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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

The Effect of a Sophisticated Capital on the Younger Set

By Sally Gordon

Is Washington a good place to bring up a daughter?

In answer to this question, Mrs. Caldwell, the wife of Judge A. S. Caldwell of Illinois, who has lived in Washington for four years and who has a charming daughter, made reply as follows:

"That depends upon the daughter and upon her mother."

Miss Ada Caldwell, the daughter in question, is a delightful, normal girl, modest, good looking and unaffected, with a taste for both good literature and a good time.

I was pondering the pros and cons of this question in my heart when I encountered a handsome, cultured woman whose husband is the head of a Washington school for girls. She told me it had been necessary to discontinue the dances at their institution because the young men invited carried flasks "on their hips." Another woman in the conversation, whose hair was silver, said, "They used to do that when I was a girl," but it set me thinking.

A prominent business woman who has a young and attractive daughter answered "Yes" to my query on whether Washington is a good place to bring up a daughter. "As good as any other city," she said, "and it has better advantages in some respects. The daughter of a family of moderate means has opportunity to associate with people of culture and wealth from all over the world, for which she could not hope in other American cities."

This mother scoffs at the alarming reports of loose conduct and says there have been frivolous flappers in every generation. The majority of our girls are safe and sane and she insists their place of residence has nothing to do with the case—be it Upper Fifth Avenue or Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Mrs. Elizabeth Northrop, a world-traveler, who is spending the winter in Washington at the Wardman Park Hotel, declares on the other hand that she is somewhat amazed at the "twenty given to very young girls in Washington."

A friend of mine who couldn't, by the wildest flights of fancy, be considered a prude, because she shakes a wicked cocktail and adores "a little game" for a big stake, astonished me early in the season by her condemnation of the conduct of the "buds."

"I must be old-fashioned," she began, "because it disquiets me to see these lovely young women who have had all the advantages of wealth and education take out their cigarette holders and puff away in brazen indifference, even blowing smoke in my old eyes. Of course, there is no law against it, but if I had a daughter who behaved that way I'd break her of the habit if I had to lock her up."

It is safe to say there are more schools for girls in Washington than in any other city of its size in the country, and they all appear to be prosperous. While schools elsewhere are long standing and high standards are conducting endowment drives and struggling for an existence, the promoters of Washington's "institutions of learning" are lining their wallets with bank notes.

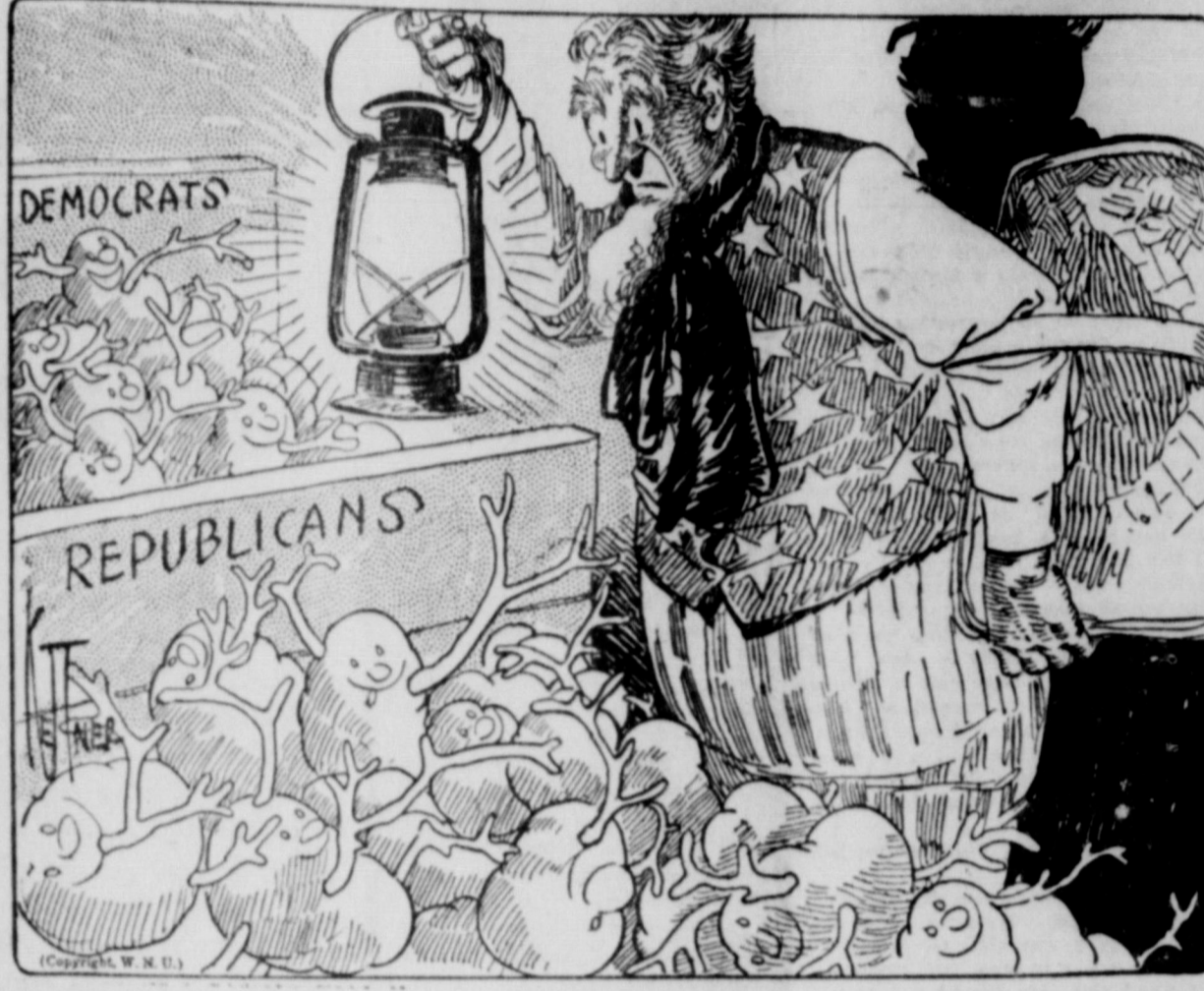
This would seem to indicate that many parents in these United States regard Washington as a desirable place in which to educate their daughters.

One educator said to me, "You would be surprised if you knew how many people select simply from the catalogue the school their daughters shall attend."

In his opinion, there are only a few "serious schools" in Washington—that is, schools dedicated to the purpose of teaching the fundamentals of an education. The others, he says, count certain social privileges which are granted their pupils as the all important equipment for life.

One occasion when I was invited to dine at a girls' school, one member of the faculty was much perturbed because she was not sure at which side of a chair one should sit down at table. It was an equally distressing problem to decide whether one should abandon the chair from the left or from the right. Almost half the dinner hour was taken up in discussion of this hefty matter. It is well to be familiar with the niceties of polite (Continued on another page)

Sprouting



REV. HODGES OF WELLINGTON SPOKE AT BAPTIST CHURCH LAST SUNDAY NIGHT

Rev. Lem Hodges, moderator of Wheeler-Collingsworth Baptist Association and pastor of the First Baptist church at Wellington, presided to an appreciative audience at the First Baptist church at McLean Sunday night.

Rev. Hodges is a forceful speaker and used as a text for his discourse, "Give me that mountain," from the experiences of Joshua and Caleb on their entrance into the Promised Land.

FARMERS CO-OPERATIVE GIN COMPANY STARTS WORK

At the called meeting of the Farmers Co-operative Gin Company last Saturday a committee of three men was elected to secure the necessary funds, buy the material and build a gin.

The large number of farmers who were present at this meeting were all very enthusiastic over the prospect for the Farmers Co-operative Gin and they had little difficulty in making the decision to go forward with the gin project. The only thing that can now prevent the farmers from availing an up-to-date gin this fall will be the failure of the committee to secure the necessary funds to put the proposition over, which is not likely if the men present at Saturday's meeting represented the general spirit of cooperation existing among the farmers of the community as a whole in this gin matter.

MCLESKEY HAS NEW BARBER

Floyd Morris of Wheeler has accepted a position in the McCleskey barber shop and began work Tuesday. Mr. Morris comes highly recommended as a barber, and Mr. McCleskey says he is now prepared to render as good barber service as you will find anywhere.

