

# THE MCLEAN NEWS

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## Can Make Property Owners Clean the Streets and Alleys

According to Ordinance No. 6, passed Oct. 22, 1909, the city council has the authority to order property owners to clean the streets and alleys, as well as vacant lots. This ordinance says:

"All persons owning or controlling any property in the town of McLean shall remove all rubbish or obstructions from the streets and alleys surrounding his or their property, and also remove all rubbish from any vacant lot or lots owned or controlled by them. It shall be the duty of the city marshal to notify any person or persons whose premises are not in a sanitary condition, to have the same cleaned up in accordance with the foregoing, and in case of failure or refusal to comply therewith they shall be subject to a fine in any sum not to exceed \$25.00."

This ordinance cannot be construed to require any person to clean up the premises in which he lives, but if put into operation again, it would work a wonderful change in the appearance of our streets and alleys. And with the streets and alleys clean, there are very few people in town who would neglect to clean up around the house.

Most people in McLean are heartily in favor of a genuine clean-up of the town, and have made their wishes known to the mayor and aldermen. Within a reasonable time after next Wednesday, which has been designated as Clean-Up Day, one may expect the city marshal to get busy and enforce the above ordinance. A few fines would enrich the city treasury, which needs a tonic, and would do a great deal toward arousing a civic pride among some of our people.

### C. M. STONE DIES

C. M. Stone, former citizen of the Gracey community and well known in McLean, passed away at 5:30 o'clock this morning, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. N. Childress, in the north part of town.

Mr. Stone had been ill for eleven days prior to his death. He was stricken with pneumonia very suddenly during the early hours Monday morning of last week, and after the first few days little hope has been held for his recovery. He fought the ravages of the disease, showing a most remarkable vitality. It is believed that had complications not developed early in his illness, he would have gotten well.

Mr. Stone was a consistent member of the Methodist church, a Christian gentleman of the highest type. He was also a member of the Odd Fellows and Masons.

He is survived by the widow and six children, Messrs. Sed and Will Stone of Pampa and Mesdames T. N. Childress of McLean, Chas. Tipton of Clinton, Okla., J. W. Tackitt of Denton, and D. P. Tackitt of Ft. Worth.

The remains were taken to Pampa this morning, and the funeral will be held at that place this afternoon, with burial in the Pampa cemetery at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

### B. Y. P. U.

Leman Andrews is leader for Sunday's B. Y. P. U. meeting. The program follows:

Subject, Doctrinal meeting—How Can I Know I Am God's Child? Scripture lesson.

Introduction by leader. Belief on the Lord Jesus Christ—Lola Abbott.

Love of Other Christians Is Another Evidence that We Are Children of God—B. I. Carpenter.

Still Another Evidence of the Fact that We Are Children of God Is Our Likeness to Jesus Christ—Ernest Abbott.

The Holy Spirit Helps Us to Know that We Are Children of God—Mrs. Agree.

The Promises of God—Floye Glass.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cook returned Thursday of last week from Dallas, where they had been visiting their son, S. O. Cook, and family.

W. A. Senclaire and children of Alareed were here Wednesday.

N. E. Scifres was here from Heald on Friday of last week.

## FINDS OUR McLEAN IS INCORPORATED: WANTS TO PAY CITY TAXES

City Marshal A. W. Haynes tells Newsman of a Ft. Worth woman who writes to learn the amount of taxes due the city on a lot she owns, on which no city taxes have been paid since McLean was incorporated in 1909.

The lot was bought, presumably, when the town was first established, and has been held for speculative purposes. Mr. Haynes states that it is poorly located and is of little value, the taxes amounting to less than a dollar a year. He estimates that eleven years' taxes with penalties and interest added, will total more than the ground is worth.

It is supposed that this lady, when she bought the lot and went away, did not subscribe for the McLean News, and had no knowledge that the town had been incorporated.

### BAILEY-ARMSTRONG

On Tuesday evening at the Methodist parsonage, Mr. Jack Bailey and Miss Lorena Armstrong, both of the Heald community, were united in marriage, Rev. B. J. Osborn officiating.

Mrs. J. E. Cubine entertained with a 6:30 lawn spread last evening, honoring the graduating class of McLean High School. Quite a crowd of young people were there, and the "eats" were delicious.

## Next Wednesday Is Clean-Up Day

Next Wednesday, May 25, has been set as Clean-Up day in McLean, according to Mayor J. W. Kibler.

All places of business have been asked to close from 9 a. m. till 3 p. m. on that day, so that proprietors and employes may don overalls and get busy.

The city has engaged six wagons to haul the trash away, and The News is informed that if there is more than they can do in one day, they will be kept busy till the job is finished.

Everybody is asked to pile the trash in such places as will be easily accessible, and every person in town is expected to get their premises in first class shape by or on clean-up day.

Mrs. Nida Green of Heald was in town Wednesday on business. She was accompanied home by Grandma Rogers, who has been visiting friends in the city for the past two weeks.

Mrs. W. C. Phillips returned Tuesday evening from Amarillo, where she had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Collier.

Mr. J. Williams of Groom was here Friday visiting his sister, Mrs. Lon Stanfield.

## McLean Gets Her Share of Big Rain

Most everybody who realizes that such things are not made to order, as per plans and specifications, are mighty well pleased with the rains the past few days. At any rate, the ground is thoroughly soaked, and grass and weeds and crops and garden sassa are taking on a pizen-green appearance, everybody is cheerful, and the usual McLean country bumper crops are to be expected again this year.

Some time last Friday night it began raining, and kept it up with more or less persistence until Monday night. It was at no time a heavy downpour, but a still slow rain that let every drop have time to soak in. We now have as good a season in the ground as it is possible to put there, and a successful farming year is assured.

S. H. Bundy and family returned to their home at Hammon, Okla., the first of the week, after a visit with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Ross Biggers, and other relatives.

S. S. Shelton and R. S. Jackson received a message the first of the week to come to the bedside of their uncle, N. S. Jackson of Memphis.

Duncan Graham returned Monday from Pampa, where he had been on business.

## AIR GUNS MAY GET BOYS INTO TROUBLE

One day this week a hole was shot in the plate glass front window of Forbis, Stone & Co., which, when brought to the attention of the city authorities, caused the mayor to call a special meeting of the city council to pass an ordinance against shooting air guns in town.

When the council met, their attention was called to an old ordinance, which was considered good enough. The old ordinance assesses a penalty of \$25 or less "if any person shall, within the corporate limits, discharge any gun, pistol or other firearm of any description."

City Marshal A. W. Haynes says that immediately after the session adjourned, he found a small boy on the street with an air gun, and after a short conversation with him, had the youngster in a hurry to put his weapon away.

