

## Courthouse Meeting Well Attended

## Gray County Oil Price Raised; Wheeler on New Basis

### Oil Prices Raised by Companies New Schedule Thought Will Increase Activity

Increases of from one to 16 cents for high gravity crude oil were posted by the larger companies Tuesday, which directly affects the Gray and Wheeler county fields.

Gray county oil has been bringing a premium for some time on account of the high grade, while Wheeler county oil has been priced on a flat basis of 75c for all grades; it will now be priced on a gravity basis.

The increase in price is a hopeful sign, and it is thought that increased activity in the McLean field will result.

New posted prices for Gray county are:

Below 27 gravity, 60c with five cents difference up to and including 32.9, which will be 90c; 33 to 33.9, 93c, with a differential of three cents for each degree of gravity up to 44 and above \$1.26.

In Wheeler county the posted prices are:

Below 29 gravity, 60c with a five cent differential on that and up to 32.9, 80c; 33 to 33.9, 83c with a three cent differential up to and including 44 and above, \$1.16.

### ANDREWS IN SHERIFF'S RACE

The News is authorized to carry the name of John V. Andrews as a candidate for Sheriff and Tax Collector of Gray county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

Mr. Andrews is at present Chief of Police at Pampa, having held the office of City Marshal for several years prior to his employment by the new commission government. He came to Gray county in 1915 from Van Zandt county, and was in the dry goods business at Pampa prior to his election as city marshal. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is a nephew of W. T. Wilson of McLean.

Mr. Andrews says he is in favor of law enforcement, and if elected will co-operate with the people in the enforcement of law and crime prevention.

### NEWS ADVERTISEMENTS READ BY EVERYONE

"Most everyone who visited our place this week said, 'I noticed your advertisement in The News,'" was the remark Mrs. J. M. Robison made to The News editor yesterday in referring to a small display advertisement run last week.

Mrs. J. J. Cobb ordered a couple of wantads about two weeks ago, and Mr. Cobb informed us this week that they not only sold out at once, but had a dozen calls that they had to turn down.

We are advertising will get results, and we appreciate our readers calling attention to the fact that they saw the advertising, for ever advertiser likes to know that you read his messages.

### JOHN MERTEL HAS NOVEL SHOW WINDOW

John Mertel has a mounted kangaroo in his show window this week, advertising kangaroo leather for shoes.

The animal has been secured for a limited time, and is attracting a lot of attention from shoppers.

### Masonic Banquet Enjoyed Good Program Given at Banquet Thursday

Fellowship was rife at the Good Will banquet given by the Eastern Star and Masonic lodges at the Wilkerson building last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Luther McCombs, worthy matron of the Eastern Star, acted as toastmistress. Rev. R. R. Rives, Presbyterian pastor, offered the invocation, and J. H. Bodine made the welcome address. The response was given by W. Sherman White.

Lovely music was furnished by an orchestra composed of Dallas Waters, J. J. Cobb, Louis Calaway, John B. Rice and Prof. Davidson with Mrs. Boyett at the piano. A quartette from the Girls Glee Club of the high school sang two much appreciated numbers. Members of the quartette were Margaret Johnston, Maybelle Veatch, Clara Anderson and Hazel Greer, with Miss Carmen Ulm at the piano.

Mrs. W. E. Bogan gave beautifully "Their Yesterdays," a musical reading, and then responded to an encore with "The Youngest in the Family," which delighted the audience. Prof. Davidson played a saxophone solo, with Mrs. Boyett at the piano. This number was also encored.

The main speaker of the evening being "snow bound," Miss Ruby Cook proved a very worthy substitute, when she spoke interestingly on "Poems that Have Influenced My Life." Miss Cook's mind seems always to be rich with unique thoughts, but on this occasion was at its best. She began with the poems of childhood and their influence, and ended with that poetry which appeals to a mature and well-balanced mind. Two of the quotations which might mean much to our lives, should we learn to fully appreciate them, are: "Not what we get, but what we give, not what we say, but how we live; giving the world the love it needs, living a life of noble deeds. Not whence you came, but whether bound; not what you have, but whether found, strong for the right, the good and the true, these are the things worth while to you."

And "God gave us life, and faith in it; hope for it, love toward it; and wonderment—that in one breath He sweeps it all away—and gives us death."

A short, but interesting talk by Rev. Rives concluded the program, and thus a very enjoyable banquet from standpoint of "eat, drink and fellowship, came to an end.

### BROOKS FUNERAL TUESDAY

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist church Tuesday afternoon by Pastor B. W. Wilkins for A. C. Brooks, aged 54 years, 11 months and 21 days, who died early Tuesday morning.

Death came at the home of the deceased's sister, Mrs. S. L. Cox, who lives in the south part of town. Interment was made in Hillcrest cemetery immediately following the funeral services.

A. C. Meier of Amarillo was in McLean Wednesday.

Miss Thelma Gatlin visited in Pampa, Okla., Wednesday.

### FARMERS COMPLETE TERRACING

Reported.

Despite the snow-covered fields Mr. Tampke continued his terracing program on the Eurdine and Hartman section of land last Saturday. The entire section is now terraced, and Mr. Burdine and Mr. Hartman purchased a grader to do their terracing.

All of Leo Stockton's farm is also terraced, and nearly all of Geo. Abbott's. They also have a new grader.

S. A. Cousins has all his terracing completed. A total of six hundred acres has already been terraced and there are 1000 more acres to be terraced in the next two weeks.

The farmers of this section have invested in three new terracing graders which they are keeping at work continually.

The agriculture class has been very busy pruning orchards and vineyards for patrons the past month. Last Wednesday they went to prune Mr. Wingo's orchard. While the boys were at work Mrs. Wingo prepared for them one of the most elegant dinners they ever had occasion to enjoy. All the boys ate heartily, which was no doubt convincing to Mrs. Wingo that the boys enjoyed and appreciated the fine dinner to the fullest. Just these kind of treats give boys an incentive to want to help the patrons more and more. Surely when Mrs. Wingo has more agricultural practice work the boys will be anxious to do the work.

During the Rock Island agricultural program Prof. Geo. P. Grout gave the McLean agricultural class a dairy judging contest, and the following results were secured by Mr. Grout: Five boys made 100%. Two of these boys, Carl Jones and Clark Stockton, made perfect scores. Sixteen boys made 90 to 95%, one boy made 85% and four boys made 60 to 65%. The boys were very much elated over the good record they made.

Other activities during the month were pruning five orchards, culling 225 hens and treating 400 hens for chicken pox.

### FAIR STORE SALE OPENS TODAY

The Fair Store opened their second annual Spring Opening Sale this morning.

The News printed the big double page sale bills, and W. W. Shadid, manager of the store, says that they have many bargains to offer their customers in this sale. Watch our advertising columns as the sale progresses.

### A PARTY

Miss Oma Lee Abbott entertained a number of young people with a party Saturday evening. Many games were played and a good time was reported by everyone present.

### BOYS GLEE CLUB

Reported.

The Boys Glee Club met Monday at the regular time. The boys are now practicing on the operetta that it to be given in April. A list of characters will appear about a month before the play is given.

Mrs. S. C. Powell returned to her home at Exeter, Mo., last week after an extended visit with her son, M. T. Wilkerson.

Charles Cousins, Mrs. S. A. Cousins, Miss Nona Cousins and Mrs. T. A. Landers were in Amarillo Wednesday.

### METHODIST BANQUET AT CHURCH

Reported.

The Father and Son banquet at the Methodist church Wednesday night was highly successful. Many have said that it was one of, if not the most satisfactory affairs of this sort ever held in McLean.

Ninety men and boys were present. As far as possible, fathers and sons were seated together. The church basement was beautifully and artistically decorated in the national colors, and central was the thought of Washington.

Pastor Wilkins acted as toastmaster, and was assisted in the program by Averal Christian, C. S. Rice, Prof. Tummins, Mr. Smith of Wichita Falls and Rev. W. M. Murrell of Clarendon. Musical numbers were furnished by Mrs. Boyett, Miss Carmen Ulm, Miss Jewel Shaw and Mr. Reed, and greatly enjoyed. Every number on the program was timely and highly appreciated.

A three course menu was served by the Methodist ladies, with young ladies of the church acting as waitresses.

### TWICE NUMBER OF POLL TAXES PAID THIS YEAR

Approximately twice the number of poll taxes have been paid this year as was last, some 4744 being reported by the sheriff's office.

Pampa had 3,390, McLean 770, Alarreed 200, Knorrpp 135, Lefors 101, Laketon 80, Farrington 40, Hopkins 28.

### McLEAN RADIO CO. IN NEW LOCATION

The McLean Radio Co. has moved to the building formerly occupied by the White Way Barber Shop.

This company handles electric refrigerators, Brunswick Panatropes R. C. A. Radiolas and sheet music.

### K. E. KLUB

Reported.

Mrs. Witt Springer entertained with a most enjoyable bridge party last Thursday afternoon at her home in the Cubine apartments. The George Washington suggestions were carried out in the tallies, which were also featured in the luncheon served.

Despite the inclement weather, all but two members answered to the roll call by the secretary promptly at 2 o'clock.

The business session was brief. An application for membership was read to fill a vacancy. Same will be voted upon by ballot at the next meeting.

Extreme enjoyment progressed throughout the games of bridge at three tables. Mrs. Sula Veatch won guest high, while Mrs. J. E. Cubine was lucky winner of high score for club members. Mrs. E. E. Filer second and Mrs. J. E. Peters consolation.

At a late hour in the afternoon Mrs. Springer, who is a new member, also a newcomer to McLean, and is recognized as one of the most genial hostesses of the club, assisted by Miss Maybelle Veatch, served a sumptuous three course luncheon to the following ladies: Mesdames O. C. Shaw, J. E. Peters, J. E. Cubine, Ted Matthews, L. E. Caldwell, Arthur Talley, E. E. Filer, Ray Davis. Invited guests were Mesdames E. E. Dishman, Sula Veatch, H. W. Williams and Miss Maybelle Veatch.

Next meeting will be with Mrs. Ted Matthews Thursday afternoon, Feb. 23, at 2 o'clock.

Mr and Mrs. J. J. Simmons and C. L. Spivey visited at Shamrock and Wellington last week.

### Church of Christ to Hold Meeting Preachers Meeting Scheduled for Next Week

The Church of Christ has a preachers meeting planned for next week, beginning Tuesday morning, at which a number of notable preachers from Texas and Oklahoma will be in attendance.

