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Fertilizer for Farms Subject C. of C. Monday

The use of fertilizer for farms was one of the subjects discussed at the Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday night. Talks were made by O. G. Stokely, M. M. Newman, G. J. Abbott, M. D. Bentley and others, and W. C. Cheney was appointed to ascertain the right kind of fertilizer needed by the different soils around McLean, with the idea of ordering a carload of fertilizer, should it be desired by farmers.

The matter of a county agent was brought up, and M. D. Bentley made a strong plea for the work of an agent. Mr. Bentley said that farmers cannot afford to get in a rut, but must progress and keep in step with other lines of business, and that most of the complaint against a county agent comes from those who do not use this fertilizer. The speaker regretted the lack of state aid in paying the agent's salary.

M. M. Newman stated that the state aid could be obtained at any time if an agent is appointed for Gray county. G. J. Abbott said he was not willing to sell as a county agent, but was willing to admit that the right kind of county agent could be very useful to the farmer.

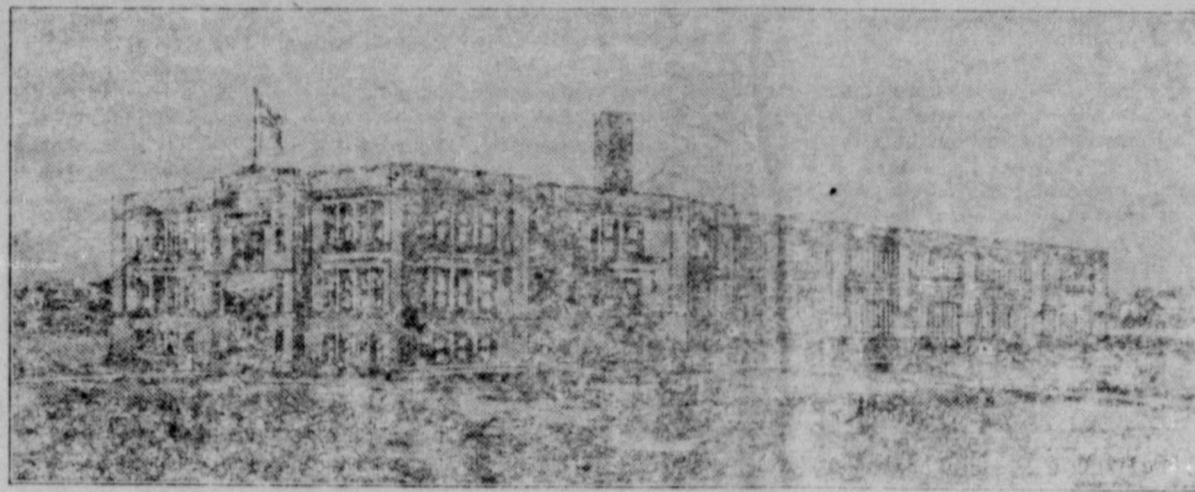
It was agreed to present a petition from both sides of the county at the next meeting of the commissioners' court asking for re-instatement of this office in Gray county.

J. D. Bentley reported a danger ready to install at the blind using west of Alanreed, and stated that the railroad is making out plans with the state highway department to make an overpass just west of the present crossing. The oil committee was called upon for a report, and F. H. Bourland stated that a deal is pending a location on the Sitter ranch depends solely upon the completion of the geologist's report.

J. Coffey said that a man had been in McLean this week that interested in another location of the Morse wells.

H. Bourland made a talk on sale of Stone Mountain Memorial half dollars. Other talks on this subject were made by T. A. Lenders, O. G. Stokely and C. A. Kins.

President O. G. Stokely presided at the meeting and M. D. Bentley acted as secretary pro tem. Among those present were: J. R. Searcy, A. Watkins, M. M. Newman, D. Massay, W. B. Upham, W. C. Senter, J. W. McAdams, M. D. Bentley, O. G. Stokely, T. J. Coffey, T. A. Lenders, F. H. Bourland, Abbott, Ernest Abbott, Searcy, B. N. Henry, T. B. Roby, Roby and B. Girard.



McLean's Proposed New High School Building

(From the Architect's Drawing)

Odd Fellows Honor Rice and Burrows

At the regular weekly meeting of the Odd Fellows Tuesday night, S. Rice and Jas. Burrows were presented with 25-year veterans medals in honor of their long service in oddfellowship.

D. N. Massay made the presentation speech, which was responded to by the recipients.

While this was only a regular meeting, Secretary A. W. Haynes informs us that there were 38 members present and four candidates were given degree work. One man joined at the age of 57 years who has five boys who have preceded him in the work of the order.

Methodist Revival Now in Progress

A series of revival services was started at the Methodist church last Sunday with Rev. W. E. Hamilton of Shamrock doing the preaching.

Services are held each day at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Increasing interest is being shown and the preacher is delighting his hearers with interesting messages. The services will hold over until next Sunday night.

FRED LANDERS BUYS TEXOLA PRINTING PLANT; WILL MOVE

Fred Landers, former associate publisher of The McLean News, has purchased the printing equipment of the Texola Tribune and is moving the plant to Estelline, where he will publish the Estelline News. Estelline has a live Chamber of Commerce who have been interested in a newspaper for their town and there is no reason why Estelline should not take her rightful place among neighboring towns with a newspaper. The first issue of the Estelline News will probably be published about April first.

School Bond Election to Be March 29

The board of trustees of the McLean Independent School District was presented with a petition this week signed by M. D. Bentley and 23 others asking that an election be held to determine whether \$35,000 in bonds should be issued for the purpose of building an addition to the present school building.

It was voted to hold the election on March 29, and notices posted to that effect, with O. G. Stokely named as judge of the election and J. E. Kirby clerk.

According to the posted notice, the election will be held at the First Baptist church, and only resident qualified taxpaying voters will be allowed to participate.

The proposed bonds will be issued as 4-40 serial bonds, the first bond maturing in 4 years and one bond every 5 years thereafter, the last one becoming due in 40 years from date.

The plan adopted for the new building was suggested by Supt. D. E. Dean, with only minor alterations by the architect, and it is thought will be adequate for the community's needs for some time to come.

MOVERS TRUCK IN WRECK FRIDAY

A truck turned over on the highway this side of the Campbell hill last Friday, injuring every member of the party of six, with the exception of the baby, who was thrown clear of the wreck.

The truck was coming down hill at too great a rate of speed and slipped off the embankment, turning over, and making practically a complete wreck of the load of household goods with which it was loaded.

The injured were given first aid treatment in McLean and carried to a sanitarium at Shamrock. None of the people were known here, as they were movers.

City Election Called April 6; Three Officers

Notices are posted calling for a city election on April 6, for the purpose of electing a secretary and two aldermen.

Vester Smith and E. J. Lander are the two aldermen whose terms expire at this time, the office of city secretary being to fill an unexpired term for the coming year.

Very little interest has been manifested in the election to date, as the office of alderman carries no remuneration. However, we are informed that the city secretary is paid \$85 per month, and it is possible that several candidates may announce for this office.

City officials are elected for two years, mayor, marshal, secretary and three aldermen being elected every other year, with two aldermen each alternate year.

C. E. Francis Funeral Held Wednesday

Funeral services were held Wednesday for C. E. Francis, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. E. James, near Goom, Tuesday, March 2, at 5 p. m.

