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McLEAN MAY BE LOCATION FOR A. & M. COLLEGE

West Texas is to have an Agricultural & Mechanical College, McLean is the logical location. Our claims for the college will be presented to the proper authorities and everything possible done to have the college located here. Already the word of McLean's being in the race has reached other towns in the Panhandle and we are assured of the support of many of them.

The location of such a school at McLean would mean much to us, and we can offer every advantage to have our town considered the proper place for the college. This matter will be handled by the McLean Community Chamber of Commerce, and any suggestions from our citizens as to co-operation in the matter will be appreciated.

HIGHEST AVERAGES IN THE McLEAN SCHOOL

The following pupils made the highest averages in their respective grades for the first term of school:

- 1st grade—Caele Hunt.
- 2nd grade—Fern Landers.
- 3rd grade—Sibel Graham.
- 4th grade—Bernie Morgan.
- 5th grade—Dorothy Cousins.
- 6th grade—Frances Noel.
- 7th grade—Leslie Huff.
- 8th grade—LeRoy Landers.
- 9th grade—Thelma Gatlin.
- 10th grade—Jason Morgan.
- 11th grade—Carl Ashby.

ALANREED SCHOOL NOTES

The following made the highest average for January:

- Low first grade—Bernese Blakney.
- High first grade—Woodrow Barker.
- Low second grade—Anna Lou Demell.
- High second grade—J. C. Oakley.
- Third grade—Claude C. Slavin Jr.
- Fourth grade—Houston Hall.
- Fifth grade—Lois Harris.
- Sixth grade—Ione Ball.
- Seventh grade—Mary Snyder.
- Eighth grade—Jewell Darnell.
- Ninth grade—Ernest Jones.
- Tenth grade—Fannie Stockton.

A BIRTHDAY DINNER

One of the most enjoyable affairs held in McLean for some time was a dinner at the home of Mavor and Mrs. T. A. Landers last Friday. A number of friends brought dinner and spent the day in honor of the host and hostess' birthdays. The following were present: Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Huckabee, Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Roberts, Messrs. and Mesdames W. B. Unham, W. L. Haynes, Earle Shell, T. N. Holloway, C. C. Bogan, Mesdames J. M. Noel, W. A. Cain, J. W. Kibler, M. D. Bentley, J. T. Glass, S. W. Rice, A. L. Hibler, D. A. Davis, C. E. Anderson, S. A. Cousins, N. E. Savage, D. A. Herron, L. F. Wilkins, C. S. Rice; Misses Beulah Alexander, Margaret Miller, Nellie Bird Richey, Julia Lewis, Beulah Tucker, Opal Davis, Frankie Mae Upham, Fern Upham, Lillian Abbott, Myrtle Strong and Nonn Cousins.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE NOT EQUIPPED TO TEACH THE BIBLE

Dr. Brooks of Baylor comes out opposed to teaching the Bible in the public schools. He is to be commended for this view. The Bible is the greatest book on earth and should be studied by every child, but its teachings does not suit everybody. For instance most Protestants would object to having their children taught the Bible by a Roman Catholic, and vice versa. Some Baptists might not like teachers who profess Holiness or Christian Science. There are enough rows now being fought in the school room without dragging in religion or politics as added fuel.—Quannah Tribune.

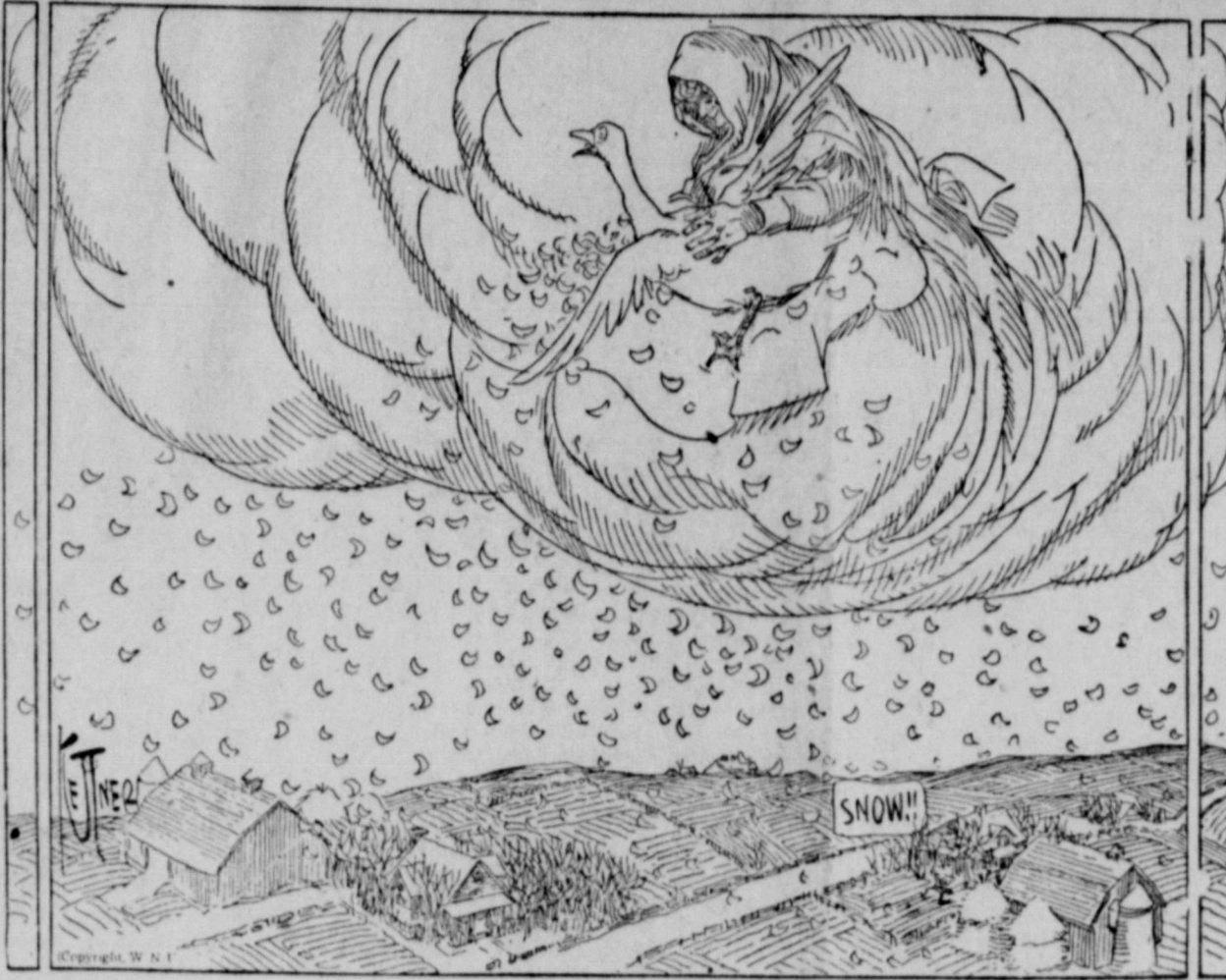
C. L. Cooke went to Shamrock Monday on business.

F. B. Thomas of Alanreed was a visitor in McLean Monday.

Carl Ashby attended the basketball game at Hedley Saturday.

Light Jones of Ramsdell was in McLean Tuesday on business.

Picking the Geese



SEED AT COST FOR CHILDRESS FARMERS

Childress, Jan. 29.—Through the efforts of County Agent Hunter and the Childress Chamber of Commerce, farmers can get seed or planting at actual cost.

The seed comes from the government experiment station at Lubbock, where the seed has been most carefully culled. The varieties obtainable are dwarf red milo, dwarf ball hull kafir and dwarf feterita.

SHAMROCK TO HAVE WATER SYSTEM

Engineer Fountain of Dallas, a representative of the J. D. Trammell Engineering Company of Fort Worth, met with the City Council this week and laid before them the plans for Shamrock's new water system. The plans met with the hearty endorsement and acceptance of the body.

According to the plans, a gravity system will be installed, although a booster pump site has been located near town and may be used when the occasion demands. The water will probably be secured from Broncho Springs, as these springs were recommended by the engineers. The flow that will reach town by gravity is estimated at one hundred and twenty gallons per day, but with the aid of the pump the flow may be more than doubled. The plans also call for an enormous storage tank in addition to the one the city now has. The present tank will be used for fire protection only.

The Council is now busy securing water rights for the six-inch pipe line. It is thought that this work will require some two weeks' time, and when this is finished the Council will advertise for bids. It is thought that the plant will be in operation by early summer.—Shamrock Texan.

LACK OF FUNDS MAY CLOSE ALL TEXAS SCHOOLS

Austin, Jan. 20.—Texas schools will be forced to close at the end of a five and one-half month term, which would be in February, unless the legislature makes an emergency appropriation for the school fund, according to a letter addressed by State Superintendent S. M. N. Marrs to Representative Wallace of the house appropriations committee today.

Superintendent Marrs based his statement on the cost of the 1921-22 school term, he said, and on the fact that the per capita apportionment for this year is three dollars less than last. He urged approval of the \$4,500,000 emergency proposed in measures pending before both legislative branches.

Miss Mildred Crane of Clarendon visited in the J. B. Paschall home Monday.

