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## Means Praises McLean Section Fruit Growing

H. N. Means, horticulturist agent of the Rock Island Lines, who spoke here last Thursday under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, said in a conversation with a representative of The News, that the McLean community has the very highest type of soils for fruit growing.

Mr. Means said that the soil here is superior in many respects to the soils in the fruit growing district of Arkansas, and there is no reason why McLean should not be shipping hundreds of carloads of fruit every year.

The gentleman was here some three years ago on a similar mission and spoke appreciatively of the progress made since that time by our town and community.

Mr. Means thinks the greatest mistake made by the amateur orchardist is in not giving plenty of room for trees. Apples should be planted a distance of 40 feet each way, or some 30 trees per acre; cherries and peaches 30x30 feet apart, or 50 trees per acre; plums 20x20 feet; grapes about 12 feet apart, or 300 vines per acre.

According to Mr. Means, the disc harrow is one of the best implements to use in orchard cultivation.

Following is a list of varieties especially suited to our section as recommended by Mr. Means:

Apples—Red Delicious, Starking's Delicious, Rome Beauty, Missouri Pippin, Stayman Winesap, York Imperial, Arkansas Black. Cherries—Montmorency. Peaches—Red Bird Cling, Elberta Cling, Improved Crawford, Big Indian Blood Cling, Health Cling. Plums—Gold, Omaha, Abundance. Grapes—Baceman's Early, Moore's Early, Concord, Carmen and Delaware for home use.

## MUTUAL INSURANCE SOCIETIES MERGE

The Farmers and Business Men's Mutual Association of McLean has merged with the Plains Mutual of Panhandle.

It is the intention to place a manager in McLean just as soon as a group of policy holders can be secured here, large enough to justify such a step.

Rev. C. H. White organized the McLean company, and a large number of policy holders are now being taken care of by the combined association.

## AMERICAN BANK ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the directors of the American National Bank Tuesday, the following officers and directors were elected to serve this year: Geo. W. Sitor president, J. L. McMurtry vice president, F. H. Bourland cashier, E. C. Haynes and Raymond L. Howard assistant cashiers, Wesley Knorrp, Mrs. Etna B. Clark, J. L. Hess and J. M. Carpenter directors.

## ARM NAME LAW APPLIES TO EVERYONE

An opinion from County Attorney John F. Studer states that the notice run in The McLean News regarding business firms operating under assumed names apply to everyone, regardless of the character; even to newspapers, a Federal law requiring semi-annual sworn statements of ownership from newspapers.

If your business is known as Hi-Power Service Shop, or anything other than your own name, you must file a sworn statement of ownership with the county clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. Brel Glass and sons of Alanreed were in McLean Saturday.

Winifred Massay was in Miami Friday.

Wright Upham was in Erick, Okla., Sunday.

J. A. Rowden was in Amarillo Sunday.

## The Great American Home



## City Election Power Plant Sale Monday

Next Monday the voters of the City of McLean will have a chance to express their wishes in the matter of the sale of the light and ice plant.

While the election calls only for the sale of the light plant, due to fulfilling a requirement of the State law governing such matters, yet the sale of the ice plant is included, and should the election carry, it will mean the sale of both plants for the sum of \$100,000.

An explanation of the council's reason for selling and also a statement from the buyers will be found in our advertising columns.

An opinion from the State Attorney General's office states that only 1925 poll tax receipts may be used in this election, as the 1926 poll tax receipt, which is payable prior to Feb. 1, 1927, does not entitle a person to vote except in elections on or after Feb. 1, 1927.

## LARGE CROWD HEARS AGRICULTURAL SPEAKERS

A large crowd gathered to hear the speakers on the Rock Island and A. & M. College program given last Thursday afternoon under the auspices of the McLean Chamber of Commerce.

While the usual subjects common to such meetings were discussed, they were presented in an interesting way, and it was the consensus of opinion that the program was well worth while for our community.

## JUNIOR B. Y. P. U.

Playlet.  
Scripture lesson told by Junior—Leo Young.

Chinese Boy—W. C. Carpenter.  
Group Captain—Laverne Kunkel.  
Answer to Question 1 (What Does Baptism Mean?)—Clara Fae Carpenter.

Answer to Question 2 (Who Should Be Baptized?)—Cagle Hunt.  
Answer to Question 3 (Why Should We Be Baptized?)—Martha Mathis.

Answer to Question 4 (What Should We Do at a Baptism?)—Bobby Applin.

Answer to Question 5 (Is Baptism Believed that Baptism Saves a Person?)—Wilburn Lynch.

Answer to Question 6 (What Is the Lord's Supper?)—Fern Landers.  
Answer to Question 7 (Who Should Eat the Supper?)—Vinita Savage.

Answer to Question 8 (What Does the Lord's Supper Help Us to Remember?)—Duard Lynch.  
Sword Drill.

## STOVER TO MANAGE McLEAN GAS CO.; TO BUILD NEW HOUSE

Ed Stover, who is a thoroughly experienced gas man, having been in the employ of the Upham Gas Company for the past five years, has resigned his position with that company and will move to McLean as manager of the gas company here.

Mr. Stover and family will live in a new house to be erected immediately, on the lots purchased recently by the gas company, near the regulator station in the east part of town.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

D. H. Brynoff, Pastor  
Announcements for Sunday, Jan. 16:

10 a. m. Sunday school. Subject of study, "How to Get Help from the Bible," Deut. 6:4-9; 2 Tim. 3:14-17. We had good attendance last Sunday; let us make it better this Sunday. We have had gas installed in our church, making the entire basement very comfortable even in cold weather.

11 a. m. preaching service. Subject, "Isaiah's Call." At the close of this service we will take up an offering on the church indebtedness. Your pastor desires your presence and co-operation in this service. Let us unite our prayers and efforts and thus make this service a victorious one. Every member should feel a keen interest in the success of this collection. It is to your interest to see that this effort is crowned by success. Your pastor has counted on you before and has not been disappointed, and he is expecting full success in the present undertaking.

6 p. m. This is the hour when our B. Y. P. U.'s meet. The B. Y. P. U.'s are growing and doing good work. Young man! Young woman! if you are not attending elsewhere, come to us, and we will find a place for you and do you good.

7 p. m. preaching service. Subject "Satan's Imitations of God." This will be a great service. Do not fail to be present.  
Every Wednesday night we meet for prayer and Bible study.

Mrs. Roy Robinson returned to her home in Lawton, Okla., Sunday.

H. F. Wingo returned to Sayre, Okla., Monday after a visit with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell and little daughter were Pampa visitors Sunday.

S. O. Cook of Dallas is visiting his parents here this week.

## Still Captured; Men Arrested North of Town

Deputy Sheriff J. H. Poe, assisted by J. M. Sullivan, captured a still on a farm near the Dial oil well, northwest of town, Tuesday about 4 p. m.

The still was found in a 12x12 foot dugout in the middle of a corn field, about 400 yards from the farm house. The dugout was about five feet deep, covered with tin, and was scarcely noticeable until the officers walked right up to it. 200 gallons of mash, a 25-gallon copper still, 100 pounds of sugar, 3 gallons of kerosene and an oil stove were among the properties found.

Two suspects were arrested in connection with the case, and a pistol taken from one of them. Both men were brought to the McLean jail where they later made bond in the sum of \$1,000 each.

## FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

B. W. Wilkins, Pastor

Our services have held up remarkably well during the winter months. In fact, most of the Sundays have been such that there was no excuse for non-attendance. Last Sunday was one of our best. The offering alone, which was close to eleven dollars, shows the good interest and very good attendance. This is merely an offering for incidental purposes only.

A thing which the people seem to enjoy is the order of worship which we are using now. Also our special music, by Mrs. Boyett at the piano and Miss Elm, who is choir director and soloist, has been a joy to those present. We have other pianists also; Misses Jewel Shaw and Johnnie Villa Haynes, who render good service.

On last Wednesday evening the Sunday school council took some active steps along some advanced lines in Sunday school work.

The women have this week completed the arrangement for gas stoves in the parsonage by placing a beautiful range in the kitchen. This makes three stoves—a very fine arrangement. Personally, as well as for the church as a whole, we extend our thanks to the W. M. S., to Bro. O. K. Murphree, and to everyone who has made any contribution whatsoever. One stove was bought from each of the dealers, who gladly contributed of their usual profits.

Cecil D'Spain has returned to San Angelo after a few days' visit with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Thompson were in from the ranch Sunday.

## Hardendorf Says McLean Oil Field Best Opportunity

A. J. Hardendorf, who is associated with the interests that own the McDowell well, 15 miles southwest of town, said in a speech before the McLean Chamber of Commerce Monday night that the McLean oil field presents the best opportunity to the oil interests of any town in the Panhandle. "McLean is sitting on top of the world," said Mr. Hardendorf, "but people do not know it."

Mr. Hardendorf insisted that McLean needs a live secretary-manager for the Chamber of Commerce to secure necessary publicity. "Other nearby towns are claiming wells that rightfully belong to McLean," said the gentleman. "From six miles this side of Shamrock to Sayre every well is a dry hole. Some gas has been found in these wells, but no oil. The producing wells are grouped around McLean."

