

# THE McLEAN NEWS

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## McLean Light & Power Plant Sold

### Highway from McLean Planned; Pampa Committee

#### Pampa Men Here Good Will Trip

#### Committee Met with C. of C. Monday Night

A committee from the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, consisting of W. A. Taylor, Geo. Griggs, I. E. Duncan and J. L. Lavendar, met with the McLean Chamber of Commerce Monday night in the interest of a road from Pampa to McLean.

President W. E. Bogan welcomed the Pampa committee and asked Mr. Duncan to address the meeting.

Mr. Duncan said that the purpose of the visit was to see Commissioner M. M. Newman and other citizens in order that an agitation for a Pampa-to-McLean highway might be started. According to the speaker, this county is destined to become one of the richest in the state, and there will be plenty of money for any road improvement needed. The people who benefit from the oil industry should pay for the improvements needed in this county, and at this time, Mr. Duncan stated, an emergency exists and a road should be built at the earliest possible moment, with a view of having it designated a state highway in the future and hard-faceted. Mr. Duncan stated that Pampa is willing and anxious to co-operate in every way with any improvement project McLean has in mind.

Mr. Lavendar insisted that Pampa does not have the "big head" over being the largest town in the county, and while they have some narrow citizens, some of the finest people on earth live there. This speaker stressed the need of working together for a greater Gray county and also gave some good advice in securing the farmers' cooperation in Chamber of Commerce work.

In regard to road improvement, Mr. Lavendar stated that 90% of the tax money collected in Gray county is from the Pampa product, but he felt that it should be used for the benefit of the whole county. He suggested that a county-wide bond issue should be voted and take up all outstanding pre-war bonds. "It is impossible to build a great county in spots," said Mr. Lavendar.

Mr. Griggs said that no one section of the county can develop properly without the other, and that a road across the county will do more than any other one thing to build all sections.

Mr. Taylor stated that a bridge contract for the river crossing on the road will be let at the next meeting of the commissioners court and that the road will be built. The cost of the bridge to be \$20,000 making a total cost of road and bridge about \$35,000.

A number of McLean citizens spoke, and after discussion, it was agreed to call a mass meeting for Friday night of this week, at which time this matter will be disposed of.

Those present were: C. C. Cook, D. N. Massay, O. G. Stokely, M. D. Bentley, J. M. Noel, T. A. Landers, W. E. Bogan, C. S. Rice, W. R. Webster, L. G. McMillen, E. J. Johnson, W. C. Montgomery, A. A. Cochran, L. V. Lonsdale, J. C. Harris, Jim Sullivan, J. R. Back, B. F. Gray, J. J. Simmons, T. N. Holloway, W. C. Cheney, M. T. Wilkerson.

Mr. Arthur Talley visited in Shamrock Sunday.

#### CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S FUND REPORT

By Mrs. McMillen and Miss Cook  
We are making an especial appeal this time for more money for our hospitalization fund. Three more McLean children need such help as we can get for them through this channel. One new little girl was examined by Miss Duncan, the nurse, when she was here on Monday of this week.

For the first time we have an actual statement of a part of our bills on the McLean children. Our entire bill, except for one month on Ophelia's care and for six weeks on James', is \$941.65. For some reason we have not received the bills on these last two cases.

Subject to the above explanation, the following is the entire expense of our McLean children at this time: Odell Dyer \$26.50, Nadita Johnson \$221.05, Ophelia Cunningham \$254.25, James Cobbs \$338.35, Betty baby \$51.50.

These bills have already been paid by the Amarillo Lions, but there are more than two hundred children waiting in line for this treatment, and new ones seeking this assistance every day. Only about forty children have been receiving treatment and it is estimated that there are more than four hundred children in the Panhandle that may go through life maimed unless some such assistance is offered them. The proposition has grown to such tremendous proportions and the expenses are so great that to take care of every Panhandle child would be a matter of impossibility for any one organization. Fortunately for us, our children were among the very first to receive this treatment, but if we do not take care of their hospitalization fees, there are other children of the Panhandle who will be deprived of this treatment.

We appreciate not only the donations that have been given us for this fund, but we appreciate, too, the spirit in which every dollar has been given. But only about half of our present bill has been paid and James is still in the hospital and they want Ophelia to come back. And all of this takes money, and more money; and the worst of it is that we have just about combed the town asking for help.

The total amount of money turned to us for this fund is \$498.20 and our incomplete bill is \$941.65. And neither James nor Ophelia have been dismissed.

The following firms and individuals have contributed this week: American National Bank \$10, Cobb's Variety Store \$5, McLean Poultry & Egg Co. \$1, J. E. Smith \$1, L. L. Rogers \$5, Elite Barber Shop \$3, E. E. Dishman \$1, F. H. Bourland \$5, John Haynes \$1, W. E. Bogan \$2, Light Plant \$10, O. G. Stokely \$5, D. N. Massay \$5, Bert Palmer \$1, Virgil Tharret \$1, Cecil Bible \$1, Lem Richardson \$1, Raymond Glass \$2, W. T. Vail \$1, Citizens State Bank \$25, John Harris \$1, Emmet Thompson \$1, Roy Campbell \$1, Jot Montgomery \$5, total \$94.00.

Again, we are thanking every body who has given us support in any way.

#### MRS. WILKINS UNDERGOES OPERATION WEDNESDAY

Mrs. B. W. Wilkins underwent a serious operation at Amarillo Wednesday, but a letter to The News from Rev. Wilkins received this morning indicates that she seems to be doing as well as could be expected just at this time.

F. H. King of Mangum, Okla., was in McLean Tuesday.

#### Mrs. White Entertains Sunday

#### Mrs. Quarles Honored at Reception and Lawn Spread

A reception was given by Mrs. W. Sherman White Sunday evening in honor of Mrs. F. C. Quarles of Dillard, who was visiting friends here.

A feature of the reception was a six o'clock dinner served on the spacious lawn of the White home, after which the guests attended church services.

Mrs. Quarles is remembered by McLean folks as Miss Patterson, one of the most popular home demonstration agents ever serving in Gray county, and while the reception was on the informal order, everyone reports an enjoyable time. Besides Mr. and Mrs. White and the honor guest, those present were Messrs. and Mesdames L. F. Coffey, C. A. Strandberg, Byrd Guill, H. C. Rippey, W. B. Upham, R. O. Dinkle of Hereford, C. S. Rice, Frank Stockton; Mesdames Willie Boyett and S. L. Suggs, Misses Nona and Jewell Cousins, Lillian Abbott and Ruby Cook.

#### PRIZE OFFERED FARM BOYS BY MR. SITTER

Geo. W. Sitter, pioneer ranchman and president of the American National Bank, is offering cash prizes to farm boys who will accept some fine seed corn and make report of the yield obtained.

Mr. Sitter has secured some fine drought resisting white corn, and has placed it in 1 1/2 pound bags that will be given to any boy calling at the American National Bank for it, and promising to make a report of the yield next fall. \$5.00 will be given for the best report, \$2.50 for the second best and \$1.50 for the third best.