Mr. Morris has moved his family to McLean and expects to make this his home.

CLARENDON COLLEGE WINS TENNIS GAMES FROM McLEAN

Clarendon College tennis players came to McLean last week and won a game of doubles and two games of singles.

Saturday the McLean boys went to Clarendon where they played the Amarillo high school boys. McLean won in singles but lost in doubles.

Landers and Carpenter played doubles for McLean and Davis singles.

DR. MONTGOMERY OF AMARILLO TO BE HERE NEXT TUESDAY

Dr. Thos. M. Montgomery, optometrist and optician of Amarillo, will be in McLean next Tuesday. Read his announcement in this paper.

LARGE NUMBER OF VOTES POLLED AT CITY ELECTION

A large number of votes were polled at the city election held Tuesday.

Two tickets were used, as two elections were called for the same day. The regular election for two aldermen to be elected for a two-year term carried the names of Clay Thompson, O. G. Stekley, D. N. Massey and Vester Smith. Messrs. Thompson and Smith were elected. The special election called to elect a successor to John B. Vanney, who resigned to take charge of the McLean postoffice, had the names of C. L. Cooke and H. F. Wingo, resulting in Mr. Wingo's election.

Mr. Smith succeeds himself, as he was elected to fill an unexpired term some time last year. Messrs. Thompson and Wingo are new men on the council and are fully qualified to fill their places in a satisfactory manner.

CROWD OF YOUNG FOLKS ENJOY BACON ROAST

A number of young people went out to Skillet creek last Saturday evening for a bacon roast. The bacon was cooked over an open fire, also a big pot of coffee was made. Bread and pickles completed the feast for the evening, which all present enjoyed.

The following were present: Misses Strong, Norman, Bridge, Roach and Miller; Messrs. Dankle, Gull, Rice, Landers and White.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING HELD AT LONE MOUND

The Fifth Sunday meeting of the Wheeler-Collingsworth Baptist Association was held last week at Lone Mound. A complete program was given and messengers were present from many of the churches.

Rev. W. C. Garrett and T. A. Landers were present from McLean and made talks on the various subjects discussed.

Dinner and supper were served on the grounds Saturday by the citizens of the community.

The next workers' meeting of the Association will be held with the McLean church on Tuesday after the first Sunday in May.

"ZEN OF THE Y. D." OUR NEW SERIAL STORY

If you did not start reading our new serial story, "Zen of the Y. D.," last week, start with this issue. If you like a story full of thrills and charm, dealing with the present day Canadian West, you are sure to enjoy this story. The people in the story are real, true-to-life characters and Zen, the rich ranchman's daughter, will find a place in your affections at the very beginning.

"Zen of the Y. D." is Robert Stead's latest novel and it has a strong appeal to both men and women. It shows how wonderful is the life of the great out-of-doors. News.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER GIVES LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT TO POSTAL ROUTE CHANGE

On Wednesday J. W. Kibler, Clay Thompson, M. D. Bentley and T. A. Landers of our city, together with Messrs. Williams, Roach, Ward and Johnson of Groom, went to Amarillo to interview State Highway Engineer Geo. R. Edwards in regard to influencing the State Highway Commission to change the route as now mapped over an entirely impassable route from Jericho to Goodnight back to the old postal route.

While Mr. Edwards was very courteous to the gentlemen, he gave little encouragement to having any change made in the road, at the same time admitting that the mapped route could never be made passable.

Mr. Edwards made several objections to the Postal Highway being re-designated as a State route. According to the gentleman, the Postal road has entirely too many turns between McLean and Amarillo, as well as too many grade crossings, especially the one between Alanreed and Rockledge.

This interview was undertaken entirely at the expense of the gentlemen who went to Amarillo, and while not as satisfactory as could have been desired, it is thought that some good was accomplished, for Mr. Edwards made some statements that were favorable to the route and several statements that were damaging to the mapped route.

The Postal Highway is in excellent shape between McLean and Amarillo with the exception of a few short stretches. A detour has to be made around a lake just beyond Jericho, but Mr. Bentley talked to the Donley county commissioner for that precinct via telephone Wednesday night and was assured that that situation would be taken care of at the earliest possible moment.

BODENHAMER CHILD BURNED

One day last week the small child of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Bodenhamer fell against the heating stove, suffering severe burns on both hands and arms. The child was so severely burned that it is not thought to suffer any pain, as the burns were deep enough to kill the nerves.

CANYON EDITOR SAYS KILL CHICKENS

Canyon has a chicken ordinance, regulating the feathered variety. But the only effective method of regulating this kind of chickens is to kill all which molest you. Spring time will come one of these days when the flowers will start to bloom and the gardens will begin to grow. Unfortunately, there are those people who refuse to keep their chickens at home. The chicken which stays away from the owner's premises is legitimate game to be shot or otherwise killed.—Randall Co. News.

C. OF C. TO MEET AT METHODIST CHURCH MONDAY

The regular monthly business meeting of the McLean Community Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Methodist church Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

S. J. Cole, traffic manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, who is also connected with the Amarillo Board of City Development, has promised to be present and address the meeting.

This will be an open meeting and every one is invited to be present. It is hoped that the ladies of the community will attend and that final plans for the banquet idea may be perfected.

The best methods of discouraging the planting of half-and-half cotton in our community will be discussed, as well as other matters of interest.

J. S. WYNNE IS NEW MAYOR ELECTED AT PAMPA

Pampa, April 2.—In the city election held here yesterday, J. S. Wynne was elected mayor, Henry Lipold, Dave Pope, Joe M. Smith, E. Lee Vicars, C. H. Love and Fred Dromdo, aldermen. Ben Lopold was elected marshal.

The election passed off very quietly, only about 370 votes being cast.

NEXT SATURDAY IS SALES AND AUCTION DAY

On next Saturday another Sales and Auction Day will be held at McLean.

These sales days are becoming very popular with our citizens and the offerings this time are fully up to the standard of former sales.

On another page of The News will be found a complete list of the articles listed for this sale.

VULCANIZING SHOP CHANGES HANDS

A deal was consummated a few days ago whereby Frank Howard became the owner of Pete's Vulcanizing Shop. Mr. Howard is an experienced man and will continue the business at the same stand. The name of the shop will be known as Frank's Vulcanizing Shop in the future.

COUSINS CHILD SLIGHTLY HURT IN CAR ACCIDENT

Tuesday a small child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins attempted to cross the street in front of a moving car driven by Mrs. W. L. Haynes, and was knocked down and slightly hurt.

PROGRAM OF GRAY COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

Following is the program for the Gray County Interscholastic League meet, which will be held at Pampa April 4th and 5th:

- Tennis, boys' and girls'—3 p. m. Friday.
- Declamations—8 p. m. Friday.
- Spelling, senior, junior and sub-junior—8 a. m. Saturday.
- Essay contest—8 a. m. Saturday.
- Volley ball—9 a. m. Saturday.
- Girls' debate—10 a. m. Saturday.
- Junior boys' track—10 a. m. Saturday.
- Boys' debate—11 a. m. Saturday.
- Senior boys' track—2 p. m. Saturday.

HIGH WINDSTORM FRIDAY

A high wind blew here Friday afternoon, blowing several small out-buildings down and otherwise damaging property. The new addition exhibition building, which was built last fall at the fair grounds, was blown down.

A tornado was raging in Oklahoma at the same time and it is thought that that was the cause of the high wind here.

A small cyclone developed in the Plymouth community in Collingsworth county and on old man became lost in the dust and wind, wandering around for several hours before searching parties found him.

There may be some changes in some of the above lists of entries and events.

Let it not be forgotten that there are about fifty contestants and eleven teachers to go to Pampa, and that at this writing conveyances for half that number have been announced.

GRAY COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE MEET THIS WEEK END

Reported.

The Gray County Interscholastic League meet for the year 1924 will be held at Pampa this Friday and Saturday, April 4th and 5th.

Under the plan of rotation of the place of meeting, the meet will come to McLean next year.