Services were conducted by Revs. D. H. Brynoff and S. A. Cobb at the First Baptist church. A. P. Rippey, J. H. Bodine, W. E. Clement, R. N. Ashby, D. L. Abbott and Wheeler Foster acted as pallbearers.

The deceased was born at Warrendon, Va., Aug. 11, 1850, and was married to Miss Mollie Nelson at Tipton, Mo., June 30, 1880, to which union four sons and two daughters were born. Two sons, Robert and Roger, of Perryton, and the two daughters, Mrs. Luther Petty of McLean and Mrs. W. E. James of Goom, his wife, a sister, Mrs. Annie West, of Trenton, N. J., and 17 grandchildren, with numerous friends, are left to mourn his passing.

Mr. Francis lived at Sedalia, Mo., for 30 years, moving from there to McLean Dec. 20, 1909. He was operated upon at an Amarillo sanitarium Feb. 23, 1925, from the effects of which he never recovered enough to be moved home, but spent the time with his daughter at Goom.

The remains were laid to rest in Hillcrest cemetery immediately following the ceremony.

PAMPA NEWS SOLD TO NUNN AND WARREN

According to last Sunday's Amarillo Daily News, the Pampa News has been sold to J. L. Nunn and David M. Warren, former owner and editor of the Amarillo News. These gentlemen only recently purchased the Panhandle Herald, and they are owners in two other papers in West Texas. J. M. Smith and son are the former owners of the Pampa News.

FARMERS GIN AT CHILDRESS DECLARES \$20,070 DIVIDEND

A letter has been received from the Farmers Co-operative Society at Childress inviting the members of the McLean Farmers Co-operative Society to meet with them next Saturday, when the Childress farmers gin will declare a \$20,070 dividend to their members.

McLean Fair to Be Held Oct. 8 and 9

The McLean fair will be held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 8 and 9, 1926, and the catalogs will be ready for distribution some time next week.

Very little changes in the premium list is made from last year, with the exception of prizes for community booths. In addition to prizes of \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25 for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prizes, \$10 will be given each additional entry in this class.

Women's home demonstration clubs are also featured, and prizes of \$25, \$20, \$15, and \$10, with \$5 cash for additional entries, are offered.

Some minor changes in the score card for community exhibits are made as suggested by the exhibitors' committee at last year's fair.

No individual farm booths will be permitted, but all individual entries will be placed in the general exhibit booth for individual competition. No individual ribbons will be placed in the community exhibits.

The officers of the McLean C. of C. constitute the official board of the fair, and the following superintendents of departments have been appointed: Horses and mules, J. R. Phillips; swine and sheep, J. S. Howard; cattle, Geo. W. Sitter; poultry and pet stock, F. P. Wilson; horticulture, L. L. Palmer; plants and flowers, Mrs. T. A. Lenders; dairy products, Mrs. A. L. Hibler; women's home demonstration and girls' clubs, Miss Eula Nell Seelbach; better baby contest, Mrs. S. W. Rice; community booths, M. D. Bentley; public schools, D. E. Dean.

FRANK DAY OPENS JEWELER SHOP IN RICE BUILDING

Frank Day of Hollis, Okla., has opened a jeweler repair shop in the Rice-Cousins building. Mr. Day is a former resident of our town and has had many years' experience in the jewelry line, as well as being a tailor. The gentleman intimates that he may open a tailor shop in connection with his jewelry business a little later.

KENNEDY FARM HOME BURNS WEDNESDAY

The nine-room Kennedy farm home near Alanreed burned to the ground Wednesday afternoon from fire of unknown origin.

C. H. Holt was living at the place and most of the family were some distance from the house when the flames were discovered.

According to information received, nothing was saved, and Mr. Holt carried no insurance on his furniture, but Mr. Kennedy had \$1,750 on the house.

T. J. COFFEY AND A. L. HIBLER TRADE

A deal was recently consummated whereby T. J. Coffey becomes the owner of 25 acres of land from the A. L. Hibler farm and Mr. Hibler owns the Coffey residence on First street.

Mr. Coffey will erect a modern white stucco, five room residence on the new property at once, and will also set trees and otherwise improve the land.

MANY GRAPE VINES TO BE PLANTED

The grape committee of the Chamber of Commerce reports some 10,000 vines ordered to date, with prospect of many more being put out this spring.

The low price and liberal terms should encourage large planting of vineyards this year.

KACHELHOFFER WELL TO RESUME DRILLING

Advices for the Kachelhoffer oil indicate that drilling will be resumed some time today.

The controlhead for the gas flow is here and being installed. If nothing prevents, work will now be resumed to the earliest possible completion.

Football Team Presented with Sweaters Monday

The Senior class of the McLean High School presented sweaters to the members of the Tiger football team Monday morning with appropriate ceremonies.

The presentation speech was made by Coach A. B. Chancey, and was responded to by different members of the team.

The sweaters are in the school colors, black with gold service stripes and tiger heads, and were awarded to the following: Charles Jordan, captain and quarterback, 4 stripes; Lee Jackson, fullback, 3 stripes; Roger Powers, right half, 2 stripes; Lenard Howard, left half, 1 stripe; Jobe Abbott, right end, 1 stripe; Oran Robinson, right tackle, 2 stripes; Russell Grogan, right guard, 2 stripes; Charlie Mass, center, 2 stripes; LeRoy Landers, left tackle, 2 stripes; Tom Clark, left end, 2 stripes; Leslie Ray Campbell, left guard, 1 stripe; D. V. Eiggers, guard, 1 stripe.

Sweaters in the school colors were also given to the second year men, as follows: Fred Bentley, Elton Johnston, John Boyd Coffey and Buster Nicholson.

A team sweater was presented to the family of Ned Carpenter, who died from injuries received in the last game of the season.

Western Lbr. Co. Store Robbed Saturday Night

A thief gained entrance to the Western Lumber and Hardware Co's store last Saturday night by breaking the glass in a back door and lifting the night latch.

Some \$30 worth of goods were stolen that can be accounted for, including a wagon sheet, razor, pocket knife, watch, two flash lights and other articles.

The theft is thought to be the work of one man, as a good impression of his shoes could be seen where he jumped from the fence to the street. The variety of articles taken would also indicate someone who is familiar with the stock.

Newspaper Law

This is one of a series of a compilation of laws pertaining to publishing and printing, of which there are over 150 such laws in the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas:

