

THE MCLEAN NEWS

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GOOD EXHIBITS EXPECTED AT McLEAN FAIR

Preparations for the McLean Fair to be held on Friday and Saturday of next week are practically completed. The booths in the exposition buildings have been put in shape, windows are being repaired and water piped to the grounds.

A booster trip will probably be made Monday to advertise the new dates, and the S. B. Williams Shows who are to furnish the amusement program for the fair will arrive Monday.

The prizes for community booths are attractive enough to encourage exhibits in this department and several communities have promised exhibits. The stall charge in the livestock pavilion has been removed making no charge for placing exhibits of any kind. With the proper co-operation, this year's fair should be the best ever shown here. Crops are fully matured and of better quality than ever before, which should give us as good an agricultural exhibit as is possible anywhere. There is plenty of poultry and livestock in the community if it is placed on exhibition, and as substantial prizes are offered in these departments that should take care of any necessary expense, a good showing is expected.

Rain insurance of \$1,000 has been taken for the fair and the program will be given rain or shine.

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TIGERS TO PLAY AMABILLO TOMORROW

Coach Rogers will have about 21 men in the Tiger string at Amarillo for a game with the Amarillo Golden Sandstorm gridsters.

McLean held Amarillo to a scoreless tie last year on the local grid-iron and the success already attained by the Tigers this year would indicate victory for the locals tomorrow.

Pampa held Amarillo to a 7 to 0 score last week, and as Pampa defeated the Canyon Yearlings by 6 to 0, while McLean defeated Canyon 26 to 7, makes McLean's chances with Amarillo look very promising.

A large crowd is expected to accompany our boys to the game.

C. OF C. HOLDS BUSY SESSION TUESDAY NIGHT

The regular monthly meeting of the McLean Chamber of Commerce was rained out Monday night, but the meeting was held Tuesday night with a good representation present.

F. H. Bourland was elected treasurer to take the place of C. L. Cooke, who has moved to Kansas.

The matter of a stall charge for animal exhibits at the fair was taken up and the catalog committee stated that it was not the intention of the committee to make such a charge. It was ordered to eliminate the charge and allow all such exhibits free stalls as far as the capacity of the stock pavilion would allow.

Other improvements were ordered for the fair grounds in order that everything may be in readiness for the fair next week.

The president stated that the fair had been insured against rain in the sum of \$1,000, \$500 to be paid each day if it rains as much as 1-10 of an inch between the hours of 5 and 11 a. m. These are the hours taken last year and it is thought to be as good as any hour of the day for the purpose.

The matter of the monthly sales and grades day was brought up, and after discussion, it was decided to not have any further free auction sales until January of next year. It was the sense of the members present that the sales would only be entirely successful during the winter and early spring months.

M. D. Bentley, who is a director of the Postal Highway, asked that the Chamber pay the last six months' assessment of \$75 to the Postal Highway Association to maintain a road man on the job. Mr. Bentley spoke at length on the highway situation, stating that a supervisor was needed in that there is a likelihood of losing the state designation for this road from Jenico to Amarillo if needed improvements are not made. Some 15 sudden turns should be eliminated which would mean about 3 1/2 miles saved in distance, to say nothing of lessening the danger of collisions. It is the intention of the state to make a hard surfaced road of this highway if it can be straightened and properly routed. A motion was made that we pay the \$75 asked for.

J. W. Kibler stated that quite a bit of work had been done on the county line road and some funds were on hand for further improvement. A question was raised as to the wisdom of diverting some of the funds raised for this road to another road that needs improvement, but the sentiment of the members present was against this proposition.

Those speaking to the different matters under discussion were: W. T. Wilson, C. S. Rice, T. A. Landers, W. C. Garrett, W. S. White, E. J. Lander, J. S. Howard, M. D. Bentley, J. W. Kibler, E. S. Jordan and T. N. Holloway.

SPECIAL CLUB BOYS PRIZES OFFERED

Special prizes aggregating \$15 are offered at the McLean Fair for club boys' work, both field and livestock exhibits. These prizes are in addition to the regular prizes offered in the catalog.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Floyd returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Lubbock and Lockney.

Has Anyone Died—Had a Fire—Eloped—Had a Party—Been Divorced—A New Baby—Embezzled—Sold a Farm—Bought a Farm—Built a New House—Left Town—Been Arrested—Come to Town—Been Visiting—Had Visitors—Bought or Sold an Auto, Truck or Tractor—Stolen a Dog, or His Friend's Wife—Committed Suicide or Murder—Fallen from an Airplane—Had an Auto Spill—Fallen into a Well or a Fat Legacy? Well, then, THAT'S NEWS! So phone or mail it to The McLean News.

GASOLINE PRICE DROPS AT LOCAL STATIONS

In line with reductions in the price of gasoline over the country, local stations dropped the price to retail customers this week. Gasoline can now be bought in McLean for 18¢ per gallon, the lowest price for several years, here.

ALANREED SCHOOL NOTES

The following students made the highest average in their respective grades for September:

- Low first—Lorene Gardener.
- High first—Clifton Lee.
- Second—Lula Wyatt.
- Third—Monta Mae Gibson.
- Fourth—Anna Lou Darnell.
- Fifth—Mildred Gibson.
- Sixth—Willie Dee Hall.
- Seventh—Lois Harris.
- Eighth—Ione Ball.
- Ninth—Amy Snyder and Elizabeth Elms.
- Tenth—Bernese Hall.

News From Ramsdell

By Special Correspondent.

Prof. Orin Sharp spent the week end with relatives at Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. H. Longan visited in the L. H. Adams home Sunday.

Misses McLean and Lowrey and Taylor Franks visited in the Small home Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Woodrum and Miss Edith McLean spent Saturday night with Mrs. F. L. Bones.

The following people: Mrs. Ruth Woodrum, Miss Edith McLean, Ira Feller, Mrs. Pearl Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Chess Jackson, are here conducting a "Full Gospel" meeting.

H. T. Fields went to Oklahoma City with cattle this week.

J. I. Bones is erecting a dwelling in Shamrock this week.

Elbert Bones invested in some Shamrock real estate this last week.

Supt. D. E. Dean's son, who has been in McLean studying linotyping the past month, has accepted a position in the Tahoka schools. The gentleman was principal of the Pecos schools last year.

F. P. Wilson has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the Smith-Cooke gin.

Mrs. Nida Greep and Miss Ona Taylor of Heald were McLean visitors Saturday.

Arle Grigsby orders The News sent to Sam Davison at Meadow.

Fred Bidwell of Gracey was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Surgeon Johnson of Abnerred had business in McLean Wednesday.

BACON ROAST AN ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

A very enjoyable affair was held last Friday evening when a bacon roast was given in honor of the teachers of the McLean school. A number of friends gathered on Skillet creek, where a sumptuous supper was served and a general good time had until a late hour.

Among those present were: Misses Marie Young, Lucile Astrican, Opal Dutton, Frankie Mae Upham, Jessie Tucker, Eunice and Lucile Stratton and Hattie Thompson; Messdams Willie Boyett, R. O. Dunkle, Vigna Suckey, T. A. Landers, H. C. Rippy and L. F. Coffey; Messrs. T. A. Landers, H. C. Rippy, L. F. Coffey, Erwin Rice, Lyman Ashby, Byrd Gull, Smith of Clarendon, Dr. Thos. M. Montgomery of Amarillo, Jack Stogter, Fred Landers, Lee Casan and C. A. Strandberg.

SMALL SALE SATURDAY

The monthly Sales Day held Saturday showed the effect of busy times among the farmers. Only a small crowd attended the sale, but what staff sold seemed to bring a price agreeable to both buyer and seller.

It is expected that the sales committee will resume their work this fall and that the sales will be much better as the season advances.

News From Liberty

By Special Correspondent.

Noah Cunningham was sick last week, but is all right now.

J. F. Corbin, who has been helping build a house near Groom, came home Saturday night.

A. L. Morgan went to Shamrock Saturday.

A large number enjoyed the social at the W. R. Stokes home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Abbott, Mrs. Tom McCarty and children called at the Hardin home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stokes and children of northwest of McLean visited in the W. R. Stokes home Sunday and visited the Sunday school.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Woods were Sunday school visitors Sunday.