This corn is said to have roots 70 inches long and is claimed to be the best dry weather corn grown. Mr. Sitter is making this offer in order to have this corn tested in this community.

#### MRS. SHELBURNE ENTERTAINS WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB

The Wednesday Bridge Club entertained their husbands and friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dana Shelburne last Thursday evening.

Bridge was enjoyed until a late hour, when light refreshments were served by the hostess.

In the game, high scores were won by Mrs. W. L. Campbell and Hansel Christian, and low by Mr. and Mrs. Everett Watkins.

Those present for the occasion were: Messrs. and Mesdames L. G. McMillen, Roy Campbell, L. V. Lonsdale, John Haynes, W. L. Campbell, E. E. Filer, Everett Watkins, Chas. E. Cooke, Misses Sallie Gould of Cherokee, Okla., Messrs. Campbell, Fern Upham, and Reba Hansel Christian, Ervyn Cubine and Emery Crockett.

#### MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED BY McLEAN MERCHANTS

Memorial Day was observed by McLean business houses in closing for the greater part of the day Wednesday. The day was spent for the most part in fishing or in short trips to nearby communities.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Haynes visited in Amarillo Tuesday.

#### Texas Well Increases to 3768 Bbls.

#### Gas Pressure Boosts Oil Flow in Texas Chapman No. 1

The Texas Company's Chapman No. 1 oil well, which was brought in a 300 barrel per day producer last November and later put on pump for 1200 barrels, was put on a gas pressure lift this week and is now making 157 barrels per hour. This well is in section 51, block 25, and is now one of the best wells in the field.

Texas Company Mel Davis, on s. e. corner of n. e. 1/4 of section 8, block 1, came in this week and was put on gague Tuesday, showing an initial flow of 62 barrels per hour.

Lefors Townsite Company's well blew in Tuesday and is running wide open.

Shamrock No. 2, n. w. corner of n. e. 1/4 of section 50, block 25, is right at the pay and should be in most any time.

Hardendorf in n. e. corner of n. e. 1/4 section 47, block 25, is right on top of the sand and hourly developments are expected.

Sinclair-Rowe, 1 1/2 miles from town spudded in Tuesday.

Sinclair-Stockton, on section 35, block 30, was spudded in Tuesday.

#### OKLAHOMA BOY WINS PYLE PUNION DERBY NEW YORK SATURDAY

Andrew Payne, Claremore, Okla., farm boy, won the foot race staged by C. C. Pyle, when he ambled in to Madison Square Garden in New York City Saturday night with thousands of New Yorkers applauding his triumph.

Payne completed the long hike from California in a total elapsed time of 513:04.34, winning the \$25,000 prize, and leading John Salo of New Jersey, who won second prize of \$10,000 by a margin of 15 hours, 35 minutes and 39 seconds.

Third prize of 5,000 was won by Philip Grandville of Hamilton, Ont.; fourth prize of \$2,500 was won by Mike Joyce of Cleveland; and the following won \$1,000 each, in the order named: Guisto Umek of Trieste, Italy, 5th; William Kerr of Minneapolis, 6th; Louis Perella of Albany, 7th; Ed Grininer of Seattle, 8th; Frank von Flue of Kerman, Calif., 9th; John Cronick of Saskatoon, Sask., 10th.

While the above amounts were offered, the weary runners did not believe that they would get the money when they finished the course, as they believe that Pyle no longer controls the finances of the race, having lost some \$60,000 in the venture. However, the promoter stated that the prize winners would be paid off Friday night, when a 24 hour race will be staged in the Garden.

Some 200 men entered the race at Los Angeles, but only 55 finished the grind, others being forced out by illness, physical inability to stand the strain, or gave up in disgust.

#### BOND ELECTION TODAY

The \$74,000 school bond election is being held today, with quite a bit of interest being manifested. The election is to determine the purchasing of a site and erection of a high school building.

Mrs. J. J. Simmons and children returned Tuesday from Erick, Okla.

#### MASS MEETING DISCUSSION ON PAMPA ROAD

A mass meeting was called by interested citizens Tuesday night to discuss the McLean-Pampa road and bridge question, at which a number of talks were made, the consensus of opinion being that every effort should be made to secure a bridge on Northfork on the proposed Hedley to Miami road.

D. N. Massay acted as chairman of the meeting, and a committee was appointed to visit Pampa and discuss the new road and bridges, with a view of securing full cooperation in the projects.

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#### 157 CIVIL CASES ON DOCKET JUNE 11 DISTRICT COURT

A total of 157 cases are on the docket for trial at the district court to convene at Pampa June 11, with Judge Newton P. Wells presiding.

78 of the cases have been filed since the last term of court, including the court house removal contest, which it is thought will be the first case tried.

There are also 25 criminal cases on the docket.

This court will be the first session of the 84th district at the temporary court house at Pampa.

#### C. OF C. MEETING FRIDAY TO DISCUSS ROADS

A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held Friday of this week at 8 p. m. in the Wilkerson building to discuss the proposed McLean-Pampa highway.

This meeting was voted at the meeting of the C. of C. Monday night, and it is expected that everyone who is interested will be present.

The regular monthly meeting of the C. of C. will be held Monday night, when several questions of vital interest will be taken up.

#### BYRON FULLERTON PREACHED AT CHURCH OF CHRIST MONDAY

Reported.

Byron Fullerton, M. A., preached for the Church of Christ Monday night. In spite of this being a special meeting but sparingly advertised, a good crowd was present to hear the Oklahoma educator's address. Eld. Fullerton is the high school superintendent at Gotebo, Okla., and minister of the church there. The subject of his address was "The Principle of Sacrifice." All present were delighted with this masterly address. Bro. Fullerton will spend the next three months in Colorado.

#### A WIENIE ROAST

Reported.

Thirty-one young people of the Church of Christ met at the church last Thursday night. Promptly at 6:30 o'clock, a light-hearted crowd proceeded to Skillet Creek. Just a little while after reaching their destination, a series of new games was begun. These lasted until 9 o'clock, by which time wienies, marshmallows and other refreshments were more than welcome. A good time was had by all in attendance.

#### S. W. P. S. Sells Plants Utilities Co.

#### Three Big Companies Merge Interests July 1

The Southwestern Public Service Company has been sold to the interests that now own the Texas Utilities Company and the New Mexico Utilities, actual transfer to take place July 1.

Judge I. R. Kalso, president of the Texas Utility Company, will head the merged companies. Judge Kelso states that there will be a change in local management or operating personnel of the towns affected, and that the Southwestern plants will be brought into harmony with the Texas and New Mexico companies, with a view of improved service at the lowest possible rates.

H. S. Williams, manager of the McLean plant, says that we will probably see no difference in the local situation, with the possible exception that we may be placed on a high tension line at an earlier date than would otherwise have been.

The Texas Utilities Company was organized in the Panhandle in 1915 and Judge Kelso has been in continuous direction of its affairs since that time. His connection with the new company assures continuous efficient management of its affairs.

The McLean power and ice plants are affected by the deal. These plants were put in by the city council a few years ago and later sold at a nice profit to the present owners.