A good program has been arranged, and according to Eld. W. B. Andrews, the subjects discussed will be of interest to people of all faiths, and everyone is invited to attend the meetings.

A notable feature of the meetings will be the singing, which will be directed by Prof. J. W. Dennis of Erick, Okla.

Following is the complete program for the meetings:

Tuesday—10 a. m., singing. 10:30 "Things that Hinder," L. D. Cummins, White Deer. 7 p. m., singing. 7:30, "The Grand Old Book," A. C. Williams, Canadian, Okla.

Wednesday—10 a. m., singing. 10:30, "Many Are Called but Few Are Chosen," J. W. Dennis, Erick, Okla. 7 p. m., singing. 7:30, "Influence," Gray Carter, Erick, Okla.

Thursday—10 a. m., singing. 10:30 (subject to be selected) John Bankhead, Miami. 7 p. m., singing. 7:30 "The Power of the Religion of the Bible," J. D. Taylor, Norman, Okla.

Friday—10 a. m., singing. 10:30 (subject to be selected) W. R. Swney, Hobart, Okla. 7 p. m., singing. 7:30, "Ancient Religious Education," S. A. Ribble, Shamrock.

Saturday—10 a. m., singing. 10:30 (subject to be selected) Leroy W. Thompson, Drumright, Okla. 7 p. m., singing. 7:30, "Principals of Giving," G. A. O'Neal, Cordell, Okla.

Sunday—10 a. m., singing. 10:30 (subject to be selected) John M. Rice, Abilene. 7 p. m., singing. 7:30, "Unforgotten Grace," Sullivan Cooper, Quanah.

### FUNERAL SERVICES CLEO YOUNG MONDAY

Funeral services were held at the home Monday for Cleo Joe Young, aged 12 years, 9 months and 4 days, who died February 19th.

Services were conducted by Pastor D. H. Brynoff of the First Baptist church. Pallbearers were: Cag'e Hunt, W. C. Carpenter Jr., Allison Cash, Basil Pettit, Cleo Heasley, Jack Mathis; flower girls: Bonnie Bible, Oleta Holloway, Bobbie Appling, Frances Wilson, Nimetta Cooke, Margarete Mertel. Interment was made at Hillcrest cemetery.

### FREE ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY EVENING

A free entertainment will be given at the high school auditorium Friday evening under the auspices of the P. T. A.

Free refreshments of hot cocoa and coffee will be served and a pie supper held. No pies will be sold for over \$1.00 each, and provision will be made for the entertainment of folks of all ages.

Music, games, readings, etc., will feature the evening, and everyone has a cordial invitation to attend.

H. W. Brooks returned Saturday from a trip to the St. Louis and Chicago markets.

### Courthouse Meeting at Alanreed Delegations Meet for Court House Election Discussion

Large delegations from Lefors, McLean and Alanreed met at the latter place Monday evening to discuss plans for the coming court house election.

The meeting was held in the Alanreed high school auditorium after a few selections by the McLean band on the street. The auditorium was packed with men and women from the different communities in the south part of the county, not only every seat being taken on both rostrum and auditorium, but the walls were lined with men and boys who stood during the rather lengthy program.

E. B. Hedrick, president of the Alanreed Chamber of Commerce, acted as chairman of the meeting, and after a few selections from the McLean band, Mr. Hedrick made the welcome address and presented M. D. Bentley of McLean, chairman of the court house election campaign.

Mr. Bentley said that the present location of the court house is fair for everyone in the county, and made a plea that the campaign be carried on a high plane, asking that a "cool head, warm heart and keen eye" be kept at all times, and expressed the thought that "right will win" if every voter does his duty on election day. Mr. Bentley said that should the vote be to move the court house it would doubtless mean the issuance of warrants at once for a costly new building.

### A Selection by the Alanreed Girls Glee Club was encored several times.

L. V. Lonsdale, secretary of the campaign organization, was the next speaker, and explained the over and under vote, expressing the belief that there are many citizens on the north side who are opposed to a court house move at this time.

W. J. Ball of Alanreed said that we should stand four-square with Lefors in keeping the court house in the center of the county. Mr. Ball said there will be not be a dissenting vote in this part of the county, and many broad-gauged men in the other part of the county will heed the appeal of "equal rights to all and special privileges to none," naming two such men who are well known over the county who have already expressed themselves as being against a move at this time.

C. B. Davis of the Rock Island lines, Amarillo, complimented the young people present who are taking interest in public affairs, and said that if the court house is moved it will be done by voters who do not own a foot of property in Gray county, and ventured the assertion that the majority of the north side voters will not be there when a new court house is built. "The approximately half-million dollars for a new court house will rest for years and years on the property owners of Gray county," said Mr. Davis. "The oil field workers are the greatest comers and goers of any class of people, and no oil field population lasts for very long. Amarillo has lost 10,000 population, and Borger has dropped from a city of 20,000 to about 7,000 within a short time. This does not mean that the oil prosperity does not last, but that

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# The Bat

A Novel from the Play

By Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood

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## THE STORY

CHAPTER I—Defying all efforts to capture him, after a long series of murders and robberies, a super-crook known to the police only as "The Bat" has brought about a veritable reign of terror. At his wits' end, and at the man's own request, the chief of police assigns his best operative, Anderson, to get on the trail of the Bat.

CHAPTER II—With her niece, Dale Ogden, Miss Cornelia Van Gorder is living in the country home of the late Courtleigh Fleming, who until his recent death had been president of the Union bank, wrecked because of the theft of a large sum in currency. The cook and housemaid deserted the Van Gorder household, leaving only the Japanese butler, Billy. Miss Van Gorder receives a note warning her to vacate the place at once on pain of death. She feels the warning is from the dreaded Bat, but determines to ignore it. Dale returns from the city, where she had been to hire a gardener.

CHAPTER III—Miss Cornelia tells Lizzie Allen, her faithful Irish maid, who is decidedly nervous, that a detective is coming that night. The gardener arrives, giving his name as Brooks. Miss Van Gorder leads him into a trap and he admits he is not a gardener but needs work. She allows him to stay. Dale comes from the country club with a friend, Doctor Wells. Miss Cornelia tells them of the threatening note. They are interrupted by the smashing of a window in the house.

CHAPTER IV—They find a stone has been thrown through a glass door, warning another massive warning them to leave. Doctor Wells urges Miss Van Gorder to obey, but she only refuses. The detective, Anderson, arrives, is told of the situation, and announces he will stay on watch that night.

CHAPTER V—Miss Van Gorder tells Anderson she has an idea Courtleigh Fleming robbed his own bank and concealed the money in the house, but the detective believes the bank's cashier, Bailey, who is missing, is the guilty one. Brooks (who is really Bailey, the sought-for cashier, and Dale's fiance) tells the girl he knows there is a hidden room in the house and believes Courtleigh Fleming, before his death in Colorado, concealed the bank's money there. Dale telephones Richard Fleming, Courtleigh's nephew, asking him to come over.

"Now, Lizzie," he said, forcing himself to urbanity, "what did you really see?"

"I told you what I saw."

His manner grew somewhat threatening.

"You're not trying to frighten Miss Van Gorder into leaving this house and going back to the city?"

"Well, if I am," said Lizzie, with grim, unconscious humor, "I'm giving myself an awful good scare, too, ain't I?"

The two glared at each other, as Miss Cornelia returned from her survey of the alcove.

"Somebody who had a key could have got in here, Mr. Anderson," she said, annoyed. "That terrace door's been unbolted from the inside."

The detective recognized his police. "I think I see the answer to your puzzle, Miss Van Gorder," he said, with a scornful glance at Lizzie. "A hysterical and not very reliable woman anxious to go back to the city and terrified over and over by the shutting off of the electric light."

Miss Van Gorder considered his theory. "I wonder," she said.

The detective rubbed his hands together more cheerfully.

"A good night's sleep and—" he began, but the irrepressible Lizzie interrupted him.

"My God, we're not going to bed, are we?" she said, with her eyes as big as saucers.

He gave her a kindly pat on the shoulder, which she obviously resented.

"You'll feel better in the morning," he said. "Lock your door and say your prayers, and leave the rest to me."

Lizzie muttered something handsome and rebellious, but now Miss Cornelia added her protestations to his.

"That's very good advice," she said decisively. "You take her, Dale."

Reluctantly, with a dragging of feet and scornful glances cast back over her shoulder, Lizzie allowed herself to be drawn toward the door and the main staircase by Dale. But she did not depart without one Partisan shot.

"I'm not going to bed!" she yelled, as Dale's strong young arm helped her out into the hall. "Do you think I want to wake up in the morning with my throat cut?" Then the creaking of the stairs, and Dale's soothing voice reassuring her as she painfully clambered toward the third floor, announced that Lizzie, for some time at least, had been removed as an active factor from the puzzling equation of Cedar crest.

Anderson confronted Miss Cornelia with certain relief.

"There are certain things I want to discuss with you, Miss Van Gorder," he said. "But they can wait until tomorrow morning. You go upstairs and go to bed comfortably. I'll make a careful search of the house before I settle down, and if I find anything at all suspicious, I'll promise to let you know."

She agreed to that, and after send-

ing the door more care-fully, prepared to go to bed.

Never had the thought of her own comfortable bed appealed to her so much. But in spite of her weariness she could not quite resign herself to take Lizzie's story as tightly as the detective seemed to.

"If what Lizzie says is true," she said, taking her candle, "the upper floors of the house are even less safe than this one."

"I imagine Lizzie's account just now is about as reliable as her previous one as to her age," Anderson assured her. "I'm certain you need not worry. Just go on up and get your beauty sleep; I'm sure you need it."

On which ambiguous remark Miss Van Gorder took her leave, rather grimly smiling.

If was after she had gone that Anderson's glance fell on Brooks, standing warily in the doorway.

"What are you? The gardener?" But Brooks was prepared for him. "Ordinarily I drive a car," he said.

"Just now I'm working on the place here."

Anderson was observing him closely, with the eyes of a man ransacking his memory for a name—a picture. "I've seen you somewhere—" he went on slowly. "And I'll—place you before long." There was a little threat in his shrewd scrutiny. He took a step towards Brooks.

"Not in the portrait gallery at headquarters, are you?"

"Not yet," Brooks' voice was resentful. Then he remembered his pose and his back grew supple—his whole attitude that of the respectful servant.

"Well, we slip up now and then," said the detective, slowly. Then, apparently, he gave up his search for



"What Are You? The Gardener?"

the name—the pictured face. But his manner was still suspicious.

