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THE STORY

CHAPTER I—Defying all efforts to assure him, after a long series of orders and robberies, a super-crook tumbled to the police only as 'The Bat'...

CHAPTER II—With her niece, Dale Gordon, Miss Cornelia Van Gorder is living in the country home of the late Courtleigh Fleming...

CHAPTER III—Miss Cornelia tells Lizzie Allen, her faithful Irish maid, who is decidedly nervous, that a detective is coming that night...

CHAPTER IV—Detective Anderson Takes Charge. 'What's that?' 'Somebody smashed a window pane'...

settles. 'Couldn't somebody else have done it?' she queried tensely. The doctor smiled, a trifle patronizingly...

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There was no signature. 'Who do you think wrote it?' said Dale, breathlessly. Miss Cornelia straightened up like a ramrod—indomitable...

Miss Cornelia issued instructions. 'See that the chain is on the door, Billy. Don't open it all the way. And get the visitor's name before you let him in.'

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thought for a moment. Then she put her hand on Dale's shoulder in a gesture of protective affection. 'The man in the library is a detective from police headquarters,' she said...

Mrs. Della Craig called at the News office one day last week and had her name added to our subscription list.

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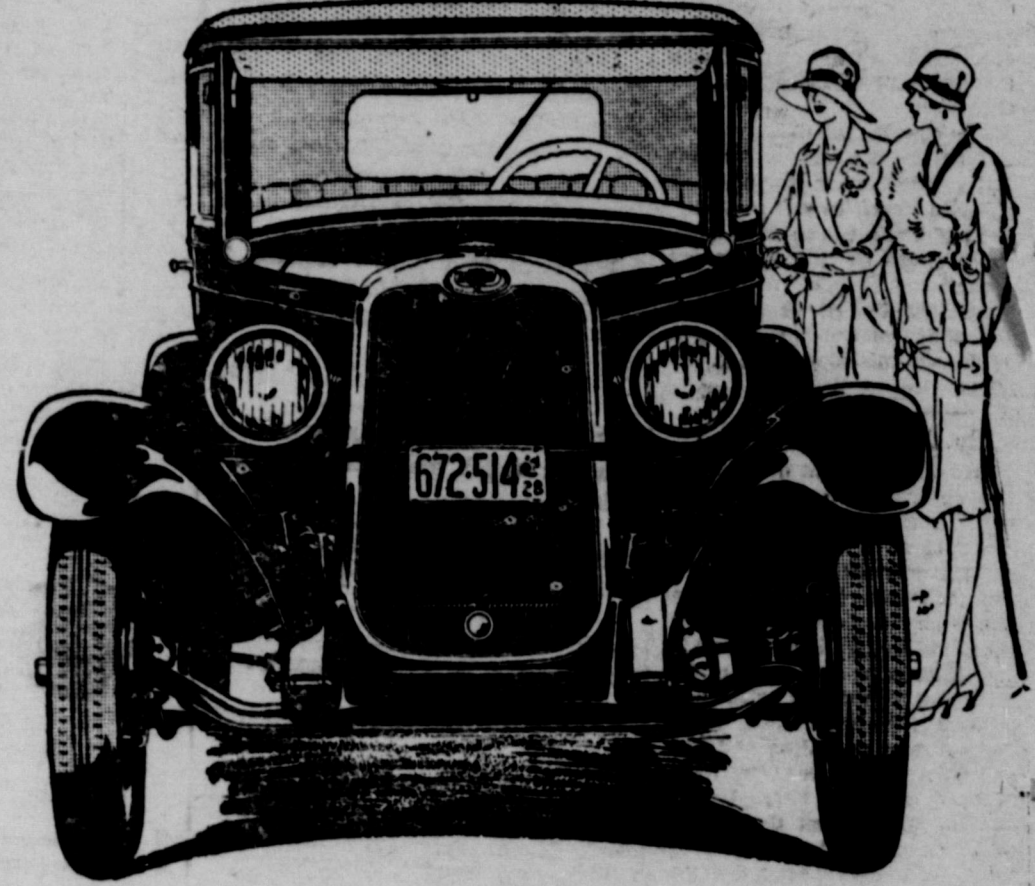
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Next Sunday's Lesson

Jan. 22, 1928
 Outlined by Rev. B. W. Wilkins
 Lesson text, Mark 2:18-22; 3:1-6
 Golden text, "Think not that I come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am come not to destroy but to fulfill." Matt. 5:17.

PRINCIPAL THOUGHTS
 1. We are studying what is known as the "Opposition section" of the Gospel.

2. Jesus had enemies, critics; those who opposed Him.

3. It seems that criticism now reaches a high point because Jesus heals a cripple on the Sabbath day.

4. Jesus drew the line hard and fast when He asked the question, "Is it lawful to do good or to do evil; to save life or to kill on the Sabbath day?"

5. As it was always true, His enemies could not answer his argument.

6. Jesus here emphasizes His teaching that "the Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath."

THE LESSON AS APPLIED TODAY

1. The Sabbath was made for man because he needs it for rest.

2. The Sabbath was made for man because he needs it for social advantages.

3. The Sabbath was made for man because he needs it for spiritual attainments.

4. The Sabbath was made for man because of its opportunity not only to receive benefits but to give as well.

5. Six days were made and given to man, the seventh was made FOR him but not to be given to him except to be used in such service as will be a blessing to him and to others.

SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following pupils made a straight "A" card for the past six weeks of school:

1st grade—Mattie Velma Brown, R. L. Floyd, Jesse Dean Cobb, Milton Henry, Hershell Cupell, Hazel Marie Dyer, Drucilla Kunkel, Joe Ellie Bogan, Averill Christian, Gordon Hickman, Wilbur Lee Wilgan, Maxine Cloud, Joyce Dale Crockett, Margaret Kennedy, Julia McCarty, Marietta Young.

2nd grade—Verne Harris, Marie Landers, James Emmett Cooke, J. D. Back, Gwynne Carpenter, Lottie Margaret Barrow, Jessie Lester.

3rd grade—J. L. Mann, Lillie Lester, Juanita Carpenter, Arthur Ray Ledbetter, Hobby Appling.

4th grade—Juanita Brooks, Sybil Gid, Alton Childress, Mary Emma Back.

5th grade—Paul Ledbetter, Pauline Ledbetter, Charles Ashby, Louise Wilson.

6th grade—Maxine Fowler, Maudie Corum, Frankie Andrews, Marguerete Mertel, Nora Lee Morgan.

7th grade—Cleone West, Fern Landers.

8th grade—Sybil Graham, Fred Durnam, Erwin Howard.

10th grade—Laila D'Spain, Letha Ashby.

11th grade—Lucille Rice, Marie Brown, Frances Noel.

12th grade—Nora Lee Morgan, Letha Ashby, Sybil Graham, Bonnie Bell, Joe Billie Bogan, Margaret Hess, Ruth Hess, Laverne Pettit, Melrose Harrison.