The speaker told of the pressing need of a telephone line to the oil fields, and deplored the raise in prices of lots and rents. A man wanted to build an apartment house here, but found \$150 lots raised to \$1,000 each in two months' time. Mr. Hardendorf praised the roads around McLean, saying that weather conditions make no difference here, while in some places wet weather ties up all traffic.

The gentleman mentioned the need of a machine shop and supply houses here, and told of several likely prospects for these projects. He closed by saying that a string of about 50 wells will be put down in the McLean field just as soon as a few more completions are made.

The meeting was called Monday night to hear from the oil men, but as President Pinkston and Secretary E. S. Shoaf of the Wellington C. of C. were present, Mr. Pinkston was called upon to deliver the first address, in which he told of the valuable work done by Mr. Shoaf since his employment by the Wellington chamber, and said that in his opinion McLean could find no better man or secretary-manager than Mr. Shoaf.

Mr. Shoaf was asked to talk upon diversified farming and gave some interesting facts concerning this timely subject.

"West Texas will never come into her own until there is a sow, 100 hens and a milk cow on every farm," said Mr. Shoaf. "There can be no prosperity until the farmer raises his living at home. The oil business is a fine thing for the community, but it is a short lived thing at best, and no community can afford to neglect its agricultural possibilities."

"Newspaper publicity can make any town, and an article every week should be sent to the state papers on community enterprises, nor should community enterprises be neglected among the home people. Many people were disappointed last year when McLean failed to hold their community fair. Regardless of cost, a fair always pays for itself in advertising the community," said the speaker.

Mr. Shoaf closed by saying that he had kept up with the progress of McLean News and that our permanent resources are worth more than any oil boom, but the C. of C. should employ a man whose business it will be to keep McLean's possibilities before the world.

E. J. Lander spoke in reference to the 85 acres of land owned by the railroad that is subject to nominal lease for any needed enterprise. Mr. Lander said that now is the time to encourage every enterprise possible for our community.

M. D. Bentley said that the telephone line to the oil fields could possibly be worked out in a short time and offered his services in this regard.

Miss Ruby Cook stated that Mc-

Lean seems to be getting ahead of the boom and that prices of lots and rents should not be raised to the point that outside investors are discouraged.

President L. G. McMillen observed that rents and lots here are almost prohibitive in price, and in his opinion it is not the time to boost prices out of sight, as such a practice may ruin our prospects.

S. O. Cook of Dallas said that \$100 per month on a building that cost \$3500 to build was paying interest on a whole lot of money. Mr. Cook said that 10% on the investment is considered good interest, and a building costing \$6000 and renting for \$100 was drawing about double what it ordinarily would.

Mr. Cook heartily endorsed the idea of a paid publicity man for the Chamber of Commerce.

Secretary D. C. Jones mentioned the coming city election and said that the light and ice plants should be sold. He also stated that the county commissioners are ready to issue a call for another road bond election just as soon as a proper petition is presented them.

Jot Montgomery said the oil business requires haste, and we should get busy on proper publicity at once.

The need of a new modern hotel for McLean came in for some discussion, several plans being mentioned, all agreeing that such a need exists.

Some 26 people were in attendance at this meeting.

## GASOLINE PLANT TO BE ERECTED NEAR SHAMROCK

The Columbian Gasoline Company is reported to have secured 16 acres of land on the Rock Island track this side of Shamrock, where the Upham Gas Co.'s line crosses the track, where a 6,000 gallon refinery will be erected.

Gas from the Upham line will be used, and after the process of extracting casinghead gasoline, gas will be turned back into the line.

## CONSCIENCE MONEY

The Eagle has now in its treasure chest some two dollars and fifty cents, conscience money. A well known box elder rancher came into the office a few days since and told us that he was in bad shape.

He opened his mouth and said: "I couldn't sleep last night. My wife was worried and asked me what was wrong, asked what was the matter with me. I told her my conscience troubled me and I just couldn't stand it any longer. In much alarm she begged me not to do anything rash. Then I told her that I had been reading the Eagle ever since I had been in the country but had never paid the editor a red cent for it. I said, 'I'm going to Ekalaka tomorrow and I'm going to subscribe for the Eagle and pay at least a year's subscription.'"

So said, so done, he made no more remarks, but in the language of the Good Book, went on his way rejoicing. A happy man thenceforth was he. Now, beloved brother, or sister, if you have been sponging your reading, consider the ways of this man above mentioned, and go and do thou likewise.—Ekalaka (Mont.) Eagle.

# Loves Victory

BY EFFIE ADELAIDE ROWLANDS  
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Begin Here Today

LORNA MALLINGATE, her mother and stepfather, Henry Emerson, are enjoying a stay at the seashore not far from London, when one day the mysterious disappearance of her stepfather brings into Lorna's life

DR. JULIAN EMERSON, who claims to be related to Henry Emerson, and who tells her that he has disappeared because he had no right to marry her mother. Fearing the sudden shock to her mother if told the truth, Lorna tells her that her husband's absence is due to sudden illness. Dr. Julian Emerson administers a sedative when Lorna's mother collapses. Although Julian fails to fully explain his position, Lorna agrees to return to London with her mother because Julian has told her Henry Emerson is there.

GERALD CRAVEN, Lorna's lover, has promised to join them in London that night. Craven arrives there but fails to find a trace of his sweetheart. He phones Mrs. Bertha Northwood, a mutual friend, but finds she is out of town.

Meanwhile Julian has taken Lorna and her unconscious mother to a strange house in the country. Lorna insists on continuing to London but Julian denies the demand because her mother is in no condition to travel farther.

Now Go on with the Story

He was out of the car as he spoke, and before Lorna could realize it her mother was being carried carefully by Emerson and the chauffeur from the car into a wide and pleasant looking hall.

It was then that Lorna realized what she had failed to observe when she left the hotel, and that was that the chauffeur driving the car was not Mr. Emerson's usual chauffeur. She was trembling from head to foot and felt almost sick as she alighted and tried to lift the two dressing cases. The chauffeur came running down and took them from her.

"I'll take those, miss, they're a bit too heavy for you," he said. "I'll bring them along. You'll find the lady in the front room on the first floor. I hope she ain't been hurt by the journey. I'd have gone a bit more quiet, only the gent said he wanted to get here quick, so I put on all the speed I dared."

Lorna looked at him, noting the fact that he was a respectable looking man and had a kind expression. Hurriedly she put a question to him:

"Do you belong to the hotel at the seaside?"

"No, miss; I'm from London. Took the gent down this morning and waited to bring him back."

"Then you are a stranger to Dr. Emerson?"

The chauffeur looked at her, and then with a jerk of his head backwards, said:

"What, 'im? Never seed 'im before. When he has put me off, I am getting on to town."

"In a flash the thought rushed through Lorna's mind—here was perhaps her only chance.

"Will you do something for me?" she queried.

But at that very moment, Dr. Emerson ran down the few steps and approached them. He took the dressing cases from the chauffeur and put some money into his hand.

"Now, that'll square you," he said. "You can get off as soon as you like." "Your mother," he added, turning to Lorna, "wants you."

Instantly the girl had rushed into the house, her legs trembling so much that she almost fell as she went.

Lorna remembered what the chauffeur had said to her. She went into a room on the first floor, and there she saw her mother lying on a couch.

Lorna sat down heavily in a chair and took off her hat as an oldish woman came into the room. This woman gave Lorna a quick glance and then bent over Mrs. Emerson; then she came over to the girl.

"I'm sure you'd like a cup of tea, miss, wouldn't you?" she asked, her tone civil and even sympathetic.

"Thank you. I should like a cup of tea very much." Then she added hurriedly: "Perhaps I had better wait. My mother might wake, and I know she would like a cup."

"Now, don't you worry about your mother; she'll be all right."

Lorna answered this almost passionately and this almost passionately said: "I

scarcely know how to put my feelings into words. It is all so strange and I feel almost frightened."

She brushed the tears away from her eyes, and when she could see clearly again, she found that the woman had gone away and that she was alone with her mother. It was still a very hot afternoon, but there was a delightful breeze stealing through the open windows, and as Lorna rose and bent once again over the couch, she laid her hand on her mother's forehead and found that it was quite cool, and that the sleeping woman was drawing her breath evenly. In this condition, Lorna felt that her mother was at peace. What lay in the immediate future? How was she going to face all that had to be told? Were things she dared not even put before her imagination. And of course, the girl's thoughts turned ceaselessly to her



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lover. She must in some way or other manage to communicate with Gerald; but how?

She was still questioning; still trying to deal with her thoughts which followed one on the other so quickly, when the woman who had been in before, came in bearing some tea on a tray.

"Dr. Emerson tells me that you have had practically no lunch, miss," she said, "and you must have some food."

"I'm not hungry," the girl answered. She poured out the tea with a hand that trembled, and drank it gratefully. Then she put a question to the woman who was moving about the room and had opened one of the suit cases.

"What is your name?" she asked.

"Brown, miss," the woman answered almost glibly. "Mrs. Brown. Have you a key for this suit case?" she queried, indicating the one in which Lorna had packed all of the jewelry and money.

"Please don't bother about it," Lorna answered quickly. "I will unpack those things myself, but firstly, Mrs. Brown, I shall be much obliged if you will ask Dr. Emerson to see me. I must see him—I must!"

"I will tell the doctor, miss," said Mrs. Brown quietly.

Glancing at her wrist watch (another gift from Henry Emerson), she saw that it was about a quarter to five; they had come very quickly from the south coast.