"All right, Brooks," he said tersely. "If you're needed in the night, you'll be called."

Brooks bowed. "Very well, sir." He closed the door softly behind him, glad to have escaped as well as he had.

But that he had not entirely lulled the detective's watchfulness to rest was evident as soon as he had gone. Anderson waited a few seconds then moved noiselessly over to the hall door—listened—opened it suddenly—closed it again. Then he proceeded to examine the alcove—the stairs, where the gleaming eye had wavered like a corpse-candle before Lizzie's frightened vision. He tested the terrace door and bolted it. How much truth had there been in her story? He could not decide—but he drew out his revolver nevertheless and gave it a quick inspection to see if it were in working order. A smile crept over his face—the smile of a man who has dangerous work to do, and does not shrink from the prospect. He put the revolver back in his pocket, and taking the one lighted candle remaining, went out by the hall door, as the steam burst forth in fresh fury and the window panes of the living room rattled before a new reverberation of thunder.

For a moment, in the living room, expect for the thunder, all was silence. Then the creak of surreptitious footsteps broke the stillness—light footsteps descending the alcove stairs where the gleaming eye had passed.

It was Dale, slipping out of the house to keep her appointment with Richard Fleming. She carried a raincoat over her arm and a pair of rubbers in one hand. Her other hand held a candle. By the terrace door she paused, unbolted it, glanced out into the streaming night with a shiver. Then she came into the living room and sat down to put on her rubbers.

Hardly had she begun to do so when she started up again. A muffled knocking sounded at the terrace door. It was ominous and determined, and in a panic of terror she rose to her feet. If it was the law come after Jack, what would she do? Or again suppose it was the Unknown who had threatened them with death? Not coherent thoughts these, but chaotic, bringing panic with them. Almost unconscious of what she was doing she reached into the drawer beside her, secured the revolver there and leveled it at the door.

CHAPTER VI

A Shot in the Dark

A key clicked in the terrace door—a voice swore muffledly at the rain-

fall lowered her revolver slowly. It was Richard Fleming—come to meet her here, instead of down by the drive.

She had telephoned him on an impulse. But now, as she looked at him in the light of her single candle, she wondered if this rather dissipated rather foolish young man about town in his early thirties, could possibly understand and appreciate the motives that had driven her to seek his aid.

Still—it was for Jack! She clenched her teeth and resolved to go through with the plan mapped out in her mind. It might be a desperate expedition—but she had nowhere else to turn!

Fleming shut the terrace door behind him and moved down from the alcove, trying to shake the rain from his coat.

"Did I frighten you?"

"Oh Mr Fleming—yes!" Dale laid her aunt's revolver down on the table. Fleming perceived her nervousness and made a gesture of apology.

"I'm sorry," he said, "I rapped—but nobody seemed to hear me, so I used my key."

"You're wet through—I'm sorry," said Dale with mechanical politeness.

He smiled. "Oh, no." He stripped off his cap and raincoat and placed them on a chair, brushing himself off as he did so with fidgety little movements of his hands.

"Reggie Beresford brought me over in his car," he said. "He's waiting down the drive."

Dale declined not to waste words in the usual commonplace of social greeting.

"Mr Fleming—I'm in dreadful trouble," she said, facing him squarely, with a courageous appeal in her eyes.

He made a polite movement. "Oh, I say! That's too bad."

She plunged on. "You know the Union bank closed today?"

He laughed lightly.

"Yes, I know it! I didn't have anything in it—or any other bank, for that matter," he admitted ruefully, "but I hate to see the old thing go to smash."

Dale wondered which angle was best from which to present her appeal.

"Well, even if you haven't lost anything in this bank failure, a lot of your friends have—surely?" she went on.

"I'll say so!" said Fleming, dejectedly. "Beresford is sitting down the road in his Rolls-Royce now, writhing with pain!"

Dale hesitated—Fleming's lightness seemed so incorrigible that, for a moment, she was on the verge of giving her project up entirely. Then, "Waster or not—he's the only man who can help us!" she told herself and continued.

"Lots of awfully poor people are going to suffer, too," she said, wistfully.

Fleming chuckled, dismissing the poor with a wave of his hand.

"Oh, well, the poor are always in trouble," he said with airy heartlessness. "They specialize in suffering."

He extracted a monogrammed cigarette from a thin gold case.

"But look here," he went on, moving closer to Dale. "you didn't send for me to discuss this hypothetical poor depositor, did you? Mind if I smoke?"

"No." He lit his cigarette and puffed at it with enjoyment while Dale paused, summoning up her courage. Finally the words came in a rush.

"Mr Fleming, I'm going to say something rather brutal. Please don't mind. I'm merely—desperate! You see, I happen to be engaged to the cashier, Jack Bailey."

Fleming whistled.

"I see! And he's beat it!"

Dale blazed with indignation.

"He has not! I'm going to tell you something—he's here—now—in this house—" she continued, fiercely, all her defenses thrown aside. "My aunt thinks he's a new gardener. He is here Mr Fleming because he knows he didn't take the money—and the only person who could have done it was—your uncle!"

Dick Fleming dropped his cigarette in a convenient ash tray and crushed it out there, absently not seeming to notice whether it scorched his fingers or not. He rose and took a turn about the room. Then he came back to Dale.

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J. J. Simmons went to Amarillo Friday.

J. W. Dougherty of Heald was in town Friday.

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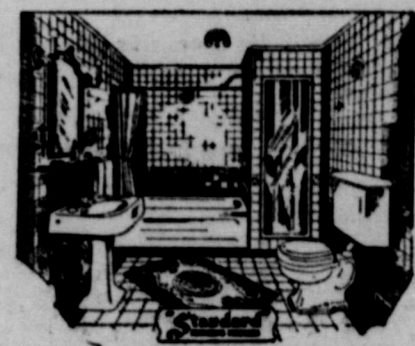
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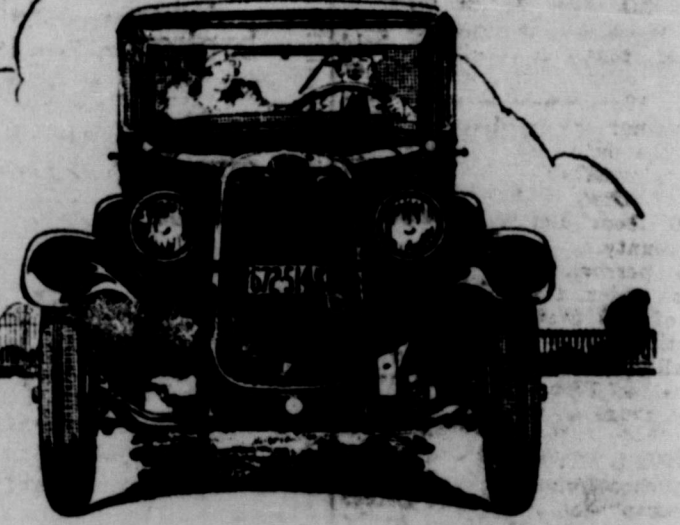
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The Sports Cabriolet . . . \$665  
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**Next Sunday's Lesson**

Obtained by Rev. B. W. Wilkins  
Text—Mark 5:22-27, 32:41-42.  
Golden text—"Thy faith hath made thee whole." Mark 5:34.

Jesus had been invited by the Gagaranes to leave their country. Wacaranen, He crossed over to Capernium. There he was immediately surrounded, as usual, by an ever increasing multitude. While in the midst of various kinds of discussions he was suddenly solicited by a woman, a ruler, to heal his daughter. This is only one of several incidents cited in this lesson in which the people present their needs to Jesus.

Jesus the Giver and Preserver of Life is the subject, therefore and amply illustrated by these incidents, which see.

- I. Some Leading Thoughts:**
1. The popularity of Jesus in certain circles continues.
  2. It is evident the people were being thoroughly convinced that Jesus had power in the matter of physical infirmities.
  3. Not only that Jesus had power over these physical infirmities but that He cared much about those who suffered, and gladly helped.
  4. The statement that the touch of the hem of the garment of Jesus proved to be of value furnished food for thought.
- II. 1. It greatly reinforced our belief in Jesus to read of the supernatural things which He did.**
- 2. It is also of great comfort to recall the fact that Jesus had great concern about any life that was suffering, regardless of the kind of disorder.**
- 3. The fact that Jesus imparts virtues is illustrated in the "hem of His garment" incident. Touch with Jesus makes possible impartation of His many attributes, and any Christian may in some measure at least be like Jesus.**
- 4. The great thought that Christ cares about us and is anxious to help us is prominent in all these lessons.**

**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**

B. W. Wilkins, Pastor  
Our Sunday school was much improved last Sunday. A council meeting held the Wednesday night before resulted in the advancement of some helpful plans.

Services were good both morning and evening. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sparlin removed their membership from Polk Street, Amarillo, and were received at the morning service.

Services on next Sunday will be as usual, except at the evening hour the services will be fifteen minutes later than announced heretofore.

Come and be with us. Your presence always appreciated.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

D. H. Brynoff, Pastor  
10 a. m. Sunday school.  
11 a. m. preaching service. Rev. C. A. Baxter of Shamrock will preach, presenting the Conquest Campaign.  
6:30 p. m. all the B. Y. P. U.'s meet.  
7:30 p. m. preaching, again by Rev. Baxter.

Let every member of the church plan to be out and hear Bro. Baxter.

**PENTECOSTAL MISSION**

Rev. J. E. Osborn will fill his regular appointment at the Pentecostal Mission Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

**NEW COMEDY-DRAMA TO AMERICAN THEATRE**

"No Place to Go," a clean-cut and well-licking comedy from First National, is the attraction at the American Theatre Friday. Mary Astor and Lloyd Hughes are co-authored, and Merrya LeRoy directed. Advertisement 1c

Miss Vina Stratton of Amarillo visited home folks here Wednesday.

Enoch Bentley was in Lefors Monday.

John Haynes was an Amarillo visitor Wednesday.

Dwight Upham went to Sayre, Okla., Wednesday.

Dr. W. E. Ballard has our thanks for a subscription renewal.

P. E. Robinson was in from the ranch Saturday.

**GOOD QUALITIES IN DIRTY-FACED BOYS**

Dirty faced youths make excellent office boys when given a good scrubbing, the Westminster (London) juvenile employment advisory committee has concluded after numerous experiments.