BRIDGE CLUB

Reported.
 The Bridge Club met with Mrs. Roy Campbell last Wednesday afternoon. Bridge was enjoyed till a late hour, when a lovely two course luncheon was served by Mrs. Campbell, assisted by Mrs. John Haynes.

Members present were Mesdames S. O. Hall, Sammie Cabine, C. P. Hamilton, John Haynes, W. L. Campbell, B. Morse, L. V. Lonsdale, E. E. Dishman, S. D. Shelburne and J. C. Clem. Special guests were Mesdames Chas. Cooke and Luther Coffey, and little Miss Minnie Katherine Mjize.

Prizes were presented the following: Mesdames S. O. Hall, John Haynes, Chas. Cooke and S. D. Shelburne.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Glenn and Mrs. Laura (Stratton) visited in Wellington Monday.

L. B. Bush is visiting his sister in Amarillo this week.

C. H. Rowe has subscribed to The News.

T. H. Andrews has renewed his subscription to The News.

Raymond Hall motored to Shamrock Friday.

With the Churches

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

R. R. Rives, Minister
 Our special services are being conducted this week. The Rev. W. A. Erwin, pastor First Presbyterian church, Pawhuska, Okla., is doing the preaching. Old timers will remember Mr. Erwin as a former minister in this section and will be glad of an opportunity to hear him again. And all who do not know him will be interested to hear him preach.

Services are held at 7:30 p. m. each day.

On the Sabbath the Bible school will meet as usual at 10 a. m. Mr. Erwin will bring the message at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The young people will meet at 6:30 p. m.

All the people of all the churches are invited to attend the services and assist in any way that makes for the good of the meeting. The general public is invited to all the services.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

B. W. Wilkins, Pastor
 Our attendance on last Sunday at both the morning and evening hours was much above the average. We were much pleased at this good interest. Be with us again on next Sunday.

We are reorganizing our Sunday school and introducing new literature in some of the classes. Have organized some new classes and find that the prospects are good for a revival of interest in the Sunday school work. As you read these lines you are invited to come and be with us, provided you are not already a member of this or some other Sunday school.

Our presiding elder will be here for the first quarterly conference next Sunday. He will preach at 11 o'clock and again at the evening hour. Business session will be held some time during the elder's stay with us. Of course we all want to see and hear the new presiding elder, so don't forget the day. Let's make it a great occasion for indeed the quarterly meeting is a great occasion and we should not lose sight of its importance.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

W. B. Andrews, Minister
 All services of last week were fine and well attended. We are glad that the new year can start off so well. We are expecting great things for this year.

The prayer meeting program may be changed some at the next meeting. We want this meeting to grow in interest as it has been doing. Help us in this work. If you are interested in the welfare of the town in which you live, come and help us make it a better place.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

D. H. Brynoff, Pastor
 Our regular services will be held next Sunday.

Our attendance was good last Sunday. A few more in Sunday school, but not as many as we could have had if all had been interested and given their co-operation. Come on, let us make our church and Sunday school one hundred per cent in attendance. We can do it; let us do it.

E. L. Sitter, owner of the McLean Radio Co., has purchased a new model No. 12 Remington standard typewriter from The McLean News. Mr. Sitter believes in selling the best the market affords in radios, and also wanted the best typewriter he could buy for his office use. The Remington standard typewriter has the same enviable position among the big machines that the Remington portable bears in the portable field.

T. G. Gardner of Wichita Falls visited his sister, Mrs. J. M. Noel, the first of the week.

R. S. Jordan's subscription to The News has been extended another year.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bourland and family of Clarendon were guests in the F. H. Bourland home Sunday.

Mrs. Web Fowler was in from the ranch Saturday.

F. H. King of Mangum, Okla., was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Haynes went to Shamrock Monday night.

Orville Dougherty of Hereford was a McLean visitor this week.

Mass Meeting Tonight

A mass meeting will be held at the Masonic building tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 to discuss the poll tax and court house situation. Delegates from Alanreed and other communities are expected to be present.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

Reported.
 The Baptist Women's Missionary Society met with Mrs. O. L. Lochridge Wednesday for Royal Service. An interesting program was rendered, and a floral offering was given for Mrs. Biggers. Refreshments were served to 28 ladies and 14 sunbeams.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lowry and little daughter, Sara Beth, of Clarendon visited in the S. A. Cousins home Sunday.

Ross Biggers of Bethany, Okla., sends us a check for a subscription to The News this week.

Mrs. Willie Boyett has our thanks for subscription renewals for herself and T. W. Boyett at Chappel.

Dwight Upham was in Shamrock Monday.

D. V. Biggers returned Sunday from Amarillo.

C. H. White of Groom was here Thursday of last week.

Jim James was in Amarillo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell visited in Shamrock Monday.

Robert Caperton of Dozier visited friends here Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Campbell were Shamrock visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lander spent last week end in Oklahoma City.

Bill Bentley of Clarendon spent the week end with relatives here.

Donald Beall was in Lefors Tuesday.

Miss Hazel Greer visited in Amarillo Sunday.

Th' Ole Grouch

SO YA THINK YER FATHER IS AN OLE DUMBBELL, HEY, YOUNG SQUIRT? WELL, TH' DUMBBEST THING HE EVER DONE WUZ TO RAISE YOU, INSTEAD OF DROWNING YA ABOUT SIXTEEN YEARS AGO



BETTY IS IN MOVIES



The photograph shows Betty Nuttall, sixteen-year-old tennis star of Great Britain, who has just signed a contract to appear in the movies. She will be starred in a tennis romance.

Mrs. W. E. Clement visited her daughter, Miss Loyce, in Amarillo Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Gatlin and daughter, Miss Thelma, visited in Shamrock Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud McGowen went to Kansas City this week.

Enoch Bentley motored to Lefors Tuesday.

PROGRAM

at the
American Theatre

Friday, January 20

You'll laugh till you scream when you see George Sidney and Charlie Murray in—

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The season's joy-classic with the screen's merriest team.

Saturday, January 21

Matinee

"The Life of Riley"

Night

Jack Hoxie in—

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**Monday and Tuesday
 January 23-24**

Jackie Coogan in—

"Buttons"

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**Wednesd'y & Thursd'y
 January 25-26**

Chic, blonde, beautiful—that's Esther Ralston in—

"Figures Don't Lie"

If you like good wholesome entertainment that keeps you laughing throughout the evening and then sends you home with a satisfied glow, don't fail to see this picture.

SHE FOLLOWED DIRECTIONS

Mr. Newbyed—"What are these things, dearie?"
 His Bride—"Biscuits, but they don't taste right, somehow. I fried them for a full half hour, too."

A CHANGE NEEDED

George—"Yes, I think I can make your daughter happy, sir."
 Her Father—"Well, you'll have to do different. She weeps and wails over every letter you send her."

