

THE McLEAN NEWS

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Best Year's Crop Shipments Make Large Showing

Last year's shipments of poultry and eggs amounted to \$84,800, according to figures given by E. J. Under, Rock Island agent. There were 18 cars of poultry shipped from McLean last year and 2,000 cases of eggs. Other products shipped were: 1 hides, 170 cars cattle, 25 cars sheep, 2 cars sheep and goats, 2 horses and mules. There were 5,471 bales of cotton ginned here last season; 72 of corn sold on the local market; 232 cars of grain sorghums, 2 cars watermelons, 18 cars hay. All of the above figures are from the railroad records, and do not include about 10,000 bushels of fruit produced and something like 1,000 bushels of potatoes. The estimated total value of products mentioned amounts to \$9,741. This sum, together with other minor items, represents a considerable amount for a year's output. The value of cotton produced was something less than one-third of total.

CITY ENGINE NOW RUNNING AT POWER PLANT

The new four cylinder, super-charged engine recently installed at city light and power plant was tested up last week and is now giving its share of the load. The new engine has an exhaust for each cylinder, and takes care of the noise better than any yet used. The exhaust is hardly noticeable except in very near vicinity of the plant. With the addition of this engine, it is thought that the power of the city will be amply in care of for this season.

WHITE BUYS PROPERTY; MOVES TO McLEAN

H. White of Groom has bought Western Lumber Company home here west part of town and moved his family to the new home today. Mr. White is secretary of the Mutual Insurance Association and is organized here, and he intends to work for everything that is for community betterment. The gentleman orders The News to his address for the next few months.

SHAMROCK REDUCES LIGHT RATES

Shamrock has reduced the electric light rate from \$2.00 for 10 kw. minimum to \$1.50 minimum 5 kw. per k. w. The new rate takes effect June 1. The white way street lighting will be extended at least one mile. Main street will be extended the full length, and extended made on Second street.

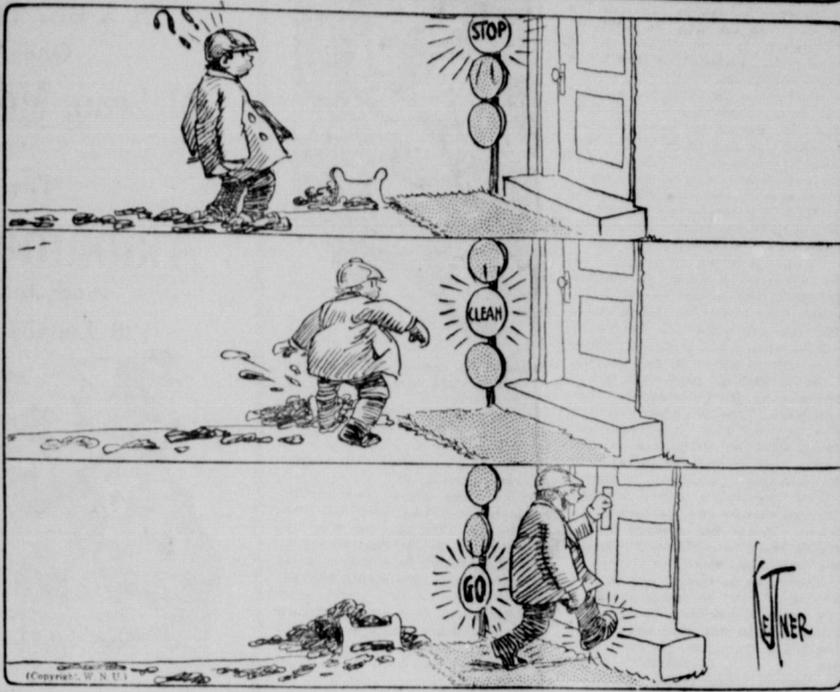
R. Calaway of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

WILL BOOSTER SAYS

TEAMWORK IS WHAT PUTS A TOWN OVER - WE CAN DO MORE FOR OUR TOWN BY WORKING TOGETHER - THAT'S WHY I AM FOR MEMBERS OF COMMERCE AND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MAKE BIG PLANS AND CANNOT ALWAYS SUCCEED, I AM FOR THEM BECAUSE THEN TRY - YES, GIRL!



Home Traffic Signals



Large Class Graduates from High School

With the exception of last year, there will be a larger class of graduates from the McLean High School this term than ever before. Twenty-two members of the senior class graduate this year, as against twenty-four last year.

This year's class is composed of fine, serious minded young Americans who prove their fitness as loyal citizens by ordering their class invitations of the home printer. The News has printed 700 of what is said by everyone who has seen them, to be the finest line of invitations ever used by local graduates. We are also informed by officials of the class that diplomas would have been ordered at home had they been consulted in the matter.

Plans for the various class activities incident to graduation are now being perfected.

The graduation exercises will be held Friday evening, May 21, when diplomas will be presented to the following: Misses Bobbie Hodges, Ruth Clark, Mildred Rogers, Bonnie Miller, Sinclair Rice, Lorena Ashby, Margaret Glass, Catherine Corum, Eunice Huff, Vina Stratton and Lena Davidson; Messrs. Tom Clark, Leslie Huff, Charlie Mars, Arthur Dwyer, LeRoy Landers, Earl Brannon, Emery Crockett, Russell Grogan, Miles Davis, Oran Robinson and Lenard Howard.

News from Liberty

W. R. Stokes has returned from California.

A large number spent a pleasant evening in the W. R. Stokes home Saturday.

Miss Sylvia Roth is in the Shamrock sanitarium taking treatment for rheumatism. Mr. and Mrs. Roth and children and the Misses Nelson visited with her Sunday.

M. T. Corbin and little daughters, Louie and Jessie, called at the J. F. Corbin home Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pettit and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell and children called at the A. L. Morgan home Sunday afternoon.

Bill Watt and Lee Hardin of Clarendon visited in the Hardin home Sunday.

The Primitive Baptist held regular services Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson were at Sunday school Sunday.

Nath Cunningham was injured last week while playing baseball. Miss Naomi Curry attended Sunday school Sunday afternoon.

Paul Stauffer was a visitor at Sunday school Sunday.

Miss Marie Young of Shamrock was a week end visitor in McLean.

MAD DOG SCARE FRIDAY

According to City Marshal J. A. Sparks, a supposed mad dog bit a dog belonging to J. E. Cubine, a hog of C. M. Carpenter's and all the dogs on the J. M. Carpenter place last Friday.

J. M. Carpenter killed the mad dog and all his dogs, we are told.

It is not known how many other animals may have been bitten, and Mr. Sparks is serving notice on dog owners in town to have all dogs put up by next Monday morning, when he will begin shooting all dogs that are found running at large within the city limits.

Prompt action is thought to be necessary to protect the people, and valuable dogs should be kept up until the danger is over.

ANOTHER RAIN THIS WEEK

Another rain fell on Tuesday of this week, and while the moisture was not badly needed, the rain fell gently, adding to an already good season.

Dr. Montgomery left Sunday to attend the meeting of the American Medical Association at Dallas.

Change in School Curriculum Made Next Year's Term

Vocational agriculture will be taught next year at the McLean High School. This subject takes the place of Spanish that is being taught this year.

A teacher for this subject has not been secured as yet, nor has an English or commercial teacher been employed, but all other positions are filled.

Prof. Geo. Tummins of Canyon superintendent, A. B. Chancey will be principal and coach, which place he now holds. Mrs. Geo. Tummins will teach the 7th grade. Miss Vera Roberts, who is teaching at Alanreed, has been employed for the 6th grade; Miss Marguerite Merriman will teach the 5th grade; Miss Fort, who is teaching near Silverton this year, will have charge of the 4th grade; Miss Essie Payne teaches the 3rd grade; Miss Vera Carpenter 2nd grade, and Mrs. Bill Bentley, who is teaching at Skillet this term, will teach the 1st grade.

