Boaz, who
is now her guest.

Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Jr., is here
from San Antonio for a few days
visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank
Golladay, and little daughter, Mary
Faye.

Friends will be glad to learn that
Mrs. Frank Golladay is improving
after a severe illness.

Mrs. R. L. Ferguson and children
arrived from Dallas Wednesday to
visit her father, S. F. Haynes, who
has been ill for several months, but
is somewhat improved at this time.

Miss Madge Dean, of Dallas, who
accompanied Mrs. R. L. Ferguson on
a visit to her father, S. F. Haynes, is
guest of her brother, Elbert Dean,
and family, and of Miss Christine
Collins.

Mrs. Kate Cotten of Dallas, who
has been visiting her friend and
former teacher, Miss Dora Garoutte,
left Saturday for Lubbock and other
western points.

Rev. Willis P. Gerhart, rector of
Heavenly Rest Episcopal church, Abilene,
paid a parochial visit to Miss
Dora Garoutte on Friday of last
week.

Mrs. Lois Curb and daughter,
Minnie Lois, were guests the past
week-end with her aunt, Mrs. S. C.
Roff, in Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adcock, ac-
companied by their daughter and son-
in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold King,
and Mrs. Adcock's nephews, Dutton
and Bob Williamson, spent the week-
end with another daughter, Miss Ber-
delle Adcock, and other relatives in
Menard.

Sterling Sheppard of the Dallas
Journal staff was home for a week-
end visit with his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. A. T. Sheppard.

C. D. Watley was a visitor last
week with Messrs. Doyle and Barney
Garrett and other friends in Waco.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

While rains of an inch or more in
proportion were reported north of
town, in the Noodle and Goodman
sections, and also south of town, Tues-
day's rainfall here was almost negli-
gible, according to Volunteer Weather
Observer Grover Hale, who reported
one-sixteenth of an inch. This brings
the 1935 total to 3 1/4 inches.

Miss Iris Garrett went to Waco as
musician for the Big Spring drill
team at the state convention of the
Woodman Circle, and in competitive
drill that team won the Willard med-
al.

Watt Blair and A. D. Barnes, as
delegates from the Merkel camp, W.
O. W. and Lloyd Harjia, from the
Blair camp, attended the state Wood-
men convention at Waco last week.

Among those from this section in
attendance this week at the state pin-
ners convention in Dallas are num-
bered Messrs. Hurley Toombs, Comer
Haynes, Holland Teaff, Odell Eoff,
R. H. Mathews, Sr., and J. A. Horton.

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tions. Visit Drug Co.

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At the regular Lions club lunch-
eon at the American cafe Tuesday, 27
out of 30 members were present, mak-
ing an attendance of 90 per cent. At
the previous luncheon, it will be re-
called, a full 100 per cent were in at-
tendance.

Special guests at Tuesday's lunch-
eon were two Lionesses, Medames R.
O. Pearson and J. O. Lusby, who di-
rected the three one-act plays so suc-
cessfully staged under the sponzor-
ship of the club, and Rev. J. D. Bran-
non, now conducting the revival at
the Baptist church, and Rev. C. R.
Joyner, pastor of the First Baptist
church.

Responding to request from the
Claude Lions club, the local club went
on record as endorsing Governor All-
ey's "clean-up" campaign against
crime and vice in the state. The club
members, individually, also signed up
as members of the Texas Million Cen-
tennial club.

With Dr. L. C. Zehnpenning as
chairman, a committee to organize a
soft ball team was named. Other
members are: Byers Petty, Milton
Cast and Tracy Campbell.

Broadway Motorcade
To Stop Here Monday

Starting from San Diego, Calif.,
on April 5, a motorcade eastbound to
the Broadway of America convention
at Nashville, Tenn., April 12-13, will
stop at Merkel for five minutes, from
11:25 to 11:30 Monday morning,
April 8.

This information was conveyed to
Mayor W. M. Elliott by letter from
Leo Hetzel, first vice-president of the
Broadway of America Highway as-
sociation, with headquarters in El
Centro, Calif.