Misses Sallie and Jane Campbell attended the show at Shamrock Monday night.

Mrs. Hosea Biggers returned Sunday from Amarillo, where she has been for medical treatment.

Ralph and Miss Lotta Bourland of Clarendon were McLean visitors Sunday.

Porter Smith motored to Amarillo Saturday.

Miss Anna Bourland of Clarendon visited in McLean Sunday.

Hansel Christian motored to Shamrock Monday.

Miss Leora Kinard of Pampa visited relatives here Sunday.

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CHAPTER II—What happened in the country to Courtleigh Fleming, recent death had been the Union bank, wrecked the theft of a large sum of money, the cook and housemaid, the border household, the Spanish butler, Bill...

This is one year when every citizen should vote. Too many citizens are on the fence. Let's vote for the prospective voter to pay his poll tax and ask your neighbor to pay his in time as a legal voter this year.

The band tax election is one of the most important to be before the voters in McLean this year. There is no question of the value of a band to any community, and the best method has been found to be the most economical way to have a permanent band. The high school band is already an asset to the town after only about a year's practice. Let's vote for the band tax February 8th.

Nine subscriptions were received at this office Saturday. The subscribers just walked into the office. She smiled and over the price. The Dale? "I was never employed personal Dale as ion, but has enjoyed a for a when subscription list by depend- upon those who want the come in and pay cash in the chair. The class of readers are "Not worth the paper and advertisers Bernella's eye they undoubtedly read the "No," said, they would not be interested in subscribing for it.

Gene Tunney, the present heavy-weight champion, is a firm believer in the two-meals-a-day training system. He says, "I eat meat once a day only. My diet consists of fruit, vegetables and milk, to a large degree. I usually drink from a quart to two quarts of milk a day. I also believe in drinking several glasses of water. Fruit and vegetables and whole wheat bread are also necessary parts of any health diet. I have hit and it in more. I've never been really tired or worn down." It is an established fact nowadays that more people are injured physically by overeating than are hurt by eating too little.

Trace the race to dawn of his'try. Ere "cook with gas" was known to man; when calories were yet a mystery. Ere we lunched from sardine can. Even then, it's so recorded. They stuffed themselves like beasts of prey. Eating all the times afforded—As we descendants do today.

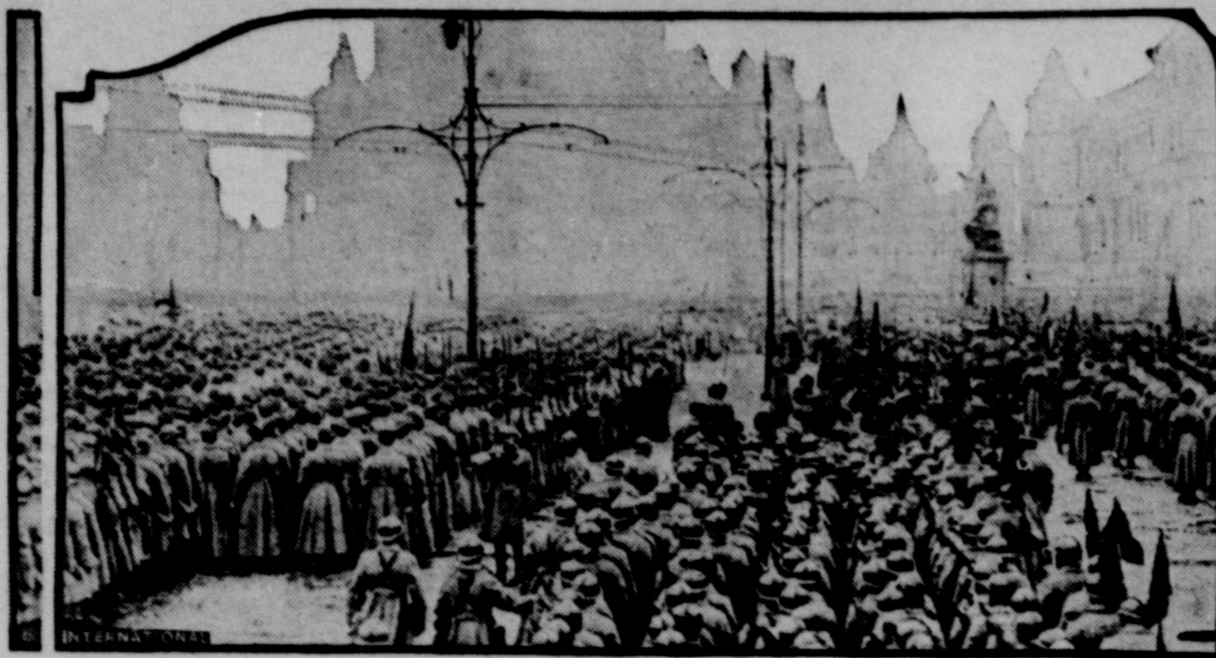
When one lives from hand to mouth, keeping the hands clean becomes an important matter.

PRINT SHOP FABLES



Oh, Look at the Briny Weeps! The Man feels Bad. Four Times he's Got Sore and Stopped his Paper. Each Time he Cooled Off and Ordered it Started. But Now the Editor is Mad and Won't Send him the Paper. Just Entry late, of course, but with a foul.

Million Soviet Russians Parade in Moscow



More than a million persons took part in the parade in Moscow during the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Soviet revolution. The photograph shows part of the huge crowd in the Red square.

THE OTHER MAN

Perhaps he sometimes slipped a bit—
Well, so have you.
Perhaps some things he ought to quit—
Well, so should you.
Perhaps he may have faltered—Why. Why, all men do; so have I.
You must admit, unless you lie, that so have you.

Perhaps if we would stop and think, Both I and you,
When painting someone black as ink,
As some folks do,
Perhaps if we would recollect,
Perfection we would not expect;
But just a man half-way correct,
Like me and you.

I'm just a man who's fairly good—
I'm just like you.
I've done some things I never

should,
Perhaps like you
But, thank the Lord, I've sense enough to see
The rest of men with charity;
They're good enough, if good as me—
Say, men like you.
—Doug Malloch in the Crescent.

Texas usually ranks first, second or third as a spinach producing state, California and Virginia being the other two big producers. About 90% of the Texas crop moves to consuming centers of the North and East.

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GOOD BAIT

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WHEN IT'S DAD'S CAR

The whole family owns the car. That is, when the car is idle it is mother's car, when it is in use it is the children's car, and when it is disabled or with a tire down it is dad's car.

Salt and other seasonings draw out meat juices and mask the flavor. When broiling steaks and chops at home, sprinkle salt on them just before serving. Large roasts may be salted when about half done.

The most profitable part of a city's business is in the conservation of the health of its citizens.

'S funny world. Only children who are in poor health are permitted to attend open air schools.

TO COOL FEET

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"My feet were hot and I turned the hose on them."