F. E. Robinson went to Miami Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Smith and Ray Franklin went to Amarillo Sunday, where the latter will take medical treatment.

Mervin Burks of El Paso came in Monday to visit home folks.

Frank Wofford of Shamrock was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

W. M. ALLSTON'S SYRUP FINDS READY SALE; ORDERS PRINTED LABELS

W. M. Allston of the Gracey community was in McLean Saturday and ordered labels printed for his sorghum syrup pails. Mr. Allston has no trouble in disposing of his syrup and takes pride enough in his product to see that it is properly labeled; he does not intend to violate any law or ask his grocer to violate the law against selling unlabeled goods.

Mr. Allston stated that they had made something like 300 gallons of syrup and would make about as much more.

FIRE ALARM FRIDAY

A fire alarm was turned in Friday morning and a hose cart was brought to the scene in record time, but the fire turned out to be an electric light pole back of Bundy-Hodges Company's store that had caught from a trash pile and was easily put out with a garden hose.

This fire could have been serious, as a large transformer belonging to the city was on the pole and the fire was near the wooden buildings adjacent to the stores in the block. There is a city ordinance requiring all trash to be burned in wire baskets, but it is honored more by the breach than its observance.

J. C. Collier, Everett and Clyde Crump of Amarillo came in Sunday for a visit in the J. L. Collier home.

J. C. Collier returned home Monday, Everett Crump will spend the week, and Clyde will make his home with the Colliers this winter.

M. D. Ware of Wheeler was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

C. H. Harbison of Heald was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

M. R. Landers and family are visiting relatives at Plainview this week.

Luther Willis was a Pampa visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vester Smith were Amarillo visitors Sunday.

L. H. Webb of Mobeetie was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

C. I. Beck of Oklahoma City is visiting his brother, L. E. Beck.

Andy Nelson of Heald was trading in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Peters attended the Pampa fair Saturday.

SOPHOMORE CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS

In organizing the Sophomore class of the McLean High School, the following officers were elected:

- President—Leslie Huff.
- Vice president—Bruce Durham.
- Secretary-treasurer—Rachel Stratton.
- Reporter—Wilma Grigsby.
- Yell and song leaders—Vera Wilson and Lena Sparks.

Social committee—Vera Wilson, Audra Wilson and Rachel Stratton.

The class motto is "Good enough is not enough."

The colors are pink, white and green.

News From Gracey

By Special Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Slagter and children of Lelia Lake moved to our community Saturday.

W. B. Bush and family returned last week from Arkansas.

Simon Bush returned Monday from Electra.

Mrs. Beatrice Sparks returned Saturday from Cleburne.

Mr. Evans of Memphis was looking after business here the first of the week.

Mrs. J. S. Carwile and daughter, Nellye, visited in the H. M. Belew home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerard called at the N. S. Ray home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lee and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Kinard visited in the Fondren home Sunday.

DR. HALL HERE

Dr. J. A. Hall, dentist of Shamrock is here this week to fill his regular monthly appointment.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Meador of Clarendon visited Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Meador Sunday.

The News is in receipt of a letter from J. L. Nunn, publisher of the Amarillo Daily News complimenting us on our publishing the Tri-State Fair agricultural awards ahead of any other paper.

F. B. Landers and family are visiting at Branson, Colo.

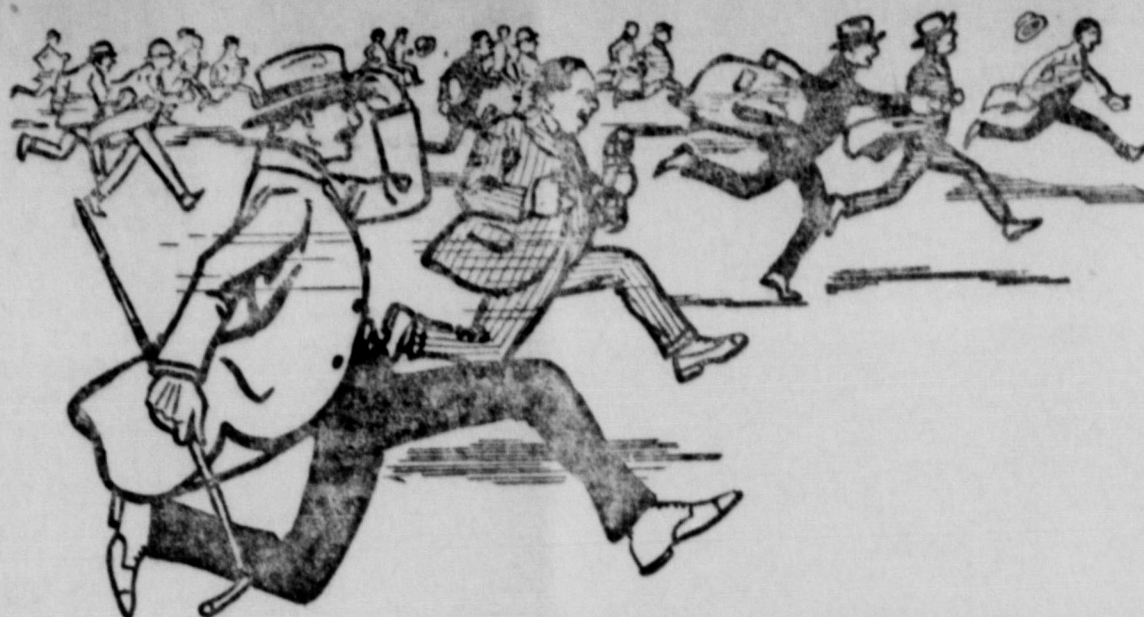
Jack Stogter attended the fair at Pampa Saturday.

Frank P. Wilson has our thanks for a subscription this week.

D. A. Davis orders The News sent to him at Mobeetie.

J. A. Fowler was in from the ranch Wednesday.

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Frank Wofford's

STEP LIVELY SALE

Starts Friday Oct. 10, 9 a. m.

We Honestly Believe that we can save you money on your fall bills. Come be with us. We would like for you to tell your friends and neighbors—also bring one along. Efficient help and courteous treatment, and always glad to see you.

Store closed Thursday, Oct. 9th.

Never was there a more opportune time to purchase your dry goods. We appreciate the business that you have given us in the past 18 months, and now we are going to show you our appreciation by giving you good quality merchandise at the lowest possible price.

BOYS' SUITS
Boys' heavy suits—age 10 to 14—just the thing for school wear. They are well made and must give service or your money back. Regular price \$7.50. Sale price \$5.95.

BOYS' KNICKERS
These knickers are all wool and some part wool—in brown mixtures, blue mixtures and serges. Age 7 to 18.
\$2.75 value.....\$2.19
2.00 value.....1.79
1.50 value.....1.29

BOYS' CAPS
A complete line of boys' caps for fall and winter. They are made of good quality and are very manish.
\$1.65 value.....\$1.49
1.35 value.....1.23
1.25 value......98

MEN'S CAPS
Men's fancy dress caps in nice plaids and solid colors.
\$3.00 value.....\$2.69
2.50 value.....2.19
2.25 value.....1.98

MEN'S WORK GLOVES
Extra heavy horn hide—will give excellent wear—size 8 to 10.
\$1.50 value.....\$1.29
1.25 value......98
Canvas gloves.....19c
Canvas leather palm.....52c
Jersey gloves.....19c

MEN'S WORK SHIRTS
\$2.00 value, extra heavy.....\$1.69
1.50 value.....1.39
1.00 value......89

MEN'S HOSE
Now is the time to lay in a supply of hose at these values.
.75c value, all silk.....60c
65c value, part silk.....49c
35c value lisle.....29c
25c value lisle.....19c

MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS
A nice line of men's dress shirts—with or without collars. They are real values.
\$2.25 value.....\$1.98
1.75 value.....1.59

MEN'S TIES
We have a dandy assortment of silk and knit ties. They are all new numbers—just received them, and too many to list—but the price is cut.

