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METHODISTS WILL BUILD NEW CHURCH

The McLean M. E. Church South will build a new church building in the near future.

The old building will be torn down and a basement put in on the present site, with the idea of a large brick building some time in the future; however, a stucco building will be erected at once above the basement.

The new building will be in mission style and will afford room for Sunday school and other purposes.

Pastor Thomas has been working on the project for some time and new all plans are completed for a successful building campaign.

C. E. Anderson, F. P. Wilson, J. H. Bodine, R. N. Ashby and W. L. Haynes compose the building committee.

FORMER McLEAN RESIDENT DIES AT LUBBOCK

M. B. E. Meador, former resident of McLean, but who has been living at Lubbock for the past 8 years died at that place last Friday at the age of 73 years, 8 months and 19 days.

Funeral services were conducted by the Presbyterian pastor Saturday afternoon. Interment was made in Lubbock cemetery.

While the deceased was feeble, his death was unexpected, but an attack of flu was complicated by pneumonia, causing death before expert medical skill could intervene.

CAR BURNS FRIDAY

A Ford car belonging to James Jackson caught fire in some way Friday while being supplied with gasoline at the McLean Filling Station. About one gallon of gasoline had been run in the tank when it exploded, and the upholstery and top were ruined before the fire could be extinguished. The engine was not damaged, and the car was taken home with its own power.

The car was insured.

MRS. WINGO BUYS FAULKNER LOTS

Mrs. H. F. Wingo, bookkeeper at the Western Lumber and Hardware Company, has purchased the four lots on First street between the Telephone Exchange and Shell's Pharmacy from F. M. Faulkner.

These lots have recently had nine foot sidewalks placed on the First street side and are very desirable business lots.

FALSE TEETH DISQUALIFY FOR RADIO BROADCASTING

Oakland, Calif., March 10.—Disqualified from speaking over radio because his false teeth made too much noise for the sensitive microphone to ignore, Fred Manile, San Francisco landscape gardener, is today considering a silencing grid to be used between the plates.

KGO control room operators declared the noise of Fred's mouth crockery sounded like defects in their broadcasting machinery for changing words and music into electrical currents of varying intensities.

RAIN FALLS TODAY

Rain was falling as we went to press this morning, with prospect of a good season in the ground for spring planting.

While there has been no moisture to speak of this winter, the last big rain falling about four months ago, yet farming is in progress in our community, with plenty of moisture in the sandier soils for good work.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan and baby of Shamrock were in town Monday.

G. W. Wells and Will Wills of Groom were McLean visitors Saturday.

Byrd Guill was a White Deer visitor Sunday.

Allen Wilson went to Oklahoma City on business Monday.

C. C. Bogan, Donald Beall and Bryan Roby were Plemons visitors Sunday.

Court House Paramount Issue at This Time

(Editorial)

The question of whether or not the court house shall be removed from the center of the county is the paramount question confronting our citizens at this time, and those interested on both sides of the question are undertaking to see that the voters have every opportunity to inform themselves regarding the issue.

The statement that only 2% of the assessed valuation of the county can be used as a basis for a bond issue is correct, but the valuation of property in Gray county is very low and there is nothing to prevent the county board of equalization from raising the valuations to double or three times the present valuations, which new valuations could be used for a much greater bond issue than present values would indicate. On the other hand, there is no restriction under the law upon the amount of warrants that may be issued, and many new court houses are started by a bond issue and finished with warrants drawn on the county treasury. Both bonds and warrants must eventually be paid, and the tax rate must be raised to such a point that it will take care of the outstanding indebtedness.

And addition to the tax burden would work a hardship on many of our citizens, as is evidenced by the fact that Gray county on March 4, 1924, had a grand total of \$18,596.14 of delinquent taxes on the books. During 1924, \$6,429.38 taxes were unpaid, 69%, or \$4,479.48, of this amount was due from the Pampa district; 14%, or \$943.96, from Knapp; 7%, or \$458.85, from Lakeston; 5%, or \$330.10, from McLean; 3%, or \$226.89, from Alanreed. In arriving at the above percentages, minor fractions were disregarded, but they are substantially correct, as can be easily figured.

When a new court house and jail are built in Gray county, they should be substantial buildings that would at least be adequate during the life of the 40 year bonds that would probably be issued for same. This would require the expenditure of a large amount of money that would mean an increase in taxes to pay for it.

County officials tell us that the present equipment is good for another 5 or 10 years, and any fire proof equipment needed can be added and paid for out of current funds.

It takes a two-thirds majority to move the court house, but it only takes a bare majority to vote bonds to pay for new buildings.

Lefors is located almost in the center of the county, and this fact means that no one section is favored above another, a matter of fairness that appeals to the true democrat.

As this is an off year as far as elections are concerned, many citizens of our county have not paid their poll taxes and are thereby deprived of expressing their choice in the matter. An election at this time could not of necessity be an expression of the will of everyone in the county.

There is another question of economy involved, and that is the fact that the minimum of time is consumed in court matters at the present location, insuring a saving to the taxpayers.

The questions of higher taxes and the inconvenience of moving the court house to one corner of the county are involved, and The News believes that while we are recovering from the financial depression caused by the war, it is a good time to let well enough alone and keep our taxes at the lowest possible amount.

J. S. Denson of White Deer orders The News sent to his address and to Miss Estelle Cooper at Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hedrick of Alanreed were in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Prock of Alanreed were McLean visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Allen Wilson and baby visited relatives at Shamrock from Sunday till Monday.

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

With His Noted Father's Portrait



Ulysses S. Grant II, on a recent visit to Seattle, Wash., was a visitor on board the American liner President Grant, which plies between the United States and the Orient, and expressed great interest in his father's portrait which hangs in a place of honor aboard the big steamer. Mr. Grant lives in San Diego, Cal.

WESTERN LUMBER CO. WILL BUILD HOMES

The Western Lumber and Hardware Company has bought a block of land northwest of the school house from Mrs. Tarpley with the intention of erecting some modern homes upon the block. Sidewalks will probably be placed around two sides of the block.

SENIOR CLASS PLAY

The News has printed bills advertising the play to be given Friday night by the High School Senior class.

The proceeds of the play will be used to defray expenses incident to the commencement exercises.

Everyone is assured of a pleasant evening as the play is a comedy and special music will be given between acts.

SPEED BROS. AWARDED SIDEWALK CONTRACT

Speed Bros., who have just completed the first sidewalk contract with the city, were awarded the contract for the second lot of walks recently ordered in, at a meeting of the City Council Tuesday.

The new walks are in the residence part of town; a full description being given in the official publication on another page of today's News.

R. S. Jackson and son, Lee, visited in Memphis Friday and Saturday. They were accompanied home by Mr. Jackson's children, R. S. Jr., and Rebecca Ruth.

Leo Turner and Ed Swafford went to Childress Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Craig of Alanreed were in town Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hodgins of Erick, Okla., visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hessey of Alanreed were McLean visitors Sunday.

T. N. Holloway of Amarillo spent the week end with home folks.

J. T. Wilson of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Charles Jordan, J. F. Watkins, Roger Powers, Harold Clement and John Haynes attended the ball game at Clarendon Tuesday night.

Burl Glass of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mrs. E. L. Minix returned Friday from De Quincey, La., where she has been visiting her sons.

Clarendon College Celebrates With Jubilee Banquet

Clarendon College celebrated its raising in rank as a Senior College with a Jubilee Banquet Monday night, when invited guests from all over the Panhandle met with the dignitaries of the Methodist church at the banquet table spread for about 500 people.

Editor Braswell of the Clarendon News presided as toastmaster of the occasion and in his opening remarks reviewed the progress of the college from its inception. Mr. Braswell presented each speaker in a pleasing manner, and the big crowd appreciated every word.

