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Honor Roll

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Eleventh Grade.
Lucile Campbell, 96; Nell Hughes, 95; Mildred Richardson, 95; Frances Marie Church, 94; Duncan Briggs, 94; Florene Rider, 94; Imogene Middleton, 93; Mardell Shouse, 92; Albert Cade, 92; Clarence Church, 92; Faye Vantrees, 92; Ouida Mae Hulsey, 91; Margaret Miller, 91; Joyce Wheeler, 91; Terrell Mashburn, 90; Vergil Lee Perkins, 90; Margaret Dean, 90; Ovada Hay, 90; Melba Taylor, 90.

BRUCE BARTON

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"Walk!" Do you suppose for one minute that a weakling, uttering that syllable, would have produced any result? If the Jesus who looked down on that pitiful wreck had been the Jesus of the painters, the sick man would have dropped back with a scornful sneer and motioned his friends to carry him out. But the health of the teacher was irresistible; it seemed to cry out, "Nothing is impossible, if only your will power is strong enough." And the man who so long ago had surrendered to despair, rose and gathered up his bed and went away, healed—like hundreds of others, in Galilee—by strength from an overflowing fountain of strength.

Next Week: The Physical Jesus.

To Support Ticket

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leading elder statesmen of the party as Albert Sidney Burleson, postmaster general in Woodrow Wilson's cabinet, and Thomas Watt Gregory, President Wilson's attorney general, are likewise supporting the whole ticket from top to bottom without scratch or exception.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the kindness, sympathy and aid extended us during the long illness and death of our mother, Mrs. W. B. Robertson.

We also wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks for the lovely floral offerings.

Her Children.

HOLIDAY NOTICE.

On account of Armistice Day, a national holiday, the undersigned banks will remain closed all day Friday, November 11. Customers will please take notice and make their arrangements accordingly.

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Home Talent Players Stage Third Success, "The Ghost Parade"

Success seems synonymous with the home talent players who have staged benefits for the Firemen's Fund within the past few months, the presentation of "The Ghost Parade" at the Cozy last Friday night adding further to their reputation for staging exceptional plays. This mystery farce in three acts was produced by special arrangement with the Dramatic Publishing company of Chicago and again the able direction of Mrs. J. Olin Lusby had much to do with the completeness, and cleverness of the staging. Parker Sharp, as business manager, thoroughly publicized the show, which yielded approximately \$15.00 for the benefit of the Firemen's Fund.

Centering about the romance of Mamie Rose, "fresh" from New York, vivaciously interpreted by Vera Richie, and Aleck Smart, topnotch vaudeville performer, none other than our own Dr. Zehnpfennig, a cast of brilliant principals included: Tom Allday as Absalom Hawkes, an old inhabitant; Parker Sharp, as the sheriff and "other things;" J. D. Ashby, the village "sheik" and omitting nothing; Johnny Terry as Rastus, (in blackface, of course,) and unafraid of anything except h'ants; Wren Durham, as Abe Higgenbottom, a paying guest, (rare species); Warren Smith and Estelle Terry, mysterious guests; Mrs. L. C. Zehnpfennig, as Ann Watkins, to whose fortune the hotel came by inheritance; Raymond Neal, as Ted Lewis, another vaudevillian; Mary Collins, again in a character part, as Miss Abigail Jones; Nell Durham, as Billy Lamont, from the Red Ruby Film company, not the "Follies," this time, and three of Merkel's fairest young maidens, Mary Elizabeth Grimes, Lou Largent and Maurine Tipton, movie actresses par excellence.

Iris Garrett and her "aides" furnished the music which is enough said. Clever specialties were rendered by Betty Lou Grimes in popular songs and by Johnny Terry, tap dancer nearing the professional rank.

A well pleased audience stamped the entire entertainment as thoroughly worth while. Here's to many more successes for Merkel's home talent players.



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Special Bull Fight For Texas Visitors

Many residents of Merkel who have never seen a bull fight will take advantage of the opportunity to see a special fight to be staged Sunday, Nov. 13, in Juarez, Mexico, for the benefit of Americans expected to cross from El Paso that week-end. Three internationally famous matadors have each agreed to kill at least two bulls during the afternoon and a carload of the wildest bulls procurable in Mexico has been ordered, for the occasion.

Reservations are being made by many persons for the special Armistice week-end excursion over the Texas and Pacific railway, offered at the remarkably low round trip rate of \$3.50 to El Paso. The bull fight scheduled in Juarez has added an inducement for making the trip. Tickets at this low rate are good on all classes of equipment on Texas and Pacific trains leaving Friday, Nov. 11, or Saturday, Nov. 12, and the return limit is Tuesday, Nov. 15. Children will be carried for half fare.

PERSONALS

Rev. J. T. King, former pastor of the Baptist church here, and Mrs. King and their three children, Misses Maggie and Mary and Carroll, were guests Thursday night in the J. E. Boaz home, returning Friday to their home at Rising Star.

Mrs. J. H. Biggs of Anson and Mrs.

Pen Biggs and daughter, Benny Sue, of Midland are visiting relatives in Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bickley left this week for Lubbock to spend the winter with their son, Rev. C. A. Bickley, who is presiding elder of the Lubbock district.

Judge and Mrs. N. D. Cobb and son, Buddie, have returned from a several weeks stay in Temple and Corpus Christi.

Mrs. W. L. Harkrider, after spending several days here, has returned to Brownwood.

Guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Davis, Miss Pauline Price and Harold Davis, all of Albany.

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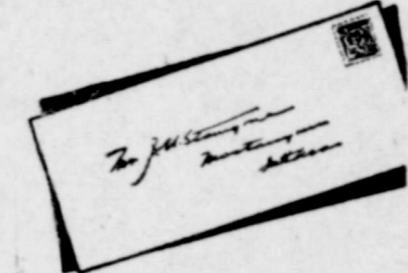
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TOMATOES, No. 2 can, B & W, 2 for	15c
SUGAR pure cane, cloth bag, 10 lbs.	45c
GREEN BEANS, Kuner's, No. 2 can, 2 for	25c
SPUDS 10 lbs.	11c
TAMALES, B & W, 2 for	25c
Spinach No. 1 can, R & W, 2 for	25c
BEANS, recleaned, Pinto, 5 pounds	19c
Baking Powder R & W or Calumet 1 lb.	25c
OATS, B & W glassware	21c
Coffee Sun Up pound	21c
DRIED FRUIT, apricots or peaches, 2 lbs.	21c
Mustard quart jar	15c
PEANUT BUTTER, quart jar	25c
MAYONNAISE, R & W, pint	27c—8 oz. 14c
Shortening Bird Brand 4 pounds	25c
SALT PORK, pound	8c
BACON sliced pound	14c
Bologna large pound	10c