#### RENSHAW FUNERAL MONDAY

Funeral services were held at Hillcrest cemetery Monday afternoon for J. M. Renshaw, aged 80 years, 1 month and 15 days, who died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Burrows at Ramsdell Sunday, May 27, 1928.

Services were conducted by Eld. W. B. Andrews, minister of the Church of Christ, and consisted of reading the 23rd Psalm, a few comments and a song, which was the request of the deceased.

The deceased was the father of Mrs. Lee Van Sant, former McLean resident, and left two daughters, 10 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn his passing.

#### REEVES-COUSINS

Married, Monday, May 28, at Clarendon, Miss Ruby Reeves and Mr. Charles Cousins.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Reeves of McLean and is one of the most popular members of this year's graduating class of McLean high school.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cousins, and a prominent young business man of McLean.

#### BAND UNIFORMS ARRIVE

According to Director R. C. Davidson, the new uniforms ordered for the McLean band are here, and the band will make its first public appearance at a concert next Thursday evening.

Full particulars of the concert will be given in next week's issue of The News.

Prof. R. C. Davidson was in Claude Wednesday.

# 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 as "The Bat" has brought about a veritable reign of terror. At his wife'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 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 reads the warning in 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, lighting another detective warning them to leave. Doctor Wells urges Miss Van Gorder to obey, but she firmly 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) is sought for, and Dale's fiancé, Lizzie, who she 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.

**CHAPTER VI**—Dale tells Richard Fleming of her knowledge of the hidden room. He gets rid of her while she 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 darts. The struggle Fleming is shot and killed. Anderson and the rest find her beside the body, with a revolver. Doctor Wells arrives.

**CHAPTER VII**—Reggie Beresford, friend of Fleming, appears. Doctor Wells gets the scrap of blueprint from Fleming's body, but Anderson takes it from him. Dale hides her piece in a bread roll, which the butler removes. Some one sneaks entry into the house and all but Dale and Wells go to investigate. Dale tells Wells of the piece of paper in the roll. He goes to get it.

**CHAPTER VIII**—Miss Van Gorder informs Dale and Bailey of her knowledge that "Brooks" is Bailey. She also says she has reason to doubt Wells' honesty. Wells tells Dale he did not find the piece of blueprint in the roll. She rightly guesses he is lying, but does not realize the extent of his duplicity.

**CHAPTER IX**—Beresford recognizes Bailey and the latter admits his identity. He is put under guard. Anderson sneaks away and is alone with the doctor. Wells tries to burn the scrap of blueprint he had found in the roll but Anderson seizes it. Taking the detective unaware, Wells stuns him and conceals him in an adjoining room. A knocking at the front door collects the household. A stranger, obviously badly hurt and in a daze, is admitted. He can give no explanation for his presence, and worried over Anderson's absence, the party disperses to search the house.

**CHAPTER X**—In the attic Miss Van Gorder and Bailey discover the hidden room, with an empty safe in it. Lizzie declares she has seen the Bat. Miss Cornelia and Bailey go to investigate, leaving Dale in the attic. The Bat steals in, and the girl in terror creeps into the hidden room and faints. Doctor Wells, entering by the window, is surprised by Anderson (who has recovered his senses, and escaped), Miss Cornelia, and Bailey. They find Dale in the hidden room unconscious. Revived, she can only say she saw the Bat. Anderson arrests the doctor, taking him away. Billy, the butler, bursts into the room.

"Perhaps I'm an obstinate old woman," she said, in tones which obviously showed that if so she was rather proud of it, "but the doctor and all the rest of us were locked in the living room, not ten minutes ago!"

"By the Bat, I suppose!" mocked Anderson.

"By the Bat!" insisted Miss Cornelia inflexibly. "Who else would have fastened a dead bat to the door downstairs? Who else would have the bravado to do that? Or what you call the imagination?"

In spite of himself Anderson seemed to be impressed.

"The Bat, eh?" he muttered, then, changing his tone, "you knew about this hidden room, Wells?" he shot at the doctor.

"Yes." The doctor bowed his head. "And you knew the money was in the room?"

"Well, I was wrong, wasn't I?" parried the doctor. "You can look for yourself. That safe is empty."

The detective brushed his evasive answer aside.

"You were up in this room, earlier tonight," he said in tones of apparent certainty.

"No, I couldn't get up!" the doctor still insisted, with strange violence

for a man who had already admitted such damning knowledge.

The detective's face was a study in disbelief.

"You know where that money is, Wells, and I'm going to find it!"

This last taunt seemed to goad the doctor beyond endurance.

"Good God!" he shouted recklessly. "Do you suppose if I knew where it is, I'd be here? I've had plenty of chances to get away! No, you can't pin anything on me, Anderson! It isn't criminal to have known that room is here."

"Oh, don't be so d-d virtuous!" said the detective brutally. "Maybe you haven't been upstairs—but, unless I miss my guess, you know who was!"

The doctor's face changed a little.

"What about Richard Fleming?" persisted the detective, scornfully.

The doctor drew himself up.

"I never killed him!" he said, so impressively that even Bailey's faith in his guilt was shaken. "I don't even own a revolver!"

The detective alone maintained his attitude unchanged.

"You come with me, Wells," he ordered, with a jerk of his thumb toward the door. "This time I'll do the locking up."

The doctor, head bowed, prepared to obey. The detective took up a candle to light their path. Then he turned to the others for a moment.

"Better get the young lady to bed," he said, with a gruff kindness of manner. "I think that I can promise you a quiet night from now on."

"I'm glad you think so, Mr. Anderson!" Miss Cornelia insisted on the last word. The detective ignored the satiric twist of her speech, motioned the doctor out ahead of him, and followed. The faint glow of his candle

flickered a moment and vanished toward the stairs.

It was Bailey who broke the silence.

"I can believe a good bit about Wells," he said, "but not that he stood on that staircase and killed Dick Fleming."

Miss Cornelia roused from deep thought.

"Of course not," she said briskly. "Go down and fix Miss Dale's bed, Lizzie. And then bring up some of that elderberry wine."

"Down there, where the Bat is?" Lizzie demanded.

"The Bat has gone."

"Don't you believe it. He's just got his hand in!"

But at last Lizzie went, and closing the door behind her, Miss Cornelia proceeded more or less to think out loud.

"Suppose," she said, "that the Bat, or whoever it was shut in there with you, killed Richard Fleming. Say that he is the one Lizzie saw coming in by the terrace door. Then he knew where the money was, for he went directly up the stairs. But that is two hours ago or more. Why didn't he get the money, if it was here, and get away?"

"He may have had trouble with the combination."

"Perhaps. Anyhow, he was on the small staircase when Dick Fleming started up, and of course he shot him. That's clear enough. Then he finally

got the safe open, after locking us in below, and my coming up interrupted him. How on earth did he get out on the roof?"

Bailey glanced out the window.

"It would be possible from here. Possible, but not easy."

"But, if he could do that," she persisted, "he could have got away, too. There are trellises and porches. Instead of that he came back here, to this room." She stared at the window.

"Could a man have done that with one hand?"

"Never in the world."

Saying nothing, but deeply thoughtful, Miss Cornelia made a fresh progress around the room.