Yielding to a sudden impulse, Lorna opened the door and went down stairs.

The house was very still; it seemed almost empty.

Though the day was very hot, the front door was closed, but there was another door at the back of the hall which led apparently into the garden. She moved towards this, and then she found that the garden was surrounded by a very high wall. Beyond the lawn there was a kitchen garden, and she could see apples gleaming on the trees in the distance. It was a charming outlook, and at any other time it would have been beautiful to Lorna. But now there was something strange and ominous in the silence which prevailed in the house. There was not a creature to be seen in the garden; not even a dog.

She turned with a great start as she heard a voice behind her.

It was Julian Emerson speaking.

"It's a nice old garden, isn't it?" he said easily. "Won't you come out and sit under the trees a little while? You can leave your mother—she won't wake for another two or three hours."

Almost involuntarily she followed him and walked across the lawn. As he pushed forward a chair she shook her head.

"No!" she said. "I cannot sit still. I want to know exactly where we are?—what all this means?—and you must understand that I am not unreasonable in asking various questions, am I?"

He smiled a queer smile. "Well, that depends what sort of questions. What do you want to know?"

"I want to know," the girl answered, controlling her agitation and anger bravely, "I want to know why we are here? Who are you? Why should you have taken control of us in the way you have done? If you are a kinsman of Henry Emerson's, and you have conceived it your duty to move in his affairs, that is another matter, but we do not recognize your authority (I speak for my mother) to move in our affairs; we are outside your life. We belong to ourselves."

"No one in this world belongs to himself or herself entirely," was his reply. He had thrown himself into a chair, was smoking a pipe and was puffing at it. He held it forward to Lorna.

"You don't mind my smoking, do you?" he queried.

"Please—please, be serious," Lorna said.

"No one is going to harm your mother, my dear," Julian Emerson answered. He spoke with his pipe between his teeth. "As a matter of fact, I am going to take care of her. I am going to see

that she gets through this ordeal with as little physical harm as possible. You had better sit down," he added, not unkindly.

And now Lorna obeyed him. "Please tell me everything," she repeated. "Who are you? And why are you keeping us here? I want to get in touch with other people. I am engaged to be married to Mr. Craven. I promised to let him know when we got to London."

NEXT CHAPTER.—Prisoners in the country home.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray county—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Charley Smith by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Gray county to be held at the court house thereof in Lefors, on the 4th Monday in February, 1927, the same being the 28th day of February, 1927, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 30th day of December, 1926, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No.

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1924, wherein Esther Smith is plaintiff and Charley Smith is defendant, said petition alleging; that on or about July 8th, 1913, plaintiff and defendant were legally married, and lived as husband and wife until on or about October 1st, 1925, since which time they have not lived together by reason of continued cruel treatment by defendant toward plaintiff of such a nature as to render their living together unsupportable; that there was born to them one child. Wherefore plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving said marriage relations, custody of their child, costs of suit and general relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the first day of the next term thereof, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and seal of said court, at Lefors, this 30th day of December, A. D. 1926. CHARLIE THUT, Clerk of (Seal) the District Court, Gray County, Texas

Andrew Carruthers of Gray County was branded on the back with a flatiron in the hands of his wife when he failed to get up at her call, and he had her arrested.

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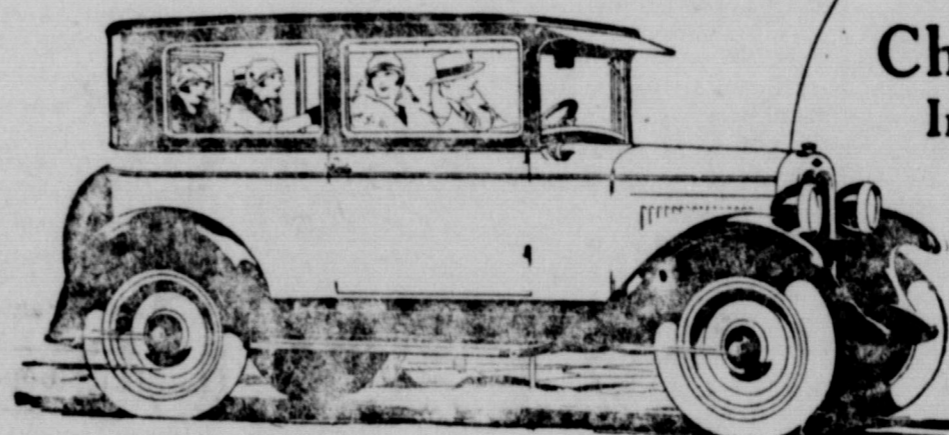
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## ARCH-FOE OF DIVORCE GETS PULPIT IN MOVIELAND



The Rev. George Dorn in a characteristic pulpit-pose.

THE arch foe of divorce has gone to Hollywood to preach in the very front yard of the movie colony, where divorces are as common as flivvers.

And what's more, his new congregation is enthusiastic about his coming.

He is the Rev. George Dorn, until recently associate pastor of Kountze Memorial Lutheran church, Omaha, Neb., largest Lutheran church in America. His new charge is Hollywood Lutheran church, which is just one block from Hollywood boulevard, where the much-divorced film stars promenade.

### A Wide Reputation

Rev. Dorn has a reputation in Lutheran circles throughout America for the fight he has conducted on divorce. He is chairman of the Lutheran church's sub-committee on divorce, and is in line for the chairmanship of its committee on social and moral welfare. He is also the author of the "Dorn Divorce Code," which the Lutheran church is expected to adopt at its next general conference.

This code would outlaw all grounds for divorce except infidelity, and would place restrictions on the remarriage of even the innocent parties in such divorces.

He pressed his campaign for adoption of his code at the last Lutheran general conference, lost it, for the time being, and then renewed his fight with such vigor that it is now anticipated that he will win at the next conference.

When he received the invitation to become pastor of the Hollywood church he first investigated conditions there. He learned that a number of movie stars are members of the church and that children of several more are in the Sunday school.

So he promptly wrote out a complete statement of his views on marriage and divorce and sent them to the church officials.

"Those views are unalterable," he wrote. "Does the invitation still stand?"

### Accept His Views

Quickly the church wired back "It does."

The new minister has just begun his new duties, and it is too early as yet to get the reaction of the film colony to his utterances. One thing however may be said with safety.

He won't tone down or modify his sermons in the least through any fear of wounding any of his film land parishioners.

He just isn't that kind of preacher.

Josiah Evans and son, Joe, of happy spent Friday and Saturday in the home of Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Brynoff.

Mrs. E. R. Turman of Pampa is visiting friends and relatives in McLean this week.

Emmett Thompson of Erick, Okla. was in McLean on business last Thursday.

W. P. Dial of Memphis was in McLean on business last Thursday.

Dave Williamson was in Miami Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Bash were Carenton visitors last Thursday.

Jack Stager of Conway was a visitor here Saturday.

Miss Beatie Gossett of Shamrock was in our city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Reeves of Alameda were in McLean Thursday.

W. C. Dunaway has our thanks for a subscription this week.

Miss Stella Roby left Friday for a visit in Dalhart.

J. B. Moore of Amarillo was here in business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Noel were Memphis visitors Tuesday.

Miss Minnie Marse returned to Norman, Okla., Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Burks is visiting relatives at Memphis this week.

Jim Saunders went to Amarillo Tuesday for medical treatment.

T. N. Holloway left Saturday for Dallas.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harris King, on Jan. 11th, a 10-pound girl.

Wylie Womack of Pottsville was a McLean visitor last week end.

Frank Stockton of Bethany, Okla., was a McLean visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cah left Wednesday for Hot Springs, Ark.

## Queen and Princess in Chicago



Queen Marie and Princess Ivana visited several of the public schools during their visit in Chicago. Here they are shown escorted by Ira Nelson Morris, Rumanian consul general at Chicago.

### IT'S NOT RIGHT

Is it right to make one man buy his automobile license on the first day of January of each year and let another go until the first of February? We just wonder.—Estel-line News.

### HE WOULDN'T

"The man I marry must have common sense."  
"He won't, darling."

Fairy Story.—Once upon a time there was an after-dinner speaker's speech that was impromptu.

Miss Tressie Moore of Dozier visited Mrs. John Saunders Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Truitt were Amarillo visitors Monday.

Buck Campbell and Emery Crockett were Miami visitors Tuesday.

### Magnolia Petroleum Co.

C. J. OASH, Agent  
Day Phone 86 Night Phone 101

### TEXACO GASOLINE

We sell Texaco Gasoline, Oils and Greases  
Tires, Tubes and Accessories

Tires and Tubes Repaired Promptly

Try Our Service

### STAR FILLING STATION AND VULCANIZING SHOP

Ted Glass, Prop. McLean, Texas

## Quality Meats

No matter what your wants may be in the meat line, we can meet them, and we meet them always with first quality meats—the only kind you would buy or serve on your table. We carry not only the staples, but also the delicacies that go to make a complete market stock.

We want to serve you.

### McLean Meat Market

We Sell Better Meats  
Barney Fulbright, Mgr.  
Phone 120 McLean, Texas

## Teamwork

In reading the reports of games during the 1926 season did you notice how all failures were due to lack of teamwork and all successes were due to superior teamwork?

Just so in the game of life—so—choose well your team-mate and then—co-operate!