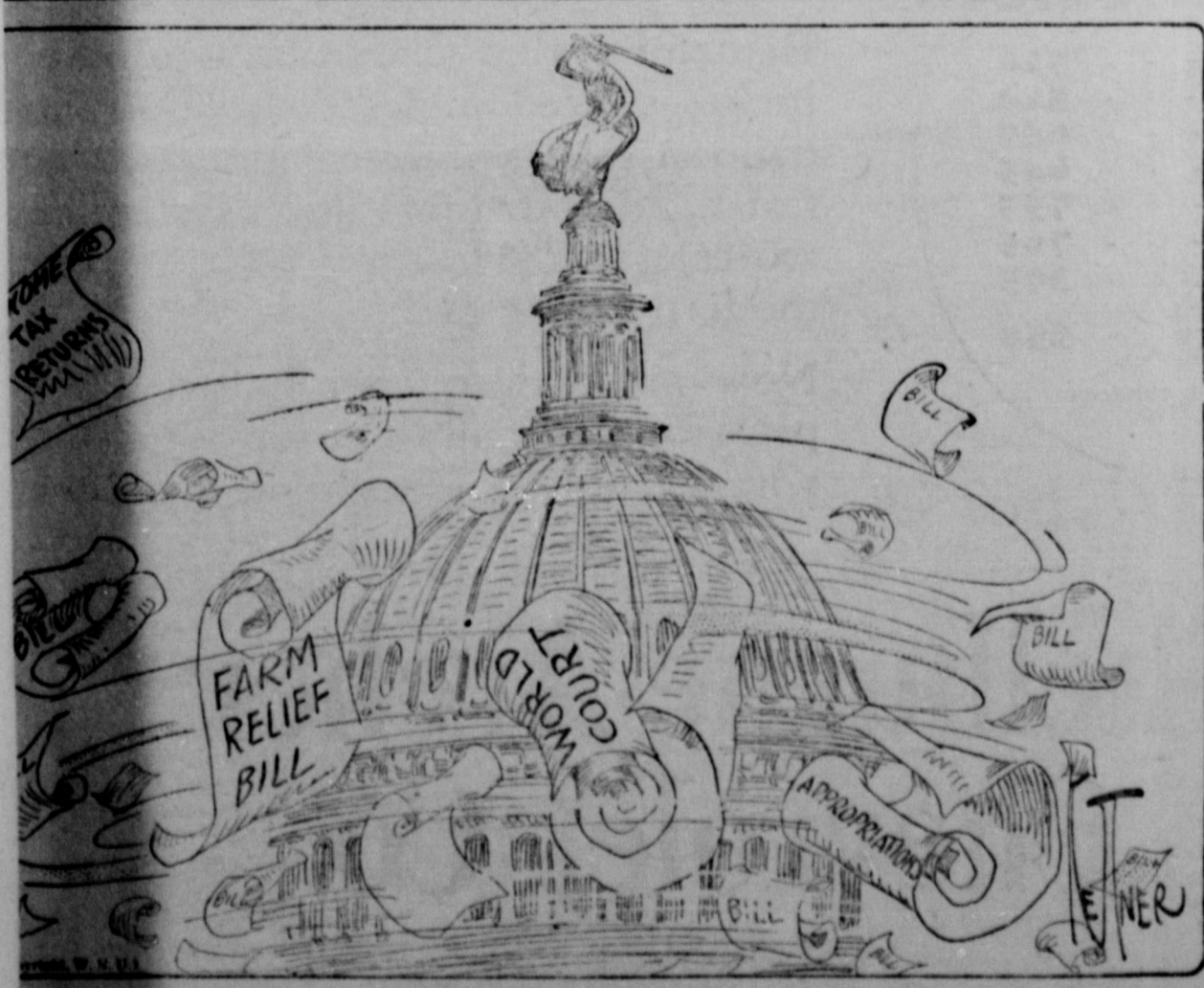
Art. 6016 1-2. Publication in Newspaper of Notice Required to be Posted; exception—That whenever by law notice is required to be given of an act or proceeding, whether public or private, or relating to a judicial, executive or legislative matter, which notice is now authorized by law or contract, to be made by posting notices in one or more public places, such notices shall hereafter be given publication thereof, in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year, in the county in which said act or proceeding is to occur; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to require the publication of any general election notice, public road notices nor probate notices when the appraised value of the estate in which same is issued is less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) and provided further that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to sales made under written contract wherein it is provided that notice of sale thereunder may be posted. (Acts 1917, ch. 179, Sec. 1).

Art. 6016a. Duration of Publication. All notices published under the provisions of this Act shall be printed at least once each week, for the period of time now required for posting such notices.

Art. 6016b. Where no newspaper in county then such notice may be posted as now provided by law.

Art. 6016 1-2e. Fixing price for publication repealed by Ch. 151, Acts 38th Legislature.

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Fishing in idle fashion, from a private dock, Dick Van Ness watches a ship, the Pelican, which he recognizes as the Beacon, his father's yacht before his death and financial reverses forced him to part with it. A man whom he hears a girl who accompanies him address as Mr. Blake, lands from the yacht. The girl drops her handbag in the stream and Dick recovers it. Thinking him, she gives him her visiting card. She is Alice Cutler, niece of Stephen Cutler, successful business rival of the elder Van Ness.

CHAPTER II.—Dick overhears a conversation between Blake and Captain Brent of the Pelican which gives him the impression that the yacht is bound on a voyage of adventure to an island the name of which he does not hear.

CHAPTER III

Dick Van Ness proceeded deliberately to put his little scheme to the test; but first he provided himself with a few hours of sleep to refresh the body and steady the nerves. By daylight he reviewed the situation calmly, and decided that the plan was as feasible as it had appeared the night before.

He ate a hearty breakfast at a near-by restaurant, and then ordered a huge batch of sandwiches, wrapping each one in oiled paper as if for a picnic. Leaving these to be called for later, he paid a visit to a dry goods store where he selected an oblong paper box big enough to contain a man's suit of clothes. With wrapping paper and stout twine, he returned to the restaurant for his sandwiches.

They only half filled the box. The rest of the space was stowed with



They Only Half Filled the Box.

bottles of water and sweet drinks, pickles, olives, fruit, cakes and candy. The proprietor of the restaurant smiled when he clapped the cover on the box.

"Looks as if you were loading up to last a week," he remarked.

"I may need it," replied Dick frankly. "I'm going where grub may be hard to get. I don't want to take a chance."

As he paid for the food and trouble, the restaurant man made no further inquiries, and Dick volunteered no additional information. When the box was wrapped, he borrowed pen and ink, and wrote on the outside:

"Miss Alice Cutler,
Steam Yacht Pelican,
Blank's Pier, City."

"I guess that will do," he chuckled, admiring his chirography.

Five minutes later he was on his way to Blank's pier. The Pelican was already at the dock coaling. Dick took a swift survey of the scene, and then whistling nonchalantly, with the box under his arm, he walked toward the end.

No one challenged him, and when he reached the Pelican's side he stopped. A dozen grimy men were storing coal aboard, a deck hand checking off on a card the number of bags carried into the hold. A small gangplank was thrown from the main deck to the pier.

Dick started up this and reached the deck before anyone challenged him. Then a booming voice right behind him caught his ear.

"Hello, there! What d'you want? Don't you know this is a private yacht?"

It was Captain Brent.
"Sure!" replied Dick nonchalantly. "It's the Pelican, isn't it? Mr. Cutler's yacht?"
"Well, what if it is?" growled the

captain.
"Nothing, except I guess I'll take a rest here. Hot day, isn't it?" He removed his hat and began wiping his forehead.

"Yes, it's hot, but it may be hotter if you don't look sharp. What you got in that box?"

Dick smiled and winked. "If I knew, cap, I don't know that I'd tell you, but we'll both have a guess. Miss Cutler didn't take me into her confidence. Maybe it's a bathing suit, or a diving dress."

"It's for Miss Cutler?" queried Brent, picking it up and reading the name and address. "Well," slowly, after weighing it with both hands, "she ain't here. Leave it, and I'll give it to her. I'll put it in her cabin."

He started to walk away with the package, but Dick rescued it. "Not so fast, cap," he said good naturedly. "She didn't tell me to leave it—she said not to leave it. If she wasn't here when I called, I was to wait half an hour. Then if she didn't appear I was to carry it around to her house."

The skipper looked a little puzzled, and gave the package another sharp scrutiny.