Bishop James E. Dickey was the speaker of the evening, and while "The Progress of Education" was the subject assigned to him, he spoke on what he termed "Numberitis" or the Lust for Numbers, stating that we as a people have come to measure everything in terms of numbers. Cities and towns boast of the numbers of inhabitants, rather than their institutions, forgetting that numbers, alone, do not make a great people, when it should be remembered that quality, not quantity counts for most. Especially when thinking of schools we should think of the character of the teachers and pupils, in place of the number enrolled. One of the speaker's illustrations was the fact that one button from the coat of Robert E. Lee is worth a king's ransom, while it would take many barrels of ordinary buttons to amount to much.

Other speakers who were on the program were: Dr. Geo. S. Slover, president of Clarendon College; Dr. J. W. Hunt, president McMurry College, Abilene; Homer Mulkey, vice president Clarendon Chamber of Commerce; and W. P. Dial of Memphis.

Music and readings were enjoyed by the college and high school made things interesting for the visitors.

Rev. Roscoe Stapp, pastor First Baptist church of Clarendon, offered the invocation, and Mrs. Phoebe K. Warner of Claude was called upon by the toastmaster to make the concluding speech.

Those present from McLean were Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Landers, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Shell, as guests of Speed Brothers of Clarendon.

BAPTIST SENIOR CLASS WILL PRESENT PLAY

The Senior class of the First Baptist church will present a play entitled "Let's All Get Married," at Alanreed Thursday night, March 19, and in McLean Friday night, March 20. Proceeds go to the class picnic fund.

Read the cast of characters on another page.

CITY ELECTION CALLED

An election has been called for Tuesday, April 7th, to elect city officers for the next two years.

All officers, with the exception of two aldermen, whose terms expire on alternate years, will be elected at this election.

Those whose terms expire are: T. A. Landers, Mayor; A. A. Ledbetter, Secretary; J. A. Sparks, Marshal; W. L. Haynes, T. J. Coffey and H. F. Wingo, Aldermen. Clay Thompson and Vester Smith are the hold over Aldermen.

Most of those whose terms expire have expressed themselves as not desiring the office again, and it is probable that practically an entirely new board will be elected.

Misses Lois Clement, Verna Rice, Minnie Morse, Audra Wilson, Lucile, Vina and Rachel Stratton and Marie Copeland attended the basketball game at Clarendon Tuesday night.

G. H. Williams was an Alanreed visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell and Donald Beall attended the ball game at Clarendon Tuesday night.

Erwin Rice left Tuesday night for Fort Worth and Dallas and other points on a visit.

Roger Powers returned Tuesday from a visit at Merkel.

NEW SCHOOL NOT NEEDED SAYS DEAN

In an address at the close of the declamation contests at the high school auditorium Friday night, Supt. D. E. Dean stated that this district does not need a new school building since the new improvements have been made. Supt. Dean has proven his ability as a carpenter by completely altering the auditorium and making a study hall of it. Mr. Dean has performed the actual labor necessary to make the change, and a very pleasing arrangement has been made with plenty of light, and the finished room has all the marks of a finished craftsman.

Supt. Dean stated that we need some members added to the teaching force to take care of the large enrollment, as we have a much larger high school than in some towns of 4000 inhabitants. We have a much better school than most towns, and better than any other town of our size.

The speaker regretted the tendency to largeness on the part of some pupils and paid his respects to the parent who says that it is impossible to get the children up in time for school each morning.

A large crowd attended the exercises, and the contestants, some of whom were in such a contest for the first time, did exceptionally well, and the judges found it difficult to award the first place.

Those in the junior declamation were: Odessa Kunkel, Lorene Sparks, Fern Landers, Jane Campbell, Thelma Young, Fairie Cunningham, James Burrows and Roland Wingo. Seniors: Anna Wingo, Jewel Turner, Elizabeth Wilkerson, Velma Crockett, Emory Crockett, Milton Carpenter and Charlie Mars.

Odessa Kunkel was given first place and Lorene Sparks second in junior girls, Roland Wingo first and James Burrows second in junior boys, Anna Wingo first and Jewel Turner second in senior girls, Emory Crockett first and Milton Carpenter second in senior boys.

The winners of first places will meet the competing schools at the County Interscholastic League Meet that will be held here March 27th and 28th.

RADIO SPEED COP LATEST AIR OFFICER

Oakland, Calif., March 10.—Radio announcers and other talkers over the air are warned that there is a speed cop listening. His name is F. C. Parks. At the other crossroads, Portage, Wis., he twirls his dials, clocks his victims, and sends out notices for first offenses. Today, Wild Wilson Church, at KGO, who conducts a Monday night radio hospital for English language ailments, received her first notice of word speeding.

"Dear Miss Church," the warning reads, "I am the radio speed cop for this part of the world at large. The limit of audibility is reached at 160 words per minute. Faster than that, it sounds like static. KGO announcers never exceed 140. But I clocked you last night, and you were spinning merrily at over 200 words per minute. Beware, the jail is yawning for you at the second offense."

Mrs. F. L. Cooke handed us \$1.50 Wednesday to send The News to Mrs. J. A. Ingram of Burbank, Calif. The Cooke's were leaving for a short visit in Oklahoma before moving to California, and Mrs. Cooke stated that they wanted The News to be waiting for them on arrival in that state.

Mrs. Will Harlan and baby of White Deer came in last Thursday for a visit.

E. McDonald has our thanks for a renewal subscription to The News.

W. W. Guiton of Shamrock sold two loads of bugs on the local market Monday.

Miss Lucile Stratton visited Miss Marguerite Merriman at Wheeler Saturday and Sunday.

W. L. Haynes made a business trip to Lefors Monday.

Carl Ashby of Austin is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Ashby.

News From Gracey

By Special Correspondent.
 Everyone enjoyed a fruit supper Saturday night at the West home. Grandma Chambers of McLean visited her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Spain several days last week. Mrs. L. F. Bidwell returned home Sunday. Mrs. Sam Shelton of McLean visited in the B. D. Fondren and Anson Lee home this week. Mrs. Jewelle Norman is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. E. Johnson at McLean, who is on the sick list this week. Mrs. P. M. Kellar was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. W. L. Shelton, who underwent an operation last week. She is reported as doing nicely. W. B. Bush and daughter, Miss Leeta, went to Clarendon Saturday to meet their son and brother, Simon, of Electra, who was on his way to Dalhart. Misses Birdie, Lorena, Cassie and Opal Derrick called at the Carwile home Sunday evening. Misses Ruby and Lea Bidwell called at the Harlan home Saturday evening. Misses Winnie Lee and Willie Pearl Bailey spent Saturday night with their sister, Mrs. Josh Chilton and attended the fruit supper at the West home. Miss Lucile Harlan spent Sunday at the Josh Chilton home. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Saye spent from Thursday to Saturday at the Elmer Sparks home. Miss Ruby Bidwell and brother, Bob, made a business trip to Clarendon Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Nelson and children and George Kite called at the Fondren home Friday night and listened to the radio. Charlie Webb is on the sick list this week. H. M. Belew made a business trip to Wellington Tuesday. The singing class met at the Fondren home Sunday. Mrs. M. H. Kinard and children of McLean spent Saturday night on the farm. Mrs. W. M. Allston, who was operated on last Saturday, is doing nicely. Mesdames Alma Williams and Audie Steward called at the Bidwell home Sunday. F. E. Robinson was called to the bedside of his little son at McLean Tuesday.