We are here to serve the people and we hope to have your co-operation.

## The American National Bank

### WHO REALLY PAYS?

In a recent editorial on advertising, the *Iola Register* reached the decision that advertising pays for itself, but the *Lyons News* inclines to the belief that the competitor who fails to advertise is the man who pays for it.—*Kansas City Star*.

Buford Reed was in Childress Sunday.

President Coolidge doesn't eat peon, so a fine specimen sent him from Mississippi for Thanksgiving is still alive.

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

### FLOUR COAL FEED

Yukon's Best flour is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or your money back.

Plenty of feed and coal on hand.

### CHENEY'S FEED STORE

We Handle the Best

## Modern Bakery Equipment

Our baking equipment was installed in order to produce the toothsome dainties and wholesome bread demanded by our customers, who tell us that our pastries and bread are always uniformly good. The secret is baking genius plus modern equipment.

### CALDWELL'S BAKERY

Bread Is Your Best and Cheapest Food

## Country Produce

We buy poultry, eggs and cream and always pay the highest market price. Our feeding batteries enable us to pay "car prices" every day in the week for poultry. Bring us your produce. We are not satisfied until you are, for we strive to make each transaction pleasing to our customers.

### FARMERS PRODUCE CO.

A. C. Donnell, Mgr.  
Phone 758 McLean, Texas

## A Word to Women

### About Kitchens

Your kitchen is your workshop. You spend from two to four hours daily—more—in your kitchen. Is it attractive—is it arranged so as to make your work as convenient and pleasant as possible?

Step in our shop and let us show you a spotless, snow-white, glistening kitchen sink. You will see at once how it would brighten your kitchen and make your work more pleasant.

Our services are at your disposal for consulting about home sanitation problems and especially in planning the arrangement of bathrooms and kitchens in the new homes. Drop in any time.

### McLean Tin & Plumbing Co.

Licensed and Bonded Plumbers  
Phone 72 McLean, Texas

### "MILES OF SMILES"

Very likely before the week is over we will have hired a paid secretary for the Chamber of Commerce.

It is going to take a much larger budget than we have ever attempted here before. Hold yourself in readiness to give us your heartiest support financially and by word of mouth.

Personally, I am doing all I can to make McLean a better place in which to live.

I am having enquiries for McLean property, so if you have any lots to sell, list them with me for prompt action. If you want to buy anything in the real estate line I would be pleased to act as your agent.

Very truly yours,

L. G. McMILLEN,

Advertisement 1c

P. C. Saunders went to Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnston were in Shamrock Friday.

### Extry!



If you bought a paper in Bucharest, capital of Rumania, this is the kind of a new boy—or rather, new girl—that you get it from. This young lady was photographed as she sold papers announcing King Ferdinand's serious illness.

**THE McLEAN NEWS**  
Published Every Thursday

T. A. LANDERS  
Editor and Owner

Entered as second class mail matter, May 8, 1905, at the post office at McLean, Texas, under act of Congress.

Office in News Building  
Phone 47

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
In Texas  
One Year.....\$2.00  
Six Months.....1.25  
Three Months......65  
Outside Texas  
One Year.....\$2.50  
Six Months.....1.50  
Three Months......85  
Advertising Rates Upon Application

**MEMBER**  
Texas Press Weeklies  
Texas Press Association  
Panhandle Press Association  
National Editorial Association

It would certainly seem that the city election should carry unanimously next Monday. There is no argument that can be advanced against the sale, as long as we do business as a city under an antiquated aldermanic form of government. Vote to sell the plants.

Everybody had a chance to buy four out-of-style cotton ties for \$1.25 this week and at the same time help some so-called blind man in a distant city. This scheme was tried last year without the "Blind man" appeal. As postage was enclosed, the package sent The News was promptly started back to the company on the next mail.

There were 21,627 people killed in automobile accidents last year, or 18.8 per every 100,000 population. This does not account for the thousands of maimed and crippled from the same cause. An epidemic that would carry off half this number of people would attract the widest attention, but we carelessly go on our way disregarding the traffic rule, trusting to luck.

Very few people expect the home paper to thank their friends free of cost to them anymore, but there are still people who expect to pay the undertaker and florist when death comes, but they will send several hundred miles for a preacher to conduct the services and never think to pay him. The churches make no provision for expenses of this kind, and the average preacher can ill afford any uncalculated expense. It is only a just debt to see that the preacher is recompensed for his services in cases of this kind.

Amarillo has a smallpox scare and the school board ordered compulsory vaccination last week. It is a strange thing that we are not willing to place the credit for the small number of deaths from smallpox where it belongs. Smallpox is a filth disease, and modern sanitary methods are responsible for the low death rate, and not the injection of dried pus scraped from a sick horse. We are sorry for children who have to submit to a process that no doctor in the world can tell just how it will react upon the individual, but people must have something upon which to pin their faith, and probably every death from vaccination has the comfort that smallpox might have gotten them anyway.

McLean business men may expect to be approached with every known advertising scheme as the town takes on the appearance of an oil center. Most every scheme has enough merit to cause the merchant to be impressed to some extent, but he should use his reasoning powers and see that it will bring in direct results for the money expended. Newspaper advertising, show windows and direct mail are the best forms of advertising from the results obtained, with newspaper advertising much cheaper and better than any other known method. This has been proven too often to need repetition. The merchant who has learned to say no to the schemes will have more money in the bank at the end of the year than if he listens to the high-pressure arguments of the pedler.

Chas. Eudy, proprietor of the McLean Blacksmith Shop, returned Saturday from an Amarillo sanitarium, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

David Gray left last week for Panhandle after a visit in the C. E. Trent home.

**TOBEY AND TYKE**



**By Redner**

Mr. and Mrs. Bethel Christian of Amarillo were McLean visitors Sunday. Miss Madge Tumpkins Green spent the week end with home folks here.

Mrs. R. S. Jordan takes advantage of our magazine offer this week. W. B. Upham was an Amarillo visitor Sunday.

**THE CITIZENS STATE BANK**

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of  
at McLean, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1926, published in The McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 13th day of January, 1927.

**RESOURCES**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral security..... | \$112,532.80        |
| Overdrafts, undoubtedly good.....   | 1,726.59            |
| Bonds, stocks and other securities.....                                       | 30,677.83           |
| Real Estate (Banking House).....  | 2,713.60            |
| Furniture and Fixtures.....   | 3,708.00            |
| Cash on hand.....   | 9,175.35            |
| Due from approved reserve agents.....   | 25,232.44           |
| Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....                                    | 1,111.50            |
| Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....                                     | 5,176.88            |
| Acceptances and Bills of Exchange, undoubtedly good.....                      | 712.35              |
| Other Resources.....  | 363.46              |
| <b>Total.....</b>   | <b>\$193,230.80</b> |

**LIABILITIES**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Capital Stock.....   | \$ 25,000.00        |
| Certified Surplus Fund.....  | 8,750.00            |
| Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid..... | 139,105.40          |
| Time Certificates of Deposit.....                                      | 10,936.00           |
| Public funds on deposit (City).....                                    | 2,595.50            |
| Cashier's Checks outstanding.....                                      | 6,825.04            |
| Other Liabilities.....   | 18.86               |
| <b>Total.....</b>  | <b>\$193,230.80</b> |

State of Texas, County of Gray.

We, J. S. Morse, as president, and W. E. Bogan, as assistant cashier, of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
J. S. MORSE, President  
W. E. BOGAN, Asst. Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, A. D. 1927.  
JOHN C. HAYNES, Notary Public.  
(SEAL) Gray County, Texas.

Correct--Attest: M. E. MORSE, C. E. BOGAN, C. C. BOGAN, Directors.

**Sport**



This sports costume is mostly white--so even though it was designed primarily for temperate weather it goes nicely in the winter time, too. With a horizontal striped red and white sweater, go shirt and coat of oyster white twill. A red felt hat completes it.

Herral Marlar of Hereford visited in McLean Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. E. N. Wilkins of Hall Center is visiting her son, Reo Wilkins, here this week.

R. L. Jones of Erick, Okla., is a new reader of The News.

J. K. Crews of Matador was in McLean on business last Thursday.



**Detroit Jewel Gas Range**

We have just received another shipment of the famous Detroit Jewel, the most economical and best stove on the market today, and gives more satisfaction than any other stove sold.

While looking for a range, drop in at Dunaway's new and second hand store and get prices on the best stoves on the market at the lowest price.

Also just received a shipment of Gold Seal No. 1 rugs and will sell them for 10 days only at the amazingly low price of \$11 for a 9x12 rug worth \$16--a saving of \$5. This will help out on the low price of cotton.

Other goods priced accordingly.

**W. C. Dunaway**  
Furniture Store for Bargains

**SHORT ORDERS**

Waffles for Breakfast  
Hamburgers, Coffee, Pie  
A Good Place to Eat  
**Hamburger Inn**  
J. A. Menden, Prop.

**H-H Filling Station**

Gasoline, Oils, Greases, Tires  
Tubes and Accessories  
Try our service. You will like it.  
B. N. HENRY, Prop.  
Phone 58

**C. S. RICE**  
Funeral Director

FUNERAL SUPPLIES  
MONUMENTS  
Phones 13 and 42

**THE FIRST STATE BANK**

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of  
at Alanreed, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1926, published in The McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 13th day of January, 1927.