The McLean school will send to Pampa for the coming meet full lists of entries for each event, literary and athletic. The two problems at present confronting the school are conveyance to Pampa and favorable weather on Friday and Saturday. There will be about fifty contestants from here. It is requested that everyone who intends to go in his own car report the fact and the number of contestants he can take, to Mr. Castleberry or Mr. Taggart. It is planned to meet at the school building Friday morning at 8:15 to 8:30 and to start from that place. It is desired also that all go the same route, and start together going and returning.

The names of the contestants from the McLean school and the events in which they will contest follow. If there are errors or omissions they will be corrected or supplied in next week's News if attention is called to them:

Debate
Boys' division—Gaylord Hodges and S. B. Morse.
Girls' division—Lorena Ashby and Mamie Burrows.

Declamation
Senior girls—Gladys Holloway.
Junior girls—Elgin Shell.
Senior boys—Emery Crckett.
Junior boys—Rush Crews.

Spelling
Senior division—Irene Penland and Fannie Stockton.
Junior division—Mildred Landers and Marie Browning.
Sub-junior division—Fern Landers and Clara Pearl Gatlin.

Essay Writing
LeRoy Landers.
Music Memory
Lucile Belew, Floye Landers and Laeuna Holloway.

Track
120 yds. high hurdles—1st, Arthur Dwyer; 2nd, Martin Dwyer; 3rd, Tom Waters.
100 yds. dash—1st, Osie Ginn; 2nd, Lee Wilson; 3rd, Tom Waters.

Mile run—1st, Ned Carpenter; 2nd, Milton Carpenter; 3rd, Charlie Mars.
220 yds. low hurdles—1st, Lee Wilson; 2nd, Tom Clark; 3rd, Martin Dwyer.

220 yds. dash—1st, Osie Ginn; 2nd, Tom Clark; 3rd, Tom Waters.
440 yds. dash—1st, Osie Ginn; 2nd, Lee Wilson; 3rd, Oran Robinson.
880 yds. run—1st, Charlie Mars; 2nd, Ned Carpenter; 3rd, Oran Robinson.

Mile relay—1st, Mick Dwyer; 2nd, Tom Clark; 3rd, Oran Robinson and Charles Jordan.

Field
Pole vault—1st, Arthur Dwyer; 2nd, Milton Carpenter; 3rd, Mick Dwyer.

Running broad jump—1st, Dallas Waters; 2nd, Arthur Dwyer; 3rd, Lee Wilson.
Running high jump—1st, Arthur Dwyer; 2nd, Tom Waters; 3rd, Bob Howard.

12lb shot put—1st, Martin Dwyer; 2nd, Arthur Dwyer; 3rd, Lee Wilson.
Discus throw—1st, Martin Dwyer; 2nd, Tom Waters; 3rd, Dallas Waters.

Junior Boys
50 yds. dash—1st, S. A. Cousins; 2nd, Glenn Wolfe; 3rd, John B. Rice.
100 yds. dash—1st, S. A. Cousins; 2nd, Glenn Wolfe; 3rd, John B. Rice.
440 yds. relay—1st, S. A. Cousins; 2nd, Glenn Wolfe; 3rd, John B. Rice.
Running high jump—1st, S. A. Cousins; 2nd, Glenn Wolfe; 3rd, John B. Rice.

Running broad jump—1st, S. A. Cousins; 2nd, Glenn Wolfe.
Pull up (chinning bar)—1st, Glenn Wolfe; 2nd, C. C. Roberts; 3rd, Ben Howard.

Volley Ball for Girls
1, Vina Stratton, captain; 2, Vera Wilson; 3, Rachel Stratton; 4, Lena Sparks; 5, Audra Wilson; 6, Inez Penland; alternates, Sinclair Rice, Kitty Oxford and Mamie Burrows.

Tennis
Boys: Singles—Marvin Davis; doubles—Milton Carpenter and LeRoy Landers.
Girls: Singles—Minnie Morse, doubles—Floycie Jordan and Fern Upham.

Events not Listed
Girls' quartet, and probably others

ZEN of the Y. D.

A Novel of the Foothills

By ROBERT STEAD

Author of "The Cow Puncher"—"The Homesteaders"—"Neighbors," etc.

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I—Transley's hay-cutting outfit, after stacking 2,000 tons, is on its way to the big Y. D. ranch headquarters. Transley is a master of men and circumstances. Linder, foreman, is substantial, but not self-assertive. George Drak, one of the men, is an irresponsible chap who proposes to every woman he meets. Transley and Linder dine with Y. D. and his wife and daughter, Zen. Transley resolves to marry Zen. Y. D. instructs Transley to cut the South Y. D. "spite o' h—l an' high water" and a fellow named Landson.

"Well, it's a branch of the Y. D. which runs southeast from the Forks. Guess I got its name from me, because I built my first cabin at the Forks. That was about the time you was on a milk diet, Transley, and us old-timers had all outdoors to play with. You see, the Y. D. is a cantankerous stream, like its godfather. At the Forks you'd nat'rally suppose is where two branches joined, an' jogged on henceforth in double harness. Well, that ain't it at all. This creek has modern ideas, an' at the Forks it divides itself into two, an' she hikes for the Gulf o' Mexico an' him for Hudson's bay. As I was sayin', I built my first cabin at the Forks—a sort o' peek-a-boo cabin it was, where the wolves usta come an' look in at nights. Well, I usta look out through the same holes. I had the advantage o' usin' language, an' I reckon we was about equal scared. There was no wife or kid in those days."

The rancher paused, took a long draw on his pipe, and his eyes glowed with the light of old recollections. "Well, as I was sayin'," he continued presently, "folks got to callin' the stream the Y. D., after me. That's what you get for bein' first on the ground—a monument for ever an' ever. This bein' the main stream got the name proper, an' the other branch bein' smallest an' runnin' kind o' south nat'rally got called the South Y. D. I run stock in both valleys when I was at the Forks, but not much since I came down here. Well, there's maybe a thousand tons o' hay over in the South Y. D., an' you boys better trail over there tomorrow an' pitch into it—that is, if you're satisfied with the price I'm payin' you."

"The price is all right," said Transley, "and we'll hit the trail at sun-up. There'll be no trouble—no confliction of interests, I mean?"

"Whose interests?" demanded the rancher, belligerently. "Ain't I the father of the Y. D.? Ain't the whole valley named for me? When it comes to interests—"

"Of course," Transley agreed, "but I just wanted to know how things stood in case we ran up against something."

"Quite proper," said Y. D., "quite proper. An' now the matter's under discussion, I'll jus' show you my hand. There's a fellow named Landson down the valley of the South Y. D., that's been flirtn' with that hay meadow for years, but he ain't got no claim to it. I was first on the ground an' I cut it whenever I feel like it an' I'm goin' to go on cuttin' it. If anybody comes out raisin' trouble, you just sho' 'em off, an' go on cuttin' that hay, spite o' h—l an' high water. Y. D.'ll stand behind you."

"Thanks," said Transley. "That's what I wanted to know."

CHAPTER II

Transley and Linder were so early about next morning after their conversation with Y. D. that there was no opportunity of another meeting with the rancher's wife or daughter. They were slipping quietly out of the house to take breakfast with the men when Y. D. intercepted them.

"Breakfast is waitin', boys," he said, and led them back into the room where they had had supper the previous evening. Y. D. ate with them, but the meal was served by the Chinese boy.

In the yard all was jingling excitement. The men of the Y. D. were fraternally assisting Transley's gang in hitching up and getting away, and there was much bustling activity to an accompaniment of friendly profanity. It was not yet six o'clock, but the sun was well up over the eastern ridges that fringed the valley, and to the west the snow-capped summits of the mountains shone like polished ivory. The exhilaration in the air was almost intoxicating.

Linder quickly converted the apparent chaos of horses, wagons and implements into order; Transley had a last word with Y. D., and the rancher, shouting "Good luck, boys! Make it a thousand tons or more," waved them away.

Linder glanced back at the house. The bright sunshine had not awakened it; it lay dreaming in its grove of cool, green trees.

The trail lay, not up the valley, but across the wedge of foothills which divided the South Y. D. from the parent stream. The ascent was therefore much more rapid than the trails which followed the general course of the stream. Huge hills, shouldering together, left at times only wagon-track room between; at other places they skirted dangerous outbanks worn by spring freshets, and again trekked for long distances over gently curving uplands. In an hour the horses were showing the strain of it, and Linder halted them for a momentary rest.