Mrs. W. T. Wilson was a business visitor in Amarillo Tuesday.

CHORAL CLUB MONDAY NIGHT

The McLean Choral Club will meet at the Legion Theatre Monday night at 6:30. The club is practicing for the Spring Music Festival which will be held at Amarillo. If you enjoy singing you are urged to be at this meeting Monday night and join the club. The meeting will be over in plenty of time for the regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce.

MEMPHIS VOTES BONDS

Memphis, Jan. 29.—The school bond issue of \$110,000 carried by a large majority and a big building program for the city schools is being discussed. Just now the question that is being discussed is whether to erect a temporary frame building to care for the overflow of the school building.

BACK BOYS CLUB

Mr. Dunkle visited the boys last Thursday and judged Poland China brood sows. The following respective grades were made:

- Leonard Henly, placing, 50; reason, 30.
- Frank Corum, placing, 50; reason, 30.
- Ansel Back, placing, 35; reason, 27.
- Cecil Back, placing, 35; reason, 25.
- Neville Back, placing, 35; reason, 20.

WEATHER CHANGES

The long spell of pretty weather was broken when a slow rain began falling Thursday morning and was still raining as we went to press with this issue of The News. The rain will give everyone a more pleasant outlook, and will be appreciated by the farmers.

Mrs. N. E. Savage, who lives west of town, fell last Saturday and sprained an ankle severely.

Mesdames J. W. Sherrod and Roselius of Alanreed visited in the L. F. Wilkins home Tuesday and Wednesday.

J. Lee Turner made a business trip to Amarillo the first of the week.

Homer West made a business trip to Clarendon Tuesday.

Mesdames Carl Overton and Sherman Deatheraag were Shamrock visitors Tuesday.

T. N. Holloway and A. A. Ledbetter were Hedley visitors Sunday.

H. Lonsa of Ramsdell was a business visitor in our city Wednesday.

Mesdames Homer Crabtree, Alva Alexander and Roy Cambell were Clarendon visitors Tuesday.

LUBBOCK CHAMBER TO BANQUET TRAVELERS

Lubbock, Jan. 29.—The Chamber of Commerce is planning to repeat the banquet given last year to the traveling men who make this territory and to have this annual event as an expression of appreciation of the character and value of the men who come and go in our midst and keep up a pleasant and profitable relationship with our merchants.

SHAMROCK SCOUTS GIVE TESTS

Shamrock, Jan. 27.—The Boy Scouts of Shamrock are making some interesting tests of the endurance of the members. The returns thus far show that Fred Nicholson can walk nineteen miles in three hours and 49 minutes, while Reuben Burkhalter and Herchel Scroggs can walk nine miles in two hours and fifteen minutes. This is good training physically, for a boy has to be fit to do this sort of work, and is good morally, for he has to have an indomitable spirit.

C. OF C. MEETS MONDAY NIGHT

The regular meeting of the McLean Community Chamber of Commerce will be held next Monday night at the Legion Theatre, beginning promptly at 7:30. All members are urged to be present.

MASQUERADE PARTY

The members of the Epworth League of the Methodist church gave a masquerade party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Noel last Friday night. A large number of members and their friends were present and all enjoyed themselves.

DARWINISM TAUGHT IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Austin, Jan. 20.—To the People of Texas: A clarion call has been sent out to the people of Texas, pleading, as the Macedonians plead with Paul, to assist in eradicating from the public schools and colleges of Texas supported by taxation, Darwinian evolution, which results in agnosticism and atheism among students of the state.

Religion is not allowed to be taught in the schools of Texas; neither should any "irreligion" (as the Hon. William Jennings Bryan stated in a letter to proponents of anti-evolutionary legislation in Texas) be taught, which is opposed to religion.

If the citizens of Texas would support a bill forbidding the teaching that man sprang from monkey, then each should write to his representative and senator demanding his vigorous support to such measures.

The Hon. William Jennings Bryan will be with us in the fight. Yours respectfully, Rep. J. T. Stroder and others.

SHELL BUYS CITY PHARMACY

Earle Shell has bought the City Pharmacy from C. C. Bogan and took complete charge Tuesday. Mr. Shell has been manager of the City Pharmacy until about a month ago when he sold his interest to Mr. Bogan. Mr. Shell thought that he could get his own consent to leave McLean, but the municipal improvements and the prospect of future prosperity influenced him to stay, and as he would not feel at home except in a drug store, he bought the City Pharmacy. Mr. Shell's friends will be glad to learn of his determination to stay in our town and help us pull for a better community.

Mr. Bogan has several other interests in McLean that he will turn his attention to at this time.

PITCHING HORSESHOES RECOGNIZED SPORT

Austin, Jan. 31.—Pitching horse-shoes for exercise has become a recognized sport at the University of Texas. The athletic council has ordered 25 sets of horse-shoes to be distributed among the various inter-collegiate teams. The sport is said to be very popular among northern and eastern institutions.

News From Heald

Paul Ladd made a business trip to Tulla last week.

Misses Edith Reneau and Pauline Maroney spent Wednesday night with Miss Pansy Pickett.

Mrs. Nida Green and Mrs. Pickett spent Thursday in the Paul Ladd home.

C. H. Harbison and son, Mack, made a business trip to Wellington Friday.

Bill Harris and Mr. Durrum of Wellington and Earl Green of this community made a business trip to Panna last week.

The Epworth League had a business meeting Friday night and a social hour afterward.

C. L. Armstrong returned from East Texas last week. He says the Panhandle is the place to live.

Paul Ladd and family went to Granite, Okla., Friday, returning Monday.

Mrs. Lloyd Hinton left last week for a visit with her home folks.

Mrs. Parker and daughter, Miss Inez, visited Mrs. Nida Green Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Phillips and little daughter spent the week end in the T. F. Phillips home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ralov spent Sunday and Sunday night in the home of the latter's parents.

The following visited in the S. J. Rouse home Sunday afternoon: Misses Clara Reneau, Texas and Luella Harlan and Leola Dougherty; Messrs. Sam Dougherty, Billie Bailey and Clarence Tedder.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harbison and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Harbison spent Sunday in the Parker home.

We are very glad to report that Mrs. A. P. Rippey, who is under medical treatment at Electra, is improving.

COLD WEATHER PREDICTED

Amarillo, Feb. 1.—The U. S. Weather Bureau says a cold wave is predicted for the Panhandle. The temperature will drop 30 degrees by midnight tonight.

LOCAL AID ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED HERE

A number of citizens interested in life insurance have organized a Mutual Aid Association. This Association assures our people with cheap and safe life insurance. The following officers were elected:

T. N. Holloway, president; J. F. Faulkner, vice president; A. A. Ledbetter, secretary; Ross Biggers, treasurer; W. C. Foster, W. L. Haynes and Earle Shell, directors.

Read their announcement elsewhere in this paper.

Mrs. R. A. Shell left Wednesday for Waxahachie to join her husband. She was accompanied by Mrs. S. Lee Shell, who has been visiting here for some time.

Mrs. Kelley Patterson of Amarillo came in Tuesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Copeland.

NEW GROCERY OPENS SATURDAY

Snell's Cash Grocery will be open to the public Saturday, Feb. 3rd. Refreshments will be served to all comers and it is expected that many of our citizens will visit the store and welcome this organization to our town. If you will read their opening announcement on another page of this paper, you will see that this store means to become a part of our community and help us boost for McLean and the McLean territory.

Mr. Strandberg, the manager of the McLean store, has been here all the week getting the stock arranged for the opening day.

CITY WORK BEGUN IN EARNEST

The municipal work began in earnest last Monday morning. A large force of men are working on all departments of our improvements, and the work now begins to show signs of early completion. The big 8-inch watermains on Main street have been laid and work is progressing rapidly on the 4-inch mains in the residence districts. Mr. E. R. Avers, a construction engineer, has been placed in charge of the waterworks department and he is making a remarkable showing with his force of men.

Engineer Jovner is rushing the work of laying sidewalk crossings and M. M. Newman is making a good showing with the big 5-ton Caterpillar tractor. This tractor has been put to a number of uses this week. The ditches for the watermains are being graded with the tractor and the grader, followed by a slow drawn by the tractor. It is interesting to the spectators to watch the tractor climb out of seemingly impossible places. Then Wednesday morning Mr. Newman was asked to remove some cottonwood trees on the T. N. H. L. loway property that were in the sidewalk line and the tractor was hitched to the trees one at a time and pulled them up with all ease. The tractor is saving the city money in many ways.

Individual citizens have caught the spirit and you can hear men inquiring how they can get someone to lay sidewalks for them. Several men are contracting to lay sidewalks for different citizens. It was thought at one time that the city would undertake to lay the sidewalks at cost, but it was found to be unsatisfactory and that there were men in town capable of doing this work that would do it cheaper than the city could.

The Presbyterian folks have the church and manse grounds graded, the Methodist people are planning a sidewalk around their property, and the Baptists have begun work on the basement for their new church. Clay Thompson, cashier of the Citizens State Bank, has had his residence grounds graded, taken the fence from around the property, and otherwise beautified his place. The Mavor has a force of men laying sidewalk and curb lines. T. N. Holloway is having his property graded and walks and curbs made, and many other citizens have started work looking to improving their properties, or are planning to do so at an early date.