It has been a long time since it has been necessary to enforce this ordinance, and it had been forgotten. Air guns have become numerous here of late, the boys using them a great deal to shoot sparrows.

Mrs. L. Moody returned to Amarillo Tuesday after a few days' visit with her new granddaughter.

W. A. Derrick of Gracey was in the city Tuesday on business.

T. J. Coffey motored to Hedley Tuesday on business.

## Supt. Cain Writes Letter of Thanks

I am undertaking in this letter to thank those who have helped me in the school this year. I realize that I have a large task ahead of me, for there are so many things and people that have materially aided in the conduct of the school that I am sure I can not think of all agencies at one time.

First, I want to express my appreciation for the faithful work that each of my teachers has done. As far as I know there has been absolutely no friction between us the whole year, and they have willingly and gladly complied with my every wish. I tried to show them in the very beginning that I would not ask anything of them that was not for their good as well as for the good of the school, thus I received their hearty support, without which I, nor any other man, could not have had the success that we have had. In the high school we have applied for affiliation of 14½ units, and each teacher has labored faithfully in their respective classes to reach this goal. And in case there be a few units that we fail to get, I shall not lay the blame at the door of any teacher. Then, I wish to thank Mr. Castleberry for the untiring efforts that he has been so willing to put forth in the athletics, from the very beginning of the year till we closed, and want to say further that without his work in this line our school could not have gained the honors that we have.

Second, the student body as a rule has been loyal to the teachers and the school and I think that they at least deserve their part of the credit for any success that we have attained. They have in the preparation of material for the State Department of Education labored as faithfully as the teachers. We have a fine body of boys and girls, and their chances and opportunities in life should be second to none. The people can make no mistake in putting their money into the coming generation in the way of education. Neither can they afford to let their children's school be second to any other boys' and girls' school, for it is with these other boys and girls that they will have to contend in the life that they live, whether that be a long or short one.

Next, the patrons have stood behind us with a solid front, and without that alone we could have done nothing but fail in the school this year, even though we had the best talent in Texas in the school in teachers and students. In connection with this, I might mention that the Board has certainly deserved their part of the patrons' honor, for they have taken things in charge, and done in every case what they thought was for the best interest of the school, without fear or favor. They have shown themselves to be real men, who, seeing their duty, know no other course than to carry out the trust that the people have placed in their charge. So, I should certainly be an ingrate if I did not mention them, and tell how I appreciate their efforts.

Furthermore, I wish to thank sincerely the editor of the local paper, for no one but me realizes how much free advertising I have obtained for the school; not even Mr. Moody fully realizes that himself. I had in mind a good many things to say in respect to Mr. Moody, but he has already quoted me as saying some of the things in a previous issue, so I shall let this suffice to say that no one can fully estimate the real help he has been to me in the carrying on of the school, and no one can know how much I appreciate this from Mr. Moody.

Also, I wish to thank the drug stores, as they have furnished us with the two daily newspapers this whole year, without cost to the school. Not only have they done this, but every time that I have called on them for anything they have gladly responded.

In closing I shall say that we have made as much progress as could be expected, but there is still a great deal to do in the years to come. And I want to ask for the continuation of all of these factors as long as I may happen to cast my lot with you, which I feel sure I shall get or I should not have accepted the superintendency for another year. I shall leave immediately after school closes and will be in Austin, working in the State Department of Education, this summer. I should not hurry off were it not that I am due in Austin as soon as I can get there.

W. A. CAIN.

# The Future Now Looks Bright

## Lay Your Foundation For It Now

### What a Fine Rain!

Informed men and those who keep posted on the ever changing conditions of affairs are the men who act and act intelligently. The captains of industry use all legitimate means to learn all the circumstances affecting their industry, and therefore, are ready to meet the crisis when it comes. The man who raises live stock figures on the price of feed and future markets. We see the great commercial interests of the world with the information they have acting in concert.

In like manner the informed men in the churches are acting in concert in meeting the great spiritual and educational crisis that has arisen out of the Great War. The Baptists have raised \$90,000,000 for missions and education; the Presbyterians a proportionally large amount, and now the Southern Methodists are calling for \$33,000,000, in addition to the \$50,000,000 raised in the Centenary drive, in order that they may meet the educational crisis now obtaining. This movement must succeed.

To argue against this movement is a plea of ignorance, selfishness or lack of faith in the future and in God. Those

who have informed themselves are filled with abiding enthusiasm concerning this educational movement, and have forgotten their selfishness, have built up their faith in God and the future and are giving of their time, talents and money to the cause. Come, let's go with them!

To argue hard times against this movement now is to place yourself in the class of uninformed and unfaithful. To argue this now is to argue that you expect hard times for the next five years, and who ever heard of hard times lasting that long? The business world knows that now is the best time to make an investment, and men of vision are straining a point to do so. The foundations of great fortunes are being laid in this time of depression while the war-made fortunes are crumbling. A crisis like this is the time to build for solid prosperity, real and abiding. Have you any faith? Sure you have, and are ready to manifest it by promising to give of some of your future prosperity to your well beloved church in its educational struggle. The ghosts of her starved educational institutions meet you under the bridge, as Hamlet's father's ghost met him, and say,

## Promise, Promise, Promise!

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Frank H. Herrick of Lueders Messenger seems to have gotten in "dutch" with some of his readers on a recent article he ran on the sanitary conditions of Lueders. Mr. Herrick no doubt told the truth about the conditions of Lueders, and as usual the "hit dog" yelped. There is no more excuse for a town to go dirty and be an eyesore to the community than there is for a home to be unsanitary and unkept. A town is but the reflection of its citizenship.—Rule Review.

It is sometimes dangerous to say in an editorial what one thinks. Editor Herrick perhaps told the truth in his article, but made the mistake of not sugar-coating it. This paper would like to get something in the way of a clean-up started in McLean, and we might do it if we should tell the people that the town looks like a tin-can alley, and its state of uncleanness would be a disgrace to nigger-town in the sleepy village in the most non-progressive part of East Texas or Arkansas, but we would not say such a thing, even if we thought it, for this editor has no way of making a living except to run a newspaper, and McLean is the only place he has to run one in. But The News would be glad if the citizenship of our town would consider how well they would like to be judged by sanitary conditions in the community.