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McLean, Texas

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VALEDICTORY

By Fern Landers
Dear friends one and all—Our boat stands at rest today at the bending of the stream and we are pausing a while to draw in our breath for the work ahead. The voyage of life is through many deep and unknown channels, with many windings and turnings that often make it hard for us to tell just what we have passed by and what we are yet to meet; it seems a long course to follow as we row through the waters, and we are often tempted to let our bark drift withersover it may. But as we rest upon our oars and look back, how very short the distance we seem to have come, after all, and how close the banks appear to be.

It is pleasant to pause here at the bending of the stream and consider, for a little, the pleasantness of the wave-ripples through which we have so easily been rowing. But we cannot linger long, for already the noise of life's larger waters is calling us, and we know we must row ahead out of the shallow current into deeper more turbulent water.

Dear parents and friends, we cannot pass out of this quiet channel into the deeper waters awaiting us without thanking you from the bottom of our hearts for the privilege of beginning this voyage of life on the breast of so clear and calm a stream.

Our teachers have carefully sheltered us from every possible adverse wind of thought, and have warned us with the most zealous pains of the evil rocks and shoals or tangled seaweed so sure to be met with in the broader channels of our onward course.

To our teachers—we express our earnest thanks. Often and often in the days to come, when we are struggling with the problems of high school, our minds will travel back to you, and we will see how many times you have helped to steer our frail bark around this or that difficulty, till we shall long, I am sure, to return to the shelter and protection of your piloting. But you have given us our chart and our compass, and as our boat glides out into the waters, where you have been its guide, I am sure you will watch our course with interest as we steer through the deeper course of high school.

Let this little class today, as it enters into high school, determine to be worthy of the honor of being a distinctive graduating class—be an honor to the school, and make the school a better one for our having been here.

We feel sure of your good wishes for our success, and we hope, aim and determine to prove worthy of them.

Archie Carpenter of Lefors was in town Saturday.

R. H. Keese and family motored to Amarillo Saturday.

Gertrude Hansen of Mineral Wells is a new reader of The eNws.

Mrs. J. H. Crabtree returned Friday from Carlsbad, N. M.

Ollie Allston of Amarillo visited here Sunday.

Chester Lander visited in Canyon Sunday.

Robert Turner motored to Canyon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey of Heald were in town Saturday.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

SMILE! IT DOESN'T COST ANYTHING AND IT PAYS BIG DIVIDENDS! EVER GO TO A BIG CITY AND FEEL GUILDED BY THE STERN, UNSMILING FACES OF THE PERSONS YOU MEET? IT MADE YOU LONG FOR THE FRIENDLY FACES BACK HOME, DIDN'T IT?



SALUTATORY

By Jim Bill Curry
My dear friends and fellow-students: We wonder if you can realize just how proud we are of this privilege of appearing before you this morning and bidding you welcome to this simple program. We feel that it is distinctive, tho, as it is the first mid-winter graduating class of McLean high school. We feel proud that we are the first class—the very first class that has ever passed into high school at mid term.

We are so small in number that we might, perhaps, feel more humble than we do, did we not understand full well the unique place we hold in the history of this school through all the years that are yet to come.

Classes will come, classes will go, boys and girls in large numbers will pour forth from grammar school in all the pomp of a finished course of study. Men and women in years to come will look back with fond recollections to the days of their school life within these walls. But there will never be another class like this, for we alone can be the mid term graduating class.

Do you blame us, dear friends, that we value to the fullest extent this distinction that sets our little class supreme over all the grammar school classes yet to come?

And you, dear friends, who have by your kind persistent labors provided this school for us, and so made this occasion possible, we thank you.

He who goes first is a pioneer, as is he who blazes the trail that many others are to follow. It is he who lays out the first path in which many other classes are to walk. And thus it is with us—the first mid-winter grammar school graduating class. Those who come after us will claim the right to look to us for example. They will watch our course through high school—watch our failures and successes—and depend upon us for inspiration and encouragement.

And now to one and all who are present at the passing of the first mid term class into high school, we can only in our feeble way attempt to express our pleasure at your presence. We will do our best to make you feel that you are truly glad you came as we are to have you with us. Any more would be impossible.

Toledo Isobel returned Saturday from a trip to Miami.

Deputy Sheriff Sewell of Shamrock was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Harold Clement visited in Shamrock Friday.

News from Pakan

The Pakan school children had a match game of basketball with the school children of Twitty at the Twitty court Friday afternoon. The senior boys had a score of 20 to 6 in favor of Twitty, the senior girls 7 to 0 in favor of Twitty and the junior boys 15 to 8 in favor of Pakan. They will play at the Pakan court Jan. 27. Ramsdell will play with Pakan at the Pakan court the 20th.

Sam Pakan and son, Sam, and daughters, Anna and Christina, were Shamrock visitors Monday. John Hrciar butchered four hogs Wednesday, and Sam Pakan butchered three Thursday.

While four drillers were working at the Pakan gas well on a gas line the gas bursted the pipes and one of the drillers was badly hurt. John Hrciar took a bale of cotton to Shamrock Saturday. Miro Pakan and John Hrciar Jr. made a business trip to Berger Saturday night.

Grandpa Mertel is on the sick list.

Those that were seen on the streets of Shamrock Saturday were Mike Mertel and son, John; Carl, Frank and Godfrey Linkey, Miro, Luson, Anna and Christina Pakan, Paul and Anna Ftak, John Hrciar and son, John.

The Linkey test started drilling again Friday. The Smock test is down about 500 feet, and the Gordon and Mertel tests are shut down.

While Mike Mertel was driving to town Saturday he lost the gas tank from his car and did not discover it until he got to town. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stauffer and daughters, Mary and Grace, were in Shamrock Saturday.

Let us make you a farm loan at 7 1/2%. Any amount. Smith Bros. Advertisement tfe

Roger Powers motored to Canyon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Robinson were in from the ranch Saturday.

L. L. Morse and family were in from the ranch Sunday.

REAL ESTATE

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Phone 141

MOTHER'S GENTLE HAND

The little boy in this story from "Louche a Tout" was evidently a firm believer in the old adage, "Of two evils choose the less." Turning a corner at full speed he collided with the minister.

"Where are you running to, my little man?" asked the minister, when he had regained his breath.

"Home!" panted the boy. "Mother's going to spank me."

"What!" gasped the astonished minister. "Are you eager to have your mother spank you that you run home so fast?"

"No," shouted the boy over his shoulder, as he resumed his homeward flight, "but if I don't get there before pa, he'll do it."—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

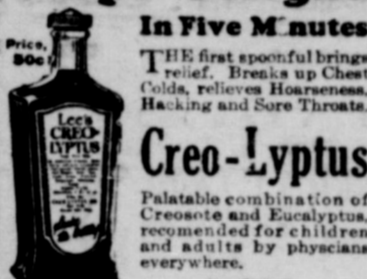
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THEY WILL

"The time will come," shouted the speaker, "when women will get men's wages."