ADULT B. Y. P. U.
 Subject—B. Y. P. U. Plans and Programs.
 Leader—Mrs. H. M. Kunkel.
 Attaining the Standard of Excellence—S. A. Cobb.
 Bluffed by the Bible Readings—Mrs. N. E. Savage.
 Is Our Standard Worth Striving for?—T. H. Andrews.
 Planning the Missionary Program—M. R. Landers.
 Use "Home and Foreign Fields"—Mrs. Geo. Abbott.
 Associational Work—W. C. Garrett.
 Missionary Giving—D. L. Abbott.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.
 Opening exercises.
 Group No. 1 in charge of the program.
 Subject—B. Y. P. U. Plans and Programs.
 Leader—Mildred Landers.
 Introduction—Leader.
 Attaining the Standard of Excellence—Versie Savage.
 Bluffed by the Bible Readings—Harvey Grigsby.
 Is Our Standard Worth Striving for?—Herman Lee.
 Planning the Missionary Program—Fred Landers.
 Use "Home and Foreign Fields"—Fannie Stockton.
 Associational Work—Ernest Abbott.
 Missionary Giving—Versie Savage

The McLean Hardware Co. has taken over the E-B line of farming implements formerly handled by A. T. Wilson and is prepared to give you prompt service on these goods. Advertisement. tfe

Chico is recommended to be a milk producer. We have it. Cheney & Callahan. Advertisement tfe

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

Miss J. W. Kibler left last Thursday for Denton to be with her husband, who is ill.

Frank Moore of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Andy Nelson of Gracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

W. M. Greenwood of Alamoed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the voters of the city of McLean that an election will be held in said city on the first Tuesday in April, same being the 7th day of April, A. D. 1925, for the purpose of electing a Mayor, Secretary, Marshal and three Aldermen.
 W. C. Cheney is hereby appointed election manager.
 Candidates names may be filed at my office up to and including Saturday, April 4, 1925.
 Witness my hand and seal of the City of McLean, Texas, this 10th day of March, A. D. 1925.
 T. A. LANDERS, Mayor.
 (SEAL)
 Attest: A. A. LEDBETTER,
 City Secretary.
 11-4c

CHANGING VIEWS

It took many years before the people of Quannah could make up their minds to pave the business section of their town. No doubt, if it had been paved twenty-five years ago, it would not only have been a big advertisement as stamping Quannah as the most up-to-date town in Northwest Texas, but would have saved the town lots of money and worry caused by impassible streets. Getting out of the dust by itself would have paid for the paving.

After a few blocks had been paved, it dawned upon everybody what a good investment paving had proved to be, and every street in Quannah wants to be paved now.

We believe the same thing will happen when people travel over the paved Colorado-Gulf highway. The man who will talk against it two years from now will be considered very thick-headed.—Quannah Tribune-Chief.

CUTTING OFF THE BODY FROM THE TAIL

Business men at Caldwell are taking steps to prevent the operation of gambling devices by carnival companies that visit their town. News of the prosperity of Texas has gotten ahead and carnival companies by the score are flocking into the state, each carrying a large variety of devices for taking in the shokels of the venturesome and unwary.

"Gambling" is hardly the term to apply to these devices. We associate an element of chance with the term. Carnival devices do not have this element. They are mostly crude affairs to separate the yokels and the wise guys from their nickels and dimes.

Pehaps this does no great harm—the harm comes generally from a winning—but there are instances doubtless when hard earned, needed funds are taken. And the effect upon the young who visit carnivals and see their devices in full and open operation must be bad.

But bar gambling devices from carnivals! What will then be left?—Wichita Falls Times.

Plenty shelled corn, corn chops, threshed kafir and kafir chops at Feed Store. Advertisement. tfe

HENRY FORD ON MISSIONS AND PREACHERS

"What do you think of Missions and Missionaries, Mr. Ford?"
 His answer came back quick as a flash, "I believe in both of them with all my heart. The missionaries pioneer the way. Business has every reason for being grateful to them. They are the best influence for good we have in foreign countries. I have had a missionary as my guest here at Dearborn for a whole month. We are investigating conditions in China, looking forward to building a hospital there. I am greatly interested in missions and missionaries."

"What do you think about preaching?"
 "I mean what do you, a man of action, a man of great movements, think of a preacher, a man of thought and abstract things who has little touch with life, preaching to you how to live and what to do?"

I expected a different sort of comeback from him than I got. I expected this man of action to be rather scornful of preachers. I expected to hear him express, perhaps, some impatience with theorizing preachers; when he himself was dealing with the tremendous worldwide movements of life.

"I like to hear men preach. They always do me good. Whether the preacher is what you call a big preacher or a small preacher in a small town or church, I like to hear preaching. It always does me good."

That was final and it was positive and it was sincere. His executives tell me that when Mr. Ford is away on a trip to the coal mines or elsewhere over his wide holdings that if they happen to be where the party can attend church, whether it is in a large or a small church, they go.—Wm. L. Silderer, in Pacific Christian Advocate.

SPEED BROS.
 General Contractors and Builders
 Sidewalks, Paving, Stucco
 CLARENDON AND McLEAN TEXAS

W. Sherman White
 Attorney-at-Law
 McLean Texas

Louisiana State Life Insurance Company
 announces a complete personal protection policy. It will pay you to investigate it.
 Also see me for fire and tornado insurance.
C. C. BOGAN
 Agent

Two Ways of Telling a Fortune
 Astrology, plamistry or resorting to the occult as to what the future will bring are merely guesswork, but there is a sure way to fortune—combining frugality, industry and a bank account.
 Bank with us—a conservative institution.
The Citizens State Bank
 A Guaranty Fund Bank
 CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$33,750.00
 J. S. MORSE, President C. C. BOGAN, Cashier

WHY EDITORS ARE WEALTHY

Dr. I. W. Hicks found this in a dental professional magazine:
 A child is born in the neighborhood; the attending physician gets \$10. The editor gives the loud-mouthed baby and the happy parents a send-off and gets \$0. When it is christened, the minister gets \$10, the editor gets \$0. It grows up and marries. The editor publishes another long-winded article and tells a dozen lies about the beautiful and accomplished bride. The minister gets \$10 and a piece of the wedding cake, and the editor gets \$0.00. In the course of time it dies. The doctor gets from \$25 to \$100, the undertaker from \$50 to \$100, the editor publishes a notice of the death and obituary two columns long, lodge and society resolutions, a lot of poetry and a free card of thanks and gets \$0.00. No wonder so many editors are rich.—Pickup.

WOMEN'S STYLES
 Style hints for the future predict women may go without everything except money.—Amarillo Post.
 Homer Crabtree of Dalhart came in Saturday on business.

TIRES and TUBES
 that stand the test. Why buy inferior brands of tires, when you can get Fisk and Michelin that will absolutely give you the maximum service, at reasonable prices.
SNAPPY SERVICE STATION
 "Service With a Smile"
 W. M. Meaders, Mgr.

A Shave a Day
 Insures that neat appearance which goes a long way toward winning business. For a clean, cool comfortable shave, come to our shop. The best barbers, the best service.
Elite Barber Shop
 West and Everett, Props.

SAYS NOT TO REDUCE

Now comes a German physician and warns the women against fat reduction. He says in a short time no man will want to marry a skinny woman, and the rush to regain their lost reduction will be as keen as before they began to reduce. We imagine a race of skinny women with bobbed hair will be about the limit. We will be wanting our creator to make us another pattern. The German authority remarks: "Women who diet exercise and take cures to reduce their weight soon will be striving just as desperately to regain the precious pounds, because the admiration of men for thin, hipless, bustless women is about exhausted. The straight line contour of current style mode is only a fad, and

an abominal one at that, according to prominent German physicians, painters and sculptors, who expressed themselves on the subject recently."—Slaton Times.