Applications are before the board of trustees for the remaining places and other teachers will doubtless be employed at an early date.

Important Change in Subscription Rates

Beginning June 1st, the subscription price of The McLean News will be \$2.00 a year in Texas, and \$2.50 per year outside the state.

We are sure that this announcement will be no surprise to most of our readers, as there are few \$1.50 papers any more. In fact, if the subscription price was advanced in proportion to the cost of supplies when the old price was made, The News would be \$6.00 per year.

June 1st is set as the dead line in order that as many of our readers as care to may extend their subscriptions at the old rate; however, we must restrict such subscriptions to not more than five years in advance.

The difference in price for state and out-of-state subscriptions is made on account of the extra postage to distant points. Many papers make such differences in out-of-county postoffices, but as McLean's trade territory is in several counties, we thought best to make the price the same anywhere in the state. Less than a year's subscription will be: 6 months in state, \$1.25; 3 months 65c. Outside state, 6 months, \$1.50; 3 months, 85c.

The News is as good a paper as can be found in towns many times the size of McLean, and we have some contemplated improvements that will make it a still better paper.

The increase in price will only mean 4c per week for our state readers, which will barely pay for the white paper and postage used.

We will appreciate the co-operation of our readers; any mention you may make to your neighbor about the impending change will help us. We expect to continue to give you more than your money's worth each week.

Don't forget that after June 1st, it will be too late to renew at the old rate.

McLean Wins Track Meet; Trophy Now Permanent Property

Reported.

The McLean High School won the senior track events at Pampa last week for the sixth successive time, thereby making the cup held for the past two years the permanent property of the school. This is two cups now held by McLean, offered to the school holding the title for three successive years.

Arthur Dwyer was the high man in track, winning 23 points out of a possible 25. McLean made 106 points to Pampa's 32 in senior track; however Pampa showed better form in junior track, winning most of the contests in this event.

McLean won all four tennis matches: boy's singles, LeRoy Landers; boys' doubles, LeRoy Landers and Tom Clark; girl's singles, Audra Wilson; girls' doubles, Beatrice Cash and Lena Sparks. Pampa won indoor baseball and volleyball.

Winners in the senior track events are:

100 yd. dash—Clarence Cobb, Pampa, 1st; Tom Clark, McLean, 2nd; Jobe Abbott, McLean, 3rd; Oran Robinson, McLean, 4th.

220 yd. dash—Charlie Mars, McLean, 1st; Tom Clark, McLean, 2nd; Clarence Cobb, Pampa, 3rd; Oran Robinson, McLean, 4th.

220 low hurdles—Jobe Abbott, McLean, 1st; Glenn Wolfe, McLean, 2nd.

120 high hurdles—Lenard Howard, McLean, 1st; Charles Jordan, McLean, 2nd.

440 yd. dash—Charlie Mars, McLean, 1st; Leslie Huff, McLean, 2nd.

880 yd. run—Oran Robinson, McLean, 1st; Tom Clayton, Pampa,

2nd; Buster Nicholson, McLean, 3rd.

1 mile run—LeRoy Landers, McLean, 1st; Roger Powers, McLean, 2nd; Ralph Converse, Pampa, 3rd.

Shot put—Arthur Dwyer, McLean, 1st; "Chunk" Luder, Pampa, 2nd; Charlie Mars, McLean, 3rd.

Javelin throw—Clarence Cobb, Pampa, 1st; Leslie Huff, McLean, 2nd; Charles Jordan, McLean, 3rd.

Running broad jump—Arthur Dwyer, McLean, 1st; John Strange, Pampa, 2nd; Clarence Cobb, Pampa, 3rd.

Pole vault—Arthur Dwyer, McLean, 1st; Lee Jackson, McLean, 2nd; Glenn Wolfe, McLean, 3rd.

High jump—Arthur Dwyer, McLean, 1st; Lenard Howard, McLean, 2nd; John Strange, Pampa, 3rd.

Discus throw—Dallas Waters, McLean, 1st; Arthur Dwyer, McLean, 2nd; "Chunk" Luder, Pampa, 3rd.

1 mile relay—Charles Jordan, Lenard Howard, Glenn Wolfe and Charlie Mars of McLean.

Counting points won in both athletic and literary events, LeRoy Landers and team mates won 40 points, or counting half of team work, LeRoy has 27½ points to his credit.

All county winners will go to Canyon Friday and Saturday to compete in the district events. Among those from McLean will be:

Lena Sparks, Beatrice Cash, Audra Wilson, Elgin Shell, Lorena Ashby, Leslie Huff, LeRoy Landers, Charlie Mars, Oran Robinson, Charles Jordan, Roger Powers, Arthur Dwyer, Tom Clark, Dallas Waters, Glenn Wolfe, Lenard Howard, Jobe Abbott.

News from Ramsdell

J. N. Phillips made a business trip to McLean Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and son, R. L. Jr., went to McLean Wednesday afternoon.

D. W. Granger, Ferd Bones and E. Exum went to McLean on business Wednesday afternoon.

The Ladies Club met with Mrs. M. T. Powell last Thursday for an all day meeting. A most delicious lunch was served at noon. All those who attended greatly enjoyed the day.

D. W. Granger and daughter, Juanita, and Ferd Bones went to McLean on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Phillips and Mrs. W. M. Bolton went to Shamrock Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Bones went to Shamrock Saturday afternoon.

W. T. McCann went to Shamrock Saturday afternoon.

D. W. Granger and Ferd Bones went to Lela on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCann spent Saturday night and Sunday in the W. T. McCann home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Longan went to Shamrock Saturday evening.

W. M. Bolton, who is attending school at Canyon, came home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Longan visited the lady's parents at Hollis, Okla., Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bolton spent Saturday night with Mr. Bolton's parents at Wheeler.

The Abra baseball team came up Saturday afternoon and played Ramsdell. The score was 13 to 10 in favor of Abra.

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

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Granger and children visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Kiser, at Lela Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Bones and son, Elmo, were dinner guests in the J. I. Bones home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Davidson and children visited in the L. H. Adams home at Mobeetie Saturday and Sunday.

The Lela baseball team played a game with Ramsdell the first of the week. The score was 19 to 10 in favor of Ramsdell.

J. N. Phillips went to McLean Monday morning on business.

SEVENTH GRADE WINS GAMES FROM HEALD

Last Friday afternoon the seventh grade boys and girls of the McLean school won two games of basketball from the Heald seventh graders. The games were played at Heald, the McLean boys winning 10 to 4, and the girls 16 to 10.

AT THE NAZARENE CHURCH

Regular preaching services will be held at the Nazarene church each Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Rex Roby will preach, and Miss Stella Roby will conduct the song service.

The general public is invited to attend these services.

Miss Lillian Abbott of Clarendon spent the week end with home folks here.

Miss Vera Roberts of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Miss Barbara Windom of Canyon spent the week end with home folks here.

TH' OLE GROUCH

OF ALL TH' PERNICIOUS PASTIMES, THIS HERE DROPPIN' OLE CUDS O' CHEWIN' GUM AROUND PROMISCUOUS GITS ME Madder THAN THUNDER! I JEST HATE Y' FIND A GOOEN GLOB O' GUM ON MY SHOES OR CLOTHES OR ON TH' BOTTOMS OF CHAIRS OR TABLES IN RESTAURANTS OR BOON FOUNTAINS



In Valhalla and Out

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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.—Acting on impulse, Dick, footloose and ready for any sort of adventure, remembers a hiding place in the main cabin of the yacht and determines to conceal himself and set a stowaway—with the party. Stephen Cutler, invalid, comes aboard, with his niece, and the ship sails.