"I know very little about bank currency," she said, finally. "Could such a sum as was looted from the Union bank be carried away in a man's pocket?"

Bailey considered the question.

"Even in bills of large denomination—it would make a pretty sizable bundle," he said.

But that Miss Cornelia's deductions were correct, whatever they were, was in question when Lizzie returned with the elderberry wine. Apparently Miss Cornelia was to be like the man who repaired the clock; she still had certain things left over.

For Lizzie announced that the Un-

known was ranging the second floor

hall. From the time they had escaped from the living room this man had not been seen or thought of, but that he was a part of the mystery there could be no doubt. It flashed over Miss Cornelia that, although he could not possibly have locked them in, in the darkness that followed he could easily have fastened the bat to the door. For the first time it occurred to her that the arch-criminal might not be working alone, and that the entrance of the Unknown might have been a carefully devised ruse to draw them all together and hold them there.

Nor was Beresford's arrival with the statement that the Unknown was moving through the house below particularly comforting.

"He may be dazed, or he may not," he said. "Personally, this is not a time to trust anybody."

Beresford knew nothing of what had just occurred, and now seeing Bailey he favored him with an ugly glance.

"In the absence of Anderson, Bailey," he added, "I don't propose to trust you too far. I'm making it my business from now on to see that you don't try to get away. Get that!"

But Bailey heard him without particular resentment.

"All right," he said. "But I'll tell you this, Anderson is here and has arrested the doctor. Keep your eye on me, if you think it's your duty, but don't talk to me as if I were a criminal. You don't know that yet."

"The doctor?" Beresford gasped.

But Miss Cornelia's keen ears had heard a sound outside, and her eyes were focused on the door.

"That door-knob is moving," she said, in a hushed voice.

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## CHAPTER XI

### The Bat Still Flies.

He stepped back in the doorway, looked out, then turned to them again.

"I come in, please?" he said pathetically, his hands quivering. "I not like to stay in dark."

Miss Cornelia took pity on him.

"Come in, Billy, of course. What is it? Anything the matter?"

Billy glanced about nervously.

"Man with sore head."

"What about him?"

"Act very strange." Again Billy's slim hands trembled.

Beresford broke in. "The man who fell into the room downstairs?"

Billy nodded.

"Yes. On second floor, walking around."

Beresford smiled, a bit smugly.

"I told you!" he said to Miss Cornelia. "I didn't think he was as dazed as he pretended to be."

Miss Cornelia, too, had been pondering the problem of the Unknown. She reached a swift decision. If he were what he pretended to be—a dazed wanderer—he could do them no harm. If he were not—a little strategy properly employed might unravel the whole mystery.

"Bring him up here, Billy," she said, turning to the butler.

Billy started to obey. But the darkness of the corridor seemed to appall him anew, the moment he took a step toward it.

"You give candle, please?" he asked, with a pleading expression. "Don't like dark."

Miss Cornelia handed him one of the two precious candles. Then his present terror reminded her of that one other occasion when she had seen him lose completely his stoic oriental calm.

"Billy," she queried, "what did you see when you came running down the stairs before we were locked in, down below?"

But Billy only backed toward the door, smiling apologetically.

"Thought I saw ghost," he said, and went out and down the stairs, the candle-light flickering, growing fainter and finally disappearing. Silence and eerie darkness enveloped them all as they waited. And suddenly out of the blackness came a sound.

Something was flapping and thumping around the room.

"That's d-d odd!" muttered Beresford uneasily. "There is something moving around the room."

The next instant Bailey gave a triumphant cry.

"I've got it! It's a bat!"

Lizzie sunk to her knees, still moaning, and Bailey carried the cause of the trouble over to the window and threw it out.

But the result of the absurd incident was a further destruction of their morale. Even Beresford, so far calm with the quiet of the victims' outlook, was now pallid in the light of the matches they successively lighted. And onto this strained situation came at last Billy and the Unknown.

(Continued next week)

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

## INSURANCE

Life Fire Hail

I insure anything No prohibited list.

I represent some of the strongest companies in the world.

T. N. Holloway

Reliable Insurance

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Suggs of Houston visited Mr. and Mrs. W. S. White Sunday.

Miss Loyce Clement of Amarillo spent the week end with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Landers visited relatives in Clarendon Sunday.

## 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-tfc

## The West Texas State Teachers College

Canyon, Texas

A standard Class A College, recognized throughout the United States.

Summer session opens June 5, 1928, and closes August 24. Students may enter June 5 or July 16. Courses lead to degrees and certificates.

For information, write—D. A. SHIRLEY, Registrar

Mrs. Mollie Flowers has moved back to McLean from Ada, Okla., and orders her name placed on The News subscription list.

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

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

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# Years of Service in Model T Fords

Expenditure of few dollars may enable you to get thousands of miles from your old car

THE Model T Ford is still a great car. It led the motor industry for twenty years and it is used today by more people than any other automobile. More than eight million Model T Fords are in active service in city, town and country, and many of them can be driven for two, three and five years and even longer at very small up-keep expense.

The cost of Model T parts and of necessary labor is unusually low because of established Ford policies.

New fenders, for instance, cost from \$3.50 to \$5 each, with a labor charge of \$1 to \$2.50. Tuning up the motor and replacing commutator case, brush and vibrator points costs only \$1, with a small charge for material. Brake shoes can be installed and emergency brakes equalized for a labor charge of only \$1.25. A labor charge of \$4 to \$5 will cover the overhauling of the front axle, rebushing springs and spring perches, and straightening, aligning and adjusting wheels.

The labor charge for overhauling the average rear axle runs from \$5.75 to \$7. Grinding valves and cleaning carbon can be done for \$3 to \$4.

A set of four new pistons costs only \$7. For a labor charge of \$20 to \$25 you can have your motor and transmission completely overhauled. Parts are extra.

All of these prices are approximate, of course, because the cost of materials needed will depend on the condition of each car. They show, however, the low cost of putting the Model T Ford in shape for thousands of miles of additional service.

See the nearest Ford dealer, therefore, and have him estimate on the cost of re-conditioning your Model T Ford. He will tell you, in advance, exactly how much the complete job will cost.



FORD MOTOR COMPANY

Detroit, Michigan

**With the Churches**

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

W. B. Andrews, Minister  
Our house was full once more at our Sunday morning service. Our night crowd was a considerable improvement over our last few Sunday night crowds.  
Please remember the regular services of the week. We are anxious to make this our very best summer. If we can get whole-hearted co-operation from the members, that can easily be done. Please take up your crosses and follow Him. We will gladly welcome anyone who cares to worship with us.  
Sister Paisley placed her membership with the church here at the morning service. Bro. Shultz, manager of the McLean gin, and his wife placed membership Sunday night. These new members are more than welcome.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

R. R. Rives, Minister  
Remember the services at this church next Sabbath:  
Bible school 10 a. m.  
Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.  
Young people 7 p. m.  
You and your friends are cordially invited to worship with us at all the services.

