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SHOWER MRS. PEE

On last Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. R. Thompson, the Methodist Ladies gave a miscellaneous shower for Mrs. Mason Pee, who had lost her home by fire. By three thirty two of the spacious rooms of the Thompson home were filled with ladies, each busily engaged in hemming cup towels and merry conversation also. Each guest had brought a package and on arrival was directed to the dining room where the packages were deposited on the dining table, which was soon filled to overflowing. At about four o'clock Mrs. Pee arrived, having been invited to a little afternoon social. Soon after her arrival, Mrs. Martin went through the rooms and invited every body to the dining room to see certain ladies do the "elephant walk", and very aptly caught Mrs. Pee by the arm and they led the way. After we had gathered about the dining room, Mrs. Martin announced that the ladies had positively refused to walk like an Elephant but hoped no one would be disappointed but would find joy in what was to follow. She then called Mrs. Pee's name telling her this abundantly laden table was all for her. Mrs. Pee was almost overcome for a few moments, but soon found great delight in untying each package, calling the name of the giver as she did so.

After the packages had been unwrapped and displayed, we returned to the rooms from which we had come and engaged in merry conversation till we were again invited to the dining room by our hostess to partake of delicious refreshments of punch and tea cakes.

This was indeed a delightful afternoon in which every one shared a like the joy of making a bright spot in the life of one whom we all love. We then bade our hostess good by and assured Mrs. Pee of our sympathy for her in the loss of her home and our love in the little shower we

Yes

it's toasted, of course. To seal in the flavor—



As shown by the American Match Co.

had given her. A Guest.

FRESH CANDY

Every day in the week you will find fresh Home Made candy at Bob's Candy Kitchen. Located between The Fair store and Patterson's Garage. Also fresh Hamburgers. 28t2p

B. C. Gaither returned first of the week from a pleasant visit to his daughter at Tuscola. B. C. reports that part of the county in fine condition, with plenty of good things to eat for both man and beast. And he looked upon his return "fit and fine" as if he had been served the best to had.

We call attention to our

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

(Condensed)

At the close of business Sept. 6th, 1921

As shown below and invite your careful scrutiny. For a more carefully itemized statement we refer you to our statement in this issue made to the controller.

You will note that this statement shows a careful conservative management with plenty of funds to take care of the legitimate needs of the community, and we solicit your business on the showing therein made, together with the Service that we offer every customer.

BRING YOUR COTTON CHECKS FOR DEPOSIT

RESOURCES

Loans, Time and Demand	\$267,622.52
Other Bonds and Securities	18,666.37
U. S. Securities	11,629.73
Stock in Fed. Reserve Bank	1,950.00
Stock in Fed. Int. Bkg. Co.	900.00
Furniture and Fixtures	4,500.00
Other Real Estate	3,000.00
Five per cent Red. Fund	312.50
CASH & SIGHT EX.	149,270.97
Total	\$457,252.09

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$50,000.00
Surplus Fund	15,000.00
Undivided Profits	8,800.86
Circulation Acct.	6,250.00
BORROWED MONEY	NONE
REDISCOUNTS	NONE
BILLS PAYABLE	NONE
OTHER LIABILITIES	NONE
DEPOSITS	377,201.23
Total	\$457,252.09



Y. P. M. S. NOTES

The Young Ladies Missionary Society met at the home of Miss Thompson on last Monday evening. As usual we had an interesting meeting and received two new members. Our program was somewhat short on account of the absence of some who were on the program. An interesting business meeting was held and final arrangements made for our Halloween Tea to be given Monday evening, Oct. 31 at the home of Mrs. Amy Sears. Every one is invited to come to this tea and bring their small change. There will be plenty to eat and an abundance of fun and amusement. A witch will tell your fortune and the witches brew will be steaming hot and delicious Ghost stories will be told by an "Old Granny" in the Chimney corner and many other things too good to tell. Come and enjoy Halloween with us.

Our next meeting will be a business meeting at the home of Miss Lillian Watts on Monday evening, Nov., 7. Reporter

In all malarial countries the popular remedy is Herbine. People find it a good medicine for purifying the system and warding off the disease. Price, 60c. Sold by Sanders Drug store Oct.