The spring of the year is a time when the young man's fancy is supposed to turn to thoughts of love. To others comes painful thoughts of corns. But to most everybody there comes a hankering for something in the way of fresh vegetables. The rains during the past week will cause all kinds of garden sass to get up and hump itself, and before long people will be smacking their lips over these delicacies. But in the meantime, the fence-rows, the pastures and the roadsides are rife with different varieties of edible weeds for the delectation of those who are fond of greens. Nature is the world's best gardener when it comes to pro-

ducing early vegetables, and those who pass up the fearless weeds, the lamb's quarter and other wild vegetables are missing some mighty good vittles. And they won't cost you a penny.

A great deal of publicity is being given the statement by William Jennings Bryan, made in Springfield, Ill., recently, that the teaching of Darwin's theory in the schools and colleges is one of the greatest "pending problems" this country has to grapple with. Which reminds us of a joke that appeared in one of the funny magazines about twelve years ago. A young fellow who already had more schooling than brains came home from college for the vacation and undertook to teach his backwoods "rube" of a dad some up-to-date knowledge. Putting on a wise look, he said, "Fawthah, did you know that yoah ancestahs were monkeys and hung by theh tails in the tree-tops?" Whereupon the Old Fossil scratched his head for a moment and drawled, "Wall, hit shore air onnaturah ter have a monkey for a ancestor, but I reckon it haint no onnaturaher than to have a jackass for a son."

The News takes great pleasure in printing this week Prof. W. A. Cain's letter of thanks to those who have contributed to the success of the school this year. Few men in positions similar to his are willing to divide honors with others, and still fewer are they who are appreciative enough to express their gratitude. From an almost complete failure last year, Mr. Cain, with the help of a competent corps of teachers and the co-operation of the citizenship, has built up our school to be one of the best small town high schools in the entire Panhandle. It is to be expected that with the same favorable conditions he will advance it still farther next year.

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**CLOSE SPACING OF COTTON GAINING IN POPULARITY**

Reports received by the United States Department of Agriculture and collected by southern farm journals indicate widespread adoption and profitable results from the close-spacing system of cotton planting, generally referred to as the single-stalk method. This method, which was developed by department specialists about 1913, rests upon the

principle of suppressing the vegetative, late-fruited branches of the cotton plants, giving more room and light to the fruiting branches which bear the early crop of cotton bolls.

In 1911 the department announced a discovery which has affected the cultivation of other crops and is of vital importance to the cotton-growing industry, when it showed that several cultivated plants, including cotton, have two distinct sets of branches. The branches that

develop first from the lower joints of the main stalk of the cotton plant and attain greatest growth are purely vegetative and function as secondary stalks instead of bearing fruit. As a means of restricting these branches and giving the bearing branches better facility for growth, it was found that close spacing in the rows with plants "chopped" only a hoe width apart kept the lower branches from developing to the detriment of the up-

per. Very early chopping is not advised under the single-stalk system, preferably waiting until the plants are at least 5 or 6 inches tall. Some of the farmers leave two or three plants in "hills" 12 or 15 inches apart. In addition to producing a larger yield, the new system favors earlier fruiting and enables growers to get their cotton matured in time to forestall boll-evil damage. Some farmers report increased yields of from 25 to 125 per cent.

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The month of May brings new opportunities to our customers to practice economy in their spring buying. There has just been added to many of our seasonable lines, fresh shipments of new Piece Goods, which reveal new styles not as yet

seen this season, and values which are further evidence of this store's ability to adjust itself to the new conditions.

Now is a good time for every shopper to test our values and economize on Spring Merchandise of Quality.

**New Blouses in Gala Effects**

A radiant sweep of coloring announces the spring Blouse displays. New shades are fascinating; soft fabrics retain their hold on public favor, and the Russian over blouse style has fashion's sanction for this season. We have a beautiful display of Blouses and the prices are very attractive.

**The New Ladies' Oxfords and Pumps**

are arriving daily. These slippers were bought right, and we are pricing them right. Before you buy new Spring Footwear, be sure to come and see what we have to offer you.

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Penal code, Art. 784: If any person shall intentionally break, cut, pull, tear down, misplace, or in any other manner injure any telegraph or telephone wire, post, machinery or other necessary appurtenance to any telegraph or telephone line, or in any way willfully obstruct or interfere with the transmission of any messages along such telegraph or telephone line, he shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary not less than two or more than five years, or by fine not less than one hundred nor more than two thousand dollars.

**McLean Telephone Exchange**

**List of Lands, Lots, Personal Property, Etc., in McLean Independent School District On Which Taxes for 1920 Are Delinquent**

Name of Owner	Abst. No.	Sur. No.	Personal property	No. A.	Addition	Lot	Blk.	Amf. Due
Boyd, W. S.			Personal property					\$ 1.26
Cooke, F. L.	239	38						74.06
Davis, D. A.				N	320			8.98
Dorsey, A. (est.)	1120	66				All 3		13.20
Heasley, James F.			Personal property		4	1-5 55		8.50
Holmes, S. J.						1-6, 11-20 93		7.33
Jackson, R. S.						1 1/2 A. 13.		5.69
Lumber Co., Western								158.41
McGahren, J. N., Mrs.	800	4		W	440	3-10 23	& Mdae.	106.87
Overton, C. P.						All 85		13.75
Overton, C. P.						16-20 27		19.73
Roberts, C. C.			Personal property			All 118		5.53
Scifres, N. E.								50.80
Steward, W. S.	1120	66		N. part S. 1/2	100			148.50
Smith, R.	1058	14			640			78.19
Smith, R.	1057	4			640			7.92
Sprangler, W. M.	66	41		N.	320			1.13
Sprangler, W. M.	1105	61		S.-W.	7			
Simpson, J. E.	1336	68		S.-E.	200			
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West, Homer						1919		46.20
Wilson, Z. T.								10.60
Worley, J. A.			Personal property			S. pt. 1 4 A.	8	7.92
UNRENDERED								
Bradley, C.								8.25
Bunch, E. M.						1919-1920	11-18 16	1.23
Davis, T. J.						S. pt. 2 1		1.65
Hartliffe, Ella						All 9		3.45
Jennings, R. C.						7 03		1.37
Langley, W. H.						4 34		2.45
McElmoyl, W. E.						2 A. 11		4.32
Mitchel						Pr. 2 D		4.50
Stephens, Jasper, (est.)						W 1/2 25		
Stephens, Jasper, (est.)						7 17		3.43

**ALANREED GIRL APPEARS  
IN SAN ANTONIO MUSICAL**

The following, clipped from the San Antonio Express, will be read with much interest by the friends of Miss LaRue Loftin of Alanreed. She is a musician of much ability and great possibilities, and her talent has the admiration of those who appreciate the higher grades of music and have heard her:

A delightful musical event of the week was the piano-forte recital Thursday evening by Miss LaRue Loftin at the home of Mrs. Harry H. Rogers in King's Highway. Miss Loftin is an artist pupil of Mrs. Clara Duggan Madison, whose rapid advancement in her chosen art is a sincere pleasure to record. She played with skill and finished Thursday evening a program which called for a diversity of talent. In the opening Bach overture from the sixth violin, sonata, arranged for the piano by Joseffy, the young musician showed a fine mental grasp of its intricacies, bringing out the various voices with clearness and unflinching precision. Miss Loftin has admirable tone color and retains a delicacy with scintillating brilliancy, which makes compositions like Moszkowski's "Eticelles" and the Scriabine Nocturne for left hand a delight to hear.

