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LOCAL PASTOR PRAISES McLEAN

First—Citizenship

We have the biggest hearted citizenship in the world. I do not think you will find a community anywhere in which the people have higher ideals of right and more desirous to do right than McLean. When you compare our morals with any other communities, ours is an earthly paradise. However, there is great room for improvement with us. Our people, in the main, are honest, straightforward, highminded, law-abiding citizens. They believe in, and demand, a square deal. They stand for, and require, the enforcement of law. They are compassionate and forbearing to the wayward; trying in every way to help them when they turn from their evil ways and try to live the right life.

Second—Water and Climate

Our water is abundant and no better anywhere. It has a temperature of about sixty degrees in the summer, that, with its purity, makes it the most delicious drink in the world.

The climate is neither too hot nor too cold. We sleep under cover most all nights in the summer, and you stand the winters better than you do in the central part of the state, because there is not so much dampness. We are free from malaria and many pests of other climates. Of course, we have an occasional sandstorm or blizzard but they are far from being the worst things in the world. You can shut the doors and stay in; and yet not have to be in-doors half so much as you would other places.

Third—Soil and Products

Our soil is fertile and grows most anything. You will have to go a long way before you find better apples and more heavily laden trees than we have. Trees grow large and are very thrifty. Peaches and plums do exceedingly well also. I know of no such country for sweet potatoes. Corns do well, and most all vegetables grow to perfection. Corn, maize, and all large crops grow in abundance. Watermelons—the most delicious ever. Cranberries will grow here equal to California if you had the California vine dressings to tend them. We grow the largest best beef cattle I know of. There is no better country for hogs. It is an ideal poultry country and the best dairymen I met ever saw. Most all our people own their farms and homes, or have an equity in them. We have as sure a crop country as there is in the state. The rain seldom fails to come at the right time.

Yours for a good town and a great country.

J. S. HUCKABEE.

WEST BUYS BARBER SHOP

A deal was made Tuesday where the Troy West became the owner of the Elite Barber Shop, formerly owned by Everett Brothers.

Mr. West is no stranger to McLean people, having been in the barber business here several years ago. He says he knows it pays to advertise. Read his ad on another page of this paper.

Everett Brothers will work for Mr. West for the present. They are considered as to a permanent location, but say they are still well pleased with McLean and the McLean people.

A RECEPTION

A reception was given at the W. D. Bentley home last Friday evening by the Baptist Ladies Aid and the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. in honor of Mrs. R. A. Shell who is soon to leave the city. The B. Y. P. U. presented Mrs. Shell with a beautiful piece of cut glass. A short program, consisting of talks, special music and readings, was given. Refreshments were served to a large number present.

Harvey Newman of Amarillo visited in the L. F. Wilkins home the last of the week.

Frank Bailey of the Heald community was a business visitor at the office Wednesday.

A. Callahan returned to Groom Friday.

Pickard of Slavonia was in town Wednesday.

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WHY FARMERS SHOULD TERRACE THEIR LAND

By R. O. Dunkle.

The general neglect of water control on most of the farms in the hill sections, where the greater part of feed crops are produced, has caused thousands of acres to be abandoned entirely. These lands have become so gullied and worn out from bad treatment and heavy rains that their cultivation is no longer profitable. Owing to the sandy loam nature of the topsoil and the clay subsoil underlying it, after the supply of humus is gone, the surface is carried by the heavy rains into the streams and deposited in the lowlands and river beds out of reach of cultivation. Much of the plant food that may have been applied for growth of the plant is carried off in the same way before it reaches the roots of the plant. This waste will necessitate the use of fertilizer if some method of terracing is not put into practice. Although the poor plowing and unscientific methods of cropping have exhausted the humus so that lands once valuable are now worthless, farms usually can be restored to productivity quickly and successfully by the right methods.

Anyone who desires terracing work may secure the services of the County Agent without cost.

Miss Ruby Cook entertained with a house party Tuesday evening. Those present were Misses Mattie Patterson, Ruth Alexander, Margaret Miller, Beulah Tucker, Julia Lewis and Frankie Mae Upham and Mrs. L. F. Coffey.

W. R. Webster, proprietor of the City Cafe, returned Tuesday from Marlin, where he has been taking medical treatment. Mr. Webster is much improved in health, but says he would not like to live in this country; the towns have a dirty and unsanitary appearance, unlike our Western towns. Mr. Webster says a visit to that section will make anyone proud that they live in McLean.

Our Ramsdell correspondent has not contributed anything for the past two weeks, but promises us that we may expect the Ramsdell notes each week from this on.

W. R. Stokes made a trip to Shamrock Wednesday.

Miss Patterson gave a hat demonstration at the home of Mrs. C. S. Rice Wednesday. There were 15 ladies present, and all brought dinner.

Mrs. Oscar Goodman of Ashtola came in Thursday to visit relatives.

Fred Odell of Hagerman, N. M., came in Thursday on business.

Mrs. Lear M. Jones of Childress came in Thursday to visit relatives.

McLEAN GIRLS LOSE GAME TO SHAMROCK

In the basketball game played on the local court last Friday between the McLean girls and Shamrock girls, Shamrock defeated McLean by a score of 10 to 7.

An interesting game was played, the opposing teams being about evenly matched. Some excellent team work was displayed by both teams. At the close of the first half the score stood 5 to 2 in McLean's favor, but during the last half the Shamrock girls rallied, and by making a substitution, were able to gain 8 points to McLean's 2.

FORD CARS IN DEMAND

M. D. Bentley of the Bentley Motor Co. says he is well pleased with their sales of Ford cars and trucks this month. Up to Jan. 20 they had sold three cars and one truck, a much better record than that of the same period last year.

The truck was sold to the McLean Potato Curing Plant. Other sales were: A Ford roadster to Prof. Billie Melton of the Back school; Ford touring car to J. W. Mars of the Peterson Creek community; and a late model Ford four-door sedan to J. T. Wilson, prominent citizen of Alameda. Mr. Wilson has the honor of owning the first one of the new Ford sedans in this section. These sedans are real cars, having all the conveniences of cars costing a great deal more money, and Mr. Wilson is to be congratulated on his good taste in cars.

The McLean News, The Progressive Farmer and The Southwest Planman all three one full year for only \$2.25. Send your order to The McLean News.

N. S. Ray of Gracey was a visitor in the city Saturday.

C. C. Campbell of the Campbell oil well was in town Friday. Mrs. McKinley and daughter, Lucille, Sam Chambers and Dwight Upham were Shamrock visitors Friday.

Peb Everett went to Amarillo on business Tuesday.