WINTER COMING

If your heavy clothing is not worn out, let us make them look new. They all like our process of cleaning and dyeing. Lig on the laundryman. Phone 218. tf

Oats, Bran and Shorts at G. M. Sharps. tf.

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Car McAlester Coal on the track for Friday and Saturday. Get it off the car. See Swafford and Leslie. 1t.

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QUALITY MERCHANDISE

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

- Leader—Dixie Howard.
1. Song.
 2. Bible Quiz, by Mrs. Miller.
 3. Introduction, by leader.
 4. In our foreign Missionary work, by Nell Swann.
 5. Duett, by Lillian Craig and Lorena Frazier.
 6. In our Mission Work, by Miss Pollock.
 7. Reading by Mary Cleo Booth.
 8. In our state Mission work, by Miss Valerie Dye.
 9. Solo, by Althea Boden.
 10. The Campaign blesses our Baptist Schools, by Yates Brown
 11. Reading, by Gladys Deutchman.
 12. Hospitals and Orphanages Profit, by Bertha Deal.
 13. We must win, by Bro Par-rack.
 14. Piano Solo, by Nell Hol-loway.

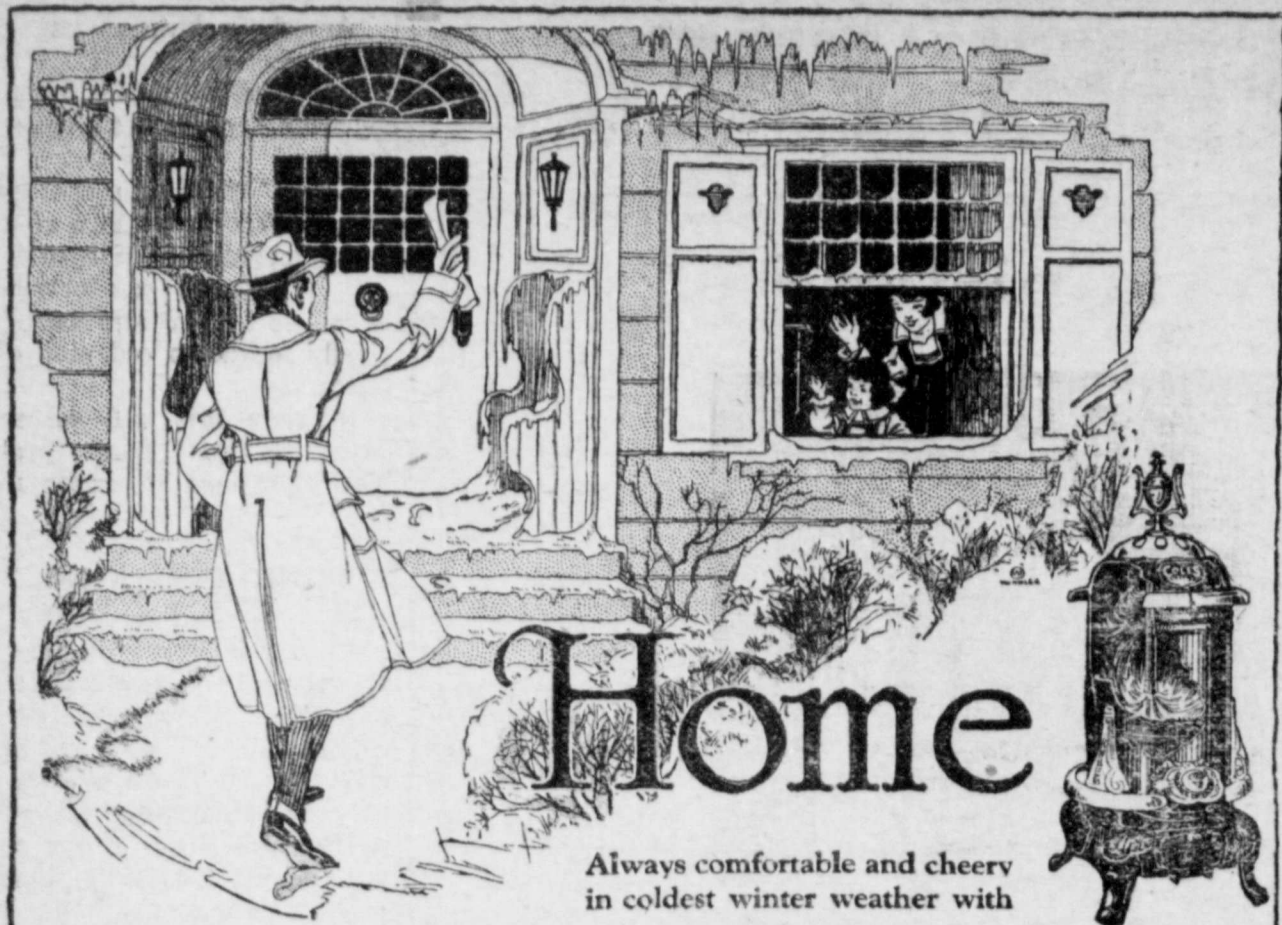
Fresh Figs and Dates at the Star Store. 1t.

