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New Chapman Well Blows in Gusher

Interscholastic League Meet, Pampa Friday & Saturday

County League at Pampa

McLean Has Been Consistent Winner

The Interscholastic League meet for Gray county will be held at Pampa Friday and Saturday of this week, having met at McLean last year.

McLean has won the meet every since the league has been organized in this county, now owning two loving cups, and has one year on the third one, which will become permanent property upon two more winnings.

Homes and meals have been furnished for outside contestants each year, but it is understood that McLean contestants will come home Friday night and return to Pampa for the events Saturday.

Literary events will be decided Friday and track and field Saturday.

A number of cars will be needed to transport the contestants, and it is hoped that a good number of cars with drivers will be on hand Friday morning.

McLean is confident of winning 'em again this year, and any boosters who care to go along are welcome.

DAD

Dad! Dear old Dad!
The one who bought our clothes,
And raked and scraped ere the sun arose,
And thought and planned when quak came on,
Just how he'd feed us every one;
Who plowed the fields from early dawn,
Who hoed the garden and gathered the corn,
Who milked the cows and fed the pigs,
Who cut the wood and split the logs,
That he might rear his children right,
And be for them a beacon light.
Dad! Dear old Dad!

Dad! Dear old Dad!
The one who took the Book
And read and prayed that God might look
Down on us all and blessings give,
That each of us might look and live

And be what he would have us be
And sail aright out on life's sea
Who'd preach and work, and work and preach
To all the souls that he could reach,
Who's lived a life worth living for;
Let's hope his days are more and more.
Dad! Dear old Dad!

The above poem was written by Miss Jim Back and dedicated to her father, Rev. E. B. Featherston, on his seventy-eighth birthday, as reported from the Aspermont Star.

MRS. WILSON'S SALE OPENS TOMORROW

Mrs. W. T. Wilson's Money Raising Sale opens Friday morning of this week. Mrs. Wilson says that everything in her stock of dry goods, ladies' and men's furnishings being placed on sale at the lowest possible prices. Read her quarterly page advertisement listing a few prices, elsewhere in this issue of The News.

L. Rogers was in Amarillo today.

CLEAN-UP DAY NEXT WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, April 4th, has been officially set as Clean-up day for McLean, and every citizen is expected to co-operate with city officials in cleaning up about their premises.

All trash and garbage will be hauled away free of charge by the city if placed in convenient piles at the property owners.

This is the annual spring clean-up, and if citizens co-operate properly, it will mean a lessened fire risk, a more sanitary condition, thereby lessening the danger of contagious diseases, besides adding to the general appearance of the town.

FOOT RACE DRAGGING BEHIND SCHEDULE

The international foot race now in progress over Highway 66 and scheduled to be in McLean today is dragging behind the schedule. It is now reported that they will pass through McLean April 7.

A feature of the race is a long haired runner from the house of the late King Ben, who enters the towns singing and waving a staff. A special cruising coach with 320 inch wheel base equipped with frigidaire service, lavatory, water heater, etc., with an observation platform on top accompanies the runners. The only licensed mobile portable broadcasting station in the U. S. is mounted on a separate truck and is set up at each control point, giving the status of the race each day, as well as musical entertainments.

As McLean did not attempt to raise the stated amount asked for by the promoters of the race, it is not known whether the original plan to stop here for noon lunch will be carried out or not.

MONTGOMERY DRUG STORE AT SEAGRAVES BURNED

Jot Montgomery lost his drug store at Seagraves by fire Tuesday when practically the entire business district of that town was wiped out, only a hotel, two lumber yards, three filling stations and the telephone office were left standing.

Mr. Montgomery says his loss was partly covered by insurance, and if the town is rebuilt, he plans opening another drug store at that place.

A BIRTHDAY DINNER

A pot luck dinner was given Saturday, March 24, in honor of the 72nd birthday of J. T. Glass.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Glass, Mr. and Mrs. Will Glass and child of Alameda, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Glass and children, Mrs. Floye Hudzietz and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Glass, Mrs. Henry, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Johnson, Perry Evans, Mrs. Back, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Ledbetter and children.

A large angel food cake, decorated with different colors and the 72 candles, had its place among the various dishes on the large table.

JOHN MERTEL IMPROVES STORE SHOW WINDOWS

John Mertel has had the front of his store remodeled, making larger show windows, that adds to the attractiveness of the store.

Miss Audra Wilson visited in Pampa Sunday.

PTA Program and Election of Officers

New Officers Elected at Regular Meeting

The program of the Parent-Teacher Association differed from the regular routine last Thursday, when the junior girls who are to represent the school at the county meet gave their declamations. Piano solos were rendered by Maxine Fowler and Narine Smith, pupils of Mrs. Bivett.

The following officers were elected for the incoming year: President—Mrs. Wavland Floyd 1st vice president—Mrs. Jim Back 2nd vice president—Mrs. D. C. Carpenter.

3rd vice president—Mrs. Claud McGowan.

Secretary—Miss Jewell Cousins. Treasurer—Mrs. H. W. Finley.

Mrs. Floyd and Mrs. Carpenter were elected as delegates to the district meeting of Parent-Teachers to be held at Lubbock April 12. It is hoped that many other parents can arrange to attend this convention, as it will be a source of both information and inspiration to all who are present. Mrs. J. I. Hendricks of Amarillo, who spoke to our organization last year, is district president. Not only will the delegates hear her, but many other state-wide workers, as well.

At Thursday's meeting Mr. Black's room won the book for having most mothers present. It is hoped to have a good attendance at the next meeting, which will be held Thursday, April 12, at 7:30 p. m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

R. R. Rives, Minister. The services will be held at this church at the usual hours: Bible school 10 a. m.; Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Young people 6:30. The members and friends of the congregation are reminded that next Sabbath will be the beginning of the new church year in our denomination and the local church has arranged to conform in this respect on denominational lines. Let each member of the congregation be in the services and make it a good day for the work. We are anxious that the coming year be the very best one our church has ever had.

You and your friends are cordially invited to worship with us at all the services. Come let us worship together.

B. W. M. S.

Reported. The east side circle met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. J. Simmons for quilting. Fifteen ladies and 12 sunbeams were present. Mrs. T. N. Holloway resigned as secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Loyse Caldwell was elected to this office.

Next Wednesday they will meet at the church for business and Bible study. A round table discussion will be held on "Sunday Afternoon Amusements." They will also begin a study of the Book of Romans; and elect officers in the Sunbeam department.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith are in Oklahoma City this week.

Miss Robbie Howard was in Amarillo Tuesday.

Senior Play Pleases Audience

Large Crowd Present for Program Friday

One of the best senior class plays ever given at McLean was staged at the high school auditorium last Friday evening.

"Her Step-Husband" was the title of the play, with Floye Landers as the romantic wife, S. A. Cousins her permanent husband, and Roland Winigo as the husband protom. Jack Reeves the affable cop, Frances Noel the wife's friend, Joeline Vannoy her aunt, Ruby Reeves her cousin, and Jewell Turner the maid.

The young people put the play over in a professional manner that was very pleasing to the large audience present.

The play was under the direction of Mrs. Bob Black and Miss Carmen Elm. Music was furnished by the high school band, under the direction of Prof. R. C. Davidson.

TRUSTEE CANDIDATES SUGGESTED

Interest in the coming election of trustees in the McLean school district is being manifested, many names being suggested, some 14 of which have already been placed in the ballot.