READ THE ADS
Mules & Horses
 For Sale
 30 head, all broke to work, for cash or good notes.
E. O. YOAKUM
 Sullivan Wagon Yard
 McLean, Texas

Builders Hardware
 We handle a complete line of builders' hardware, lumber, post, wire, cement—in fact everything needed for your building needs, from a small chicken yard to the finest home to be had.
 Figure with us before you build. We can save you money.
 Buy your garden tools here—standard goods at reasonable prices.
Western Lumber & Hardware Company
 H. F. WINGO, Manager

Your Garden
 The success of your garden this spring will depend on the right kind of seed.
 You will find the very best varieties for your garden at our store. Seeds that will make a garden that you will be proud to show your friends. It is none too soon to buy garden seed while our assortment is complete.
Seed Potatoes
 Plenty of seed Irish potatoes on hand—Triumph or Cobblers. A shipment of seed sweet potatoes expected any day—Porto Rico and Nancy Hall. All certified stock. Give us your order now.
 Telephone your grocery order. Free delivery.
McLean Supply Company
 Chas. Lester, Mgr.

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GROCERIES are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. tfe

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

FOR SALE—East one-half of southeast quarter of Section No. Ninety-one, Block No. Twenty-three. Also three acres out of the northeast corner of northeast quarter of Section Sixty-six, Block Twenty-three, Gray County, Texas. If interested write John Burns, Clemmons, Iowa. 40-26p.

STORAGE—Clean dry storage under daily supervision. Inquire at News office.

FRESH typewriter ribbons do better work and last longer. Buy the best made at the News office.

FOR SALE—Seed sweet potatoes, onion and frost proof cabbage plants, potato slips and other plants in season. Write for prices. T. Jones & Co., Clarendon, Texas. 8-4p

FOR SALE—3 year old mule. \$90 unbroken, \$100 broken. Bob Ashby. tfe

I HAVE culled my flock of Rhode Island reds to 26 of the very best. Eggs from this pen, \$1.00 per setting; from farm flock, 50c. Mrs. F. P. Wilson. 9-4a

SEED sweet potatoes. Genuine Bradley Yama (or Nancy Hall) in large or small lots. Get your order in now, it will soon be time to bed. Six cents per pound, f. o. b. B. B. Thigpen, Portales, N. M. 9-3c

THESE little are doing results. Try one. 25 words for 25c.

SEWING WANTED—Plain and fancy. Reasonable rates. Mrs. Hattie Fuller, at Fuller Hotel. 102p

PUREBRED Silver Lace, Wyandotte eggs for sale, \$1.00 per setting of 17. Levie Nelson, Phone 112, 111. 10-2p

MILK! MILK! MILK! The best grade of Jersey milk delivered anywhere in town. A. L. Hibler, Phone 61. tfe

PURE Mebane cotton seed, acclimated, fully matured, \$1.35 per bushel. See John Saunders. tfe

JERSEY heifers for sale. Fresh and fresh soon. Choice animals from good milk cows. A. L. Hibler, Phone 61. 10-2c

PEAS—Blackeyes and purple hull stock peas for sale. Phone 133, H. C. M. Jones. 1p

VICTOR portable phonograph for sale. Bill Bentley. 1c

News From Back

By Special Correspondent.

Farmers have gotten the spring spirit and renewed hopes, and as civilization begins and ends with the plow, they can now be seen going in all directions.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Carpenter and daughter, Miss Gwynne, were shopping in McLean last Friday. Chas. and Bud Back were McLean visitors Saturday.

Mrs. E. V. Back returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Glass, in the Skillet community.

Vertner Bacon and sister, Miss Iva, were shopping in McLean Saturday.

Misses Ruby Wilson, Lela and Beatrice back attended the Huntsman and Peterson Creek school program and box supper at Peterson Creek Saturday night.

W. I. Bacon and family attended the box supper at Peterson Creek Saturday night.

Ansel and Cecil Back were Peterson Creek visitors Saturday night.

Jack Hess and family of Enterprise, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Sitter of McLean visited in the C. M. Carpenter home Sunday.

W. I. Bacon and family visited in the Stanton home in the Peterson Creek community Sunday afternoon.

"Let's All Get Married" March 20, at the High School Auditorium. Advertisement. 11-2c

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS may be had printed to order at the News office.

CARBON PAPER for embroidering, in large sheets at the News office.

The News

Can Print It

As You Like It

When You Want It

Oxfords

Just received a new line of men's calf and Florsheim oxfords.

John Mertel

Fine Shoe Repairing

Magnolia Petroleum Co.

Local Agent
Day Phone 86 Night Phone 101

Spring Clothes

This warm weather calls for a new spring suit. Come in and look over our samples. Quick service on made-to-measure clothes.

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Hansel Christian, Prop.
1st door north of McLean Hardware

Red Bottom Tanks

Fresh water—plenty of it—makes healthy stock. Keep it always before them. Do it economically and conveniently with Red Bottom Tanks. There is a size to fit every need.

Two styles—the round and the oblong with round ends. Made of select galvanized steel. Reinforced at top with patent Tube Top, at bottom with Double Lock Seam. Sides made doubly strong by triple corrugations. Solder is fused into all seams. Entire bottom and lower edge coated, inside and outside, with rust-preventing paint made in our own laboratories. Applied by special heat process. Five year warranty is die stamped in the side. Not genuine unless so stamped.

COLUMBIAN STEEL TANK CO., Kansas City, Mo.
Sold from stock by



Western Lbr. & Hdw. Co., McLean, Texas

A Modern Gin

Our gin is equipped with the most modern machinery. Our bolting and cleaning machinery can be depended upon to turn out the best possible sample. Let us prove it.

SMITH BROTHERS GIN

Wall Paper

I have just received a shipment of wall paper, consisting of several nice patterns and can get you any pattern that you may select in about four days.

Also a new shipment of picture moulding. Come in and see my stock. Priced right.

C. S. RICE

THE McLEAN NEWS

Published Every Thursday

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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.

A clean-up day will be needed this spring.

Our subscribers will get 53 copies of The News, this year, something that has not happened for 8 years. The present year began on Thursday and will end on Thursday.

Say what you will about women following styles, we notice that the style makers keep predicting that bobbed hair is passe and that society leaders are letting their tresses grow again, but every day sees more women bobbing their hair.

The Amarello school board is asking that no more women be elected on their board, claiming that it is a man's job to serve as school trustee. Regardless of the rights of women, we need the very best talent to be had on the school board. McLean citizens should be thinking of this question right now.

There used to be an idea that all that was necessary for a church was a large auditorium, but now any church worthy of the name is a complete educational plant. This is not always possible in a small community, but any effort to secure adequate quarters for their congregations is commendable. We have seen the plans for the proposed Methodist church, and Pastor Thomas is to be congratulated in starting such a worthy movement.

The city election is near and every citizen should be interested enough in the city's welfare to vote. And more than voting is necessary in an election of this kind, for the office must seek the man, and men must be found who will have the best interests of the city at heart. No man wants an office that carries no monetary reward, but we must have city officers; and only patriotic men who are big enough to forget selfish interests in favor of the whole community should be chosen.

"Let's All Get Married" March 20, at the High School Auditorium. Advertisement. 11-2c

We are in the building recently vacated by S. A. Cobb. Fresh garden seeds in stock. Phone 152. Clement Produce. Advertisement 1c

CARDBOARD for any purpose at the News office.

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

Yukon flour is better. Advertisement. 1c

BE AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUN.

It takes Faith to win votes. The pastor will preach both hours. Subject at 11 a. m. will be "Victory Through Faith." At 7:30 p. m. the subject will be "The Invitations of the Bible."

Sunday school will be below what it should be if you are late getting there. 10 o'clock is the hour.