Ease the pain of a rheumatic attack by a rubbing application of Ballard's Snow Liniment. It relieves tenderness and strengthens the joints. Three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20 per bottle. Sold by Sanders Drug Store. Oct.

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends and good people of Merkell, who have in any way assisted us since the loss of our home and its contents by fire on last Saturday, we take this method of expressing to one and all our profound thanks and gratitude. And let us say that, while our loss is quite heavy, you have by your kind words of sympathy, encouragement, assistance made the burden indeed much lighter. Again, we thank you, one and all Mr. and Mrs. Mason Pee. 1tp

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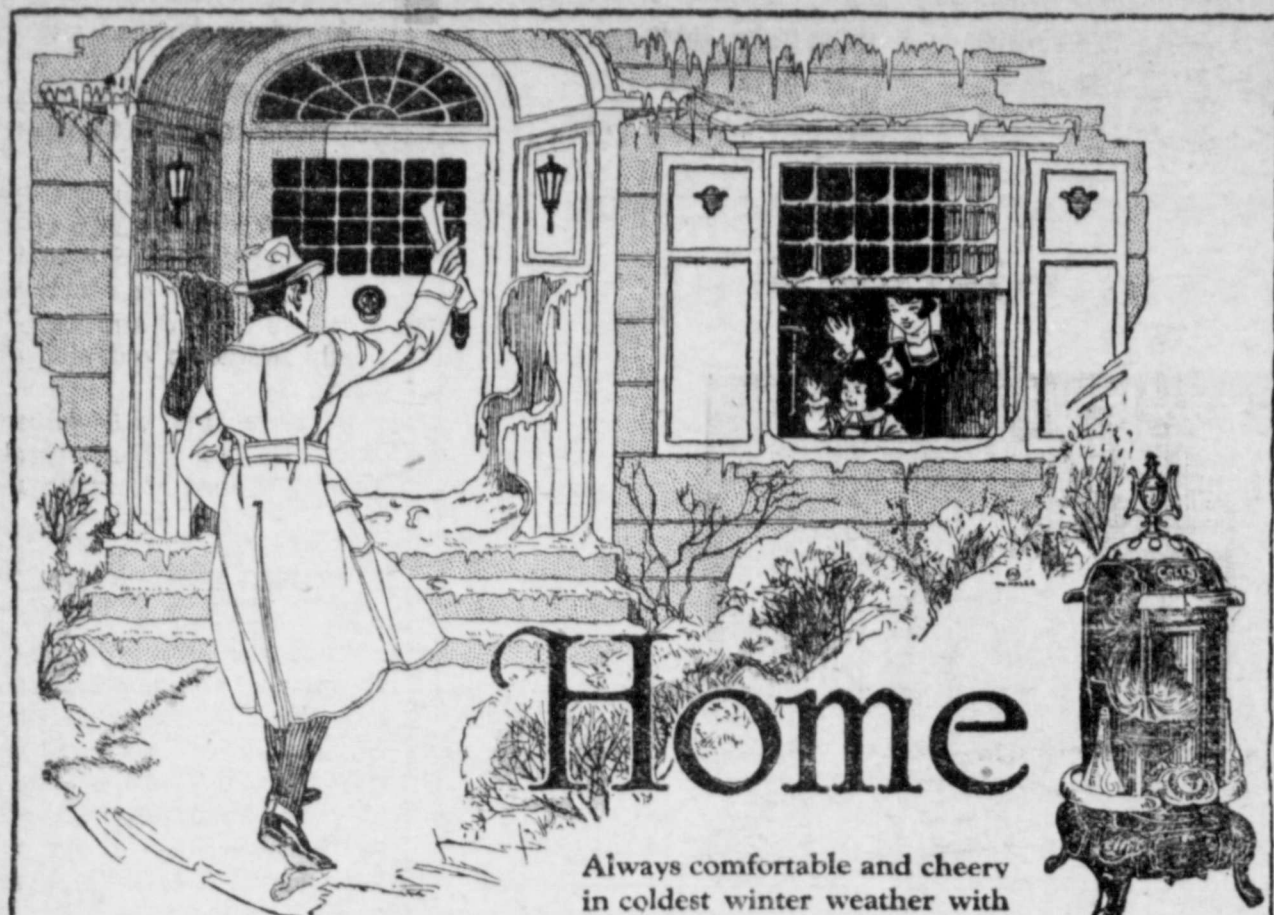
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 No. 1 (Sunshine) . . . 9:36 p.m.
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 No. 23 5:00 p.m.
East Bound
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 No. 4 9:30 a.m.
 No. 16 11:50 p.m.