With lights, water, and a chicken law, there is nothing to keep the citizens of our town from having one of the prettiest towns in this section.

SPEARMAN MERCHANTS GIVE MOVIE TICKETS

Spearman, Jan. 29.—In order to express appreciation for country trade the merchants of Spearman have instituted a free matinee at the picture show each Saturday afternoon. All that is necessary is to get tickets at the several stores and present them at the show. This is an unusual return for patronage, but is proving to be a success.

W. A. Senclair and Mrs. E. L. Mix of Alanreed spent Tuesday with relatives in McLean.

W. L. Litchfield of Heald was trading in the city Wednesday.

Misses Ruth and Mildred Tibbets of Alanreed were visitors in McLean Wednesday.

F. B. McCracken of Alanreed was in McLean Wednesday.

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 which for almost thirty years has caused him suffering.

CHAPTER II.—Beams 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 "Squint" Larsen, his father's co-worker in the mine.

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 cheer the flooded mine.

CHAPTER IX.—Fairchild learns that Judge Richmond is dying, and that he and Anita are in the power of the Rodaines.

"The evidence certainly is piling up!" he grunted. "I might as well save my talking for later."

see how easily Fate had played into the hands of the Rodaines, if the Rodaines had not possessed a deeper concern than merely to seize upon a happening and turn it to their own account.

Down the dark street the men wandered, his hands sunk deep in his pockets, his head low between his shoulders—only to suddenly galvanize into intensity, and to stop short that he might hear again the voice which had come to him.

It was pleading, and at the same time angered with the passion of a person approaching hysteria.

It was her voice, high, screaming. Hysteria had come—the wild, racking hysteria of a person driven to the breaking point.

And Fairchild waited for nothing more. A lunge, and he was on the veranda. One more spring and he had reached the door, to find it unlocked, to throw it wide and to leap into the hall.

"What's happened?" "They were threatening me—and father!" she moaned. "But you shouldn't have come in—you shouldn't have—"

"I heard you scream. I couldn't help it. I heard you say they were killing your father—"

Down the steps they went, the older man with his hand still on his son's arm; while, white-faced, Fairchild awaited Anita, who had suddenly sped past him into the sick-room, then was wearily returning.

"Can I help you?" he asked at last. "Yes," came her rather cold answer, "only to be followed by a quickly whispered 'Forgive me.'"

"Please go," came the direct answer. "And please do not vent your spite on Mr. Rodaine and his son, I'm sure that they will act like gentlemen if you will. You shouldn't have rushed in here."

"I heard you screaming, Miss Richmond." "I know," came her answer, as telly as ever. Then the door downstairs closed and the sound of steps came on the veranda.

CHAPTER X

The Rodaines were on the sidewalk when Fairchild came forth from the Richmond home, and true to his instructions from the frightened girl, he brushed past them swiftly and went on down the street, not turning at the muttered invectives which came from the crooked lips of the older man, not seeming even to notice their presence as he hurried on toward Mother Howard's boarding house.

After hours, daylight began to streak the sky. Fairchild, dull, worn by excitement and fatigue, strove to rise, then laid his head on the pillow for just a moment of rest.

"No one you know—yet. I've come to talk to you about your partner. May I come in?" "Yes," Fairchild was fully alive now to the activities that the day held before him.

"My name's Farrell," he announced. "Randolph P. Farrell. And to make a long story short, I'm your lawyer."

"That doesn't alter the fact, I'm your lawyer, and I'm at your service. And I don't mind telling you that it's just about my first case. Otherwise I don't guess I'd have gotten it."

"Because I understand it concerns the Rodaines. Nearly everybody has a little money stuck into their enterprises. And seeing I have no money at all, I'm not financially interested."

"What's happened?" "They were threatening me—and father!" she moaned. "But you shouldn't have come in—you shouldn't have—"

"I heard you scream. I couldn't help it. I heard you say they were killing your father—"

"The girl looked anxiously toward an inner room, where Fairchild could see faintly the still figure of a man outlined under the covers of an old-fashioned four-poster."

"You'd better get out," said Fairchild curtly to the Rodaines, with a suggestive motion toward the stairs. They hesitated a moment and Maurice seemed about to launch himself at Robert, but his father laid a restraining hand on his arm.

"Oh, I know. Mr. Fairchild shouldn't have come in here. He shouldn't have done it. I'm sorry—please go."

high to a duck. So're you. So's every other human being that thinks he's a regular man. So's Maurice Rodaine. Don't know about the rest of you—but I haven't got a chance. Don't let it bother you. The probleria right now is to get your partner out of jail. How much money have you got?"

"Only a little more than two thousand." "Not enough. There'll be bonds on four charges. At the least, they'll be around a thousand dollars apiece. Probabilities are that they'll run around ten thousand for the bunch. How about the Blue Poppy?"

"I don't know what it's worth." "Neither do I. Neither does the judge. Neither does any one else. Therefore, it's worth at least ten thousand dollars. That'll do the trick. I suggest now that you get up, seize your deeds and accompany me to the palace of justice. Otherwise, that partner of yours will have to eat dinner in a place called in undignified language the 'house of woe.'"

Soon Fairchild was dressed and waited hurriedly on the street with the district attorney. "I had to say that," came her whispered words. "Please don't try to understand anything I do in the future. Just go—please!"

"Not guilty, Your Honor," said Randolph P. Farrell. "May I ask the extent of the bond?" The judge adjusted his glasses and studied the information which the district attorney had laid before him.

"In view of the number of charges and the seriousness of each, I must fix an aggregate bond of five thousand dollars, or twelve hundred fifty dollars for each case."

"Thank you; we had come prepared for more. Mr. Fairchild, who is Mr. Harkins' partner, is here to appear as bondsman. The deeds are in his name alone, the partnership existing as I understand it, upon their word of honor or between them. I refer, Your Honor, to the deeds of the Blue Poppy mine. Would Your Honor care to examine them?"

"His Honor would. His Honor did. For a long moment he studied them, and Fairchild, in looking about the courtroom, saw the bailiff in conversation with a tall, thin man, with squint eyes and a scar-marked forehead. A moment later, the judge looked over his glasses.

"Bailiff!" "Yes, Your Honor." "Have you any information regarding the value of the Blue Poppy mining claims?" "Sir, I have just been talking to Mr. Rodaine. He says they're well worth the value of the bond."

(Continued Next Week.)

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 south-east 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, 3-4c. Gray County, Texas.

Mrs. J. S. Seavey and little Jack Steger Jr. left Friday for Amarillo to visit the lady's daughter. Mrs. W. B. Taylor and children of Ft. Worth are visiting the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Patty.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS—ESTATES

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, 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:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LETTERS—ESTATES OF DECEDENTS. THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the Estate of M. F. Azeo, deceased, J. W. Azeo has filed in the County Court of Gray County, an application for letters of administration with the will annexed upon the estate of M. F. Azeo, deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court commencing the third Monday in February, A. D. 1923, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Lefors, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

HEPPEIN FAIL NOT. But have you then and there before said Court this writ with your return thereon endorsed showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at Lefors, Texas, this 26th day of January, A. D. 1923. (SEAL) R. B. THOMPSON, Clerk County Court, Gray County, Texas.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

The partnership between Johnnie Back and Alva Alexander in the Back & Alexander tailor shop was dissolved in January, 1923. Johnnie Back and Alva Alexander.

John Grogan of Ramsdell was in town Friday.

R. G. Crossland was an Amarillo visitor Friday.

Alex Chapman of Alanreed was in McLean on business Thursday of last week.

Born Thursday, Jan. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer, a girl.

Born Tuesday, Jan. 23, to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Marler, a girl.

DR. J. A. HALL Dentist Of Shamrock, Tex. Will be in McLean on Thursday, Friday and Saturday after the first Monday in each month.

DON'T let your eyes undermine your health. Come have them tested. John B. Vannoy Optometrist and Jeweler

Barber Work Come to our place when in need of barber work, and let us serve you. The best barbers and the best service is our motto. Elite Barber Shop TROY WEST, Owner

The Hindman Hotel \$2.50 Per Day J. R. Hindman Proprietor McLEAN, TEXAS "It's a Rocky Road to Easy Street" Make no mistakes—the road to "easy street" is rough from every direction. Pity the poor soul who makes the mistake of "taking it easy" first, and drifting over the rough in old age. The wise will take the "rocks" while they have Youth and Ambition and Ability. Young folks, do the climbing now—the coasting will be fine later. This bank is intensely interested in young folks, and is ready to help you over the "rocky road" and lend a helping hand in your preparation for the future. The American National Bank

UP TO LOCAL MERCHANTS

A Montgomery Ward club was organized Tuesday night, we understand. The members are pledged to buy everything possible from Montgomery Ward. They have weekly meetings and the secretary takes orders, and in case any mistakes are made takes it up with the mail orderhouse.—Medicine Lodge Index.