The primary department of the McLean school has bought a talking machine with the proceeds of the Tom Thumb Wedding held recently.

Mrs. S. L. Shell of Waxahachie came in Wednesday for a visit with her son, Earle.

Mrs. G. W. Sullivan left Thursday for Wichita Falls to visit her daughter.

Judge and Mrs. Howard of Childress visited in the E. Howard home Saturday and Sunday.

Bryan Roby was a business visitor in Canadian Monday.

NEW GROCERY STORE OPENS FEBRUARY 1ST

E. D. Snell of Shamrock, who has grocery stores at Sayre, Erick and Shamrock, is putting in a big stock of groceries in McLean. Several truck loads were put in Thursday, and it is expected that the store will be open for business by Feb. 1.

Mr. Snell is a young business man who has made a phenomenal success in the grocery line, and there is no reason why his McLean store should not be of benefit to the town and community. The gentleman impresses one as being a progressive and energetic man, and we may confidently expect this store to identify itself with everything that is for the good of our town and community.

There are rumors of other firms locating here. Two dry goods firms are mentioned, and with the completion of our new waterworks and light system we may expect several lines of business to locate with us.

McLEAN GIRLS CLUB

Following is a report of the work done by the McLean Girls Club in the two weeks since Miss Patterson's last visit with them:

- Towels—11.
- Dolls—4.
- Salad—2.
- Caps—4.
- Aprons—2.
- Holders—1.
- Candy—33 pounds.
- Holders cut—11.
- Underwear cut—10.
- Gowns—1.
- Underwear finished—2.
- Pattern holders—1.
- Bloomers—1.

This report, together with the excellent report of the Christmas work which appeared two weeks ago, shows that the McLean club girls are certainly doing their work. Each girl is now preparing for the county and state exhibitions to be held in the summer, and each shows great interest in the work.

Miss Patterson has filled her place wonderfully in the manner in which she has taught the girls.

REPORTER.

BILL TO REGULATE MARRIAGE

Washington, Jan. 23.—A bill designed to "prevent hasty and foolish marriages and to make divorce more difficult," sponsored by the General Federation of Women's Clubs, was introduced today by Senator Capper, Republican, Kansas, together with a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to legalize Federal marriage and divorce laws.

NINE TIMES AS MUCH FOR LUXURIES AS RELIGION

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Each American spent nearly nine times as much for luxuries in 1922 as the average Methodist Episcopal church member donated for religious purposes, reports emanating from the conference circles of two hundred of the church's leaders declared today.

The annual report of the committee on conservation and advance read yesterday by Dr. R. J. Wade of Chicago, stated that per capita giving by church members during 1922 was \$22.40, while the average American expended about \$201.00 for luxuries.

Leo Hensley was a Shamrock visitor Wednesday.

10th would be entered in the sale.

Many cattlemen in the McLean country have been using good registered Hereford bulls in their herds since the early days of cattle improvement in the Panhandle region, and many of the commercial herds are practically pure bred. The country is rapidly developing along the lines of stock farming, and the ranches do not average as large as the Midland and Marfa sections. The cattlemen, however, who constitute the membership of this new Feeder Calf Association, are no less earnest in their purpose than if their holdings were many times as large. Their ranches for the most part will run in size from one to twenty sections; the country is well watered and the principal grasses are mesquite, gramma and red grass, than which there are none more nutritious or better adapted to the production of cattle of substance, bone and rugged constitution.

MATERIAL HERE FOR WATERMANS

Material for the municipal improvements is arriving on most every train, and it is expected that work will begin in earnest next week. The pipe for the watermains is on the ground and the pumps for the two new wells are being installed with the expectation of being completed and tested by the last of this week. The two big pumps are the very latest word in modern pump construction and each one must deliver a minimum of sixty gallons of water per minute before they will pass the inspection of the engineers.

The street grading crew is doing efficient work with the big caterpillar tractor that is pleasing everyone. When this work is completed McLean will have something to be proud of in the way of streets and crossings.

It is expected that the improvements will be in operation in less than sixty days.

McLEAN QUINNET WINS OVER SHAMROCK, 52 to 13

The McLean boys basketball team defeated Shamrock to the tune of 52 to 13 in a fast game played on the McLean ground last Friday.

It was evident almost from the very first that the game belonged to McLean. During the first half McLean made 31 points to 7 for Shamrock, and in the last half 21 points were won by the locals, while the visitors made 6.

Jack Back starred for McLean, with a total of 11 field goals to his credit. Evey Cobine came next with 7 field goals. Seeds starred for the visitors, making 11 points out of 13. Some excellent team work was displayed by John Haynes and Ted Glass for McLean.

MIAMI MAN SELLS HOGS HERE

Mr. Leverett, who lives 8 miles from Miami, brought a load of 30 hogs to the McLean market Saturday. McLean has a reputation at other towns for paying the top price for farm produce.

J. H. CHAMBERS DIED FRIDAY

J. H. Chambers, one of the pioneer citizens of McLean, died last Friday. Mr. Chambers' parents came from Ireland to Indiana, where he was born Feb. 22, 1846. Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Church of Christ by Eld. Scruggs of Shamrock. Interment in Hillcrest cemetery. The News joins friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved ones.

McLEAN GARAGES PATRIOTIC

The city of McLean has accepted offers of the Bentley Motor Co. and the Cousins Motor Co. to store the fire hose carts at their places. The city has two big hose carts that carry 750 feet of standard fire hose each, and by having one cart at each garage, it will be very convenient in case of fire. Just as soon as we have the water system in operation it is intended to organize a volunteer fire department and drill them in practice runs with the fire equipment. Hooks will be made for the carts so that they may be quickly attached to a car and rushed to a fire. This arrangement will give the city all the advantages of a motor truck without the great expense necessary to buy and run the truck. Besides a car can be started much quicker than a truck that stands for weeks without being used.

BAPTISTS TO START WORK ON NEW CHURCH

Work will be started on the basement of the new Baptist church next Monday morning. Anyone who will help on the work may see the building committee at any time.

DINNER AT ANDERSON'S

On Wednesday of this week Mrs. C. E. Anderson gave a dinner to the following friends: Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Huckabee, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Davis, Mesdames J. M. Noel, T. A. Landers, D. A. Davis, S. W. Rice, D. A. Herron, T. M. Wolfe, Wheeler Foster, W. W. Wilson, and Mr. J. P. Majors.

The Cross-Cut By Courtney Ryley Cooper Illustrations by R. B. Van Nise

SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—At Thornton Fairchild's death his son Robert learns there has been a dark period in his father's life...