CHAPTER IV.—In his retreat Dick overhears conversations between Blake and Captain Brent which appear to denote something sinister. Believing the cabin empty, Dick emerges from hiding and encounters Blake. Alice Cutler's French maid, getting back quickly, unrecognized, the girl insists she has seen a "ghost," and is ridiculed. The yacht reaches its apparent destination, an island. Dick swims ashore.

CHAPTER V.—On the island next day Van Ness witnesses an exchange of mysterious signals which he realizes are between Blake, at Cutler's house, and Captain Brent, on the yacht. He is present, unseen, while Blake and Marie speak in heated terms of things which add to the mystery of the situation. Sleeping in a boat-house near the dock, Dick is discovered by Alice. He admits he was on the yacht, and she reveals the fact that the servants who should have been at the house are mysteriously absent, only her uncle, Stephen Cutler, Doctor Alster, Blake and herself being on the island. Dick's presence is known only to Alice. The yacht sails, leaving the party.

CHAPTER VI.—Floating on a life-raft, a sailor is assisted to the shore by Van Ness. He asserts he is one of the crew of the Pelican, which is on a reef, fast breaking up, and that he volunteered to swim ashore and seek aid. Neither to Dick nor Alice, who hears the man's story, does it ring true, and Dick is more than ever convinced that some plot, engineered by Blake and involving Stephen Cutler, is afoot.

CHAPTER VII.—Exploring the island, Dick discovers a wireless apparatus from which messages are being sent and received. They are in code and he can make nothing of them, though he is convinced Blake is communicating with the yacht. Continuing his investigations, Van Ness is surprised and knocked senseless by McGee, the sailor whom he had helped ashore. The fellow leaves Dick bound and helpless, in a cave, while he goes to inform Blake of Dick's presence, and his captivity.

CHAPTER VIII.—Blake, visits Dick, recognizing him as the man he had seen on the dock, but attaching little importance to his presence on the island, Van Ness succeeds in freeing himself from his bonds.

CHAPTER IX.—Escaping from the cave, Dick overhears a heated conversation between Blake and Alice Cutler, in which the man threatens her with violence if she will not agree to marry him. She indignantly refuses. Dick makes his way to the house and arranges with Alice for an interview with Doctor Alster, Cutler's physician. Dick's reasoning has convinced him that if, as he suspects, Cutler is the victim of a plot which Blake has engineered, Doctor Alster is the man upon whom the conspirators must rely for the successful working out of their plans.

Before he could recover his balance, she was running in the opposite direction, tripping as lightly over the beach as a child, and with nearly as much speed as a man. Blake essayed to follow, but her long lead in the race to the house discouraged him, and he stopped midway to vent his wrath in muttered threats.

Dick had once thought of interfering, but when the girl defied the man, and threw him backward, he felt like applauding. "Don't believe she needs me yet," he grinned. "Psychologically that would have been the wrong moment to butt in. Women don't like to be helped in such affairs until there's real danger. But"—musing seriously—"I'm afraid it's coming when she'll need all the help she can get."

Blake's revelations concerning affairs up at the house had disturbed him. If Steve Cutler was unconscious, slowly dying without chance of regaining his senses, what companionship had the girl? There was Marie, her maid, but Dick knew she was in love with Blake, and more or less involved in the plot. There was Doctor Alster. But what sort of man was he?

So far Dick hadn't met the family physician, and there seemed to be a ray of hope in the thought that Alster would prove a friend and help to Miss Cutler. "I'll have to get in communication with him," he muttered, "and establish some sort of entente cordiale. Between us we might get Blake and McGee to rout."

With this idea in mind, he waited until Blake left the beach, and then slipped down the rocks to the level below. Following a wide cleft that led to the rear of the cliff, he worked his way gradually up to the house, using

every caution to conceal himself behind trees and shrubs. His theory was that Blake would be in the front, and by approaching from the rear he could slip into the kitchen unobserved. McGee, he reasoned, would still be at the cave on guard duty.

He was successful in his ruse, reaching the rear of the big house without attracting attention. He tried the back door, and finding it unlocked opened it and slipped inside. The kitchen was a large, pretentious affair, suitable as a workshop for a large army of servants.

It was completely deserted now, giving it a forlorn, unpleasant appearance. All the latest appliances for cooking and serving dinners and banquets were present, but without cooks or waiters they seemed a hollow mockery. "What is a home without a cook?" Dick murmured in passing.

He entered the butler's pantry adjoining the big, commodious kitchen, and nearly ran plump into a pair of flour and dough-covered arms. Alice Cutler, under the stress of necessity, was making tentative experiments in cookery, with her sleeves rolled up to her elbows, showing a pair of plump arms, and a fancy boudoir cap covering her head. An ample apron protected her dress. Her cheeks were flushed to a rich carmine, with small patches of flour and dough distributed here and there in irregular patterns.

She glanced up with startled eyes, and then, as calmly as if meeting an old friend, she said: "Well! What is it you want now?"

"To see you, first," he said, "and, second, to see Doctor Alster."

"What do you want to see Doctor Alster for?" she queried.

"To find out what sort of a man he is—to see if he's for you or against you."

She was quiet for a long time, watching and appraising him. Finally, she nodded her head. "I'll take you to him," she said quietly. "Perhaps you're right. We ought to know whether he's for us or against us. I have my doubts sometimes."

CHAPTER X

Dick thrilled a little when she used the word "us"; he had distinctly used the singular pronoun, and it was her own choice of the plural. He reasoned that, consciously or unconsciously, the word implied a trust in him that he had not dared to believe before.

He watched her graceful movements, as she cleaned and washed her hands and arms, dried them on a roller towel, removed the apron, touched her hair with deft hands, and then, after readjusting her boudoir cap, nodded to him.

"Follow me. I'll take you to him." Doctor Alster was a short, thick-set man of perhaps forty, with black hair and beard, and dark, shifty eyes. Dick's first impression was not very favorable. When he stepped forward to meet him, the eyes under the staggery brows widened in surprise, and then narrowed swiftly to small pin points.

"I'm glad to meet you, doctor," Dick said, advancing with extended hand.

The other grunted and stared back suspiciously. "Who are you, sir?" he demanded truculently.

"A friend of Miss Cutler's. You heard her say that."

"But your name?"

"For the present, names are immaterial. I'm greatly concerned about Mr. Cutler's health. How is he?"

"Bad, sir—very bad," was the reply, accompanied by a solemn shake of the head.

"Can I see Mr. Cutler?" Dick asked.

"See him?" repeated Alster in surprise. Then, frowning and shaking his head, he added, "No, sir, I couldn't grant that request. It might prove dangerous to him in his weakened condition."

"If he's unconscious, what harm could come of it? You can't surprise or shock an unconscious patient."

"He might regain his senses for a moment, and the sight of a stranger—"

"—a friend."

"Well, even a friend he didn't expect to see here might give him a shock that would kill him."

Dick smiled with exasperating coolness. Alster's face slowly mottled and turned red. Losing his polite manners, he asked abruptly, "Who are you, sir? Aren't you the stowaway that came down here unbidden?"

"I came down on the yacht. If you choose to call me a stowaway, all right."

"Mr. Blake was telling me about you," added the doctor. "He's been very anxious to see you. I'll summon him."

"It isn't necessary," replied Dick. "I've met Mr. Blake several times."

"I'll summon him at once."

Doctor Alster. I don't believe he's for us."

Dick had surveyed the outlook through the window with just such a possible contingency in view, and it required little exertion or hazard on his part to climb out on the roof of the back porch and slide down one of the pillars. Before Blake and Doctor Alster appeared in the room he was in the woods, watching the window at a safe distance.

"Blake will know by this time I've escaped from the cave," he meditated. "Therefore, he'll set McGee on my trail again. Perhaps this time I'll be prepared for him."