An invitation is extended to any
one interested to join the motorcade
in the trip to Nashville.

Baptist WMS Program.
The Baptist WMS will meet at
2:30 Monday afternoon to study the
last half of the mission study book,
"At the Gate of Asia," which will be
taught by Mrs. Jinks Winters.

Will Preach at Trent.
W. C. Cypert, will preach at the
11 o'clock hour Sunday at the Church
of Christ at Trent. Everyone is cor-
dially invited to hear him.

Irish leaving Ireland for America
last year numbered 315, compared
with 26,500 in 1925.

Office supplies—Mail office.
Advertise in The Merkel Mail.

Plan to Gravel All
Rural Mail Routes

With a view to submitting a work
project to gravel every rural route
in precinct 2, County Commissioner
A. J. Canon is working with County
Relief Administrator Doyle T. Brooks
and the state works engineer in pre-
paring original data, including a
map of each rural route in the pre-
cinct.

Full details have not been complet-
ed, but under the preliminary outline
the state through federal aid will be
asked to furnish trucks and labor,
with the exception of machinery and
machine hands, which will be furnis-
hed by Commissioner Canon.

Local Minister Goes
To Bartlett Church

Having accepted a call to the
Church of Christ at Bartlett, Flavil
R. Yeakley, minister of the Church of
Christ here, will preach his farewell
sermons Sunday at the morning and
evening hours. His resignation from
the ministry of the local church was
accepted by the church elders Wed-
nesday night.

During the time of his residence
here and his connection with the
Church of Christ, which began Sep-
tember first, last year, Mr. Yeakley
has made many friends, both in and
out of the church, by his earnestness,
sincerity and friendliness, and The
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him best wishes for success in his
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PICKLES, Empson, 26 oz. 15c	KRAUT, No. 2 1-2 10c
3 CANS 13c	GALLON FRUITS Peaches, Plums, Blackberries 45c
DRIED PEACHES, 2 lbs. 25c	COFFEE, Bulk, pound 15c
RAISINS, 4 pounds 33c	MAXWELL HOUSE, 3 lbs. 85c
SALMON, 2 for 25c	TOMATOES
MACKEREL, 3 for 25c	No. 2 can, 3 for 27c
OATS	Fresh Fruits and Vegetables— BEST PRICES
For Chicks, pound 5c	Lipton's-1 pound 80c
	Liptons 1-2 pound 45c
TEA	HIGH GRADE MEATS AT A SAVING
	CHEESE, Longhorn, lb. 22c
	STEAk, chuck or seven, lb. 17c
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FOR SALE—Now ready, Crosby tomato plants, the West Texas tomato sure crop; three blocks south of Grammar school, or see Joe Stalls at Merkel Creamery.

COTTON SEED for sale, grown from Qualla latest improved 77, \$1.00 per bushel. Luther Orsborn, Merkel, Texas, Route 5.

FOR SALE—Good upright piano, newly tuned and reconditioned. Can be seen at Blake's Dry Cleaners.

FOR SALE—Tomato and cabbage plants. Missie's Floral Shop.

FOR SALE—Marsh Rose cotton seed, \$2.50 per bushel; all seed culled and sacked. Comer Haynes at Emory McDonald's Feed Store.

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LOST—End gate to Chevrolet truck. Notify C. D. Sampson, Merkel, Texas, Route 1.

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Every one interested is invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

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Clifford Thompkins, Buster Horton.

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Carolyn Thompkins, Ruth Pinckley.

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Saturday April 20th

ARENT NEWS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. Bob Billington honored her little daughter with a party Tuesday afternoon to celebrate her eighth birthday. Thirty little guests were present and at the refreshment hour ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. L. Lester of Tulsa is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bright.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duncan and little daughters and Miss Ola Duncan were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Riley of Coleman.

Mrs. Lula Bishop, who was a delegate to the state convention of the Woodmen Circle at Waco last week, returned home Sunday.

C. G. Scott of Sherwood was elected superintendent of the public schools at a meeting of the board Saturday night.

Miss Marian Murdock of Dallas was a recent guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Murdock.