CHAPTER II.—Beamish tells Robert his claim, a silver mine, is at Ohadi, thirty-eight miles from Denver.

CHAPTER III.—On the road to Ohadi from Denver Fairchild assists a girl, apparently in a frenzy of haste, to change a tire on her auto.

CHAPTER IV.—At Ohadi Fairchild is warmly greeted by "Mother" Howard, boarding-house keeper, for his father's sake.

CHAPTER V.—From Mother Howard, Fairchild learns something of the mystery connected with the disappearance of "Sis" Larson.

CHAPTER VI.—Visiting his claim, Fairchild is shadowed by a man he recognizes from descriptions as "Squint" Rodaine.

CHAPTER VII.—The pair find the mine flooded and have not sufficient funds to have it pumped dry.

CHAPTER VIII.—Harkins being a general favorite, the entire population turns out to clear the flooded mine.

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the door, chuckled to herself while Fairchild watched the dimples that the merriment caused, and then—Fairchild forgot the fact that he was wearing hobnailed shoes and that his clothes were worn and old.

Some way, as though a haze, he saw her. Some way he realized that now and then his hand touched hers, and that once, as they whirled about the room, in obedience to the monarch on the fiddler's rostrum, his arm was about her waist, and her head touching his shoulder.

"Will—will you dance with me again tonight?" "Selfish!" she chided.

"But will you?" "For just a moment her eyes grew serious. "Did you ever realize that we've never been introduced?"

Fairchild was finding more conversation than he ever had believed possible. "No—but I realize that I don't care—if you'll forgive it. I—believe that I'm a gentleman."

"So do I—or I wouldn't have danced with you." "Then please—" "Pardon me." She had laid a hand on his arm for just a moment, then hurried away.

Fairchild saw that she was approaching young Rodaine, scowling in the background. That person shot an angry remark at her as she approached and followed it with streaming sentences.

Fairchild knew the reason. Jealousy! Couples, returning from the dance floor, jostled against him, but he did not move. He was waiting—waiting for the outcome of the quarrel—and in a moment it came.

Anita Richmond turned swiftly, her dark eyes ablaze, her pretty lips set and firm. She looked anxiously about her, sighted Fairchild, and then started toward him, while he advanced to meet her.

"Yes," was her brief announcement. "I'll dance the next one with you." "And the next after that?" Again: "Selfish!"

But Fairchild did not appear to hear. A third dance and a fourth, while in the intervals Fairchild's eyes sought out the sulky, sullen form of Maurice Rodaine.

Only, however, to halt and whirl and stare in surprise. There had come a shout from the doorway, booming, commanding: "And up, everybody! And quick about it!"

Some one laughed and jabbed his hands into the air. Another, quickly sensing a stinged surprise, followed the example. It was just the finishing touch necessary—the old-time hold-up of the old-time dance. The "bandit" strode forward.

"Out from behind that bar! Drop that gun!" he commanded of the white-aproned attendant. "Out from that roulette wheel. Everybody line up! Quick—and there ain't no time for foolin'!"

Chattering and laughing, they obeyed, the sheriff, his star gleaming, standing out in front of them all, shivering in mock fright, his hands higher than any one's. The bandit, both revolvers leveled, stepped forward a foot or so, and again ordered speed.

A bandanna handkerchief was wrapped about his head, concealing his hair and ears. A mask was over his eyes, supplemented by another bandanna, which, beginning at the bridge of his nose, flowed over his chin, cutting off all possible chance of recognition.

Only a second more he waited, then, with a wave of the guns, shouted his command: "All right, everybody! I'm a decent fellow. Don't want much, but I want it quick! This 'ere's for the relief of widders and orphans. Make it sudden. Each one of you gents step out to the center of the room and leave five dollars. And step back when you've put it there. Ladies stay where you're at!"

Again a laugh. Fairchild turned to his companion, as she nudged him. "There, it's your turn." "Out to the center of the floor went Fairchild, the rest of the victims laughing and chiding him.

Back he came in mock fear, his hands in the air. On down the line went the contributing men. Then the bandit rushed forward, gathered up the bills and gold pieces, shoved them in his pockets, and whirled toward the door.

"The purpose of this 'ere will be in the paper tomorrow," he announced. "And don't you follow me to find out! Back, there!"

Two or three laughing men had started forward, among them a fiddler, who had joined the line, and who now rushed out in flaunting bravery, brandishing his violin as though to brain the intruder. Again the command: "Back, there—get back!"

Then the crowd recoiled. Flashes had come from the masked man's guns, the popping of electric light globes above and the showering of glass testifying to the fact that they had contained something more than mere wadding. Somewhat dazed, the fiddler continued his rush, suddenly to crumple and fall, while men milled and women screamed.

A door slammed, the lock clicked, and the crowd rushed for the windows. The holdup had been real after all—instead of a planned, joking affair. On the floor the fiddler lay gasping—and bleeding. And the bandit was gone.

All in a moment the dance hall seemed to have gone mad. Men were rushing about and shouting; panic-stricken women clawed at one another and fought their way toward a freedom they could not gain. Windows crashed as forms hurtled against them; screams sounded. Huddled, as the crowd massed thicker, Fairchild raised the small form of Anita in his arms and carried her to a chair, far at one side.

"It's all right now," he said, calving her. "Everything's over—look, they're helping the fiddler to his feet. Maybe he's not badly hurt. Everything's all right."

And then he straightened. A man had unlocked the door from the outside and had rushed into the dance hall, excited, shouting. It was Maurice Rodaine.

"I know who it was," he almost screamed. "I got a good look at him—jumped out of the window and almost headed him off. He took off his mask outside—and I saw him."

"You saw him—?" A hundred voices shouted the question at once. "Yes." Then Maurice Rodaine nodded straight toward Robert Fairchild. "The light was good, and I got a straight



"He Was That Fellow's Partner."

look at him. He was that fellow's partner—a Cornishman they call Harry!"

"I don't believe it!" Anita Richmond exclaimed with conviction and clutched at Fairchild's arm. "I don't believe it!"

"I can't!" Robert answered. Then he turned to the accuser. "How could it be possible for Harry to be down here robbing a dance hall when he's out working the mine?"

"Working the mine?" This time it was the sheriff. "What's the necessity for a day and night shift?"

"We agreed upon it yesterday afternoon." "At whose suggestion?" "I'm not sure—but I think it was mine."

"Young fellow," the sheriff had approached him now, "you'd better be certain about that. It looks to me that might be a pretty good excuse to give when a man can't produce an alibi. Anyway, the identification seems pretty complete. Then he turned to the crowd. "I want a couple of good men to go along with me as deputies."