Quite naturally, Chopin's grand Etude in A minor did not receive full mete of its tremendous exactions though in it Miss Loftin exhibited a reserve force and power, which, combined with her well developed pianissimo, is a most desirable adjunct. In Schuman's Nocturne in F major and Litz's "Gondollera" from Venezia Kapali, the style of the composers was distinctly set forth.

Gozon's "Turkey in the Straw" is manifestly unworthy of the artistic talent of Miss Loftin. Appreciation of her art was shown in applause and floral gifts. As an extra Mendelssohn's "Spinning Song" was a delightful medium for her delicacy and rhythmic surety.

During the reception following the program Mr. and Mrs. Rogers were assisted by Mrs. Madison. Mrs. A. C. Seiser presided over the punch bowl, assisted by a bevy of charming music students.

**MISS ABBOTT ENTERTAINS**

The teachers and members of the senior and junior classes of McLean Public School were the honorées at a reception given by Miss Lillian Abbott at her home on Friday evening.

The reception rooms were beautifully decorated with the senior colors gold and white.

The entertainment of the evening consisted of games and contests, in which every one took part.

Refreshments of gold and white ice cream and cake were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cain, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. B. Vann—Misses Ethel McCurdy, Laura Hill, Beulah Tucker, Lois Foster, Frankie Mae Upham, Lucile Stratton, Jewel Cousins, Flossie Jordan, Donna Latson, Minnie Morse; Messrs. S. M. Castleberry, B. I. Carpenter, Ralph Jackson, Sammie Cubine, Bill Bentley, Melvin Davis, Houston Bogan, Emmett Fondron, Ruel Shell, and little Miss Joelline Vannoy and Master Walter Frank Bradley.

The guests departed at a late hour, declaring Miss Lillian an ideal hostess.

**EPWORTH LEAGUE**

The Bible questions for Sunday's Epworth League are taken from the book of Ruth.

Where and why was Emilech driven?

What became of Emilech and his two sons?

Who was Naomi?

What did Naomi tell her daughters-in-law to do when she was preparing to return to her native land?

Tell what each daughter-in-law did.

In whose fields did Ruth glean?

What favor was Ruth shown?

What present did Boaz give Ruth?

Who was Ruth's son?

What kin was David to Ruth?

**EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM**

The Epworth League will have a business meeting Sunday evening. Miss Laura Bumpus is leader. The program follows:

Prayer.

Hymn.

Address by leader.

"Sayings of Christ that I Love Most"—Six Leaguers.

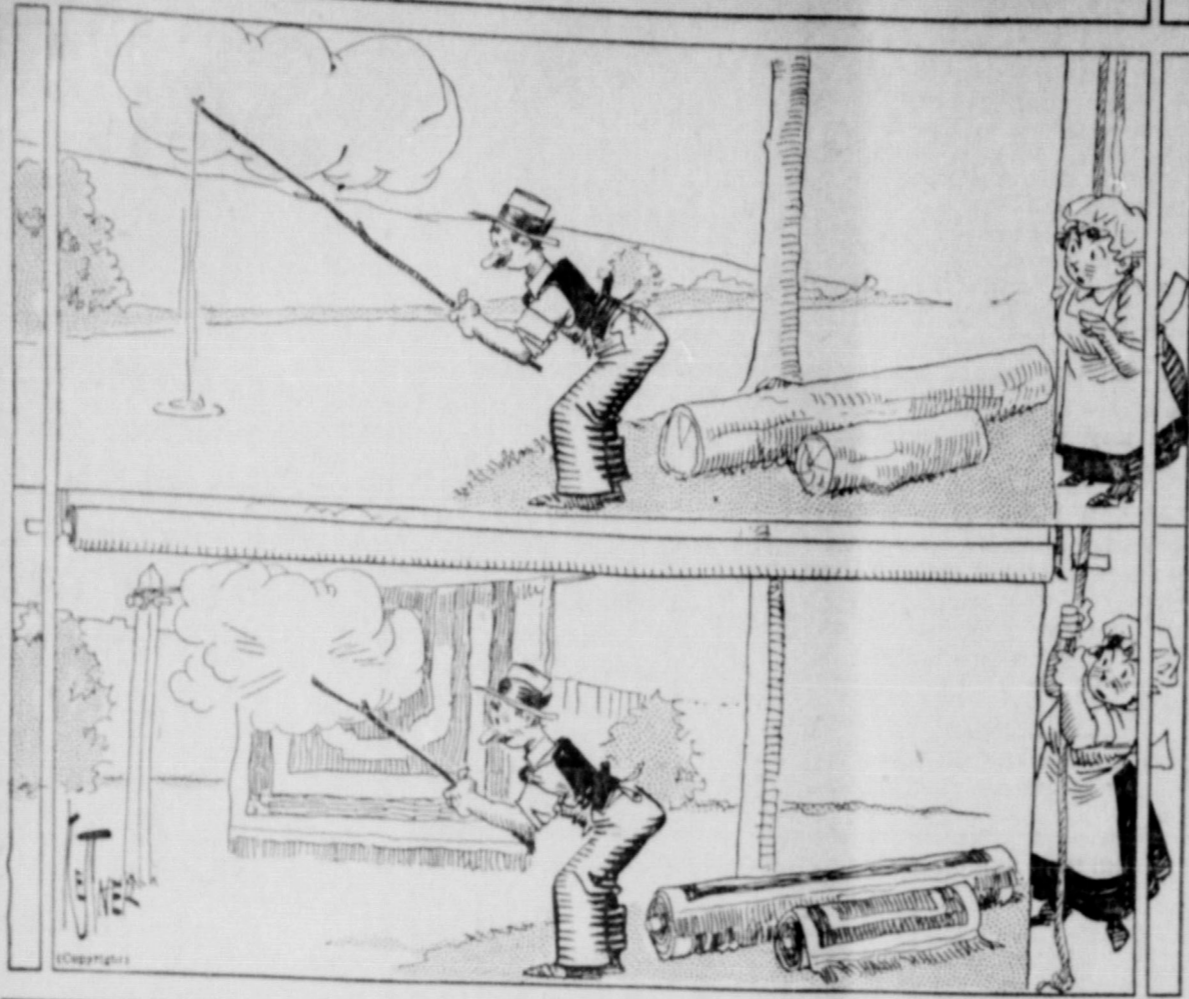
Bible questions.

League benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones of Ramsdell were shopping in our city Saturday.

W. C. Foster spent Friday in Brick, Okla.

**Shifting the Scene**



**TAKING A SWAT AT  
UNCLE WALT MASON**

Uncle Walt Mason of Emporia, Kansas, recently wrote a piece for Hearsch's Magazine on "Why I Don't Go to Church." There is one thing certain—he would have chosen a good title if he had left the first word off. The article is plain evidence that Uncle Walt hasn't been to church since the year of the great grasshopper raid. We take it that when Sunday morning comes he goes out on the front porch in his sock-feet and sits in a cane-bottom rocker while he reads the Sunday paper and listens to the church bells.

Mr. Mason (same as Uncle Walt) says one of the reasons he doesn't go to church is because every town of ten thousand inhabitants has about eighteen churches. To make up this number he certainly must have counted the "jumpers" and "the House of David." As a matter of fact, we doubt if there are many towns in Kansas which have more churches than are needed to serve properly the various communities.

Another reason he has for not going to church is that the sermons deal only with "things thousands of years old, when the world is aching with today's sickness and weariness." Truth, charity and brotherhood are thousands of years old and the churches of today are applying those eternal principles to the problems of the day. If Uncle Walt will interview the nearest preacher he will find a man who knows more about social conditions in his community and in the world, more about the relation of the industry to human welfare, more about efficient methods of charity and relief than any other man in the community.

The young preacher who applies for admission into a Methodist conference, and we presume that other churches have similar standards, must not only pass a satisfactory examination on modern affairs, but must undertake a four years' course in sociology, political economy and moral literature. As a result the church builds the schools. Practically every institution of higher learning is founded upon the church except a few state schools which are comparatively modern. "In Kansas only two of the nineteen colleges are not church institutions," says the Central Christian Advocate. The church funds the hospitals, organizes relief, interposes the principles of Christ between capital and labor, establishes orphanages and homes for the aged, and discusses in its pulpits modern problems of justice and righteousness.

Some day we hope Uncle Walt will knock his pipe across the banister, slip it in his pocket and mosey along to church and Sunday school.

A great many people have been trying recently, Uncle Walt, to make you think that the preachers want to suppress everything, require people to go to church by law and otherwise

pull great gobs of gloom down over the universe. It is not true, and it never will be true. The slanderers of the preachers are busy simply because the churches of this nation joined hands with the business men of the country in saying that the saloon had to go. The preachers are not trying to pour a bucket of water on your pipe or to get the "cop" after you for not coming to prayer meeting. They are men of education, of wide human sympathies and we venture the opinion that if you talk things over with them you will find that in 99 per cent of the cases you will have exactly the same ideas.—M. E. Church clip sheet.

**UNNATURAL DEATHS  
COME TO FOUR MEN**

Kirkland, May 17.—A series of fatalities have shadowed the life of this place in an unusual way. Jack Dellon, 25, had his neck broken over a wagon wheel when the gravel pit loading platform collapsed under which he had driven to load his wagon.

E. Y. Harvell, 39, a well known farmer, went to his barn to kill some large rats, taking a .45 pistol and in some inexplicable way the gun snapped and went off shooting him through the chest. He died shortly afterward.

John Longans, Commissioner of Cottle county, living seven miles from Kirkland, went to the barn early to feed his stock. Grooms attracted his wife and he was assisted to the house where he died before getting to the bed.

Luther Abaly, 18, went to the canyon to hunt a wolf den. On his way he found a large rat's nest and jabbing into it with the butt of his

gun, the gun went off sending a heavy load of shot through him, killing him instantly.—Amarillo Tribune.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Redwine of Hedley spent the week end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sewall of Amarillo spent the week end with the gentleman's sister, Mrs. Burette Kinard.

John Grogan of Ramsdell was in town Thursday of last week, looking after business interests.

Jno. Sublett was in from the Sitter ranch neighborhood Saturday.

Jim Dougherty was in town Tuesday.



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Mrs. Alexander and little daughter returned to their home at Hedley Tuesday after a short visit with relatives.

Hugh Longan of Ramsdell was in town last Friday on business.

W. W. Breeding of Enterprise was in town Monday on business.

Mrs. E. L. Minix came down from Alanreed Wednesday to visit relatives.

Sam Pakan of the Pakan community was shopping in McLean Saturday.

Robt. H. Corum of the Back community was in the city Monday.

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**HID BANK'S MONEY  
AWAY IN DEEP WELL**

How the money of the State Bank of Georgia was successfully hidden and how the entire sum, which was during Sherman's march to the sea, between \$150,000 and \$200,000, was returned to the bank virtually intact, makes a strange story. An old subscriber sends us the tale.

On the evening of November 28, 1864, Wallace Cummings, cashier of the bank at Savannah, was ordered to take the money out of danger, for Sherman was approaching the city. Cummings's wife, who subsequently wrote the story of the adventure for her grandchildren, accompanied him on a special train that was hurrying to cross the Altamaha river before the Southern troops cut the bridge. The gold was packed in nail kegs. At Thomasville they hired an empty store and placed the kegs of gold there. Jerry, one of Cummings's servants, took turns with a man named Ross in guarding the store at night.

Later they transported the money to Macon, where the State Bank had a branch office. In April, 1865, news came that another Federal force was making its way southward, and what to do with the money became again an anxious question.

Finally they decided to wear what gold they could, bury some and sink the rest in a deep well. Each member of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nesbit, with whom the Cummings family had lived for six months, wore wide belts made of heavy linen, which they had stitched full of \$20 gold pieces. That of course took care of a comparatively small sum. Every day Mr. Cummings made several trips between the house and the bank, and on each trip came home loaded with money. Nesbit, who owned a large iron foundry, cast a long, round iron bar, about the width of a \$20 gold piece, and sharpened at one end. One night Nesbit and Cummings went out into the front yard, which was a mass of rosebushes in full bloom. They thrust the rod down close to the roots of a bush and as deep as their united strength could sink it; then they filled the hole with gold eagles, which they dropped in one by one, and threw loose earth over the top. In that way they buried between \$30,000 and \$40,000; and they kept a record of how much was buried under each rosebush. The rest of the money they sewed up in little bags, which they placed in boxes and let down into a deep well. Two days after the gold was buried the Yankee army took possession of Macon and seized the assets of two or three other banks in Savannah.