Miss Mildred Steadman is home from C. L. A. for a visit of a few days.

Mesdames J. G. Waters and Luther Dudley and Miss Ethel Cook of Goodman were week-end guests of relatives and friends in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Archer of Dallas and Mrs. J. A. Falkner of Fort Worth were week-end guests of Mrs. Mary Archer.

J. M. Chipman, who has been visiting his daughters, Mesdames Johnson and Bishop of Houston, for the past six weeks, has returned here for a visit with his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart.

Mrs. Eva Parker of Post returned home Tuesday after spending a few days with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Perkins.

Miss Thelma Nalley was the week-end guest of Mrs. Frank Martin of Noodle, and they attended the Fifth Sunday singing convention at Longworth.

Miss Virgie Strawn spent the week-end at Greenville.

J. R. Gafford, financial secretary of Trent W. O. W. returned Sunday from Waco where he attended the state convention.

Mrs. Ben Howell and daughter, Betty Lou, and Mrs. Lawrence Dowdy visited relatives at Fort Worth several days last week, returning home Sunday.

Byron Dingle of Hermleigh spent the week here visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker and little son and Mrs. W. B. Goods and Miss Clementine Goode were week-

end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goode of Lamesa.

John Thixton, accompanied by his grandson, Buster Edwards, and granddaughter, Maude Lee Thixton, attended the funeral of a granddaughter at Big Spring last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Boone returned home Sunday, after having been away for some few weeks.

White Church News

Planting feed and some cotton in the order of the day here. However, we would be very glad of a good rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Bickley and children of Stanton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Farmer over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Bickley will be remembered as old timers of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan D. King and baby son, Allan, Jr., and Ollie May Reed attended the Fat Stock show at Fort Worth last week, and report a very enjoyable trip.

Little Malcolm Leon Toombs of Merkel spent the past week in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Demere.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Phillips and little daughters, Maxine and Barbara Ann, visited recently on Bitter creek.

Mrs. Paul Demere is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. John Coomer near Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes and L. R. Harris of this place accompanied by W. L. Blair of Merkel and J. R. Gafford of Trent attended the W. O. W. convention in Waco last week. They also visited friends and relatives at McGregor and Comanche.

Lloyd Snow of Baird visited friends here a few days last week.

A number of ranchmen are shearing this week.

There will be singing at the church Friday night.

There was an estimated gain of 300,000 telephones in the Bell system during 1934, the first increase in any year since 1930 and contrasting with declines of 630,000 telephones in 1933, and 1,579,000 in 1932.

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NOODLE DEMONSTRATION CLUB

Mrs. Carl Bonneaux and Mrs. C. W. Seago held an all-day pattern school in the home of Mrs. C. W. Seago recently. Foundation patterns were cut and old ones checked. Mrs. C. W. Seago gave a demonstration on glove making.

A covered dish lunch was enjoyed by the following: Mesdames J. M. Williamson, V. L. Merrill, J. M. Sloan, Vessie Justice, Oscar Justice, J. M. Spurgin, Carl Bonneaux, C. W. Seago, and one visitor, Mrs. J. H. Grayson.

BLAIR CLUB

The Blair Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. Jim Campbell on March 28. The president, Mrs. John Russell, presided over the meeting, and minutes were read by the secretary-treasurer. The club play was postponed for an indefinite time.

Mrs. V. L. Doan was the recipient of the basket and Mrs. John Russell and Mrs. D. C. Doan, the club quilt. There were 13 members present and one visitor, Mrs. J. B. Jones.

After the business hour, the hostess served a refreshment plate of cake and punch.

The club quilt on March 14 was awarded to Mrs. E. E. Akins and Mrs. Jim Campbell.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. D. C. Doan on April 11, the program to be a poultry demonstration.

ESKOTA H. D. C. NEWS

The Eskota Home Demonstration club met Tuesday for an all-day session at the home of Mrs. L. H. Utley. Roll call was answered by "Do I Have a Foundation Pattern?" Mrs. C. B. Johnston, second year wardrobe demonstrator, discussed the value of keeping clothing budgets and a demon-

stration of keeping a record was given.