Some employers prefer dirty faced boys to begin with. One employer wrote to the committee: "I want an honest little tough with rather dirty knees and a soiled face and thorough understanding that life is a struggle and the devil take the hindmost. I prefer them (i. e., boys, not devils) to be short, sturdily built, either fair and dirty faced, or dark and red faced with just a suspicion of a cold in the head."

The advisory committee, commenting on the request for a "little tough," says: "All employers are not so easy to satisfy, by any means."

**Loud Speaker Drives Pests From Orchard**

Ordinary scarecrows will frighten away almost any sort of bird that damages crops but common, street variety sparrows are no respecters of scarecrows. Discovering this to his sorrow, Gustav Schmitz, owner of a huge orchard near Hornburg, Germany, has been in despair for some time past, according to the Chicago Tribune, and could only stand by and watch his fruit devoured by hungry hordes of the pesky little birds until he thought of his radio. Moving a raucous loud speaker into the orchard and turning the amplifier on his set up to its fullest pitch he defeated the birds with the first blast of radio sound and at last reports the orchard was still clear.

**TERSE TRUTHS**

Love is a thing full of anxious fears. —Ovid.

How we enjoy a man who has no taste of woe to tell!  
An evil may be popular simply because it is under cover.  
Beware of the human who rarely laughs.—Forbes Magazine.

It's a queer world; those who aren't dodging taxes are dodging taxis.  
Some men's natural bent seems to be patterned after a cork screw.  
Some people find it easier to please others than to please themselves.  
It goes without saying that the less said about some things the better.  
The pace that kills wouldn't be so bad if it killed only the pacemaker.  
If you are without sentiment, you are not a success.—Forbes Magazine.

You must have a genius for charity as well as for anything else.—Thoreau.

Why shouldn't an automobile be built to last a lifetime? A piano does.  
When a man acts like a mule the latter would be justified in kicking him.

What a monotonous old world this would be were it not for the delusions therein.

Conscience gets a megaphone when it wants to remind you afterward of what it said before.  
We all know we ought to vote; and that's one compulsion that not many would complain under.  
Some people, after casting a crust of bread upon the waters, think they should get a bowl of milk toast in return.

**Help for "Rickety" Babies**

Dried milk that has been treated with ultra-violet light is the most practical of the irradiated foods that have been used to prevent rickets in babies, in the opinion of Dr. Alfred P. Hess, an authority on rickets. "It is the unanimous opinion that dried milk treated in this way prevents or cures infantile rickets and tetany," asserted Doctor Hess in a report to the American Medical Association. "The specific gravity of the milk is maintained for a period of at least six weeks."

**Podical Kitten Returns**

Five years ago Tiddles, the nine-month-old kitten belonging to F. D. Davies of Farnham, England, disappeared. It was mourned for a while, then forgotten. Recently a hungry and tired black-and-white cat appeared at the door of the old home. It was not recognized until it finally did some of the tricks learned in kittenhood. Then Tiddles was given milk from the fattest cow.

**Looked Like Old Times**

For a week a buffalo roamed over the farms of southwest Kansas as did his ancestors when those farms were prairies. Startled farmers did not believe their eyes when they saw the buffalo loping across their fields. Investigation proved the animal had been shipped from Yellowstone park to a ranch near Cimmaron and had escaped, to be captured after a week of freedom.

**A Bargain**

He (rapturously)—You accept me? Then it's a bargain!  
She (calmly)—Certainly! I shouldn't have considered it if it wasn't.—Tit-Bits.

**According to Request**

Customer—Say, those shoes you sold me haven't any tongues!  
Dealer—Well, sir, you said you liked to dress as quietly as possible.

**Tots Notice These Things**

"Well, son, did you have a good time at the little party?"  
"Yes, but I was waitin' for quitlin'!"

**News from Heald**

This community was blessed with a little rain and a pretty good snow, which will be a great benefit to farmers, as we have had a drought for the past five months. Some have gone to farming this week.

The school was invited to Ram-dell Wednesday for a program, which was attended by several schools.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bailey, who has been seriously sick, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. Arvel Phillips is still on the sick list. Also the little son of Geo. R. Reneau is sick.

Mrs. John Williams of Clayton, N. M., visited her mother, Mrs. A. A. Haynes, last week.

W. N. Younger of Newark came in last Tuesday to visit his daughter, Mrs. M. F. McRee. She returned to Newark with him to make her home.

Basil Dougherty moved Monday to the place vacated by McRee. Roland Litchfield visited in Canadian Saturday and Sunday with Ray Sparks.

Prof. Trostle attended the singing school at Plainview Tuesday night.

T. F. Phillips was in Shamrock Tuesday.

Basil Dougherty is right sick with tonsillitis.

Mrs. T. H. Pickett and daughter, Pansie, visited Mrs. Arvel Phillips Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Rutledge visited Mrs. Kester Rippy Sunday afternoon.

Misses Catherine Foster and Gardner, Pagan teachers, Miss Lota Gill and Prof. Trostle, Heald teachers, Paul Stauffer and sister and May Fay Chilton were dinner guests of Miss Reneau Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Ewing has been right sick the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bidwell and son from Amarillo visited her parents here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Holly Elliott visited with his brother, O. N. Elliott, and family Sunday.

W. J. Chilton visited his daughter, Mrs. Fatham, at Hollis, Okla., Monday.

T. J. Lott's was in McLean Tuesday.

**News from Alanreed**

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Moreman, after a bridal tour to Clarenden, Quanah and other places, have moved into their cottage adjacent to the gin property.

The Alanreed gin closed the 1927 season Tuesday, and has closed down until next fall.

Mrs. Lovett Noble, who recently returned from the hospital, is still confined to her home.

Mrs. T. J. Blakney is sick this week, with an attack of pneumonia.

The Girls Glee Club had a foods sale at Blakney's store Saturday and report a nice purse thus obtained for the treasury of the club.

Rev. H. G. Walton preached two interesting sermons at the Methodist church Sunday. At the night service his subject was the Model Girl of the Bible, which was especially enjoyed by the young people.

The Women's Missionary Society met at the Methodist church Monday afternoon.

The Baptist ladies met Monday at the home of Mrs. Robert Harris. The B. Y. P. U. had its regular meeting at 6:30 Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James and children visited relatives at Boydston Sunday.

P. E. McCracken has returned from an extended trip to California.

Misses Inez and Zola Blakenship visited in the H. T. Wilkins home Sunday and accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins and children on a visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sherrod Sunday afternoon.

Miss Jennie Sherrod visited Misses

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**Rogers Service Station**

W. P. Rogers L. L. Rogers

Blanche and Ruth Palmer Saturday night and Sunday. Miss Ruth has just returned from Quanah.

A mass meeting in the interest of retaining the court house at Lefors was held in the Alanreed school auditorium Monday night. Quite a number from McLean and Lefors were present and made talks. A Washington program was given in the school auditorium Wednesday by the student body.

**SOUL OF DISCRETION**

Sambo—"Did Brudder Brown gib de bride away?"  
Rastus—"No, sah, he gwine let de groom fin' her out for hisself."—Hardware Age.

Mr. and Mrs. Pomp Wilson of Alanreed were in McLean Wednesday.

A French manufacturer expects a heavy demand for men's lipsticks next year.

J. B. Pettit says to renew his subscription to The News.

Rev. S. A. Cobb was a Shamrock visitor Monday night.

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Salt, Meal and Coal  
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Only one objection has been heard against the new paving during the muddy weather, and that is that there is not enough of it. We need more sidewalks in the residence districts, also, and the city council could do no better thing than to foster some additional sidewalk building.

A number of compliments have been passed on the first of the series of community advertisements published in last week's issue of the News, sponsored by the merchants of McLean. These advertisements are a long step in the direction of community betterment, and another one will be published in a short time.

It is unfortunate that the court house election should come up at this time when the county is just in the making, for by the time a new building is needed conditions may be so different from today that any additional expense at this time will be lost. However, sentiment is growing in all sections of the county that it is unwise to make a move at this time, and we may confidently expect a favorable vote on March 9th.

Many things are sold under the guise of advertising, but not all of them bring results commensurate with the amount they cost. Statistics show that only three forms of advertising are worth the money: newspaper, show window and direct mail, with newspaper advertising at the top of the list. Results are what count, and nothing can beat the home newspaper. Other things may look good when the smooth-tongued salesman is presenting the proposition, but they fail to get the results.

During campaign year is a good time to sound your favorite candidate in his attitude toward publishing reports. The law requires counties, cities and schools to publish stated financial reports, but fails to provide a penalty for non-publication, which, perhaps, causes them to be forgotten in most cases. There is no better law on the statute books than the one to keep the taxpayers informed as to how their money is being used, and this is a good time to elect men to office who will realize their obligation to the man who pays the bills.

**HOME NEWSPAPER**

If there is anything in your town worth talking about, ten chances to one your own newspaper had a hand in putting it there.

Every town gets its money's worth through the home newspaper. It's the wagon that carries all your goods to market. It ought to be kept in good repair. It will pay to grease it, paint it and keep its running gears in good shape and shelter.

It is the guardian and defender of every interest, the forerunner and pioneer of every movement and the sturdy advocate of law and order.—Briston (Neb.) Enterprise.

Texas is adapted to a wider range of wild animal life than any other state. The entire Gulf coast teems with wild ducks and wild geese and has been pronounced the best adapted section in the country for preserving bird life.

Milton Carpenter was in from the ranch Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Haynes of Heald was down Friday.

**ACCORDING TO TASTE**

The wisecracks of the big cities find a lot of small town customs that appeal to them as real funny. We, of the small town, were recently "entertained" by a business acquaintance in a big city. The program was a dinner and later the snow. It was one of those dinner-dance affairs where they smoke stinking cigarettes between dinner courses and watch the dancers do their latest wiggles. Within 20 feet of our table was a ten-piece jazz orchestra that blared forth with great frequency and ample volume. Conversation at our table was impossible. We really wanted to visit with our delightful host but we couldn't execute the sign language, so gave it up. Yes, the simple manners of small town and urban people may be execrably funny to the fellow who prides himself in being thoroughly city-broke, but sitting down to enjoy a social dinner hour under the glare of a jazz band strikes us as just a trifle mirth provoking to the fellow from the sticks. After all, isn't it a good thing that we who live in the country and in the nine o'clock towns are fairly well satisfied with our environment and that the typical New Yorker feels genuinely sorry for the fellow who has to live in Indianapolis or Chicago?—Winterset Madisionian.