Just being a MAN is a wor-
 thy job.

Most advice is free, and that
 is why it is not worth anything.

Some men see hard times be-
 cause they try to keep their hands
 soft.

Talking about other peoples
 short comings don't cancel your
 own.

Money worries some people
 and the lack of it worries the
 rest of us.

But, then, it is always a hard
 winter for those who are not
 prepared for it.

Really, it looks as if the world
 is almost ready to fight for dis-
 armament.

One of the surest ways of
 boosting your self is to give the
 other fellow a lift.

The world was made in six
 days, the Bible makes no
 mention of an eight-hour day.

The trouble with a man who
 always says what he thinks is
 that he is usually such a mean
 thinker.

Home brew is a dangerous
 thing. A pot of it blew up in
 New Orleans the other day and
 killed two men.

'Sfunny, but the fellow who
 knows just how a newspaper
 should be run is usually doing
 something else.

Heard a merchant say the
 other day that he never struck
 anything quite so tough as the
 recent buyer's strike.

No matter how busy a man
 may be, he will always stop and
 listen when you tell him what
 a world beater he is.

Christmas is coming on apace
 and it won't be long until they
 will all be trying to see how good
 they can be to father.

The old fellow who used to
 get cheated in a horse trade
 now has a son who gets stung
 on a second-hand automobile.

Of all the sorry, shriveled up
 souls in any community the fel-
 low who carries tales, is about
 the sorriest.

A writer says; The man who
 goes to a football game to bet
 on the result is a mighty poor
 sport.

One reason why some people
 are always hard up is that they
 can never tell the difference be-
 tween their needs and their
 wants.

It won't be long now until we
 can tell the ice man just what
 we think of him. But in Merkel
 the ice man is also the coal
 man and we may need his friend-
 ship—so, of course we think he
 is a nice man.

The father and mother who
 depend upon the laws of the land
 and the peace officers, to keep
 and train their children in the
 right direction, will nine times
 out of ten wake up to find out
 that they have made a mistake
 when their children have grown
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 every man and woman in this
 world. God never makes any
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 man He brings into this world
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 your best with it." The trouble
 is we won't do it. We want
 some other fellow's job and the
 pay that other fellows get. And
 if we do get his job away from
 him, we can't do it as it ought
 to be done. We rattle round like
 peas in a milk can, and we kick
 and we strike and we find fault
 all the time. Just because we
 won't get into our places and do
 the work which would bring us
 true success. What fools we are!
 —Sweetwater Reporter.

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 noticing that our friend Ira
 Huss, the ever courteous and
 splendid Electrician for the Mer-
 kel Power company, has been
 strutting around kinda sassy
 and bold, but did not have any
 idea just what the cause was,
 until some one asked, "how's
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 we found that it was on account
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 bouncing baby boy, born Oct.
 16th.