We understand that the mail order houses through a bureau, subscribe to all the weekly papers. Most newspapers will perhaps find they have at least one unknown subscriber who renews regularly and promptly, his address being Chicago or some small town near by. From the weekly papers, especially the country correspondence, it is said mailing lists are obtained, and in case a paper does not have much advertising from the local merchants, a catalog campaign is begun. Looking over the average run of advertising in the Index, no doubt the mail order house finds a fruitful field in Barber county for club work. If local merchants allow a mail order house to out-advertise them in their own field, it is not up to the editor to throw fits about it; and he doesn't seem to be doing so.—E. E. Kelley in Topeka Capital.

DEMOCRACY

A majority of people are not mentally—even if physically—capable of making a good living. They are not capable of furnishing with their own hands a sufficient quantity of goods this world needs to exchange their unaided product for goods they need. The average workman is more interested in a steady job than advancement. Scarcely more than 5%, though they desire more money, have the willingness to accept additional responsibility and work which go with the higher places.—Henry Ford in McClure's.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Dallas.—"To the modern generation the turning of a switch or the pressing of a button which leads to the flashing of an electric light, is recorded as a commonplace event of ordinary everyday life," says the Texas Public Service Information Bureau.

"But those who recall the days before electricity came into general use the instantaneous action of the electric bulb still savors somewhat of the miraculous. The action of the bulb, however, is due entirely to natural causes, controlled in a natural way.

"The usual type of incandescent lamp used today consists of a glass bulb, from which the air has been exhausted; a tiny filament of tungsten metal and a wire which carries the electric current to the filament. The latter takes such a high resistance to the passage of the current that, practically instantaneous, it glows and gives off light on account of the high temperature to which it is subjected. In short, electric light is analogous to that which is given off by a poker when heated white-hot, save for the fact that the heating process is accomplished without appreciable loss of time. The reason for the removing of the air from the bulb is in order to prevent the filament from burning up, which would occur if oxygen were present."

ARE FARMERS' FAMILIES UNDERNOURISHED?

Most city folks are of the opinion that farmers are great eaters; that their tables groan beneath the weight of a great variety of foods, superior in quality and taste, because of their freshness, to anything they are accustomed to. Some get this idea from occasional visits to the country home of a well-to-do citizen, and others from reading fiction. But will the average farm table compare favorably with the average table found in the city?

E. L. Penick of Stamford, Jones county, Texas, is credited with the statement that many farmers in his section were starving themselves by trying to grow something to sell which they do not receive enough to purchase the necessities of life, which they could grow, but didn't. Penick is a well-known business man and farmer and knows by actual experience and practice that many essential foods can be produced on the farm on a very small tract of land at the expense of a minimum of time and labor.

To such a statement a libel on the average farmer or does it apply to a small minority that it may be considered an exception? Look around in your own community. How many farmers have paid any attention at all to the little garden his insisted on having? How

many had a garden at all? How many farms have enough fruit trees, berry or grape vines or pecan trees to supply the home demand? How many produce their own butter and have eggs when they want them without going to the store to buy them? How many have a smoke-house and grow and cure a part of the meat consumed at home? How many can sufficient fruit and vegetables and pick enough butter beans, blackeye peas, beans, etc., to last them through the winter? Our investigations will determine your answer to Mr. Penick, insofar as your own community is concerned.

It has been the observation of Farm and Ranch that more farmers have gardens, chickens and cows of late years than a decade ago; that many have found that home-grown food is better and cheaper than that which comes from the grocer's shelves and boxes. Undoubtedly, however, there are far too many who have fallen into the habit of trying to produce staple crops for sale without giving consideration to the garden, orchard, berry patch, chickens and cows as a means of reducing the cost of living. Each year farmers of this class complain that they have been robbed by the speculators. Perhaps they have, but no speculator can take the food from your own table if you raise it yourself.

Many farmers misconstrue the suggestion to try a few chickens and cows along with a good garden and orchard as a means of helping make the farm profitable. They come back with the argument that if everybody went into those lines the market would be congested. They still cling to the notion that they must produce everything to sell and none for home use. What does it matter what the market is if you consume your product yourself? It is not what you can sell a dozen eggs for that counts, but what you have to pay for them if you don't produce them on the farm. A pound of butter is just as sweet and nourishing if it only sells at 10 cents as it would be if you had to pay your grocer 30 cents for it.

Produce as much of your own food at home as conditions will permit, and then whatever your staple crops bring will be money in your pocket.—Holland's Magazine.

ENGLISH PORK

The lure of gold money is no where stronger than in Wall Street. It is only natural that a financier, whose annual income runs into six or seven figures, should be a director in a long list of corporations, although it might be thought that such a man would despise a \$20 gold piece paid a director for attendance at each meeting. But many of Wall Street's wealthy men are avid for the glittering coin. They are indeed busy on days when a number of their companies have meetings; they motor frantically from meeting to meeting, staying at each just long enough to be marked "present" and collect the gold piece.

In England, similarly, there are many "professional directors" with a great fondness for the gold guinea which is the fee in that country. In fact, they are so well known that a name has been coined for them—they are called "guinea pigs."—Wall Street Journal.

RESTRAINT

Restraint is one of the greatest words in the English language, and perhaps one of the most unpopular. It carries with it the idea of hindrance, confinement, abridgment of liberty.

No person is willingly restrained or hindered; no person wants his liberty abridged. In other words, everybody wants his own way, to live his life as he sees fit, to do as he pleases. Yet, if everybody did this—if the law of restraint were rendered inoperative—what a topsyturvy world we would have.

Someone has said that it is strange that some people should want to do as they please, seeing the mess of things made by those who are granted that privilege. The child is restrained by his

parents and teachers because it is taken for granted that he hasn't the judgment to know what is best for him. As the horse would founder himself if the grain bin were open to him, so the child would be expected to do himself great harm if the bonds of restraint were severed.

When a person becomes of age, into the state of adulthood, a different kind of restraint becomes operative against him. There is the policeman on the corner, the constable on the highway, his neighbor, his set of friends, and, if he is well balanced, the inner man. As the child is governed by "Don'ts," the adult is largely guided by "what will people say?"

Discipline is but another word for restraint. A disciplined person is one whose mind and muscles are coordinated; who has mastered self-control; who recognizes the rights and liberties of the other fellow; who can depend upon himself to do the proper thing, rather than the thing he would like to do.

By practice of restraint, a person can come to appreciate the Golden Rule, and accept it as a guide to his thoughts and practices. Discipline makes it possible for the soldier to go over the top in the face of concentrated machine gun fire; discipline makes it possible for the everyday man to march forward, unflinching and uncomplaining, in the face of the worst sort of adversity. Restraint kills selfishness and is, therefore, the surest road to happiness, since happiness comes from making other people happy—something that a selfish person can't do.—Southwestern Machinery.

KEEP THE CITY CLEAN

"A cheap Coat," said President Harrison, "makes a cheap man." In the same way it might be said a dirty town makes a dirty people; a dirty people makes moral and material dirt and decay. It is the duty of all men and women to make their homes and their home towns just as clean and attractive and beautiful as possible. He who falls short in this respect falls short of his duty to God and man, it matters not what else he may do.—Livestock Reporter.

TRAVEL IN THE "STICKS"

"I want to know how to get to Spriggsville."

"Yes, ma'am," said the clerk at the information window. "You take a train that leaves here in half an hour over the Juniper Junction line."

"And then?"

"And then you trust to luck."

J. E. Norman of Northfork was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Floyd E. Johnson of Alanreed was

in McLean on business Saturday.

Dr. Hall will be in McLean on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 5th, 6th and 7th, instead of the last part of the week as usual. 1c.

Emmett Thompson was a business visitor in Clarendon Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Haynes and children and Miss Leora Kinard visited relatives in Erick, Okla., Sunday.

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Each one of us has an unconscious influence. When we do right we influence others to do right.

When we feel inclined to rail at fate for placing us in a small place, we should remember that it is better to have a place in a smaller organization of a growing business than to be a cog in a great machine.

The world judges a man, not by the amount of religion that he has, but by the amount he uses. A religion that does not include service to others is not worth much in this world, or the next.

The small faults of good men do more harm than the big faults of bad men. When a good man goes wrong, he tears down more than all the bad men in town.

Our streets are rapidly taking on the appearance of a real city, and if drivers would be careful to keep on the crown of the roadway and out of ruts, they would stay in that condition. Driving on the side and in the ruts ruins most of our streets. Using a little care in driving will benefit us all.

There is no reason why McLean should not have the West Texas A. & M. College. We have the diversity of soil and the facilities for stock raising that would enable students to see first hand the many things taught in such a school. We have the right to ask for anything we want now that we will have modern improvements to offer. There was an experimental farm within the city limits at one time connected by the Rock Island railroad, that would be worth while now. It will pay every citizen to get behind the effort to locate the A. & M. College at McLean.

It is getting time that those who want to keep chickens within the city limits are thinking of some way in which to keep them on their own premises. The chicken law will take effect April 1st. When this law is made to apply all the year we will have a better city. Many complaints are reaching the Mayor's office now, that early spring bulbs and plants are being damaged by the neighbors' chickens. After our people try a closed season on the chicken nuisance they will be unanimous for an all the year law.