His visit to the house had satisfied him on two doubtful points. The first, and what seemed the more important to him, was that Alice Cutler had come to believe and trust in him. She no longer viewed him as an enemy or troublesome interloper. The second point he had cleared up in his mind was that Doctor Alster was a friend of Blake's and in league with him.

"That means three to one against me, not counting Marie," he reflected. It was noticeable that he did not include Miss Cutler in this grouping, but that was because he had personally assumed her burdens and intended to relieve her of all responsibility.

He decided his next move was to pay another visit to the wireless plant, and learn if possible where the yacht was located. There was no question in his mind that Blake was communicating with Captain Brent, exchanging messages of some sort or another.

Dick remained a long time watching the window and the back of the house. If any one emerged through the doorway, he could see him in ample time to get away.

There was no sign of any one stirring about, and he finally abandoned the watch. Retreating into the woods, he made his way cautiously to the beach and from there to the face of the cliff, which offered so many advantageous hiding places.

Concealing himself in the mouth of a small sea cave where he had a clear view of every line of approach, he fell to meditating upon his next move. If he destroyed the wireless plant, he would cut off their last

chance of getting a message ashore or to a passing vessel. On the other hand, if he left it intact, he permitted



"Which," He Reflected With a Scowl, "I'm Still Ignorant Of."

Blake to hatch up any sort of a plot with Captain Brent or to carry out his original scheme.

"Which," he reflected with a scowl, "I'm still ignorant of."

The minutes slipped away swiftly. After his exertions, Dick felt tired and sleepy. The reaction from the excitement made him doze in catnaps. Arousing himself from one of these, he heard voices over his head. They came from the top of the cliff, which was just visible from his hiding place. They were angry words, spoken in a high-pitched, feminine voice.

"I saw you with her! You needn't deny it! I'll scratch your eyes out if you touch her again!"

It was Marie, venting her jealousy upon her unlucky lover. Dick smiled, enjoying the conversation. Blake spoke in a lower, more guarded voice. "No, I won't keep still!" the maid

added a moment later. "You got to promise to leave her alone, or I'll tell her all. You've deceived me, and—" "I tell you to shut up!" came from her lover in a menacing voice. "If you don't, I'll—" "What will you do?" mocked the maid. "You're a coward, and don't dare touch me. I know you."

"Be careful!" Marie laughed defiantly, taunting

him only as an aroused, jealous man could; but in the midst of it came a new note, which made him glance upward hurriedly. It was if the laugh had suddenly turned to a scream—a frightful cry of fear and horror.

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Groceries are cheaper at Puckett Cash Store. Advertisement

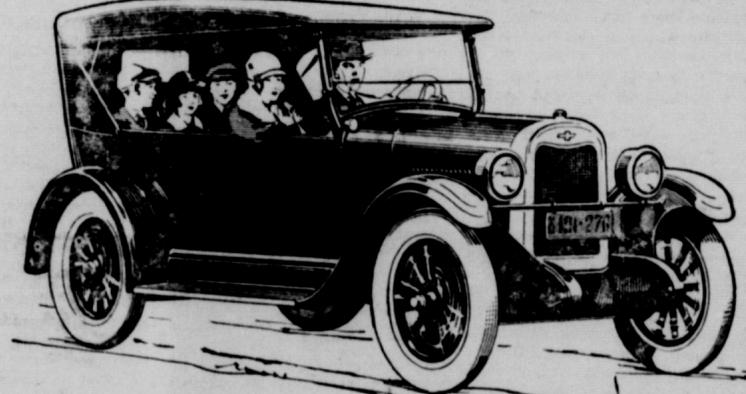
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QUALITY AT LOW COST

FEATURES IN THIS ISSUE THE NEWS

The new features are added to the News in this issue. Mickie, pleasant talks on newspaper will entertain for several weeks. Bill Booster will talk about affairs principally, and the Grouch will get off some pretentious kicks that can be enjoyed by everyone.

Timely cartoons by Ketner, ladies' fashion pictures will be featured each week. Our women may rest assured that the illustrations are the very latest in feminine apparel, as the fashions of the world are combed and apply this material.

A serial story is at a very interesting place and it will run several weeks yet, when a new chapter of absorbing interest will be added.

There are many reasons why our subscribers should keep their subscription figures well in advance in order that they miss none of the good news offered by The News.

News from Heald

Another good rain fell here today.

Paul Ladd was called Friday to the bedside of a nephew who passed away Sunday morning.

P. Rippey and daughter, Mrs. Green, were in Wheeler Tuesday to attend Methodist conference.

L. Litchfield and Newman were in Shamrock Tuesday.

Wheeler county Baptist missionary preached here Sunday and Monday night.

Alter Bailey was in Shamrock today.

A play and pie supper given by the Epworth League Friday was well attended.

Ladies Club met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Edgar Bailey. Large crowd was present. All had a nice time.

H. Harbison and T. F. Phillips were in Shamrock Monday.

Mrs. Edgar Bailey spent day in the Millard McRee home.

Mrs. Paul Ladd attended funeral of their nephew at Heald Monday.

Grandmother Haynes is spending week in McLean.

Mrs. Frank Bidwell and daughter spent Saturday night and day in the J. W. Dougherty home.

Mrs. T. F. Phillips visited at Dozier Sunday.

W. L. Haynes and children McLean visited in the J. A. home Friday night and attended the play.

W. L. Litchfield and Mrs. Phillips were shopping in Heald Saturday afternoon.

of Dorman was in Wheeler today.

Heald school will close Friday.

Mrs. Barton from Wellington visited in the W. L. Litchfield home Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Barton is a sister to Litchfield.

R. Reneau went to Panhandle Sunday to take his daughter.

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b. Flint, Mich

News from Gracey

Everyone enjoyed a party at the Kinard home Saturday night.

Bidwell went to Hedley today.

Redding and daughter, Miss of McLean spent Monday with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Derrick.

Miss Opal Derrick spanned them home.

Ruby, Lea and Grace Bidwell spent Sunday with Misses Tex and Lucile Harlan.

olph Bush and sister, Miss and Miss Alta Quarles visited in the Bill Webb home Sunday.

and Mrs. Nugent Kunkel and son of McLean spent Saturday and Sunday in the Kinard home.

Madma Snow left Friday for Omaha, where she will make her home for the present with her son, Mr. Johnson and Abraham Derwent to California last week.

shipment of hogs.

Lorena Derrick visited Miss Derrick Sunday evening.

T. J. D'Spain and son, went to Dalhart last week and the funeral of her niece.

Alexander of Ardmore, has had his subscription figure moved up another year.

lot of ladies' slippers, broken sizes, while they last, at only 98c per pair at T. J. Coffey and Brother. Advertisement 1c

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BANK SAFE TIME LOCK REFUSES TO OPEN

The safe at the Citizens State Bank refused to open one morning this week at the proper time, and it was thought for a while that the time lock had been set for a longer time than customary, but as the day passed it was learned that the mechanism was stuck and advice was secured from the makers as to the best way to break into it. Early Thursday morning the money was still safely locked in, despite attacks with a big wrecking bar and other similar instruments.

A good many years ago a similar instance occurred here and the safe was completely wrecked before it gave up the money.

KACHELHOFFER OIL WELL IN SOFTER FORMATION

The Kachelhoffer oil well east of town is now drilling at the rate of about ten feet per day and is now around 2400 feet and the formation is getting softer.

Indications are good for a paying producer at this location, and we are told there will be no cessation in drilling, barring accidents, until the well is complete.