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 Sunday which was much larger
 than for some time. This is as it
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 isfied until we make our attend-
 ance 300 every Sunday. Now,
 let the membership of the Mer-
 kel Methodist church think this
 matter over, and on next Sunday
 let's make the attendance reach
 the 275 mark anyway. We can
 do it if every one will be in their
 place at Sunday School. We have
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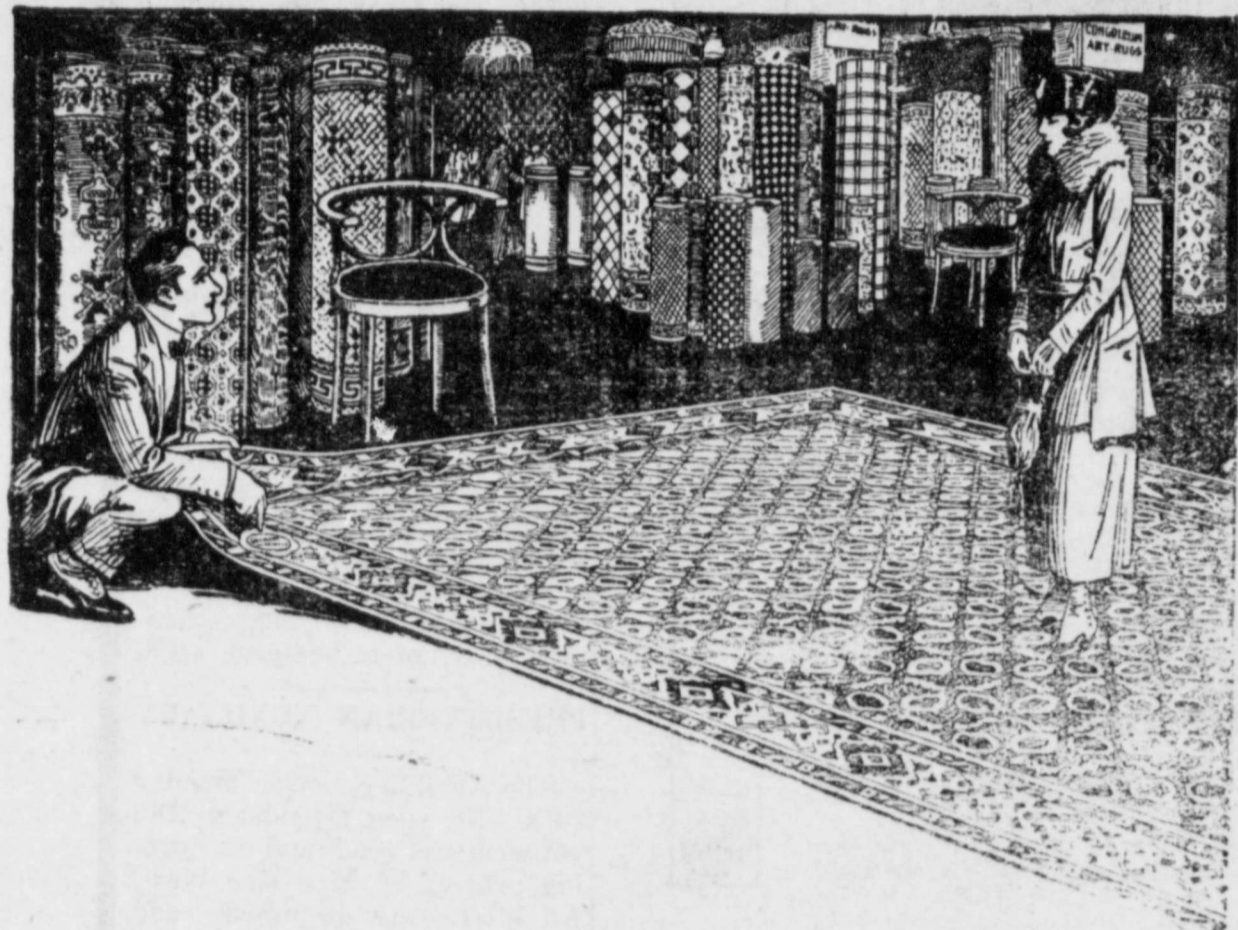
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 L. W. Cox, Superintendent.

The Mail \$1.50 year in advance

FREE FREE FREE FREE

Saturday November 5 we will give away absolutely free
A Beautiful 9 x 12 Axminister Rug



Beginning on Monday, October 31st., any married lady in Merkel or the Merkel country who comes into our store will be given a chance at the Rug. The same Rules that governed our Free Mattress, which closes Saturday at 3:30, will apply to the Rug drawing also.