All four B. Y. P. U.'s meet at 8:30 p. m. There is a place for you. If you are not there Sunday, you may cause McLean to lose the honors at Wellington Association B. Y. P. U. meeting. We had 85 in B. Y. P. U. last Sunday. We want 100 next Sunday.
W. C. GARRETT, Pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our friends who have helped to make our troubles easier to bear. Also we thank those who have helped with the business. May God spare each of you from such trouble as ours.
Mrs. J. W. Kibler.
J. Byron Kibler.
Mrs. Orma Harlan. 1c

Come in and inspect the new line of jewelry recently added to our stock. A shipment of new watches expected any day. Shell's Pharmacy. Advertisement 1c

To Telephone

Subscribers

Since it has become necessary for me to become telephone manager, I wish to say there will have to be some changes made. All bills are due on the first of each month, and I shall ask every subscriber to come to the office and settle their bills or give me permission to collect same at the banks. I need the money and cannot go to you for it. If you cannot meet your bills, come to see me about it, and we will try to arrange the matter in a satisfactory way. To those who have paid their bills I wish to thank you very much.

Yours for business,
MRS. J. W. KIBLER.
Advertisement. 1c

NOTICE

To those wishing telephones installed, will say this, installation fee and 3 months' rental are due the day the phone is installed.
MRS. J. W. KIBLER.
Advertisement. 1c

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Thompson and daughters were in from the ranch Monday.

D. D. McDowell of Ramsdell was in town Saturday.

J. E. Simpson of Lela was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Jenkins Shaw of Pampa visited home folks last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Slavin of Alarreed were in the city Saturday.

Horace Wofford is in town this week on business.

W. B. Bush of Cracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

"BOXING" AND MEN WHO PROFIT BY IT

A few days ago Tommy McGinty was sentenced to serve a term of months in the Atlanta penitentiary for violation of the prohibition law. McGinty was one of the kings of the boxing ring in Cleveland, O.

Another little kinglet was Charlie Marotta. Marotta is alleged to have served a term on the same charge.

Nevertheless he was a good enough man to stage a big fight in the city auditorium of Cleveland, an auditorium which cost the tax payers six million dollars.

United States authorities have been conducting prize fights on government reservations in the District of Columbia for some time. Evidently prize fight promoters have come to the conclusion that these government fights have lulled the people into indifference. Now they are proposing to do what for years they have not dared to do; openly violate the law by staging fights on District territory without the protection of the United States.

So-called, miscalled "boxing" has a long history of crime, graft, fak-

ery and brutality. Permit this evil to come into your town and you will notice a gradual accumulation of pimps, perverts, crooks, petty and major criminals. This kind of business is always ready to ignore or defy the law—Methodist Clip Sheet.

SIDEWALKY

Spring will come and taxes will be paid again. And then is the time to start that sidewalk agitation. The school board knows its business better than anyone else knows it, but we just rise to remark that a sidewalk leading three blocks north from the school building would be a mighty fine thing.—Spearman Reporter.

Indeed it would. A sidewalk leading north from the school building would be a good thing beyond all doubt. Also a sidewalk leading three blocks south of the school building, if such a walk has not already been provided. Sidewalks in every direction that feet may travel are good things. Muddy roads for foot passengers are more exasperating than sticky roads for motorists. No one enjoys having his shoes caked with dirt, either wet or dry, and sidewalks save thousands of dollars' worth of good temper, especially lady temper. It was not a great while ago when concrete sidewalks were a rarity in Texas towns. The cost was considered prohibitive for years after such walks were found to be practical. At that time a town of less than six or eight thousand people which had as much as a block of street paving was scarcely to be found. The great difference obvious today is a testimonial to our country's increased wealth. Pavements and sidewalks cost money, and the people have to pay the price when they get such improvements. They couldn't pay it if they didn't have money or be in receipt of it with some regularity. When speaking largely and vehemently of prohibition's failure, let the speaker compare the towns of America today with the same towns twenty-five years ago. Let him—and if he forgets to do so, remind him of it.—State Press in Dallas News.

TOWN AND PAPER

A newspaper is the one part of the town that keeps it on the map. It can be no larger than the town without working financial inconveniences on the owner. It cannot be smaller and be a newspaper, for

Scott's Kitchen

Short Orders
Chilli and Roasts
The Best Pies and Coffee
Give Us a Trial
RILEY SCOTT, Prop.

Let's All Get Married

A Comedy in Two Acts

ALANREED, TEXAS, Thurs., March 19
McLEAN, TEXAS, Friday, March 20

Play to be given at the Public School Building, by the Senior Class of the First Baptist Sunday school, McLean, Texas. Proceeds go to class piano fund.

Play Starts at 7:45 p. m.

Cast of Characters

Professor Maxwell Carrington—with a reputation for mathematics.....Fred Landers
Ethel Carrington—his sister, who has a sweet secret.....Bobbie Hodges
Miss Laura Plum—his devoted aunt.....Eunice Stratton
Marjorie Miller—his dear, though distant cousin.....Leora Kinard
Rosalind McGrath—his very competent stenographer.....Vigna Stuckey
Everett Payne—the family lawyer.....Homer Abbott
Rev. Benjamin Morris—who has excellent intentions.....Arlie Grigsby
Dick Havens—an irresponsible undergraduate.....Merle Grigsby
Jack Foster—a newspaper man who shares Ethel's secret.....Herman Lee
Biggs—a very satisfactory butler.....LeRoy Landers

Place—Small modern college town.

Time—An hour and a half.

Admission—25c and 35c

that institution must keep pace with the times above every other business. The amount invested must be considerably larger than other business houses in proportion to the business they do. Unlike other business, your home paper has only one source of revenue and that is the other business men.

Consider these things and then look at your local paper. If it is a good paper then look through its advertising and see the merchants who represent progress and are responsible for the quality of the paper. Then think of the business houses who are content to take what comes and never reach out for more business by advertising, and they will in nearly every case be those who have in a thousand ways retarded civic growth even if in no other way than being present and keeping a live man out of town.—Electra News.

Hal Kennedy of Lubbock is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Kennedy.

Mrs. J. A. Sparks and daughters, Misses Lena and Lorene, attended the ball game at Clarendon Tuesday night.

A. A. LEDBETTER
Attorney-at-Law
McLean, Texas

Hall's Catarrh Medicine will do what we claim for it—rid your system of Catarrh or Deafness caused by Catarrh.

Sold by druggists for over 40 years
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio

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J. F. Watkins left Wednesday for Childress to accept a position.

Curley and Leon Crockett were Childress visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Kibler left last Thursday for Denton to be with her husband, who is ill.

W. M. Greenwood of Alarreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

S. R. Loftin of Alarreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Arthur Erwin of the Erwin Drug Company attended the Druggists' Convention in Amarillo Tuesday and Wednesday.

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You are fully protected when insured in the strong companies we represent.

Haynes & Ledbetter
Office Theatre Building

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We own our own delivery car, and any time you need groceries in a hurry, telephone our number and we will rush them to you.

We give satisfactory service as well as sell satisfactory goods.

Our telephone number is 50.

Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co.



Bargain Specials

We are offering some special bargains in staple numbers for Saturday and Monday only, at prices that mean a substantial saving to the careful buyer.

One Table White Goods

- 35c value Long Cloth, now.....29c
- 25c value Long Cloth, now.....19c
- White Repp, was \$1.00, now only.....50c
- White Madras, was 50c, now only.....25c
- White Dimity Flaxon, was 75c, now.....50c
- 9-4 bleached Sheeting, 81 inches wide, special.....45c
- 10-4 bleached Sheeting, 90 in. wide, special.....52 1-2c
- 9-4 unbleached Sheeting, 81 inches wide, special.....40c
- A few pieces of Outing, yard wide, both light and dark shades, special price.....17 1-2c
- One lot 27-inch Gingham, regular 25c value, at.....15c

Remember these prices good only on Saturday and Monday, March 14 and 16. Early buying is suggested while our stock of these numbers is complete.