MEN'S HATS
A complete line of men's dress and work hats. We have the new fall styles.
\$7.50 value.....\$6.35
6.75 value.....5.65
6.50 value.....5.35
4.50 value.....3.49
3.50 value.....2.98

MEN'S KHAKI PANTS
A good one—well made—must and will give service.
\$2.75 value.....\$2.49
2.00 value.....1.69

SUIT CASES
\$3.75 value.....\$3.29
2.75 value.....2.19
1.65 value.....1.49

SCHOOL TABLETS
While they last.....2 for 7c.

LADIES' HOSE
Our stock is complete and now is the time to lay in your supply of these stockings while they are reduced. All popular shades in silk and cotton. Remember all of our children's hose are on sale—come see these values.

TRIMMING
Never before have we had such pretty trimmings. They are for serges, crepes and silks.
We have so many different patterns we won't attempt to list them, but they are reduced.

COTTON DUCK
While it lasts.....24c yd.

DRESS GOODS
These are real values and you will agree with us when you inspect them.
\$2.25 suiting.....\$1.98
1.50 suiting.....1.39
1.25 suiting.....1.05
.75 suiting......69
Big reduction on ladies' purses.

LADIES' HATS
Now is the time to buy your hats. These hats are very stylish and have been selling for \$6.00, but now.....\$4.39.

LADIES' SWEATERS
Slip-on and coat style, heavy and light, fancy and plain colors.
\$8.50 values.....\$7.39
5.00 values.....4.19
6.50 values.....5.39

BLEACH AND BROWN DOMESTIC
36 inches wide—extra good quality.
25c value.....19c
22c value.....17c

OUTINGS
HEAVY SHIRTINGS
BLUE DENIM
KHAKI CLOTH
GINGHAMS
PERCALES
CRETONES
SHEETINGS
SATEENS
LINENS
COTTON CHECKS
All reduced—Come see what we have to offer.
Time and space will not permit us to give you prices of every item we have on sale. It would take up the space of The McLean News if we did so.

FLORSHEIM SHOES
\$10.00 value.....\$8.85
5.50 value ladies' shoes.....4.29
1.25 value ladies' shoes......98

LADIES COATS—DRESSES ON SALE
On Friday morning one of the ten ladies will receive a nice all linen table set. This is something anyone will be proud of. Given away Friday morning at 9 o'clock when our doors open. Who will have the lucky number? Be on hand—receive an envelope. You may be the lucky one.

SEWING THREAD
6 for.....25c

FRANK WOFFORD

McLean, Texas

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Students sending in reports this week: Marvin Davis, LeRoy Landers, Bobbie Hodges, Hazel Patty,

beer and cakes, or turtled feasts, overalls or dress suits, pinochle on a cracker box or stock rambling

"I wish we hadn't either, but how were we to know it was closing time?"
"Say, Jim, how did you feel when Mr. Barker turned the key in the

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G. W. Breuninger has returned home at Fort Worth

Picture Section

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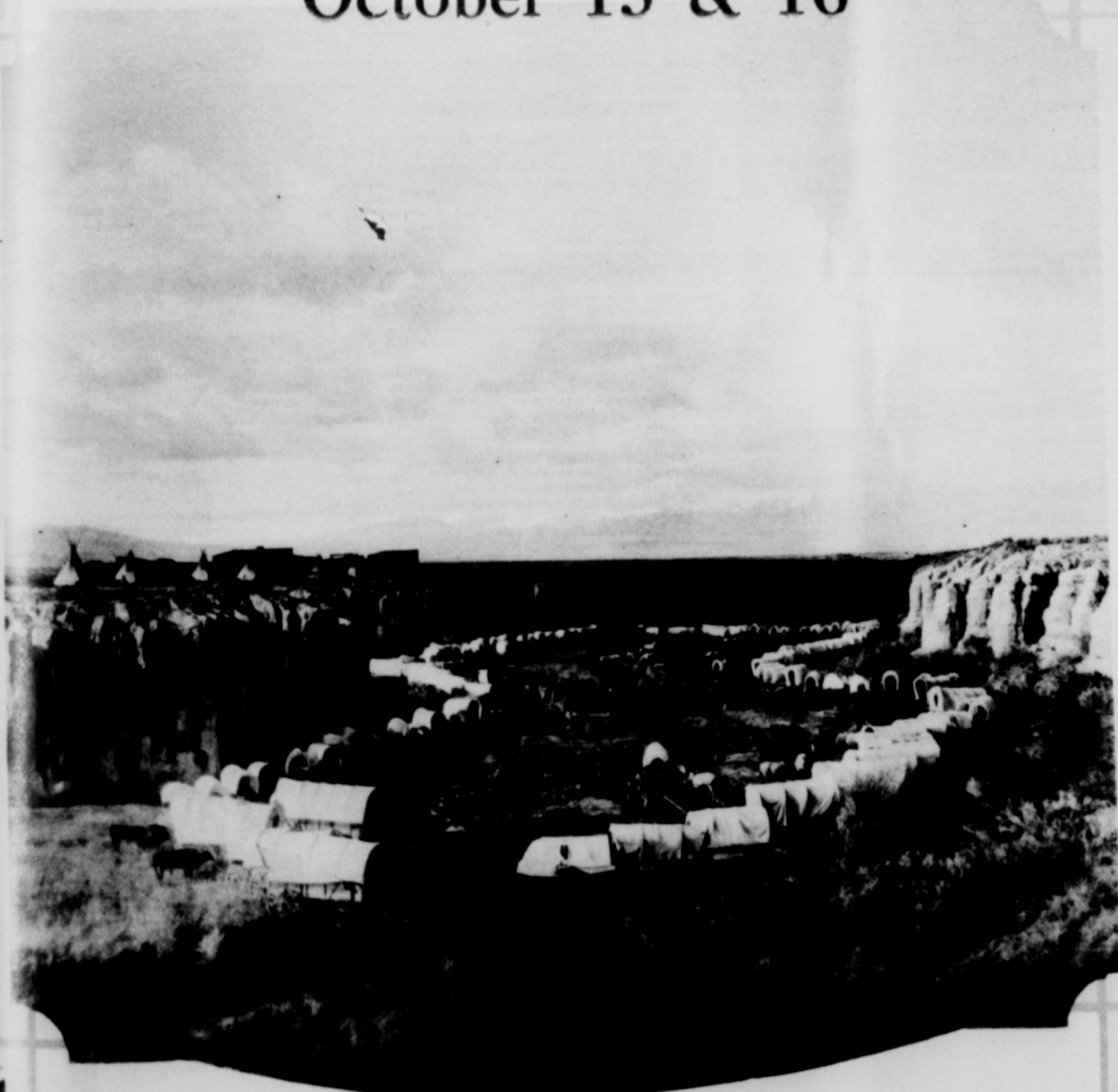
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Screen Scrapbook