After completing a quilt in the Lover's Knot pattern, members spent the remainder of the day cutting foundation patterns. Covered dishes were brought and served at luncheon.

Thirteen members, one new and one guest enjoyed the day: Miss Leta Walker, Mrs. V. B. Bullard of Roscoe, Mesdames C. B. Johnston, M. R. Scott, D. I. Trent, Ollie Mathews, Clayton Nichols, A. E. Bullard, H. A. Johnston, W. J. Farley, L. E. F.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE. There were 706 present at the six reporting Sunday Schools last Sunday, as compared with 807 on the previous Sunday. On the same Sunday a year ago, which was 1934 Easter Sunday, 934 were in attendance at the same six Sunday Schools.

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Our revival will begin Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Subject, "Our Part in the Revival." Young people's service at 6:45 p. m. Preaching at 7:45 p. m. Rev. J. B. Baker will do the preaching for the revival. Come and hear him.

P. H. Gates, Pastor.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

The protracted meeting, conducted by Rev. J. D. Brannon, has been well attended and there is considerable interest shown. Come and meet with us.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. BTS at 6:45 p. m. WMU at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. YWA at 4:30 Monday afternoon. Prayer meeting at 7:30 Wednesday evening.

NAZARENE CHURCH.

We want to urge our people to much prayer the next few weeks for our revival that will begin here May 14 and continue to the 28th of the month.

We want everybody that believes in a heart-felt religion, in Bible repentance, in old time restitution, in the

old time Holy Ghost religion and in a church with an altar where people get saved from their sins, to attend this meeting.

Preaching next Sunday 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m. BYPS 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. You are invited to attend all these services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m., followed by a communion service. Offering for Reynolds home. No night service on account of the revivals in progress. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. You are cordially invited to all of these services.

R. A. Walker, Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

In so far as we know now, we will have the regular services next Lord's day, as Brother Yeakley was due to return Wednesday of this week. Bible study 10 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m., communion 12 m., and the young people will have their usual services at 7 p. m.

Prayer and song service Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Let every one come who can.

O. J. Adcock.

NORTHSIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

Arrangement has been made for us to "broadcast" over KFPL at Dublin each Monday from 12 to 12:30 p. m. and from 1 to 1:30 p. m. We wish to thank all our many friends for the great interest you are taking in this worthy cause.

We wish to see the faces of every member of our Bible School next Sunday at 10 a. m. and everyone bring a new member.

There will be a one hour Bible study Sunday from 3 to 4 p. m. We welcome you to our services.

Ernest C. Dowell, Pastor.

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NOODLE NEWS

A short playlet, entitled "Please Pass the Cream," was presented in chapel Tuesday under the direction of Miss Suber, English teacher. Characters were: Mrs. John Clark, by Cornelia Williams, an ex-school marm; her husband, John Clark, a self-made man, by Leroy Eason. The play, a breakfast table quarrel, dealt with the difficulties met by Mrs. Clark in correcting the English and table manners of her self-made husband.

The Noodle basket ball boys received awards on Friday afternoon at chapel. The following, lettering in basket ball, received their sweaters from Coach Finis T. Bell: Wilson Williams, Lloyd Reese, Watts Davis, Leroy Eason, Henry Satterwhite, Cline Satterwhite and Pete Morgan. Coach Bell was presented with a sweater by Wilson Williams in behalf of the team.

We are still having singing every Friday night. Crowds have been small lately and we urge all singers to come out and join us Friday night. Noodle was well represented at Fifth Sunday singing at Union Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Atlas Phillips of Goodman and Mrs. Joe Winter and children spent Sunday in the home of their sister, Mrs. James.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bicknell, Mrs. Arthur Steele and children and Miss Ruby Blanche Jinkens of Merkel and Mrs. Claude Jinkens of Noodle spent

Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan.

Mrs. E. J. Eason and son, Leroy, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sloan and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McGinnis were dinner guests Sunday in the O. W. Sosebee home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Justice and daughter, Lucille, spent Sunday in Ballinger, the guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Clifford Rodden.