It was at that moment that Drak rode up, his face a study in obvious annoyance.

"Danged if I ain't left that Pete-horse's blanket down at the Y. D.," he exclaimed.

"Oh, well, you can easily ride back for it and catch up on us this afternoon," said Linder, who was not in the least deceived.

"Thanks, Lin," said Drak. "I'll beat it down an' catch up on you this afternoon, sure," and he was off down the trail as fast as "that Pete-horse" could carry him.

At the Y. D. George conducted the search for his horse blanket in the strangest places. It took him mainly about the yard of the house, and even to the kitchen door, where he interviewed the Chinese boy.

"You cathee horse blanket around here?" he inquired, with appropriate gesticulations.

"You losee boss blanket?"

"Yep."

"What kind boss blanket?"

"Jus' a brown blanket for that Pete-horse."

"Whose boss?"

"Mine," proudly.

"Where you cathee?"

"Raised him."

"Good boss?"

"You betcha."

"Huh!"

"You no cathee horse blanket, hey?"

"No!" said the Chinaman, whose manner instantly changed. In this brief conversation he had classified Drak, and classified him correctly.

"You cathee him, though—some h—l, too—you stickee loud here. Beat it," and Drak found the kitchen door closed in his face.

Drak wandered slowly around the side of the house, and was not above a surreptitious glance through the windows. They revealed nothing. He followed a path out by a little gate. His ruse had proven a blind trail, and there was nothing to do but go down to the stables, take the horse blanket from the peg where he had hung it, and set out again for the South Y. D.

As he turned a corner of the fence the sight of a young woman burst upon him. She was hatless and facing the sun. Drak, for all his admiration of the sex, had little eye for detail. "A sort of chestnut, about sixteen hands high, and with the look of a thoroughbred," he afterwards described her to Linder.

She turned at the sound of his footsteps, and Drak instantly summoned a smile which set his homely face beaming with good humor.

"Pardon me, ma'am," he said, with an elaborate bow. "I am Mr. Drak—Mr. George Drak—Mr. Transley's assistant. No doubt he spoke of me."

She was inside the inclosure formed by the fence, and he outside. She turned on him eyes which set Drak's pulses strangely a-tingle, and subjected him to a deliberate but not unfriendly inspection.

"No, I don't believe he did," she said at length.

Drak cautiously approached, as though wondering how near he could come without frightening her away. He reached the fence and leaned his elbows on it. She showed no disposition to move. He cautiously raised one foot and rested it on the lower rail.

"It's a fine morning, ma'am," he ventured.

"Rather," she replied. "Why aren't you with Mr. Transley's gang?"

The question gave George an opening. "Well, you see," he said, "it's all on account of that Pete-horse. That's him down there. I rode away this morning and plumb forgot his blanket. So when Mr. Transley seen it he says, 'Drak, take the day off an' go back for your blanket,' he says. 'There's no hurry,' he says. 'Linder an' me 'll manage,' he says."

"Oh!"

"So here I am." He glanced at her again. She was showing no disposition to run away. She was about two yards from him, along the fence. Drak wondered how long it would take him to bridge that distance. Even as he looked she leaned her elbows on the fence and rested one of her feet on the lower rail. Drak fancied he saw the muscles about her mouth pulling her face into little, laughing curves, but she was gazing soberly into the distance.

"He's some horse, that Pete-horse," he said, taking up the subject which lay most ready to his tongue. "He's sure some horse."

"I have no doubt."

"Yep," Drak continued. "Him an' me has seen some times. Whew! Things I couldn't tell you about, at all."

"Well, aren't you going to?"

Drak glanced at her curiously. This girl showed signs of leading him out of his depth. But it was a very delightful sensation to feel one's self being led out of his depth by such a girl. Her face was motionless; her eyes fixed dreamily upon the brown prairies that swept up the flanks of the foothills to the south. Far and away on their curving crests the dark snake-line of Transley's outfit could be seen apparently motionless on the rim of the horizon.

Drak changed his foot on the rail and the motion brought him six inches nearer her.

"Well, for instance," he said, spurring his imagination into action, "there was the fellow I run down an' shot in the Cypress Hills."

"Shot!" she exclaimed, and the note of admiration in her voice stirred him to further flights.

"Yep," he continued, proudly. "Shot an' buried him there, right by the road where he fell. Only me an' that Pete-horse knows the spot."

George sighed sentimentally. "It's awful sad, havin' to kill a man," he went on, "an' it makes you feel strange an' creepy, specially at nights. That is, the first one affects you that way, but you soon get used to it. You see, he insulted—"

"The first one? Have you killed more than one?"

"Oh yes, lots of them. A man like me, what knocks around all over with all sorts of people, has to do it."

"Then there's the police. After you kill a few men nat'rally the police begins to worry you. I always hate to kill a policeman."

"It must be an interesting life."

"It is, but it's a hard one," he said, after a pause during which he had changed feet again and taken up another six inches of the distance which separated them. He was almost afraid to continue the conversation. He was finding progress so much easier than he had expected. It was evident that he had made a tremendous hit with Y. D.'s daughter. What a story to tell Linder! What would Transley say? He was shaking with excitement.

"It's an awful hard life," he went on, "an' there comes a time, miss, when a man wants to quit it. There comes a time when every decent man wants to settle down. I been thinkin' about that a lot lately. . . . What do you think about it?" Drak had gone white. He felt that he actually had proposed to her.

"Might be a good idea," she replied, demurely.

He changed feet again. He had gone too far to stop. He must strike the iron when it was hot. Of course he had no desire to stop, but it was all so wonderful. He could speak to her now in a whisper.

"How about you, miss? How about you an' me jus' settlin' down?"

She did not answer for a moment. Then, in a low voice:

"It wouldn't be fair to accept you like this, Mr. Drak. You don't know anything about me."

"An' I don't want to—I mean, I don't care what about you."

"But it wouldn't be fair until you know," she continued. "There are



"But It Wouldn't Be Fair Until You Know," She Continued.

things I'd have to tell you, and I don't like to."

She was looking downward now, and he fancied he could see the color rising about her cheeks and her frame trembling. He turned toward her and extended his arms. "Tell me—tell your own George," he cooed.

"No," she said, with sudden rigidity. "I can't confess."

"Come on," he pleaded. "Tell me. I've been a bad man, too."

She seemed to be weighing the matter. "If I tell you, you will never, never mention it to anyone?"

"Never. I swear it to you," dramatically raising his hand.

"Well," she said, looking down bashfully and making little marks with her finger-nail in the pole on which they were leaning. "I never told anyone before, and nobody in the world knows it except he and me, and he doesn't know it now either, because I killed him. . . . I had to do it."

"Of course you did, dear," he murmured. It was wonderful to receive a woman's confidence like this.

"Yes, I had to kill him," she repeated. "You see, he—he proposed to me without being introduced!"

It was some seconds before Drak felt the blow. It came to him gradually, like returning consciousness to a man who has been stunned. Then anger swept him.

"You're playin' with me," he cried. "You're makin' a fool of me!"

"Oh, George dear, how could I?" she protested. "Now perhaps you better run along to that Pete-horse. He looks lonely."

"All right," he said, striding away angrily. As he walked his rage deepened, and he turned and shook his fist at her, shouting, "All right, but I'll get you yet, see? You think you're smart, and Transley thinks he's smart,

but George Drak is smarter than both of you, and he'll get you yet."

She waved her hand complacently, but her composure had already maddened him. He jerked his horse up roughly, threw himself into the saddle, and set out at a hard gallop along the trail to the South Y. D.

It was mid-afternoon when he overtook Transley's outfit, now winding down the southern slope of the tongue of foothills which divided the two valleys of the Y. D. Pete, wet over the flanks, pulled up of his own accord beside Linder's wagon.

"Lo, George," said Linder. "What's your hurry?" Then, glancing at his saddle, "Where's your blanket?"

(Continued next week)

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

Subject—Why I Should Go to Church.

Introduction by leader—Eunice Stratton.