"That's queer," he muttered. "I didn't know she expected to come aboard this morning."

"I'll bet she didn't know herself," grinned Dick. "That's why she said not to wait for her longer than half an hour. She gave me this card to make sure I could find her home."

He fingered the card carelessly, and when Brent reached out a hand to take it he let him have it. The man stared at it a moment, and then returned it. Dick felt that the card would remove any suspicion that might find lodgment in the other's brain.

"All right," he said finally. "Stay on this deck, and when the half hour's up go down that gangplank you came up."

"Sure! You don't think I was going to jump overboard and swim, did you?"

The skipper frowned and eyed him with disapproval. Dick flirted out a cigarette, and added: "Any objections to smoking, cap? I'm dead for a few whiffs."

"No, not if you stay outside," was the surly retort.

When he walked away, Dick moved a camp stool near the railing and contentedly puffed away at his cigarette. He was apparently interested only in the scene on the dock, and never once turned his head sideways or backward. He felt that eyes were watching him, but he wasn't sure.

The minutes sped along slowly, and after the third cigarette his head sagged to one side as if he slept. He snored once or twice.

He was conscious once of a catlike footstep coming around the forward cabin, and halting near him, but he continued to snore peacefully. Twenty minutes, and he was still in the same position. Out of the corners of his half-closed eyes, he saw Captain Brent go down the gangplank and walk aft where the men were finishing their job of coaling the yacht.

Once out of his sight a remarkable change came over Dick. He sat slowly upright, and gazed swiftly and keenly around the deck. He was alone on it. Not a person was in sight.

Without further delay he picked up his package and darted for the main saloon cabin. Once in it he closed the door softly and stared around. The place was vacant. He gave vent to a chuckle of relief.

The cabin was not much changed from the days when his father owned it. The furnishings had been re-upholstered, and the woodwork done over, and a few pictures distributed around; but in the main it was exactly as he had always known it. It was home to him, and a great desire to shout and proclaim the fact made him lighthearted for a moment.

But a babel of voices on the deck warned him that any moment Captain Brent might return, and find him gone. He crossed the richly carpeted floor in a few strides and came to a halt in front of a paneled wall. He gave one swift glance up and around it, and then dropped down on his knees.

His hands shook a little as he fumbled at the base with nervous fingers. His breath came and went in little sharp, tremulous waves. He knew that the critical moment had arrived; that would decide the success or failure of his scheme. Like a band burglar opening a safe, with the fear of the police beating on his brain, he played his hands up and down skillfully and with precision, hunting for something that time had dimmed in his memory.

Suddenly a low exultant cry escaped his lips. His fingers had touched the thing he had been searching for: it was a tiny crack between the molding and baseboard. It was hardly wide enough to admit the blade of a pocket knife.

With one finger pressed on it for fear of losing it, Dick got his knife out of his pocket and opened the smallest blade. Inserting the point of this in the crack he pressed it hard against something that gave forth a soft tinkling, metallic sound.

The effect of his manipulation would have startled Captain Brent had he appeared then, but to Dick it was no more than he expected. The narrow panel before him slid slowly to one side, revealing an opening in the wall about the size of a small state room.

The secret compartment in the wall had been designed by the architect of the yacht to satisfy a whimsical fancy of Dick's father. It had been used as a storage place for special papers and securities that the elder Van Ness often carried away with him on long cruises. It was never designed for

man occupancy, and when Dick glanced in it he felt a chill of doubt.

The dust of years had accumulated over the floor, showing that it had not been used by the present owner of the yacht. Dick had guessed right that the secret of it had not been passed on with the sale of the craft, and no one, in refitting the interior, had stumbled upon the spring that opened the panel.

It was just about wide enough and long enough for a man to stretch himself and move about without bumping his elbows or scarring his shins. It was high enough for the tallest man, with an open register above through which the air of the cabin escaped. The presence of this register of iron grillwork, instead of exciting suspicion, allayed the curiosity of any one inquisitive enough to want to thump the walls to see if there was a hollow space behind.

Approaching footsteps on the deck brought Dick out of his reverie of indecision. With a shudder he wiped away the worst of the dust and stepped inside. He hesitated again before closing the panel. Then Captain Brent's booming voice aroused him.

"Where's that young fellow with the package?" he called angrily.

Dick touched the spring and watched the panel slide noiselessly in position. At the same moment the cabin door

opened with a bang, and Brent stamped inside.

"Search the yacht!" he commanded. "If you find him bring him to me. I'll teach him to snoop around. No, not in here! He's not in the cabin. Search below decks!"

Nevertheless, he made a careful examination of every possible hiding place in the cabin. Dick, holding his breath, heard him tramping around, opening and closing doors and lockers, and even thumping the soft cushions. Once he stopped in front of the register, and remained quiet for so long that Dick feared he had discovered some clue.

The spring had been a little rusty, and possibly it had not closed completely. The presence of a little dirt or rust near the crack might excite Brent's suspicion. Dick drew a sigh of relief when the man finally moved away, and after another tour of the cabin walked outside on deck.

"It's an even chance, cap, that I'll go with you on this little trip," he mused, grinning to himself. "Anyway, you'll have a hard time finding me."

A little light entered the compartment through the register, and as the air from the cabin escaped through this the suction created kept his narrow quarters fairly well ventilated.

"I won't smother," he reasoned, looking up. "Plenty of air." He

glanced at his package and smiled again. "Grub and drinks enough for a week."

Unconsciously, he drew forth a cigarette and started to light it, but checked himself. "Smoking forbidden," he said in a rueful voice. "That's hard luck!" Then in a relieved voice, he added, "At night when everybody's asleep, I can light up. The ventilator will carry away the smoke and odor."

After that he tried to make himself as comfortable as possible in his narrow quarters. It was some satisfaction to know that he would be far more comfortable than in the coal bunkers, where he had first thought of hiding.

(Continued next week)

EVIDENCE

"And you had the nerve to tell me that while I was away with the children you spent every night at home—working!"

"But, my dear, of course I did!"
"Oh, you did? Then how about this electric light bill of only 50c for the two months?"

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

WILLIE'S ESSAY ON CATS

Cats that's made for little to maul and tease is called these cats. Some cats is known their quiet purr, and the called "Persian" cats. Cats very bad tempers is called gora" cats. Cats with long hair is called "felina" cats.

"What's economy, dad?"
"Anything your mother would buy."

J. B. Paschall of Breckenridge visited in McLean last week.

Harness Oil

We sell harness oil, or children visited in t will oil your entire set home Sunday. double harness for only 1.00. Miss Lill visited Little Miss I

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News from

J. L. Bones made to Shamrock West

Mr. and Mrs. B. son, E. L. Jr., a May Exam went to day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. and Mrs. Charlie Shamrock Saturday J. L. Bones and went to Shamrock J. N. Phillips was in the E. Exam W. J. and Mrs. He died in the W. J. Sunday.

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News from Ramsdell

J. L. Bones made a business trip to Shamrock Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and son, R. L. Jr., and Miss Donah May Exum went to McLean Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Longan went to Shamrock Saturday evening.

J. L. Bones and W. T. McCann went to Shamrock Saturday.

J. N. Phillips was a dinner guest in the E. Exum home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Miller visited in the W. M. Bolton home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Flowers and children of Lela visited in the Elmer Privett home Sunday.

Little Miss Mildred Pharis visited in the E. Exum home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harrelson and children visited in the W. M. Bolton home Sunday.