**SENIOR B. Y. P. U.**

Subject—Some Problems of Daily Work.  
Introduction—Lacuna Holloway.  
The World Began with Work—Mabel Miller.  
Jesus and the Carpenter's Trade—Raymond Hall.  
Why so many Years in School—Oet Savage.  
Why Strikes and the Bread Line—Jesse Cobb.  
Problems Solved in the Right Way—Mrs. Caldwell.  
Young People's Problems—Judson Cobb.  
This will be a memory program. Let everyone be on time at 7:30.

**JUNIOR B. Y. P. U.**

Subject—How a Sly Trick Worked and Failed.  
Introduction—Wilburn Lynch.  
The Plot of the Gibeonites—Oleta Holloway.  
Preparing for the Trip—Hobby Appling.  
Joshua Hears their Story—Bobby Appling.  
Joshua Is Deceived—Merle Andrews.  
Joshua Discovers His Mistake—Arnold Sharp.  
The Gibeonites Are Punished—Frankie Andrews.

**LADIES BIBLE CLASS**

The regular meeting of the ladies Bible class at the Church of Christ was held Tuesday with seven ladies present.  
The lessons are full of interest and everyone is welcome.

**RAMSDELL SCHOOL GRADUATING EXERCISES FRIDAY NIGHT**

Reported.  
Five members of the seventh grade of Ramsdell school passed into high school Friday night. The stage, which formed the background for their departure, was decorated in the class colors of red and white.  
The first number of the program was "The Commencement Song" rendered by the Glee Club. Effie Crawford gave the welcome address followed by Iva Davidson with the class will. Clyde Brown gave the class history and Juanita Exum the class prophecy. Ardie Lankford, valedictorian of the class, gave the farewell address. Immediately following, the Glee Club rendered "Faith in the Future."  
Rev. B. W. Wilkins was introduced as the speaker of the evening. Taking as a guide "Whatever thy hand finds to do, do it with thy might," he delivered an inspiring address. In his remarks he brought out the necessity of having a vision, of aiming high in life, of having confidence in one's self, and of having an opportunity. Here he brought in the story of Mr. Edison and his first chance to make good as a telegraph operator. His address, diplomas were awarded the graduates by Jason Morgan, principal of the school.

Rev. R. R. Rives returned Saturday evening from Tulsa, Okla., where he attended the opening sessions of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church. He reports an interesting time.

**AN UNKNOWN SOLDIER**

By Henry Charlton Jones  
Oklahoma City

A Sabbath stillness folds its wings  
About this lonely spot;  
Here calmness rules in sober places  
And Time and Strife are not.

The years go on their steadfast way,  
Each spring the rose returns;  
The grass springs lush and green  
again,  
The lily blooms and years.

But he who sleeps beneath this stone  
Has closed his eyes to May;  
For him the sunrise brings no dawn,  
No thrill at break of day.

In days not long ago he marched  
With military tread;  
With stalwart strength he faced  
his foe,  
And knew not fear or dread.

He gave his eager, singing youth,  
And died without a moan;  
And all his dreams and all his hopes  
Lie dead beneath this stone.

Now some who stayed at home for gain,  
Who should have gone instead,  
Will stand beside his grave and drape  
Their praise around his head.

The drums of War will throb afar,  
But thrills and praise will fall  
On ears that hear no sound or word,  
Ears deaf alike to all.

But if he knows, this led who died,  
What passes o'er his loam,  
I think he would not change his lot  
With some who stayed at home.

**A STORY WITH A MORAL**

By Eld. W. B. Andrews  
The first Sunday after the resurrection of Christ, ten of the apostles met in a room to worship. While every entrance was blocked during the service, Jesus suddenly stood among them. Peter was permitted to see the Lord he had betrayed. John saw again Him who loved him so. Andrew felt of the one he had helped bury. James talked to Him who cried, "It is finished." Thomas—no, he wasn't here. He knew they would meet again, but he didn't choose to go.

The next week the ten went to the wavering and fast disappearing host of Christ's followers with a message of hope and cheer that reassured them, gave them new life. Thomas—why, he said, "I don't believe it. Prove it to me. Let me see Him."  
The next Sunday Jesus appeared again. While the others were rejoicing at the sight of Jesus, persistent tears flowed from the eyes of Thomas. Why? He missed church, thereby missing seeing Jesus. Not seeing Him, he doubted.  
Moral: Go to church Sunday; it will make you a better and happier man.

**MISS FRANCIS WINS AT STATE MEET**

Miss Viola Francis of Perryton, who won first place in 3R club work at the district meet at Canyon, won 3rd place at the state meet at Austin, being the only Panhandle girl to win a place in the state meet.  
Miss Francis is a daughter of Robert Francis, formerly of McLean, and a niece of Mrs. Luther Petty.

**DUNCAN-ROBY**

Married, Monday, May 21, 1928, at Bethany, Okla., Miss Maridell Duncan of Duncan, Okla., and Rev. Rex Roby of McLean.

The bride is a popular young lady who has been attending Bethany Holiness College for the past 4 years.  
The groom is a McLean boy, having attended the college the same length of time, and is a rising young clergyman of the Nazarene faith.

The young couple are visiting the groom's mother here, and are planning a trip to San Angelo at an early date.

**MERTEL PUTS ON SALE**

John Mertel is putting on a Profit Sharing Sale to begin Saturday morning, full announcement of which will be found on the back page of this paper.  
The News designed and printed the big double page circulars for the sale, saving the expense of a so-called "Sales Manager."

Atty. L. V. Lonsdale and L. G. McMillen were in Pampa Tuesday.

Miss Sallie Campbell visited in Amarillo Tuesday.



Ivey E. Duncan

Announcing my candidacy for county judge of Gray county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary of July 28, and an efficient and consistent administration for all departments pertaining to the office.

**IRVIN SELLS TO LESTER**

Guss Irvin has sold his vulcanizing shop to Lester's Service Station. Mr. Irvin will continue to do the vulcanizing work at this shop.

**TRY OUR SERVICE**

We Call for and Deliver  
Modern Equipment  
Expert Workmanship  
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**Modern Tailor Shop**

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**Hardy Hailstone**

and his friends are due soon. Is your crop protected against them?  
Better let me write you up today. Rates cheaper than last year.

C. S. Rice  
Agent

**PROGRAM at the American Theatre**

**Friday**

Colleen Moore in—

**"Her Wild Oat"**

A rollicking comedy-drama of a little waitress who hitches her lunch-wagon to a star and takes a wild ride into society. The hot time she has with the frigid four-hundred is worth a million in laughs.

**Saturday**

**Matinee "Her Wild Oat" Night**

Buzz Barton, the world's greatest juvenile rider and western star, in—

**"The Slingshot Kid"**

A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Production

**Monday and Tuesday**

Tim McCoy in—

**"Wyoming"**

A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Production

**Wednesday & Thursday**

Richard Dix in—

**"Sporting Goods"**

Selling "Sporting Goods" is a nice quiet occupation for Dix—but when he is mistaken for a millionaire and has to live up to it—that's the basis for great comedy and fun.

**Friday and Saturday June 8 and 9**

Sky-high for comedy—Harold Lloyd in his newest rocket of roars—

**"Speedy"**

Lloyd and laughter are the team supreme. If you're a professional grouch, here's where you lose your reputation forever.