**RESOURCES**

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral security..... | \$43,038.67        |
| Overdrafts, undoubtedly good.....   | 174.19             |
| Bonds, stocks and other securities.....                                       | 726.00             |
| Real Estate (banking house).....  | 4,900.00           |
| Furniture and fixtures.....   | 2,080.00           |
| Cash on hand.....   | 3,069.06           |
| Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand.....             | 11,349.11          |
| Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....                                    | 1,549.59           |
| Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....                                     | 420.86             |
| Other resources.....  | 1,780.55           |
| <b>Total.....</b>   | <b>\$69,088.03</b> |

**LIABILITIES**

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Capital Stock.....   | \$15,000.00        |
| Other Surplus Fund.....  | 200.00             |
| Undivided profits, net.....  | 171.24             |
| Individual Deposits subject to check on which no interest is paid..... | 49,775.65          |
| Time Certificates of Deposit.....                                      | 315.78             |
| Public Funds on Deposit:<br>County, \$2,500.00; School, \$524.69.....  | 3,024.69           |
| Cashier's checks outstanding.....                                      | 600.67             |
| <b>Total.....</b>  | <b>\$69,088.03</b> |

State of Texas, County of Gray.  
We, J. T. Blakney, as vice president, and Jennie Sherrod, as assistant cashier, of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. T. BLAKNEY, Vice President.  
JENNIE SHERROD, Assistant Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of January, A. D. 1927.  
S. L. BALL, Notary Public.  
(SEAL) Gray County, Texas

Correct--Attest: E. B. HEDRICK, L. L. PALMER, ANDY WORD, Directors.

**THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK**

Official Statement of the Financial Condition of  
at McLean, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 31, 1926.

**RESOURCES**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Loans and discounts, including redemptions acceptances of other banks and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with endorsement of this bank (except those shown in Item 1-b)..... | \$158,985.68        |
| Total loans.....   | \$158,985.68        |
| Overdrafts, secured none; unsecured.....   | 172.14              |
| Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc., owned.....  | 14,756.32           |
| Banking house, \$7,500.00; furniture and fixtures, \$3,500.00.....   | 11,000.00           |
| Real estate owned other than banking house.....  | 7,027.39            |
| Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....  | 34,791.49           |
| Items with Federal Reserve Bank in process of collection.....  | 185.00              |
| Cash in vault and amount due from national banks.....  | 106,338.61          |
| Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12).....   | 53.18               |
| Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.....   | 106,576.79          |
| Miscellaneous cash items.....  | 646.54              |
| Other assets, bills of exchange.....   | 14,019.85           |
| <b>Total.....</b>  | <b>\$347,976.20</b> |

**LIABILITIES**

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Capital stock paid in.....   | \$ 25,000.00        |
| Surplus fund.....  | 5,000.00            |
| Undivided profits.....   | \$ 3,181.30         |
| Cashier's Checks outstanding.....  | 10,676.51           |
| Total of Items 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28.....  | 10,676.51           |
| Individual deposits subject to check.....  | 276,401.68          |
| Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed).....                        | 13,635.71           |
| Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34..... | 290,037.39          |
| Other time deposits.....   | 14,081.00           |
| Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 35, 36, 37 and 38.....                                      | 14,081.00           |
| <b>Total.....</b>  | <b>\$347,976.20</b> |

State of Texas, County of Gray, as:  
I, F. H. Bourland, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
F. H. BOURLAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1927.  
(SEAL) C. C. BOGAN, Notary Public.

Correct--Attest: J. L. HESS, J. M. CARPENTER, ETNA B. CLARK, Directors.

**RECAPITULATION**

| Resources                                  | Liabilities                 |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Loans.....                                 | \$172,842.00                |
| Overdrafts.....                            | 172.14                      |
| Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures..... | 11,000.00                   |
| Real Estate.....                           | 7,027.39                    |
| Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....         | 990.00                      |
| Cash and Exchange.....                     | 156,034.67                  |
| <b>Total.....</b>                          | <b>\$347,976.20</b>         |
|  | Capital Stock.....          |
|  | Surplus & Und. Profits..... |
|  | Deposits.....               |
|  | <b>Total.....</b>           |

**OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**  
GEO. W. SITTER, President  
J. L. McMURTRY, Vice President  
F. H. BOURLAND, Cashier  
JOHN C. HAYNES, Assistant Cashier  
RAYMOND L. HOWARD, Assistant Cashier  
WESLEY KNORPP, J. L. HESS, MRS. ETNA B. CLARK, J. M. CARPENTER

**News from Liberty**

By Mrs. Luther Petty  
Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wood and son and Mrs. G. A. Ball of Carter, Okla., visited in the Hankins home last week. The latter remained for a longer stay with her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Vester Smith and children of McLean visited Mrs. Vester Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Y. S. Lee, last Sunday.

The following officers and teachers have been elected for the Sunday school: Frank Bell supt., Reuben Woodley ass't. supt., Miss Edith Fleming sec-treas., Mrs. Jim Corbin Bible class, Reuben Woodley senior and intermediate class, Miss Alta Lee junior class, Mrs. J. B. Pettit primary class.

From an item in our last letter, one might understand that the school furnished the Christmas tree, but it and the treat was furnished by the Sunday school.

Bib Middlebrook and Bill Hardin of Clarendon visited in the I. G. Hardin home one day last week.

Richard Henley and family have moved from the Francis place to his father's place southeast of McLean. He will be employed with B. L. Martin, who is now camped at the Prairie Pipe Line station.

Lee Ayer and family from McLean have moved to the Francis place.

Spurgeon Johnson and family of near Alanreed took Sunday dinner in the H. C. Nelson home.

Horace Petty and children, Roy and Nelda Fay, of Vernon ate New Year's dinner with his brother, Luther Petty, and family.

A large crowd enjoyed a party at the Y. B. Lee home last Saturday night given in honor of Miss Pearl Parrish of Shawnee, Okla., who was visiting Miss Alta.

Those out of the community in attendance were: Mrs. W. H. Rutledge and children of Heald, Tom Bogard of Clarendon, Robert and Aubrey Carlton of Alanreed, Ernest Abbott of southeast of McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lee, Misses Joeline Vannoy and Narine Smith of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harbison and children of Washington, formerly of this community, called at

the Petty home last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Crook of south of McLean have moved to the Corder place.

Robert Stokes of Shawnee, Okla., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stokes, last week.

Paul McDonald, Everett Dorsey, Misses Letha Roth, Ila May Ayer, Mariene Dorsey and cousins called on Misses Opal and Levie Nelson last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mollie Francis took dinner last Wednesday with Mrs. Fred Hankins and daughters.

Mrs. Luther Petty and son, Francis, and Ray Hankins attended the New Year's watch party at the school house at McLean.

Frank Haynes and family of McLean and Mrs. Luther Petty and children visited at the Hankins home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bodine of west of McLean have moved to the Vanfey place, which was recently vacated by Claude Killingsworth and family, the latter having improved a place in McLean.

A singing was held at the H. M. Roth home Sunday night.

Webster, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson, is some improved after several days of severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Mrgan and children took Sunday dinner in the Jim Corbin home southeast of McLean.

The McLean officers made a raid at the Corder place bank house last Thursday night during a crap game and made several arrests.

Mr. Patton and family of the pipe line station left Friday for Mangum, Okla. Mr. Patton is one of the mechanical engineers.

Rev. D. H. Brynoff of McLean

preached to a good sized crowd Sunday afternoon.

Rev. S. A. Cobb and R. L. Appling of McLean attended services here Sunday.

**WHEN GREEK MEETS GREEK**

A grinning crowd stood around the two unconscious men lying on the sidewalk. "What's the matter here?" demanded a policeman who had rushed up, attracted by the crowd.

"Oh, nothing," replied one of the bystanders. "A real estate man was trying to sell a lot to the motor car salesman, who was trying to sell him a car. They were pretty evenly matched, for they both dropped from exhaustion at the same moment."

**NOR WILL THERE**

"When we were married, it was decided my wife should have the deciding vote in unimportant matters and I on important matters." "How'd that work?" "Fine, but there haven't been any important matters yet."

Joe Willis takes advantage of our bargain offer on the Star-Telegram this week.

**GOOD ANSWER**

A business man who had been irritated beyond measure by solicitors for this and that—tag days, drives and charity advertising—so the story goes, was bitten by a dog. He went on to "business as usual." When word got around his outer office, a couple of his irritants inquired solicitously of him "You have just been bitten by a mad dog?"

"Yes, I was." (Business of not looking up).

"What! And you came right to your office?"

"Yes. There was some writing I felt I just had to get done." (Business of going on writing).

"Oh, I see. Writing your will, I take it."

"No. Writing the names of the people I am going to bite when I go mad."—Merle Thorpe in Nation's Business.

Gerald Ross of Capetown, who wrote to a London paper saying he was lonesome in South Africa, received nearly 400 proposals of marriage.

Charlie Thut, county clerk, sends us a check to renew his subscription another year.

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP**

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership lately consisting of and between Donald Beall and R. S. Dunbar, of Gray county, Texas, under the firm name of McLean Abstract Company, expired on the 1st day of January, 1927. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by the said Donald Beall and all demands on the said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

DONALD BEALL.