"Yes," said the little man in the corner. "Next Saturday night."

The application of injurious cosmetics often defeats the protection provided by Nature.

Miss Catherine Allston of Amarillo visited in McLean Sunday.

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Belceno Facials
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H. F. Wingo, Mgr. Phone 23

Announcement

The Hamilton-McGowen Hardware and Furniture Co. is now under new management, and the firm will be known hereafter as the Benson-Hamilton Hardware and Furniture Co.

There will be no change in the well known policy of the firm to carry a complete line of hardware and furniture and render the best service possible.

You will find quality merchandise at reasonable prices here and you may rest assured that your trade is appreciated.

Visit our store often. You are welcome to inspect our offerings, whether you are ready to buy or not.

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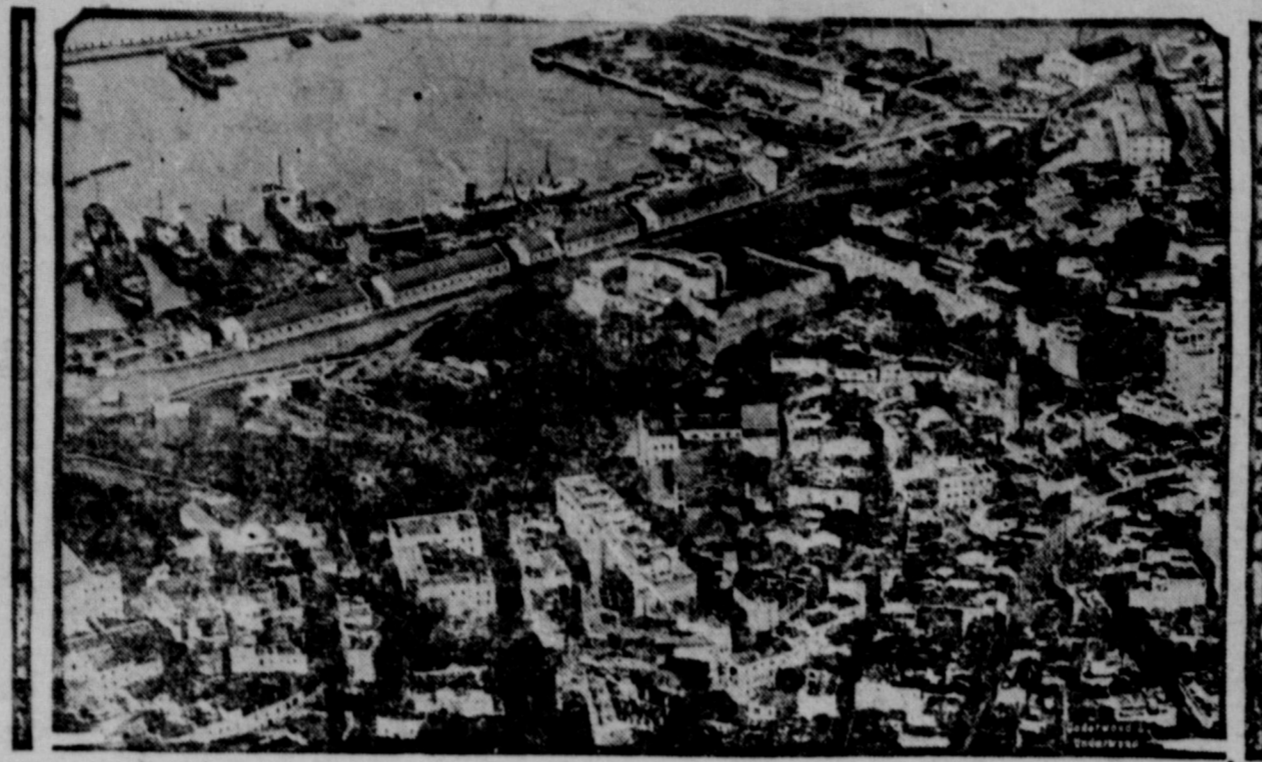
News from Liberty

By Mrs. Luther Petty
John Ratliff and family moved to Shamrock Monday from the Barker place. Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson, who have been living with G. Malone, will occupy the place. W. E. James and son, Ernest of Alanreed and Mrs. Mollie Francis took dinner Friday with the former's sister, Mrs. Luther Petty.
Howard Hardin and family called on Mr. and Mrs. John Lively Friday night.
W. R. Ault took a car of cattle to Oklahoma City Saturday night, returning Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. Prescott Mathis returned to their home at McLean Sunday. Mrs. Mathis, at McLean Sunday.
CHAPTER II—With Nelson home Sunday...
CHAPTER III—Walter Davidson of the Union bank, wrecked Sunday at the Byron...
Miss Gladys Holloway was reported quite sick the first of the week.
R. O. Cunningham returned Monday from a trip to Oklahoma.
A party was given at the W. B. Gregory home Saturday night.
L. D. Langley and family are moving to Memphis. A Mr. Sparks will occupy the place they are leaving.
The Hinton corn sheller is busy in the community.
Charlie Roach and family of Heald enjoyed dinner Sunday week ago with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bodine.
G. A. Corder and family moved last week to Lingo, N. M.
Roland Wingo of McLean, Travis and Buster Stokes and mother called at the Cunningham home Sunday night.
Mrs. Howard Hardin and children visited at the Irvin Hotel in McLean Sunday.
Zora Idabel Petty is getting along nicely, so far as can be told.
H. M. Roth and family and Mrs. Floyd Lively and baby made a trip to Shamrock Monday afternoon.
Bob Bell and family of Heald spent Monday with Byron Gregory and family.
John Brooks and daughter, Juanita of McLean spent Saturday night and Sunday at the J. O. Holloway home.

HOME ECONOMICS

Reported.
The Home Economics Club of McLean high school is now affiliated with the state association of home economics clubs and the national association of home economics clubs. The interest in the club should be broadening, being associated with these two organizations. Eighteen girls are now members of the club, and new officers have been elected to fill the vacancies. The corps of officers is as follows:
President—Eileen Partlow.
Vice-President—Floye Landers.
Secretary—Jewel Turner.
Treasurer—Laeuna Holloway.
Reporter—Pauline Crabtree.
Parliamentarian—Ruby Reeves.
Jane Campbell is chairman of the social committee, and Dorothy Cousland and Cora Greer work with her. Jewel Turner is chairman of the program committee for next meeting, and Irma Keesee and Edith Fleming work with her.

Algerian City That Suffered From Big Floods



An aerial view of Oran, Algeria and its harbor, the center of the province which has suffered tremendous losses due to a flood following terrific rain storms. In May of this year a devastating cyclone struck the same area.