**A POT LUCK DINNER**

Reported.

A pot luck dinner was given at the home of Mrs. Roy McCracken Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Alex Chapman, who will soon sail on the Mauretania for England. After a delicious meal was served, several gifts were presented to Mrs. Chapman. The following verse was pinned to one of the gifts, and it was considered very appropriate for the occasion:  
To you, dearest friend of mine,  
I wish all happiness and joy,  
As you sail across the brine,  
With nothing to vex or annoy,  
Remember that while you sail  
To that far off childhood clime,  
My friendship for you will never fail.

But will last throughout all time.  
The following ladies were present: Mesdames C. A. Watkins, R. R. Rives, T. W. Henry, W. C. Cheney, W. T. Wilson, Allen Wilson, John B. Vannoy, Bryant Henry, J. C. Harris, Charles Cooke, Donald Beall Roy McCracken, C. S. Rice, and Mel Davis of Lefors; Misses Trilby McCracken and Joellene Vannoy.

Mrs. E. E. Dishman was a visitor in Clarendon Thursday.

**GRADUATES THANK FRIENDS**

Friends who remembered the graduates of the McLean high school with a gift received from most of them in return a nicely printed appreciation card.  
Both the commencement invitations and the cards were from The News printing department, and many compliments have been received upon the appearance and good taste displayed.

Mrs. Roy Campbell visited in Clarendon Thursday.

Scott Johnston motored to Wellington Thursday.

Misses Catherine Corum and Fern Landers, members of the McLean band, visited the Claude band Wednesday.

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

**DR. THOS. M. MONTGOMERY**  
Eyesight Specialist  
will be in McLean every four weeks. Office at Erwin Drug Company. Next date  
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We sell feed, flour, salt, coal, seeds, etc., at reasonable prices. Try our service on your next order. We strive to please. Remember the free gold every Saturday.  
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**REAL ESTATE**  
We have bargains in real estate that will make money when the advance comes. If you want a home, let us show you what we have to offer. You will like our service.  
**Massay, McAdams & Stokely**  
Phone 44  
First Street Entrance, Citizens State Bank Building

**Ladies' Silk Dresses**  
**One-Half Price**  
**Friday and Saturday**

The following prices good Friday and Saturday of this week on new seasonable goods:

1 lot ladies' silk dresses.....**One-Half Price**  
1 lot ladies' voile and organdy dresses.....**One-Half Price**

1 lot ladies' shoes.....**One-Half Price**  
1 lot children's party dresses, values \$1.25 to \$1.49 on sale at **69c**

Princess slips.....**49c**  
1 lot ladies' hats, up to \$7.50 value.....**\$2.98**

**C. M. Stone & Co.**  
Better Quality  
Phone 153 McLean, Texas

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Published Every Thursday

T. A. LANDERS, Publisher

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Phone 47

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
In Texas

One Year	\$2.00
Six Months	\$1.25
Three Months	.65
Outside Texas	
One Year	\$2.50
Six Months	1.50
Three Months	.85

Advertising Rates upon Application



It is getting time to consider weed cutting on streets and vacant lots. There is no need to let weeds grow until they are snake harbors before cutting them.

If there is any way in which the proposed paving of Highway 66 can be speeded up, it should be done. This way of paying taxes on bonds with no road will soon become monotonous.

A Pampa visitor here Monday night remarked to the editor that McLean is to be congratulated upon its steady growth. The gentleman said if we keep on we will not be bothered by the shacks of an oil town, but will have a permanent foundation for a real city. He stated that he would like to invest in McLean property if we continue to build in the fashion we are now doing.

Good roads are to be desired anywhere, but the road that McLean needs more right now is a north and south highway from Hedley to Miami. The main difficulty towards securing this road is the lack of a bridge across the river. If the commissioners court would like to do something to be of real benefit to this part of the county, nothing would be better than building this bridge.

Money raised from taxation belongs to the people, and the taxpayers have a perfect right to know just how their money is spent. This right the law recognizes when it requires the regular publication of financial statements. In a case of a bond issue the law requires that just what the money is to be spent for be stated in the call for the election. The official who feels his responsibility to the taxpayers will undertake to see that the public is kept informed as to what is being done with their money. It is useless to fall back on the argument that the books are open to the public and anyone interested may inquire and find out; there is only one proper way to keep the public informed, and that is to obey the mandates of the publication law.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray County, Greeting:  
You are hereby commanded to summon L. S. Stowell, S. W. Cotton, and the unknown persons claiming an interest in the oil and gas or other minerals in and under all of section No. seven (7) in block No. thirty (30) certificate No. 9-1817, issued to the H. & G. N. Ry. Co. in Gray County, Texas, by, through or under the said L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, or either of them by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Gray County, to be held at the court house thereof, in Pampa, Texas, on the 2nd Monday in June, A. D. 1928, the same being the 11th day of June, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 25th day of April, A. D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 283, wherein G. E. Castleberry and his wife, Ella Castleberry, are plaintiffs, and L. S. Stowell, S. W. Cotton, and the unknown persons claiming an interest in the oil and gas or other minerals in and under all of section No. seven (7) in block No. thirty (30) certificate No. 9-1817, issued to the H. & G. N. Ry. Co. in Gray County, Texas, by, through or under the said L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, or either of them, are defendants, and said petition alleging that the plaintiffs are now the fee simple owners of the said sec-

tion of land hereinabove described; that on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1906, J. T. Pollard from and under whom the plaintiffs hold said land by mesne conveyances was the fee simple owner thereof; that on the day and date last aforesaid the said J. T. Pollard made, executed, acknowledged and delivered to the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, a certain thirty (30) year oil and gas lease, on said section No. seven (7) in block thirty (30) of the H. & G. N. Ry. survey, which is located in Commissioners' Precinct No. four (4) of Gray county, Texas, in the vicinity of the town of McLean; that the said lease recites a consideration of one dollar and the agreement of the defendant L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton to drill a test well on said section seven (7) or on some land in said Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 in the vicinity of section seven (7) within a period of two years from the date of said lease. Plaintiffs further allege that the one dollar was not in truth and in fact paid and that the true, only and moving consideration for the execution and delivery of said lease was the promise and agreement of the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, to develop the said property within two years from the date of the lease as above set out; that neither of the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, nor any persons acting for them did within the two years next following the date of said lease drill a test well for oil and gas on said section No. seven (7) nor on any land in the vicinity of section seven (7) or in Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 in Gray county, Texas, although often requested so to do by J. T. Pollard and the other land owners whose lands were leased for oil and gas to L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton in Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 in Gray county, Texas; that by reason of the failure and refusal of said L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton to drill said test well for oil and gas within the two years next following the date of said lease the same became void and of no further force and effect. Plaintiffs further allege that said oil and gas lease was void from its inception for the reason that it gave lessees the right to pay the lessors, their heirs or assigns, the sum of one dollar and be relieved therefrom of all liability thereunder, and did not give to the lessors the same option; that if for any reason the Court should hold said lease valid that then and in that event only the plaintiffs tender into court the sum of one dollar to the defendants and ask that said lease be cancelled in accordance with this provision. Plaintiffs further state that at no time since the execution and delivery of said lease, although almost twenty-two (22) years have expired since its execution and delivery that the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, have wholly failed and refused to drill the test well for oil and gas as stipulated in said lease and have wholly failed to even try to develop the property in accordance with the provisions of said lease; that the lease would not have been executed by the said J. T. Pollard but for such representations which in law are a fraud upon the plaintiffs rights; that no record assignment of said oil and gas lease is shown by the deed records of Gray county, Texas; that notice is hereby given to the defendants of this cause said original lease and that the plaintiffs will on the trial of this cause offer in evidence a complete abstract of the title to said section No. 7 as shown by the records of Gray county, Texas. Plaintiffs allege that said oil and gas lease, although void and of no force and effect, is a record cloud upon their title and ask that the same be cancelled and holden for naught as against all parties defendant and pray for relief, general and special, legal and equitable. Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with you return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Pampa, Texas, this the 25th day of April, A. D. 1928.