It would pay each of us to take an inventory of our worth to the community occasionally. We should ask ourselves what our town, school, church and community would be if everybody took the same interest and put forth the same efforts that we do. If we are only willing to do that which will bring us returns in dollars and cents, then someone else will have to carry on in the important enterprises that are for the welfare of the community at large. There are too many things that must be done that do not carry a monetary reward, yet someone must be found to do them if we have that well ordered community that we enjoy living in. After we have learned where we are lacking in public spirit, let's turn over a new leaf and help our neighbors in their efforts to better our conditions.

The Literary Digest is perhaps the most viciously dominated anti-American magazine of general circulation now in this country. It is dominated by the Catholics and Jews, and opposed to every move which has for its object the Americanization of our public schools. It became a great success in the country and then went off with the lions element. It would have American schools taught by priests and nuns.—Hall County Herald.

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Mr. and Mrs. Perry Everett and children returned Friday from Amarillo.

YOUR TOWN

If you want to live in the kind of a town Like the kind of a town you like, You needn't slip your clothes in a grip And go on a long, long hike; You will only find what you left behind— For there's nothing that's really new. It's a knock at yourself, when you knock your town— It isn't the town, it's YOU.

Real towns are not made by men afraid Lest somebody else get ahead. When everyone works and nobody shirks, You can raise a town from the dead. And if, while you make your personal stake, Your neighbor can make one, too; Your town will be what you want to see— It isn't your town, it's YOU. —Exchange.

THE ACCURACY OF THE ENGINEER

It is said that there is no such thing as a "straightest line" or a "roundest circle;" that a line is either straight or it isn't straight; a circle is either round or it isn't round; straight and round are positive, comparative and superlative, all at one and the same time.

And this is undoubtedly the philosophy, attitude or point of view of the engineer; what he works with is perfect or it isn't right. He can look at a piece of work that to the casual eye looks as spick and span as the proverbial apples of gold in baskets of silver, and with a wash-bowl-brow and pauper-pocketbook-month declare that it is not right. "This thing is three what-you-may-call-em's off!" "And how much is a what-you-may-call-em?" asks the innocent bystander. "Well," says the engineer, looking as wise as a tree full of owls, "if seven million of them were placed end to end they would reach from the 2 to the 3 in an ordinary 23 of an ordinary desk calendar."

Some day we hope to do a little piece on the work of the statistician, but, as Kipling says, that is another story. But for the sake of comparison, the statistician thinks in big figures, big percentages; he loves to talk about those things in which 80% of the population does this and that, and 78% does something else, etc., but the engineer hates big percentages; he can't even conceive of one percent any more than the average individual can conceive of a billion dollars. To the engineer a hundredth of one percent makes him feel good, a thousandth of one percent puts him in excellent humor, but if he gets a millionth of one percent there is danger of his getting arrested for disturbing the peace.

Yea, to the engineer an inch is a mile and one per cent is usury. It recalls the story of the man who went to heaven and was told that a minute up there was as a million years on earth and a penny was as a million dollars. "Lend me a penny," said the new-comer directly. "Wait a minute," said the escort.

The following story is from Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering. It contains much that we haven't as yet learned the meaning, but we feel sure it bears out our observation and is proof of the accuracy of our observation. Read it for yourself:

"We recall one instance where a celebrated engineer was preparing a set of tables for publication and was using a set of 12-place logarithms. We asked why he used 12-place tables and he replied that they were the best he could find—that he had heard there were 20-place tables but had been unable to locate them. The interesting thing about this anecdote is that practically all the data which the celebrated engineer was tabulating had an accuracy which was seldom better than one per cent, and an ordinary 12-inch slide rule would have been amply accurate for the work.

"Again, when a young engineer is about to make a mathematical calculation, say for example the surface of heating coils necessary to obtain certain results, he will almost invariably sit down and cal-

culate it to an accuracy of a tenth or even a hundredth of one per cent, and this in spite of the fact that the constant factor in the equation (the rate of heat transfer) may not be known within 50 per cent."—Southwestern Machinery.

TOBACCO AND DEGENERACY

Will H. Brown Prof. Flinders Petrie, the noted archaeologist, in an article in the Yale Review, discussed the subject, "Is the Death of Civilization Approaching?" He points out a number of disintegrating forces at work in modern life, and among other things says: "Too much tobacco is causing decline, as it did in the civilization of Spain and Italy, and worst of all, knowledge has outstepped the moral sense."

Colonel Dinshab Ghadiali, a native of Bombay, India, the renowned metaphysician and psychologist, while in Paris recently, addressed a meeting of All Cults' Medical Association, and said: "I am neither a faddist or fanatic, but I am a sworn enemy of smoking. The results of smoking are dry throat, imperfect circulation of the blood, with loss of equilibrium, hardening of the arteries, weak eyes, bad teeth and poor digestion. Smoking among women may easily result in serious loss of equilibrium and the perfect balance of feminine characteristics which make her a woman. Then she may take on masculine characteristics, such as a beard." Dr. Wm. Bradley, who certainly cannot be accused of being a fanatic on the tobacco question, says in one of his articles for a great syndicate of daily papers: "Aside from the guttersnipe, the moron young man and the fast young woman, every cigarette smoker is ashamed of his weakness. He is

ashamed because he realizes in a vague way that he is betraying his inferiority."

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

Subject—Make His Praise Glorious. Scripture lesson, 145th Psalm—Edith Fowler. Leader—Group Captain. Jesus Praised by the Multitudes—Ernest Abbott. Our Presence Is an Act of Praise—Leora Kinard.

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C. H. Harbison of Heald was shopping in the city Saturday.

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

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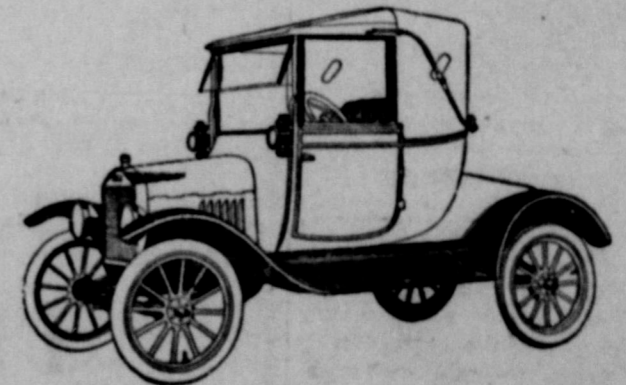
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News From Ramsdell

H. J. Cloer made a business trip to Shamrock Thursday of last week. Elbert Bones was a Shamrock visitor Thursday of last week. Mrs. Vannoy, teacher of the Ramsdell school, spent the week end with some folks at McLean. Billie McCann and E. Exum were Shamrock visitors Saturday. J. S. Clem and son, Elton, T. B. and A. B. Tomlinson were Shamrock visitors Saturday. J. G. Davidson was a Shamrock visitor Saturday. L. H. Adams was a Shamrock visitor Saturday. Rev. Baird of Shamrock filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday night. Rev. and Mrs. Baird, Mr. and Mrs. E. Longan and son, Charlie, took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Pharis and family Sunday. H. J. Cloer, W. E. Freeman and Elbert Bones were Shamrock visitors Monday. C. A. Loyd and J. R. Hazard were Shamrock visitors Saturday. SNOOKY SNOOKUMS.

Dr. Hall will be in McLean on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 5th, 6th and 7th, instead of the last part of the week as usual.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at 2:30 Feb. 6th, at the Methodist church. The lesson will cover the first fifteen chapters of 1st Samuel. COMMITTEE.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

The following program will be given at an open meeting of the Epworth League Sunday night at 7 o'clock. Everybody is invited. Subject—Our Work in Africa. Song. Prayer. Song. Scripture lesson—Acts 13:1-13. Some Striking Facts about Africa—Fern Upham. Tribal and Village Life—Nona Cousins. Duet—Jewel Shaw and Lula Peters. Methodist Beginning in Congo—Elsie Jones. Life on a Mission Station—Norman Johnston. The Unfinished Task—Byran Roby. Piano solo—Chloe Southern.

WHEN I AM DEAD

I do not want a gassing crowd To come with lamentations loud, When I am dead. Nor do I want my words and woe Rehearsed by them with tardy praise When life has fled. I only want the very few Who stood through good and evil too— True friendship's test— Just those who sought to find the good And then, as only true friends could, Forgive the rest. I'd have them come, these very few And drop perhaps a tear or two, By kindness led. To have them each come in alone And call me in their old sweet tone Would suit me best. And then, without a sob or moan, Go swiftly out and leave alone The dead to rest. —Masonic Home Journal.

Al Vaughan of Shamrock was a business visitor in McLean Saturday.

Mrs. Lear M. Jones returned to her home at Childress Saturday.

TOWN PESTS



The Aggressive Bird who Packs a Slip on his Shoulder and Hollers Daily About his Rights should Ease up on the Sassy Chin Music and Let the Law alone. With his Aggravating Habits, it's No Wonder Folks hand him the Hat End of the Poker when they get a chance.

BACK GIRLS CLUB

Miss Patterson met with the club Thursday, Jan. 11, and gave us a demonstration on appropriate dress. Miss Patterson met with the club January 25, starting us off with our year's work, and gave us a demonstration on different shapes of hats.

This week Vida Colebank and Catherine Corum are cooks. Miss Patterson and Mr. Kunkle ate hot lunch with us Thursday, and as actions speak better than words, it seemed as if they enjoyed their lunch. SECRETARY.