"I have a right to go," Fairchild had stepped forward. "Certainly. But not as a deputy. Who wants to volunteer?"

Half a dozen men came forward, and from them the sheriff chose two. Fairchild turned to say good-by to Anita. In vain. Already Maurice Rodaine had escorted her, apparently against her will, to a far end of the dance hall, and there was quarreling with her. Fairchild hurried to join the sheriff and his two deputies, just starting out of the dance hall. Five minutes later they were in a motor car, chugging up Kentucky gulch.

Slowly, the motor car fighting against the grade, the trip was accomplished. Then the four men leaped from the machine at the last rise before the tunnel was reached and three of them went forward afoot toward where a slight gleam of light came from the mouth of the Blue Poppy.

The sheriff took the lead, at last to stop behind a boulder and to shout a command: "Hey you, in there." "By yourself!" It was Harry's voice.

"Come out—and be quick about it. Hold your light in front of your face with both hands." "The 'ell I will! And 'oo's talking?" "Sheriff Adams of Clear Creek county. You've got one minute to come out—or I'll shoot."

"I'm coming on the run!" And almost instantly the form of Harry, his acetylene lamp lighting up his bulbous, surprised countenance with its spraylike masta-che, appeared at the mouth of the tunnel.

"What the bloody 'ell!" he gasped, as he looked into the muzzle of the revolver. From down the mountain side came the shout of one of the deputies: "Sheriff! Looks like it's him, all right. I've found a horse down here—all sweated up from running."

"That's about the answer." Sheriff Adams went forward and with a motion of his revolver sent Harry's

hands into the air. "Let's see what you've got on you." A light gleamed below as an electric flash in the hands of one of the deputies began an investigation of the surroundings. The sheriff, finishing his search of Harry's pockets, stepped back.

"Well," he demanded, "what did you do with the proceeds?" "The proceeds?" Harry stared blankly. "Of what?" "Quit your kidding, now. They've found your horse down there."

"Wouldn't it be a good idea—" Fairchild had cut in acridly—"to save your accusations on this thing until you're a little surer of it? Harry hasn't any horse. If he's rented one, you ought to be able to find that out pretty shortly."

As if in answer, the sheriff turned and shouted a question down the mountain side. And back came the answer: "It's Doc Mason's. Must have been stolen. Doc was at the dance."

"I guess that settles it." The officer reached for his hip pocket. "Stick out your hands, Harry, while I put the cuffs on them."

"But 'ow in bloody 'ell 'ave I been doing anything when I've been up 'ere working on the chiv wheel? 'Ow—?" "They say you held up the dance tonight and robbed us," Fairchild cut in. Harry's face lost its surprised look to give way to a glance of keen questioning.

"And do you say it?" "I most certainly do not. The identification was given by that honorable person known as Mr. Maurice Rodaine."

"Oh! One thief identifying another—?" "Sheriff!" Again the voice from below. "Yeh!"

"We've found a cache down here. Must have been made in a hurry—two new revolvers, bullets, a mask, a couple of new handkerchiefs and the money."

Harry eyes grew wide. Then he stuck out his hands. (Continued Next Week.)

SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS.

County of Gray.

By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable Justice Court of Precinct No. 2, Gray County on the 2nd day of January, 1923, by S. M. Pipkin, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, of said County, against the Harvey Company, Limited, a partnership composed of James I. Harvey and L. C. Morgan and L. C. Morgan for the sum of One Hundred Forty One and 50-100 (\$141.50) Dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 537 in said Court, styled Siler Faulkner versus the Harvey Company, Limited, et al. and placed in my hands for service, I, E. S. Graves, as Sheriff of Gray County, Texas, did on the 4th day of January 1923, by virtue of certain Real Estate, situated in Gray County, described as follows, to-wit: A certain oil and gas lease covering the South half of the Northeast quarter of Section No. 175 in Block No. 3 of the lands originally granted to the L. & C. N. Ry. Co. and containing 40 acres of land, and levied upon as the property of said The Harvey Company, Limited, a partnership composed of James I. Harvey and L. C. Morgan and L. C. Morgan and on Tuesday, the 6th day of February 1923 at the Court House of Gray County, in the town of Lefors, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and 4 p. m. I will sell said property at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder as the property of said The Harvey Company, Limited, a partnership composed of James I. Harvey and L. C. Morgan and L. C. Morgan, by virtue of said levy and said order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication in the English language, one week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in The McLean News, a newspaper published in Gray County.

WITNESS my hand, this 4th day of January, 1923.

E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff Gray County, Texas.

ELECTION NOTICE

Whereas, a petition having been presented to the Commissioners Court by the required number of freeholders of Justice Precinct No. 5

Therefore, it is hereby ordered that an election be held at McLean, Texas, on the 24th day of February 1923, to decide whether or not horses, mules, cattle, jacks, jennets, sheep, goats and hogs shall be permitted to run at large within the bounds of said precinct.

Bounded as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of Gray County, thence north along the county line to the bank of the north fork of Red River, thence following the meandering of said stream to the east line of Section No. 7, Block No. 26 on said river;

thence south along section line to the north line of Section No. 186, Block E, thence along east line of Section 186 to the north line of Section 66 to northeast corner of Section 60; thence south to line of Donley and Gray County east to place of beginning.

Said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 5, Title 124, of the revised statutes of 1911, and shall be conducted in accordance with the laws regulating general elections in so far as the same are applicable thereto; only qualified voters who are free holders shall be permitted to vote at said election, and voters desiring to have horses, mules, cattle, jacks, jennets, sheep, goats and hogs to run at large shall place on their ballot "Against the Stock Law."

Said election shall be held at McLean in said Precinct No. 5, and A. A. Callahan is hereby appointed manager of said election, and he shall appoint his own clerks.

A copy of this order signed by the County Judge of said county shall serve as proper notice of said election, which notice shall be given by publication of this order in the following paper: The McLean News, at least thirty days prior to the date of said election.

JNO. B. AYRES, County Judge, Gray County, Texas.

CITATION FOR PRORATE No. 124. THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray County—GREETING: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Gray and State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

CITATION ON APPLICATION FOR PRORATE OF WILL THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the estate of L. B. Offield, deceased.

S. C. Case has filed in the County Court of Gray County, an application for the probate of the last will and testament of said L. B. Offield, deceased, filed with said application, and for letters testamentary of the estate of L. B. Offield, deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing on the 3rd Monday in February 1923 the same being the 19th day of February, 1923, at the Court House thereof, in Lefors, Texas, at which

time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

HEREIN fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of said Court at my office in Lefors, Texas, this 8th day of January, 1923. R. B. THOMPSON, (Seal) County Clerk of Gray County, Texas.