Bible Background—LeRoy Landers

Church Attendance and Intelligent Faith—Eunice Floyd.

Cultivating Christian Feeling—Ted Cobb.

Giving Testimony to the Truth—Fannie Stockton.

A Habit Which Jesus Had—Merle Grigsby.

A Habit Which Brings Blessings—Mr. Bentley.

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. tfe.

Cement, lime, plaster and sand. Cicero Smith Lumber Co. Adv. tfe

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

Fred Bentley, Hansel Christian and Houston Bogan were Clarendon visitors Saturday.

W. H. Mathis of Enterprise was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Glass were shopping in the city Saturday.

A. S. Parker of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

J. A. Haynes of Heald was a business visitor in McLean Monday.

J. B. Pettit was selling feed on the local market Monday.

Mrs. J. L. Upham and little daughter, Marilyn, and brother, Ray Hamilton, left Friday for Pasadena, Calif., to join the lady's husband.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Rowe and daughters returned to Shamrock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wood of Al-anreed were McLean visitors Saturday night.

W. J. Chilton has our thanks for a subscription for his son, Pete, at Electra this week.

Paul Flak of Slavonia was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Richey and mother, Mrs. Bird, left Sunday for their home at Hedley after spending the winter here.

H. B. HILL Attorney-at-Law Shamrock, Texas Will practice in all courts

Successful Farming The future of our country depends upon the success of the farmer and stockman. The experience of other localities situated similar to ours is that diversification along these lines brings in a greater revenue than the following of a one-crop system. The farmers and stockmen in those localities are making a success of diversified farming and stock raising. With a few hogs, chickens and milk cows, an energetic farmer can pay his living expenses. A diversified crop system will surely prove to be a success in this country as it has in others. Let us give this a fair test this year and prove its merits. The Citizens State Bank A Guaranty Fund Bank CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$33,750.00 J. S. MORSE, President CLAY THOMPSON, Cashier

Public Sale The Third Big TRADES DAY AUCTION Will Be Held in McLean, Texas Saturday April 5, 1:30 The following is a list of the articles to be sold: Homer Smoot, Oliver Lister, Wagon, Auto Knitting Machine, Dehorner, Jars Canned Fruit, Set Buggy Harness, Oil Scape, Refrigerator, John Deere Cultivator, Monarch Phone Box, Incubator, Hog Trough, Oil Barrel, Sampson Windmill, Walking Planter, Double Shovel, Incubator, P. & O. Liver, doz. Pairs New Shoes for Women, Pair Wire Stretches, Cream Separator, 2-row Go-devil, 2-row Go-devil, Incubator, 50 feet Rubber Hose, Galvanized Water Tank, Rayo Lamp, Baby Buggy, Buick Four Car, Stalk Cutter, qts. Grape Juice, Mail Box, John Deere Lister, Gallons Molasses, Registered P. C. Sow, Mule, 3 yrs. old, Mule, Work Mule, Work Mule, Work Mule, Saddle Mare, Saddle Pony, 2 Horses, Mule, Milch Cow, Young Horse, Saddle Pony, 8 Shoats, Saddle Horse, Milch Cow. TERMS OF SALE—All sums under \$20.00, cash in hand. On sums over \$20.00, good bankable notes, 8 months time with 10 per cent interest, or 5 per cent discount for cash, unless owner desires to make his own terms, in which case the terms will be stated when his stuff is brought into the sale ring. V. H. MOORE, Auctioneer C. E. HUNT, Clerk

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

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society, but to put the loud pedal...
The expense of securing an education in Washington is great. I saw a little eleven-year-old girl whose parents last year spent twenty dollars for French books for their children and at the end of the term...

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements are subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held in July:
For State Senator, 31st District: J. W. REID
For Representative, 122nd District: DEWEY YOUNG
For County Judge: F. P. REID, T. M. WOLFE, C. S. RICE
For County Attorney: A. A. LEDBETTER
For County and District Clerk: CHARLIE THUT
For Sheriff and Tax Collector: E. S. GRAVES, L. D. RIDER
For Tax Assessor: D. M. GRAHAM, EWING LEECH
For County Treasurer: R. L. COTTRELL, MIRIAM WILSON

Miss Vida Colebank spent the week end with home folks at Back...
Mr. and Jack Bailey and baby were in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vestor Smith and children and Porter Smith were Shamrock visitors Wednesday.

Wants

REMINGTON PORTABLE TYPE WRITERS are the only portables made with a standard keyboard... will do the work of the large machines at a much cheaper price. Now on display at the News office.

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GARBAGE and trash hauled from any part of the city at reasonable rates. Frank Haynes. tfc

SPECIALS FOR Saturday.—Fresh graham and gold medal crackers at cost; gallon cane syrup, domino, 85c; gallon apples and peaches, 50c; P & G soap, 5c bar; Our Best flour, \$1.55 sack; First Pick coffee, 45c lb. Plenty of fresh Bermuda onion plants. Cobb's Cash Grocery. 1c

FOR SALE.—A 5-year-old smooth mare mule. R. N. Ashby. tfc

FOR SALE.—All kinds of vegetable plants and seed sweet potatoes. Write for circular. T. Jones & Co., Clarendon, Texas. 3-2-4p

FOR SALE.—Wash stand, table, 2 large rugs, and good milk cow. J. E. Cubine. 1p

ASK TO SEE the new Remington portable typewriters on display at the News office. Pay for them like rent.

GROCERIES are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. tfc

I NEED my post sager, and will appreciate it if whoever borrowed it will return at once. J. E. Cubine. 1p

BUNDLED kafir for sale. Arthur Collins. Phone 15. 14-2p

BUFF ORPINGTON eggs, winter laying strain, \$1.00 for 15; \$5.00 per 100. Setting hens, \$1.50. A. L. Morgan, Phone 40 14-14-2p

ANOTHER RAIN THIS WEEK

A nice rain is falling as we go to press this week. The week has been marked for the pretty spring weather, which has been quite a contrast to the snows of March.

J. B. Jones of Alarreed was a McLean visitor Monday.

Miss Eunice Floyd went to Amarillo Saturday, returning Sunday.

O. G. Stokley made a business trip to Shamrock Monday.

J. R. Hindman made a business trip to Amarillo Monday.

TEXHOMA
PHONE 131
A large advertisement for Texhoma featuring a map of Texas and Oklahoma.

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Mrs. John Grögan of Ramsdell was in town Wednesday.

Dr. J. A. Hall, dentist, will be in McLean Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week. Advertisement. 1c

Mrs. Guy Taylor returned to her home at Lelia Lake Wednesday after a visit with her parents, Capt. and Mrs. E. E. McGee.

Pe'e Fulbright attended court at Lefors Tuesday.

Chas. McMurtry of Clarendon was a visitor in McLean Tuesday.

B. C. Franklin attended court at Lefors Tuesday.

D. M. Davis and A. L. Hibler are attending court at Lefors this week.

Mrs. J. S. Carwile and daughter, Nellie, of Gracey were in town Saturday.

Among those who attended court at Lefors Wednesday were Troy West, A. W. Brewer and Roy Campbell.

Mrs. R. E. McGee and son, LeRoy, of Amarillo came in Wednesday to visit Capt. and Mrs. E. E. McGee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rogers of Heald were shopping in the city Saturday.

W. A. Senclair of Alarreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Jones and children left Wednesday for Hedley to make their home.

Misses Minnie Morse, Fern Upham, Flovie Jordan, Verna Rice, Lula Peters and Sallie Campbell attended the track meet at Clarendon Saturday.

ARE YOU A DIFFICULT PARENT

We read and hear of the difficult husband, the difficult wife, and children that are difficult, but who ever heard of a difficult parent being discussed? Still, there are plenty of them.

A child is a human being, even as you and I, although we sometimes impose upon children simply because we can.

I was invited to dine with a young attorney and his wife not long ago. Jim phoned us not to wait dinner for him; he had been in court all day and would be late.

As we finished dinner, he sauntered in, looking tired and glum. He threw his hat on the davenport, giving his wife and six-year-old son a perfunctory kiss.