All seven trustees are to be elected this year, due to holding no election last year, and as important matters are to be before the board, including the question of a new high school building, taxpayers are vitally interested in the election to be held Saturday if next week.

Three different ladies' names are being considered as candidates, and the following men are mentioned by their friends as likely candidates: H. W. Finley, Vester Smith, J. W. Burrows, J. A. Ashby, Sam Hodges, Rish Phillips, Johnnie Back, C. C. Bogan, Claud McGowan, T. A. Landers, O. G. Stokely, W. T. Wilson, John Mertel, Jesse Cobb, W. S. White, J. S. Howell, and others.

ENJOYABLE TIME AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A very enjoyable time was had at the basement of the new Presbyterian church last Thursday evening, when a number of guests were entertained at a measuring party.

Various games were indulged in, and a reading was given by little Miss Sarah Virginia McGowan, a piano selection by Miss Sibil Graham, and dainty refreshments were served to all present.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

D. H. Brynoff, Pastor. All the regular services of the church will be held next Sunday, April 1. Let us be on time and start all services on time.

This being the first Sunday in the quarter, we will observe the Lord's Supper at the close of the morning service.

We are having a good class this week, taking the study course in our Sunday school manual. This class is being taught by Bro. C. A. Baxter of Shamrock.

By a co-operative effort, we can have a great Sunday school this spring and summer. Our possibilities are large. Let us be diligent in the Lord's work and do our best.

ELECTION FOR CITY TUESDAY

The regular city election will be held Tuesday, April 3rd, with two aldermen to elect.

Two aldermen are elected on each alternate year, with the other members of the council elected every two years.

E. J. Lander and Perry Everett's terms expire this year, and as yet no candidates have been suggested for the official ballot.

A. T. Young has been named as presiding judge of the election, which will be held in the Bentley Insurance office.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS MONDAY NIGHT

By Sec. L. V. Lonsdale. The Chamber of Commerce will meet Monday night at 7:30 at L. G. McMillen's office. Everyone is invited.

Let's get together for the best interests of McLean. With concentrated effort we can secure both oil supply houses and tool shops.

Work is under way on the oil field road. We can get what we want if we try.

SHAMROCK ODD FELLOWS HERE TUESDAY NIGHT

The State Champion first degree team of the Shamrock Odd Fellows lodge were in McLean to confer the degree at the local lodge Tuesday night.

A supper followed the business meeting, that was enjoyed by a large number of members and the visitors.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

B. W. Wilkins, Pastor. Sunday school showed a remarkable increase last Sunday. The offering went to the mission board and was an offering much above the average. The Sunday school program was missionary in its nature and was conducted by the women's class, of which Mrs. S. A. Cousins is teacher. A splendid program was rendered. It was decided that, together with other churches of the town, a complete survey should be made in order that we might find people out of Sunday school who might be persuaded to enter.

The eleven o'clock service had good attendance. The pastor spoke to an earnest congregation on the subject of Soul Winning. As we near the time for special effort along that line, it is our desire to see that the field is ripe unto harvest and that the reapers are needed.

The evening service was under the direction of the Epworth League and was rendered in a way pleasing to all. A more complete mention of this program is found elsewhere in The News.

It is indeed gratifying to notice that, so far as we know, the people are trying to arrange their program so as to have no conflicts with our revival weeks. Of course, we do not expect that everything shall stop and that nothing else shall be considered, but we do hope that these two weeks shall be ones in which a revival effort shall have right of way.

Rev. Gaston Foote, pastor at White Deer, will do the preaching, and Bob Watkins of Hedley will have charge of the music. These two young men have held several meetings together, with much success. We are expecting a great meeting, God helping us.

New Well Blows in Producer

Rea-Massay Gusher Now Making 95 Bbls. Hour

The Rea-Massay Chapman well came in a gusher Friday night of last week for more than 5,000 per day natural flow, filling the 500 barrel storage tank in five hours and flowing over the ground as more storage tanks were being built. The flow had been narrowed down to 95 barrels per hour Tuesday afternoon of this week. The oil was reported to be 44 gravity, the highest yet found in the Panhandle field.

The McCauley No. 2 in section 3 has casing set and is ready to drill in, anticipating a better than 300 barrel well.

The Empire-Cobb No. 1 is in encouraging formation. The derrick is up for Morse No. 5 in section 1, block 26.

Several new locations are reported in the McLean field.

YOUNG PEOPLE HOLD SERVICE AT M. E. CHURCH

Reported. The entire Sunday evening service at the Methodist church was conducted by the young people. The pastor had the opportunity of sitting in the congregation and listening, a thing which was indeed a pleasure.

A splendid program had been arranged in which there was a discussion of "What the League Offers to Young People and to the Church," and also "What the Church Can Offer the League."

Musical numbers were furnished as follows:

Piano solo—Johnnie Villa Haynes. The Glee Club—a song by the Glee Club of the high school. Piano and vocal number—Messdames Comstock and Crooks of Tulsa, Okla.

Piano solo—Lola Ruth Stanfield. Vocal duet—Misses Uim and Shaw.

Two hymns by congregation. Saxophone solo—Mr. Davidson, accompanied by Mrs. Boyett.

Addresses were delivered by: Frances Noel, Miss Merriman, Mr. Moore, Norman Ashby and Mrs. B. W. Wilkins. Scripture selection was read by Lucile Rice.

K. B. KLUB

Reported. With her enthusiasm and pleasing manner, Mrs. J. R. Nichols delightfully entertained the K. B. Klub Monday afternoon, March 19, in her apartment at the Graham rooms.

After an interesting business session and reading of the minutes of the last meeting, bridge featured the afternoon's enjoyment. Mrs. J. E. Cubine held high score, while a close second was awarded Mrs. E. E. Filer and consolation fell to Mrs. J. E. Peters.

Mrs. Ray Davis suggested the hostess at the close of the afternoon in serving the most luscious plate luncheon.

Those present were: Mesdames Arthur Talley, E. E. Filer, L. E. Caldwell, J. E. Cubine, H. S. Williams and J. E. Peters.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ray Davis Thursday afternoon, March 29.

Mrs. E. A. Wilmoth of Texola, Okla., was here Tuesday.

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-criminal known to the police only as "The Bat" has brought about a veritable reign of terror. At his wit's 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 Gordon, 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, weighting another missive warning them to leave. Doctor Wells urges Miss Van Gorder to obey, but she firmly refuses. The detective, Anderson, arrives, is told of the incident, 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 hid the bank's money there. Dale telephones Richard Fleming, Courtleigh's nephew, asking him to come over.

CHAPTER VI—Dale tells Richard Fleming of her knowledge of the hidden room. He gets rid of her while he seeks and finds blueprints of the house. Dale, returning, finds he has the secret in a scrap of blueprint, but he refuses to give it to her, declaring he means to have the money if it is there. Knowing the finding of the money means everything to Bailey, Dale seizes part of the scrap of paper and during the struggle Fleming is shot and killed. Anderson and the rest find her beside the body, with a revolver. Doctor Wells arrives.

"Wait—I'll look at that tray," he said briskly. Dale, her heart in her mouth, watched him examine the knives, the plates, even shake out the napkin to see that nothing was hidden in its folds. At last he seemed satisfied.

"All right—take it away," he commanded. Billy nodded, and vanished toward the dining room with tray and roll. Dale breathed again.

The sight of the tray had made Miss Cornelia's thoughts return to practical affairs.