T. J. Coffey & Bro.

The Store Where Your Dollar Buys the Most

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TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN

There seems to be a misunderstanding as to my motive in signing a letter published concerning the removal of court house. I was only asked to certify as to the correctness of the valuations and the amount of bonds that could be issued, etc., which I did, not meaning it in a political way or to influence any voter either one way or another, as I realized I was a county official and would not be policy for me to take sides either way. Hoping these facts can be appreciated by all, I beg to remain Yours truly,
T. M. WOLFE.
Advertisement. 1c

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS:
TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF GRAY COUNTY, GREETING:
R. M. Gibson, administrator of the estate of W. H. Gibson and Celia Maude Gibson, both deceased, having filed in our County Court his final account of the condition of the estate of said W. H. Gibson and Celia Maude Gibson, both deceased, together with an application to be discharged from said administration, you are hereby commanded that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a newspaper regularly published in the County of Gray, you give due notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate to file their objections thereto if any they have, on or before the May term, 1925, of said Court, commencing and to be holden at the town of Lefors, on the 18th day of May, A. D. 1925, when said account and application will be considered by said Court.
Witness Charlie Thut, Clerk of the County Court of Gray County, Given under my hand and seal of said Court at my office in the County of Gray, this 2 day of March, A. D. 1925.
CHARLIE THUT, Clerk, County Court, Gray County, Texas.
(SEAL) E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff, Gray County, Texas.
By JOHNNIE P. RACK, Deputy.

AL'S LETTER JOLTED A MAIL ORDER HOUSE

Colonel Al Fairbrother of Greenboro, N. C., believes in spending his money with the local merchants rather than with the fly-by-nights, the mail order houses and the what-nots.

A certain concern has been sending out neckties in considerable quantities addressed to individuals on approval with return postage. This concern asked the recipient to either accept the merchandise and pay for it or to return it according to instructions.

He Wrote Them Instead
Colonel Fairbrother received the usual four ties, but instead of returning them, he wrote the following letter to the firm:

Dear Sirs: This morning's mail brings me your package of four neckties which I never ordered. Waiving the question as to whether or not it was presumptuous on your part to send a man four neckties and ask him to remit \$1.50 for them, will say that they are in good shape—held subject to your disposition.

The 8c stamp is also here and you can have it if you come personally after it or send an accredited representative to receive it.

I shall charge you storage at the rate of 10c a day on these articles, and if not called for within a reasonable time, will give them to some charity bazaar or something of the sort.

I am engaged in other work, thinking being my main occupation, so if you want the neckties sent back you will have to send someone to wrap them in the envelope you sent and lick the sweet mucilage on the 8c stamp.

There are many first class stores in this city selling neckties at reasonable prices, and I do not see why you should so heroically undertake the self-appointed task of selecting and sending to me on approval, without any suggestion from me whatever, four neckties which I do not want and which I will not use. If you will look at my birth certificate again you will find that I am not one of the "horn every minute" kind.

A Cordial Invitation
If you conclude to come down to personally conduct the shipment of these ties, which are held subject to your disposition, I will call attention to the fact that we have good hotels, and the entertainment committee of the Chamber of Commerce will no doubt try to make your visit enjoyable. If you send a representative to get the ties and stamp, be sure to give him proper credentials and have him call on me only during business hours.

I am registering this letter so I will know that you receive it. How would you like to trade

some neckties for a vinegar recipe? Do they have any moving picture shows in your town? Do you think that the cafeteria has come to stay? Hoping these few lines will find you well, and wishing you the compliments of the season, I am, Respectfully,
AL FAIRBROTHER.

SIDEWALK STATESMEN

Today I met Dan Perkins, Who deals in pickled gherkins, In bottles, kegs and firkins; I like Old Dan first rate. He laughs at all my writings, My prose and verse inditing, My lute and lyre smittings, I think his judgment's great.

We both felt in fine feather And talked a while together Of vinegar and leather, And why costs don't come down; At once came out our axes! We dealt some lusty whackies At those who run the town.

We grew quite wild and wooly, And talked two hours fully; But both of us felt fully When home we had to go; For 'had said that he could, And he had said that I could, And both agreed that we could, Have kept the tax rate down.
—The Fun Shop.

COMPLIMENTARY

She—"I'm going to sell kisses at the Charity Bazar. Do you think \$1.00 each is too high?"
He—"Oh, no. People expect to be robbed at bazars, anyhow."

A BIT CATTY

She was newly engaged, and was confiding in her dearest friend. "Do you know, dear," she said, "Tom and I understand each other perfectly. He tells me everything he knows, and I tell him everything I know, too."
"Really?" exclaimed the friend. "Don't you sometimes find the silence rather oppressive?"

Sunflower seed, charcoal, meat and bone meal make the hens lay. We have it. Cheney & Callahan. Advertisement. 1c

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

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Ora Oliver Gooch
Graduate Optometrist
Glasses Correctly Fitted
All work first class and guaranteed.
First National Bank Building
Shamrock, Texas

W. D. Oliver, M. D.
Rectal Diseases
Amarillo Puckett Building—
Thursdays and Fridays.
Erick, Okla. — Mondays,
Wednesdays and Saturdays.

EXPERT EYE SERVICE

ARTIFICIAL HUMAN EYES
Dr. Claude Wolcott, Amarillo
Established 1894. No Agents

BLACKSMITHING
We are prepared to do your blacksmith, wagon and woodwork promptly, at reasonable prices.
Give us a trial.
McLEAN BLACKSMITH SHOP
P. V. Rhea, Prop.

SUNSHINE IS A "CHEAP FEED"

Scientists are beginning to find Nature's "free stock feeds" the cheapest. The University of Wisconsin recently issued a bulletin showing that rickets is cured by the rays of the sun. Scientific data on the piece of pure water and air for livestock are also available. Makers of barn equipment have been incorporating these findings in their latest products for the dairy, hog and poultry houses, automatic drinking cups at the animals' heads furnishing water at all times at the proper temperatures, and glass roofs and windows arranged in the "sunny sides" of the buildings admitting every ray of sunshine possible. These conveniences quickly pay for themselves, it is found, and are investments instead of luxuries in the modern high producing farms.

THE FLAVOR LINGERED

"I once loved a girl that made a fool out of me."
"What a lasting impression some girls make!"—The Simpsonian.

WILLING SPIRIT; WEAK FLESH

Mother—"Jimmie, what would you like to give your cousin Tim for his birthday?"
Jimmie—"I know, but I'm not big enough!"—London Answers.

INSTALLMENTS EVERYWHERE

"Ed's buying an automobile on the installment plan."
"Yes, and if he doesn't drive more carefully than he has been doing, they'll take him to the hospital on the same plan."—Kansas City Star.

THE BEST GROUNDS

"I shall go to your father and ask his consent tonight, darling. There are no grounds on which he can throw me out, dear, are there?"
"Not in front of the house, dearest; but there's a potato patch at the back which looks nice and soft."
—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

REAL SYMPATHY

A teacher, trying to impress on her pupils the righteousness of kindness to all animals, took them for a walk to bring the lesson home to them. Hearing a scream from little Johnny, she asked: "What's the matter, Johnny?"
"I've been sitting on a hornet," was the tearful reply, "and I'm afraid I've hurt the poor thing."
Boys' Life.

MORE CROSS-WORD STUFF

Judge—"Why did you throw the dictionary at your husband?"
Woman—"Oh, well, I was trying to word a cross-word puzzle and asked him several times to tell me a word of five letters meaning domestic happiness, and he wouldn't do it."—Florida Times-Union.

PROP WANTED

The colored janitor of a church in St. Louis had a violent temper. He was converted, but sometimes his temper would get the best of his good resolutions. On one occasion

REAL DRAY SERVICE

We excel in Service because we have more experience and better equipment, so our customers say.

Kunkel Bros.

Balloon Tires

Equip your car with Firestone Balloons, fill the crank case with Ford Special oil, and you can go to church Sunday with a sweet disposition.