**CURTAIN!**

A gouty and grimly humorous old professor with a bandaged foot wired to his family physician in a nearby town.

Doctor's Wife (reading the telegram in the absence of her husband)—"If you are interested in a pretty foot and ankle, come over after your office hours this evening."

**Tableau!**

Texas mineral resources are largely unexplored, yet she contributes six or seven per cent of the total mineral values produced annually in the United States.

What we can't understand about the radio is how the static knows you have company that night.

**INSURANCE**

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I insure anything. No prohibited list.

I represent some of the strongest companies in the world.

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Reliable Insurance

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All makes of cars. Work guaranteed. Prices reasonable. Your trade appreciated.

**S. E. McCannoughey**  
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**CUSTOM HATCHING**

We are preparing to do custom hatching.

We will increase the capacity of the hatchery as business increases.

We will set eggs every Tuesday. Let us hatch your eggs or contract you baby chicks.

**McLean Hatchery**  
W. H. Floyd, Mgr.

**TEN GOOD LOTS LEFT**

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In blocks 66, 84, 103 and 104. Write or phone me or see your realtor.

**D. C. Jones**  
No. 7 Stiles Circle Oklahoma City

**Style Revue**  
**Mitchell's**

(Apparel for Women)

will hold their spring "Style Revue" in connection with the Parent-Teacher Association's program and pie supper in the High School Auditorium

Friday Night, Feb. 24th

We extend you a cordial invitation to be present and see the new spring garments modeled.

Opening of Our New Store in McLean

Saturday, Feb. 25th

**Mitchell's**

Pampa, Texas McLean, Texas

**A WARM NUMBER**

Wife—"You've never worn that tie I gave you for your birthday."  
Husband—"Well, you see, dear, we've really never had a hot enough day for it this year."—Punch

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

**PROGRAM**

at the  
**American Theatre**

Friday, February 24

Mary Astor and Lloyd Hughes in—

"No Place to Go"

Robinson Crusoe couldn't help himself—he was shipwrecked. But this couple of romantic nuts stranded themselves on a desert island just for a thrill. Here's your chance to see the funniest crime ever committed in the name of romance.

Saturday, February 25

Matinee

"No Place to Go"

Night

Tom Tyler in—

"Tom and His Pals"

Monday and Tuesday

February 27-28

Beatrice Fairfax's great romance—

"The Lovelorn"

with Sally O'Neil, Molly O'Day and Larry Kent.

If you're in love—ever were in love—ever hope to be in love—don't miss this picture. Two sisters—with one boy friend! You must see what happens.

Wednesd'y & Thursd'y

February 29-March 1

Richard Dix in—

"Shanghai Bound"

America's favorite in a stirring tale of Oriental mystery! A story of pirate rackets and heroic rescues. A picture that you'll like.

All wild birds, wild animals, and wild fowl are declared by law to be the property of the people of the state.

Texas has more railroad mileage than any other state. At the last census there was a total of 21,331 miles. Illinois ranks second.

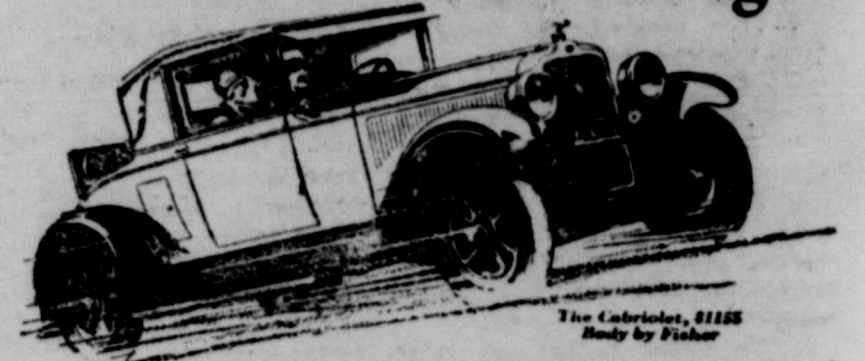
Mrs. Jot Montgomery returned Friday from Amarillo.

Mrs. W. H. Palmer of Alameda was a McLean visitor Saturday.

W. T. Wilson was in Shamrock Monday.

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What a power plant! What a clean, uncluttered example of advanced engineering design! That's what you think when you lift the hood of the All-American Six. That's why this brilliant car is amazing everyone who takes the wheel... A brute of an engine, indeed. With a 79-pound crankshaft... crankcase and cylinder block of "bridge-truss" design... generously large connecting rods and other vital parts. With many other notable advancements... G-M-R cylinder head... fuel pump... full pressure oiling of moving parts... Small wonder it's famous for conquering America's stiffest mountain grades. Small wonder it has never found the road too rough or the pace too trying... Yet for all its wealth of power, it's silent and satin-smooth. And for speed and snap and handling ease... just drive it yourself and see!

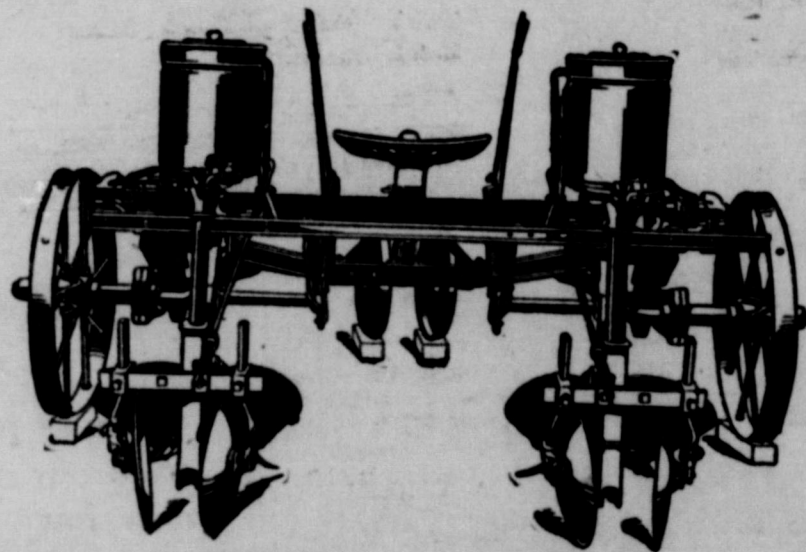
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**Benson-Hamilton Hardware**  
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**THE BAND**

By Chester Savage  
Of the organizations of M. H. S.,  
The band is one of the very best,  
They're the boys that always win  
In anything they begin.

Everyone likes to hear them and  
gives them a cheer,  
To the hearts of the town they  
are very dear;  
They are quite clever and they've  
got pep,  
And added to that they've got a  
good rep.

On any occasion that is to be gay  
The band is always there to play,  
And music is the stuff they make,  
They play it well at any rate.

Just watch them marching down the  
street,  
The band is the bunch the people  
greet;  
They like their music and appreciate  
Their pep and vigor on any date.

To Wichita they went in the mid-  
dle of May  
To show West Texas that they  
could play,  
They did play, too—and showed the  
place  
That they could step at a lively  
pace.

Mr. Davidson is a wonderful man,  
And is the instructor of the band,  
He teaches them lessons and tells  
every boy  
To be a musician and find real joy.

As to the trombone—well it sure  
slides  
When in a player's hands it abides;  
James, Jesse, and Buster, S. A.  
and Iek  
Are the boys that slide 'em up and  
down so quick.

Well, one thing sure that you can  
bet,  
Is that you'll win with a cornet.  
John, Glen, and Norvin, Lawrence,  
Elwyn and Window  
Are the boys that are always toot-  
ing on 'em.

The saxophone has so sweet a  
sound  
That it's always talked about by  
the town.  
Jack, Travis and Gus and Paule  
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And they all seem to have lots of  
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Roscoe and Noah, Ben, Johnnie  
and Red,  
Katherine, Cleone and Fern—just go  
right ahead,  
Play those clarinets with music so  
sweet,  
You'll have the whole town right  
at your feet.

Horace and Lothar on their bari-  
tones blow;  
When Louie beats his drums he  
sure makes 'em go.  
Dallas with his bass horn and  
Mackie with his alto  
Make you wonder how they blow  
'em so.

The band tax went over just two  
to one,  
And now the boys will sure have  
fun;  
New snappy uniforms they will  
wear,  
And they will travel everywhere.

To Ft. Worth they'll go on the  
second of June,  
To make merry music and play 'em

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right ahead,  
Play those clarinets with music so  
sweet,  
You'll have the whole town right  
at your feet.

Horace and Lothar on their bari-  
tones blow;  
When Louie beats his drums he  
sure makes 'em go.

Dallas with his bass horn and  
Mackie with his alto  
Make you wonder how they blow  
'em so.

**a tune.**

They'll gain honors and will take  
off the prize,  
And will be noticed by everyone's  
eyes.

Take off your hats to McLean's  
band,  
Let it be honored by every man;  
It's worthy of praise and glory  
and fame,  
The high school band—praise ever  
it's name.

**SWEAR WORDS**

The official magazine of the  
Norfolk, Va., Police Division, "The  
Vigilant," has this unusual verse:

It grieves my soul to hear God's  
holy name,  
In common conversation, used in  
vain

'Twas 'graved on stone by His  
own holy hand  
That such before Him guiltless  
should not stand.

Watch then your words, vulgarity  
despise,  
To swear is neither brave, polite  
nor wise.

You would not swear upon a bed  
of death,  
Reflect! Your Maker NOW could  
stop your breath.

Vernon Johnston of Canyon is  
visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
Scott Johnston.

A. C. St. Clair orders The News  
a year.

Farm and ranch loans, 33 years  
at 6%. Bentley Insurance Co. Ad-  
vertisement 7-3c

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

**THE BACON!**

Tell me not in mournful numbers  
advertising is a dream, for the  
business man who slumbers has no  
chance to skim the cream. Life is  
real! Life is earnest! Competition's  
something fierce! If for dividends  
thou yearnest, learn to parry, thrust  
and pierce. In the business field of  
Lattie, molly coddles have no place.  
Be not like dumb driven cattle; be  
a live one in the race. Lives of  
great men all remind us we must  
bring the bacon home, and, de-  
parting, leave behind us footprints  
on another's dome. Let us then be  
up and doing, otherwise we may be  
done; still achieving, still pursuing  
—advertise and get the mon.—  
Waverly Press.

John B. Vannoy spent Saturday  
in Amarillo attending the Repub-  
lican convention.

Harold Clement visited in Canyon  
Saturday.

Riley Scott and family of Pampa  
visited in McLean Sunday.