In addition to the giving away of the Rug FREE we are going to make

NEXT WEEK RUG WEEK

We will have Special Prices on our Entire Rug Stock, for one week only. If you are in the market for a Rug don't fail to see us during this week.

Barrow Furniture Co.

ON THE FARMS

American farmers use, 2,146, 512 automobiles, 121,817 motor trucks and 2,503,002 telephones according to the 1920 census returns.

Life "down on the farm" steadily acquires more comforts and conveniences. Science is giving the farmer comforts which a decade or two ago were practically unknown out side of the cities.

In time this will solve the "back to the farm" problem. Men go where it's most attractive.

PRESBYTERIAN NOTES

Last Sunday we enrolled eleven new Sunday School members. The enrollment of our Sunday School now climbs up each Sunay. There is no reason why we cannot reach two hundred by the close of our church year, April 1st, 1921. Come to Sunday School, help us break all past records in attendance. We must keep at work if we win the attendance contest. To those in Merkel and surrounding country who do not go to Sunday School, any where, we cordially invite you to study the word of God with us.

If you are interested in the parables of Jesus attend the mid-week prayermeeting, during the next six weeks. One parable each Wednesday night.

On Tuesday nights we have choir practice, if you enjoy singing, come sing with us whether you sing in our choir or not. We will be glad to have you and you will be made to feel at home.

Sunday, October 30 Preaching service at eleven o'clock, and 7:15. The Christian Endeavour will meet at 6 p. m. Fred S. Rogers, pastor.

For the celebrated Truitt Pedigreed Cotton Seed, see H. A. Deavers, Merkel, Route two. 28t2pd

Car of Chops, Bran and Shorts, at Bob Martin Grocery Company. tf.

CHIROPRACTIC
 The Health Science

We wish to announce that we will open an office in the COLLINS HOTEL

Tuesday November 1

You will Appreciate our Service

Spinal Analysis Free

Cousult us concerning your case

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HIGH GRADE IMPORTED
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Tooth Brush

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2 FOR 26^c

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HONOR ROLL

The following pupils of the Merkel High School have been neither tardy nor absent, have made 90 percent or more on Department, and have made an average of 90 percent or more for the grade period ending Oct. 14th, and their names deserve a place on the Honor Roll of the school;

Second Grade— Joel Darsey, 94; Travis Cooper, 92; Fannie V. Jones, 91; Raymond Kelly, 91; Elsoi Lasater, 91; Katherine Titte, 90; Norma Fae Sublett, 90; Ola Smith 90; Oleata Moore, 90

Third Grade— Edith Smith, 93; Viola Smith, 93; Leona Rose, 93; Earle Watts 92; Julia Martinez, 91; Katherine Hogan, 90; Lena Rose Black 90; Florence Ligon, 90; Hazel Leslie, 90; Lula May Harris, 90 Milton Case, 90; Weldon Coats, 90 O. B. Boden, 90; Joe Black, 90

Fourth Grade— Imogene Agnew, 95; Gladys Hardy, 95; Wm Sheppard, 94; Thelma Horton, 94; Conley Sanders 94; Lester Patterson, 94; Wm. Branes, 93; Marza Chaney, 92; Francis Collins, 92; Lorene Dixon, 92; Norma Shannon, 92; Ava McCandless, 91; Bernice Lasater, 91; Elineor Hamilton, 91; Raymond Earthman, 91; Alvis Elliott, 90.

Fifth Grade— Gladys Deutchman, 95; Elizabeth Harkrider, 92; Iris Barrett, 92; Majorie Bland, 92; Flora Francis Anderson, 92.

Sixth Grade— Tommie Durham, 96; Clyde Mayfield, 95; Helen Booth, 94; Inice Brown, 94; Mary Hughes, 94; Gladys Milliken, 94; Hazel Coats 93; Ina Mae Martin, 93; Fannie Bell Boaz, 93; Tolbert Proctor, 92; Monetta Adcock, 92; Merle Newsome, 91; Iella Brown, 91; Aileen Childress, 91; Floy Ash, 91; Intha Bird, 91; Ellen Anderson, 90; Van Hines McSpadden, 90; Lois Curb, 90; Daisy Price, 90; Una Bell Provine, 90 Winfred Hay, 90.