Advertisement 1-4c

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement 1tc

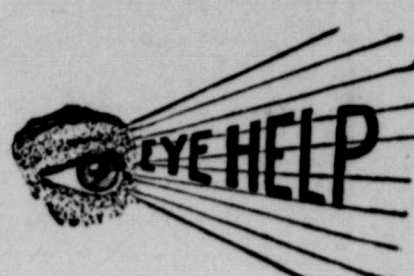
Frank P. Wilson of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

Mrs. Etna B. Clark returned Saturday from Lubbock.

**REPAIRING**

Shoes and Harness  
Car Tops and Curtains  
All work done neatly and with dispatch.  
Give us a trial.

**Bible Shoe and Harness Shop**  
Cecil Bible, Prop.



**DR. THOS. M. MONTGOMERY**  
Eyesight Specialist

will be in McLean every four weeks. Office at Erwin Drug Company. Next date

FRIDAY, JAN. 14

Now associated with HYDEN'S

Optometrists and Opticians

620 Polk St., Amarillo, Texas

**Big 3 Days**

Special Prices Good

Thursday, Friday & Saturday

This Week

Don't Fail to See These Bargains

**The FAIR Store**

Dependable Merchandise

**V. H. MOORE**  
Auctioneer  
Wheeler, Texas

Dates made at  
News Office  
Or call me collect

**Abstracts**

We offer quickest possible service on abstracts. Daily trips to Lefors. No mailing, no delays. All work intrusted to us receives personal attention. We have the record of every survey in Gray county, and you may be assured of accurate, quick service. Try our service; you will like it.

**McLean Abstract & Title Co.**

Donald Beall, Pres.  
Office in Rice Building

**Two Things that Will Help the Cotton Farmer an Incubator and a Cream Separator**

More money was made in Gray county from the sale of poultry, eggs, butter and cream last year than from all the cotton raised and sold.

Now is the time to make the first set on your incubator to get an early hatch. If you don't have an incubator, come in and see us as to the easiest way to buy one. We have all sizes, from a fifty egg capacity to four hundred egg capacity in the wonderful Safety Hatch incubator. This incubator is sanitary—substantial—durable—efficient—fire proof and safe, and is guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction if the directions given are followed, hatching strong vigorous chicks that grow off well and mature early.



**The Greatest Achievement in Cream Separators**

The Primrose ball-bearing, with every running part bathed in fresh clean oil; a mechanical masterpiece. A modern, close skimming separator that will make profits for you in better cream and more cream per gallon of milk used. "The easiest running cream separator in the world." It makes child's play of a man's job. Made in five sizes to meet your individual needs.

These machines will add to your profits this year if you will place them in your farm program. Come in and talk it over with us.

**Hamilton-McGowen Hdw. & Furn. Co.**

Complete Home Furnishers  
Phone 184  
McLean, Texas

**O. H. Foster Will Speak Tonight C. of C.**

O. H. Foster of Wichita Falls will speak to the McLean Chamber of Commerce tonight at the Bundy-Hodges building.

Mr. Foster is here in response to a request of the McLean C. of C. to the Wichita Falls Chamber to send a competent man as an applicant for the position of secretary-manager of our C. of C.

The gentleman is highly recommended for the position he seeks, and it is hoped that everyone interested will be present at the meeting, which will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m.

**MEDICAL**

It is now claimed that George Washington was bled to death by the doctors of his day who believed blood letting was a cure-all. The practice of medicine and surgery has been a matter of guesswork with an iron-bound system of protective "ethics," and it is only of late years that the profession has been lifted to a higher plane, where preventative measures have been considered and the patient allowed to know what ails him.—McLean News.

The curative science has had to struggle upward from the deepest bogs of superstition and charlatanism. The "medicine man" of the savage tribe is usually the most ardent rascal of them all. The taint of rascality had to be outlived by the medical profession before it could begin to occupy the high ground it has attained today. There is much to learn yet, as everybody knows, but there are no more diligent students than the doctors. They observe, study and develop indefatigably, and what was once a scorned vocation has now become a veritable science. Only a century ago, intelligence could be prevailed upon to take doses of powdered viper, boiled scorpion, ground snake shed and similar repulsive concoctions. A somewhat advanced generation believed in leeching the sick, of giving their blood to disgusting worms. And a little bit after that, the lancet for blood letting was the doctor's favorite instrument. To drain off the patient's supposed excess of blood and leave him weakened but hopeful was good practice. We have traveled a good way from that era, which was the George Washington era, and are still traveling. We now have low blood pressure and high blood pressure to worry over. If there really are independent diseases called high or low blood pressure, bleeding for the former and over-feeding for the latter ought to bring relief. State Press doesn't claim to be a regular physician, but he regards a little peppermint and soda as a specific for nearly any kind of sickness such as healthy persons have.—State Press in Dallas News.

**WRONG AGAIN**

Noticing a pretty new face in his congregation, the minister was bound to display a cordial interest. "We are pleased to have you here," he told her politely. "If you will give me your name and address I shall be happy to call." "Cut it, doc," retorted the flapper, wearily. "I've got a shiek."

Mrs. Walter Rowe of Chicago gave away a book in which her husband had hidden \$750.

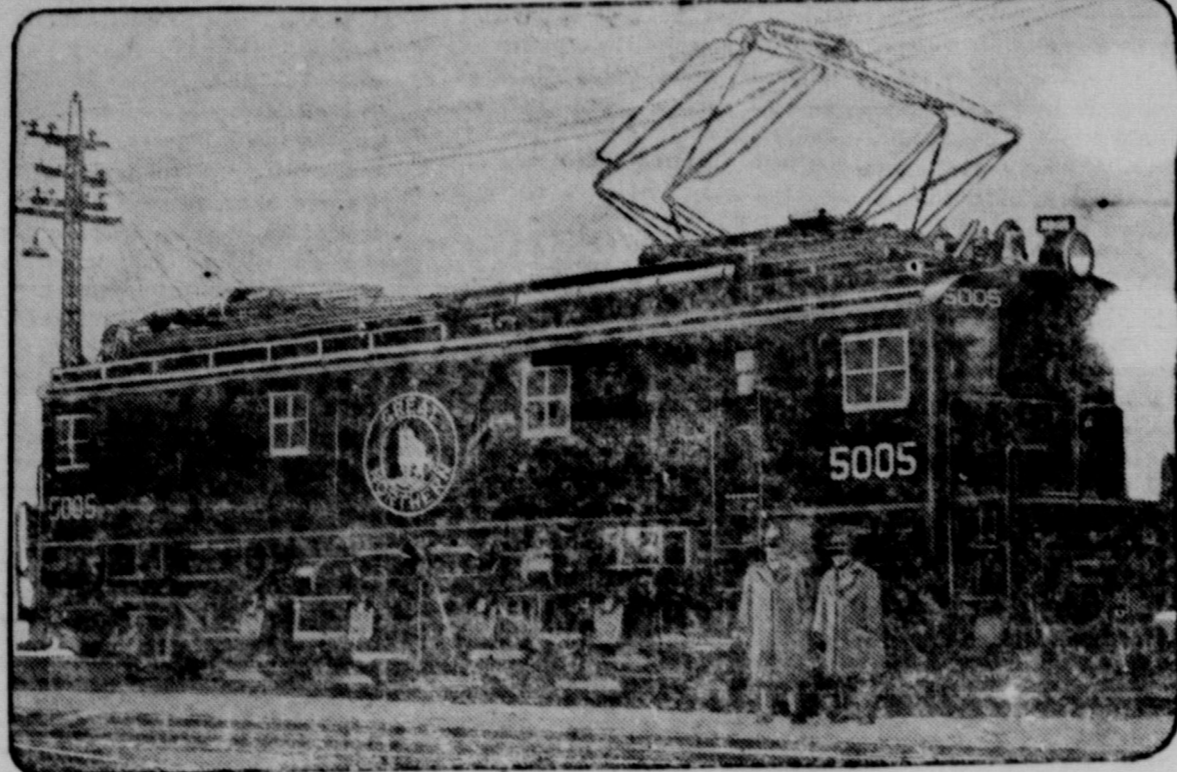
**MICKIE SAYS—**

"THE BOSS SEZ TO ME, 'MICKIE, YOU'RE POPULAR WITH TH' SUBSCRIBERS AN' THEY WONT GIT MAD AT YOU, SO PLEASE REMIND SOME OF OUR GOOD FRIENDS THAT THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE EXPIRING WITH THIS ISSUE, AND WED SURE BE TICKLED PINK T' HAVE 'EM SEND IN TH' MONEY FER ANOTHER YEAR!' AN' JEST MENTION MY NAME WHEN YA RENEW."



NOTICE OF REMINDING OLD SUBSCRIBERS IS THE kindest thing we can do for you.

**"WORM ON WHEELS" TO REPLACE STEAM ENGINES ON STEEP MOUNTAIN HAULS**



One section of one of the giant electric locomotives built for the Great Northern Railway.

THE west has been introduced to a new type of electric locomotive, said to be the largest and most powerful in the world.

Tests at the East Pittsburgh works of the Westinghouse company, that built the locomotive, show it to be more powerful than a steam "double-header."

It can haul a train of 200 loaded freight cars.

It draws current from the high-voltage alternating current lines already up, but it converts this power to direct current for its own use.

Going down hill, it uses its motors as brakes and at the same time generates power enough to supply current for other purposes.