Legion Theatre

McLean, Texas

October 15 & 16



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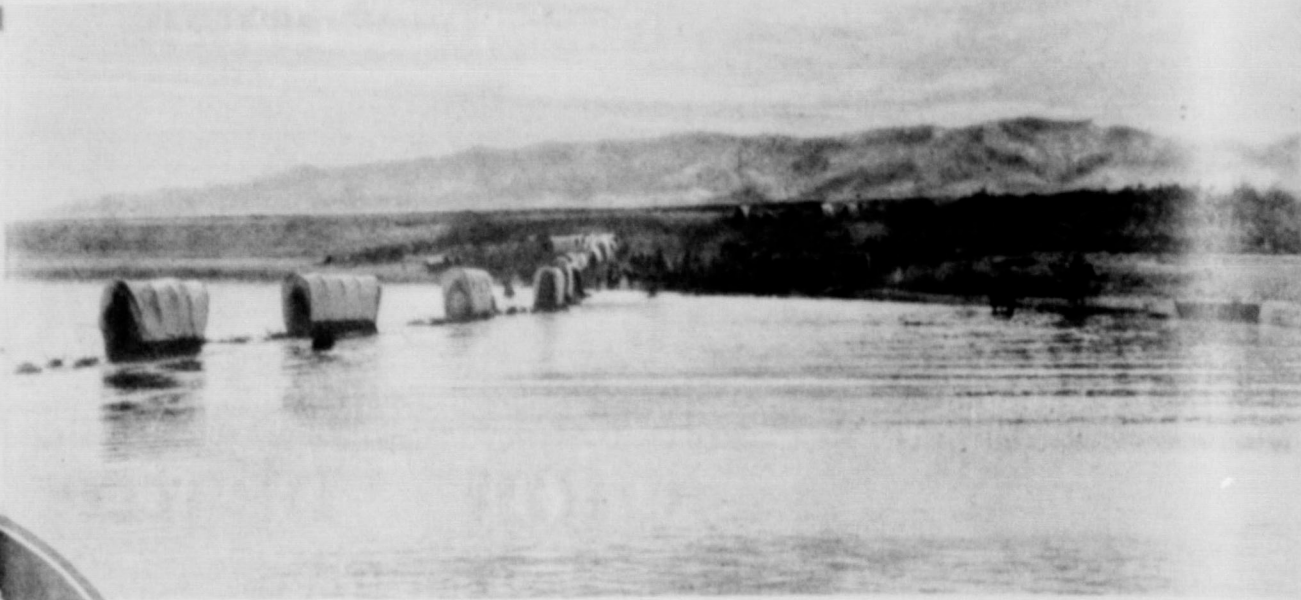
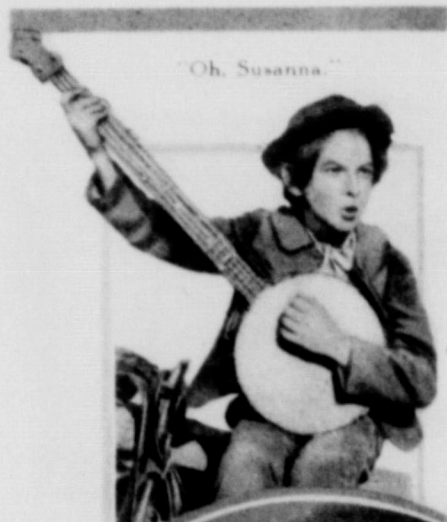
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J. S. MORSE

Naturally you have heard of "The Covered Wagon", the Great American Epic Picture. The scenes below give but a faint idea of its glories.



The fording of the river by the mile-long Wagon Train in "The Covered Wagon" is said to be the most spectacular scene ever photographed



J. Warren Kerrigan

Lois Wilson

"THE COVERED WAGON"

It seems almost superfluous to tell Americans anything further about "The Covered Wagon," which is the best known as well as the best motion picture ever made.

Although "The Covered Wagon" unfolds a most heart-warming love story amid its atmosphere of thrilling adventure, the significance of this monumental movie goes far beyond that of any other love-drama ever produced.

The Spirit of "The Covered Wagon" is the Spirit of America. The raw courage, the vision, the amazing adventures and hardships of the pioneer men and women who opened up the Western wilderness and made our great country what it is today—all this lives vividly before your eyes in this picture.

Not a foot of "The Covered Wagon" was made in a studio. Out in the Western Desert, ninety miles from a railroad, 5,000 actors, including 2,000 full-blooded Indians, worked for four months to film this sincerest of all cinema documents.

"The Covered Wagon" ran two years on Broadway, 34 weeks in Los Angeles, 23 weeks in Chicago, and similar periods in other cities.

See the Indian fight, the nine-mile prairie fire, the fording of the river, the buffalo stampede in "The Covered Wagon"—drink in the intensely patriotic spirit of the picture—and you'll know you've had the time of your life!



A small unit of the "Covered Wagon" cast which totals 5,000, at mess in the desert.



My Dear Jesse Lasky,
We have just seen "The Covered Wagon" and we want to congratulate you on your courage and those responsible for this great picture. This distinction attributable to the screen is an inspiration to the entire motion picture world.
Sincerely,
Douglas Fairbanks
Mary Pickford

(Left) What Doug and Mary wrote about "The Covered Wagon."

(Below) Behind the scenes in the filming of America's Wonder-Picture.



Ernest Torrence and Tully Marshall, unforgettable as "Bill Jackson" and "Jim Bridger," scout.

Ernest Torrence in the role that made him famous.



The sparks fly in this scene!



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The heart of every real American thrills at "The Covered Wagon"; the fame of this wonderful picture has swept the whole wide world



(Above) Oregon at last! The covered wagons reach the goal of their mighty adventure.



(Left) Pioneers all—Ethel Wales, Charles Ogle, Lois Wilson, Johnnie Fox.



(Below) J. Warren Kerrigan panning gold in "The Covered Wagon."

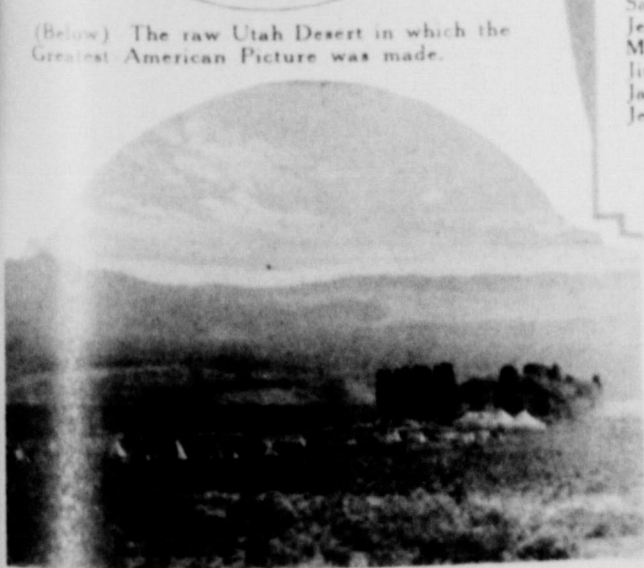
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Adapted by
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A Paramount Picture

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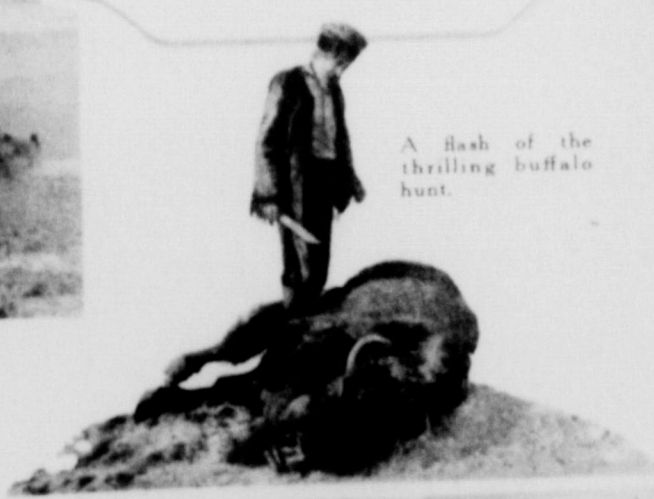
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| Jesse Wingate | Charles Ogle |
| Mrs. Wingate | Ethel Wales |
| Jim Bridger | Tully Marshall |
| Jack Dunstan | Guy Oliver |
| Jed Wingate | Johnnie Fox |

Assisted by 2,000 Indians, 2,000 horses,
500 head of oxen, etc.

J. Warren Kerrigan as "Will" and Lois Wilson as "Molly," the two lovers.



(Below) The raw Utah Desert in which the Greatest American Picture was made.

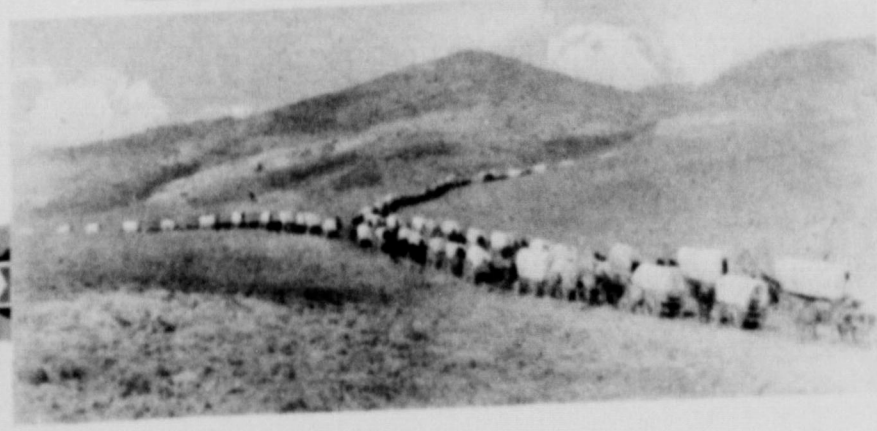


A flash of the thrilling buffalo hunt.