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Eighth Grade— Mary Parrack, 95; Ona Fae Rose, 94; Opal Patterson, 94; Lucille Hogg, 93; Byron Corb, 92; Oma Jordan, 92; Thelma Newsome, 91; Wm. Woodroof, 91; Ray Garrett, 91; Hallie Pike 91; Iva Mae Harris, 91; Mildred Matthews, 90; Effie Grayson, 90; Dorris Durham 90; Mary Butman, 90.

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R. A. Burgess Supt.

T. R. J. Swafford and little son, Max, returned Wednesday from a trip to Fort Worth, Dallas, and Forney, Texas. While away they attended the State Fair visited relatives and had a good time in general, as well as looked after some business matters connected with the Swafford & Leslie Coal Company.

SOMETHING FOR THE LADIES

In the advertisement of the Crown Hardware Company, the ladies of Merkel will find some thing interesting and profitable to them. Read this advertisement on another page of this paper.

WHEN YOUR FARM STOCK IS SICK, LOOK FOR RATS

Disease among farm animals don't just happen. Rats are carriers of dangerous plagues—hog cholera, foot and mouth diseases and that terrible of all scourges— Bubonic plague. Farmers should throw around premises RAT-SNAP. It's sure and safe. Three sizes, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by, Merkel Drug Co. and Liberty Hardware Co.

Grape Fruit for 10c at the Star Store. tf

A clear colorless liquid that will heal wounds, cuts, sores and galls is the latest and best production of medical science. Ask for Liquid Borozone, it is a marvel in flesh-healing remedies. Price, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Sold by Sanders Drug Co. Oct

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WIFE WON'T KNOW THE OLD BUS IF YOU PRINT IT UP WITH Effecto AUTO FINISHES

Easily Applied — Lasting Lustrous Finish

We carry a full Assortment of Colors

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CLOTHES CLEANED AND PRESSED

Now is the time to think of winter clothes, look through your wardrobe and get all those old clothes out and let us clean and press them. They will look like new. Cash. TailorShop. Phone 180. tf.

PREACHING AT NOODLE

Eld. R. T. Harris, of this city requests the Merkel Mail to announce to the people of Noodle that, he will preach at both the morning and evening hours in that place, and extends to one and all a cordial invitation to attend each service.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN SOCIETY

The Woman's Society will hold an open meeting on Monday October, 31, at 3 p.m. at the church. The following program will be given:

- Devotional, Mrs. Geo. West.
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- Response from the Methodist Society, Mrs. Armstrong.
- Response from the Baptist Society, Mrs. Warren.
- Piano Solo, Mrs. Mimms.
- Paper, Survey and service, Mrs. Martin.
- Talk, Missions, Mrs. Booth.
- Vocal Solo, Mrs. W. L. Diltz.
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As we have only a limited number of these we advise all to be on hand promptly at 2 p. m.

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Help yourself, your friends and the largest educational institution of its kind in the United States, The Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, by taking advantage of the following offer.

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Read how Mrs. Albert Gregory, of R. F. D. No. 1, Blufford, Ill., got rid of her ills. "During . . . I was awfully weak . . . My pains were terrific. I thought I would die. The bearing-down pains were actually so severe I could not stand the pressure of my hands on the lower part of my stomach . . . I simply felt as if life was for but a short time. My husband was worried . . . One evening, while reading the Birthday Almanac, he came across a case similar to mine, and went straight for some Cardui for me to try.

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"I took it faithfully and the results were immediate," adds Mrs. Gregory. "I continued to get better, all my ills left me, and I went through . . . with no further trouble. My baby was fat and strong, and myself—thank God—am once more hale and hearty, can walk miles, do my work, though 44 years old, feel like a new person. All I owe to Cardui." For many years Cardui has been found helpful in building up the system when run down by disorders peculiar to women.

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LOSES FORD CAR

On last Friday evening our friend and splendid citizen Mr. E. D. Coats came down stairs from his real estate office to get in his car to drive home after a day's work, he was surprised to find that some one had appropriated his Ford to their own use and benefit. Mr. Coats immediately notified the officers of the theft of his car, but so far no trace of the car or the parties taking same have been discovered.

Cleaning and pressing.—That you will be proud of. One day service if desired. No gasoline odor. Ligon, the laundryman. Phone 218. tf

Mrs. B. F. Smith and two children, of Wichita Falls, were guests this week of the former's father, Capt. G. W. Johnson.