**CHAKLIE THUT, Clerks.**  
District Court, Gray County, Texas.  
(Seal)  
WSW-19-4c

Misses Alice Carpenter and Pauline Crabtree left Sunday for Lampasas, where they will attend school during the summer.

W. E. Bogan motored to Mobeetie Friday.

C. C. Bogan was in Mobeetie Thursday.

Oran Robinson of Amarillo spent the week end here.

Misses Nona and Jewell Cousins visited in Clarendon Sunday.

Dolph Burrows of Ramsdell was a McLean visitor Sunday.

Donald Beall motored to Mobeetie Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Beall went to Shamrock Sunday.

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Oils, Gas and Accessories  
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Insurance  
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**BLACK**  
"Mandy, you say yo' done married a real black man. Why, he ain't real black nobow whosom-eva. My husband am real black. I've done slept with him fo' five yeahs an' nevah seen him a-tall."  
"Mebby so—mebby so. But my man's so doggone black dat de fightnin' bugs follow him around in de daytime."  
Loren Naylor of Clarendon visited Mrs. J. W. Kibber last week end.

Groceries are cheaper at Pickett's Cash Store. Advertisement fee

**Star Filling Station**  
Marland Products  
General Tires  
Vulcanizing  
Polishing  
Greasing  
Washing  
Service  
Phone 131  
Ted Glass Prop.

**Candled Eggs**  
Buy your eggs here. Fresh eggs, freshly candled insures just the kind you like to serve on your table. Every egg a good one.  
**McLean Poultry & Egg Co.**

**Buick**  
Fair Treatment of USED CAR buyers ..your Buick Dealer's Policy.  
The used car that serves you most satisfactorily—that gives you the most transportation for your money—naturally offers the greatest used car value.  
Go to the Buick dealer. He offers a wide selection of makes and models in his used car stock.  
His prices are fair—based on the actual resale worth of the car in question. And he will tell you the true condition of any car he offers for sale. He is always careful to guard his high reputation in the community.  
When you buy a used car from your Buick dealer you know that it will perform as promised—you know that you are getting your money's worth.  
**BUICK MOTOR COMPANY**  
FLINT, MICHIGAN—DIVISION OF GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION  
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Everything you need in hardware can be bought here at reasonable prices.  
**FURNITURE**  
It will pay you to let us figure on your furniture requirements.  
**IMPLEMENTS**  
We handle quality lines of farm implements.  
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We do plumbing and gas fitting. Get our figures before you buy. Remember the free gold every Saturday.  
**McLean Hdw. Co.**  
W. B. Upham, Mgr.

**Success Comes Only Through Saving**  
Said Franklin: "A man may, if he knows not how to save as he gets, keep his nose all his life on the grindstone and die not worth a cent at the last."  
**The Citizens State Bank**  
CAPITAL, BOND AND SURPLUS \$400,000  
J. S. Morse, President  
W. E. Bogan, Cashier

**Gigantic Reorganization Sale**  
Opens Thursday, June 7  
9 Smashing Days of Unparalleled Bargains 9  
We are now a member of the Ben Franklin League of Chain Stores and must close out every dollar's worth of surplus merchandise to make room for our new stocks. Profits are lost sight of in this big sale. See our big circular for sample prices.  
**FREE** pair of silk hose to first fifty ladies entering our store the opening day.  
Your chance to save money.  
**Cobb's Variety Store**

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D. 1928, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 282, wherein Mrs. Sallie I. Willis, a feme sole, is plaintiff and L. S. Stowell, S. W. Cotton and the unknown persons claiming an interest in the oil and gas or other minerals in and under all or section No. eight (8) in block No. thirty (30) certificate No. 9-1817, issued to the H. & G. N. Ry. Co. in Gray county, Texas, by, through or under the said L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, or either of them, are defendants, and that the plaintiff is now the fee simple owner of the said section of land hereabove described; that on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1906, J. T. Pollard from and under whom the plaintiff holds said land by mesne conveyances was the fee simple owner thereof; that on the day and date last aforesaid the said J. T. Pollard made, executed, acknowledged and delivered to the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, a certain thirty (30) year oil and gas lease on said section No. eight (8) in block thirty (30) of the H. & G. N. Ry. Co. survey, which is located in Commissioners' Precinct No. four (4) of Gray county, Texas, in the vicinity of the town of McLean, Texas; that the said lease recites a consideration of one dollar and the agreement of the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton to drill a test well on said section eight (8) or on some land in said Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 in the vicinity of section eight (8) within a period of two years from the date of said lease. Plaintiff further alleges that the one dollar was not in truth and fact paid and that the true, only and moving consideration for the execution and delivery of said lease was the promise and agreement of the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, to develop the said property within two years from the date of the lease as above set out; that neither of the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, nor any persons acting for them did within the two years next following the date of said lease drill a test well for oil and gas on said section No. eight (8) nor on any land in the vicinity of section eight or in Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 in Gray county, Texas, although often requested to do so by J. T. Pollard and the other land owners whose lands were leased for oil and gas to L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton in Commissioners' Precinct No. 4 in Gray county, Texas; that by reason of the failure and refusal of said L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton to drill said test well for oil and gas within the two years next following the date of said lease the same became void and of no further force and effect. Plaintiff further alleges that said oil and gas lease was void from its inception for the reason that it gave lessees the right to pay the lessors, their heirs or assigns, the sum of one dollar and be relieved from any and all liability thereunder, and did not give to the lessors the same option; that if for any reason the Court should hold said lease valid that then and in that event only the plaintiff tenders into court the sum of one dollar to the defendants and ask that said lease be cancelled in accordance with this provision. Plaintiff further states that at no time since the execution and delivery of said lease, although almost twenty-two (22) years have elapsed since its execution and delivery that the defendants, L. S. Stowell and S. W. Cotton, have wholly failed and refused to drill the test well for oil and gas as stipulated in said lease and have wholly failed to even try to develop the property in accordance with the provisions of said lease; that the lease would not have been executed by the said J. T. Pollard but for such representations which in law are a fraud upon the plaintiffs rights; that no record assignment of said oil and gas lease is shown by the deed records of Gray county, Texas; that notice is hereby given to the defendants to produce on the trial of this cause said original lease and that the plaintiff will on the trial of this cause offer in evidence a complete abstract of the title to said section No. eight as shown by the records of Gray county, Texas. Plaintiff alleges that said oil and gas lease, although void and of no force and effect, is a record cloud upon her title and asks that the same be cancelled and holden for nought as against all parties defendant and prays for relief, general and special, legal and equitable. Herein full set, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you

have executed the same. Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Pampa, Texas, this 26th day of April, A. D. 1928.  
 CHARLES TRUT, Clerk,  
 District Court, Gray County,  
 Texas.  
 WSW-19-4c

**A LITTLE CHANGE**  
 Timidly, yet hopefully, an aspiring author laid his contribution on the editor's desk. With a jaundiced eye the editor skimmed through the pages. "Are you quite sure this is an original story?" he asked suspiciously.  
 "Yes, indeed!" responded the author. "All except the punctuation—I changed that in places."