"Bill Jackson" (Ernest Torrence) looks 'em over.



Lois Wilson and "Covered Wagon" Indian who fought Custer.



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The Torrence family inspects their new car.

Have you read "The Covered Wagon"? Your bookstore has it.

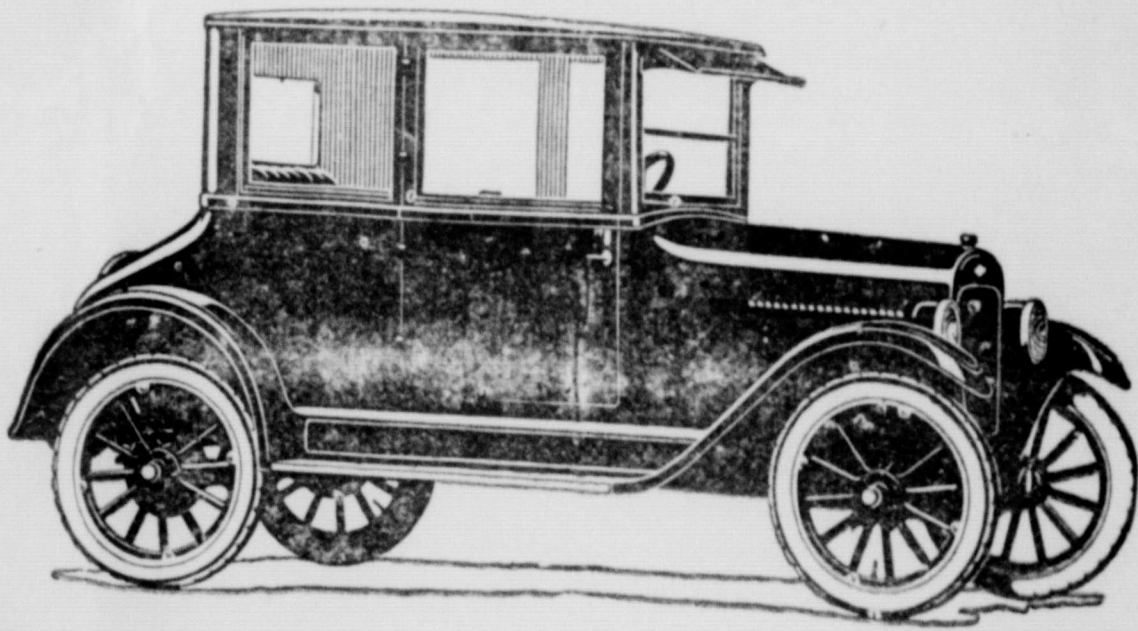


Lois Wilson, heroine of "The Covered Wagon," loves to cook.



James Cruze and his sister have just built a new home.

Lois Wilson is a believer in sports and sport clothes.



"Covered Wagon" days are over.
Buy a Chevrolet, and be, Up-to-Date.

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Students sending in reports this week: Marvin Davis, LeRoy Landers, Bobbie Hodges, Hazel Patty, Mamie Burrows.

On Tuesday afternoon the tenth and eleventh grades met in room No. 1, and with Miss Young acting as chairman, the following officers were elected to serve on the High School Newspaper Staff for the coming year:

Editor-in-Chief—Marvin Davis.
 Assistant Editor—LeRoy Landers.
 Sponsor—Miss Young.
 Sport Reporter—Thelma Gatlin.
 Academic Reporter—Vina Stratton.
 Society Reporter—Minnie Morse.
 Humor Editor—Vernon Rice.
 Exchange Editor—Vernon Johnston.

The editor-in-chief and the assistant editor assume the responsibility of the paper, and we wish first to thank the owners of The McLean News for being so generous as to give us each week two columns for our use.

We wish to ask the help of the entire High School in preparing this paper each week. We want to make it interesting as well as useful, and with the entire staff and every student in the school helping us we believe that we can make it worth while. It is YOUR paper, so help us make it the best that we possibly can.

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 The Panhandle "ain't what it used to be!" Where are those azure skies and sunbaked prairies of yore? What has become of that rarified air of the arid regions that has always filled our lungs? They are gone. If it would aid in disbanding the host of clouds that have hid the smiling face of old Sol for so long, each student in school would be willing to petition the weatherman to give us a change in weather.

However, conditions outside are but the least of our troubles. If one of the patrons or trustees had visited the classrooms last Monday, the sight would have brought briny tears to his eyes, no matter how hardened he might have been to scenes of suffering and privation. Some of the students had umbrellas and were able to study in comparative comfort, for the water was only knee deep on the second floor; but those who were not fortunate enough to possess an umbrella were absolutely unable to study. Two leaks averaging four gallons of water a minute pounded down upon every third desk, splashing water upon every student not amply protected by an umbrella and "slicker."

Theodore Carpenter looked so pale Monday morning in English class that Miss Young asked him if he were ill. "No," replied Carp, "this is the first time I ever got water on my face, and I reckon it must have changed my complexion, see?"

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My Philosophy of Life
 By Marvin Davis, English 11

"Why not smile that frown away? You can be sad some other day. Do not think of the troubles you've had, Think of the better things that made you glad."

Life! It is an odd thing. How do you consider it? Do you think of it as a game, a gambling game, an opportunity from which to get all the fun and the least pain possible, or do you think of it as a business proposition?

This is what Dr. Frank Crane says of life as a business proposition in his Four Minute Essays:

"Suppose we consider life as a business proposition. Look at it from a practical, profit-and-loss, shrewd, and commonsense viewpoint.

"Very well. First, what can we get out of it? Only wages. There are no endowed and privileged ones, all are day laborers; for every one, when the work's over, must leave all he has gained and go back to that nothingness from which he came, as stark naked and poor as when he arrived. All the billionaire gets out of life is exactly what the brick layer gets, his board and clothes and amusements.

"What is the wage of life? Life's pay is happiness. On life's book happiness is credit and unhappiness is debit.

"It's happiness we all strive for, of one kind or another, whether

beer and cakes, or turtled feasts, overalls or dress suits, pinocle on a cracker box or stock gambling on the market, social distinction, weak display, political success, intellectual achievement—it's all happiness, according to taste."

How can we secure this happiness? I think the best way to find it is to have faith in your fellowman. Faith! It is one of the greatest words in the English language. But what does it mean to you? Does it merely mean a conviction in regard to religion, or something more than that?

To me it means the best way to secure everlasting happiness. Have faith in the human race. Do not think that everyone is a gambler, a crook or a thief, just because a few are. Look for the good in a person, you will find it sooner or later. "There is a little bad in the best of us and a little good in the worst of us." Let that be your motto.

When a fellow is down and out, and about ready to give up, try to cheer him up, and make him see that things are not as bad as he thinks. You will feel better by doing it and he will always have a kind remembrance of you.

One Sunday afternoon as I was walking down the street, a young man with old ragged overalls, worn out shoes and a torn and weather beaten hat, came up to me and asked me for a dime to buy a sandwich. I only had a quarter in my pocket at the time, so I gave it to him. He thanked me and went over to the restaurant and bought something to eat. I could tell by the expression on his face that he appreciated my helping him very much.

Maybe some would say that I should not have given him the money. He seemed to be well and strong and could have gone to work and earned a living. I did not know anything about him, or about his troubles. It might have been that he was lazy and did not want to work, or it might have been that he could not get work, and had tried; anyway I was glad to help him the little that I did.

When a friend borrows money from me, I do not worry about his paying it back. I believe that he will, and I have never been disappointed yet, and if he never pays it back, that does not tend to make me lose my faith in him. Maybe something has happened that put him in a position where he could not repay me.

Faith and love go hand in hand. Love is the quality that makes a person have faith in another. Wherever you find love you will also find faith. So the two things that make me happy are faith and love in the human race. Do not judge a man too quickly, believe him to be good until he proves himself bad.