CIRCULAR ADVERTISING

Have you ever noticed what the average person does when they receive a piece of "direct advertising" through the mails? If you have not, observe the next person you see opening a batch of letters containing one and a half cent stamps. Mr. Business Man, when you open your batch of mail, how do you dispose of the score of letters you receive daily from companies wishing to interest you in their products? If you are like the majority of people we have observed, you will give it a quick glance, observe what it is, and with a sweep of the arm shove it and all similar letters and circulars received by mail into the wastebasket. You are no different from the million of other persons who receive similar advertisements. But when you glance at an advertisement in a newspaper, do you consign the entire paper to the wastebasket? Of course you do not. You read the entire paper and your attention is attracted more than one time to the advertisements on that page. It keeps bobbing up before your eyes and each time it flashes you see something different and if you are interested in the item mentioned, some certain statement which impresses you will cause you to peruse the entire advertisement, sometimes even unconsciously, but the impression remains nevertheless. Several persons will no doubt read the same copy of the paper, while the piece of direct mail advertising which you consign to the wastebasket with a sneer is only half-way read by one person. This should be evidence enough that newspaper advertising is the most profitable and the most desirable. —Paris News.

THEY SEEMED LONGER

He—"Well, the days are getting longer."
She—"When did you get married?"

ALL OVER

The Bride—"Did I look very anxious at the church?"
The Cat—"Not after he said 'I will, my darling.'"

Ed Castleberry of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Lee Cason of Wellington is visiting in McLean this week.

A. C. Ayer is a new reader of The News and Star-Telegram. Mr. Ayer says it is a shame for a man to take a state paper and not take his home paper.

The publisher of the town newspaper must be a good writer, a good editor, a good financier, a good salesman, a good speaker, a good mixer. In addition, he must be good.—Pacific Printer and Publisher.

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Early gin run cotton seed for sale at Douglas Gin. 75c per bu. Advertisement 16-3c

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

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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES—One insertion, 2c per word.
Three insertions, 4c 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 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

YEAR-OLD Nanny goat for sale. Rex Roby, Phone 182.

GET your seed corn, cotton, sudan kafir, maize and cane from Cheney and Callahan. tfe

RANGE Eternal, good 1925 Ford touring car, and two Shetland ponies for sale by Troy West. 16-2c

P. & O. lister, John Deere go-devil, good as new, and cultivator for sale. Jesse J. Cobb. 16-2c

REAL cotton seed—Savage kind—Cheney and Callahan. tfe

FOR SALE.—Terms if desired.—Second hand Majestic range with hot water front and about forty gallon hot water tank. McLean Hardware Company. 16-4t

THE GENUINE O. M. Franklin Blackleg Vaccine for sale by E. E. Dishman. 16-3c

SEED corn, maize and cane. Cheney and Callahan. tfe

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR TRADE, for a clear house and lot in McLean, 320 acres of level improved land in Colorado. D. C. Christopher. 16-2p-tfe

STRONGHEART

The World's Most Famous and Best Loved Dog in "WHITE FANG"

Jack London's thrilling story—a brave man in the frozen North—a lovely girl, her fiancé a thief and a murderer—a heart moving love story—gripping drama in the stifling surge of Alaska's winter snows—and a dog—such a dog! You must see this picture! You'll never forget it as long as you live! **Friday night, April 23.**

A good Western Saturday night, April 24 Monday and Tuesday nights, April 26, 27—"Secret Springs." It's a good one. Wednesday and Thursday nights, April 28, 29—"The Song and Dance Man." You've heard about this one, now you have a chance to see it.

Legion Theatre
C. E. Truitt, Mgr. McLean, Texas

A Handful of Nails or a Carload of Lumber

Whatever your building needs, let us supply them—and at a cost you can afford. Whether you want to make a few repairs around the house or build a skyscraper, buy the materials from us.

People of McLean (have known for many years that Western means

Complete Satisfaction

Western Lumber & Hardware Company

H. F. WINGO, Manager

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MISCELLANEOUS

MATRESSES 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

BOOK your order for sweet potato plants now for early delivery. Nancy Hall and Porto Rico potato plants. Tomato, cabbage and pepper. Phone 182. T. B. Roby. tfe

ALL kinds chicken feed. Cheney and Callahan. tfe

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

GROCERIES are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. tfe

GARBAGE and trash hauled from any part of the city at reasonable rates. Phone 271. Frank Haynes.

PURINA chicken chows. Cheney and Callahan. tfe

RUBBER STAMPS. Order rubber stamps, daters, etc., at the News office. Prompt service and the best of work.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST.—Between school and home, Scheaffer fountain pen. Reward. T. N. Holloway. 1c

Cleaning and Pressing

Let us have your next order for cleaning and pressing. Work called for and delivered in city limits. All work guaranteed. Made-to-order suits and shirts look better and fit better. Buy here. Telephone 216.

City Tailor Shop
Floyd Andrews, Owner

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OH, THESE PLUMBERS!

The young plumber had proposed to the girl and had been accepted. Several hours later they parted and he went home.

At three o'clock in the morning a loud ringing was heard at the front door bell of the girl's home. Her father, roused from slumber, went to a window, and, sticking his head out, inquired who was there. "It's John," said a voice from below. "I asked Agnes to marry me and she said she would, but I forgot to kiss her."

C. H. Biegel of Aurora, Ill., renews his subscription to our paper this week.

MOVIE NOTES

This week, Fri., "Strongheart." Sat., a good Western. Next week, Mon. and Tues., "Secret Springs." Wed. and Thurs., "The Song and Dance Man."

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NOTICE DOG OWNERS

On account of the mad dog recently running at large, all dogs in McLean must be put up. All dogs found running at large in the city limits after Sunday, April 25, will be shot on sight. Keep your dog up if you don't want him killed. Advertisement 1c
J. A. SPARKS, City Marshal.

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REAL DRAY SERVICE

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

D. C. CHRISTOPHER

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Cleaning, Pressing, Alterations
Suits Tailored to Measure
Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing

FRANK DAY
Jeweler and Tailor
Phone 42 Rice Building
Work Called for and Delivered

To My Mother

If I could write what I thought
Or say what I ought,
I'd write a word all pure gold
That never on the lips is cold:
There's not a word—
No, not another—
That means so much
as just this,
Mother.

Pound boxes of chocolates, with framed verses, make delightful gifts for Mother's Day.

Shell's Pharmacy

Charter No. 10957		Reserve District No. 11	
Report of Condition of			
THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK			
at McLean, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on April 12, 1926.			
RESOURCES			
Loans and discounts, including rediscounts			
acceptances of other banks, and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with endorsement of this bank (except those shown in b and c)	\$156,712.08		
Customers' liability account of acceptances of this bank purchased or discounted by it	26,877.09		
Total loans		\$183,589.17	
Overdrafts, secured, none; unsecured	1,589.70		1,589.70
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.			8,420.42
Banking house, \$7,500.00; furniture and fixtures, \$3,500.00			11,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house			9,554.63
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank			7,087.33
Cash in vault and amount due from national banks			9,448.06
Amount due from State banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 8, 9, and 10)			246.61
Checks on other banks in the same city or town as reporting bank (other than Item 12)			968.42
Total of Items 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13	10,663.09		741.86
Miscellaneous cash items	741.36		741.86
Other assets			497.68
Total			\$233,143.38
LIABILITIES			
Capital stock paid in		\$25,000.00	
Surplus fund			5,000.00
Undivided profits	\$8,254.18		
Less current expenses paid	4,530.27		3,723.91
Cashier's checks outstanding			1,507.38
Total of Items 22, 23, 24, 25 and 26	1,507.38		150,271.57
Individual deposits subject to check			150,271.57
Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days (other than for money borrowed)			413.00
Total of demand deposits, (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32		150,684.57	
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)			29,297.49
Total of time deposits, subject to Reserve, Items 33, 34, 35 and 36		29,297.49	
Notes and bills rediscounted, including acceptances of other banks and foreign bills of exchange or drafts sold with endorsement of this bank			17,930.03
Total			\$233,143.38
State of Texas, County of Gray, ss:			
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 20th day of April, 1926. (SEAL)			
DONALD BEALL, Notary Public.			
Correct—Attest: J. M. CARPENTER, GEO. W. SITTER, Directors.			