He ate hurriedly, then joined us. As he entered the room, his eyes turned toward his son, playing on the davenport. Suddenly he blustered, "James Jr., you're sitting on my hat." In a moment he completely lost his self-control, his temper flared, and Jimmy Jr. received a severe scolding.

The child turned white, and tears started down his little cheeks. "Daddy, I'm sorry. I—" "There, none of your tears and excuses, young man. You're a specimen of carelessness!" Again the unjust anger of the father was heaped upon his child, all because he'd lost his case in court that day.

Jimmy's mother hurried the trembling child off to bed, while I, troubled by the incident, started home.

My first roommate at college, who now has two small daughters, one seven and one nine, is another example of such a parent. She is high strung and fussy, allowing and encouraging trifles to worry and irritate her.

Her children pay the price for these moods. Naturally they, too, are developing a first-class set of "nerves."

One day I met them skipping home from school. "Oh, gee, Aunt Cassie, we do hope mother is in a good humor. She's such a dear

when she's happy," announced the older child.

"Yes,"—hesitatingly—"but I tell you, she's awful unreasonable when she's cross," offered little Midge. "And, do you know, she gets cross at us over the funniest things!" The little brows puckered.

Strange, isn't it, that parents fail to realize the danger of alienating their children's affections when indulging in these difficult and unreasonable moods?

How we all love the person who understands our feelings and dislike the one with whom we must always be guarded! In time he becomes a bore. And, after all, children are a lot like us. I think they must feel the same way, don't you?—Southland Farmer.

"OLE" SAYS

Merchants who never advertise and who get their stationery from pill manufacturers and others are quickest to flare up when they think the home printer is not loyal to his home town.

KIDDING KIPLING

A fool there was and he saved his rocks, even as you and I; but he took them out of the old strong box when a salesman called with some wild-cat stocks, and the fool was stripped down to his socks, even as you and I.

Emmett LeFors of Pampa was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Miss Alma Sherrod of Alarreed attended the show here Friday night.

Miss Oma Arnold returned Tuesday from Maud.

Raymond Howard of Alarreed was a McLean visitor Sunday.

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THE PIKER!

He—"Just one kiss, please." She—"If I let you kiss me once, you'll want to kiss me again." He—"No, I won't." She—"Then you don't deserve to kiss me at all."

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Davis returned Saturday from Clarendon.

F. B. Thomas of Alarreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mrs. R. E. Willis was trading in he city Saturday.

G. L. Armstrong of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

MCCLESKEY'S BARBER SHOP
Illustration of a barber and a customer.

House Cleaning

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My regular visit in March was postponed on account of a trip to Dallas, but I will be in McLean Tuesday, April 8th, and will continue these trips the balance of the year. Anyone having trouble with their eyes or needing glasses may see me at the Hindman Hotel on that date.

Dr. Thos. M. Montgomery
Optometrist and Optician
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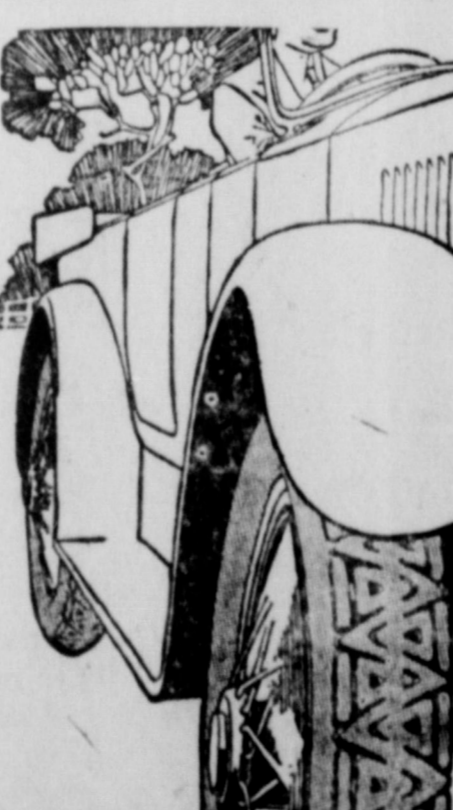


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The Chamber of Commerce meeting for next Monday night should be of more than usual interest and all who are interested in the up-building of the community should be present.

The newly elected city aldermen should have the hearty co-operation of each citizen of the town. No officer can do what ought to be done without the backing of the community, for his best efforts will be misunderstood without proper cooperation.

The fair building that was blown down by Friday's storm could be put up with volunteer labor with little or no expense to the community. If a day for work could be set Monday night at the C. of C. meeting, a number of men could meet and raise the walls and roof in a very short time. Something should be done about the matter in a very short time in order to save the lumber.

S. J. Cole, traffic manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, stated in a conversation Friday that many towns in the Panhandle had been stung on the highway marking game. The state will mark all designated highways with uniform markers just as soon as they can get the work done, at an approximate cost of only \$2.00 per mile. This amount seems small when we remember the cost of markers put out by marking associations whose actions would indicate that all it takes to constitute a highway is some striped poles and highly colored markers. However, the small towns are not the only victims, according to Mr. Cole, for Amarillo spent \$500 with one concern before the Chamber of Commerce awoke to the fact that such schemes are never worth the money.

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Hog wire, smooth wire and garden wire. Cicero Smith Lumber Co. Advertisement tfe

Mrs. Susie Mae Redwine went to Hedley Sunday for a visit.

Enoch Bentley and Miss Gertrude Wingo were visitors in Texola and Erick, Okla., Sunday.

LeRoy Landers made a trip to Clarendon Saturday.

S. D. Kennedy of Dallas has renewed his subscription to The News.

S. B. Morse, Bill Bentley and Marvin Davis went to Clarendon Saturday, returning Sunday.

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McLean, Texas

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HOLD YOUR HORSES!

The Government weather man says that the ground in most of the cotton section of the South, has been frozen harder and for a longer time in this January than any season in twenty years. Because of this, the experts say that we will have fewer boll weevils the coming year than we have had in a long time. It is said the weevil cannot stand continued freeze. Let us hope the experts are right.—Marshall News.

If this is to be a bad year for boll weevils, and, per contra, a good year for cotton—look out for squalls! There is every indication of a prospective acreage such as will make the subtemperate zone look like a wide place in the road. This is one of the best years that ever were for a farmer to reduce his cotton patch and enlarge his garden and corn field. Unless most of the signs fail, the grain States will get it back on the cotton States this time. A year from now cotton will be, granting a crop proportioned to the acreage, down to the cussing level and corn be up to the shouting mark. Now is the time for each good farmer to lay plans for his own escape. It will do no good to blame a reversal of present conditions on Wall Street, the Federal Reserve Banks or the Eighteenth Amendment. If the condition shall be reversed, it will be because a whopping big cotton crop reversed it. The wise man who plants a small acreage for his money and a large acreage for his more primary needs will get a big price for his cotton if the crop is small, and save paying a big price for meat and grain in any case. And the bankers and merchants who speculate on the cotton farmer's prospects will save themselves not less than forty winks of sleeplessness by being less enthusiastic over the future than they recently were over the past.—State Press in Dallas News.

T. A. Crockett is a new reader of The News.

Mrs. S. A. Cousins visited her daughters at Clarendon Saturday.

LEAP YEAR ADVICE

Our Leap Year advice to single women is to leap before you look. The best way to propose to a man is to sit on his knees until he proposes.

Ask your parents to object to your sweetheart during Leap Year. Then he will marry you for spite.

Sit on his knees—run your fingers through his hair—use flavored lipstick—propose in the dark.

Keep the parlor shades down. Last Leap Year many a girl lost her chance because the shades were up.

Buy a comfortable sofa. A comfortable sofa goes a long way toward a successful Leap Year.

Good lights have ruined many a Leap Year prospect. Love is blind, so make it in the dark.

Tell him he looks lonely. Tell him often and he will believe it. Then you can marry him.

Let him tell you the story of his life. Pretend you believe it and you will have him half married.

Get your mother to cook him a good meal. Swear you cooked it. A full man will marry almost anybody.

If your prospective Leap Year husband chews gum this is nice. He can chew the rag with you later.

The average man's New Year resolution is that he will swear off and on during the coming year.—Ex.

Miss Donna Latson of Clarendon visited Miss Clara McCleskey Sunday.