Like a giant worm on two dozen wheels, this power engine is split in two, so that it can negotiate turns more easily. It has

a total length of 100 feet and weighs 715,000 pounds.

It has a continuous rating of 3500 horsepower at 15 miles an hour, but can exert as much as 7000 horsepower. Its speed is variable from two to 35 miles an hour.

Eight motors drive it, operated through a huge transformer from an 11,000-volt, 25-cycle overhead trolley.

Conversion of the alternating to direct current by the locomotive itself eliminates the use of sub-stations ordinarily required to provide the direct current along the right-of-way. This is a great economic advantage.

An important feature, in addition, is the system of regenerative braking by which the heavy trains can be taken down steep grades without the use of air-

brakes. The traction motors are used as generators, braking the load and at the same time feeding current back into the power system for other purposes.

This huge locomotive is one of two ordered by the Great Northern Railway to surmount st double steam speed the heavy grades of the Cascade Mountains which rise abruptly from the coast in Washington. The present line of the Great Northern crosses these mountains at an elevation of 335 feet.

The first of the pair of giant electric locomotives will operate over the 24-mile section out of Skykomish, Wash., the eastern portal of the Cascade tunnel at the summit of the mountains. It covers one of the longest and steepest mountain grades in America.

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING**

RATES—One insertion, 2c per word.

Three insertions, 5c per word. Or, 1c per word each week after first insertion.

Lines of white space will be charged for at same rate as reading matter. Black-face type double rate. Initials and numbers count as words.

No advertisement accepted for less than 25c per week.

All ads cash with order unless you have a running account with The News.

**FOR SALE**

FOR SALE—Hand washer, sewing machine and 17 bales prairie hay. Mrs. Belle Henderson. 1p \*

GROCERIES are cheaper at Rickett's Cash Store. 1c

EGGS for hatching. White Leghorn Johnson strain or Buff Orpington Cook strain, \$4 per 100, \$1 per setting of 15. J. O. Wilkins, Phone 66 41. 1p

LETTER FILES, good ones, for 65c at News office.

**FOR RENT**

FOR RENT.—2-room apartment, furnished, to parties with no children. Phone 12. 1c

FOR RENT.—Small farm; small brick business house, upper hall suitable for rooming house. S. A. Cousins.

**WANTED**

TO RENT a farm near McLean. Would consider money rent proposition if we can agree on terms. Phone 14. 4. 1p

**MISCELLANEOUS**

TRUCK hauling wanted. Phone 40 41. R. O. Cunningham 1c

MATRESSES renovated and recovered. Will call for and deliver work in McLean. Leave orders at News office, write or phone Shamrock 195W, our expense. Economy Mattress Co., Shamrock, Texas.

THE STAR-TELEGRAM from now until Dec. 1, 1927, for only \$6.60 at News office. This offer good a short time only. The sooner you subscribe, the greater bargain.

LEDGER SHEETS for loose leaf bookkeeping system at News office.

GARBAGE and trash hauled from any part of city at reasonable rates. Phone 217. Frank Haynes.

Misses Jewel Shaw and Bonnie Miller were Shamrock visitors Fri-90% of the watches now being manufactured.

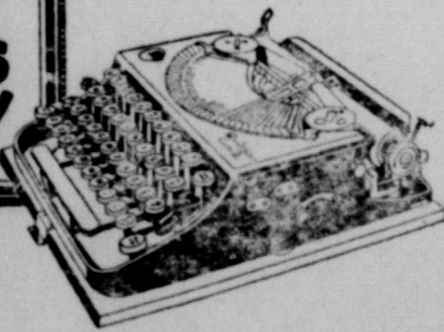
**Help Yourself**

You can do that in our store, or we will be glad to wait on you. Our goods are placed where you can see what you are buying. Everything marked in plain figures.

Visit our new store.

**Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co.**  
Phone Fifty

**\$10<sup>00</sup> down and it's yours!**



**New Remington Portable**

DOUBTLESS, like everyone who writes, you have longed for the help and freedom from pen drudgery you would obtain from this wonderful little machine.

Here is your chance to obtain one on terms so easy that you owe it to yourself to investigate. The New Remington Portable is the smallest and lightest standard keyboard portable. It has the longest writing line and takes the regular long envelope. Its writing is completely visible. And it is incomparable for strength, reliability and beauty of work.

Call and let us show you the New Remington Portable, and its many advanced features. And then let us explain to you our easy payment plan.

For Sale by  
**THE McLEAN NEWS**

**EARMARKS OF A LITTLE MAN PUNISHMENT OF**

1. He is touchy, easily incensed, sensitive.
2. He is ever on the lookout for injuries.
3. He is jealous of others, an ill-content, miserable, and makes others so!
4. He is envious, somebody always has something better, his lot is the hardest, his trials the sorest.
5. He frowns when others are crowned, he may weep with those who weep, because naturally sympathetic, but he does not rejoice with those who do rejoice.
6. He has no control over himself, he is a law to himself, he does as he pleases—or wants to, and raises a disturbance if he fails to get his way at any cost.
7. He advertises his weakness to others; he forgets there are any others when he thinks of himself; he is reckless of all results when weakly defending his weakness!—The Gideon.

An understanding reader seals his lips. When a plumber makes a mistake, he nags twice for it. When a lawyer makes a mistake, it is just what he wanted, because he has a chance to try the case all over again. When a carpenter makes a mistake, it is just what he expected. When a doctor makes a mistake, he buries it. When a judge makes a mistake, it becomes the law of the land. When a preacher makes a mistake, nobody knows the difference. But when the editor makes a mistake—good night!—The Christian Register.

**WHO REALLY PAYS?**

Over three hundred million dollars were spent in advertising last year, according to figures of the advertising agencies. If advertising doesn't pay, there must be a lot of fools parting with their money.—Brainerd (Mich.) Tribune.

Chas. Cooke was a Childress visitor Sunday.

**NOTHING FREE**

A business man stepped into a butcher shop.

"A piece of beef for roasting," he ordered briskly.

The meat, mostly bone, was thrown on the scales.

"Look here," remonstrated the man, "you are giving me a big piece of bone."

"Oh, no, I ain't," said the butcher blandly, "yer paying fer it."

It's hard to love your neighbor as yourself if he happens to be earning the saxophone.

**NEED A DRAY?**

Quick Service

Reasonable Rates

Phone the City Market

**City Dray and Transfer**

D. C. Christopher, Prop.  
McLean, Texas

**Quick Meal Gas Ranges**

No better range made. Try one on our recommendation. You must be pleased.

Plenty of gas heaters in all sizes and styles.

Get our prices and see our line before you buy.

**McLean Hdw. Co.**  
W. B. Upham, Mgr.

**Compare Values**

With only four other cars of large production in the four-cylinder field it is exceedingly easy to recognize the outstanding values of the Chrysler "50" and decide which car to buy.

Lining up the five cars side by side in your own mind, you will be startled by the contrast between them—and especially by the contrast between the Chrysler "50" and all the others.

In point of size, seating-room, beauty of design, beauty of finish, and power, the Chrysler "50" stands out so unmistakably that you recognize the price at once as far and away the greatest offering ever made in four-cylinder cars.

Chrysler "50" is one of the four great Chrysler cars, all engineered and manufactured by the same expert group—all built according to the same rigid quality standard.

**Snappy Service Station**  
Cubine Brothers, Props.

# Just to Remind You

On Monday, January 17th, the election will be held to ratify the sale of the Electric and Ice Plants and permit the conclusion of this transaction.

There appears to be no opposition to the sale of these properties in view of the advantages to be derived from the high price to be paid for them.

If the action of the City Council is approved in this election, we pledge ourselves to give to the people of McLean the same standard service and the same individual attention to our patrons as in the other cities we serve.

Our operating program will be one of service and co-operation and constructive effort toward the building of the City of McLean.

## Southwestern **PUBLIC SERVICE** Company

# Statement to the Public by City Council

For the information of the public, and in order that the property owners will more thoroughly understand the purpose of the election which has been called for Monday, January 17th, we, the undersigned members of the City Council of McLean, Texas, wish to say that after due deliberations, we have entered into a contract to sell the City Light Plant and the Ice Plant to the Southwestern Public Service Company of Amarillo, Texas, this company having submitted the highest bid for the property at our special meeting held Dec. 6, 1926, all of the companies interested having been duly notified prior to that time.

The consideration of sale is \$80,000.00 for the Light Plant and \$20,000.00 for the Ice Plant, or a total of \$100,000.00 for both, which is to be paid in cash.

The light and power rates under the proposed franchise will be: minimum, \$2.00 per month; first 11 k. w. 18c per k. w., next 14 k. w. at 15c, next 25 k. w. at 12 1-2c, next 50 k. w. at 10c, all over at 7 1-2c; as compared with the present rates of minimum \$2.00 per month, first 10 k. w. at 20c, next 10 k. w. at 18c, next 10 k. w. at 16c, all over at 15c.

We believe that under the present conditions, such a sale is warranted and will work to the best interests of the City and its inhabitants.

The responsibility of operating the plant now rests upon us as public servants, and we believe that placing this Public Utility in the hands of a safe company whose experience and resources give full assurance that in any emergency the City's requirements will be fulfilled in a satisfactory manner, is the best solution of this problem.