Only 12,000 Miss Lillie May Pharis visited Little Miss Irene Isobel Sunday.

Rev. Goxy of Plainview filled his appointment here Sunday morning.

Miss Lena Davidson and Mrs. I. Bones are on the sick list.

A singing was enjoyed in the John Sublett home Sunday night.

A fire of unknown origin destroyed the garage, car, barn, chicken house and several chickens Sunday night.

Elmer Privett and R. L. Jones went to Shamrock Monday evening.

Mrs. Ike Pickens, who has been visiting her parents here, left Wednesday morning for her home at Larkdale, Miss.

ABSENT MINDED PASTOR

Some of the cities of this section certainly go to the extreme limit or a little publicity in the Fort Worth and Dallas papers.

Only recently we note where one of them sent in a long article about one of the local pastors going away on a trip and carried the church key, which kept the local civic organization of women from meeting at afternoon.

Now if the pastor had taken the church key and the singing soprano both with him for his unknown, it would have been an interesting reading matter.—Terry County Herald.

MAKE THE CARELESS PAY

It has often been pointed out at the surest way to better the hazardous condition in a city is to touch the sensitive pocketbook of the person responsible for maintaining the hazard.

In automobile, transportation, building, employment and every line of industrial and commercial activity, we in this nation adhere to the policy of personal responsibility.

But when it comes to firelessness with fires we have let guilty party go the limit in paying the city expense for maintaining a fire department, or for paying his neighbor expense through exorbitant higher insurance rates.

Property destroyed through fire caused by carelessness or deliberate recklessness.

The insurance commissioner of Michigan is setting an example which should be followed. A local man maintained a dangerous fire and refused to clean up his mess, which endangered his neighbor and the entire city.

After fair warning, a punitive increase in his insurance rates was permitted. If the commissioner followed the policy of increasing rates for unnecessary fire hazards are corrected, he will get results which benefit the whole nation through states following suit.

His should be one of the functions of a state insurance department, for it can do what individual companies have no power to do in matters such as this.

DON'T KILL THE BIRDS

The department of agriculture estimates give 75 billion as the probable number of birds in the world, at 40 times the number of people. They estimate five billion birds in the United States.

Birds are mankind's best friends. Practically every bird is a cost-effective, self-perpetuating and worm-killer, without whose insect plagues like those of Egypt in the times of Pharaoh.

It is perhaps good business for a nation that gun and ammunition are so high that comparatively few people can buy them for bird-killing. There was a time when the household shotgun was available, even necessary, to fill family larder; now the kitchen is supplied best by the use of the means to kill the birds that save the crops.

Modern Machinery, Releasing Labor From Farms, Helps Build Up Our Great Industrial Centers



Few people realize the part that invention has played in permitting the flow of labor from the farms to our cities. Only one-third of our population is on the farms now, whereas in the days of crude hand methods in colonial times—90 out of every 100 persons were needed to raise the barest of food essentials.

During the winter of 1778, when General Washington was in command of the first army of American independence, the little band

of patriots nearly starved to death at Valley Forge. Only 10,000 men, and the colonists could hardly feed them! Yet the great American army of 1918 did not know the smallest fear of hunger. Here were four million soldiers, two million of them on foreign soil 3,000 miles away, and America could feed them and nearly all the other armies, too. Besides, she could man the industries which turned out the greatest quantity of manufactured supplies ever produced in a like period of time.

Something had wrought a wonderful change in the power of the nation. It had not been done by skyscrapers, or railroads, or electricity. It was something deeper and more elemental. The simple fact is that the nation had improved its agriculture, the basic industry of life. Wherever modern labor-saving farm equipment is in general use, there you will find also the benefits of civilization—cities, industries, modern improvements, education and contentment. Take away modern farm equipment and you have primitive life, ignorance, poverty and famine.

POET WOULD PENALIZE IMPOLITE TELEPHONERS

Writing in a recent issue of Prince's Ink, Strickland Gillilan, poet and humorist, says that if he were a business man—which he is not—the first person that he would fire would be the fellow who answers a telephone call with a surly "Hello."

Mr. Gillilan points out that many firms do not realize how much business they lose as a result of gruff replies to polite questions made over the telephones. The customer who feels that he has annoyed a firm by attempting to deal with it will cease to be a customer, while, on the other hand, there is a way of putting a warm welcome into the telephone-answering voice so as to make the customer feel glad that he has called. The voice that answers the telephone call may belong simply to an employee, but to the ears of the voice of the firm.

UNPOPULAR BUT TRUE

Economic conditions and the farmer's own industry are the influences making for agricultural prosperity or the lack of it. There is no short cut remedy for whatever troubles may fall to plague him.

No practical short cut to prosperity is within the power of the government. Neither the appetite nor the digestive power of the world is going to be increased by statute.—San Francisco Chronicle.

SOMEHOW QUEER

Senator Underwood of Alabama was talking in Atlantic City about Europe.

"Europe," he said, "professes to love peace, and when you ask her why she is arming herself so heavily she says it is to keep peace forever inviolate."

"This is all very well, but it reminds me of the shopkeeper who yelled at his clerk:

"'Plast you, George, why don't you lower them sun curtains? You know as well as I do that the goods in that south window are warranted not to fade!'"

PLACING HIM

The young man in the Pullman car, seeing that a decidedly pretty girl was looking at him very intently, thought he had made an impression, and in a few minutes showed his seat to the vacant one opposite her.

"Have we not met before?" he ventured to ask.

"Well, I'm not quite sure," she replied, "but I think you are the man I saw hanging around the night our dog was stolen."—Oil Weekly.

AND THE GUN WAS LOADED

Wheeler, Feb. 4.—V. H. Moore, urged by a childish curiosity, pulled the trigger of a shot gun in his office Saturday afternoon. The thing was loaded. Results—a badly scared auctioneer, a large hole in the partition wall, and a bank bookkeeper almost as badly frightened. Ask Moore for the details. Glen Williams also has a few things to say about it.—Wheeler News-Review.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Campbell of Granite, Okla., and their niece, Miss Griffin, of Brinkman, Okla., visited Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Joyner Saturday and Sunday.

PRIZE COW VISITS THE BANK



Charles City, Ia.—The sight of a bull in a china closet could arouse no greater interest than the visit of a champion Jersey cow to an enterprising bank. The visitor was Brown Lady's Little Jewel, of the famous Sherman Jersey Farm at Charles City, and the bank was the Security Trust and Savings of that city.

WE NEVER DID

Did you ever see a town in your life where people transacted business on the sly that ever amounted to a hill of beans? What we need is more folks to preach for their community, and trade above-board.—White Deer Review.

Advertising doesn't jerk, it pulls.

Magnolia Petroleum Co. C. J. CASH, Agent 85 101 Day Phone Night Phone

REAL DRAY SERVICE We excel in service because we have more experience and better equipment, so our customers say. D. C. CHRISTOPHER

Barbers Barber service that you have a right to expect. Courtesy, sanitation, modern methods. You must be satisfied. Elite Barber Shop Everett & West, Props.

The Home of Good Work Clothes Most anything you need in good work clothes may be found at our store. Also some good dress trousers and shirts. Look over our stock before buying. Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co. Phone Fifty

News from Liberty

A fine boy arrived at the Henry Dorsey home Friday.