"Lizzie," she commanded now, "go out in the kitchen and make some coffee. I'm sure we all need it," she sighed.

Lizzie bristled at once.

"Go out in that kitchen alone?"

"Billy's there," said Miss Cornelia wearily.

The thought of Billy seemed to bring little solace to Lizzie's heart.

"That Jap and his Jewy-jitsus," she muttered viciously. "One twist and I'd be folded up like a pretzel!"

But Miss Cornelia's manner was imperative—and Lizzie slowly dragged herself kitchenward, yawning and promising the saints repentance of every sin she had or had not committed if she were allowed to get there without something grabbing at her ankles in the dark corner of the hall.

When the door had shut behind her, Anderson turned to Dale, the corner of blue-print which he had taken from the doctor in his hand.

"Now, Miss Odgen," he said tensely. "I have here a scrap of blue-print which was in Dick Fleming's hand when he was killed. I'll trouble you for the rest of it, if you please!"

"The rest of it?" queried Dale, with a show of bewilderment, silently thanking her stars that, for the moment, at least, the incriminating fragment had passed out of her possession.

Her reply seemed only to infuriate the detective.

"Don't tell me Fleming started to go out of this house with a blank scrap of paper in his hand," he threatened. "He didn't start to go out at all!"

Dale rose. Was Anderson trying a chance shot in the dark—or had he stumbled upon some fresh evidence against her? She could not tell from his manner.

"Why do you say that?" she feigned.

"His cap's there on the table," said the detective with crushing terseness. Dale started. She had not remembered the cap—why hadn't she burned it—concealed it—as she had concealed the blue-print? She passed a hand over her forehead, wearily.

Miss Cornelia watched her niece.

"If you're keeping anything back,

Dale—tell him," she said. Dale knew herself cornered at last. The detective's deductions were only too shrewd—do what she would, she could keep him away from the truth no longer.

"He was going to take the money and go away with it!" she said, rather pitifully, feeling a certain relief of despair steal over her, now that she no longer needed to go on lying—lying—involving herself in an inextricable web of falsehood.

"Dale!" gasped Miss Cornelia, alarmed. But Dale went on, reckless of consequences to herself, though still warily shielding Jack.

"He changed the minute he heard about it. He was all kindness before that—but afterward—" She stammered, closing her eyes. Fleming's face rose before her again, furious, distorted with passion and greed—then, suddenly, quenched of life.

Anderson turned to Miss Cornelia triumphantly.

"She started to find the money—and save Bailey," he explained, building up his theory of the crime. "But to do it she had to take Fleming into her confidence—and he turned yellow. Rather than let him get away with it she—" He made an expressive gesture toward his hip-pocket.

"Isn't that true?" demanded Anderson. Dale already felt the cold clasp of handcuffs on her slim wrists. What use of denial, when every tiny circumstance was so leagued against her? And yet she must deny.

"I didn't kill him," she repeated, perplexedly, weakly.

"Why, didn't you call for help?" Dale—how did you know I was here?"

Yale hesitated. "I—I couldn't." The moment the words were out of her mouth she knew from his expression that they had only cemented his growing certainty of her guilt.

"Dale! Be careful what you say!" warned Miss Cornelia agitatedly. Dale looked dumbly at her aunt. Her answers must seem the height of recklessness to Miss Cornelia—oh, if there were only some one who understood!

Anderson resumed his grilling.

"Now I mean to find out two things," he said, advancing upon Dale. "Why

didn't you call for help—and what you have done with that blue-print."

"Supposed could find that piece of blue-print for you?" said Dale, desperately. "Would that establish Jack Bailey's innocence?"

The detective stared at her keenly for a moment.

"If the money's there—yes."

Dale opened her lips to reveal the secret, reckless of what might follow. As long as Jack was cleared—what matter what happened to herself? But Miss Cornelia nipped the heroic attempt at self-sacrifice in the bud.

She put herself between her niece and the detective, shielding Dale from his eager gaze.

"But her own guilt!" she said, in tones of great dignity. "No, Mr. Anderson—granting that she knows where that paper is—and she has not said that she does—I shall want more time and much legal advice before I allow her to turn it over to you."

All the unconscious note of command that long-inherited wealth and the pride of a great name can give was in her voice, and the detective, for the moment, bowed before it, defeated. He gave up his grilling of Dale, for the present, and turned to question the doctor and Beresford who had just returned, with Jack Bailey, from their grim task of placing Fleming's body in a temporary resting place in the library.

"Well, Doctor?" he grunted. The doctor shook his head.

"Poor fellow—straight through the heart."

"Were there any powder marks?" queried Miss Cornelia.

"No—and the clothing was not burned. He was apparently shot from some little distance—and I should say from above."

The detective received this information without the change of a muscle in his face. He turned to Beresford—resuming his attack on Dale from another angle.

"Beresford, did Fleming tell you why he came here tonight?"

Beresford considered the question.

"No. He seemed in a great hurry—said Miss Odgen had telephoned him—and asked me to drive him over."

"Why did you come up to the house?"

"We-el," said Beresford with seeming candor, "I thought it was putting

rather a premium on friendship to keep me sitting out in the rain all night, so I came up the drive—and, by the way!" He snapped his fingers irritably, as if recalling some significant incident that had slipped his memory, and drew a battered object from his pocket. "I picked this up, about a hundred feet from the house," he explained. "A man's watch. It was partly crushed into the ground, and, as you see, it's stopped running."

The detective took the object and examined it carefully. A man's open-face gold watch, crushed and battered in as if it had been trampled upon by a heavy heel.

"Yes," he said thoughtfully. "Stopped running at ten-thirty. Anybody here recognize it?"

The detective silently held up the watch so that all present could examine it. He waited. But if anyone in the party recognized the watch—no one moved forward to claim it.

"You didn't hear any evidence of a struggle, did you?" went on Beresford. "The ground looked as if a fight had taken place—of course it might have been a dozen other things."

Miss Cornelia started.

"Just about ten-thirty, Lizzie heard somebody cry out, in the grounds," she said.

The detective slipped the watch in his pocket.

"Do you always carry a flashlight, Mr. Beresford?" asked Miss Cornelia, a trifle suspiciously.

"Always at night in the car." His reply was prompt and certain.

"This is all you found?" queried the detective—a curious note in his voice.

"Yes," Beresford sat down, relieved. Miss Cornelia followed his example—another clue had led into a blind-alley—leaving the mystery of the night's affair as impenetrable as ever.

"Some day I hope to meet the real estate agent who promised me that I would sleep here as I never slept before!" she murmured acidly. "He's right! I've slept with my clothes on every night since I came!"

As she ended, Billy darted in from the hall, his beady little black eyes gleaming with excitement, a long, wicked-looking butcher-knife in his hand.

"Key, kitchen door, please!" he said, addressing his mistress.

"Key?" said Miss Cornelia, startled. "What for?"

For once Billy's polite little grin was absent from his countenance.

"Somebody's outside trying to get in," he chattered. "I see knob turn, so," he illustrated with the butcher-knife, "and so—three times."

The detective's hand went at once to his revolver.

(Continued next week)

Estel Bowen of Shamrock was in McLean Sunday.

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Mrs. Lear M. Jones and baby of Childress visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Watkins, last week.

Miss Loyce Clement of Amarillo spent the week end with her mother here.

R. H. Koesee of Tipton, Okla., spent the week end with home folks here.

Miss Vera Swafford of Childress visited Miss Hazel Greer last week end.