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Light Strokes Fell Great Oaks
 By LeRoy Landers, English 10

The woodman, with only his axe as a weapon, was seen rounding before a towering oak, as if contemplating the task before him. Evening found them still together, but what a change in their attitude! The man, now supreme, was gazing with triumph upon the results of his efforts. His eyes running up and down the trunk of the tree, prone upon the ground, divested of its luxuriant foliage, and calmly awaiting the arrival of the sled that would carry it to the river.

That is what repeated effort can do. The first stroke is insignificant; so are the next few. But finally the tree begins to quiver and shake, and then comes crashing to the ground. The tree, many times larger than the man, is not capable of withstanding the blows, no matter how slight, if they are repeated until the ultimate end is reached.

Thus it is with man in the great battle of life. If he does the little things well, if he is conscientious in doing that which falls to his lot to perform, if he tries and fails, and tries again until he is rewarded with success, he need not worry about his position in this world. His will be the best, he will be looked up to with admiring eyes by those who have not the will-power to pick themselves up after one fall.

Then why cannot we do likewise? Have we failed in some attempt? Have we been repulsed after attacking some great obstacle? If so let

us put forth all our strength again and again if need be, until we overcome, and then the world is ours.

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Locked up in a Building
 By Hazel Patty, English 8

"My! but it's dark in here. I wish we had never thought of hiding from Bill and Jack."
 "I wish we hadn't either, but how were we to know it was closing time?"

"Say, Jim, how did you feel when Mr. Barker turned the key in the lock? Sort of funny, huh?"

"Well, I should say! Cold chills ran up and down my back. I wonder what mom will say? I'll bet she's just now telling pop what a licking I'll get when I get home because she told me to be home by six, and it's 7:30 now."

"I'll bet when it gets 9:30 and we're still not home my mother will think of every bad thing she's ever done to me and be sorry for it. Say, Jim, she'll think we're run off."

"Today's Sunday, Tom, did you know it?"

"No, hadn't thought of it. What does it matter?"

"What does it matter? Well, can you beat that? Well, don't you know that it will be so late when we get out of here that we won't have time to go to school in the morning?"

"Don't you ever fool yourself, Jim, Mr. Barker comes down here every morning at 5:30. We'll get home now in time for breakfast easy."

"That's so. Well, I don't much care. I sort of wish we were at home now, don't you? Say, don't you smell something like smoke? Where is it coming from I wonder?"

"Say, Tom, it's in the roof of this building. Up there, don't you see?"

"Sh! There's Mr. Barker unlocking the door to let the firemen in. Be quiet, we can get out without being seen."

"Well, we're out in the crowd now and nobody will ever know. What are you going to tell your maw, Jim?"

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Sunshine
 By Bobbie Hodges

Seems like troubles always fly
 When there's sunshine;
 And the tears ne'er reach the eye,
 When there's sunshine.
 Seems like life itself is thrilling
 And a song each bird is trilling,
 While with joy our hearts are filling
 When there's sunshine.

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Fall Work

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C. G. Nicholson of Enterprise was in town Tuesday.

Los Hancock of Enterprise was a McLean visitor Monday.

Cecil Bible of Skillet was in town Monday.

G. W. Medley has returned to his home at Fort Worth after a few

days' visit with his daughter, Mrs. F. H. Bourland.

STILL LOOKING FOR HIM

"Have you 'A Certain Rich Man?'" asked an elderly man of the girl at the library desk. "If I had I wouldn't be working here," came the girl's prompt reply.—Capper's.

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Mr. Davis, the Democratic candidate for president, in a speech at Omega, Kans., last week made an appeal against the voters permitting their parties to become their masters instead of their servants. "No free born American citizen," Mr. Davis said, "ought to say to himself, 'My party, right or wrong, but nevertheless my party.' 'My party when it is right, and some other party when it is wrong.' That is the motto Americans ought to follow." If this is good Democratic doctrine for Kansas, why not good for Texas?

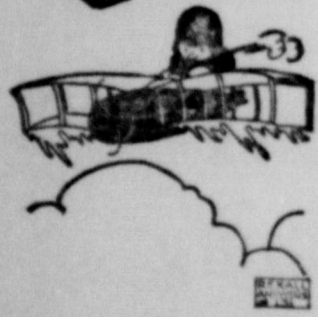
While the fair will be indirectly of benefit to everyone, the prime purpose will be for the direct benefit of the farmer and stock raiser, and in order for it to be a success there must be close co-operation between town and country. Farm products and animals must be placed on exhibit in order to secure the benefits we have a right to expect from the fair. The amusement program is only a side issue and should never be allowed to over-balance the main object of the fair.

Quite a bit of fire insurance money is paid by our citizens in the course of a year, and many small reductions have been secured within the last two years that represent no mean saving, but the non-enforcement of the trash burning ordinance may cause us to lose some of the benefits secured. Then, on the other hand, false fire alarms tend to make people lose interest and we are liable to have a serious fire sometime without men enough to fight it. We noticed several men Friday who paid no attention at all to the fire whistle. The fire boys who belong to the volunteer department are always on the job, but there are times when other help is needed. Fire is an always present danger, and every precaution should be used in its prevention.

NOTICE FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by A. A. Ledbetter, City Secretary of the City of McLean, Texas, up to 10

Why? is it colder high in the air?



—because the earth has absorbed a supply of heat from the sun. The farther one goes away from this heat, the colder the air becomes. How hairy the feeling of

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o'clock a. m. Saturday, October 18, A. D. 1924, for the construction of Eight Thousand Four hundred Fifty-one (8451) square feet of sidewalk Nine (9) feet wide and Six (6) inches thick and Two Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty (2800) square feet of sidewalk Four (4) feet wide and Four (4) inches thick. Said sidewalks to be constructed with a mixture of six (6) parts of sand and one (1) part of cement.

Said bids must be filed with the said A. A. Ledbetter not later than the date named and must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of \$150.00.

The bidder to receive for said improvements assignable certificates, such certificates to be a lien against the abutting property and a personal charge against the owner thereof.

The City Council will meet Saturday, Oct. 18th, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the secretary's office at which time the bids will be opened.

The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

T. A. LANDERS, Mayor,
City of McLean, Texas.
Attest: A. A. LEDBETTER,
(SEAL) City Secretary.

AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

W. C. GARRETT, Pastor
Sunday school at 10 a. m., D. E. Dean, supt. Everybody come, be on time.

11 a. m., preaching by pastor. Subject, "Making Christ King." Text, 1 Chron. 12:32—get your Bible and read that story before you come to church.

6:30 p. m., all B. Y. P. U's. meet. Get ready for them.

7:30 p. m., preaching by the pastor. Your place at these services can't be filled by anyone else. Don't let it be vacant.

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Oct. 17 & 18

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Free Attractions will be given both days.

There will be a Ferris Wheel, Swing, 5 shows and from 40 to 75 concessions on the ground.

Something doing every minute.

Over \$600.00 in prizes offered.

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The Mystery Road

By E. Phillips Oppenheim

Synopsis

BOOK ONE—CHAPTER I—Fleeing from a brutal stepfather, an unhappy lone and a proposed husband she departs Myrtle, young French girl, stands in a country road on the verge of desperation.

CHAPTER II—Halted by an explosion of fire, two young Englishmen, Lord Gerald Dumbey and Christopher Bent, are attracted by the girl's distracted appearance. She begs them to take her away from her misery in a spirit of adventure they do so, conveying her to Monte Carlo and leaving her with friends. Myrtle speaks English, her mother having been an educated woman.

CHAPTER III—Gerald sees a beautiful young woman in the gambling room and is fascinated, but can only stare at her until she is called Pauline de Poniere and is with her aunt. He is unable to secure an introduction. Christopher and Gerald decide Myrtle shall not go back to her home. Lady Mary, Gerald's sister, secretly in love with Christopher disapproves of the young man's guardianship of Myrtle.

CHAPTER IV—Gerald and Christopher arrange for a mutual guardianship of Myrtle.

Christopher shook his head. "You didn't see her," he replied. "No one could have left her. No actress could have simulated the horror we saw shining out of her face. I don't think that I should ever have thought of bringing her away—I was Gerald who did that—but I think that he was right, and I should never consent to sending her back unless she were willing to go."