STAR FILLING STATION
"Headquarters for Service"
L. L. ROGERS, Prop.
Phone 131

casian when he was repenting of one of his lapses, he made this prayer after he had asked the Lord to forgive him: "O, Lord, prop me up on the leaning side."

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sparks and daughter, Miss Lorene, and Miss Jane Campbell were Shamrock visitors Sunday.

Miss Marguerita Merriman of Clarendon College visited Miss Lucile Stratton Friday night.

Erwin Rice was a Clarendon visitor Sunday.

Mrs. E. A. Wilmoth of Wildorado spent Sunday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wingo.

CARBON PAPER for embroidering, in large sheets at the News office.

Mr. and Mrs. George Saye of Heald were in the city Monday.

PATRONIZE THE ADVERTISERS

A NEW SUIT
It is time to order that new spring suit. We have a beautiful line of samples to select from. We guarantee to fit you. Made-to-measure clothes look better and last longer.
City Tailor Shop
Clarence Gray, Prop.

Miles from nowhere and a
Stalled Motor
We are calling your attention to this sad case that might happen, to remind you to drive around and let us give the old bus the "once over" before you start on that trip.
GRIGSBY'S AUTO SHOP
"A Square Deal Always"

It's a Wise Girl who Knows the Right Chap
With the present day weather one never can tell what is liable to happen, so if you should happen to get your lips chapped, or possibly only your hands and face, don't worry, we can remove the chap without using a file or emery-paper. You should see our line of toilet goods, most everything you could wish for.
Erwin Drug Co.
The Rexall Drug Store

Real Power
Economically Produced to Last
Power is the thing that makes an automobile go, and in Chevrolet you have real power at your command at all times. Not only does Chevrolet have a powerful motor, but the refinements of the coach work and chassis appeal to the careful buyer. There are scores of improvements in the new Chevrolet. Investigate before buying.
It is easy to pay for a Chevrolet.
Smith Bros. Chevrolet

A Burly Boy
is a marvelous piece of machinery. When properly adjusted, however, he is capable of great things; and after he learns the use and abuse of the dollar, he becomes a frequent depositor at this bank.
Encourage your boy to save a part of his earnings by making regular deposits in this bank. There is nothing of more value to the boy than to know the value of the dollar.
MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

The American National Bank


See the Keyboard on the
Remington Portable
No shifting for figures—keyboard exactly like the big machines. Easiest to learn and simplest to operate.
Complete with Case \$60
THE NEWS


OFFICIAL PUBLICATION

A RESOLUTION ORDERING A PUBLIC HEARING AND THAT NOTICE THEREOF BE GIVEN TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN STREETS IMPROVEMENTS ORDERED TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON THE STREETS HERINAFTER NAMED, APPROVING ESTIMATE AND STATEMENT OF THE COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE ALDERMEN, TO-WIT: W. L. HAYNES, H. F. WINGO AND VESTER SMITH, AND ESTIMATES TO BE MADE AND LEVIED AGAINST CERTAIN PROPERTY, AND THE OWNERS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

I. A. A. Ledbetter, City Secretary of the City of McLean, Texas, in pursuance of the hereinafter resolution do hereby give notice of the publication of the same, of the matters and things therein contained, which resolution is as follows, to-wit:

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of McLean, Texas, determining the necessity of levying an assessment against the property and the owners thereof, abutting upon the streets hereinafter named for the whole of the cost of improving said streets, fixing the time and place of the hearing of the owners of said property concerning the same, and directing the City Secretary to give notice of the said hearing, as required by Section 8, Article 1013 of the Chapter 11, Title 22, of the Revised Statutes of Texas as passed by the 31st Legislature.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of McLean has heretofore on the 16th day of February, A. D. 1925, ordered the improvement of the following streets by constructing and laying sidewalks thereon, to-wit:

Beginning at Northeast corner of Block ninety-six; thence South along the East boundary line of said block to the Southeast corner of said block; Beginning at the Northeast corner of Block one hundred thirteen; thence South along the East boundary line of said block to the Southeast corner; Beginning at the Northwest corner of Block twenty-three; thence East 115 feet along the North boundary line of said block; Beginning at the Northeast corner of Block twenty-three; thence West 115 feet along the North boundary line of said block to alley; Beginning at the Northwest corner of Block twenty-four; thence East 115 feet along the North side boundary line of said block to alley; Beginning at the Northeast corner of Block twenty-four; thence West 115 feet to alley; Beginning at the Southeast corner of Block 22; thence East 100 feet along the East boundary line of said block; Beginning at the Southeast corner of Block twenty-three; thence North 250 feet to the Northeast corner of said block. The sidewalks to be laid upon the above streets and upon which said lots and blocks shall be 4 feet wide and 4 inches thick. Said sidewalks to be constructed with a mixture of sand, cement and one part of cement, with a top 1/2 inch thick, with a mixture of two parts of sand and one part of cement.

Whereas, in accordance with Section Two (2) of the resolution entered a resolution to carry into effect Chapter 11, Title 22, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, authorizing cities and towns which have accepted the benefits thereof to improve the streets, highways and public places within their territory by advertising for bids for said streets between the points above named, has been let to Speed Bros. and

Whereas, a contract has been entered into between the said city and the said Speed Bros. on the 10th day of March, A. D. 1925, for the performance of said work, and

Whereas, the said Speed Bros. have duly given bond for the performance of said work, and for the true name of the same, and the committee of three aldermen composed of W. L. Haynes, H. F. Wingo and Vester Smith, has in accordance with Section One (1) paragraph three (3) of said resolution filed their report with the City Council as to the cost of said improvements, and as to other matters by the City Council;

Now therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of McLean, Texas, that the report and statement filed by the committee having been duly examined, is hereby in all things approved. And

Be it further resolved, that all of the cost of said improvements shall be assessed against the abutting property upon the streets to be improved and the owners thereof, and that the total cost of said improvements shall be paid and defrayed as follows:

(a) The total cost of said improvements, after deducting incidental expenses shall be paid by the owners of property abutting upon the streets heretofore named, and shall be assessed against them and their respective parcels of land abutting upon said streets, and said assessment shall be made against the owners of property abutting upon said streets to be improved and their property in accordance with Article 1011, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, and the ordinance of the City of McLean, Texas, after the hearing herein mentioned; and

Whereas said cost which may be assessed against said property and its owners shall be in accordance with the front foot plan, proportionate to the total frontage of the property on said streets, and in accordance with the width and thickness of said sidewalks, but that no assessment shall be made against any of the property or its owners in excess of the special benefit in enhanced value of said property caused by said improvements, nor shall after the hearing herein mentioned. That the part of said cost to be paid by said property owners shall

be paid in three equal installments, the first installment to be paid July 1st, 1925, and one shall be due and payable on the 1st day of January of each year thereafter until said three installments are paid in full, together with interest thereon due, provided however, that any property owner may, before maturity, pay one or more installments thereof, by paying the principle and the interest up to the date of such payment.

Whereas, according to the report and estimate of the said committee hereby approved by the City Council, the total estimate of said cost of such improvements is \$1100.40 and the proportion and amount to be assessed against abutting property and its owners is as follows: For constructing sidewalks, excluding grading, etc., \$1100.40.

Whereas, according to said report, the names of the owners of said property and the description of their property and the amount are as follows:

Ross Biggers—Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, in block 22, and Lot 20 in block 24, 860 sq. feet, rate 23c per sq. ft., total cost \$197.80.

S. H. Bundy—Block 96 and Lot 20 in Block 20, 1360 sq. feet, rate 23c per sq. ft., total cost \$312.80.

J. R. Stockton—Block 113, 900 sq. feet, rate 23c per sq. ft., total cost \$207.00.

Nazarene Church—Lots 1 and 2 in Block 23, 660 sq. feet, rate 23c per sq. ft., total cost \$151.80.

Western Lumber & Saw Co.—Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 in Block 23, 800 sq. feet, rate 23c per sq. ft., total cost \$184.00.