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T. A. LANDERS
Editor and Owner

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Panhandle Press Association
National Editorial Association

At this time of the year, the man with the hoe may be only digging bait.

It would be a great old world if we were only as good as we wish our friends were.

It sometimes takes a horse to pull your car out of a ditch, when a little horse sense might have kept you out of trouble.

If every merchant in a town was a systematic advertiser and there were none who depended upon the trade attracted by others, how fast that town would grow!

The best season for planting crops since 1911, is the opinion of old timers. With the best start in 15 years, and diversified planting, the outlook is good for a prosperous year for farmers.

Texas stands 35th among the states in regard to public schools. This is not an enviable position and every step should be taken to remedy this condition. Good teachers can only be secured by paying living salaries, and proper equipment is needed before teachers can present facts as they should. The next Legislature will probably be much occupied with school matters.

The printing industry ranks third in this country, being exceeded only by steel and packing plants. Automobiles are fourth. Printing has reached third place within the last few years, being tenth in the list some years ago. There are new uses for printing every day. No business can exist without the aid of some phase of the printing industry.

A school teacher, like everyone else, who is worth most to the community is the one who takes an interest in everything that is for community betterment. A teacher not only sells ability to impart knowledge, but community influence as well. Many communities are better because of the

teacher's influence, and this is as it should be.

At Carter, Oklahoma, an election was held recently to ratify the sale of the town electric light plant. 100 votes were cast in favor of selling the plant, to one against. We cannot understand why anyone in a small town would vote against a measure of this kind. It is all right to put in municipal improvements when they cannot be had otherwise, but when the proposition will be taken off the taxpayers' hands by a private concern, it would appear to be the part of wisdom to dispose of them. Unfortunately, towns cannot operate a business economically. The law provides that books shall be kept in good shape and regular statements published, but it is too easy to follow the lines of least resistance in such matters, forgetting that the law is for the people's protection and that they have a right to know just how their business is being conducted by their servants.

FOR LAWYERS, TOO!

Ethics have long been a thorn in the flesh for the medical doctor. Ethics, to a great extent, are a lazy man's weapon of defense. The fellow who does not want to make progress and keep abreast of the world likes to hide behind a barricade of ethics. Ethics is all right to discuss and talk about, but it is far from a millennium in a business way. The fellow who has a product worth boosting certainly has a right to tell the world about it, and he ought to tell the truth, too.—Childress Index.

Judge T. M. Wolfe of Lefors was in town Saturday.

Early gin run cotton seed for sale at Douglas Gin. 75c per bu. Advertisement 16-3c

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INSURANCE

Fire, Hail, Tornado
Health, Accident
You are fully protected when insured in the strong companies we represent.

Haynes & Ledbetter
Office Theatre Building

Watch Repairing

We Pay Postage Both Ways
Quick Service
Reasonable Rates

McCormack Bros.
Shamrock, Texas
Leave Work at Shell's Pharmacy or Send Direct

C. S. RICE

Funeral Director

FUNERAL SUPPLIES
MONUMENTS

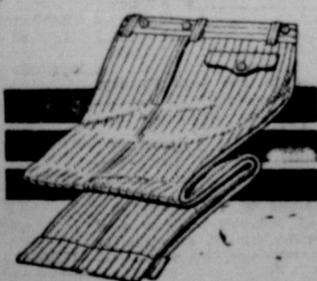
Phones 13 and 42

TEXHOMA GASOLINE

You can't buy better gasoline than Texhoma for power. Less carbon, less knocks more satisfaction.

L. L. ROGERS, Agent
Texhoma Oil and Refining Co.
McLean, Texas

New Goods for Men



A big line of men's dress and work trousers. You will want to see these before you buy.

Spring Hats

New straws in plain and panama that are latest word in men's spring hats. Plenty of everyday straws, too.

Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co.
Phone Fifty

THE COUNTRY PRESS

The average farm home looks to the local newspaper, to the small-town daily or country-weekly, with its story of "You-all's house," a story such as the great metropolitan papers can never tell, for information which is of interest to the entire family. Yet, notwithstanding the value of the country paper, postage rates have been increased. Not satisfied with this, the government insists upon continuing its business by supplying printed envelopes in competition with the local newspaper publisher or job printer, who pays taxes in his home community and contributes to its upbuilding.

Never has there been a time when small towns and rural communities were in such need of the leadership of well edited papers, with vision and understanding. With the government going in strong for uplift—at so much per uplift—it would seem that it ought to relieve the local newspaper, one of the greatest of all rural uplift agencies, of unnecessary burdens.—Congressman Nelson of Missouri in a speech in Congress.

NOT NEEDED

Terrence—"Tis a fine lad ye have here. A magnificent head and noble features. Could ye lend me a couple o' dollars?"
Pax—"I could not. 'Tis me wife's child by her first husband."—London Telegraph.

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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. BENTLEY
M. M. NEWMAN

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

A Good Place to Eat

Hamburgers, coffee, pies
short orders

Hamburger Inn
J. A. Meador, Prop.

TIRE PRICES

We meet anybody's prices on auto tires, quality considered. We sell Firestone and Oldfield. Nuff sed.

STAR FILLING STATION
L. L. Rogers, Prop.

FOR BETTER COTTON

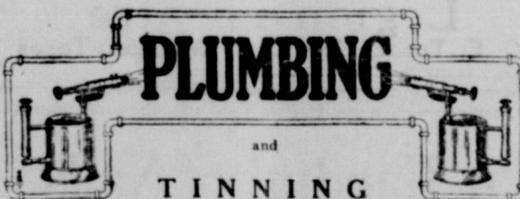
Plant our PANHANDLE PLANTING SEED. Specially bred, exclusively grown, separately ginned, cleaned, ginned and baled.

PANHANDLE LONG STAPLE ACALA.....	\$2.25 per bu.
PANHANDLE LONG STAPLE MEBANE.....	1.75 per bu.
PANHANDLE RE-PRODUCED KASCH.....	1.75 per bu.
PANHANDLE HALF AND HALF.....	1.75 per bu.
PANHANDLE GROWN MIXED SEED.....	1.25 per bu.

All prices delivered your railroad station. All seed must show as good as 85% germination and every customer must be satisfied with seed on delivery, or money refunded without question. You can't afford to risk your money, your time and your labor on un-tested, un-culled, un-acclimated seed. Send cash with order to

R. D. JONES SEED FARMS

Agents and Dealers Wanted
Paducah, Texas
19-2p



WE SELL

Bath Tubs
Lavatories
Sinks
Closets
Water Heaters
Range Boilers
Hose Bibbs
Sink Bibbs
Stop Cocks
Globe Valves
Pipe and Pipe Fittings
4 1-2 inch Iron Well Casing

WE MAKE

Storage Tanks
Stock Tubs
Wagon Tanks
House Gutters
Flue Caps
Ventilators
Roof Flanges
Stove Pipe
Galv. Well Casing
Ice Box Linings
Milk Coolers
We make and repair anything made of Sheet Metal

McLean Tin and Plumbing Co.
Hollis Bros, Props. Phone 72

FOLLOWING ORDERS

"Are you sure, madam," asked the physician of the invalid's wife, "that you're husband has had no leud intervals since I was here last?"
"I'm certain of that," she replied, "I have given him nothing but what you prescribed."—Everybody's.

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Magnolia Petroleum Co.

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

McLean Filling Station

Oil, Gas and Accessories
Sudden Service
Magnol-ne Ford Oil will make your Ford run better.

Floyd Phillips, Mgr.