After full investigation, we believe the Southwestern Public Service Company of Amarillo to be a safe and reliable company, whose facilities will afford ample and satisfactory service at all times and under any new changed conditions which may develop through future growth or expansion of the City of McLean. Likewise, we believe that the consideration obtained represents, in full measure, the value of the plants.

If, in the election next Monday, this sale is ratified by the vote of the citizenship of McLean, thereby authorizing the City Council to consummate the deal as outlined above, the City will be able to pay its present heavy indebtedness and be left free to work out plans for city sewerage and improved sanitary conditions, street paving in the business section and other civic improvements which are now seriously important to the City's welfare.

Signed:  
C. J. CASH, Mayor.  
JAS. F. HEASLEY, Secretary.  
C. C. COOK, Alderman.

E. J. LANDER, Alderman.  
F. H. BOURLAND, Alderman.  
D. N. MASSAY, Alderman.  
PERRY EVERETT, Alderman.

News from Alanreed

Mrs. Hubert Wilkins entertained a number of her friends Friday evening. Many games and contests were enjoyed, after which refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Knowles of Lella Lake visited their son, Luby, and Mrs. Knowles' sister, Mrs. L. L. Palmer, Sunday.

C. R. Watson of El Reno, Okla., was a visitor at the home of H. A. Jones Sunday and Monday.

The B. Y. P. U. study course, conducted by Miss Mannie Abbott, began Monday. The young people are urged to attend.

Albert and Misses Susan, Florence and Lola Jones were in McLean Thursday.

Mrs. Jasper Elms and Miss Willie Bell Palmer returned to their school Monday after a week's vacation due to whooping cough.

Mrs. S. R. Loftin entertained the Ladies Culture Club in her home Friday afternoon.

Chapman-Carroll

Mr. John Chapman and Mrs. Carroll were married at Lafors Sunday afternoon. We wish them happiness.

A basketball game was played at Alanreed Dec. 7, between Goldston and Alanreed teams. The score was 34 to 7 in Alanreed's favor. We are very proud of our boys, as they have not lost a game this season.

Mesdames S. L. Ball, E. B. Hedrick, S. B. Ball and Miss Mary Snyder were McLean visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Vera Slavin was a Clarendon visitor Monday.

Frank Wilson was a McLean visitor Saturday.

E. B. Reeves made a business trip to Amarillo Tuesday.

Olan Castleberry of Clarendon was an Alanreed visitor Sunday.

The basketball boys called a business meeting Tuesday afternoon and raised money to enter the Inter-scholastic League basketball contest.

When a flock of seventy hens composed of every imaginable breed shows no more than six that will lay well enough to pay for their feed, Gertrude Brent of Coleman figures that the owner should sell or can the whole flock and replace with standard bred birds of one breed. This condition is found in many a Texas farm flock during culling demonstrations.

Borings for oil have disclosed potash salts in several sections of West Texas and commercial development of potash is probable in a year or two.

Gypsum, salt, cement materials and building stone are abundant and are being produced in quantities in Texas.

News from Ramsdell

J. D. Davidson went to Shamrock Wednesday.

E. Exum, Elmer Privett, Ferd Bones and Joe Gibbons went to McLean on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davidson and daughter, Miss Lena, were McLean visitors Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Phillips were visitors in Shamrock Friday.

J. H. and W. T. McCann and sons went to Lela Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Thomas and children of Canadian spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of the lady's mother, Mrs. E. E. Franks. Mrs. Roy Franks and little daughter returned with her after a visit with relatives in Gay, Okla.

Miss Blanche Groves was a dinner guest in the J. G. Davidson home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Phillips visited in the home of their son, Giles, at Shamrock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Veatch and children of Shamrock visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCann Sunday.

Milton Powell of Butler, Okla., came in Sunday morning to visit his uncle, J. T. Powell, and family.

Rev. John Crow of Shamrock filled his regular appointment here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Grogan and children were supper guests in the J. G. Davidson home one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davidson and daughter, Miss Lena, and Mrs. Charlie Longan went to Wheeler on business Monday.

NOT NEAR FULL

"Ah, Miss Mandy, am yo' program full?"

"Lordee, no, Mr. Lamley. It takes mo' an a sandwich an' two olives to fill mah program."

BIG MOUTHS

First Porter—"Boy, yo' sho' has a big mouth."

Second Ditto—"Fool nigger, dat ain't no key hole in the front of yo' own face!"

A PEACH OF A SKIRT

Peaches—"I'd like to try on that rose dress in the window."

Salesman—"Sorry, miss. That's the lampshade."

Petroleum, sulphur, lignite, coal, natural gas, asphalt and clays are among the leading Texas mineral products.

Texas produces forty minerals on a commercial scale.

W. L. Haynes was in Amarillo Friday.

Getting a Kick Out of Winter.



Winter sports are just as good as summer ones, and sometimes a lot more picturesque. This shows a party on skis going down a slope near Lake Placid, N. Y.

HOPELESS

"And when are they to be married?"

"Never, I'm afraid."

"Why?"

"Well, she won't marry him until he pays his debts, and he can't pay his debts until she marries him."

Miss Ruth Patching spent the week end with home folks in Clarendon.

Blacksmithing

Woodworking and General

Blacksmith Work

All Work Guaranteed

Your Business Appreciated

McLean Blacksmith Shop

Chas. Eddy, Prop.

Rudolph Valentino

in

"THE SON OF THE SHEIK"

(A Sequel to "The Sheik")

with Velma Banky

With eyes more fiery, lips more magnetic and romance more electric!

He rides like the wind, fights like a Bedouin, and loves as only

THE SON OF THE SHEIK can love!

Valentino's Greatest Achievement

Wednesday and Thursday

RUDOLPH VALENTINO Jan. 19-20, 1927

Legion Theatre

C. E. Truitt, Mgr. McLean, Texas

MEAT FOR DINNER

Meat should be part of every meal during the winter weather. Whatever your taste demands in fresh or cured meats, we can supply in cuts just like your order calls for. Plenty of fresh Jersey milk at all times.

THE CITY MARKET

The Best in Fresh and Cured Meats

Follow Big Business

The largest and most successful business houses in America keep a goodly percentage of their assets always on deposit in the bank. This money is kept liquid to meet the needs for cash that are constantly arising.

Individuals, the same as industrial enterprises, are continuously in need of funds. Follow the lead of big business. Keep a good sized percentage of your money liquid in a checking account at this bank.

The Citizens State Bank

CAPITAL, BOND AND SURPLUS \$68,750.00  
J. R. MORSE, President C. C. BOGAN, Cashier



An Ideal Treatment for Your Hair

First: Shampoo the hair thoroughly with Rexall "93" Shampoo Paste

This paste is a semi-solid soap—non-injurious, delightful to use.

Second: Apply Rexall "93" Hair Tonic

The tonic is easy to apply—not sticky or mussy.

Erwin Drug Co.

The Rexall Drug Store

A crusade has been started to remove unsightly calendars and torn pictures from the walls of Coleman county homes by Gertrude Brent in her picture framing project. Her procedure is to select out the best pictures for each room in the demonstrator's home and then construct suitable frames from boxes. At the next meeting the pictures are mounted and the frames painted and tinted.

From a survey of 25,000 high school students in five states, Montaville Flowers of Pasadena found those among them who desired to enter almost every kind of profession or occupation, except that they did not want to be farmers or ministers.

Scott Johnston returned from a day of last week from Amarillo.

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement this week.

BUY HERE

Candy, Cold Drinks  
Hoffman's Boxed Chocolates  
Magazines and Books  
Cigars and Tobaccos

Come to us for everything in our line.

E. E. Dishman  
Confectionery

LUMBER—TIMBERS—SHINGLES

All Building Materials

Direct from mills and factories to builders anywhere. White Pine, Yellow Pine, Fir, Cypress, Cedar, Hardwoods. Straight cars, house bills or smaller shipments, by train or truck. High grades, quick shipments, great saving. Write or wire.

Louisiana Lumber & Supply Company

Distributing Yard and Office  
1509 W. 6th Street AMARILLO Phone 4290

Faith in McLean

As an evidence of our faith in McLean we have leased the entire Bundy-Hodges building for a year and are putting in gas, water, toilet, lavatory and sewerage disposal at our own expense; but we do not need all the building. We will rent one side and the basement and wareroom for a store or we might cut it up into offices. Any parties needing a good location would do well to see us early.

O, yes, don't forget we are still buying and selling real estate. We would rather buy than sell at the present time, but we can't buy it all. We know of a bargain for you. If you want to buy or sell, see us. We know real estate values. We will sell you anything you want, but we won't recommend that you buy anything we would not buy ourselves.

We have spent about twenty-five years learning the real estate and building game, and it will not cost you anything to use this information.

D. C. Jones

25 Years in the Real Estate Business—We Know Values  
Office Bundy-Hodges Building, Phone 90 Res. Phone 216

Your Groceries

This is one of the most vital questions that face the housewife of today. Just where they can be bought to make the most savings and yet keep the table supplied with that which is most wholesome to eat.

We handle the best that is to be had and we have lines that are the best that can be secured for the price, if a lower priced article is desired.

Savings can be made by purchasing the very best, or it is that which will always give the greatest amount of satisfaction.

When you go to make your next order stop and think, then call our store for saving and ultimate satisfaction.

McLean Supply Co.

CHAS. LEWIS, Manager