Elder Middleton of A. C. C. preached at the Church of Christ Sunday.

Miss Thelma Suber spent the week-end at her home in Abilene.

Lloyd Reese was the Sunday guest of Roger and J. D. Sosebee.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sosebee of Stamford are announcing the arrival of a nine-pound baby girl Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Howk of Paducah are the parents of a nine-pound baby girl born Thursday. Mrs. Howk is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sosebee and taught school at Noodle last year. Mr. Howk was here Monday on business.

W. C. Thompson and wife arrived Monday night en route to Dallas to attend the ginners convention.

Mrs. Davis Sosebee Brothers of Paducah visited her parents here Monday.

Profs. Bell and Pickard were hosts Monday night to a fishing party and picnic supper on the river. Those attending were boys of the high school and friends. The party was hurried

home by the approach of our good rain, but everybody is happy.

UNION RIDGE NEWS

Every one is asked to remember that next Sunday Rev. W. R. Reaves will fill his regular appointment at the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Baker and family of Warren were visitors in the E. M. Dean home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Hobdy, Mrs. G. H. Marr and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Douglas and four daughters attended the Fifth Sunday singing convention at Union Sunday.

We are glad to report that Mrs. G. L. Price and baby daughter are getting long nicely at this writing.

We are also glad to report that little Junior and Buri Carey, who have been very ill, are improving at this time.

Carl Rogers of Clyde was the week-end guest of his brother, Arthur Rogers.

Mrs. Lee Ponder and children, accompanied by Miss Merle Moore of Winters visited another sister in Big Spring last week.

The Union Ridge school children enjoyed a picnic at the Castle Peak bridge on April 1. The following children were accompanied by their teachers, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Hobdy, and Miss Mary Bell Douglas: Junior Clark, Hubert Rogers, Charles Gabbert, Burnie Dean, Jodie Gabbert,

Doris Price, Wanda, Lillie and Lavonne Douglas, Clara Joyce and Patsy Cox, Effiebell and Veda Pannell, Lassie Freeman Dean, Billie Newton, Charles Joe and Billy Boy Douglas, Charles Harwell, Clayton, Junior and Truman Freeman, Lonzell and Nolan Price, Dan Moody Pannel, Elbert and Othel Carey, Ollie Blanton, Melton and Wilhelm Kapp, Floyd Gabbert, James Fay McBride.

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BETTER BRIDGE CLUB. Members of the Better Bridge club met on Saturday afternoon in called session in the home of the president, Mrs. George White...

ALATHEAN CLASS. Mrs. Fred Baker's home was the meeting place for the Alathean, Sunday School class on Wednesday of last week. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Pick Allen presided over the meeting...

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KINGS DAUGHTERS' PARTY. Mrs. Brooks Patterson's home was opened to members of the Kings' Daughters Sunday School class on Tuesday afternoon with Mesdames W. A. McSpadden and Lee Cox assistant hostesses with Mrs. Patterson. Mrs. Grover Hale brought the devotional, after which an enjoyable social hour was spent with readings, piano numbers and songs featured.

Entertaining contests had also been prepared by the hostesses after which they served delicious homemade ice cream and cake to Mesdames F. A. Baker, Fred Baker, Britt Baker, Mashburn, McLaughlin, little Misses Doris Clyde Miller, Jessie Lee Mayhall and Mary Joe Russell, visitors, Mesdames Smith, Butman, Ellis, Allday, Russell, Black, Pee, Coats, Dry, Frazier, Watts, Collins, Tucker, Richards, E. M. Williams, H. C. Williams, Rainbolt, Harkrider, Armstrong, Hale, Durham and the hostesses.

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the devotional and Mrs. McCandless led the prayer. After a short business session, the class enjoyed games and contests and Mrs. Baker, assisted by her daughter, Miss Edith Baker, served dainty refreshments to Mesdames Chambless, McCandless, Warren, Patterson, Allen, Hamm, Sharp, Carson, and one visitor, Mrs. Mashburn.

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