EXCHANGED PLACES

We understand a deal was recently closed whereby Mr. J. W. Mayfield Sr. and City Marshal Jinks Winter exchanged places; the former buying from the latter the latter's splendid 90 acre farm just north of town, and the latter buying from the former his splendid and well located home in the city.

One of the best homes in Merkel for sale. Worth the money. Apply at the Merkel Mail. 744.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Riney, route three, a daughter on October 22nd.

Car of Chops, Bran and Shorts, at Bob Martin Grocery Company. tf.

Peace Maker Flour, at G. M. Sharp's. tf

DYING

We use pure "Aniline Dyes" that won't rub off. We positively guarantee the job. Ligon the laundryman. Phone 218. tf

Rev. C. W. Foote was called to Clyde for a funeral service on Thursday afternoon. One of the young men that was converted in his great meeting died at Lubbock and was shipped back to Clyde for burial. He was Penn Nixon an orphan boy that Bro. Foote worked very hard for and finally got him to make the surrender to Christ. It is sweet to feel that he has gone to those who love him best. Why can't we all be ready when the summons come?.

Your Fur, Plush and velvet trimmed suits will look new when we clean them. Ligon, the Laundryman. Phone 218. tf.

To get rid of worms in children give them White's Cream Vermifuge. The little sufferer improves, active and robust. Price 35c. Sold by Sanders Drug Co. Oct.

Messrs. H. L. Propst and Ross Ferrier, left first of the week for a business trip to the Plains.

The Advertised Article

is one in which the merchant himself has implicit faith—else he would not advertise it. You are safe in patronizing the merchants whose ads appear in this paper because their goods are up-to-date and never shopworn.

We country newspaper boys have many unique experiences. For instance, the local agent of the Texas & Pacific railroad submitted to the Reporter a "news item" embracing something about two hundred lines. This remarkable peice of "news" emanated and was sent to the local agents from the general offices of his lordship, Receiver Lancaster, but had the ear mark of a master logician. It gave every reasonable reason which is possible to construct from the English language why the wages of the fellow who does the work should be subject to the chief butcher's axe. This is about all there was to this peice of "news".

The country newspaper boys have in most times past unwittingly played the leading role in putting over legislative crimes in the interest of the railroads. They really felt that it was their grateful duty as the railroads had treated them awfully nice in hauling them over the country in exchange for advertising. Of course this was very magnanimous on the part of the general passenger agents, but this maganimity came to so sudden a halt that the jolt staggered the boys and they have hardly recovered yet. When we go over to see the Dallas Fair we have to make arrangements for the three cents per mile-plus, cash in advance. Now the general passenger agents have suddenly awakened to the fact that the publicmind needs a little more education and the surest most effective, and quickest method is the country press. And they want us public-educators to do this work without any compensation what ever. Ye gods, if the newspaper boys could secure a quantity of "brass" of that standard of fineness, we would all be "bull"ionaries.

"Gold and silver are precious metals, but brass is the metal that wins."—Sweetwater Reporter.

We are not standing in defense of extreme autocratic labor organizations, neither do we propose to donate free of charge our newspaper space to the railroad cooperations, which are to day bleeding the public out of more graft money than all others combined, for the purpose of allowing them to use us to help educate "the dear people" up to their way of making the public feel that it is right for them to raise rates etc., just when ever they get ready to do it.

This paper get's a basket full of such "fre advertising" rot, each week, but she goes to the waste basket.

The fifth Sunday Meeting of the Sweetwater Baptist Association meets this week and continues over Sunday, with the Jim Ned Church, which is located in the southeast part of this county.

All Baptist People are urged to attend.

Winter is sure to Come

Regardless of present warm weather conditions, then why wait until the Blizzard is here to purchase and prepare warm and Comfortable Clothing for yourself and members of the family. Then to buy now you will save getting into the rush which is sure to come when the hard, Cold Winter descends upon us.

Present Prices are Great Inducement

The fact that the price of our Goods today should be a very Great Inducement to one and all, for while it is a well known fact that the prices of many articles have advanced lately, our prices have remained the same, which gives our customers the advantage of our early buying. Our Stock is yet practically unbroken, and we are prepared to fill the complete bill of any family. All we ask is that you come to our store, look at our goods, get our prices, and we will take the risk of your being convinced that

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