Reuben Woodley, Jr. and Mrs. Lively and son, Floyd, who have been ill, are improving.

Mrs. Cunningham is up again. Noah Cunningham came home from school Monday because of illness.

A. L. Morgan went to Clarendon Friday to bring his son, Jason, and his friend, Earl Wheeler, home to spend the week end.

A number of the young folks enjoyed a party at the Ratliff home Sunday night.

A number of neighbors and friends visited in the A. L. Morgan home Saturday night.

Frank Bell and family went to McLean Saturday.

Bill Hardin and family of Clarendon visited in the Hardin home Sunday.

Mrs. I. G. Hardin is said to be not quite so well at this writing.

Frank Bell and family visited in the Rogers home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. A. L. Morgan called at the Hardin home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stokes visited in the Hardin home Sunday.

We were glad to see Mr. and Mrs. Myatt and children present Sunday.

Miss Alta Lee attended Sunday school Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Huckabee of Perryton visited here this week.

N. P. Hargrove, who lived at McLean in 1912-13, died at his home in Rico, Colo., Feb. 9.

MOVIE NOTES

This week, Fri. and Sat. "The Wild Bull's Lair," first chapter of "The Go-Getters." Next week, Mon. and Tues., "Splendid Crime." Wed. and Thurs., "The Pony Express." Fri. and Sat., "Prince of Pep."

Water hose for gardens and lawns at McLean Hardware Co. Advertisement.

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

VULCANIZING Tires and Tubes Soldering Done All Work Guaranteed McLean Vulcanizing Shop L. D. Preston, Mgr.

INSURANCE Fire, Hail, Tornado Health, Accident You are fully protected when insured in the strong companies we represent. Haynes & Ledbetter Office Theatre Building

Barbers Barber service that you have a right to expect. Courtesy, sanitation, modern methods. You must be satisfied. Elite Barber Shop Everett & West, Props.

SAVE with SAFETY at your Rexall DRUG STORE THE KLENZO TREATMENT The use of Klenzo Dental Creme with a Klenzo Tooth Brush insures white teeth, healthy gum and a clean mouth. Dental Creme—50c Klenzo Tooth Brushes—35c and 50c Erwin Drug Co. The Rexall Drug Store

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of Democratic Primary, July 24, 1926.

For County Judge: T. M. WOLFE A. C. HUSTED

For County Attorney: JOHN F. STUDER

For County and District Clerk: CHARLIE THUT

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: JOHNNIE R. BACK E. S. GRAVES A. R. (CAL) CALAWAY

For Tax Assessor: F. E. LEECH

For County Treasurer: MIRIAM WILSON

For Commissioner Precinct No. 4: S. R. KENNEDY M. D. FENTLEY M. M. NEWMAN

See the new all steel Moline Lister at McLean Hardware Co. Advertisement. tfe

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

JEWELER Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing Spectacle Frames Repaired Broken Lens Matched All Work Guaranteed FRANK DAY Rice Building

AUTO SERVICE Everything to keep your car in good running order. Gas—Oils—Tires—Accessories STAR FILLING STATION "Headquarters for Service" L. L. ROGERS, Prop. Phone 131

C. S. RICE Funeral Director FUNERAL SUPPLIES MONUMENTS Phones 13 and 42

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The city of Shamrock had a financial statement published in their city paper last week. The law directs that such reports be published each year for the benefit of the citizens, and we congratulate Shamrock upon their progressive city council.

There is no question as to the need of additional quarters at the McLean school, and the proposed bond issue seems entirely adequate to take care of the situation at a minimum of expense for some years to come. Each citizen interested should make it his duty to vote on the question.

The new law in regard to electing school trustees should be kept in mind and your favorite candidate's name placed in the hands of the county judge in plenty of time to insure placing on the ballot. The men selected will have the future of our school in their hands, and only broad minded men of proper vision should be encouraged to run for trustees.

McLean is due for an oil boom this spring, if present indications mean anything. Oil men are in our town every day investigating this field, and many blocks of acreage are being put into shape for drilling contracts. Several contracts are already in the tentative stage, and we may confidently expect several new wells drilling near town within the near future.

Pastor Brynoff of the First Baptist church stated in his morning discourse last Sunday that statistics show that only some fifty per cent of church members may be depended upon to be in their place each Sunday morning. And the majority of the absent ones have no good reason for not coming, but always have an excuse. It is a sad commentary upon professed Christians that they do not always lead consistent lives.

While the law allows posting notices of general elections, yet it is the usual custom and has been in our community in former years, to publish notices of local elections in the home paper, as it is only in this way that every voter can be reached. However, in common with all good newspapers, The News owes an obligation to its subscribers, and in this issue will be found full information as we have been able to gather from election notices for city and school elections, which is published as news, free of cost to anyone.

An oil boom will mean added work for our local officers, and this thought should be borne in mind just at this time, and the right men encouraged to make the race for the various offices. There are at this time no announcements for Justice of the Peace or Constable for this precinct. Oil conditions will mean work for both these officers, as well as mayor, marshal and the entire sheriff's force. If a number of candidates announce for the various offices, the people will have a chance to vote for the man they want.

There is a dog tax law on our city books, but it would be hard to tell it by the number of dogs wearing tags in McLean. The dog tax law is a good thing in town, but it should be enforced upon everyone alike or removed from the ordinances. Even with strict enforcement, there would be entirely too many dogs for the comfort of everyone concerned. There is no more excuse for a person to keep a dog that trespasses upon his neighbor's premises than there is any reason for allowing chickens, cows and hogs to run at large.

A gentleman who was traveling through this section plying his trade, made the remark to an acquaintance, who desired to locate here, that McLean was not a good place for his business. Now, the gentleman in question only comes here at times, has no permanent place of business, but travels from

place to place, and we are inclined to think he shows poor return for the courtesy shown, when he undertakes to knock the town that allows him to ply his trade without contributing anything in the way of community support. We are glad to know that his auditor was not influenced in any way by his remarks.

The action of the Northwest Texas Conference of the Methodist church in asking that dancing be eliminated from the program of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce annual meeting to be held at Amarillo, is commendable, and it is to be regretted that the committee saw fit to disregard it. Public dancing has always been frowned upon by churches, and certainly a dignified body such as the Chamber of Commerce should be, could get along without such amusements. Dancing is prohibited in many professions. In our own community the contracts made with the teachers of our school carry a clause that the teachers do not attend dances. The best people from the various towns are needed in the Chamber of Commerce deliberations, but they will not be encouraged to attend the sessions with doubtful amusements permitted.

IN MEMORIAM

The following poem was composed at the death of R. H. Francis, father of C. E. Francis, and is published in memory of C. E. Francis:

'TIS FINISHED

'Tis finished; the conflict is past,
The heavenborn spirit is fled;
His wish is accomplished at last,
And now he's entombed with the dead.

The months of affliction are o'er,
The days and the nights of distress;
We see him in anguish no more,
He's gained his happy release.

No sickness, no sorrow, no pain,
Shall ever disquiet him now;
For death to his spirit was gain,
Since Christ was his life when below.

His soul has now taken its flight
To mansions of glory above
To mingle with angels of light,
And dwell in the kingdom of love.

The victory now is obtained;
He's gone his dear Savior to see;
His wishes he fully has gained—
He's gone where he longed to be.
Then let us forbear to complain
That he is now gone from our sight;
We soon shall behold him again,
With new and redoubled delight.