JUST RECEIVED

A big shipment of men's dress trousers in all the wanted colors and weaves. Look over this offering before you buy. Most everything here for the man's spring outfit.

JOHN MERTEL

Chrysler Cars

Quality and Performance Dominate in Every Chrysler

Chrysler standards of quality are found in no less than three complete lines of cars. Appearance and performance distinctively Chrysler mark every one of these cars. Each group offers combined abilities unique in its class.

Whether the car in which you are interested be large or small, phaeton, roadster or closed model, we believe you will find a car that will fully meet your highest requirements in motoring. Standards in each group are fully maintained in every detail of construction. And each car, we believe, constitutes a standard for quality, appearance and performance in its group. We commend to your attention and interest the Chrysler line.

Let us demonstrate.

Snappy Service Station

SAVE with SAFETY at your Rexall DRUG STORE



Let us show you this latest creation of America's Master Perfumer.

A complete line of Toilet Accessories

Erwin Drug Co.

The Rexall Drug Store

SCORE CARD FOR FARM HUSBANDS

We suggest that each Mr. Farmer score himself by the following five-question score card, allowing a maximum of 8-13 points for a question to which he can answer "Yes," without qualification.

At the same time, Mrs. Farmer should be asked to score her husband also, and see whether her score agrees with his. The ideal husband can answer "Yes" to each of the dozen questions provided by our "Score Card for Farm Husbands," and we wonder how many such "100 per cent good" husbands there are among our readers! Here is the list of questions:

1. Are you a "good, safe provider?" Do you maintain worthy standards of living in your home as your finances warrant, and avoid extravagance and "time" debts, such as might prevent your being "a good provider" on? Have you made a will taken out some insurance to protect your wife in case of your death?

2. Does your wife have for her some fund, such as the butter egg money, and do you let her do this as she pleases without criticism and without expecting it to buy two dollars' worth for every dollar?

3. Have you provided proper cleaning equipment for the home as fully as you have bought it for your own work? Is your wife supplied with such labor-saving equipment as an oil stove, a less cooker, a washing machine, running water and electric lights you are supplied with two-row plows, disk harrows, reapers, combine engines and trucks?

4. Are you interested in the insurance of your home and home contents? Do you have the house and outbuildings painted, if possible? Do you help cheerfully with the heavy work of keeping the home and grounds clean, attractive and well cared for? Do you keep your calves and poultry away from the front yard and your wife's neighbors?

5. Do you assume responsibility for the fuel supply, seeing to it that your wife always has plenty of dry wood, and does not have to carry out the ashes?

6. Do you provide "mind food" as well as body food for the family by providing such papers, magazines, books and educational recreation as you can afford? Do you average spending at least "a dollar a day" for mind food?

7. Do you come to your meals regularly at the hour you expect them to be ready?

8. Have you done your part to have a year-round garden, a good supply of feed for your wife's poultry?

9. Do you assume your full share of the responsibility of bringing up the children—in training and habituating them to be honorable, industrious and courteous, encouraging and stimulating them in school, club work, Sunday school and church attendance?

10. Do you provide recreation for your wife and children—not only fishing means for recreation at home but entering cheerfully into holiday plans and making it possible for them to attend community festivities and neighborhood things and to enjoy an annual vacation?

11. Are you a cheerful, companionable person to live with? Do you really try to avoid "grouching," ill temper, and fussiness with your wife and children, and try to be something like as cheerful and genial as you were your "courtship days?"

12. Do you know how to help with the housework in emergencies—do you help willingly and cheerfully when such help is needed?—The Progressive Farmer.

MYSTIC MULTIPLICATION

Ask a person to write down the following:
2 3 4 5 6 7 9

Then ask him which is his favorite figure among those written. Suppose he says three. Tell him to multiply the row of figures by three. He will be surprised at the result—a row of threes!

The secret is this: If he gives his favorite figure, tell him to multiply by nine. If he says three, he must multiply by twice three, or 18. For three, multiply by four, multiply by 36; five, multiply by 45, etc.

ELIMINATION

When a woman motorist holds her hand, then you can be certain that she is either going to the right, turn to the left or stop.—Life.

BUSINESS IS SAFE

When you shake hands with your competitor and mean it—when you can work hard in your business and love it—then business is safe.

When you advertise service and give it—when you can build reputation and keep it—then business is safe.

When you can sense competition and not knock it—when you can fight competition and still boost it—then business is safe.

When you can meet opportunity and know it—and aim for what is right and then pray for it—then business is safe.—Wisconsin Press "Howler."

E. B. Reeves of Alanreed was in town Saturday.

DR. MONTGOMERY

WILL BE IN McLEAN FRIDAY, APRIL 23

On account of the rains and snow preventing Dr. Thos. M. Montgomery making his regular trip to McLean, a special trip will be made Friday, April 23. Anyone needing glasses should see Dr. Montgomery on that date. Advertisement 15-2c

ATTENTION POULTRY RAISERS

Z-I-P Parasite Remover used in the drinking water will rid your poultry of blue bugs, lice, fleas and all other insects. Sold under a money-back guarantee by Erwin Drug Co. Advertisement 16-1p-3c

Advertising doesn't jerk, it pulls.

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

TO THE VOTERS OF GRAY COUNTY

In order to let the people of my district know my position about running again for Representative, especially those that have asked me to announce, tendering me their support, I will say that I will be a candidate for the office again. I did not intend to make this race, but in as much as people from all parts of my district have urged me to run, I am making this announcement. I will in due time lay before the people what I have done while in office and discuss the present race with them.

Yours sincerely,
DEWEY YOUNG.

Advertisement 1p

DR. J. A. HALL

Dentist Of Shamrock, Tex.

Will be in McLean on Thursday and Friday after the first Monday in each month.

D-i-v-e-r-s-i-f-i-c-a-t-i-o-n

Spells

Prosperity

All cotton and no feed, no chickens, no cow, no hogs, makes John a poor farmer. Diversify and grow a big bank account.

The Citizens State Bank

CAPITAL, FOND AND SURPLUS \$58,750.00
J. S. MORSE, President C. C. BOGAN, Cashier



Filling Your Basket Here

is a real pleasure, for you know that first of all, it is not going to cost you more than it should, and secondly, you can be sure that whatever you place in it will be of the best quality.

Quality Groceries—Pleasant Service

Phone 23

McLean Supply Co.