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pared to loan you money on your farm at 7 1/2%. See us. Smith Bros. tfe

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FOR RENT.—House and farm, 160 acres, 4 miles east of McLean, on Shamrock road. I. X. Kachelhoffer. 1-3p

LOST

LOST, in McLean, lady's silk lined scarf. Return to News office. 1

WANTED

WANTED.—15 high bred White Leghorn roosters. W. H. Floyd, Phone 70. tfe

Soothing syrups, those with plenty of morphine in 'em, are good for colic, but bad for babies.

H. E. Franks hands us \$2.00 for The News another year.

THIS GOES FOR THE GIRLS, TOO

Dig a deep grave For Herman McNighty, He's the guy That says "All righty" —California Pelican.

Pork and other meats to be canned are cooked first in the usual way for any given cut, and then processed under steam pressure. Directions for doing this are found in Farmers' Bulletin 1186-F, Pork on the Farm.

C. E. Bogan orders The News sent to his son, H. N. Bogan, at Dubois, Wyoming.

A sense of humor should be one of the first qualifications for teaching.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Clay E. Thompson of Amarillo was in McLean Thursday.

Floyd Phillips went to Shamrock Monday.

PASSING IT ON

The College President: Such rawness in a student is a shame. But lack of preparation is to blame.

The High School Principal: Good heav'ns what crudity! The boy's a fool, The fault, of course, is with the grammar school.

The Grammar School Principal: Oh, that from such a dunce I might be spared! They send them up to me so unprepared.

The Primary Principal: Poor kindergarten blockhead! And they call That preparation! Worse than none at all.

The Kindergarten Teacher: Never such lack of training did I see. What sort of person can the mother be!

The Mother: You stupid child; but then, you're not to blame; Your father's family are all the same. —Mary E. Fitzgerald in The Brooklyn Teacher.

J. M. Robison was in Alanreed Wednesday.

J. M. Noel is in Geary, Okla., this week for medical treatment.

Mrs. Scott Johnston was in Shamrock Monday evening.

Mrs. M. T. Powell of Ramsdell was in McLean Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lester visited in Wheeler Monday.

Troy West motored to Amarillo Sunday.

A WOODEN GIRL

"Hello, Bill! Where's your girl?" "Aw, I left her. She was one of these wooden shoe girls!" "Wooden shoe girl! What kind's that?"

"Aw, one of those kind that's always saying, 'Wooden shoe like to buy me this?' and 'Wooden shoe like to buy me that?'"

THE KIND HUSBAND

Wife—"That's the kind of husband to have! Did you hear Mr. Dike tell his wife to go and look at some twenty dollar hats?"

Spouse—"My dear, have I ever deprived you of the privilege of looking at twenty dollar hats?"

THERE ARE MANY

"Your wife doesn't seem to make much of a success with her reducing."

"No; Margaret is one of those poor losers."—Boston Transcript.

During the Civil War there were 2,400 military engagements considered important enough to be identified by name.

Seven hundred tons of water are required during the growing period of an acre of potatoes.

The best heads the world ever knew were well read, and the best heads take the best places.—Emerson.

Vernon Rice motored to Shamrock Monday.

N. E. Savage has returned from a trip to Nashville, Tenn.

Miss Lorene Meek was in Shamrock Monday night.

Charles Cousins went to Amarillo Saturday.

Wall Paper

We have added a line of wall paper to our stock and you are certain to be pleased with the nice selections of patterns offered.

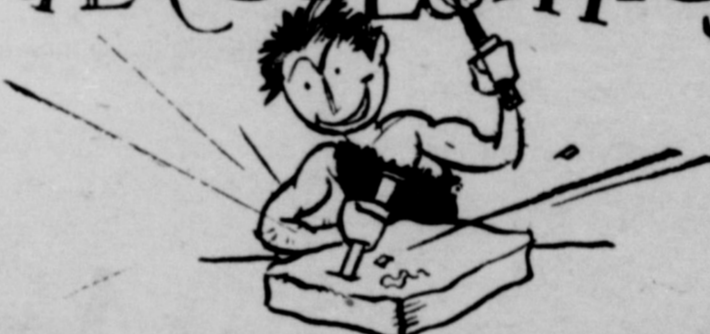
Not only will you find the latest patterns, but the prices will please. We have nice papers from 15c per single roll up.

Come in and inspect our stock. See just what you are buying. If you are undecided just what pattern will suit your room, we will be glad to make suggestions.

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FOR SALE.—350 bales good bright cane hay, \$13.50 per ton delivered McLean. Homer Wilson. 3-2p

MISCELLANEOUS

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Invoice time should show your need of letterheads and printing. Call 47 for quick service.

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PLEASE write The News phone number in your new directory under the "M's" so you can easily find it. Our number is 47—use it often.

MONEY to loan. We are pre-

FINNEY OF THE FORCE



Christmas Carols for Mrs. Snoop

Famous Flop-scenes



POOR LIGHT PUTS STRAIN ON NERVES

The average American home is only half lighted, asserts Miss Helen G. McKinlay of Harrison, N. J. Miss McKinlay is one of a score of engineers and eye conservationists carrying on a nationwide investigation of light, sight and safety under the direction of Richard E. Simpson of the Eyesight Conservation Council of America. She is studying the effect of inadequate lighting in the home. Sufficient lights, all shaded, and a center light in each room are the essentials of a well-lighted home, declares Miss McKinlay. She sees no harm in reading in bed providing the light is good. "It takes 12 per cent of the nervous energy the body generates to see under normal conditions," she explains. "When there is poor lighting 50 per cent is required. "Every well-lighted kitchen should have lights above the sink. If you work and can't see well, your irritability is increased. Why lose so much nervous energy in the kitchen?"

Effort to "Pin Down" President a Failure

Nicholas Murray Butler's attempt to "smoke out" President Coolidge on a third term did not succeed, but did revive a story told last summer while Mr. Coolidge was at the White Pine camp in the Adirondacks. According to the gossip the President was out on one of the lakes fishing when the sky became overcast. The boatman remarked that the dark clouds indicated rain. Mr. Coolidge made no comment. After a while the sky grew blacker and the boatman again remarked that he guessed it was going to rain. Still Mr. Coolidge was silent. Then came the distant roar of thunder. A sharp flash of lightning was followed by another sharp peal of thunder. Rain began to fall. "Well," said the President's companion, questioning, "I guess we're going to get that shower." The President looked at him and demanded sharply: "What are you trying to do, pin me down?"—Los Angeles Times.

Heavily Jeweled Mummy

Among recent important discoveries in Egypt, according to an Egyptian correspondent, is the finding in Egypt's western desert of a tomb containing the mummy of a woman, presumably a queen, covered with jewels of priceless description. Among these are 18 bracelets of gold and silver, five necklaces in brilliants on her neck and a superhead crown studded with brilliants. Near the body were found other necklaces in sapphires and brilliants, also a statuette beautifully carved from porphyry. Hieroglyphics on the tomb indicate that the body is that of a princess who lived 3,000 years ago, but it has not been possible yet to establish to what dynasty she belonged.