L. C. Morgan of Alanreed was a McLean visitor last Thursday.

G. J. Abbott and son, Ernest, left Friday for Lelia Lake to visit relatives.

Alva Alexander left Friday for Electra on business.

Roy Campbell left Friday for Dalhart on business.

Mrs. Winnie Massay of Amarillo came in last Thursday to visit in the D. N. Massay home.

Dowdy Tucker of Alanreed was in McLean on business Thursday of last week.

T. N. Holloway was a Clarender visitor Friday.

Mrs. J. H. Crabtree and daughter, Pauine, left Friday for a few days visit at Dalhart.

Singer Sewing Machine. I take orders and deliver the Singer Sewing Machine. Buy once, you buy for a lifetime. C. M. JONES Agent, McLean, Texas 3-tfc

MANY GOOD THINGS TO EAT upon which this community is feasting every day—bread, cakes, pies, doughnuts and other good things with the tasty flavor of the home kitchen. They look as good as they taste. Try our quick lunches for good food and service you will like. McLean Bakery TELEPHONE 7

Have You Tried Our Charming Toilet Preparations? Have you ever experienced the charm and satisfaction of using Penslar face cream? Do you know the dainty perfume of Garden Court toilet waters, or the refreshing fragrance of Day Dream exquisite face powder? Numbers of women in this community depend upon us entirely to supply their toilet needs. Notice them as they go in and out of our store. They represent the community's daintiest femininity—the best dressers and the best appearing women in town. Join this galaxy by coming here for our exclusive toilet supplies—the place where you get the best at no additional expense. The City Pharmacy TRY THE BEST STORE FIRST

News From Heald

Amie Ladd spent Sunday in the Parker home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Henshaw, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spinks spent Sunday in the Cloer home at Ramsdell.

Miss Mildred Rogers visited in the Brock home Sunday.

Alvin Brock and Roy Short returned from Chillicothe this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Short are moving into our community. We extend them a cordial welcome.

The League program was excellent Sunday. It was put on entirely by the men of our League.

REPORTER.

Earle Shell made a business trip to Clarendon Wednesday.

L. O. Floyd has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

W. L. Haynes and Roy Campbell were business visitors in Lefors Tuesday.

Mrs. John B. Vannoy of Ramsdell came in Monday to be with her husband, who is ill.

NOTICE

The City Market will be open Sundays until 9 o'clock a. m., but

will not deliver anything on Sunday. Don't ask us to deliver on Sunday, but call before 9 o'clock. Ic.

FOR SALE.—10 head 4-year-old mules, broken to work. Bundled kafir. R. N. Ashby. tfe.

BATTLESHIP BRONZE turkey toms for sale, \$10.00 each. Charlie Back, Phone 66 1 1/2. 1-4p.

FOR SALE.—Registered spotted Poland China pigs. James Noel, Phone 66 1 1/2. 3-4p.

Ladies Wear

My stock of ladies' wear is carefully selected for the discriminating buyer. I have just received a new shipment of ladies's underwear and slippers that you will like. A big line of piece goods in transit. Come in and look over my line. You are welcome whether you are ready to buy or not.

MRS. W. T. WILSON

"THE LITTLE STORE" NEXT DOOR TO P. O.

POULTRY CAR

Bring your poultry to Clement Produce next Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 30th and 31st, and get top prices.

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The Old Reliable Produce House

Poultry Wanted

We want your poultry, hides and furs at all times and will pay the highest price the market will stand.

Don't fail to see us before you sell produce of any kind. Call us for prices.

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We are still selling good coals at prices that will save you money. If you have been "stung" on coal that won't burn you may be like others—have to be shown—take a load of our coal and try it. Then you will be ready to fill up your bin from our stock.

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Buy Standard Merchandise

You will find at this store the best advertised brands of merchandise, full pack and full weight.

You will also find that the flour we handle is superior to unknown brands and we handle only the best flour from Texas and Kansas, while we don't try to tell the trade that other states do not make good flour. There is flour on the market that costs considerable less and recommended to be as good, but all we ask is a comparison.

Good merchandise costs more money than cheap merchandise, and quality considered, we will meet any kind of competition.

Haynes Grocery Company

We Make the Price—Others try to Follow

Cleaning Up Time



Spring time is coming when our shelves, tables and racks will be literally groaning under New Spring Merchandise. In order to clean up and be ready we have grouped them for Clean Up Prices. Note carefully all items listed below.

**Special for One Week Only
Beginning SATURDAY JAN. 27**

OUTINGS

All 20c outings at 12 1-2c All 25c outings at 15c
1 lot pure woolnap blankets, large sizes, \$6.50 grade going at \$4.50.

MEN'S WOOL SHIRTS

\$3.50 shirts now \$2.69 \$2.50 shirts now \$1.89

WORK PANTS

1 lot heavy moleskin pants, were \$4.00, now \$3.25
1 lot heavy corduroy pants, were \$6.00, now \$3.50

SLIPPER AND OXFORD BARGAINS

1 lot conservative styles in ladies' brown and black slippers and oxfords military and low heels. \$5.00 values specially priced, for one week only, \$2.75

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Dependable Merchandise

One Price to All

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Four issues make an advertising month. When five issues occur in the calendar month, charge will be made for the extra edition.

Now that our waterworks is only a matter of a few weeks, it is time that our citizens should be thinking of planting shade trees and shrubbery. There is nothing that adds to the value of a home at so little expense as trees and plants. Every man owes to himself and his neighbors the best appearing home it is possible for him to make. Let's make our homes and our town a desirable place to live by beautifying our home grounds.

Every citizen of Texas who did not have simian ancestors should protest the teaching of Darwinism in the public schools. If you will read the appeal from Representative Stroder in this issue and follow his suggestion, we will soon have a law that will forbid "Monkey Professors" from spreading their little opinions. If we do not keep on the alert in such matters, there is always some little person who will try to break into fame by spreading a new doctrine. Darwinism has no place in the public schools.

Hillcrest cemetery is beautifully located, but sadly in need of a caretaker. The city of McLean has several hundred dollars from the sale of cemetery lots that might be put to a good use in employing a man for part time in looking after the cemetery and to dig graves without the almost unavoidable delay that usually occurs when a grave is needed. With water available from the city waterworks, it would take very little effort to make the City of the Deas a place of beauty instead of the neglected place it is today. Many citizens have expressed themselves as favoring a sexton to dig graves, instead of getting up a bunch of men in a haphazard way each time a grave is necessary.