S. O. Cook of Dallas was a McLean visitor last week.

Mrs. W. J. Ball of Alanreed was shopping in McLean Friday.

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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 8-4fc

Henry Benson went to Wellington Sunday.

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News from Heald

March sandstorms are in full blast the last two days. The flu patients in the community are all better.

Rev. John Crow of Shamrock filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday night, with a full house. He and his wife were guests in the J. W. Stauffer home in the Pukan community.

Prof. Trostle and Miss Lotta Gill were in Wheeler Friday and Saturday with some of their pupils attending the county meet. They won several first and second prizes.

Prof. Trostle visited his aunt, Mrs. Porter, at Wheeler Friday night.

Mrs. Foster and Gardner, teachers at Pukan, Prof. Trostle and Miss Gill were dinner guests of Miss Faye Chilton Sunday.

The missionary society met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Nida Green and Mrs. Kester Rippy, with most of the members present. A fine program was held.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Phillips of Dozier visited in the home of his uncle, T. F. Phillips, and cousin, Mrs. Edgar Bailey, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Armstrong, at Hedley Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bailey were in town.

O. N. Elliott was in Pampa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Phillips were in McLean Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bailey were in McLean Saturday.

W. J. Chilton visited in Erick, Okla., Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Landers will leave Friday for Branson, Colo., to spend the summer.

J. W. Dougherty and son, Basil, were in Shamrock Wednesday.

Henry and Edgar Bailey were in McLean Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harbison and children were visiting in the C. H. Harbison home Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. R. O. Cunningham of Liberty visited with Mrs. T. F. Phillips Monday night, while the men attended the athletic meet at the school house.

T. J. Litchfield was in McLean Wednesday.

Walter Litchfield has been working on Hugh's water well.

HEALD SCHOOL

There is some talk of raising enough money to extend the school term another two weeks. We hope this can be done, especially for the higher grades, as seven months is just enough time to cover the fundamentals of most subjects.

Even though we can look back upon many neglected opportunities and see many vacant chairs that should have been filled, we are almost forced to be proud of the scholastics that we have made this school year.

Heald took her place at the inter-scholastic League meet held at Wheeler last Friday and Saturday, March 23 and 24.

Mr. Trostle was appointed director of the spelling section and was assisted by Miss Lotta Gill and two other teachers of the county as pronouncer of the three divisions. The outcome of that contest was as follows:

Sub-junior—Wheeler 1st, Heald 2nd, Ramsdell 3rd. Junior—Wheeler 1st, Heald 2nd, Dixon 3rd. Senior—Wheeler 1st, Ramsdell 2nd.

Miss Cox of Ramsdell, Mr. Trostle and Miss Gill of Heald were chosen as judges of the art exhibit Saturday afternoon. Even though our school exhibit for the fair was rather limited and did not get a place as one of the best on display, compliments were received on some individual projects as being excellent work. Much good work was done, but the following deserve special mention: A salt map of the U. S. by H. C. Nelson, 5th grade; a history theme on "Development of the Means of Transportation" by Louise Rogers, 6th grade; an illustrated project book by Catherine Rutledge on the poem "Somebody's Mother."

All in all, the following ribbons were won: 1st in declamation, Edith Reneau; 1st in essay writing, Edith Reneau; 2nd in sub-junior spelling, Laverne Bailey and Jean Ewing; 2nd in junior spelling, Fahoma and Maudie B. Harbison; 2nd in 220 relay, Lorene Cates; 2nd in 400 relay, Maudie B. Harbison.

L. I. Rogers and our contestants were in the night. Just lend and see what we

Special Agent B. L. Webb reports 3,422 bales of cotton ginned in Gray county this season as against 7,445 last season.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Pool of Hale Center visited the lady's brother, Rev. B. W. Wilkins, and family last week end.

Mrs. Crooks of Tulsa, Okla., was a guest in the C. W. Watkins home last week.

Mrs. C. S. Rice and daughter, Miss Verna, went to Amarillo Tuesday.

W. T. Wilson was in Pampa Tuesday.

Buford Reed motored to Pampa Sunday.

Cecil Moore was in Pampa Thursday.

Supt. Geo. Tummins was in Pampa Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lander visited in Erick, Okla., Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Ballard visited in Amarillo Tuesday.

DIDN'T KNOW IT?

Mrs. Naggs—"You deceived me before I married you. You told me you were well off."

Naggs—"So I was, but I didn't know it."

Texas again leads the nation in value of crops, the federal crop reporting bureau states. The valuation of crops for 1927 is placed at \$750,000,000, a gain of \$103,000,000 over 1926. This is \$250,000,000 more than the next state, which is Iowa, with a crop valuation of \$502,000,000.

Supt. Geo. Tummins visited in Alameda Tuesday.

DAD KNEW

R. Y. Bradford—"Dad, I'm going to marry a pretty girl and a good cook at the same time."

Dad—"Don't try it, son. That's bigamy."

Walter Foster of Pampa was here Saturday.

J. J. Simmons motored to Shamrock Monday.

Mrs. H. F. Wingo visited in Texola, Okla., Sunday.

Virgil Threest was in Plainview Tuesday.

Mrs. Comstock of Tulsa, Okla., visited her mother, Mrs. C. W. Okla., visited her sister, Mrs. J. Watkins, last week.

Mrs. George Briggs of Granite, visited her mother, Mrs. C. W. Okla., visited her sister, Mrs. J. Watkins, last week.

E. Kirby, last week end.

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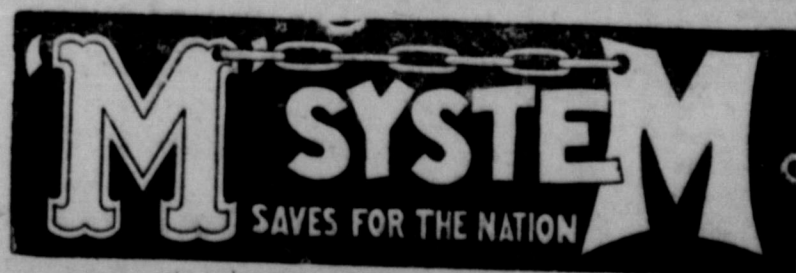
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The fact that editorials and advertisements are read in this paper was very forcibly brought home to us last week. Our acceptance of cigarette advertising brought a storm of protest from a number of our readers.

Advertising in the home paper is worth every cent it costs to the merchant, even if he cannot trace a single sale to any certain advertisement. The publicity obtained from regular advertising is invaluable to any business man.

Truthful advertising is the only kind that pays, and this applies to community advertising as well as commercial advertising. There is a sick-back to untruthful statements in community advertising that hurt all concerned. There are enough good things in the community to boast without mentioning maybest things that might not develop.

With the number of names suggested for school trustees this year, it should not be difficult to select just the men the people want; however, the best interest of the community should be borne in mind and not personal preference, if we are to have the right kind of handling of school affairs the coming term.

It has been suggested that the various organizations of the town be interested in a civic improvement club, with the object of beautifying the town, park, school grounds, etc. A public drinking fountain is needed, a band stand would no be out of place in the park, the cemetery could be beautified in many ways, and there are many things that would mean much to the community.

News from Pakan

We are having fine weather and most of the farmers are busy in the fields.