Chance for a Record

Star runners, out for a world's record, should try the 880-yard run. That is the suggestion of Dr. Earle R. Hadrick, a mathematician of the University of California, in Popular Science Monthly. From carefully prepared charts based on the limit of human endurance, as now established, he concludes that the record of one minute and fifty-two seconds for the 880 is the one most likely to be improved in the near future. It might be lowered a full five seconds and still be consistent with some of the other records now existing.

Painful News

Cecil B. De Mille recently took a party of Middle West clergymen out in his yacht. It so happened that the wife of one of the parsons was seeing the ocean for the first time, and also feeling the first quarts of approaching seasickness. Finally, she timidly approached Mr. De Mille and asked: "Please, please tell me why this boat jumps so?" "Well, ma'am," replied De Mille with a smile, "it's on a starboard tack."

Clock's Good Service

A clock that was ticking off the seconds when George Washington was President is still keeping accurate time in the home of W. F. Arms of Manassas, Wash. The clock, according to a recent check-up in its life history, has been running for more than 140 years. It was made in Switzerland, and all the wheels except one are of wood.

Too Long

"I wish to withdraw some money from my savings account," "Our rules, madam, require 60 days' notice."

Much to Learn

Mrs. Fozzleton—Well, even the well-informed woman doesn't know it all, John. Mr. Fozzleton—Nope, she doesn't know when to be silent, Jane.—New Bedford Standard.

Self-Chosen

She—The Blanks brag about their ancestors as though they had invented them. He—I'm more than half inclined to think that they did.—Boston Transcript.

News from Alanreed

F. R. McCracken left Saturday for an extended visit in Los Angeles, Calif.

Harvey Craig is ill, but is reported improved quite a good deal since having the physician with him Sunday.

O. Lee and family have moved into their newly finished cottage in the northeast part of town.

Rev. S. T. Greenwood filled his regular appointment at Indian Creek Sunday.

Prof. Alex Tompkin of Eldridge was snapping in Alanreed Saturday.

The Baptist ladies had a sale Saturday at Blakney Bros. store for the benefit of the Baptist ladies organization, which brought them good returns.

Rev. H. G. Walton, pastor of the local Methodist church, preached two interesting sermons Sunday. His subject at night was "Joseph, the Model Boy of the Bible," on which he made several thoughts for the youth of the present age.

The Alanreed B. Y. P. U. has organized for the ensuing year with the election of new officers. The entire list of these officers is too long to insert here.

The Methodists will have quarterly conference in the local church next Saturday morning.

The Methodist ladies met with Mrs. H. T. Wilkins Wednesday afternoon.

The B. Y. P. U. will have a social for its members Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris, and the committees on entertainment and refreshments are busy planning for an enjoyable time.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to use this medium to thank our many friends for the gifts and encouragement given us since our marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cash of Peterson Creek were in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Henry motored to Carendon Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith of Pagan were in town Saturday.

Vester Smith was in Amarillo Saturday.

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AUTOMOBILE AND MOVIE FIRMS, IN PARTICULAR, HAVE A CHEAP HABIT OF SENDING SALES OF "READING NOTICES" TO THEIR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES WITH THE ADVICE THAT "YOUR EDITOR WILL BE GLAD TO PRINT THIS MATTER AS NEWS," WHEREAS IT IS PURE ADVERTISING AND SHOULD BE PAID FOR. THERE IS MORE ILL FEELING AROUND NEWSPAPER OFFICES OVER THIS MATTER THAN OVER ANY OTHER SINGLE ABUSE.



ELECTION ORDER

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF GRAY, CITY OF McLEAN.

Whereas, on the 9th day of December, 1927, a petition was presented to the City Council of McLean, Texas, praying that an election be held in the City of McLean, Texas, for the purpose of submitting to a vote of the qualified voters therein the question of whether or not a band shall be established and maintained by the City of McLean, Texas, and levying a tax not to exceed three mills of each one dollar of taxable value of the property within said City; and

it appearing that the said petition bears the requisite number of qualified voters who are qualified voters of said City and is in every respect in conformity with law:

Therefore, be it ordered by the City Council of the City of McLean, Texas, that said petition be granted and that an election be held in the City of McLean, Texas, on the 8th day of February, 1928, for the purpose of determining whether or not the City of McLean, Texas, shall establish and maintain a band and levying a tax of not to exceed three mills of each one dollar of taxable value of the property within said City.

A. T. Young is hereby appointed presiding officer of said election, and he shall select two judges to assist in holding the same.

Only qualified property tax-paying voters of the City of McLean, Texas, shall be entitled to vote at said election. Those who favor the proposition shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words: "For establishing and maintaining a band and levying the tax in support thereof." Those opposed shall have written or printed upon their ballots the words: "Against establishing and maintaining a band."

A copy of this order shall be sufficient notice of said election. Passed this the 30th day of December, 1927.

C. J. CASH, City Secretary
Attest: W. E. BOGAN, City Clerk

Mrs. L. Moody left for Dallas last week. She subscribed for The News before leaving.

PAST AND PRESENT

Mrs. Almatia Bennett of Chicago, who at the age of 101 flew last month from Boston to Old Orchard, said in a recent interview: "I suppose that modesty is the thing that has changed most in my time. Modesty still exists, of course, but it has changed so much. "When I was young, a girl with a 50c pair of stockings could only show about three cents' worth of them. Now she buys three dollar stockings and shows about five dollars' worth."

When the time comes for putting the incubator into service for the hatching of spring chickens it should be cleaned thoroughly and disinfected to destroy disease organisms before the eggs are placed in it. Be sure that all down and dirt have been removed from the incubator, and disinfect the interior of the machine as well as the egg trays and nursery drawers with an efficient disinfectant, such as a saponified cresol solution.

George Tummins motored to LeFors Friday.

R. S. Thompson was in from the ranch Saturday.

W. S. Parker of Groom was in McLean Friday.

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PREPAREDNESS NEEDED

A student who had failed in the subjects he took at college wired his brother: "Failed in all five subjects. Prepare papa." The brother telegraphed back: "Papa prepared. Prepare yourself."

Texas is one of the leading watermelon producing states. Parker County is considered the biggest melon producing county in the United States, Weatherford frequently shipping as high as 1000 carloads in a season.

Mrs. Leon Waldrop of Pleasant Mound was shopping in town Saturday.

S. T. Greenwood of Alanreed handed us \$2.00 for The News one day last week.

Look This Ad Over

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Yukon's graham flour	
Yukon's hard wheat flour	
Purina laying mash	Purina Steer
Purina Hen Chow	Purina Calf
Purina Pig Chow	Purina Cow
Purina Steer Fatena	Purina Bull
Oyster shells	Bone meal
Alfalfa Leaf Meal	Chard
Yellow corn meal	Hay
Aztec coal	Shell kaffus
Hominy feed	Shorts
Shell corn	Home ground corn meal
Figaro salt	Block salt
Cottonseed meal	Cottonseed cake
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The American National Bank

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Raymond L. Howard, Assistant Cashier
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John C. Haynes, Asst. Cashier
Hess, Mrs. Etta B. Clark, Wesley Knapp

From Gracey

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Mullins moved from the Saye to the Matthews place Saturday.