Our city tax rate is lower than any other town with improvements like ours will be and with economical management of the city affairs, there will be no reason for raising the tax rate for several years; maybe not at all. We know that the rate is adequate for this year, for in addition to the approval of the State Attorney General, we have opinions from four firms of lawyers, including the very best bond attorneys in the United States. There have been valid reasons for objecting to paying city taxes in the past, but there should be none at this time, for we will receive benefits for our money this year, and for years to come.

There are only a few more days left in which to pay your poll tax. Many people will neglect to pay their poll tax because this is not a campaign year, but there will be a city election and school trustees must be chosen for our school. Both elections are more vital to our welfare than a State or National election. We must elect men on the City Council who will see that the civic improvement plans are carried to a successful conclusion, or everything that has been done will be lost. All agree that we must make a success of our improvements if our property is to be worth anything. Then we are all interested in a good school, and a good school depends to a great extent on the trustees. Be sure to pay your poll tax and be ready to express your choice for these offices.

Eliminating demonstration agents in Texas would be a step backward. Texas needs more demonstration agents to instruct the farmer what to raise and how to raise it. Texas needs more farmers and better farmers, and counties that employ demonstration agents show results. Agents are teachers, and in a sense, missionaries. Their worth cannot be measured in dollars and cents. What organization is seeking to destroy the agricultural demonstration agents?—Ft. Worth Record.

All farmers should do business in a businesslike way. Have envelopes and letterheads printed, buy a notebook, a letter file, carbon paper, a desk and also a typewriter. Printed

letter heads and envelopes and a typewritten letter give people a good impression of farmers as successful business men. Two or three copies of all business letters, leases, contracts, etc., are easily made at one time on a typewriter, and copies may be kept by all interested parties.—Progressive Farmer.

There is nothing that will so completely take the spirit out of a man as to find fault with him when he is doing his best.—Plainview News.

The Beacon has commented on the spirit of criticism quite often in the past, and can truthfully add our endorsement to what Jess Adams says in reference to the blighting influence criticism will have on one's efforts—upon one's happiness and ambitions in this life. It is like deadly poison administered to the body. Criticism poisons one's mind, destroys aspiration and inspiration. We reach our heights, not through criticism, but commendation, not by uttering words of discouragement, but encouragement.—Lockney Beacon.

Under the present law half the auto license money goes into the state highway fund and the other half goes to the county in which it was paid. The state highway commission now urges that the law be changed so that all the money will go to the state and none of it kept by the county. This is "ad-line insult to injury" for we believe it would be better if it all stayed in the county where paid. The state and federal governments should not appropriate a dollar or have anything to do with the building or maintenance of roads—that should be done by the counties and precincts.—Plainview News.

THERE ARE MEN LIKE THIS

One of our citizens recently took issue with us regarding our endeavor to get our citizens to pull together on community betterment. This citizen goes about with a frown on his face and every new idea is nosh-hooshed and called a lot of bunk. He never forgets another's little failings. He never moves out of the comfortable limits of his home town. Now, he doesn't believe in co-operation. All right, old friend, if you don't think co-operation necessary just watch and see what happens to a wagon if one wheel comes off. And for heaven's sake look a little pleasant, if you have to force it. Remember life is always taking your photograph. Don't get the idea that this particular townskin is the steering gear of the universe. Watch the bees, and you'll find that the one that gets the honey doesn't hang around the hive.—Panhandle Herald.

THE BOOTLEGGER

Nearly everybody has it in for the bootlegger. He is regarded as a criminal too far beneath contempt to slander. Yet in spite of all that can be said of him, he has his patrons and customers. They sustain him, maintain him, succor him, protect him, defend him, and become particeps criminis with him by refusing to betray him. They stand by him even to nefarious. He gets them into trouble with the state, he sells them. They get sick for him, they pay fines for him, they lose jobs for him, they die for him. No king ever had subjects with the aggregate of loyalty displayed by those who come under the spell of the bootlegger, the blind stigger. Except for them he couldn't exist a week. Except for them he would have to work for a living. Except for them the government would save millions a year it now spends trying to catch him. Who, then is the worst sinner against the law, the government and society—the bootlegger or he who buys from him?—Corvallis (Ore.) Gazette-Times.

CITY TAXES

We trust our readers will pardon us for again mentioning the subject of city taxes in this column, but only a few days since we heard a resident setting up an awful "roar" about the city taxes being so high in fact, to quote his words, "just as high as in a town of forty thousand people." This remark was probably made without giving the matter any serious thought, as almost anyone knows that there is not a town of that size in the country which does not have water works, sewerage, paving, street car service, and a dozen other conveniences which all cost money, and that money, or the greatest part of it, is derived from city taxes with which to pay interest and sinking fund on the enormous amount of bonds necessary. Pampa's tax rate has been 50c per \$100 valuation until this year, when we are called upon to pay interest and sinking fund on \$80,000 worth of water works and sewer bonds, which

is 80c per \$100 valuation, making a total of \$1.30 per \$100. Wichita Falls is a town of barely 40,000, and the tax rate there is \$4.80 per \$100 valuation. Dallas is an old and very wealthy city, which has always been conservative with tax levies, but their rate is \$2.78 per \$100 valuation. We don't know positively what Amarillo's city tax rate is, but if it is not double Pampa's new rate, we will eat our last year's straw hat for the entertainment and amusement of the kickers. We have at one time or another lived in at least three towns from forty to sixty thousand population, and in none of these has the tax rate been under \$3 per \$100 valuation. Towns which do not have anything should not collect much taxes. Towns which have conveniences are forced to collect a tax rate commensurate with the cost of the improvements or conveniences. It would seem that some men will find fault with a town year in and year out because it does not have modern conveniences, then when a necessity like water works causes an increase in tax levies, he bellyaches from head to the morning meal because the city officials have raised the taxes. Such ideas don't build towns, or anything else.—Pampa News.

W. L. Farnes, J. M. Carpenter, A. A. Ledbetter and Lee Roberts were business visitors in Clarendon Monday.

Bob Turner returned Sunday from Dallas.

S. R. Deatherage was a business visitor in Shamrock Monday.

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Why pay a high rate of interest for money when I can loan you all you need at only 8 per cent? Come in and let me explain. List your real estate with me.
W. C. Foster
Real Estate Loans

McLEAN CLUB BOYS

R. O. Dunkle gave a stock judging demonstration Wednesday at the Tom McCarty place in the north part of town. The demonstration was given for the benefit of the class of small boys. Mr. Dunkle has a large class of these boys, and most of them seem to be greatly interested in the work.