Mrs. Raymond Pean of Gracey  
was in town Saturday.

**THE BEST MEATS**  
Fresh or Cured  
Free delivery with grocery  
orders.  
Your Trade Appreciated

**The City Market**  
W. S. Copeland, Prop.

**UNCERTAIN**

Maisie—"A certain young man  
sent me some flowers this morn-  
ing."  
Maude—"Don't say 'a certain  
young man', my dear. There are  
none of them certain until you've  
got them."

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wilson of  
Pampa visited relatives here Sat-  
urday.

Mrs. Bennie Johnston of Ama-  
rillo visited home folks here Sat-  
urday.

Jot Montgomery went to Ama-  
rillo last Thursday.

Henry Benson was in Shamrock  
Saturday.

N. A. Greer and daughter, Miss  
Cora, visited in Wellington Monday.

**TRY IT, MEN**

One woman writes that her hus-  
band is a model because when he  
is wrong he says so in plain English  
instead of hiding behind a bunch  
of roses or a box of candy.—Wo-  
man's Home Companion.

Carlos Saundens of Amarillo spent  
the week end in McLean.

Ed Sublett of Ramsdell was in  
McLean Saturday.

**BENTLEY**  
**INSURANCE CO.**  
**Fire and Tornado**  
Phone 99 McLean, Texas

**FREE ENTERTAINMENT**

Free Refreshments, Games, Music and Readings  
Pie Supper. No Pies Sold for over \$1.00.

**High School Auditorium**  
**Friday Night, Feb. 24, 1928**

Auspices P. T. A.

**Everybody Invited**

**Magnolia**  
**Petroleum Co.**  
C. J. CASH, Agent  
Day Phone 86 Night Phone 101

**NEED A DRAY?**

Let Us Help

For Service. Phone  
165 or 192

**City Transfer**

We haul anything, any time,  
anywhere.

**MATTRESSES**

Made and Renovated

Leave Orders at News Office  
or Write

**Economy Mattress**  
**Co.**  
Shamrock, Texas



**TIME TO BUY RUGS**

Price is seldom the basis upon which  
to buy floor coverings, for service is  
usually the main consideration. We of-  
fer you the highest quality rugs, linoleum  
and congoeum, at a price you may have  
paid for floor coverings of inferior qual-  
ity.

**McGowen Furniture Co.**

**A GOOD PLACE TO EAT**  
**TULSA CAFE**

A. M. Clardy, Prop. Lefors, Texas

**When you pay**  
**\$1195 for a car**  
**you're entitled to**  
**BUICK Quality**

Buick quality—Buick luxury—and  
Buick reliability—

All that Buick's name means in beauty,  
performance, stamina and long life—  
All may be yours for only \$1195. For  
three of Buick's 16 models—a Sedan,  
Coupe and Sport Roadster—sell at  
this low price.

See Buick—and you'll see at once why  
it is the logical car to buy.

SEDANS \$1195 to \$1995 COUPES \$1195 to \$1650  
SPORT MODELS \$1195 to \$1525  
All prices f. o. b. Flint, Mich., government tax to be added.  
The G. M. A. C. Finance Plan, the most desirable, is available.

**MANZER MOTOR COMPANY**  
Arthur Greer, Local Representative  
Wellington, Shamrock, McLean Wheeler

**Announcing**

**the New Home**

**of the**

**General Electric Refrigerator**

**Brunswick Panatrope**

**R. C. A. Radiolas**

**On East 1st St. next door to Southwestern Public  
Service office**

**McLean Radio Co.**

Phone 271 McLean, Texas

**The Fair Store's**  
**Annual Spring**  
**Opening Sale**

**Sale Opens Today—Thursday, Feb. 23**

We have been preparing for months for this big  
sale, and you will find everything in our big \$30,000  
stock of seasonable merchandise placed at a great  
reduction in price for fourteen selling days.

**Who is the Mystery Lady?**

Keep our big circular for daily programs and be  
on hand for the red hot bargains offered.

**Watch Our Windows for Daily Bargains**

The greatest sale of the season. Many items at  
give-away prices.

**The FAIR Store**

**Dependable Merchandise**

Phone 123

McLean, Texas



Court House Meeting

(Continued from first page) a comparatively few workers can take care of the field when production is completed."

Mr. Davis suggested that a new railroad will pass within a few miles of Lefors within a short time, and if it is necessary to have the court house on a railroad, it could be moved only a matter of a few miles.

Mr. Davis plead for co-operation with all parts of the county, stating that no community can hope to succeed by tearing down another, and a clean, common sense campaign will win. Mr. Davis also stated that he knew many citizens in Pampa who will vote for the court house to remain at Lefors.

D. N. Mhasay said that there will be no doubt of the election if every voter does his duty. "The county is now in the making, and justice and right means that no move be made at this time."

E. Bacchus of Lefors stated that it is unfair to claim that might is right, and that a few years will mean great changes in the center of population of the county, which will be time enough to think of a change in location of the county site.

A. A. Callahan made the closing speech, in which he plead for enthusiasm and energetic work from the committees.

After a selection by the band, the meeting adjourned.

News from Pakan

This community had about five inches of snow, which delayed the shelling, but helped the fields with moisture.

Mr. and Mrs. Pennington and daughter of Wheeler were guests at the J. J. Sparin home Sunday.

Carl Linkey was a Shamrock visitor Friday.

Dusan Pakan sold his kaffir corn and is hauling it to Ramsdell, with the assistance of Paul Macina and Caleb Smith.

Those that shopped at Shamrock Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. John Cadra and family, Mrs. R. Janota and family, Frank Linkey, Miro and Christina Pakan, Anna and Elizabeth Ptak, Oscar Gordon and John Hrnciar and son, John Jr., and daughter, Emily.

John Valencik of Gladstone, N. M., came in Tuesday for a week's visit with his son, Joe.

Raymond Gossett, Doyal Sparin, Bob Bell and Bill and Andrew Frederick were at Magic City Sunday.

Caleb Smith, Sam, Miro and Dusan Pakan, Paul Ptak Jr., and John Hrnciar Jr. attended the Health Athletic Club at Heald Monday night. The latter four joined the club.

Carl Linkey made a business trip to Pampa Saturday.

The Linkey test is drilling at 2260 feet and the Krc test is drilling at 1600 feet. The Smock test has 6 million cubic feet of gas at 1993 feet.

B. W. M. S.

Reported.

The Baptist W. M. S. met with Mrs. Wayland Floyd at the home of Mrs. L. O. Floyd Wednesday afternoon, with 23 ladies present, and a splendid Royal Service program under the leadership of Mrs. J. J. Simmons.

The Sunbeams were 14 in number, under the leadership of Mrs. Luther Petty, with a lesson followed by a program. Bring or send your children from 3 to 9, for they are needed.

Refreshments of punch, cake and sandwiches were served to all present, and a social time enjoyed. Next week the east side circle will meet with Mrs. D. H. Brynoff for an all day meeting, with pot luck dinner at noon.

The west side circle will meet with Mrs. George Montgomery in the afternoon.

DISHMAN SELLS NEWS

E. E. Dishman phoned the News office early Friday morning that he had sold his supply of the day before's issue of The News, and asked for a new supply. "Better double my order each week from now on," said Mr. Dishman.

Extra copies of this paper may be bought at Dishman's, Erwin Drug Company, or the News office each week.

Fred Benley was a Cleveland visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Faye Montgomery visited in Amarillo Tuesday.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 28, 1928.

For County Judge: T. M. WOLFE For County and District Clerk: CHARLIE THUT For Tax Assessor: F. E. LEECH For Sheriff and Tax Collector: JOHN V. ANDREWS

NOTICE. Dr. J. A. Winfrey of Fort Worth will be in McLean Thursday, Friday and Saturday, this week, at the Hindman Hotel, practice limited to diseases of the liver, stomach, gall bladder and rectal diseases. Advertisement 1p

LET'S RESPECT THE LAWN

Have you ever tried to start a lawn and have a horse or a cow stalk across the wet ground and sink its hoofs six inches, taking with it the young grass and clover?

Have you ever had a boy to chase another across a freshly planted plat?

Have you ever felt the pang of resentment that follows a once-over of your lawn in which you discover that pedestrians have cut the corner and tramped out your grass?

If you have ever, you will be more thoughtful concerning lawns.

A new lawn is a sign of pride in home and of civic pride. It is a mark of progress. It is a joy to the owner until someone shows disrespect for it.—Plainview Herald.

Sammie Cubine visited in Amarillo Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Curg Williams went to Amarillo Tuesday.

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

Miss Ruby Cook visited relatives in Pampa Sunday.

Mrs. M. H. Kinard of Gracey was shopping in town Saturday.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE

COBBS and shucks for sale. Hinton Grain Co. 1p

FOR SALE.—Residence and wagon yard. Frank Haynes. 8-4c

FOR SALE.—Set Twentieth Century Self Culture books, never used, half price. Telephone 147. Mrs. T. A. Landers. 1

My flock of White Leghorn hens have been carefully culled for laying, my cockerels are pedigreed birds. Setting eggs \$5.00 per 100. Mrs. W. B. Upham. 1c

SPAN good mules for sale. S. A. Cobb. 6-tfc

FOR SALE.—Electric shoe shop outfit, stitcher, finisher, patch machine, nailer, and small tools. Terms to responsible parties. Mrs. Etta B. Clark. tfc

BABY chicks for sale. White

Exceptional Bargains in Homesites

Two reasons why you should buy your homesite now:

First: The best homesites now available are being secured by people with foresight.

Second: Right now you can buy for about one-half the price you will pay later.

If you want a furnished apartment inquire about "The Marie Mac"

Everything modern Rent very reasonable

"I sell McLean"

L. G. McMillen

Special Prices

for Friday and Saturday of This Week

- Pure pork sausage 15c per lb. Sliced bacon 35c per lb. Creamery butter 45c per lb. 4 lbs. Swifts Jewel compound 65c 8 lbs. Swifts Jewel compound \$1.25

Hot Barbecue Every Day

Palace Meat Market

Virgil Threet, Manager McLean, Texas

Bundy-Hodges Saturday Specials

1 lot men's pants, regular \$3.50, \$1.95

Ladies' Silk Hose Specials for Saturday

- Regular \$2.75 for \$2.39 Regular \$2.50 for \$2.19 Regular \$2.25 for \$1.95 Regular \$2.00 for \$1.69 Regular \$1.95 for \$1.64 Regular \$1.85 for \$1.59

4 lb. package raisins, reg. 50, for 32c 2 lb. package raisins, reg. 25c, for 16c

Every item here is a bargain—we ask you to come and get 'em while they last.

Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co.

Leghorns 10c, Orpingtons 12c each. Ready about March 1. Phone 28, 3 Mrs. R. N. Ashby. 7-2c

MISCELLANEOUS

WATER WELL contractor. Deep or shallow. Johnson Bros., Phone 128. 4-12p

POSTED. No fishing, hunting or other trespassing allowed on my property. L. H. Webb. 7-4p

GARBAGE and trash hauled from

Poultry Wanted

We want your poultry and will pay the following prices for the rest of this week:

- Heavy hens 19c Light hens 15c Leghorn hens 13c Cox 7c Capons under 7lb 20c Capons over 7lb 22c

All poultry to be free from feed or nearly so.

McLean Poultry and Egg Co.

1st Door West of Postoffice Phone 15 McLean, Texas

FOR RENT

2 furnished rooms for rent. McGowan Furniture Co. 1c

FOR RENT.—5 room house with bath. A. A. Callahan. 1c

FOR RENT.—House at gas well, 4 miles east of McLean. Also land for rent. I. X. Kachelhoffer. 8-2p

Hub Cantrell of Shamrock was in McLean Saturday.

W. C. Stotts is a new reader of The News.

For

Economy Phone 23

It is real economy to shop at this store for groceries. Not only will the price please, but the quality of the merchandise is what you have a right to expect.

It Pays to Buy Good Groceries

Hokus-Pokus

H. F. Wingo, Mgr. Phone 23



Breaking into Print

When you break into print, Mr. Advertiser, it pays you to use cuts to aid you in your breaking. Cuts create interest, stimulate desire, and help to get increased results from your advertising.

To aid you in finding cuts suited to your needs, we have at considerable cost secured the Western Newspaper Union Advertising Cut and Copy Service. This is a monthly release so we always have a new supply of up-to-date copy and cuts for your use.

Phone 47 and we will drop in and talk over your Advertising Plans.

The McLean News

"The Paper that's Read First"



**HEALD SCHOOL**

An English Club program was given on Thursday, February 16. The roll was called, and there were nine present and nine absent. The reason of so many being absent was the bad weather.

After roll call, the minutes of the last meeting were read, then the program was given.

**How to Make a Hen's Nest**—Sally Brock.

**How to Make Biscuits**—Buster Littlefield.

**The Life of Luther Burbank**—Fauona Ladd.

We are expecting to have another English Club program next Thursday, Feb. 23. Everyone invited to come.

Miss Viola Jones met with the club girls here Friday, Feb. 17, for a regular meeting. The following program was given:

Reading—Edith Ray Rencou.

Song—All.

Yell—All.

A Story—Miss Jones.

Song—All.

After this program, Miss Jones talked on club work for the year and the club adjourned at 2:30.

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF COUNTY SEAT ELECTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF GRAY.

TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, IN GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 9th day of March, 1928, within Gray county, Texas, to determine whether or not the county seat of said county, shall be removed from Lefors to Pampa in said county in obedience to an election order entered by the Honorable T. M. Wolfe, County Judge, on the 30th day of January, 1928, which is as follows:

On this the 30th day of January, 1928, there was presented to me at the court house in Lefors, the county seat of Gray county, Texas, a petition signed by E. A. Shackleton and 260 others, who are freeholders, qualified voters and resident citizens of Gray county, Texas, praying that I, as County Judge of Gray county, Texas, order an election at the various voting precincts in said county for the purpose of determining whether or not the county seat of Gray county shall be removed from Lefors to Pampa in said county, and it appearing that said petition is in due form and is signed by more than 200 freeholders and qualified voters who are resident citizens of said county; and

Whereas, the county seat of Gray county at Lefors has been established for more than ten years before the date of this order;

It is therefore considered and ordered that an election be held in said county on the 9th day of March, 1928, which is not less than thirty, nor more than sixty days from the date of this order, to determine whether or not the county seat of Gray county shall be removed from Lefors to Pampa in said county.

All persons who are qualified voters under the Constitution and laws of this State and County shall be entitled to vote at said election, and all voters desiring to vote for removal to Pampa shall have written, or cause to be written or printed on their ballots the words "FOR REMOVAL TO PAMPA."

And those who desire to vote for the county seat to remain at Lefors shall have written or cause to be written or printed on their ballots the words "FOR REMAINING AT LEFORS."

The polling places and the presiding officers of said election shall be respectively as follows:

Precinct No. 1, Lefors, Texas, George Thut; Precinct No. 2, Pampa, Texas, J. M. Dodson; Precinct No. 3, Knorpp schoolhouse, Guy Lawrence; Precinct No. 4, Alanreed, Texas, S. R. Loftin; Precinct No. 5, McLean, Texas, A. A. Callahan; Precinct No. 6, Laketon schoolhouse, Wheeler Park; Precinct No. 7, Farrington schoolhouse, Guy Farrington; Precinct No. 8, Hopkins schoolhouse, W. E. Ginn.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the general laws of the State of Texas regulating elections for county officers.

Notice of the election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in the Pampa Weekly News and the McLean News, newspapers published in said county, for thirty days before March 9, 1928, the date of said election, and, in addition thereto, there shall be posted by the County Clerk other copies of this order at four public places in the county, one of which shall be at the court house door, and at least thirty days before March 9, 1928, the date of said election.

The County Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to give notice of said election as required by law and as hereinabove directed.

In testimony whereof, witness my hand and the seal of the County Court this 30th day of January, 1928.

T. M. WOLFE, County Judge, Gray County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 30th day of January, 1928.

(SEAL)

CHARLIE THUT, Clerk of the County Court, Gray County, Tex.

TRADE AT HOME

**News from Liberty**

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lively and baby, A. L. Morgan and family took dinner Sunday at the Y. B. Lee home.

Mrs. Luther Petty and children visited at the E. E. Smith and Frank Haynes homes at McLean Saturday.

Robert Stokes of Shawnee, Okla., recently visited his mother and brothers here.

J. O. Holloway and daughter, Miss Gladys, called at the John Bible home at Pleasant Mound Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bodine visited with their daughter, Mrs. Bethel Christian, and family at Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davidson and daughters of McLean were dinner guests Sunday of Mrs. Kate Stokes and sons.

W. R. Ault made a business trip to Lefors Tuesday.

H. M. Roth and family visited at the H. C. Nelson home Saturday night.

R. O. Camminham and family visited at the Bob Bell home at Heald Sunday.

Luther Petty and family visited Will Stockton and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gibson Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. John Johnson and sons spent Tuesday afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Carl Wood.

A singing was held at the Morgan home Sunday night.

Geo. Mathinea and Roy Stokes have returned from a trip to the Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith of south of McLean spent Sunday night with her brother, Prescott Mathis, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Doy Holloway, J. O. Buddy and Miss Gladys Holloway, Luther Petty and family attended the funeral of A. C. Brooks at the Methodist church at McLean Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. L. Hess of Enterprise was in the city Saturday.

J. C. Moore spent the week end in Canyon.

**WHY MERCHANTS SHOULD ADVERTISE**

According to figures of Bradstreet, the business man who does not advertise runs a greater risk of failing than one who does advertise. In fact the figures showing that 84 of each hundred merchants who fail in business did not advertise should tend to prove that the spending of money in printer's ink is one of the essentials of business these days.

The American Floor Surfacing Company believes in advertising, and concerning this subject says:

'Don't forget the fact that it pays to advertise. Look over the successful business men in your town, and you will find that they all advertise. Do not get the foolish idea that everybody in your town knows you and you don't need to advertise. You must make a noise if you expect to be heard. If you can't afford newspaper display advertising, use the classified ads, but whatever you do, advertise consistently. Do not insert an ad in the paper a few times and expect results, but keep hammering away week in and week out, even though it is a small ad, and the results will eventually come. If you do not advertise, you cannot expect to get very far in any business. So, take our advice, and lay out a definite advertising campaign for at least six months, and then go to it, even though the expense is going to hurt you a little. You'll get the money back ten times over.'

Good intentions do not pay our bills. It is easy enough to plan; To wish is the play of an idle one; To do is the work of a man.

—Waverly Press, Baltimore.

Jim Burrough and son, Bill of White Deer were guests in the Toledo Isobel home Thursday.

Farm and ranch loans, 33 years at 6%. Bentley Insurance Co. Advertisement 7-3c

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement ife John Hessey of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

J. W. Chilton of Gracey was in town Saturday.

**TRADE IN McLEAN**

**CAR SERVICE**

Gasoline, Oil, Greases and Accessories

**Lester's Service Station**

Claude Lester, Mgr.

**GET IT DONE**

It isn't the job we intended to do Or the labor we've just begun That puts us right on the balance sheet,

It's the work we have really done Our credit is built upon things we do,

Our debit on things we shirk; The man who totals the biggest plus Is the man who completes his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Burette Kinard of Enterprise were visitors in the city Saturday.

J. E. Cubine returned Saturday from a trip to South Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cooke were in Shamrock Sunday.

A. P. Rippey of Heald was in town Saturday.

Mrs. J. J. Simmons and children spent the week end in Erick, Okla.

**Who's Your Barber?**

You will find the best of barber service at our shop. Courtesy and appreciation extended all customers.

**Elite Barber Shop**

From Tuberculin Tested Cows

Modern sanitary barn. Frigidare equipment. Milk cooled to 40 degrees insures no bacteria growth.

Free Delivery Twice Daily

**Hibler's Dairy**

Quality plus Service Phone 61

Implement Hardware and Furniture

We handle the best, and can give you the service you like. If temporarily short we get it quick. Get our prices before you buy.

**McLean Hdw. Co.**

W. B. Upham, Mgr.

MEADOR CAFE

Modern Equipment Pleasant Service

Your Patronage Appreciated

**VULCANIZING**

Tire and Tube Repairs Work Guaranteed

**Guss' Tire Shop**

At Lester's Service Station Telephone 105

**General Repairing**

Save replacement costs by having all broken castings repaired. Car blocks welded, bursted engine heads repaired, radiators mended. New parts made on our big turning lathe. Repairs of all kinds.

**Scott's Boiler, Welding and Machine Shop**

I. Scott, Prop. Phone 257

**Dividends of Happiness**

only through consistent saving, can you learn how easy it is to make your small savings pay big dividends in happiness and comfort. Try it a while. The result will be exceedingly pleasing, and the effort, as you will find, worth while.