Fred Bidwell and sisters, Lorena, Birdie and Opal spent Sunday at the L. F.

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Mrs. H. M. Belew and called to the Bill Webb Sunday night to listen in

L. F. Monday

DEED OF DISSOLUTION

is hereby given to the that the partnership of

ton-McGowen Hardware and Furniture Company of McLean,

as, was dissolved on January 1928, and that firm is no

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ean News in 1904. He also blished a paper in Hereford and

trillo before moving to New state, where he is now en-

the newspaper business. K. Cartwright of the C. M.

Stone and Co. store at Mangum, Okla., is here this week assisting

in rearranging the McLean store for their ladies' ready-to-wear dis-

to be held soon. A. Erwin will speak at

the school auditorium Friday. Everybody invited.

O. F. Russell and children larendon are visiting the lady's or, Mrs. M. L. Bush.

C. A. Strandberg was a Shamrock visitor Thursday.

Duck Campbell visited in Crowl Saturday.

Sparks motored to Rockledge Saturday.

Mrs. J. L. Bidwell of Gracey was in town Saturday.

WHEN THE RATTLER SHOWS ITS SKIN

Curing engine rattles usually requires the skill and facilities of a repairman, but it is worth while mentioning the more common noises that come under this head. Loose portions may produce a noise that can be more accurately described as a rattle than a knock. A valve or valve out of adjustment will cause a tap that may be cured by adjustment. Worn push rods, or more likely worn push rod guides, may give rise to a rattling sound. The cure is to have new parts put in.

A noisy transmission or rear axle indicate lack of lubricant or badly worn parts. As soon as unique noise is noticed the unit should be inspected and lubricant added if necessary. If this does not help, new parts may be required.

Nothing contributes so much to the shabbiness of an automobile as need of painting. Painting costs a lot of money these days. Every effort should therefore be made to preserve the original finish. Strong soap and hot water quickly kill the fine gloss and wear away the paint, and their use should be avoided as much as possible, although in making this statement it is realized that this combination of cleaning agents removes dirt and grease most efficiently. Cold water tends to harden and preserve varnish and should be used whenever possible. If the motorist does his own washing, it is also worth adding that separate sponges and chamois skins should be used for body and running gear.

The fact is often lost sight of that varnish has a double function. Not only does it make the surface shine, but it also acts as a skin which protects the paint underneath. As soon as the skin wears away, the exposed paint rapidly deteriorates. Under ordinary circumstances the skin will begin to wear through in spots after six months' use. That is the psychological moment for applying a new coat of varnish. Renewal of the skin provides protection for another half year. It is an investment that is well worth the money. Its small cost compared with the expense of completely repainting. The time required to do the job is so much less and this is often an important consideration.

Cotton, the most important crop of Texas, was first grown about the old Spanish missions near San Antonio as early as 1775. Texas produces about one-third of the cotton crop of the United States, and from 20 to 25% of the cotton of the world.

The law of nature is that a certain quantity of work is necessary to produce a certain quantity of good of any kind whatever. If you want any knowledge, you must toil for it; if food, you must toil for it; and if pleasure, you must toil for it.—Ruskin.

It took the American people a long time to discover that a poor teacher is a poor investment for the same reason that a scrub cow is a bad buy. A poorly taught child is untaught.—Warren (Ohio) Tribune.

A New York farm woman learned to clean her sewing machine and put it in good running order. Then she made pin money by overhauling the machines of her neighbors.

To remove chewing gum from a washable dress, soften the stain with egg white and then wash.

Th' Ole Grouch

AN' TH' NEXT TIME YA PULL THAT ROADHOG STUFF, CROWDIN' ME A' MY CAR AND TH' DITCH, I WILL BE WEARIN' BRASS KNUCKLES WHEN I HIT YA!



RICH PRINTED VELVET MAKES HANDSOME LOUNGING ROBES



SINCE that innate love for gorgeous fabrics, which is the heritage of every normal woman, must so often be suppressed in the workaday world of office and schoolroom, the enjoyment of beautiful exotic apparel in the home, particularly in the boudoir, becomes the more intensified.

To those seeking a thrill in the way of transcendently lovely material, a multi-colored and strikingly patterned velvet print is suggested for the robe of day dreams. Border it with plain, after the manner of the handsome model in the picture.

Many there are who still prefer wrap-around kimono types as here shown. But if you are among those who crave something quite bizarre, make a coolie coat pajama set. Use solid-colored velvet for the trousers of this pajama ensemble, cuffing them with the gay print. The coolie coat should be fashioned of the patterned velvet, bordered with solid-colored velvet matching the trousers.

Another suggestion is to make the coolie coat of the plain velvet animating it with sleeves of velvet printed in vivid colors.

Of course if you are not of the sewing kind, the specialty shops and departments are offering fascinating negligee types which include not only many velvet robes but others equally as alluring, and at wonderfully attractive prices.

Glistening metal fabrics have also

invaded the domain of the negligee. Not only are gorgeous coolie coats and tea-gowns fashioned of metal brocades, but these elegant materials enter into the designing of pajama sets most alluringly. A coolie coat of handsome silver and gold brocade is trimmed with black satin, trouser also being of the satin. Sometimes it is a blouse of the broadcloth instead of a coolie coat.

In direct contrast to these elaborate coats and pajama sets are the new all-wool plaid flannel robes. These are bound on all edges with colorful wide grosgrain ribbon. While they are not showy they are the "real thing," both as to quality and comfort.

Quantities of marabou trimming are being used this season not only on sheer velvet robes but upon quilted ones as well as those of crepe satin silk matelasse, and especially black satin.

Bed jackets are proving a very popular item in boudoir apparel. Some of them are dainty, frivolous things, made for "looks" only. Others, pretty though they are, add the qualities of solid comfort and protection. Some are quilted crepe or satin, others are knitted in fascinating colors of shetland wool. Very charming knitted zephyr types are made in rainbow colorings.

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W. R. James is a new reader of The News. Mrs. Harold Rippy visited in Shamrock.

Mrs. Jess Mann returned Friday from Carlsbad, N. M. Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement etc

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Mrs. Hubert Wilkins and daughter, Miss Lois Marie, of Alanreed were McLean visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Landers saw "Abie's Irish Rose" at Shamrock Monday night.

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

Charlie Campbell of Crowell spent Thursday and Friday in McLean.

Mrs. M. H. Kinard of Gracey was in town Friday.

Henry Kinard of Dalhart visited relatives here Friday.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lander attended the show at Shamrock Monday night.

Mrs. Scott Johnston left Monday for Geary, Okla., for medical treatment.

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