In this demonstration, the beef type of calves were used. The County Agent first gave the boys instructions on how to judge a beef calf, then the boys were called upon to judge the Hereford calves which he had there for that purpose.

D. M. Graham was present and told the boys what the Co-operative Feeder Calf Association was going to do for them in the way of furnishing markets for their calves and helping the boys who want calves to get the very best, etc.

Mrs. D. W. Johnson left Thursday of last week for Clarendon in response to a message that her niece was ill.

For Sale

Several good milk cows for sale reasonable. I am overstocked and wish to sell 10 or 12 head from my herd of milk cows.

A. C. Waldron
Phone 40, 5. 4-2c

Notice to the Public

I have bought the Elite Barber Shop from Everett Brothers, and took charge the first of the week. The policy of the shop will not be changed; the best barbers and the best service will be our motto. We will appreciate your trade.

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by the most modern methods, and if you need glasses, we grind the required lenses in our own shop and deliver them to you the same day.

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H. H. Craig of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

Jesse J. Cobb of Northfork was shopping in the city Saturday.

Sam Hodges, manager of the Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co., has returned from a buying trip to

Clinton, Geary and Oklahoma Counties
Magnolia Petroleum Co.
C. J. CASH, Agent
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Tankage
I have a good supply of tankage for your hogs.
Sweet Clover
Plant sweet clover early this spring. I have good sweet clover seed in stock.
Let me supply your needs in feed, flour and meal.
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Buy your groceries from us where you are assured of fresh goods at reasonable prices.
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Pay Cash and Pay Less Phone 19

Money Is Scarce
We cannot insist on your buying anything you can do without, but we are prepared to furnish you anything in the building line and will do our best to please. Call and see us. Buy what you need and no more.
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PHONE 3

Do You Clay Your Face?
America's Loveliest Women Do
The whole secret of beauty is in the clay itself. Get the genuine English Complexion Clay and your complexion troubles are over. One application will convince you. You can't look your best without this modern aid to beauty. We can sell you two months supply of the genuine English Complexion Clay that will give you a new skin in forty minutes, for \$1.00.

Erwin Drug Company
The Rexall Store

News From Alanreed

The Methodist ladies met with the pastor at the church Monday and reorganized the missionary society. The following officers were elected: Mrs. J. T. Wilson, president; Mrs. T. Wilkins, vice president; Mrs. Oscar Smith, secretary-treasurer. Mr. and Mrs. Will Kennedy left Sunday for their new home at Mineral Wells. They were accompanied by Mrs. Kennedy's mother, Mrs. Hommel, who will visit her children in Dallas before returning home. Mrs. L. K. Rector, Mrs. H. T. Wilkins and Miss Gladys Johnson were McLean visitors Friday. The youngsters were entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Wood Friday night. Miss Lois Jones of Wilson, Okla., visited friends in Alanreed last week. Little Mildred Blakney, who has been quite ill, is improving nicely. Miss Sadie Houston, who was called to the bedside of her grandfather, has not returned home yet. We hope to hear of her coming real soon. E. T. Greenwood is on the sick list this week. We hope for his speedy recovery. Mrs. Mary Williamson spent the week end with home folks at McLean. Harvey Newman of Amarillo visited in the H. T. Wilkins home last week. J. T. Wilson is the owner of a new Ford sedan. Mr. Wilson visits the oil well every day now. Frank Hommel and Jas. E. Elms made a business trip to McLean Saturday. Paul Hardwick, who has been employed at the Guaranty State Bank, left Saturday for his home in Ardmore, Okla. We regret very much the absence of this young man, and hope to see him coming our

way again, soon. Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Rector, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Prock attended the wrestling match at McLean Monday night.

The McLean News and The Progressive Farmer one year for \$2.00 at the News office.

News From Back

News is scarce, Mr. Editor. On account of weather conditions, I think folks are afraid to visit their neighbor; afraid they would have to face one home. (?) A good rain would relieve the situation, and the roads would be better to travel over.

Last week Miss Mattie Patterson visited the club ladies and girls of our community, and from all reports, interest in this great work is growing, and plans are already afoot for a great year's work.

County Agent R. O. Dunkle visited the club boys last week and gave them some lessons in stock judging. Mr. Dunkle, as you know, is the best livestock judge in this district among the county agents, and the lessons he is giving the boys along this line, as well as many others, will make better farmers and stockmen out of our boys. "Let the good work go on."

Mesdames Louis Morse, Jesse Cobb and Chas. Back spent Tuesday of last week with Mrs. R. H. Corum.

The patrons of our school met at the school house last Thursday night for the purpose of raising money to continue our school two months longer. The amount lacking was readily subscribed.

Misses Lelia and Beatrice Back entertained their friends last Friday night with a party. Many very interesting and amusing games were enjoyed by all present.

Ode Holloway of east of McLean visited in the Chas. Back home Saturday night and Sunday.

J. E. Norman had business in McLean Saturday.

Mrs. Geo. Colbank visited Mrs. C. E. Hunt at McLean one day last week. OBSERVER.

The McLean News The Progressive Farmer and The Southwest Plainsman all three one full year for only \$2.25. Send your order to The McLean News.

George Bourland has our thanks for subscription favors this week.

DON'T

let your eyes undermine your health. Come have them tested.

John B. Vannoy
Optometrist and Jeweler

PEDDLERS AND PARASITES

Spring will soon be here and with the first symptoms of warm weather come those proverbial joys and wonders of nature, as flowers, foliage, little birds and smaller insects. All serve a purpose; most are beautiful and a few are pests and parasites. With spring and warm weather comes a new outlook and a growing strength in the business world. All combined make life as we read of it and spring what we think of spring. But with this new life in trade comes its parasites; men and women, human suckers on legitimate business. All have lines which appear as good to some of our senses as do those pretty weeds to others.

Book agents prey on our love of learning with literature, which, taken in small quantities of fifteen minutes each day, educates us and forces us to obtain impossible heights in the social world. If we do not read the books, they serve as ornaments, and no home with growing children is complete without these sets of dust catchers to form part of that edifying environment recommended for the rearing of our healthy offspring. That deserving youth solicits us to subscribe to certain magazines that he may earn the means of a college education. We accede in the required manner and are duly listed, before our eyes, as subscribers, and we plan pleasant evening perusing periodicals which we never receive. We have subscribed in a monetary way to the sustenance of a crafter with a well planned and practical story of an ambitious student.

In the same category comes the girl who always arrives just before meal time with the plea that the tired housewife devote more energy to her physical appearance. Proper care of the complexion, with this concoction, takes only one application and one minute each day and she can meet her husband with a smile and as free from blemishes as raw alcohol and white lead can

make it. It is a compound which will preserve iron pipes from rust and it surely should improve one's skin.