Those that attended the Wheeler county Interscholastic meet at Wheeler Friday and Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stauffer and family, John Cadra and sons, Godfrey and Edward, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ptak and family, Mike Mertel and son, John, Mr. and Mrs. R. Janota and family, Sam, Edward, Christina and Anna Pakan, Paul Risian and daughter, Anne, Earl and Willie May Lane, Raymond Gossett, Freddie, Mary and Willina Gordon, W. J. Chilton and son, Porter, and daughter, Henrietta, Misses Foster and Gardner, John, Emily, Olga and Dorothy Hrcnciar and Alma Lee Gossett. Those that received prizes in contest are as follows: Henrietta Chilton blue ribbon in 30 yd. dash, and 50 yd. dash; Olga Hrcnciar red ribbon in 30 yd. dash, Elizabeth Ptak white ribbon in 30 yd. dash, Henrietta Chilton, Elizabeth Ptak, Willie May Lane and Olga Hrcnciar blue ribbon for 220 yd. relay race; Joe Janota blue ribbon in 50 yd. and 100 yd. dash, Ed Pakan red ribbon for 50 yd. and 100 yd. dash, Joe Janota, Ed Pakan, Porter Chilton and John Mertel red ribbon for 440 yd. relay; Joe Janota received a red ribbon for broad jump and high jump, Rudy Janota received a ribbon for best penmanship, Anna Mertel a blue ribbon for good writing from primary room, Elizabeth Ptak, Emily Hrcnciar, Mary Gordon and Henrietta received a blue ribbon for senior girls relay race, Emily Hrcnciar got a white ribbon for 50 yd. and 100 yd. run, Earl Lane second prize on 50 yd. and 100 yd. dash. The club got a white ribbon on exhibits, a red

one for arrangement, and a red one for best athletics in county. E. M. Gossett made a business trip to Amarillo Monday.

The water was bailed out of the C. A. Linkey test Thursday. 60 people were at hand to witness the well blowing in. The gas blew out 1700 feet of water, which is making about 60 million feet of gas. People were there to see it from Woodward, Okla., Amarillo, Shamrock and McLean.

Carl Linkey made a business trip to Shamrock Sunday. Paul, Anna and Elizabeth Ptak, Louis Risian, Joe Valencik, John and Emily Hrcnciar, Arthur Stevens Dusan, Miro, Anna and Christina Pakan attended the Lutheran services at Shamrock Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith were shopping in McLean Saturday.

An abundance of building and construction materials of all kinds lies beneath the surface of Texas.

It is sometimes asked whether fried meats are harmful to children. Fried meats are apt to be overcooked and hard. It is better to pan-broil chops and other tender cuts for children. Only enough fat is used to keep the meat from sticking. It is seared quickly on the outside and all the juices are retained. As tough meats require long slow cooking, they are first browned slightly and then simmered until tender. Meat stews of this sort are suitable for children.

Mrs. Eton Johnston is visiting in Hedley.

Mrs. J. W. Crisp of Alanreed was here Saturday.

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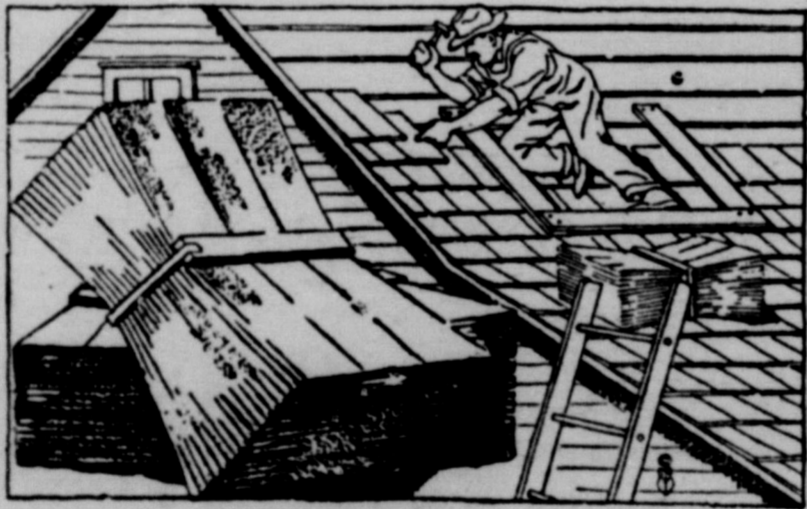
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MRS. O. E. GILL.

PROGRAM at the American Theatre

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Will Rogers, elected to Congress against his will, by a landslide of laughs—and goes to Congress on—
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Saturday

Matinee

"The Texas Steer"

Night

Art Acord in—

"The Western Rover"

Monday and Tuesday

Norma Shearer's newest—

"The Latest from Paris"

Norma as a traveling saleswoman for a firm of Jewish cloak and suit wholesalers matches her wits against other knights of the grip and falls in love with her most dreaded rival.

Wednesd'y & Thursd'y

Clara Bow, the flaming flapper, in—

"Get Your Man"

Another hit from Clara that you can't afford to miss.

Coming Attraction

April 13-14

"The Big Parade"

Archie Carpenter of LaFors was in McLean Sunday.

Miss Opal Dutton of Canyon spent last week end in McLean.

Mrs. Hubert Wilkins of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Miss Ethel McCurdy of Shamrock spent the week end here.

MA and Mrs. Geo. Tammina went to Wheeler Saturday.

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

Now Is a Mighty Good Time

to buy McLean property before the rush. I have some good property, both houses and well-located lots, for sale. Would like to handle your property if you want to sell.

S. A. Cobb

Chick Hatchery

Change Hands and Is Now in Operation

I want to announce to the public that I have taken over the Shamrock Hatchery and have an experienced poultry man in charge. The first hatch was put on Tuesday. I can furnish day-old baby chicks every Wednesday, beginning March 21st, as I operate the Clinton Hatchery at Clinton, Okla., also, and will continue to operate it through the spring season.

I will do custom hatching at Shamrock for \$4.00 per tray, 112 eggs to the tray. For 5 trays or more the price is \$3.50 per tray.

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All of my baby chicks are sold from purebred, healthy flocks, and are from high egg laying strains.

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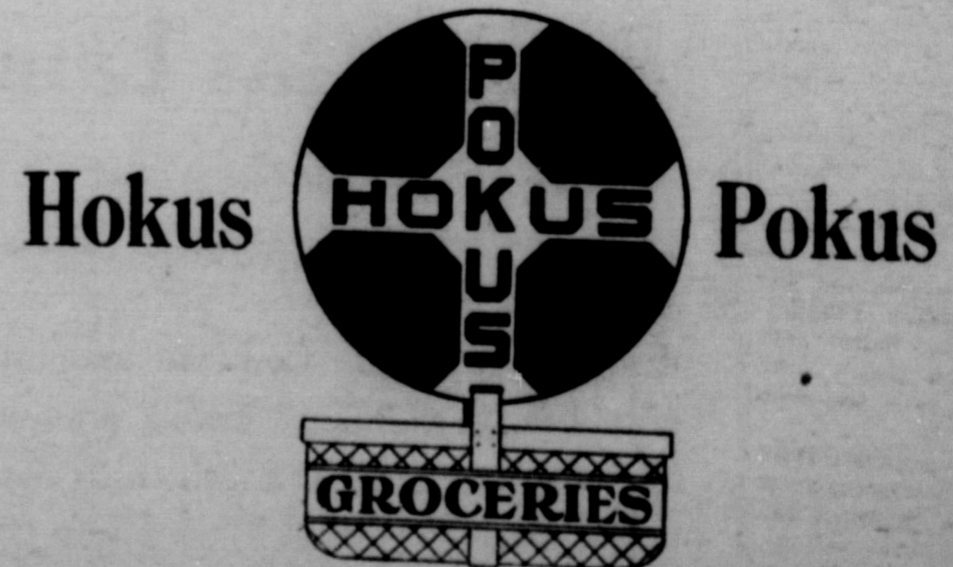
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Phone 23

THE TIGER POST

Edited by pupils of McLean High School

"HER STEP-HUSBAND"

The senior class presented the play, "Her Step-Husband," on Friday evening, March 23, at the high school auditorium. There was an exceptionally large attendance, and everyone seemingly enjoyed the program.