SID DENSON DEAD

Word was received late this afternoon that Sid Denson died from the effects of gas received in some way about his work in a filling station at White Deer.

Mr. Denson was a former sheriff of this county and has many friends here who will be grieved to hear of his death.

E. B. Reeves of Alanreed is a new reader of The News.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jordan visited their son at Amarillo the first of the week.

Bob Collier Jr. of Breckenridge visited his uncle, J. L. Collier, Monday.

P. C. Burks of Texola was a business visitor in McLean Tuesday. Mr. Burks owns two sections of land near McLean and has an oil drilling concern interested in a block of acreage near his holdings.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wise of Claude visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Truitt last Thursday.

Arthur Erwin returned Tuesday from the bedside of his mother at Cisco. Mr. Erwin reports his mother some better.

Tink Williams of Austin visited his nephew, Curg Williams, this week.

Herman, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty, was kicked in the face by a mule Tuesday. He is reported recovering nicely from the injuries.

Editor Castleberry of the Texola Tribune was a McLean visitor Tuesday and Thursday.

Born, Sunday, Feb. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Abbott, a nine-pound girl, named Mary Lea.

Wants

RATES—One insertion, 2¢ per word. Three insertions, 4¢ per word. Or 1¢ 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 25¢ per week. All ads cash with order unless you have a running account with The News.

RADIO Magnavox R 3 power loudspeaker, \$35.00 value for just 1/2 price. See it at the News office. E. L. Sitter. 8-4p

SEED OATS—Cheney & Callahan

CREAM—CREAM—CREAM
We want more cream, for which we will pay highest prices at all times. Also give first class service. Location Red Cross building. G. J. Huff. 8-4c

SWEET MILK delivered anywhere in town. Can also furnish sweet cream to milk customers. A. L. Hibler, Phone 61. tfe

BUFF Orpington eggs, winter laying strain, \$1.50 per setting, \$6 per 100. Mrs. M. R. Landers.

Mr. Cream Producer, sell us your next can of cream. You will be surprised at the results. Make us try it. Location Red Cross building. G. J. Huff. 8-2c

We are buying cream. Give us a trial with your next can of cream. Highest prices paid and correct weights and tests guaranteed at all times. Location Red Cross building. G. J. Huff. 8-4c

R. I. Red eggs for sale, \$1 per setting, \$6 per hundred. Mrs. T. F. Phillips, Phone 43, 141. tfe

Purina Hen Chow and laying mash at Cheney & Callahan's. tfe

Wanted, 100 cream patrons to sell us their cream Saturday. Will pay highest market price and give correct weights and tests, with real service at all times. Location Red Cross building. G. J. Huff. 8-4c

SEED OATS—Cheney & Callahan

GROCERIES ARE cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. tfe

GET YOUR seed oats from Cheney and Callahan.

Service Truck. Call Riley Scott. Phone 16. Advertisement tfe

Purina Chick Feed, Startena and Baby Chick Chow at Cheney & Callahan's. tfe

GARBAGE and trash hauled from any part of the city at reasonable rates. Phone 112, 14. Frank Haynes.

MATTRESSES renovated and recovered. Will call for and deliver at McLean once each week. Leave orders at News office or write Economy Mattress Co., P. O. Box 171, Shamrock, Texas. F-p

GUMMED TAPE in 800 foot rolls, 35¢ per roll, at News office.

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

CARBON PAPER in extra large sheets for transfer patterns, does not smudge like ordinary carbon, 25¢ per sheet at News office.

GOOD IRON bed cheap, at the News storage room.

A FEW cash cotton seed for sale \$1 per bushel. J. E. Williams, Phone 55, 141. 1p

WHEN in need of help see the colored man and wife at Mr. A. B. Wood's. When you want your houses cleaned, your windows cleaned, your rugs cleaned and your yard cleaned off and your truck patcher plowed up at a reasonable price, you will find good help at Mr. A. B. Wood's place. Call for the colored help. 1p

FOUND.—Saw. Inquire at News office.

LOST.—Black and tan hound dog. Reward. C. L. Pettit, Phone 133, 24. 9-2p

LOST.—Billfold containing note for \$90, and receipts. Please leave at News office. 1p

LOST.—A black mare mule, with white mouth, blocky build, weight about 900 pounds. Finder please notify Paul Ftak. Phone 49, 2. 9-2

ADDING MACHINE paper at the News office.

WHITE Leghorn eggs for sale, 35¢ per doz., or 50¢ per setting. Johnson strain. Phone 211. Mrs. N. E. Savage. 1p

AUCTION SALE.—Farm and household goods, teams, etc., will be held at the Leo Stockton farm next week. See sale bills for date.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors at Alanreed and McLean for their help and sympathy on the loss of our household goods by fire. May you be spared a similar loss.
C. H. Holt and family. 1p

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

CARD OF THANKS

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our many friends in the Boydston, Groom and McLean communities for the kindness and sympathy shown during the illness and death of our dear husband and father. May God's richest blessings rest upon you.

Mrs. C. E. Francis.
W. E. James and family.
Luther Petty and family.
R. H. Francis and family.
R. M. Francis and family.

UNFORTUNATE

"A burglar got into my house this morning at 6 o'clock when I was on my way home from the club."

"Did he get anything?"
"He certainly did. The poor beggar is in the hospital. My wife thought it was me."

C. M. Jones handed us \$1.50 for The News Saturday. Advertisement tfe

ALAS!

An angry lady rushed marriage license bureau. hand she bore a license. clerk she said:
"Did you or did you not this license for marryin' After Baggis?"
"Yes! I believe we did."
"Well, what are you going to do?" she demanded, "escaped!"

Texas lies in the plains but its tallest mountain, Mt. Guadalupe, is more than 9,000 feet high.

Katie Walker renews a News this week.

C. E. Truitt made a trip to Panhandle Tuesday.

See the steel Woodman splash; a foolproof window sale by McLean Hardware Advertisement. tfe

The A. B. C's.

of Advertising

Advertisers who know do not expect each dollar invested in advertising today to return tomorrow, bringing profit with it. They know by experience that this is not the logical method of building business. They know that part of every advertising dollar properly spent goes into creating "good will," establishing prestige, educating patronage—into future assets, as it were.

The profits they are receiving today are the result not only of yesterday's advertising, but of weeks, months perhaps even years gone by.

On the other hand, those who have back of them a record of sales to a steadily increasing number of satisfied buyers should naturally be planning still greater sales and more and more buyers.

As every successful advertiser knows, it isn't price inducements alone that attract patronage. It's Quality and Style and Distinctiveness—each one of importance easily equal to Price. Remember that—it is most important.

It is all these things combined that go to make attractive offerings. Then if the appeal is properly presented—if it is placed before an audience of sufficient size and responsiveness—success is certain.

With truthfulness and integrity the advertiser builds up a bulwark that will forever stand between him and adverse circumstances—a bulwark of public confidence built on good faith.

And advertising that fails to provide such protection is the only advertising that does not pay. Advertising, to be successful, must do more than create business for today. It must build business for tomorrow.

It must be backed by flawless merchandise and sincere service. It must find a friend every time it makes a sale. That kind of advertising cannot fail nor can the merchant who is responsible for it.

To have the confidence of the community is to have a business asset beyond all price—a form of business insurance that safeguards against fire and flood famine and failure. And to strengthen and spread this confidence—to increase this asset—to make sure this insurance—is to advertise constantly and consistently.