Cummings was captured, but all that the army found in his vault was several barrels of Confederate money and a few hundred dollars in silver that he had not time to hide.

The money remained in the garden and in the well more than 2 years, and all of it was recovered and returned to the bank at Savannah except one small package of gold \$1 pieces, which was lost in the mud and water.—Youth's Companion.

**THE HOME PAPER**

From out of nowhere, through life's storms and trials, on to the Pearly Gates, the Home paper shoves you along. It may not get you through the gates aforesaid, but if St. Peter reads the paper and falls for its contents, you get a chance.

When Dr. Stork deposits your six pounds of pink and shirtveled cussedness squalling in the home of your unfortunate parents, the Home paper assumes its helpful, watchful charge of your destiny by adding four pounds weight, making you a "fine, bouncing, ten pound boy."

When, with freckles on your nose and hands the size of hams, you have scratched through high school by the skin of your teeth and the carelessness of your teachers, by the magic of its mendacity the Home paper makes you "a talented young man with a brilliant future." That sloppy essay which brother Bill helped you write and which you inflicted upon a patient and indulgent audience, became "a work of deep thought and great ability."

When you reach young manhood and wander from the old home town, and through the influence of your uncle George get a job at driving for Insect Inn at Bingville, the Home paper comes forward and puts in "a lucrative position of trust."

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Penal code, Art. lot, until your cut, pull, tear down, bet a correct telegraph or telephone you "a sterl-purtenance to any telegr. handsome along such telegraph or confinement in the penitentiary your five years, or by fine not let begins thousand dollars.

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hair and put your waistline in, the lead, the Home paper brushes the dandruff off your coat; obscures the tobacco on your shirt front and makes you "a substantial citizen and one of the pillars of the church."

When the poison of politics gets into your system and you try to break into the Legislature, you are again made over by this same cheerful agency from the ordinary bone-head you are into "a friend of the people whose statesmanlike qualities commend him to the thoughtful voters."

And finally, when your worthless old carcass is ready to return from whence it came, and Satan is smiling to receive your sin sick soul, the Home paper throws its last bluff and tries to sneak you past the watchman up above with the choicest collection of fairy tales to which your entire career has given rise.

Dear old Home paper! Cheerful, helpful liar that you are! How commonplace most of us would be were it not for the great, big, charitable heart that guides you.—Selected.

**THE CROAKER**

Once on the side of a pleasant pool Under the bank where 'twas dark and cool,

Where brushes over the water hung, Just where the crick flowed out'er the bog,

There lived a grumpy and mean old frog Who'd set all day in the mud and soak

And jist do nothin' but croak and croak, Till a blackbird hollered, "I say, yer know,

What is the matter down there below? Are you in trouble, er pain, er what?"

The frog sez, "Mine is an orful lot; Nothin' but mud and dirt and slime Fer me ter look at all the time.

Its a dirty world!" so the old fool spoke, "Croakity-croak! Croakity-croak!"

"But yer lookin' down!" the blackbird said,

"Look at the blossoms over head, Look at the lovely summer skies, Look at the bees and butterflies;

Look up, old feller. Why, bless your soul, Yer lookin' down in a mus'rat hole!"

But still with a gurglin' sob and choke, The blamed old critter would only croak.

And a wise old turtle who boarded near, Sez ter the blackbird, "Friend, see here,

Don't shed no tears over him, fer he is low-down jest 'cause he likes to be;

He's one er them kind er chumps that's glad Ter be mis'erable like and sad;

I'll teil yer something that ain't no joke, Don't waste yer sorrow on folks that croak."

—Author not known.

**NOTICE**

Your account is now due. Please call and settle for same at once. Our coal is strictly cash, not thirty days. Western Lumber Co., T. J. Dostalik, Manager. tfc.

For cheaper flour, try Cream of the West, \$4.50 per cwt., at T. F. Phillips & Son, Heald, Texas. 19-2p.

Miss Minnie Huff closed her school at Back last Friday, and returned home.

**Wants**

If you use a veterinary remedy, why not use the best—Dr. Tate's Blistol for a blister, Dr. Tate's Colic Relief for colic, Dr. Tate's Healing Oil to heal it? 14-8c.

Those wishing hemstitching will please send all packages to my new address, Care Regent's, 512 Polk St., Amarillo, Tex. Mrs. L. Moody.

FOR SALE.—One cabinet Victrola, cheap. Good as new. T. J. Dostalik. tfc.

PURE BRED JERSEY MALE for public service, weekdays only. \$2.50, cash. S. R. Jones. tfc.

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I WANT TO WORK FOR YOU.—Will hoe your garden, fix the fences, dust the rugs, repair your shoes, or do any sort of odd job you will hire me for. Rex Roby, Phone 25. 1c.

LOST.—In McLean last week, a purse containing a little money. Geo. W. Sitter. 1p.

**POTATO KILN GOING UP AT CLARENDON**

Clarendon, May 19.—A sweet potato curing plant at Clarendon has been started, the excavation for the building 105 feet long by 60 feet wide, with a capacity of 4000 bushels will be completed in time for the coming crop. A large acreage will be planted. This is the first crop to be gathered and will mean money for every farmer engaged in the business, it is believed. J. A. Bohart, president of the company and C. R. Taylor is the patentee, who is directing the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Henry and little son went to Amarillo Sunday, where they will make their home for the present.

Rev. A. B. Haynes of Canyon was here Sunday and delivered the commencement address at the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Perry of Pampa were here Friday visiting relatives.

Miss Ernestine Osborne spent the week end at Jericho visiting home folks.



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**ABOUT THE METHODIST EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN**

The Methodists of the Northwest Texas conference have entered upon the last month in the Christian Education Movement campaign. This movement is an effort to raise \$33,000,000 to strengthen the schools and colleges of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Of this amount the Northwest Texas conference is undertaking to raise \$566,000; McLean charge \$5,125.

Rev. D. B. Doak of Abilene, a graduate of Clarendon College, is the educational secretary for the conference. Judge J. P. Slaton of Hereford is the financial director for the conference, W. T. Hayter of Clarendon for the Clarendon district, and Frank P. Wilson for the McLean charge.

The organization throughout the church is complete and the hope is that the membership of the entire church will catch a vision of the divine opportunity and fearful responsibility of the hour.

It seems to the thoughtful observer that a study of a few facts would arouse every person to a determination to contribute cheerfully to this worthy cause, even though it means a sacrifice.