The play was in the form of a three act comedy. S. A. Cousins Jr. played the role of Harvey P. Marshall in a way characteristic of an unscrupulous business man, while Mary Landers acted the part of Mary Marshall, an incurable schemer, perfectly. Frank Corum gave the part of Limpy Lannigan, a convict, in a very acceptable way, and Jack Reeves was an affable cop. Frances Noel as Sylvia Allen, proved a staunch friend of the Marshall. Roland Wingo, Mary's husband pro tem, while very accommodating in lending himself, complicated the plot by his many errors. The part of Stella, the maid, was well acted by Jewell Turner. Emily Paisley, Mary's aunt, in the person of Jocune Vahroy, was exceptionally well portrayed, while the part of Florence Ainsie, acted by Kaye Reeves, was truly characteristic of a very haughty young lady.

AN APPRECIATION

The junior class of McLean high school wish to express their appreciation of their teacher and sponsor, Mrs. H. W. Brooks. Mrs. Brooks has for the last two years worked faithfully and devotedly in the high school and has won the high esteem of every pupil. During her work in the school she had the interest of all the pupils at heart, and her wonderful influence will remain with the senior permanently.

As a token of their appreciation, members of the high school presented Mrs. Brooks with a beautiful bridge lamp; however, this is a small token in accordance of our appreciation to her. Her personal qualities have endeared her to all who knew her. Our school needs many more teachers with ideals and characteristics such as Mrs. Brooks possesses.

Signed:
Reporter of Junior Class.

ENGLISH

By Annie Lou Grigsby

Everyone in high school seems to be interested in their own room and anxious to let people know the grade they are in by having their clothes of different fashions to represent their class colors. The senior boys wear blue and white striped overalls, and the girls wear pink and white checked dresses. The junior girls wear lavender and white and the boys blue shirts. The sophomore girls wear dresses made of four handkerchiefs and the boys are dressed in overalls with red pieces of cloth set in the legs. The freshmen, being the babies of high school, have green and white checked aprons made like "little girls" dresses. The boys have tan trousers trimmed in green.

TRACK MEET AT PAMPA

Our principal, Mr. J. C. Moore, went to Pampa last Monday to make arrangements for the Inter-scholastic League meet, which is to be held in Pampa on Friday and Saturday of this week. There will be no school on Friday on account of the absence of a majority of the student body of McLean high school attending the county meet as participants. The contestants from McLean are confident of winning the meet and adding one more year to their record.

The following program will be carried out:

Friday
10 to 12 a. m.—Junior declamation, junior and senior essay writing, extemporaneous speaking and tennis, which will continue throughout the day until finished.

1 to 2 p. m.—Sub-junior, junior and senior spelling, and plain writing contest.

2 to 4 p. m.—Grade school arithmetic, volley ball, playground ball (boys and girls), and finals in declamation.

7:30 p. m.—Debate (boys and girls.)

Saturday

10 to 12 a. m.—Music memory and junior track.

2 to 5 p. m.—Senior track and field.

Large F. H. King and Misses Mary and Mary King visited in Pampa Saturday.

POULTRYMEN PAY MILLIONS FOR WORTHLESS TONICS

Fort Collins, Colo. Poultrymen in Colorado and other states are contributing millions of dollars annually to over-priced feeds, worthless tonics and "miracle pills," says Charles N. Keen, inspector in poultry husbandry at the agricultural college, who calls attention to the fact that simple rations and proper care will result in improved egg production.

Two Eastern experiment stations report production of over 300 eggs on such simple rations as corn, wheat and oats with milk to drink. This was supplemented with oyster shell, plenty of green feed and grit.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Walsler and L. E. Walsler of Chullicoth were visiting friends in McLean Tuesday. J. W. Walsler, a former resident of McLean, is now a candidate for public weigher at Chullicoth.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cousins of Memphis visited in the S. A. Cousins home Thursday of last week.

Mrs. C. S. Rice and daughter, Mrs. Verna, visited in Amarillo Saturday.

Mrs. E. B. Hedrick of Alameda was in McLean Friday.

Floyd Phillips was in Amarillo last Thursday.

Chester Lander spent the weekend in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. F. E. Matthew was in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kite of Magic City were in town Saturday.

Miss Elizabeth Bird of Shamrock was a McLean visitor Saturday.

TOWN AND PRESS

Newspapers are looked upon as exponents of development and progressiveness, and should keep ahead of the towns they serve. A good, well printed and live newspaper can do much toward the upbuilding of a town or city. The day is upon us when a live newspaper is essential in any town.—Devil's River News.

You are enormously right. A town without a newspaper, what is it? It is a huddle of houses with a mudhole in the middle of the road, a gas station and a cold drink stand. In other words, a town without a newspaper is a struggling village without town pride. It may be satisfactory to its residents, and they may be well fixed and industrious citizens. If that is the kind of settlement they want, well and good. It is their business, nobody else's. But if they want their haphazard village to become a town they must establish and support a newspaper.

What is a trumpet without somebody to blow it? Only a tin tube, hardly fit to pour dishwasher through. But give the trumpet a blowhard to translate wind into sound, and you can have a joyful noise. Same with a village. A village without a mouthpiece, and somebody to bring lung pressure

to bear upon it, remains not much. But give it a mouthpiece, and a blower who can hurl the effluvium of a sound pair of lungs into it, and right soon you have a town where the village was. After that, maybe a city where the town was. A city may be no better than a village to live in. That's not the question. The question is, do the villagers want to make a city of it, or, on the other hand, do the cityans want to make a village of their city? By prospering the paper, the town prospers. By starving the paper the town is simultaneously starved. Starvation may be better than overfeeding. Again, it is a question of personal choice. There are some who choose a conspicuous bay window and some who prefer a waist line that caves in like a boiled shirt on a scarecrow. It's what the responsible persons choose that builds the town or stagnates the village.—State Press.

Misses Olive and Bertha Saunders of Amarillo visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Lois Marie Wilkins of Alameda was in McLean Saturday.

Nugent Kunkel has renewed his subscription to The News.

R. W. Coleman is a new reader of The News.

Virgil Threet was in Lefors Sunday.

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The Baptist ladies will sell pies and cakes at Cobb's store Saturday afternoon. 1c

TENNESSEE Red peanuts, 10c per pound. J. S. Howard. tfc

FOR RENT

FOR RENT.—South bedroom with privilege of bath. Phone 251. 1c

FOR RENT.—Bedroom, 1st door north Presbyterian church. Mrs. Paschal. 1c

MISCELLANEOUS

SATURDAY SPECIAL.—Tube Patch, 25c per box at "Marie Mac" Service Station. 1c

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FOUND.—Lady's hat. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice. Caldwell Bakery. 1c

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Russell of Clarendon were McLean visitors Saturday.