THE EDITOR'S COME BACK

The managing editor of the Daily Chronicle-Herald of Macon, Mo., William R. Baker, was formerly a

school teacher, so when a man with an exultant look came in Friday, holding a copy of the paper in his hand and pointed to a mistake, Mr. Baker was ready for him.

"See here," said the critic excitedly, "notice about a pie supper at Owl Creek school—you say Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m.—where you say evening you don't need the p. m. And the other day I saw in your local columns a little notice headed 'Funeral Obsequies.' Obsequies mean funeral—see?"

"You found this mistake yourself?" asked the editor quietly. "Sure I did. It kinda gets on one's nerves to see so many had breaks in a paper."

"I always enjoy talking to an educated man," the editor answered with exaggerated seriousness. "Do you happen to remember whether it

was George Washington or Thomas Jefferson who said "Give me liberty or give me death?"

"Jefferson, wasn't it?" "Neither one. What American city was it that gave Napoleon a big reception when Louisiana belonged to France?"

"New Orleans." "Nope. Napoleon never was in America. Do you know how wide the Amazon is at its mouth? Do you know how many gallons of gasoline it takes to drive a Ford car from Macon to Quincy?"

"No." "You don't? Now I'm not bragging," the editor went on. "I just wanted you to understand that we know a few little things even if some hurried proof reader does make a mistake now and then. And, moreover, when you bring me in an absolutely perfect newspaper—I don't care who prints it—you can collect from this shop \$5 for it, and we will preserve it as a literary

curiosity."

When the critic had gone a cub reporter asked the question:

"Mr. Baker, how many gallons of gas does it take to run a car to "Search me," returned the editor. "Ask somebody who owns one."

Hubert Wilkins of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

J. A. Haynes of Heald was in the city Saturday.

Rev. J. S. Huckabee orders The News sent to T. A. Tegga, Georgetown.

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Frank Hommel of the Alanreed Auto Co., was a pleasant visitor at our office Monday.

O. P. Hommel of Alanreed was in the city on business Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Morgan and daughter of Alanreed were McLean visitors last Thursday.

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.

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

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KENTUCKY DIET BLAMED FOR DEFECTIVE MEN

Washington, Jan. 29.—Kentucky turned out so many physically defective men under the draft during the war because "corn bread and sorghum, dried beans and fat salt middlings" formed the year 'round diet of southern mountain children.

The bureau has completed a survey of child care and nutrition made at the request of the Kentucky state board of health and find "why a state famous for its prosperity should turn out so large a percentage of physically defective men as the draft record showed."

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

W. F. Moore of Heald was in town Saturday.

Robert Harris of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Friday.

G. W. Saye has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

John Spencer is a new reader of The News.

Dr. Hall will be in McLean on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 5th, 6th and 7th, instead of the last part of the week as usual.

John Quattlebaum has renewed his subscription to The News.

Atty. A. A. Ledbetter went to Clarendon on business Tuesday.

C. C. Cook was an Alanreed visitor Tuesday.

Chas. Harbison of Heald was in town Wednesday.

NARROW ESCAPE

One night at a revival meeting held in a little country town, the preacher asked the congregation: "Are there any here tonight who 'now in their own hearts they are hypocrites? If there are, hold up your hands and we'll pray for your redemption."

He waited patiently for a while, but not a hand went up.

Finally he said, "A hypocrite 's always marked by hair growing in the palm of the hand."

Instantly a dozen began closely examining their hands.

THAT EVENED IT UP

An American had been boasting to his Irish friend about the magnificence of the Rocky Mountains.

"You seem mighty proud of them mountains," the Irishman said.

"You bet I am, and I ought to be, for my ancestors built them."

The Irishman thought this over for a few moments and then asked, "Did you ever hear of the Dead Sea?"

"Yes, indeed," replied the American. "I know all about the Dead Sea."

"Well, replied the Irishman, "did you happen to know that my grandfather killed the thing?"

THE TWENTY-THIRD PSALM

The Sunday school lesson recently was on the 23rd Psalm, and after Sunday school was over the writer heard a sermon on that gem from the pen of David.

The preacher declared that in the libraries of the world there are over 250,000 volumes on the 23rd Psalm; over 250,000 men and women have thought enough of this prose-poem to write on it, explain it, expatiate on it.

The writer recalls that he memorized this Psalm the first time he appeared on the program at a school "exhibition!" He was very bashful, but when his name was called he stepped out to the front of the rostrum and said the piece. Now, another boy was on the program to say a piece in dog latin. Dog latin is a very simple language, easy to learn, yet to some, in those days, was a novelty.

For instance, if you want to say: "Do you want to go?" in dog latin, you say: "Do-lu-foo you-lu-foo wala-fant to-lu-foo go-lo-foe?"

Well, I said the 23rd Psalm and the other fellow said a little piece in dog latin. All my friends and relatives said I did fine, and they also laughed at the other boy's dog latin. But the saddest blow of all came the next day when a casual friend met me and congratulated me, saying, "That was great stuff. You and Bob took off the honors with that dog latin stuff!"

And years afterward I learned that nobody beyond the first row really heard what I did say.

But this preacher showed me a new meaning of this Psalm. He also told me some things that I had never thought of before. For instance, he said that the sheep is one animal that has no defense whatsoever. He is absolutely helpless. He can't bite, sting, hook, kick or otherwise injure an adversary.

The cow has horns, the horse has heels, the bee has a stinger, but the sheep is helpless, hence the simile, "led like a sheep, dumb before the slaughter."

expressed and the many little deeds of thoughtfulness by the people you are striving to serve, certainly are the lubricant which keeps the machinery running and the smile working. To those who take time to read this, I would just like to say I enjoy life, I enjoy business, I enjoy work, all because of my friends. —Southwestern Machinery.

THE NEW COCOANUT COW

Did you ever hear of the Coconut Cow? It is a name given to the coconut tree of the South Sea Islands because the coconut tree has developed into a formidable enemy of the American dairy cow.

The cheaply produced oil of the coconut is being used in the United States in increasing quantities to make a so-called milk substitute. Of course, you and I know, and all scientists agree, that there can be no substitute for milk as a food, but a few American manufacturers have learned how to produce a compound known as filled milk.

It looks, tastes and smells like genuine, whole, evaporated milk. To make it, the manufacturer buys the whole milk from the farmer, separates it, and sells the butterfat. Then he combines the skim milk with coconut oil, which costs him one-fourth to one-fifth as much as the butterfat.

This difference in cost of materials enables him to turn out a compound at great profit to himself, which he can wholesale at three cents a can cheaper than the maker of genuine evaporated milk is able to do. This difference in production costs is rarely reflected to the consumer, but is generally absorbed by the retailer as an extra profit and an added incentive to pushing the sale of inferior goods.

The American dairy farmer, like the cotton farmer, is striving to bring about orderly marketing. Canning the whole milk in the flush season is essential to this program. It provides a market for both the butterfat and the skim milk.

If the filled milk manufacturer is allowed to destroy the whole evaporated milk trade he can then pay what he pleases for the farmer's whole milk and that will bring about a reduction in the price of butterfat. Through co-operative associations, dairy farmers are rapidly taking over the manufacturing of their own milk. They are becoming condensers and evaporators. They have, therefore, a direct interest in whether or not compounds shall be permitted to be sold.

and to prevent fraud. The fight is now on in the senate of the United States between the farmers and manufacturers of filled milk. The farmers generally should note which way their senators vote. —Farmer-Stockman.

A SCHOOL GIRL'S SONG

I like to lie and watch the sky, Indulge in dreams and wishes, And while away a pleasant day— While others wash the dishes.

THE DIFFERENCE

"I married my wife because she differed from all other women." "How was that?" "She was the only woman who would have me!"—The Kasper, Stockholm.

KNOCKING HIS SEX

She—"This is the first time I've ever been kissed by a man." He—"That's a sort of slam at the rest of 'em, isn't it?"

CORRECT

Teacher—"Who can name one important thing we have now that we did not have 100 years ago?" Tommy—"Me." — Los Angeles Times.

MAN AND HIS SPAN

There are three times in a man's career when he is considered all right. When he is born his parents think he is; when he is married he and his wife both think so, and when he dies the minister says so, and the undertaker knows it before he will have anything to do with him. —Big Lake News.

A NEW KIND OF FRICTION

The insurance adjuster who had been investigating the fire turned to go.

"I came down here to find out the cause of this fire, and I have done so," he remarked.

"That's what I want to know. What caused it?" demanded the house owner.

"It's a plain case of friction."

"What-ya-mean—friction?"

"The fire was undoubtedly caused by rubbing a three-thousand-dollar insurance policy on a two-thousand-dollar house."—Everybody's.

FAIR QUESTION

"What would you give to have hair like mine?" "I don't know. How much did you give?"

COULDN'T BE DONE

Flathunter—"Frightfully small! Why, there isn't room to swing a cat in this flat!"

Caretaker—"Wouldn't do you any good if there was; animals aren't allowed."—London Opinion.

Subscribe now for The Progressive Farmer and The McLean News, the ideal weekly newspapers for the farmers of this community. \$2.00 gets them both one full year.

HAVE IT PRINTED AT HOME

BEST BEWARE

McTavish—"But ye wadna' say he was mean, Sandy?"