Misses Catherine and Blanche Allison of Gracey were McLean visitors Sunday.

INSURANCE

LIFE FIRE HAIL

I represent some of the strongest companies in the world I insure anything. No prohibited list.

Money to loan on farms.

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FOOD IS ATTRACTION

Listen! The lodge lodgeth together—and they eat. The club clubbeth together—and they eat. The business men take counsel together—and they eat. The church folks hold a social together—and they eat. The young people elect officers—and they eat. And even when the missionary societies and ladies get together they also eat. But these latter are in a class by themselves—we're for 'em. We wonder! Has man's brains gone to his stomach? Is it no longer possible to get a quorum unless we hold up the baker's dainties and the cook's appetizers as a bait? Is it coming to pass that to get a crowd at prayer meeting the preacher will have to hold up a biscuit?—Kingsman Journal.

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Building a community is not the work of one or two men, although a small group must lead and do most of the work. It takes the combined efforts of all citizens to make a great community. The non-progressive element of any town would stop the building of school houses, would have the streets remain mud holes, would refuse to do anything that

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would make the town a better town. This element must be ignored by the town builders—they are beyond the point of education.—Canyon News.

Frank Naylor and daughters, Misses May and Ina, of Clarendon visited Capt. and Mrs. E. E. McGee last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Cooper returned

to their home at White Deer Thursday.

VULCANIZING
Frank's Vulcanizing Shop



Garden Time

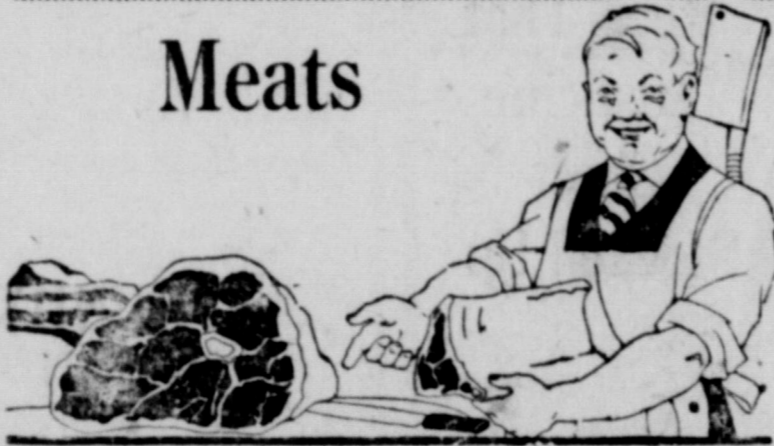
Your garden will not be a success unless you plant good seeds. The best is none too good when buying garden seed. We handle standard brands and our assortment is unusually complete. Better buy now while you can be assured of getting just what you want.

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News From Gracey

By Special Correspondent.
 Everyone enjoyed a party at the A. L. Lee home Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Ray went to Lelia Lake Thursday to visit their daughter.
 Misses Lorana and Birdie Derrick and Grace Bidwell spent Saturday night in the Fred Bidwell home.
 Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ware and children spent Sunday in the A. L. Lee home.
 Miss Ebbie Derrick spent Saturday night with Miss Nellye Carwile. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bush visited in the Hart home at McLean Saturday and Sunday.
 Misses Loree and Beatrice Kinard of McLean spent the week end at home.
 R. L. Allston of Amarillo spent the week end at home.
 Mrs. Jewelle Norman and son spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Johnson, of McLean.
 The D'Spain children are recovering nicely from the measles.
 Misses Ruby, Lea and Grace Bidwell, Ebbie, Lorana and Birdie Derrick and Nellye Carwile, Mary Lee Bidwell and Wheeler Carwile spent Sunday in the Fred Bidwell home.
 Ben Wright left last week for Dallas.
 Mrs. O. L. Derrick and children visited in the Fondren home Sunday afternoon.
 The singing class met at the Fondren home Sunday night.
 Luther and Judson Johnson spent Saturday night at Alanreed.

News From Heald

By Special Correspondent.
 Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spinks returned last Wednesday from Haskell.
 The sandstorm was not enjoyed at all.
 Missy Ada and Beulah Parker spent Friday night with Miss Mill Rogers.
 Joyce Armstrong and Brown Harison spent Friday night with Buck Parker.
 Travis Armstrong spent Saturday night with Bill Tedder.
 The League social at the Parker home Saturday night was enjoyed by all present.
 The young folks went to the Remau home Sunday afternoon.
 Miss Edith Parrish spent Sunday with Miss Foster.

News From Liberty

By Special Correspondent.
 The sandstorm did not scare any of us out, for the men are plowing and listing and the women are doing their regular work, and also raising chickens.
 Mrs. W. P. Irvin and Ila McVittet Mrs. Pearl Hardin Saturday.
 Mrs. Spurgeon Johnson visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson, Sunday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell and little daughter, Frankie Mae, called

on Mr. and Mrs. Uldridge Jett one day this week.
 Mesdames Parrish and Smith called at the T. H. Hardin home one day last week.
 A large number of the Sunday school pupils visited in the Asa Morgan home Sunday after Sunday School.
 J. B. Pettit and family were at Sunday school Sunday.
 George Bowers is somewhat sick this week. We hope he will soon recover.

FARMERS' GIN AT MUNDAY PAYS \$87,286 DIVIDENDS IN SEVEN YEARS

In May, 1914, a few of the progressive farmers of Munday, Texas, concluded that money saved in ginning expenses would be money made. So it was agreed that they establish, own and operate a gin plant of their own; and as they had no money, they had to borrow the necessary cash, \$6,500, and bought a four stand gin and put in operation the following fall with the following results: On September 18, 1915, after paying all expenses and \$6,500 he purchase price, a dividend of \$1,500 was declared. In 1916 \$1,622.60 was the net profit. In 1917 it was \$4,134.50; in 1918, \$5,000; and in 1919, \$13,000.
 They had succeeded so well that in 1919 and 1920 they decided to build a new gin at an expense of \$35,000. The net earnings of the two gins for 1919, '21, '22 and a part of '23 were used to pay for the new gin. For the year 1923 the two gins earned a net profit of \$21,000.
 Next week we will give you what the farmers' gin has done for them in Childress, Texas.
 J. S. Howard.

If your boy or girl is taking a course in typewriting, why not buy them a Remington portable? Use it at school for class work and bring it home at night and Saturdays for practice. Call at the News office and see the merits of this little machine for yourself.

Rev. J. S. Huckabee is in Amarillo this week doing the preaching in a revival meeting at the San Jacinto Heights Methodist church, of which his son is pastor.

H. F. Wingo attended court at Lefors Monday.

E. W. Brock of Heald was in town Monday.

Dr. J. A. Coppedge of Alanreed is a new reader of The News.

Mrs. J. S. Earp and son, Andrew, of White Deer are visiting in the R. L. Grigsby home.

Mrs. Temple Atkins of Ramsdell was a McLean visitor Monday.

Homer Abbott made a business trip to Shamrock Monday.

L. E. Beck went to Lefors Tuesday to attend court.

Carl Overton went to Amarillo Saturday on business.

M. M. Newman attended court at Lefors Monday.

Herman Hunt of Whitefish was trading in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sullivan and baby of Electra came in Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sullivan.

J. E. Kirby attended court at Lefors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Gregory and baby of Wichita Falls came in Sunday to visit Mrs. Gregory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sullivan.

Attorney W. Sherman White is attending court at Lefors this week.

A good supply of locust, hickory and cedar post. Cicero Smith Lumber Co. Advertisement. tfe
 Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. tfe.

News From Back

By Special Correspondent.
 John Powell and family moved to Canadian last week to make their home.

Most everyone did more or less real estate trading last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Back visited in the Bailey Lake home Sunday.

Misses Lelia and Beatrice Back visited Miss Vida Colebank Sunday.

Geo. Colebank is attending District Court at Lefors this week.

R. H. Corum was a Lefors visitor Monday.

C. M. Carpenter was a Lefors visitor Monday and Tuesday.

J. E. Cubing is doing some improving on his farm this week.

The McLean News sells the Remington portable typewriters. They are convenient to carry, inexpensive and have a standard keyboard.