Southern people are beginning to feel keenly the need of strengthening their educational institutions. Last year the colleges and universities of the North received \$349 for every \$1.00 the colleges and universities of the South received, counting only those gifts of \$75,000 or more. The South cannot discharge its obligations to its sons and daughters unless it greatly strengthens its schools.

The Southern Methodist church is short 2,000 preachers and is calling for hundreds of volunteers to become missionaries and trained church workers in order that the needs of the home church and mission fields may be supplied.

In addition to the shortage of ministers and missionaries, it is said that the educational institutions of the church are badly crippled on account of insufficient funds to make necessary improvements in buildings and equipment, and to assist worthy students to obtain the educational equipment necessary. Our leaders say that the problem of the church is not a lack of sturdy volunteers to carry on the work, but to obtain the

necessary training to effectively follow their calling. Very few of the young people who are offering their life service to the church are financially able to defray the expense of from four to seven years in college. Even if it were possible to do so, the salaries that the young men who hope to enter the ministry may look forward to do not justify them in contracting personal loans to complete their education, even when they are able to work a part of their way through school, as most students for the ministry are compelled to do.

Of the \$33,000,000 the church is asking, \$1,000,000 is to constitute a loan fund to assist these young students for the ministry. Our church has a tiny fund for this purpose. In 1908 it was \$5,500. Since that time it has educated 64 young men by making loans, and at the same time it has not only remained intact, but has grown to \$6,800. If this fund had been \$1,000,000 in 1908, it would already have trained 12,500 preachers, and also would have increased \$250,000.

Leaders of the movement say that more than half of the \$33,000,000 will be applied to increasing the endowments of the 91 institutions of learning to benefit by the fund. It is claimed that the combined incomes of all Southern Methodist schools for 1919-1920 was only \$2,930,000, considerably less than the income of only one prominent secular institution, which clearly indicates the great need for increased endowment.

Let some might be influenced by the discouraging argument of the disinterested portion of the church that we are not able to raise \$33,000,000 that the church must have or be crippled in her work. I will invite you to study the following figures:

The total wealth of the United States is now estimated at \$240,000,000,000. Of this amount the membership of the Southern Methodist church owns 8,000,000,000. The \$33,000,000 asked for is .004% per cent. How far below the tenth, which belongs to the Lord!

Again, those who say the quota is too much should look at this, as given by the Literary Digest! The United States spends for candy and cold drinks \$18.14 per capita in one year. Southern Methodist church's quota is \$40,815,000 in one year. Compare this to her Christian Edu-

cation quota of \$33,000,000 for a period of five years.

Say, brother, don't make such a flimsy argument any more. The Lord of heaven and earth knows that it is not true. The spirit that prompts such an argument is the spirit of covetousness, and that spirit will destroy your immortal soul. Turn a deaf ear to the arguments of covetousness and hear the pleadings of your church in this awful crisis of her history. Don't allow discouraging prospects of the present, nor the remarks of the covetous to deter you from your duty in the few years to come.

Yours for the success of the kingdom of our Lord. B. J. OSBORN.

Mrs. Luther McCombs was in from the ranch, 10 miles north of McLean, Tuesday.

Mrs. W. C. Foster is in Erick, Okla., this week, on account of the serious illness of her brother-in-law, W. A. Stubbs.

Miss Easterling of near Alanreed was shopping in the Sandhill Metropolis Saturday.

E. H. Kramer of Heald was in the city Monday.

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wherever seen, but do your best to never be able to see him indoors. Screens Keep Them Out and no building inhabited by man should be unprovided with them during fly season.

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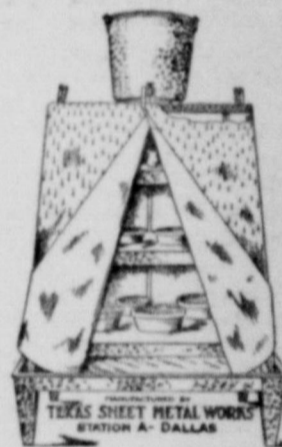


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**HID BANK'S MONEY AWAY IN DEF**

went to How the money to hear the of Georgia was, but were dis- and how the rain prevented during from all being there before was no program.

Miss Lorena Armstrong and Jack Bailey were married at McLean Tuesday evening, Rev. B. J. Osborn officiating.

We have been blessed with good rains here this week.

There was no Sunday school or church Sunday on account of the rain.

Mrs. Spinks left Tuesday for her home at Melrose, N. M., after a ten days' visit with her son, Richard Spinks, and family.

Mrs. W. J. Chilton spent Tuesday with her son, Josh, and wife.

Walter Litchfield was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Booth Woods of McLean spent Tuesday night with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dougherty.

Miss Callie Henshaw visited at the Bailey home Wednesday.

Miss Inez Parker came home from Wellington Saturday, as her school closed Friday.

Miss Texola Harlan visited Miss Inez Parker Tuesday afternoon.

The Lela baseball team will play Gracey here Saturday afternoon.

HECK.

**TO WORK CEMETERY ON DECORATION DAY**

Everybody invited to Cemetery on Decoration Day, Monday, May 30th, 1921, to take part in cleaning up the Cemetery Grounds and doing other work necessary to be done there. Mrs. S. B. Fast, President, McLean Cemetery Association. 20-2c

W. E. Bentley was in from the ranch last Thursday on business.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be posted for ten days, exclusive of the day of posting, before the return day hereof in three of the most public places in Gray county, Texas, one of which shall be in the at the Court House door, and no two of which shall be in the same city or town, copies of the following citation, and you are further commanded that you cause to be published a copy of the following citation once each week for ten days before the return day hereof, in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in the county of Gray and State of Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To all persons interested in the community estate of W. H. Gibson, deceased, and Celia Maude Gibson, deceased:

Know ye that R. M. Gibson having filed in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, an application, for letters of administration upon the community estate of W. H. Gibson, deceased, and his wife, Celia Maude Gibson, deceased;

Now, therefore, these are to notify you, and each of you, who are interested in said estate, to be and personally appear at the next regular term of the Honorable County Court, to be holden at the Court House of said County at Lefors, on the third Monday in May, A. D. 1921, the same being the 16th day of May, A. D. 1921, then and there to contest said application should you desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but of this writ make due return showing how you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal this 5th day of May, A. D. 1921. (SEAL) R. B. Thompson, County Clerk, Gray County, Texas.

By Mrs. C. Thut, Deputy.