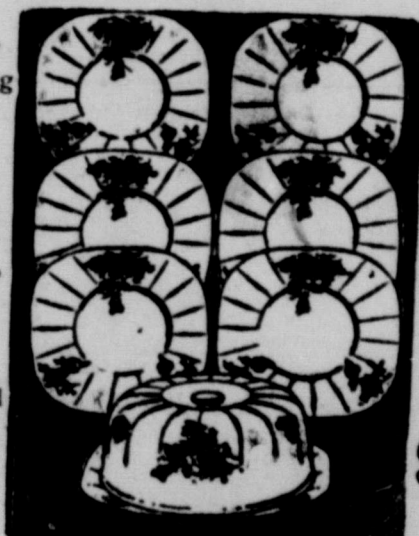
**The American National Bank**

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS  
Geo. W. Sitter, President J. L. McMurtry, Vice President  
F. H. Bourland, Cashier John C. Haynes, Asst. Cashier  
Raymond L. Howard, Assistant Cashier  
J. M. Carpenter, J. L. Hess, Mrs. Etna B. Clark, Wesley Knorpp

**A Complete Waffle Service**

ONE of the most unusual offerings that we have ever made is this attractive Waffle Iron Service. It is complete with a fine electric waffle iron, that is fast and efficient, making a 7 inch round waffle, and an eight piece set of Limoges china in a new decoration of the golden glow ware.

An unusually interesting offer for the modern hostess. One that appeals to her sense of the fitness of things and adds to her joy of entertaining.



Price complete including decorated electric waffle iron and beautiful 8 piece set of golden glow Limoges china only \$14.95 Time Payments



View Showing Deep Aluminum Grids



View of Top showing Attractive Decoration

**Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company**



**SOMETHING FOR NOTHING**

A representative of a small gasoline refinery breezed into The Texan office last week with an advertisement, and casually remarked that he would appreciate a "news story" about his gasoline if the paper saw fit to run it.

Told this newspaper did not make a practice of giving write-ups to advertisers unless there was something of an unusual or interesting nature to warrant it, he replied his gasoline was responsible for a certain 1928 model car making 70 miles an hour, and if this achievement wasn't worthy of news mention he didn't know what was. He said the manufacturer only claimed 65 miles for his machine and he personally knew cars using this particular gasoline had made 70 miles an hour, therefore said gasoline was entitled to the credit.

This writer ventured the opinion the same make of cars might do 70 on other brands of gasoline. He asked if it were not possible the motor oil, the brand of tires, the kind of roads and the driver had something to do with the mileage. "Just kill the ad," cried the gasoline fellow and grabbing his hat he dashed out of the office with his feathers all ruffled up. If he expected pursuit and profuse apologies, and a promise to run his "news article" he was disappointed. He felt "insulted" the newspaper should even question the fairness of his scheme.

Suppose the newspaper man had driven to the refinery office and ordered a tank of gasoline. Suppose he should have explained to said oil man he felt like he had a free tank coming with every one he bought. We wonder if he would have got it.

And a local merchant innocently asked that a notice be published in The Texan last week to the effect that all local dry goods stores were going to close at 6:30 o'clock daily. He did not consider he was asking something for nothing; it never occurred to him the article in question was advertising, that advertising was worth money, and that a newspaper man depended on money for a living just like he did.

When the proposition was explained the merchant heartily agreed that it was right the several merchants should pay for publishing this notice, instead of asking the newspaper to publish it free.

How few people realize a newspaper depends on advertising for meat and bread and that a publisher cannot give away advertising and expect to make a living any more than a dry goods man can donate wearing apparel to everyone and a grocer furnish the entire city with spuds and flour free of charge.—Shamrock Texan.

**OH, MAN!**

A man is something that can see a pretty ankle three blocks away while driving a motor car in a crowded city street, but will fail to notice, in the wide open country side, the approach of a locomotive the size of a school house and accompanied by a flock of forty-two box cars.

The country newspaper is the only advertising medium of which it can be truthfully said that the readers read every word, including the advertisements.—Shamrock Texan.

Mrs. C. A. Cash of Peterson Creek was in town Saturday.

**MICKIE SAYS—**

LISTEN, FRIENDS! I'M GETTING UP A SURPRISE PARTY ON THE BOSS! JUST MAIL A CHECK, DRAFT OR MONEY ORDER FOR A SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL! GEE, I BET THE BOSS WILL BE SO TINKLED HE SAYS TALK! IF YOU MAIL THIS HERE PICTURE OF ME, ANBBIE I'LL GET A RAISE! HOT DOG!



**WOMEN GETTING ALL WEALTH IN WORLD. STATISTICS SHOW**

Women are gradually getting all the wealth of the world in their hands, and in the next century will dominate the world, experts on financial statistics in New York declare.

Figures from various sources on the subject collected by the Woman's Home Companion show that forty-one per cent of all checking accounts in the country are in the names of women, either alone or jointly with men. In the eastern states it is found that eighty per cent of all saving accounts are in the names of women. In the New York telephone company \$680,000,000 worth of stock is held by women and tax returns show an increasing number of great fortunes concentrating into hands of women.

Psychologists attribute the movement of wealth to the fact that the average woman's span of life is ten years longer than that of men, and add that since women love power they will dominate the world at the beginning of the next century.

Eld. W. B. Andrews is attending a lecture course at A. C. C. at Abilene this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carter of Alanreed were in McLean Saturday.

Lawton Roper visited in Shamrock Friday.

Duke Shaw of Shamrock visited home folks here Sunday.

**DEAR PUBLIC**

If you've ever wondered what takes place when lovers lay bare their hearts in the columns of Beatrice Fairfax's world-famous newspaper feature, here is your chance to find out. The whole touching drama of young love—groping, bewildered, trusting—has now been brought to the screen in a stirring production. "The Lovelorn," taken from the popular Hearst newspaper serial, "The Lovelorn," is coming to the American Theatre next Monday and Tuesday, February, 27-28. Advertisement 1c

**TAX NOTICE**

I am now assessing property for state and county taxes for 1928. Please have real property descriptions and personal property inventories in readiness.

L. V. LONSDALE, Deputy Assessor, Gray County, Texas. Advertisement 8-1c

Mr. and Mrs. Wood Hindman visited in Shamrock Sunday.

**John V. Guyton M. D.**

Physician and Surgeon

Surgery a Specialty  
Hospital over Citizens State Bank

**HE KNEW**

Examining Officer (explaining magnetism to candidate for navy)—"Jack, how many natural magnets are known of?"

Jack—"Two, sir."  
"And will you please name them?"  
"Blondes and brunettes, sir."  
Public Service.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Morse visited relatives in Shamrock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blass of Alanreed were in McLean Saturday.

Wibb Fowler was in from the ranch Saturday.

**MARLAND PRODUCTS**

Gasoline, Oils and Greases  
General Tires and Tubes  
Try Our Service

**Star Filling Station**

Ted Glass, Prop.

**Bonnie Beauty Shoppe**

Beleano Facials  
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Permanent Waves  
Shampooing, Scalp Treatments

**MABLE WATSON, Operator**

Montgomery Drug Store  
Phone 253

**H-H Filling Station**

Gasoline, Oils, Greases, Tires  
Tubes and Accessories

Try our service. You will like it.

B. N. HENRY, Prop.

Phone 58

**FORGOTTEN GIRLS**

Miss Anderson—"What kind of girls do men forget?"  
Patsy Johnson—"Dead ones."

Miss Texola Harlan visited in Wellington Thursday.

Rev. D. H. Brynoff is teaching a class in Sunday school methods at the First Baptist church in Shamrock this week.

D. C. Jones of Oklahoma City renews his subscription to The News this week.

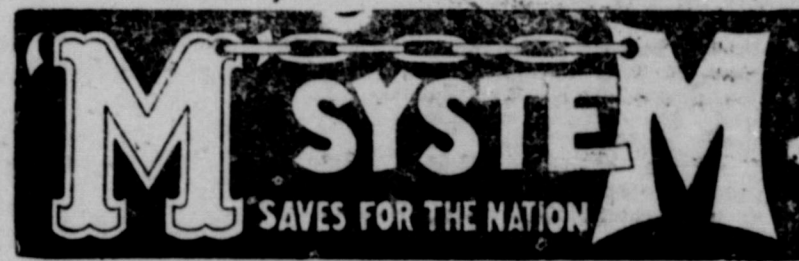
**"M" System Grocery**

Specials for Saturday, Feb. 25

- 10 lbs. sugar ..... 69c
- 1 peck Irish potatoes ..... 37c
- 15c large Saltine crackers ..... 10c
- 15c pkg. Sun Maid seedless raisins ..... 10c
- 15c can Van Camp pork and beans ..... 08c
- 25c can Van Camp pork and beans ..... 16c
- 1 gallon can peaches ..... 36c
- No. 2 can kraut ..... 08c
- No. 2 can hominy ..... 08c
- No. 2 Del Monte pineapple ..... 25c
- No. 2 1-2 Del Monte peaches ..... 25c
- Pound box sliced bacon ..... 36c
- Breakfast bacon, per lb. .... 28c
- Fresh sweet milk, per quart ..... 13c
- Pure fresh cream, 1-2 pint ..... 13c
- Large head lettuce ..... 10c

All kinds fresh vegetables at all times.

Phone No 9



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We Lead, Others Try to Follow

**Meat Service**

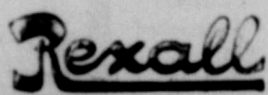
We deliver meats free with grocery orders from Puckett's and Bundy-Hodges. Telephone 120 and we will take care of your delivery orders.

Our meats are kept by frigidare and handled in a sanitary manner. You will like the quality of our goods and service.

**McLean Meat Market**

We Sell Better Meats  
Phone 120

The



**Silver Jubilee Sale**

Will Continue until March 1st

You can take advantage of the bargains offered only during the next few days.

Household necessities in great variety offered during this sale.

**Erwin Drug Co.**

The Rexall Drug Store



**New Spring Goods**

New goods for spring wear are now arriving daily. Fresh new piece goods are now on the shelves, voiles and prints in the new bright patterns that are sure to please.

We have bought one of the largest assortments of ladies' ready-to-wear ever shipped to McLean. These garments are modish and new, they reflect all the charm of the new spring styles as created by the master designers of the country. You should be sure to see our offerings before buying.

**C. M. Stone & Co.**

Better Quality

Phone 153

McLean, Texas