Now therefore, be it further resolved that a hearing shall be given to said owners or to their agents, attorneys and all persons interested in said matter as to said assessment, as to the amounts to be assessed against each owner and his property, and as to the benefits to said property by reason of said improvements, or any other matter or thing in connection herewith, which hearing shall be at the office of the City Secretary in said City of McLean, Texas, on Friday, March 27th, 1925, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time all of said owners, their agents or attorneys or persons interested in said property are notified to appear by counsel or in person and to bring evidence and said hearing shall be adjourned from day to day until all have been heard, and the City Secretary of the City of McLean, Texas, is hereby further ordered and directed to give notice of said hearing as herein provided and as provided by Chapter 11, Title 22 of the Revised Statutes of Texas, 1911, and be it further resolved that this resolution take effect from and after its passage.

Passed this the 10th day of March 1925.

Approved this the 10th day of March 1925.

T. A. LANDERS, Mayor.

A. A. LEDBETTER, Secretary.

Do not fail to see the Oliver Wheaton lister before buying Best Meter on earth. Sold by McLean Hardware Co. Advertisement t/c

DESK BLOTTERS, large size, at the News office.

Groceries are cheaper at Fickett's Cash Store. Advertisement t/c

ANOTHER SUCCESS

"I got 'em the first. 'Tis a little thing I wrote in three minutes."

"Man alive!" said the astonished editor, glancing at the poem, "why, your fortune's made."

"Thanks," said the poet, much gratified.

"Yes," continued the editor, "if you wrote all that in three minutes, you can earn a good living at addressing envelopes by the hundred." —Chicago Continent.

V. H. Moore Auctioneer Wheeler, Texas Dates made at News office or call me collect.

Shell's Pharmacy For Sale by

INSURANCE LIFE FIRE HAIL I represent some of the strongest companies in the world I insure anything. No prohibited list. Money to loan on farms. T. N. HOLLOWAY Reliable Insurance

BLUFF

George F. Baker, financier, said on his return from Europe: "You can't squeeze blood out of a turnip, and if any European nation tells you it is well off, you can rest assured its blunting—blunting as hard as the Mississippi whale."

The "Mississippi Whale" and the "Alabama Steamboat," two New Orleans tourists, were long-distance swimmers, and they agreed one day to have a race to the death. Some other braves put up a purse of \$10 for the man who should swim the longest distance.

When the "Mississippi Whale" turned up for the race he was in swimming trunks, and had an oil stove strapped on his back, and packages of bacon, coffee, bread and so on tied on his head and around his neck. The "Steamboat" stared at him in amazement.

"Vittles? Vittles to what?" he asked.

The "Whale" gave a shrug. "Doan' yo' be axin' me fo' nothin' to eat on the way over, dass ail," he said. "Mah fust stop is New York and mah nex' is London." —Philadelphia Bulletin.

LOVE'S LABOR LOST

Benson—"Did you teach your wife to drive?"

Phillips—"No, I only gave her lessons."

TERRIFIC JAR

Mariner—"I suppose the impact was terrible when the two street cars came together."

Patton—"It was awful. I swallowed the chewing gum of the man next to me!"

OH, JOY!

Father (taking small boy to the dentist)—"Wife, I've runny three times and there doesn't seem to be any answer."

Small boy (hopefully)—"I wonder if he's dead?" —London Punch.

WISDOM HERE

"You ain' ginter get much good fum readin' de Bible," said Uncle Eben "if all you's lookin' foh is sumpin' to stahnt an argument about." —Washington Star.

ONE RESEMBLANCE

It's Wife—"A writer explains here why some husbands consider their wives angels."

Her Brute—"I suppose it is because they are always harping on something." —Sydney Bulletin.

McLean Filling Station Oils, Gas and Accessories Sudden Service Magnolene Ford Oil will make your Ford run better FLOYD PHILLIPS, Mgr.

Hail-Fire-Tornado Insurance The kind that absolutely protects you against financial loss, in case of fire, hail or tornado.

RIPPY & BEALL Office at Citizens State Bank

SHORT ORDERS Anything you want to eat, cooked lik, you want it. Waffles, hamburgers, coffee, pies, roasts, steaks—you give the order, we fill it in record time.

J. A. MEADOR

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

AN APPEAL TO AMERICANS

By Justice John Ford, N. Y. Supreme Court

All that America holds most precious in its social structure is imperiled with destruction through the depraving literature, plays and pictures which have taken possession of the publishing and theatrical fields.

The family of one man and one woman with their children is giving way to the promiscuity of the herd.

Across human passions are to have loose rein in what is called "free expression of self."

That is what is taught to American children in the print, play and picture of today.

Sexual immorality is glorified and every form of depravity is depicted as the source of ecstatic pleasure to be indulged in without fear of God or man.

Virtue is made ignoble, vice deified. Matrimony is treated with cynical contempt and motherhood with scorn.

Fidelity to marriage vows is an anachronism. Chastity and continence are characteristics of the crude and the mollycoddle and condemned as injurious to health and destructive of mental vigor.

The morality taught by church and parent belongs to a bygone age. These are the baneful doctrines instilled into the minds of our children.

Their newly flowered emotions, straining at the leash of self-control, need but slight stimulus to break from the restraints imposed by religion and morality and to start the immature of mind and character on the road to bodily and spiritual ruin.

Are the forces of morality going to submit supinely to the domination of the arrogant few who for sordid gain have usurped the place of church and parent as the teachers of youth?

Why should you, the decent men and women of America, permit these horrible conditions?

You outnumber the enemies of your homes by five to one. Arise, unite and drive these corrupters of youth from their usurped place as instructors of your children.

News From Ramsdell

By Special Correspondent.

Perry Shipman and family went to Erick, Okla., Thursday afternoon.

Jeff Franks came in Friday afternoon from Camp Travis, San Antonio, to visit relatives and friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Ed R. Wallace of Shamrock visited in the H. T. Fields home Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and son, R. L. Jr., were McLean visitors Saturday afternoon.

Miss Rosa Weiss and Mr. Rubert Bradley were married Saturday night. They will make their home here for the present.

W. T. McCann made a business trip to Shamrock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Bones and son, Elmo, visited in the Linkey home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Stephens and children of Panhandle visited in the M. T. Powell home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lankford and children visited in the S. B. Malone home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dorsey of Enterprise visited in the Raymond Dorsey home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Powell of

Heald visited in the M. T. Powell home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dorsey and children spent Sunday night in the Hawthorne home. Mrs. W. A. Lankford visited in the E. Exum home Sunday. Mrs. M. T. Powell visited in the Sam Harrelson home Tuesday. W. A. Lankford made a business trip to Shamrock Tuesday.

Frank Moore of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Andy Nelson of Gracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Everybody smiles on Yukon sack. Perfect goods. Advertisement t/c

SHOES COST MONEY —and lots of it. The economical way to get your money's worth from your shoes is to have them repaired before they're ruined by wear and weather. Bring them in today. BIBLE SHOE SHOP Cecil Bible, Proprietor

AETNA-IZE You cannot always buy Life Insurance just when you want it or when you need it you must pay it when you can get it. Aetna Life Insurance Company O. G. STOKELY, Representative Sure, I'm Healthy! My wife buys all her meats at the City Market and that's the reason I never have indigestion. It pays to eat only the best meats. THE CITY MARKET

A Great Teacher Advertising conducts a public school. Its pupils are all the readers of the home paper—in short, the whole buying community. Advertising teaches that loyalty to the home merchant brings real returns in better service and better values. It's a lesson that requires the repetition afforded by the weekly arrival in the home of The News. You can teach the public to rely on your advertisements as safe guides to economy and satisfaction in shopping. Moreover, people appreciate being asked for their patronage. To them An Advertisement Is an Invitation

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