**SHERIFF'S SALE**

The State of Texas, County of Gray. In the District Court of Gray County, Texas, I. D. Shaw and wife, E. C. Shaw, plaintiffs vs. M. Powell, defendant, No. 675.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Gray County, Texas, on the 30th day of April, 1921, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 7th day of April, 1921, in favor of said I. D. Shaw and E. C. Shaw, plaintiffs, against said M. Powell, defendant, for the sum of Twenty Nine Hundred Ninety Two and 45-100 Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum, and costs of suit, with a foreclosure of a vendor's lien on the property hereinafter described, I did on the 5th day of May, 1921, at 2 o'clock p. m., levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land, situated in the County of Gray and State of Texas, and described as follows, to-wit: North half of section No. 184, Certificate No. 295, Block E. D. & P. Ry. Co., original grantee, and belonging to said defendant, M. Powell, and on the 7th day of June, 1921, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on said day, at the court house door of said Gray county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said M. Powell in and to said property.

Dated at Lefors, Texas, this 5th day of May, A. D. 1921. E. S. Graves, Sheriff, Gray County, Texas. 19-4t.

**News From Alanreed**

Alanreed, May 16.—Your Uncle John was called to see his brother at Ore City. We left Alanreed about 1 p. m. for Clarendon, went to Fort Worth over the Denver railway, out over the T. & P. to Longview Junction, and on the Moonshine Special to Ore City, reaching there in 30 hours from Alanreed, a distance of nearly 500 miles. From April 7 to May 2, it rained about every other day. Crops were drowned out from Dallas east, and from Fort Worth west, it was very, very dry. The poorest crop prospects that I ever saw. We came back by Abilene, Sweetwater and Slaton to Amarillo and home to Alanreed, arriving on April 9th. Was gone 32 days; had a royal time and a pleasant trip. Glad to be home again. I found a general state of unrest among the people. Really, the people in the cotton sections of Texas are not in as good condition as the Texas Panhandle. The rains the last few days have been general and helpful to our farmers, and give promise of unusual yield of nearly all Panhandle crops. Probably wheat and oats will show a shrinkage and loss. I believe that the drouth sections now give promise of better yields than where it has been excessively wet. Already in rainy sections nearly every family has chills and fever.

The Alanreed public school closes Friday, May 20. S. R. Kennedy and family have

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come back from Los Angeles, Cal., to Alanreed. Alanreed is a good country to come to to spend the summer.

Well, business in all lines is quiet, but there is an undercurrent of hopefulness with our people that gives promise to better times. We are having a period of shrinkage of values—only the railroads and freight rates are about doubled or more, and passenger rates are 20 per cent higher.

So-long, UNCLE JOHN.

**KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK MARKET BULLETIN**

Kansas City, May 16.—Market as compared with last Monday. Cattle about steady. Hogs 15c lower; and sheep 75c higher.

**Beef Steers.**—Good to choice \$8.25 to \$9.00; fair to good \$7.50 to \$8.25; common to fair \$7.00 to \$7.50.

**Feeders.**—Good to choice \$7.50 to \$8.00; fair to good \$7.00 to \$7.50; common to fair \$6.00 to \$6.75.

**Stockers.**—Good to choice \$7.25 to \$7.75; fair to good \$6.50 to \$7.25; common to fair \$6.00 to \$6.50; stock cows and heifers \$4.00 to \$6.00; stock calves \$5.25 to \$7.50; stock bulls \$4.50 to \$5.25.

**Butcher Cows.**—Good to choice

\$6.00 to \$6.75; fair to good \$4.75 to \$6.00; common to fair \$3.75 to \$4.50; cutters \$3.00 to \$3.75; canners \$1.50 to \$3.00.

**Heifers.**—Good to choice \$7.25 to \$8.00; fair to good \$6.50 to \$7.75; common to fair \$6.00 to \$6.50.

**Calves and Yearlings.**—Baby beef \$7.75 to \$9.00; killers \$5.50 to \$6.50; veals, fair to good \$6.50 to \$8.50; veals, common to fair \$3.00 to \$6.00.

**Bulls.**—Killers \$5.25 to \$6.50; bolognas \$4.50 to \$5.25.

**Hogs.**—Light \$8.15 to \$8.35; heavy \$7.75 to \$8.15; packing sows \$6.50 to \$7.00; pigs \$8.00 to \$8.75.

**Sheep.**—Spring lambs \$7.50 to \$12.50; lambs (wool) \$11 to \$11.70; lambs (shorn) \$9.00 to \$10.75; yearlings \$8.00 to \$9.00; wethers \$6.00 to \$7.50; ewes \$5.50 to 6.50.

Receipts: Monday Last-wk.  
Cattle 13,000 31,700  
Hogs 17,000 49,700  
Sheep 10,000 45,400

Elmo Phillips was in from Heald Tuesday on business. He reports the people of his community wearing smiles as broad as horse shoes since the fine rain that fell during the past week.

J. R. G. Bird and son, Jack, of Pampa were over Tuesday, attending to business. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rainwater of Enterprise were in town Friday of last week, shopping.

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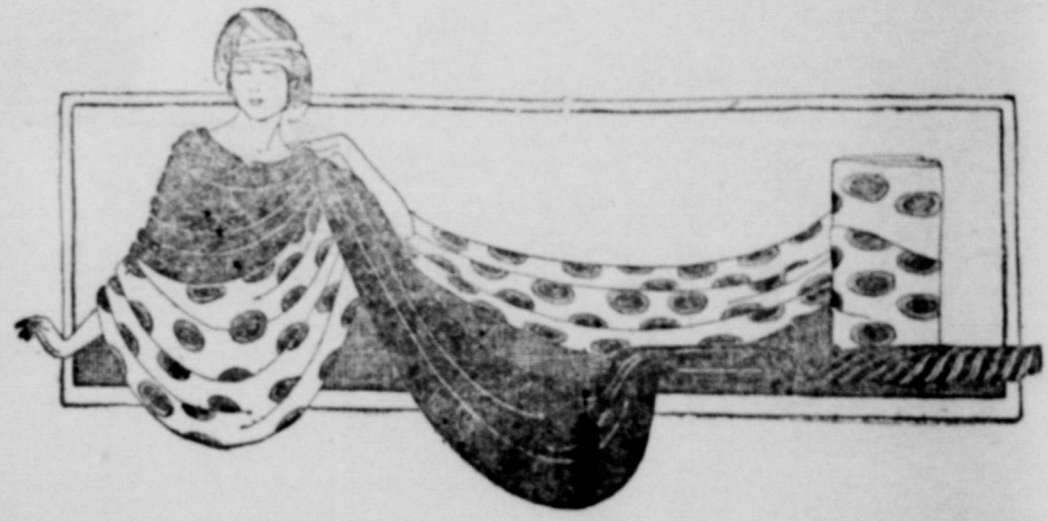
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