Sandy—"Well, not exactly, but mind ye, if McHaggis ever shakes hands wi' ye, just count your finger's afterwards—that's all."—London Mail.

BAD PRACTICE IN GETTING BUSINESS

A Fort Worth automobile owner the other day was swearing feelingly and fluently as, with a penknife, he carefully scraped a bright lettered sticker from the windshield of his brand new car.

"I wonder if the fellow who had that thing put up thinks I'd spend a nickle with him? If he does, he's got another guess coming," continued the irate car owner, and by way of emphasis he wadded up and threw into the gutter a handful of circulars that had been dropped into his automobile.

Advertising, rightly used is a powerful factor in the unbuilding of legitimate and profitable business, but unwisely employed it may have the opposite effect from the one intended.

Certainly it does not appear to be good business policy to unnecessarily annoy or anger a possible customer or to put him to personal inconvenience. Pasting a sign or sticker on his property without permission, or erecting an unsightly billboard in front of his premises are quite as apt to arouse his antagonism as to gain his good will.

Similarly when a busy housewife is called from the midst of household duties to be told over the telephone that it is her "duty" to do this, that or the other, the "cause" in which the telephone is being used is quite as apt to lose as to gain a supporter.

While The Record does not by any means intend to condemn other methods of advertising, if they be properly used, it does maintain that the legitimate place for advertising, where it is expected, looked for and read, and where it brings most profitable returns to the space buyer, is in the daily newspaper.—Fort Worth Record.

WHO WAS THE LOSER?

A banker while going home to dinner saw a ten dollar bill on a curbstone. He picked it up, noticed the number and went on home.

While home, his wife remarked that the butcher had sent a bill amounting to \$10. The only money he had was the bill he had found, which he gave her and she paid the butcher. The butcher paid it to a farmer for a calf, the farmer to a merchant, who paid it to a washer woman, and she, owing the banker a note for \$10, went to the bank and paid the note. The banker recognized the bill as the one found, and which by that time had paid \$50 worth of debts. On careful examination, he found it to be a counterfeit. Now, what was lost in the transaction, and by whom?—Exchange.

EASILY

Sweet Young Thing—"Which do you consider is the most interesting time of a woman's life?" The Brute—"Oh, the first four years she's 20, I should say."—The Passing Show.

TITLE OF COURTESY ONLY

Friend of the Family—"William, can it be possible that I heard you say: 'Hallo, governor,' to your father?"

William—"Yes, it pleases poor old dad. You see, he never has any say in anything at home. Mother's the real executive."—Boston Transcript.

Wants

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

WASHING wanted. Grace Roby. Phone 182. 5-2c.

FOR RENT.—Two rooms for light housekeeping, with privilege of renting whole house when school is out. Mrs. J. H. Chambers.

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

FOR SALE.—Seed sweet potatoes, cabbage, tomato, transplanted to mat, pepper, Bermuda onion and sweet potato plants in season. Write for circular. T. Jones & Co., Clarendon, Texas. 5-4p.

WANTED.—Furnished room, with or without board. Call News office. 1p.

Nearly new stalk cutter for sale. Might trade for other farm implements. Roby Bros., Phone 74.

FIRE!

That dreaded agent of destruction that is stealing the wealth of the nation at the rate of a million dollars a day. A reliable insurance agency should be your first consideration. Consult me.

C. C. BOGAN Insurance that Protects

Coals

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.

SMITH BROTHERS Coal Cotton Loans Insurance

NOTICE TO CAR OWNERS

We have just received a shipment of Good Year, Firestone, Michelin, Sprague, Cord and Fabric Tires (all sizes). We bought these tires before the rise and will sell at the old prices for the next thirty days. If you are in need of tires it will pay you to buy from us.

Alanreed Auto Co. Alanreed, Texas 3-2p.

MONEY to LOAN

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



News From Alanreed

Work is progressing nicely at the well. We hope to see a gusher soon.

Alta Sherrod, who is teaching school at Enterprise, spent the week end with home folks.

Sadie Houston returned Sunday night to assume her duties in the school.

Mary Billingslea and Mrs. Annie Fulbright spent the week end with home folks at McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sherrod were McLean visitors Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Brown, driller at the oil well, had the misfortune of sustaining a fractured limb last Tuesday, but he is able to be up and will soon be at work again.

Mr. J. T. Blakney is on the sick

list this week. We hope for her speedy recovery.

W. H. Craig and H. T. Wilkins made a business trip to McLean Saturday.

Mrs. Cleve Prock, who has been quite ill, is improving nicely.

Miss Thelma Glass of Shamrock spent the week end with Miss Lone Ball.

CARD OF THANKS

We extend our sincere thanks to each and every one who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our husband and father. Your kind words and deeds shall ever be a cherished memory to us.

Mrs. J. H. Chambers and family.

W. J. Chilton was a Clarendon visitor Sunday.

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

Song service.
Prayer.
Business and records.
Group No. 1 in charge of program.
Subject—"Girls of the Bible."
A Girl's Care for Her Baby Brother—Floye Landers.
The Victim of a Father's Rash Vow—Elizabeth Wilkerson.
The Maid Who Did Not Forget Her God—Bobbie Cooke.
A Father's Prayer Answered—Jewell Turner.
A Mother's Prayer Answered—Launa Holloway.
Rhoda—Tomnie Mae Bird.
Paul and Silas Helping a Poor Girl—Kate Cooke.
Closing prayer.

Maude Piersall and little daughter, Nova Fern, Misses Eunice Floyd and Elsie Jones spent the week end with relatives at Hedley and Lelia Lake.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of McLean will receive bids on two wooden water tanks and wooden towers to be delivered as soon as the new waterworks is in operation. Sealed bids will be opened at 2 p. m. February 9, 1923. Bids may be handed or mailed to any member of the City Council. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

5-2c T. A. LANDERS, Mayor.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith of Slavonia were shopping in the city Saturday.

The McLean News and the Southwest Plainsman both one year for \$1.75. Leave your subscription at the News office or send us a check.

Mrs. E. D. Langley orders her address changed from Garfield, Ark., to Glen Rose, Texas.

THIS YEAR'S CROP

will depend on your equipment and the work you give it. Bring in your plows and tools and have them put into shape for the spring work, so there will be no unnecessary delay next spring when every minute counts. You have the time now, and we have time to do a good job. All work guaranteed.

The McLean Blacksmith Shop

**We Sell
for
Less**

**Snell's Cash
Store**

**We Sell
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McLean Location—One Door North of of T. J. Coffey & Bro.
Saturday, Feb. 3rd, is our opening day for our McLean store.

Hot biscuits made from our famous Royal Seal flour. Hot coffee! "Martha Washington"—None better! Dixon's cane syrup. All served free to everyone. Their qualities stand for your approval. Don't fail to be here. We are here to demonstrate to you what we have to sell in McLean!

We have come to McLean because we believe in her future. We did not come here to tear down, but to build up. We want to help boost every good project that is launched for the betterment of this city. We are not here today and gone tomorrow. We have a good lease on our building and are here to stay.

We will appreciate the co-operation of every citizen of this town and surrounding community. Don't forget the date of our opening—everybody invited to attend! Look over our prices and be your own judge. We sell for cash—one price—spot cash!
Watch us grow!

HOW SNELL'S CASH STORE STARTED AND WHERE IT IS TODAY

"Reasons"—It was organized in 1916 at Sayre, Okla., with a very small capital that was saved from daily earnings of the proprietor, which he put into real circulation through the plan of small profits and quick sales! This was pushed from day to day, and today our stores are recognized all over the western part of Oklahoma and Texas as the most prosperous business in West Texas and Oklahoma. **WHY?** Because they have been operated on the most modern and up-to-date methods of merchandising that the world affords. We only ask you a very small margin of profit on each and every item offered for sale by us. We serve you in the very best manner that we know how. Our merchandise is bought and delivered to you on the shortest and cheapest route that our American market affords. Through our cash buying and selling system every leak, loss and expense that is possible is done away with. This is what put Snell's Cash Stores to where they are today. Our stores have never failed to show a profit, and at the same time they have never failed to profit the man who deals with them. Come in and get acquainted with us. We want your business.

ASK THE FARMERS AT SHAMROCK!

They know we lowered the high cost of living in that vicinity. About a year ago, when we went to Shamrock, our opening day reduced groceries in price from 20 to 50 per cent. And we want to tell you that they are still on the same basis today at Shamrock as they were when we landed there, and that people from far and near have visited our store and returned to their homes convinced that they had been well paid for their long journey.

We have come to your town to merit your patronage on the basis that we have caused the high cost of living to be solved. If we don't save you money on your table supplies, you can assure yourself that the cash store has been the cause of getting the long profit credit man lined up. Who deserves the business? Let your conscience be your guide.

CITY DELIVERY DISCUSSED

We take the position that farmer patrons should not be asked to help pay for the expense of a free delivery when they are not benefitted therefrom. The farmer drives to our store and loads his merchandise into his wagon or car, pays his bill and is on his way home. Therefore, we say to our city trade we will make the price to you as to the farmer, without any free delivery services, and then if you find it necessary that you need the extra service, we will charge you a nominal sum of 10 cents, big or little order. And if you can get by without a delivery you are the dime ahead, and besides you have made a saving of not less than 10 per cent on your purchase. Pay cash and save the difference. We sell for less! One price—spot cash.