Ollie Allston of Gracey was a McLean visitor Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry W. Hudgins of Erick, Okla., spent Sunday night in the T. N. Holloway home.

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Mesdames Homer Crabtree and Roy Campbell were Shamrock visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cousins went to Amarillo Saturday, returning Sunday.

Messrs. Elbon and Clyde and Misses Eula and Mary Naylor of Clarendon visited Capt. and Mrs. E. E. McGee Sunday.

M. H. Baker of Shamrock visited in our city Sunday.

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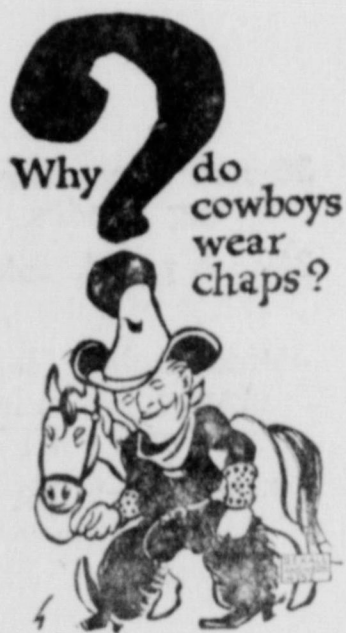
His selling times are too far apart. He will go in debt and get hard up between times. He has to sell his crop when harvested whether he wants to or not—for he will have it mortgaged and his debts will have to come out of his only crop.

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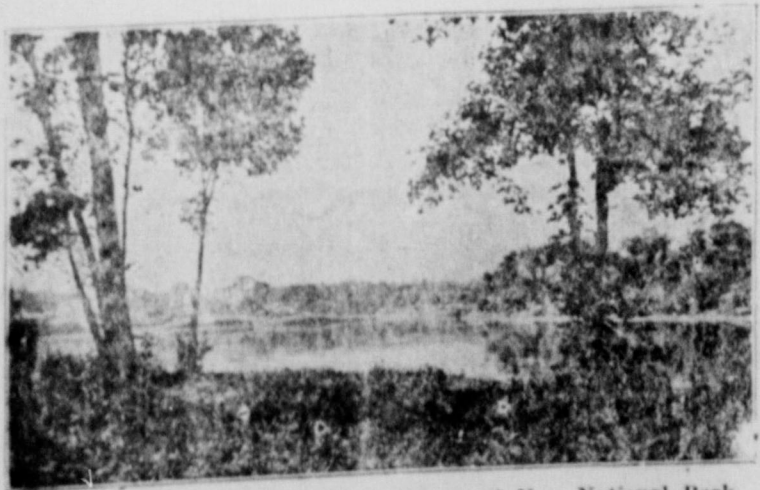
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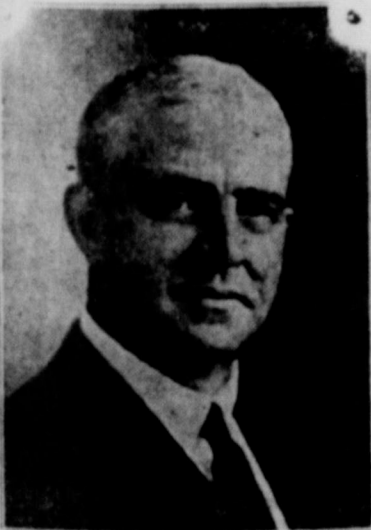
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Scene on Mississippi River in Proposed New National Park



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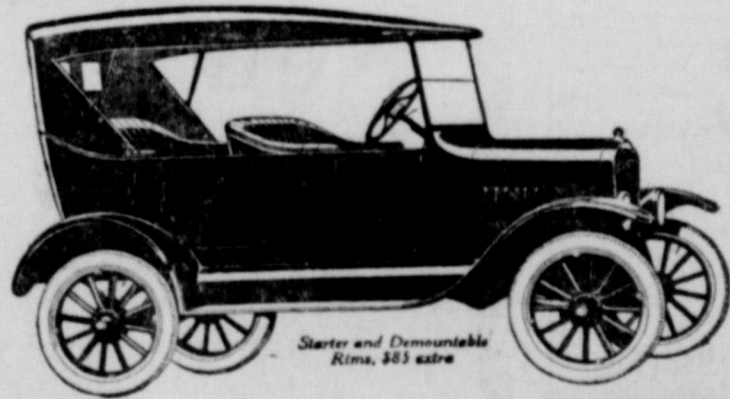


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**INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE
FOOTBALL PLANS FOR 1924**

Austin, March 31.—The football plan for 1924 has been carefully worked out by the University of Texas Interscholastic League, according to Roy B. Henderson, and will more nearly fit the needs of the small as well as the large schools than any similar plan yet proposed for Texas schools. The new plan calls for a division of the schools into two conferences. Last year 282 teams took part in the football contests, and it is expected that approximately 350 schools will participate this year. The number has increased every year since 1920 when interscholastic football was started.

Only schools that have paid the League membership fee and accepted the plan by October 1 shall be allowed to participate, it is stated. A high school with enrollment of 350 or more the preceding year shall compete in Conference A. A high school with enrollment of less than 350 the preceding year shall compete in Conference B unless it wishes to compete in Conference A, in which case the League shall be notified by June 1, 1924. There will be eight sections of the state for Conference A and sixteen sections for Conference B. Sectional championships will be determined by the percentage method. The team in each section having the highest percentage on November 1 for Conference B and November 8 for Conference A shall be declared the district champion. The final series for state championship will be arranged by the League.

**DR. HALL, DENTIST, WILL
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Dr. J. A. Hall, dentist, of Shamrock will fill his regular appointment at McLean next Thursday Friday and Saturday. Office at Hindman Hotel. Advertisements: 1c

YOU NEED A typewriter. The Remington portable has all the advantages of any machine made. The cost is small. See the sample machines at the News office.

Chas. Beck of the Back community was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. McCarty went to Amarillo Saturday, returning Sunday.

Miss Louise Orr went to Clarendon Saturday to attend the track meet.

R. L. Albin of Amarillo spent the week end with home folks.

Lacey Brower of Sayre, Okla. visited home folks here Saturday.

Roy Campbell and Hansel Christian were Shamrock visitors Friday.

L. O. Floyd went to Lefors Wednesday to attend court.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. McCarty left Wednesday for Drumwright, Okla. to make their home.

Groceries are cheaper at Packett's Cash Store. Advertisement: 1c.

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of Gallatin, Tenn., or The News and week.

Mrs. K. E. Willis has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

W. O. Todd of Gracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

J. W. Grogan of Ramsdell was a visitor in our city Saturday.

Mrs. H. C. Rippy was a Clarendon visitor Saturday.

Mrs. E. J. Lander left Friday for Oklahoma City.

Chas. Cousins made a business trip to Shamrock Friday.

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Prescott Mathis of Enterprise was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wofford and children went to Shamrock Friday to attend the funeral of Mr. Wofford's mother.

Mrs. Bethel Christian and son returned to their home at Amarillo Saturday.

M. H. Kinard of Gracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

E. F. Bell of Ahanreed was a visitor in our city Saturday.

J. G. Davidson of Ramsdell was a McLean visitor Friday.

H. C. Etter of Shamrock was a visitor in our city Sunday.

Prof. S. M. Castleberry was a Clarendon visitor Saturday.

Hubert Bentley was in from the Sitter ranch Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Thompson and children were in from the ranch Saturday.

J. F. Watkins was a Clarendon visitor Saturday.

Mesdames W. B. Upham and C. S. Rice were Clarendon visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Powell of Ramsdell were shopping in McLean Saturday.

Bill Bentley was a Shamrock visitor Monday.

Attorney A. A. Ledbetter is attending court at Lefors this week.

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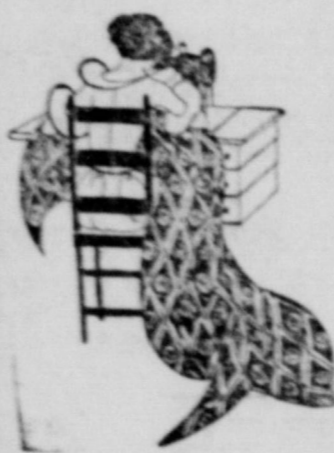
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