**These are the A. B. C's.
of Successful Advertising**

SUPPLEMENT TO THE McLEAN NEWS Thursday, March 4, 1926

GET INTO JAIL

hadn't been parked... are the cop came

be some mistake. I... twenty minutes and... cop said I was do-

on, and so on, day after... courts comes these

from motorists, some... estimated, some

automobiles are tag-... the United States.

visitors must go to... it to the judge."

what tall tales are told... however, someone,

goes to court and... causing the judge

and gasp for breath... thing," the court in-

that an officer would... your car if you

violating some traffic rule... cases a day in a

to a small number. Us-... five hundred a day

the city's exchequer is in-... several thousands of dol-

And while judges are... "hard boiled" they are

extremely so. If you can... a good excuse you can get

perhaps. Here is one way... out they don't check up

on. "What was the occasion... our speeding?"

Well, judge, I was... the wife to the hospital.

an emergency call if there ever... Yes, judge, I'm a father

taking mother-in-law to the... doesn't work any more. And

do pretty wives get away... anything either. Their plea

someone pushed their car near... hydrant is old stuff. In Los

is anyone caught doing over... miles is automatically sched-

or a jail sentence. This means... as well as men. As I

this article there are three... in for ten days apiece.

ust between you and me there... ing to be three women who

live carefully later on. As... men receiving jail sentence

Were I the judge I'd... ce them to a month each in

emergency hospital—so that... could see the result of their

is driving. There are a few ways to get into

more than thirty-five miles... on city streets.

on the wrong side of the... a standing trolley.

through a safety zone. For all, traffic regulations are

new. Everyone knows just... they consist of. Be reason-

and help out of jail. HAVE YOU NOTICED IT?

men, standing on a street... one day this week, discuss-

ilities and local affairs, asked... editor of the Mail this ques-

"Why is it that the business... engaged in a certain line of

as is Merkel seldom ever... some never, carry an adver-

ent in your paper? We could... say that we suppose these

as men either feel secure in... business they are receiving and

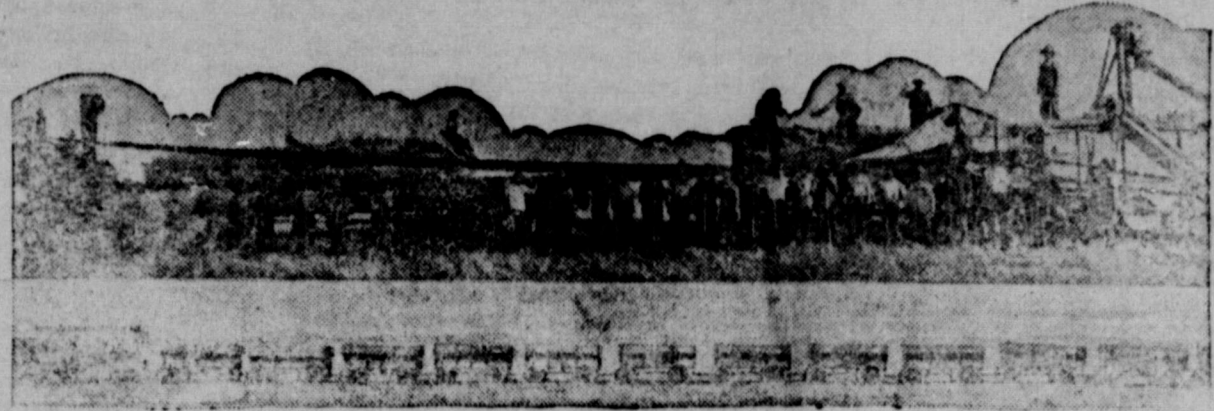
ot wish to expand, or they... be using some other manner

everything. And one of the... gentlemen remarked: "They

a a trust because their prices... always the same." Another

"Well, the average citizen... long since learned that the

WHEN MONTANA BROKE THE THRESHING RECORD



Hardin, Mont.—When the day's run was over, 4,321 bushels of dark red wheat had been threshed in a day and all world's threshing records were broken on the Campbell Corporation wheat ranch. Certainly, a big crew was put on the job to break the record, and a big 40x62 thresher was used with a 110 horsepower steam tractor for power, while twenty wagons were

used to bring the grain up to the hungry machine. This is described a great day in the development of the coming wheat empire. True, the combine seems destined now to handle the wheat at one operation and turn millions of acres now idle because of low rainfall to wheat production. The Campbell ranch has

noted out "combining from the windrow" the past year, so that the loose wheat is picked up from the swath by hayloader and fed into the combine to be threshed and the grain spilled into a wagon on the opposite side of the machine. Thus at one operation, the cost of wheat and flax harvesting is but a full 12c a bushel and American supremacy in wheat production is retained.

DOLLY MADISON HAD FLAPPER WAYS

Recently a Washington society woman remarked that if the famous Dolly Madison were alive today she would be classed as a flapper, as she was frivolous, used rouge, dipped snuff and played cards for high stakes. Well, poor Dolly is not present to take her own part, but quite likely she would follow the style if she was here and cut her skirts off to a length conforming to this day and age of flappers. And she would just play around and be adored by all who honored to have the honor of meeting her. It was this same frivolous pretty Dolly who saved Jefferson from dismal failure, even tho she was a great man. His utter disregard for the formalities and customs of his high station were to a large extent overcome by Dolly Madison, who acted as his hostess at the White House. The story of pretty Dolly is one full of true Americanism, and history that has earned her the most attractive and best loved first lady of the land. And today the portrait of Dolly Madison is more looked at and admired by the millions throngs of people who visit Washington than any other portrait hangs in the halls of fame.—Higgins News.

MODESTY!

"You did!" he charged. "I did not!" she denied. "You did!" he repeated. "I did not!" she flung back. "Well," said hubby, "one of us two is a very capable liar. But here is one thing which prevents me from saying which one." "Modesty, I presume," retorted wife. And he gave up, beaten.

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

Service "I keep six honest, serving men; (They taught me All I Know). Their names are WHAT and WHY and WHEN and HOW and WHERE and WHO" WEBSTER'S NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY in your home, school, office, club, library. This "Supreme Authority" in all knowledge offers service, immediate, constant, lasting, trustworthy. Answers all kinds of questions. A century of developing, enlarging, and perfecting under exacting care and highest scholarship insures accuracy, completeness, compactness, authority.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE Precinct No. 5, Gray County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Gray, in the Justice Court of Precinct 5, Gray County, Texas. A. A. Callahan, plaintiff, vs. J. S. Stephens, defendant. Whereas, by virtue of an execution issued out of the Justice Court of Precinct 5, Gray County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1925, in favor of the said A. A. Callahan against the said J. S. Stephens, No. 545 on the docket of said court, I did, on the 13th day of February, A. D. 1926, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the county of Gray, State of Texas, and belonging to the said J. S. Stephens to-wit: Blocks 81 and 82 and Lots 1, 3 and 5, in Block 165, in the city of McLean, Gray county, Texas, and on the 6th day of April, A. D. 1926, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said J. S. Stephens in and to said property. Dated at McLean, this 13 day of Feb., A. D. 1926. W. C. CARPENTER, Constable

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HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have you then and there before said Court, at said regular term, this with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand, this 15th day of February, A. D. 1926. I. S. JAMESON, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2, CCC-7-4c Gray County, Texas.

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