CHAS. LESTER, Manager

The ORANGE gas at the sign of the ORANGE DISC

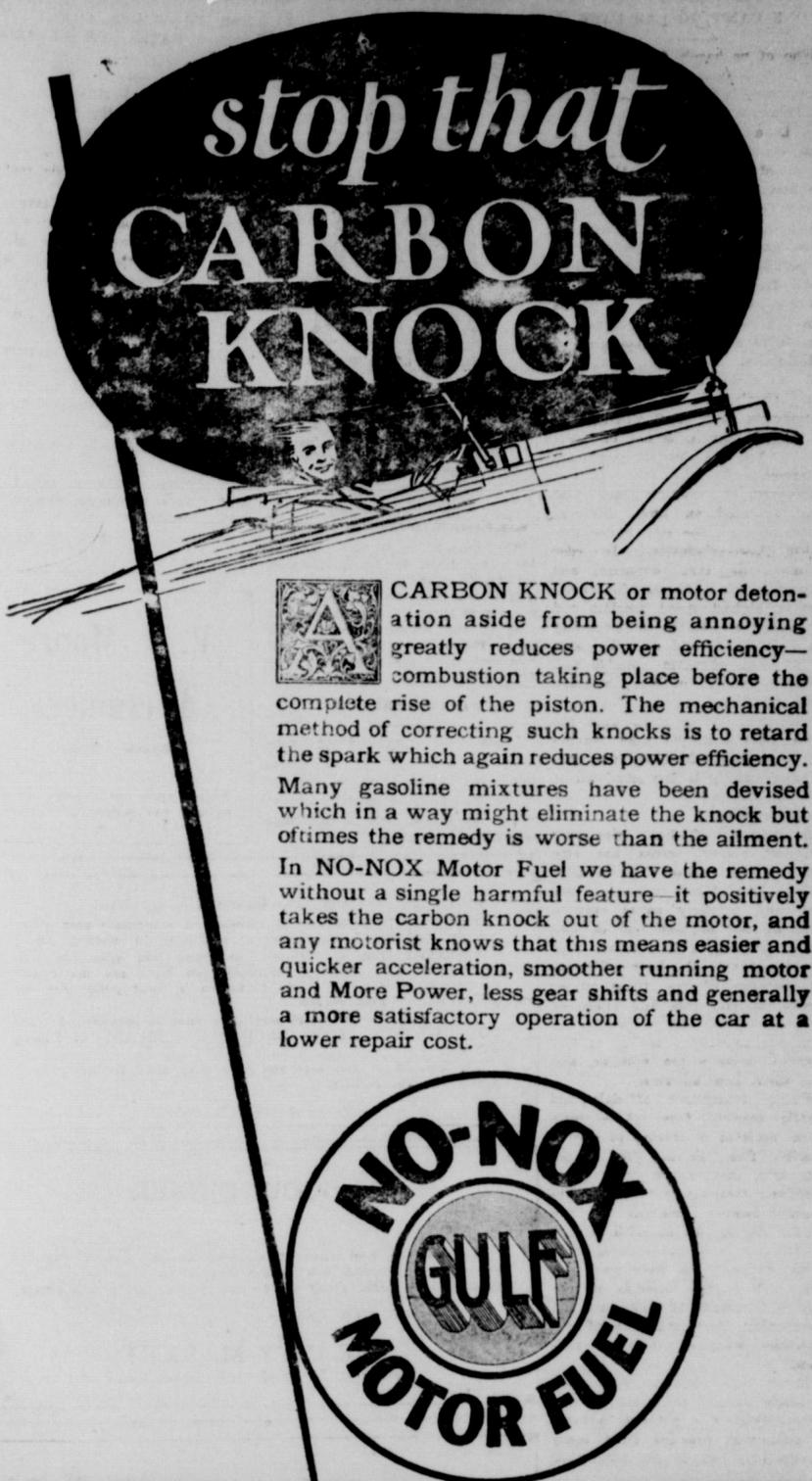
NO-NOX is Non-Noxious, Non-Poisonous and no more harmful to man or motor than ordinary gasoline. We ask you to try it, after that be your own judge.

NO-NOX is priced only three cents per gallon higher than That Good Gulf Gasoline.

GULF REFINING COMPANY

No-Nox Motor Fuel for Sale by
Shelburne-Archer Chevrolet Co.

McLean, Texas



CARBON KNOCK or motor detonation aside from being annoying greatly reduces power efficiency—combustion taking place before the complete rise of the piston. The mechanical method of correcting such knocks is to retard the spark which again reduces power efficiency.

Many gasoline mixtures have been devised which in a way might eliminate the knock but oftentimes the remedy is worse than the ailment.

In NO-NOX Motor Fuel we have the remedy without a single harmful feature—it positively takes the carbon knock out of the motor, and any motorist knows that this means easier and quicker acceleration, smoother running motor and More Power, less gear shifts and generally a more satisfactory operation of the car at a lower repair cost.

ONE CAN'T GO FAR FAST

Who of us hasn't fumed at traffic jams—then "stepped on it" immediately we were loose of the jam?

It is extremely doubtful if the time saved by hurrying, exceeding the speed limit, pays for the extra gasoline, the racking the car receives from emergency stops, and the brake lining being ruined by those who try to slip one over on Father Time. Not only is the time saved fractional, but the speeding motorist endangers not only his own life and car but thousands of other lives and tens of thousands of automobiles.

I was fortunate enough to be in Los Angeles recently when the Automobile Club of Southern California put on a series of tests that proved—go slow if you want to speed.

Records of scouting cars that were operated on three different routes through the city limits furnished these conclusions. In order to make the tests impartial and accurate, each route was first traveled at highest speed possible and yet escape arrest, the car exceeding the limit in 15 and 20 mile zones by 5 miles whenever possible and taking advantage of every occasion to make time.

The same driver went over the same route a second time, observing speed laws absolutely and conforming strictly to the mandates of the law and rules of safe and efficient driving.

A summary of these trips over different routes across the city and back again shows that the driver who hurried and endangered life limb and property saved only a total of ten minutes out of two hours driving, or a fraction over five minutes to the hour. The total distance of the three routes across the city was 31.5 miles, or an average of 10.5 miles to the trip, one showing a saving of five minutes, another ten minutes, and the other two minutes.

Police department officials and traffic experts from these tests point out that in driving to save a possible five minutes over a ten mile trip, drivers are using extra gasoline, wearing out break linings, throwing courtesy to the winds, risking arrest with a fine or jail sentence, and inviting accidents, not only to their own persons, but forcing hazards in the way of thousands of other cars and threatening limb and life of pedestrians, many of whom are children.

These tests seem to prove convincingly that high speed in congested districts is not only a highly dangerous practice from many standpoints, but is an economical loss.

A MATTER OF CASTE

As one of the great trans-Atlantic liners came up to New York harbor the other day, a grimy coal barge floated immediately in front of her. "Clear out of the way with that old mud scow!" shouted an officer on the bridge.

A round, sun-browned face appeared over the cabin hatchway. "Are ye the captain of that vessel?"

"No," answered the officer. "Then speak to yer equals. I'm the captain o' this one!" came from the barge.

"Advertising is pretty much like running a furnace. You've got to keep on shoveling coal," is a statement of William Wrigley Jr.

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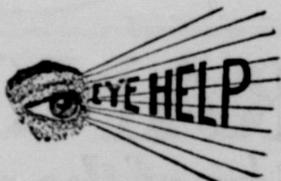
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Shamrock, April 1.—According to P. Hammitt, the Miller Gas Company, owners of the Schenck well three miles northwest of town, will again petition the city council for a franchise at the next regular meeting Tuesday night.

The original franchise asked by this company has been revised to allow a rate never to be higher than 40c per thousand feet, with a ten per cent discount on all bills paid within ten days of rendition. Mr. Hammitt says the industrial rate asked is the lowest in the state. This rate provides a sliding scale in proportion to the amount used from 20c to 5c per thousand.—Wheeler County Texan.

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She—"Really?"
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"What," asks one of our editors, "is the trouble with the young folk?"

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The second thing is that they are contaminated by association with their parents.

Otherwise, the young are all right, in spite of the company they keep—at home!—Emporia Gazette.

Revs. D. H. Brynoff and S. A. Cobb, attended the Baptist Workers Conference at Wellington last Thursday.

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WITH THESE FEW REMARKS

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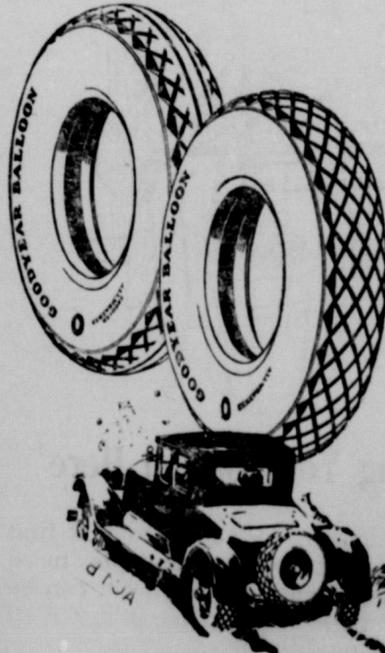
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