MICKIE SAYS—

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LIFE IS A MIRROR

It was in the days when pioneers were moving westward by wagon across the prairies of Illinois, Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska. A newcomer stopped his horses in front of a settler's cabin and hailed an elderly man who was leaning on the gate.

"Say, what kind of people live around here?"

"Well, stranger," said the old man, "what kind of people lived in the country you came from?"

"Oh, a pretty mean lot, gossiped, quarreled—no gettin' along with 'em."

The traveler drove on after a few more words and shortly his creaking wagon disappeared into the twilight. Soon, however, another appeared and hailed the old man on the gate in much the same way.

"What were the folks like where you came from?" again the old man queried.

"Oh, a pretty good lot on the whole. We all had our faults, but it was a friendly neighborhood, everybody ready to help when things didn't go right, a kindly sort of people they were."

"Well, stranger," said the old man, "that's just about the sort of folks you'll find around here."

Need we say more? Were not the utterances of the old man's words of profound wisdom? Isn't human nature pretty much the same everywhere? Don't our own dispositions determine largely whether we find life good or bad, people kindly or mean, and our environments beautiful or ugly?—Exchange

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Here He Is! The Man who Says Advertising is the Bunk. He also Disapproves of Autos, Telephones and the Theory that the World is Round. He Never Hears of Spending Money to Make Money. Folks, meet Rip Van Winkle the Second.

The kitchen is not the place for old ill-fitting shoes. It is better and in the long run cheaper to buy and wear working shoes that are sensible and comfortable. The gain in health and efficiency makes the practice popular.

Mrs. W. C. Pinnell is visiting in Canyon.

Fred Bentley was in Clarendon Sunday.

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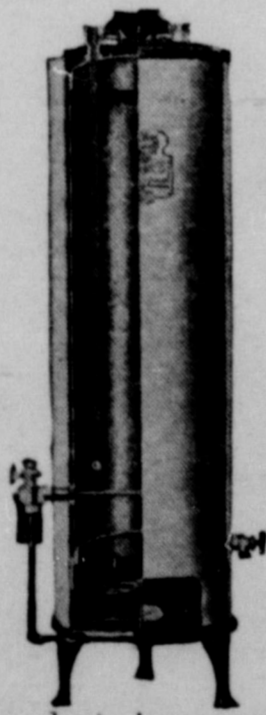
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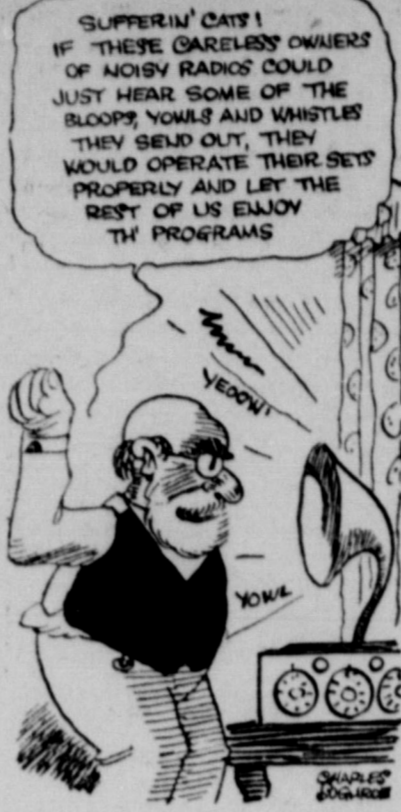
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Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Bentley were in Clarendon Sunday.

Mrs. Z. W. Latson was a Clarendon visitor Sunday.

HE NEEDED ONE

Student—"I'm working hard so that I can get ahead."
Teacher—"You certainly need it."

Cabbage heads the list of vitamin-rich vegetables available in the colder months. It need not be cooked the same way every time it is served; in fact it need not be cooked at all, but be used for slaw, or take the place of lettuce when that always-desirable green-leaf vegetable cannot be obtained. There are many good ways of serving cabbage so the family will not tire of it. Turnips and carrots supply vitamins, and are among the stored root crops on hand nearly all winter. When grated and used raw in salads they are especially valuable. Spinach is in many markets during the winter and is an excellent source of vitamins. Onions, both raw and cooked, may be used. Potatoes, too, contain one or more vitamins, but need to be supplemented by other vegetables and fruits.

Gordon Wilson was in Pampa Tuesday.

This state now has almost 8,000 miles of natural gas pipe line.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Colebank have returned from a visit with their daughter, Miss Vida, who is attending Simmons University at Abilene.

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McLean, Texas

GIVE HER JUST ENOUGH TO DRINK

"Your plates are all buckled and warped," said the battery man. "What makes them get that way?"

"Overheating. You went all summer without ever testing that battery."

A battery must not get hot if it is to last. If it reaches a temperature of 120 degrees F. it probably will be ruined. On a hot summer's day test the temperature of the battery with a thermometer. If the fluid is at or around one hundred degrees run with your lights burning. This will absorb most of the current supplied by the generator. To fail to do so is to overcharge the battery, which causes the overheating, which warps and bends your plates. A warped plate will warp its contents, the wooden separators won't fit, you may get an internal short circuit and the battery simply ceases to function usually when you need it most.

You have not filled the battery often enough at one time of its life, and at another time you have filled it too full.

But how do you know? Look for yourself. If there was a mark on the plates, there's where your battery fluid level was when you opened it—half an inch of plate sticking out over the fluid. That was two tangs to the battery. In the first place it makes the solution too strong in acid because of the excess in water, and in the second, it makes part of your battery do the work which all of it should do.

At another time or times you overfilled the battery; you poured in distilled water until it filled up the filling holes to the very brim. When you put on the caps and went on your way rejoicing. Meanwhile, when your battery commenced to function, it got warm, bubbles of gas came into the fluid and it expanded, pushed its way out through the breather holes, ran down on the top of the battery, then onto the wooden case, ate part of that up, made a deposit of corrosion on the terminals, weakened the electrolyte and generally played heck with the works.

Leave your battery just enough to drink—and no more.

One of the recent motion pictures released by the U. S. Department of Agriculture is "T. B. or not T. B." One incident deals with the introduction of tuberculosis into the farm flock by the careless purchase of a broody hen for hatching purposes. Later the poultry raising unsatisfactory returns because of the tuberculosis infection, which has spread to them from the chickens. An inspector from the Bureau of Animal Industry visits the farm and explains to the young owner how the disease may spread from one class of animals to another. The inspector finds the poultry flock seriously diseased. He advises the owner to kill all the chickens, to burn or bury all that are diseased, to disinfect thoroughly—very thoroughly—or build new houses on a new site, and start new with fresh healthy stock. Only occasionally, in the case of very valuable breeding birds, does it pay to save any part of a flock and make certain by tests that the birds retained are not tuberculous.

A record of family expenditures shows habits of buying. Looking back for a year a good picture of what has been bought and why it was bought can be had. One can discover the influence of advertising, of fashion, and of passing fads whether the mail order catalog, the installment plan, and charge accounts are a convenience or a temptation, whether bargain-basements or unnecessary expenditures. None of these things—advertising, fashion, mail order, installment buying, or charge accounts—is necessarily good or bad. It depends in the way they are used.