OUR STORE DOES NOT CUT PRICES

No doubt you have heard it said that our stores are cut price stores. This is not true. We do not go into a town and line up in price with competition. That would not be merchandising. If we were to fall to that plan we would suggest to our competitors that we all get under one roof and throw in together and save so many rents, etc. We buy our own merchandise as cheap as we can and sell it as cheap as we can in order to make a reasonable cash profit. We are not here to break any man or to put any merchant out of business. We are here to get all the business we can on a legitimate profit. We do not and will not sell merchandise at cost or below cost. We hope to profit in a small way from each and every patron that deals with us. And at the same time we hope that many, many patrons will find it profitable for them to deal at our McLean store. Your co-operation can make the McLean store the biggest and best store link in the chain. Each and every purchase made at this store is backed up with a money back guarantee. Yours to please,

Snell's Cash Stores

C. A. Strandberg, Mgr. McLean Store
McLean, Texas

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Special to The News.
Canyon, Jan. 29.—Mr. D. A. Shirley, chairman of the Athletic Council of the West Texas State Normal College, has announced that the district finals in basketball of the Interscholastic League will be played in Canyon in the College Gymnasium on February 9 and 10. The district has been divided into eight sections and the sectional champions will meet in Canyon on the dates above mentioned. The winning team in this tournament will represent this district at the bi-district meet.
Only sectional champions will be permitted to play in the district meet. Great interest is being shown in basketball over the Panhandle, and the tournament here will attract the attention of fans all over this section.
Section 1—Lipcomb, Ochiltree and Hansford.
Section 2—Dallam, Hartley, Moore and Sherman.
Section 3—Hemphill, Roberts, Hutchinson and Gray on the Santa Fe.
Section 4—Wheeler, Donley and Gray on the Rock Island.
Section 5—Armstrong, Carson and Potter.
Section 6—Swisher and Briscoe.
Section 7—Deaf Smith, Castro and Farmer.
Section 8—Oldham and Randall.

FIRE BY CIGARETTES

Canyon, Jan. 18.—The Santa Fe detective was here Monday investigating the fire which destroyed a section house last Tuesday afternoon. He discovered the fact that it had been accidentally set on fire by two boys, a Mexican and a white boy, who were smoking in the house.

CHURCH BARS MOVIES TOBACCO AND WHISKEY

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—No smoking nor drinking and no movies are the strict rules of the Russian Baptist church, a sect here that were originally members of the Greek Orthodox church.

The members of the church, 100 in number, have followed the Baptist service since 1917. They believe that anything which pollutes the body, mind or soul should be disregarded at any sacrifice.

To become a member of the church one must go through a grilling of three hours, and no one is accepted unless he proves to be mentally, spiritually and morally fit. Members who attend the movies are expelled from the church and if they indulge in tobacco or use intoxicants in any form the "offender" may be brought before the church court for proper action.

THE MODERN MERCHANT

Fred Voiland, president of the National Association of Retail Clothiers, is making a tour of Southern mercantile centers, and is delivering addresses which embody the best ideals of modern merchandising.

At Greenville, S. C., recently, he had some things to say which merchants everywhere might ponder. The keynote of his address is competition, and his Greenville address was characteristic in this respect.

"The merchant who is going to be a successful merchant nowadays must look beyond the sale of goods over his counter," said Mr. Voiland. "He must sell good goods and satisfy his patrons; but he must also hold his brother merchant down the street to sell his, or the buyers may come to distrust his store just as much as his competitors."

"There is another duty of the merchant. He must be willing to help build his community. He must be a factor in the upbuilding of his town."

Mr. Voiland declared that "news, never advertising is the life blood of business. So get closer to the newspapers and let them help you with your problems of getting you and your goods before the public."

"The daily press is your best friend. Mr. Merchant, and you can not hope to run your business without this powerful functionary."

It would be immodest on our part to elaborate on this theme. We point out simply that Mr. Voiland is a leader in his line and that he is speaking in his official capacity for the good of the whole mercantile fraternity.—Star Telegram.

TO BE FRANK

Her Father—"I don't see why you don't want to go to the dance with John. I'm sure you'd be quite safe with him."

The Flaner—"That's who I don't want to go with him."—New York Sun.

R. L. Parker of Alanreed was in McLean on business Saturday.

ON TIME

It is related of Washington that once his secretary excused the lateness of his attendance by saying that his watch was slow. The Father of His Country replied: "Then you must get a new watch or I another secretary."

"I give it as my deliberate and solemn conviction," said Dr. Fitch, according to Success, "that the individual who is tardy in meeting an appointment will never be respected or successful in life." "If a man has no regard for the time of other men," said Horace Greeley, "why should he have for their money? What is the difference between taking a man's hour and taking his \$5? There are many men to whom each hour of the business day is worth more than \$5."

"Better late than never," is not half so good a maxim as "Better never late."

C. E. McDowell of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Mars returned from Gilmer Friday.

W. J. Ball of Alanreed was in McLean on business Friday.

NOT IN ONE OF OURS

Goldsmith—"Did you hear about Abie?—he got drowned in bed."

Felix—"You don't say! How was all that?"

Goldsmith—"There was a hole in the mattress and he fell into the spring."

HARD ON TIRES

First Chauffeur—"There's one thing I hate to run over, and that's a baby."

Second Chauffeur—"So do I; them nursing bottles raise Cain with tires."—Appropriated.

WHEN TRUTH WILL OUT

Mrs. Exe—"Some women can never believe a word their husbands say."

Mrs. Wye—"Well, I'm not quite so badly off as that—my husband talks in his sleep occasionally."—Boston Transcript.

HARD WORK

A man arrested for murder bribed an Irishman of the jury with \$100 to hang out for a verdict of manslaughter. The jury was out a

long time but finally came in with the desired verdict. The man rushed up to the Irish juror and said, "I'm obliged to you; did you have a hard time?"
"Yes," said Casey. "A devil of a time. All the rest of them wanted to acquit you."—Boy's Magazine.

RESOURCEFUL GRAND RULER

The lodge was in session, and the Grand Ruler was on his high seat. There was a noticeable absence of cuspidors in the lodge room. As many of the members were heavy users of tobacco, this caused a serious inconvenience. During the discussion of business matters, Bro. Jones arose and addressed the chair: "Brother High Hookum, we're needful of some cuspidors for the lodge powerful bad."

"Glad you called my attention to this, Brother Jones. I am gwine to appoint Brother Williams and Brother Sims cuspidors of this beah lodge."

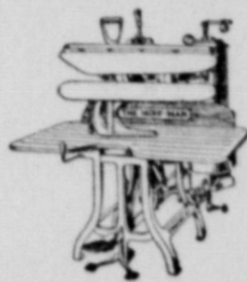
Dr. Hall will be in McLean on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 5th, 6th and 7th, instead of the last part of the week as usual.

Magnolia Petroleum Co.
C. J. CASH, Agent
Day Phone 184 Night Phone 101

V. H. MOORE
Auctioneer
Wheeler, Texas

Hill & Ledbetter
Attorneys at Law
McLean, Texas

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

Bundy-Hodges
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Bring your hemstitching to the store.

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you are assured of high quality at a fair price. Tell us your building plans, and we'll tell you how to secure the most for your money and avoid waste. Come in and we will gladly show you anything you need in our lines.

Western Lumber & Hardware Company
H. F. Wingo, Mgr. Phone 4

W. C. Carpenter made a business trip to Alanreed Friday. T. J. D'Spain of Gracey was in town Saturday on business.

SEND US YOUR KODAK FINISHING—WE DO IT BETTER
Developing films, single rolls 10c each; packs 20c.
Prints, 2 1/4 x 3 1/4 and smaller, 4c each; larger 5c.
A deposit with order for full amount required. We return any excess. You will be pleased with our French gloss finish and prompt service.
C. M. BRIGGS, Photographer, Elk City, Okla.

Announcement

I have purchased the entire interest in the City Pharmacy, and am here to serve the people to their best interests and shall be glad to have my friends and customers call on me for anything at any time, and I shall give them advantage of my 18 years in the drug business in purchasing and compounding medicines.

I have looked over different locations and investigated good offers, but have decided that McLean has a great future, so we are here to stay. With our good schools and our excellent municipal light and water, we can't expect anything but a greater McLean and we are here to help and do our part. Call on us any time. If it is not in town we will gladly get it for you. We solicit phone and parcel post orders. Your interest, our interest.

The City Pharmacy

Earle Shell, Proprietor
Day Phone 6 Night Phone 22

McLean Aid Association

A local association writing life insurance with a disability clause. When you buy this insurance you make a real investment. This is the cheapest insurance that you can buy and it is as safe as any insurance. We are already organized. Join your neighbors in this movement and keep your money at home.

AGENTS WANTED

For further information call on any of the officers.
T. N. Holloway, President; J. F. Faulkner, Vice President; A. A. Ledbetter, Secretary; Ross Biggers, Treasurer; W. C. Foster, W. L. Haynes, Earle Shell, Directors.

McLean Texas