We follow suggestion and have our dear one's photograph enlarged. Father takes on abnormal proportions, but is hemmed in successfully by the broad gold gilt frame. Mother acquires a spiritual air as the "fade out" she did in the reproduction, but size atones for any qualities lost in the change, or perhaps it is only an illusion we attribute to our new "specs." The man going from house to house selling these glasses guaranteed that things would never look the same. When wearing them we may feel dizzy, but we remember that a child who was supposed to be nearly an imbecile at school, on being fitted

with these magnifiers broke all scholastic records. We know that the local optician will replace them if they prove unsatisfactory, although he does not know it, and never heard of our benefactor who was working in conjunction with him. Some people maintain that everything on earth has its usefulness, even though our government spends millions each year trying to eradicate the weeds and insects preying on our crops. The same people will buy soap which has no scent but a smell, from fakirs who sell their talk and no standard wares. Legitimate business suffers and can be

succored by no appropriation from a legislature but only by a common sense realization on the part of our people.—Quanah Tribune-Chief.

Mrs. W. S. Copeland left last Thursday for Amarillo in response to a message that her daughter, Mrs. Kelley Patterson, was ill.

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Calls answered day or night.
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always acts as a warning that there is a fire somewhere, but it comes too late for the man without insurance. Don't wait until you smell the smoke. **Insure now!**

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This is the place to come for your hardware trim. We have the best on the market for your selection, and can offer it in a variety of several finishes.

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All our trim is guaranteed. Estimates gladly furnished.

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Every merchant desires to prosper, yet some statisticians declare that 90 per cent of those who engage in the mercantile business fail.

If true, it shows that the merchant's task is not such an easy one, after all, and the one out of ten who succeeds has reason to congratulate himself. He has really won against big odds. Many of the leading merchants of this community do their banking with us, because we try in every way to aid them. We extend them every courtesy and accommodation consistent with conservative banking. We invite your account.

The American National Bank

TOWN PESTS



The He-Flapper is Paw's Pet Pest, though the Girls think he is Just Darling. When Paw looks at this Cookie Duster, he wishes he'd remained an Ole Bachelor, but Maw remembers when Paw was known as a Dude and Just Smiles. The Cartoonist keeps his Rolls-Royce in three, selling jokes about the Puddle Jumper.

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Let us supply your grocery needs; our stock is complete.

The City Market

Bogan and Henry, Props. Phone 165

Service

Service is our name, and you will be made to know that we mean what we say if you come to us next time you need anything in our line. If you need LUB or Gas in your car drive around and we will fix you up in short order. If you need air or water we can supply that on the shortest notice.

MICHELIN Casings and Inner Tubes

You will not find any better on the market. We will appreciate your business. Let us have you for one of our customers.

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To the Public

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We sell and recommend U. S. L. Batteries, Michelin Cord, Goodyear and Firestone Tires, which we believe represent, in their class, the best value for the money.

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which we believe gives better lubrication, with less carbon, and is more economically consumed than any oil on the market today.

We invite you to call at our garage and let us drain your crank case and refill with this excellent oil.

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F. J. HOMMEL, Manager ALANREED, TEXAS
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ALANREED HOME ECONOMIC CLUB

The Home Economical Club met with Miss Patterson at the home of Mrs. S. R. Loftin last Tuesday. A demonstration was given on bound buttonholes and tailored pockets, which was very beneficial to all. There were twenty-five present. Everyone seems to be interested in the club work, and want to make our club one among the best in Gray county. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. T. Blakney on Tuesday, Feb. 13th.

REPORTER.

W. L. Haynes of the Haynes Grocery Company bought a Dodge business man's sedan from the McLean Auto Co. last week. Mr. Haynes has owned several makes of cars and picked the Dodge sedan as the one best suited to his needs.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

Leader—Eunice Floyd.
Introduction—Leader.
Topic 1—Mrs. Kunkel.
Topic 2—Leaman Andrews.
Topic 3:
Part 1—Gladys Holloway.
Part 2—Leland Wilkins.
Part 3—Mr. Appling.
Parts 4 and 5—Arlie Grigsby.
Topic 4—Lee Wilson.
Topic 5—Ila Abbott.

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Ben Moore of Amarillo has renewed his subscription to The News and ordered the paper sent to Herbert Seay, Hatfield, Ark. Mr. Moore says the Arkansas folks need

something to entertain them, and he knows of no better entertainment than The News.

J. L. Collier has renewed his subscription to The News.

The editor and his wife are indebted to M. D. Bentley, manager of the Bentley Motor Co., for a trip in one of the new four-door model Ford sedans. Mr. Bentley is justly proud of this new model car, as it has the conveniences and appearance of a much higher priced car.

R. S. Jordan returned Sunday from Dallas.

S. R. Loftin of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Rector of Alanreed were McLean visitors Monday.

Miss Eunice Floyd, Mesdames J. W. Kibler, J. T. Foster and L. W. Wilson were Amarillo visitors last Thursday.

Bill Webb of Mobeetie was in town Saturday.

G. O. Phillips spent Sunday with friends at Claude.

H. Longan of Ramsdell was in McLean on business Saturday.

Mrs. Minnie Fulbright of Alanreed spent the week end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Prock of Alanreed attended the show here Monday night.

Miss Mattie Patterson of Pampa was in McLean on business Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Emmett Thompson went to Clarendon on business Monday.

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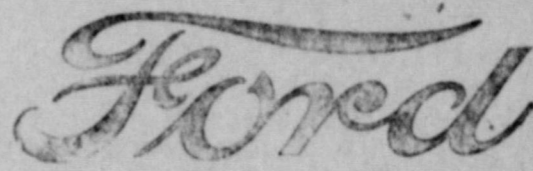
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Our line is in dandy good shape. A new lot of shoes, pants, shirts—come look them thru.

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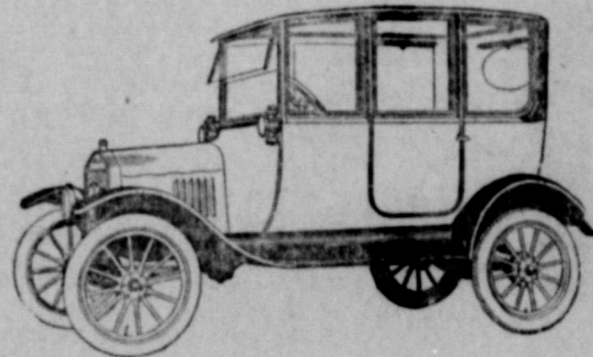
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