Stock shippers should take care to protect animals from insects that will cripple them while they are on the way to market. At the large markets two scales are provided for weighing crippled animals. Last year 30,585 animals with a total weight of nearly 7,000,000 pounds were weighed over these scales. Four firms purchased these animals at a discount of from \$2 to \$2.50 per cwt. The loss to the shippers can be calculated easily and much of it might have been avoided by proper care in loading.

As produces about six to seven percent of the total mineral values mined in the United States.

Bogan spent the week end in Omaha City.

ELECTION ORDER

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of McLean Independent School District that an election be held at Methodist church in the town of McLean, in said McLean Independent School District on the seventh day of April, 1928, for the purpose of electing 7 (seven) School Trustees for said McLean Independent School District.

JAS. F. HEASEY is hereby appointed manager of said election, and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and said election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law for holding other elections.

The returns of said election shall be made to the Board of Trustees of said Independent School District in accordance with law.

A copy of this order signed by the president and attested by the secretary of this board shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the president shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with law.

In testimony whereof, witness the signatures of the president and secretary of said McLean Independent School District and the seal thereof hereunto affixed, this 20th day of March, 1928.

(Seal) J. S. HOWARD, President
McLean Independent School District
Attest: JAS. W. BURROWS, Sec. 12-2c

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Major of Memphis were guests in the S. A. Cousins home Thursday.

Harry Cornelius went to Lefors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Back of Back City were in town Saturday.

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's than Stern. Advertisement etc

THE DEBT TO THE BOOSTERS

When people work actively for the development of their home towns, the community owes them a debt. People should see to it that the folks who are so generous with their time and effort do not lose by their sacrifice.

If the chance comes to throw something in their way, if we can patronize them in their business, we should keep it in mind to do so. It would seem rather careless and inconsiderate if people constantly send money out of town to build up some bigger town, and if meantime many of our home folks are striving for the success of their city and not getting much recognition for it.—Quannah Tribune-Chief.

Carlos Saunders of Amarillo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Saunders, Sunday.

Vernon Johnston and Harold Clement returned Thursday from a trip to Dallas.

Johnnie R. Back
Insurance
Fire, Hail & Tornado

A rabbit experiment station was recently opened, under the direction of the United States Department of Agriculture, at Fontana, Calif., where studies will be conducted to determine the best methods of breeding, feeding and housing rabbits. This is the first station of its kind in the United States where rabbits are studied exclusively, and it is expected to be a great help to the fast growing rabbit fur and meat industry.

Misses Merle Tummins and Anne Spillman were Wheeler visitors Saturday.

Plant food worth more than \$2,000,000,000 is wasted away from the farms of the United States every year. This is twenty times as much plant food as is removed from the land by growing crops. The loss occurs on gently sloping hillsides and on fairly level land subject to "sheet" erosion as well as on steep hillsides. Proper terracing will often remedy the condition.

Texas now leads the world in petroleum refining, the total 1927 output of which was valued at \$488,181,732.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Gatewood of Amarillo were visitors here Sunday.

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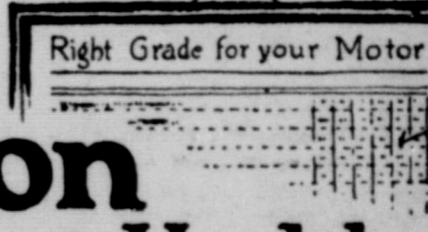
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News from Alanreed

There was a box supper at the school auditorium Friday night for the benefit of the Girls Glee Club. Over forty dollars was derived from the sale of the boxes.

In the baseball game Friday afternoon, the Eldridge town team defeated the school boys by a good score.

Prof. Alex Tomkins of Eldridge was in Alanreed Saturday.

Misses Inez and Zola Blakenship, Mrs. H. T. Wilkins and children were in McLean Saturday.

Rev. J. L. King filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning at the Baptist church.

Rev. D. H. Brynoff of McLean exchanged pulpits with Rev. J. L. King for the Sunday night service.

Ed Elms has been sick for several days.

Mrs. W. W. Whitsitt is reported better after several days' illness.

Mrs. Sherrad has returned after a protracted visit to relatives in Wichita Falls and Oklahoma.

Rev. H. G. Walton preached in Lefors Sunday.

Supt. and Mrs. Frank P. Wilson of Groom were visiting friends in Alanreed Sunday.

Rev. J. L. King visited in the McLean home Sunday.

The Epworth League celebrated the anniversary of the organization of the League by an annual roll call with a scripture response by each member at its meeting Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Palmer and daughters, Misses Blanche and Ruth, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Marenman Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hommel of Cawson visited friends in Alanreed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sherrad visited in the H. T. Wilkins home Sunday.

Practice is progressing nicely on the play which is to be presented in the school auditorium within a few weeks.

News from Liberty

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell and baby, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Cunningham attended the funeral Tuesday at Wellington of one of the three-months-old twins of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bell. The other twin was buried Wednesday of last week.

Rough Stokes and family of Groom took dinner Friday with Mrs. Kate Stokes.

Several friends and relatives gave Luther Petty a surprise pot luck dinner Sunday in honor of his 40th birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lively and baby visited in the H. M. Roth home Sunday.

Jason Morgan took several of his pupils of Ramey school to the county meet at Wheeler Friday and Saturday.

A crowd of young folks enjoyed a kodaking trip north of Shamrock Sunday.

Will Woodward and family called on the Cunningham family Sunday afternoon.

Howard Hardin and family visited with relatives at Clarendon Thursday.

Dexter Glenn and family of northeast of McLean called on Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson and R. B. Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Berry and family spent Sunday at the Helvy home in McLean.

Mrs. D. E. Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Brynoff and sons of McLean called at the Petty home Sunday afternoon.

Frank Bell and family called at the Jim Corbin home in McLean Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ault of Pampa visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Ault, Sunday.

Will Havin and daughter, Bonnie, spent Saturday with his father, I. G. Havin.

Roy Stokes was transacting business near Pampa the latter part of the week.

A. L. Morgan and family called at the Bell home Saturday night.

Mrs. Mollie Francis spent Tuesday night in the Petty home.

Vernon Rice spent last week end in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Jim Back was in Wheeler Saturday.

Make orange gelatin sometimes for dessert—using fresh oranges. Put one envelope or ounce of gelatin into one-half cup of cold water to soften for about 2 minutes. Squeeze as many oranges as you need to make 2 1/4 cups of strained juice and add the juice of half a lemon to intensify the flavor. Put one cup of water on to heat with 1/2 of a cup of sugar or less, depending on the acidity of the fruit.

When the sirup is boiling, take it from the fire and put the moistened gelatin into it. Stir until the gelatin is entirely dissolved, and mix with the orange and lemon juice. The latter are not cooked at all. Strain into a large mold or individual molds. This dessert needs no sauce, but you may serve soft

custard with it or plain or whipped cream.

Under average conditions, hatching chicks with incubators is only more satisfactory, but also more economical than hatching with hens, particularly where large num-

bers of eggs are to be set. Besides, the incubator has the distinct advantage of hatching a few or several hundred chicks at one time, and with the use of a coal-burning brooder stove the problem of producing the flocks from year to year is materially simplified.

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I have a few good lots left in McLean that I will sell cheap if taken right away, but they are clear and I do not have to sell them; so act before any more good wells come in, if you want to make some money. See me or Mr. McMillen Friday or Saturday.
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\$1.00 Saratoga chiffon	69c
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Men's overalls, work pants, dress pants sharply reduced.	
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