"And exactly what do you two young men propose to do with her, then?" Mary inquired. "It is not you I am so much afraid of. It is Gerald."

"But you don't believe—" he began. "I believe that Gerald's intentions are always good," she interrupted; "he is capable, even of idealism. On the other hand, he is fatally weak, especially where women are concerned. I fancy," she went on, "you will find that you have assumed a dual responsibility, and I fancy, too, that some day you will be sorry for it. Gerald has the spirit of the philanthropist in his blood. If the girl attracts him sufficiently, you, at any rate—and probably he—will be sorry you did not leave her to her village lover."

"You have described Gerald correctly when you called him a philanthropist," Christopher admitted. "I put myself in court, and on his behalf I plead guilty to the charge. On the other hand, I have greater faith in his kindness of heart and his sense of honor than you seem to have. For that reason I believe that she will be as safe with Gerald as with me."

Chapter IV

It is a fact that when the two young men re-entered the establishment of Madame Lenore, they both failed utterly to recognize the girl who was standing in a distant corner, talking to the proprietress. It was not until she detached herself and came hesitatingly up to them that they realized with varying sensations, who she was. Gerald laughed with pleasure and held out both his hands. Christopher's admiration was tempered with a certain amount of distinct disapprobation.

"Well, what does milord think?" Madam demanded. "My congratulations!" Gerald replied enthusiastically. "My dear Myrtle, I wonder if you realize how charming you are?"

The girl looked shyly up at Gerald, her face soft and eloquent with pleasure. "She was clad in a fine white serge costume, trimmed with silver braid. Her lace blouse was delicately filmy and transparent, the cut of her skirt as scanty as the last word from Paris had decreed; her white silk stockings and suede shoes, procured from a neighboring establishment, irreproachable; her large hat a zossamerlike confection of tulle and lace. Of the charm of her appearance there could be no possible question, but, in exact proportion with Gerald's satisfaction, Christopher's disapproval seemed to grow."

"I do not criticize your clothes, madame, or your taste," he said, "but we have given you the wrong idea. Mademoiselle is in search of a situation. She is a working girl for whose future as a working girl my friend and I are anxious to provide. Those clothes are entirely unsuitable."

"I look like, Chris," Gerald inter-

rupted. "You're taking this thing too seriously. We know very well that Myrtle must be found something to do later on, but in the meantime she may as well have a little fun. Can't you see for yourself how wonderful she is? She will puzzle the whole of Monte Carlo for a week."

"And after then?" Christopher asked. "Gerald turned impatiently away. Madame held up a wonderful confection of white lace and silk."

"This is what I figure to myself for mademoiselle's first evening frock," she said. "This and a hat of black lace, with a string of pearls which I could perhaps borrow. I promise you that she would make a sensation you do not dream of."

"It is not our wish that she make a sensation of this sort," Christopher persisted harshly. "It appears to me that you both wish to provide the child—"

He stopped short. Gerald's eyes were filled with sudden fire; the girl was trembling.

"You're talking like an ass, Christopher," Gerald declared. "This is my affair."

"It is nothing of the sort," Christopher rejoined stubbornly. "It is our affair. I claim an equal right in disposing of Myrtle, and I will not have her decked out in these clothes. What we need for her is a plain blue serge suit and a small hat. She will always look charming, she will always be attractive, but nothing in her future work of life justifies our arraying her in clothes like these."

Madame shrugged her shoulders more disparagingly than ever.

"It is as milord and monsieur desire, of course," she said. "I can provide such garments as monsieur describes."

Gerald looked at Myrtle once more. The admiration in his eyes this time, at any rate, was absolutely genuine.

"I can't see the harm in having the child properly turned out, for, say, one week," he protested, turning to Christopher.

"And at the end of that week, what?"

There was a deadly directness about Christopher's gaze. Gerald, although there was no definitely formed thought of evil in his mind, avoided it.

"If you are proposing to marry Myrtle," Christopher continued, "then the clothes you have selected are suitable. Unless you have made up your mind to do that, I beg that madame will show us something different."

There was a somewhat hectic silence for several moments. Madame Lenore could scarcely conceal her contempt for the crudeness of this puritanical Englishman. Myrtle herself felt as though a dream of paradise were fading away. Gerald, because he was good fellow enough at heart, felt further insistence impossible. He was quite content to drift into danger; he was not casualist enough to evade a plain warning.

"Well, I suppose we shall have to let this disagreeable fellow have his way," he declared. "Take her along, madame, and see what you can do. You hear my friend's idea—plain blue serge buttoned up to the throat, cashmere stockings and square-toed shoes."

"There will be a compromise," madame declared firmly. "And for



"There Will Be a Compromise," Madame Declared Firmly.

the rest, little one, do not trouble too much," she whispered, as she led Myrtle away. "I shall keep these clothes just as they are, until the other gentleman has made up his mind to meddle no longer. Come to me when you are ready. I can make you look so that milord will take notice of no other woman."

Myrtle's eyes were swimming with tears. "It was just for him that I wanted to keep these clothes," she said. "I wanted him to take me out and to feel that I looked like other girls. As for Monsieur Christopher, I detest him!"

In the showroom outside, neither of the two young men was particularly disposed for conversation. Christopher felt a distinct return of his first apprehension concerning Gerald's attitude towards Myrtle, while Gerald himself was conscious of a vague sense of resentment at his friend's interference, the more poignant, perhaps, because of its wisdom. Anything in the nature of an explanation between the two was rendered impossible by the smallness of the room and the presence of the shop assistants. So Gerald contented himself with lighting a cigarette while Christopher studied a

book of fashions. Presently Myrtle came out to them once more. The transformation was still amazing, but the blue serge costume was absolutely plain except for its thick edging of braid, and the little toque, with its dark blue quill, absolutely free from ornamentation. Yet it seemed almost incredible that this graceful girl who came towards them a little shyly but with perfect self-possession should indeed be the peasant child who had been under their care for rather less than twenty-four hours.

"Mademoiselle is transformed," Madame Lenore declared. "She has natural elegance in the simplest clothes I could give her, she would still create an impression. I have done my best, milord and monsieur. I trust that you are satisfied."

"I am going to take Myrtle to Giro's to lunch. Come along, Christopher," said Gerald.

Chapter V

The two women sat on the terrace of their wistaria-covered villa—Madame de Poniere hunched up in her chair, smoking a cigarette through a long tube; Pauline, her reputed niece, her coffee and cigarette alike neglected, gazing fixedly seaward. Their immediate environment suggested at once a taste for luxury and the means to gratify it. The linen and silver on the little table at which they had just lunched was of the finest possible quality—the former lace-bordered and adorned with a coronet. A bowl of pink roses occupied the center of the table. The coffee had been served in little cups of the finest Sevres china. In the background, a single servant was standing, dressed in plain black livery, a man gray-haired and with lined face, but tall and of powerful build. He possessed to the full the immobility of feature of the trained English servant, but there was something entirely foreign in his sphinx-like attitude and expression. He had the air of one who neither saw nor heard save at his mistress's orders.

"I am weary of everything here except the sun," Pauline declared deliberately.

The woman opposite knocked the ash from her cigarette. Hers was an aged and withered face, but her black eyes were still full of life and fire. Her long, thin hand, on which flashed several strangely set rings, was suddenly extended toward the waiting servant. Without a word he bowed and disappeared.

"One must wait," Madame de Poniere declared.

"For what?" the girl asked lazily.

The older woman's eyes glittered for a moment.

"For what will surely come," she declared. "The portents are all there. The writing is no longer upon the wall—it blazes to the sky."

"And meanwhile," Pauline murmured, "the sun shines, my heart beats in tune to it, and I feel all the time the weariness of the days."

"It is the insurgence of youth," the older woman conceded indulgently. "I suppose the greatest must feel it some day."

She thrust another cigarette into her tube and lit it, inhaling with the long, regular breaths of the confirmed smoker. Her delicately-shaped but talon-like fingers were stained with nicotine. "Zubin arrives this week," she announced.

Pauline yawned.

"More mysteries," she murmured, "more false hopes, more exaggerated stories. Nothing good will come of Zubin's visit but the money he brings, unless by any chance he has news of Stepan. Meanwhile, dear madame, I bore myself. I rather wish that I had been born an American."

The woman showed no sign of anger, yet somehow or other she seemed to diffuse an atmosphere of contempt. "It is perhaps a pity," she admitted, "that you are descended from one of the greatest rulers the world has ever known. It is perhaps a pity."

"Give me something to rule over," the girl declared, "and I will be content—the souls and liberties of a few million people, or the hearts of a few men. I am twenty-three years old and the sun is warm. And then there is the music, our one resource when there is no money to gamble with. What is the use of music, madame, to one who lives behind the bars? It simply makes one pull at them a little harder. I am as badly off as Stepan himself, who loves me from behind the fortress walls. Sometimes I wish that I were these with him."

Madame de Poniere reached for an ivory-topped stick and rose to her feet. Almost as though by magic, from somewhere within the dim, cool recesses of the room beyond, the gray-haired manservant was by her side. She leaned upon his arm.

"We drive at four o'clock, Pauline," she said. "Afterwards, we will watch the play at the Sporting club."

Pauline shrugged her shoulders. It was the same yesterday afternoon, and every day behind. It would probably be the same tomorrow. She looked intently across the narrow gorge toward that other villa. A two-seated car had turned in from the road and was crawling up the winding avenue. She stretched out her hand for the field glasses which lay on the table by her side. The figure of the young man at the wheel was familiar to her. Pauline rose to her feet. Almost as mysteriously as the manservant had appeared a few moments before, a black-robed maid hastened toward her. Pauline shook her head. "This afternoon I do not wish to rest," she decided. "I shall walk in the gardens."

crossed the drive and plunged into a narrow footpath which wound its way through a plantation of stunted but sweet-smelling pine trees, downward toward the sea. The path was not an easy one, and Pauline's shoes were scarcely designed for such an adventure. Nevertheless, she persevered. At last she gained her end. She stood upon the little strip of sand, besprinkled with rocks, which bordered the sea. Only a few yards away the shimmering blue water rocked toward the land in little wavelets. She turned and looked back. The villa from which she had come seemed like a doll's house shining out of its sheltering clump of cypresses. More directly above her now was the far more extensive residence of Lord Hinterleys. She looked toward it searchingly. There were several people upon the broad veranda, amongst them the slim figure of a young man at its farther edge, gazing intently in her direction. She smiled a little as she picked her steps across the yellow sand to the edge of the sea and clambered on to a rock.

(Continued next week)

D. A. Davis went to Mobeette the first of the week to take charge of the bookkeeping department of the Smith Brothers gin.

Dr. and Mrs. Lear M. Jones of Childress spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Watkins.

Misses Minnie Morse, Sallie Campbell and Lula Peters; Messrs. John Haynes, Hansel Christian and Fred Bentley attended the fair at Pampa Saturday.

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If you want to marry a farm, Texas offers splendid opportunities. Over six per cent of the Plainsmen of the Lone Star State have acquired their lands by matrimony, is a statement based on a survey made by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Texas is almost as good a hunting ground for the land-eyed suitor as the five North Central States, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Minnesota, known as the "Farm by Marriage" group. In these states an average of 8.4 per cent of the farm owners have taken a farm along with a wife. In Kentucky and Tennessee, of the 845 farmers interviewed, 5.9 owed their farm to cupid.

Of 109 Texas farm owners 88.2 per cent purchased their land outright, while 5.7 per cent acquired it by inheritance. This survey included 18,544 acres. For the United States as a whole, 79 per cent of the farm acreage was acquired by purchase, 15.3 per cent by inheritance, 3.3 per cent by marriage and 2.4 per cent in other ways, principally by homesteading. These percentages vary according to location and the type of farming.

As might be expected in an old state like Massachusetts, a high percentage of the farms were acquired by inheritance. Among the 710 transfers examined in that state, 22.8 per cent represented inheritances. Western Nebraska still has many farms occupied by the original homesteaders. Approximately 19 per cent of the farm owners in one section of western Nebraska where the figures were gathered, stated that they were the original homesteaders.

On the 845 farms examined in Kentucky and Tennessee involving a total of 71,495 acres, 81.2 per cent of the farmers had purchased outright, 12.3 per cent had acquired possession by inheritance, less than one per cent by gift, and none by homesteading.

In the five North Central States, called the "Farm by Marriage" group, only 64.4 per cent owned a farm by purchase. Almost 25 per cent had inherited their land, while 2.1 per cent had homesteaded.

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Choice of a Career—James Jackson.
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Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Dunkle attended the Pampa fair Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Cook and little daughter of Dallas are visiting relatives here.

W. S. White attended the Pampa fair Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Sitter went to Amarillo Friday, where the latter had her tonsils removed.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rice and sons were Shamrock visitors Friday.

Mrs. C. C. Cook and daughter, Miss Ruby, attended the Pampa fair last week.

Dwight Upham, Vernon Rice, Cecil Burks and Sylvester Stratton attended the fair at Pampa Saturday.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray County—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED. That you summon, by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Gray, Texas, once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, Melvin Johnson and W. B. Maulding, who are non-residents of the State of Texas, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court at the next regular term thereof to be holden in the County of Gray at the Court House thereof, in Lefors on the 27th day of October, 1924, then and there to answer the cross action filed by Harvey Close in said Court on the 24th day of September, 1924, plaintiff's original petition having been filed on the 20th day of September, 1924, in a suit numbered on the Docket of said Court No. 1194, wherein Walter Darlington is plaintiff and Florence Owen, T. M. Owen, Clarence E. Myers, E. T. Rives, Melvin Johnson, W. B. Maulding, Harvey Close, B. F. Holmes and W. I. Compton are defendants. The nature of the demand by defendant Harvey Close, is as follows: Suit on notes Nos. 2, 3 and 4 in the sum of \$500.00 each, being a part of seven Vendor's Lien notes dated November 26th, 1919, executed by defendant, Clarence E. Myers, payable to the order of Florence Harper, now Florence Owen, said three notes due January 1st, 1922, 1923 and 1924, respectively, bearing interest from date at the rate of 9% per annum and containing a 10% attorney's fee clause, all of the above mentioned series of seven notes are given as a part of the purchase price of the N. 3 of Section 67, Block 23, Certificate 11-2317, H. & G. N. R.R. Co. original grantee, in Gray County, Texas, same being recited in Deed of Conveyance from defendant Florence Owen, then Florence Harper, to Clarence E. Myers, dated November 26th, 1919, said three notes together with Note No. One having been transferred on or about the 16th day of January, 1920, by defendant Florence Owen to defendant B. T. Rives, the said transfer made said four notes a superior lien over Notes Nos. 5, 6 and 7. B. T. Rives in turn transferred said three Notes Nos. 2, 3 and 4 to defendant Harvey Close, the legal holder and owner of said three notes; that on or about the 27th day of October, 1920, defendant Florence Owen, then Florence Harper, transferred Notes Nos. 5, 6 and 7 of series of seven notes to defendant Melvin Johnson, who later transferred said Notes Nos. 5, 6 and 7 to defendant W. S. Maulding; defendants Clarence E. Myers, Florence Owen and B. T. Rives have made default in the payment of said notes 2, 3 and 4, and the same remain unpaid to plaintiff's damage in the sum of Twelve Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1250.00) besides interest and attorney's fees, said notes being placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. Defendant Harvey Close prays that defendants be cited to answer

his cross action, that he have judgment for his debt, interest, attorney's fees, costs and foreclosure of his Vendor's Lien and for special and general relief.
HEREIN PAID, NOT. And have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, this Writ, with your endorsement thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Lefors, Texas, this the 24th day of September, A. D. 1924.
R. B. THOMPSON, Clerk (SEAL) District Court, Gray County, Texas.

WHY, INDEED?

We expect a sure enough roar to go up from the Slaton Times office. The freakish fall fashions for women include pussy cat patterns, celluloid pictures on the finger nails, painted flesh instead of stockings, love scarfs, sore throat dresses and wigs of different colors to match milady's changing moods. But, no matter how loud the roar may be, it will do no good—end why should it?—Plainview News.

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