**FAST CARS**  
 Auto Prospect—"But I don't want to buy a car that runs 70 or 80 miles an hour."  
 Salesman—"Don't let that worry you. This car doesn't really go that fast. But people like to brag about going fast, and to please them we fix the speedometers so they show twice as much as the car is going."

Mrs. E. E. Gething of Mobeetle was trading in McLean Saturday and ordered The News a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Medley of Fort Worth visited in the F. H. Bourland home last week.

Little Misses Charlotte and Rosalie Cousins of Amarillo are visiting relatives here.

Bailey Talley of Sayre, Okla., visited here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Reeves motor-d to Canyon last Thursday.

**MISSISSIPPI**  
 Misses Eula and Mary Naylor of Charendon visited in the Kibler home last week end.

Miss Imo Osborne left Thursday for her home at Carter, Okla., after attending school here.

Prof. R. C. Davidson was a visitor in Groom Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wilson of Pampa visited here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Foster of Pampa were in McLean Friday.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 We take this method of expressing our heartfelt thanks to our many friends who were so kind to us during the sickness and death of our father and grandfather, J. M. Renshaw. Especially do we thank the noble people of Ramsdell and the men of the R. I. R. R. May you always find such friends as these in time of need.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lee Van Sant.  
 Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows.  
 Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Ogle.

Mick Dywer of Pampa was a McLean visitor Saturday.

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

**W. C. Dunaway**  
**New and Second**  
**Hand Furniture**  
 You will like our goods and prices.  
 Give us a trial.

**FRESH MILK and PURE CREAM**

From Tuberculin Tested Cows  
 Modern sanitary barn. Frigidaire equipment. Milk cooled to 40 degrees insures no bacteria growth.  
 Free Delivery Twice Daily  
**Hibler's Dairy**  
 Quality plus Service Phone 61

**QUALITY HARDWARE**

We can supply your needs in the hardware line at a price you can afford to pay. We handle quality goods and sell at a small margin of profit. Better see us the next time you need anything in this line.  
 Remember the free gold every Saturday.

**Western Lumber & Hardware Company**  
 Roy Campbell, Mgr.



**Cara Nome Face Powder**

One of the several tints of Cara Nome face powder will blend with your complexion perfectly! And the powder will stay on until you want it off.  
 Fragrant with the entrancing Cara Nome perfume.

**Erwin Drug Co.**  
 The Rexall Drug Store

**Trees and Shrubbery**

Whatever your plans, better let us talk with you. We know the Panhandle and can supply you with what you need.  
**Bruce and Sons**  
 Trees with a Reputation  
 Alanreed, Texas

**The Whippet Four**

4 door Sedan is the lowest priced 4 door sedan in the world.  
 Price \$610.00  
 Touring—\$455.00  
 Sport Roadster—\$525.00  
 Cabriolet Coupe—\$595.00  
 Coupe—\$535.00  
 Coach—\$535.00

**The Whippet Six**

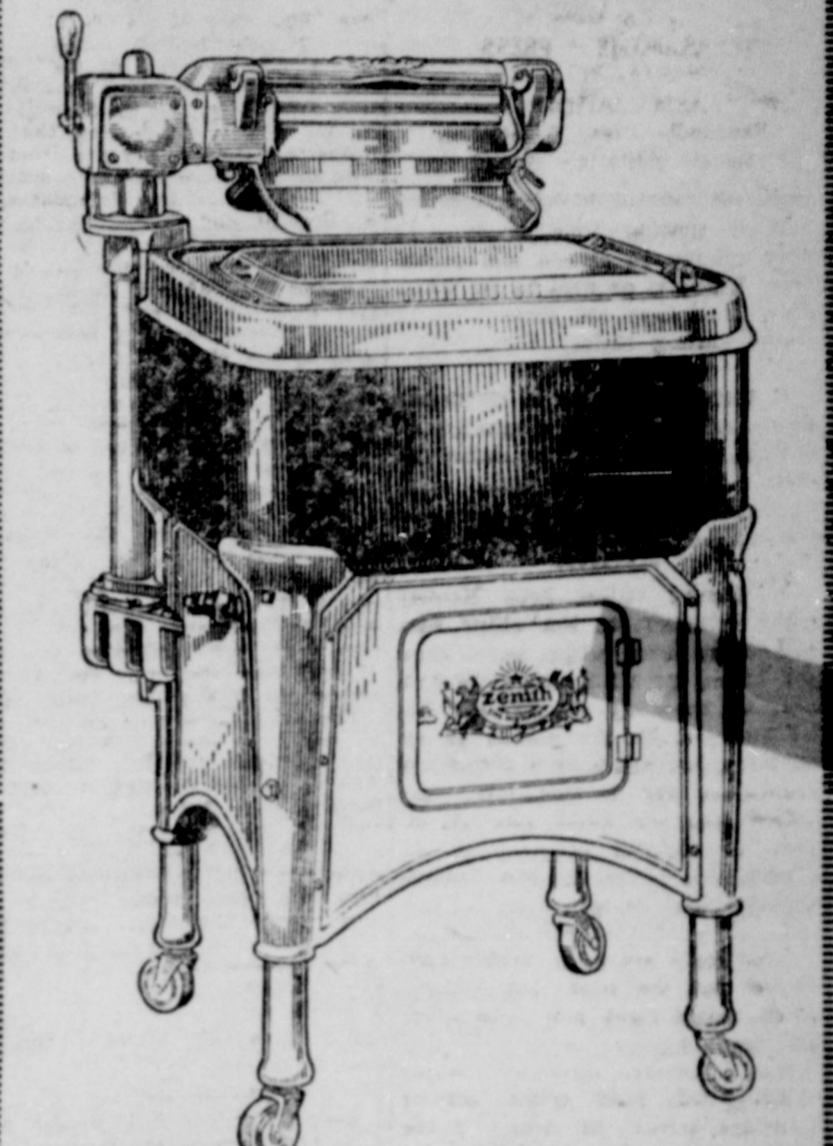
is the lowest priced 6 cylinder car manufactured.  
 Touring—\$616.00  
 Coach—\$695.00  
 Coupe—\$695.00  
 Sedan—\$770.00  
 Sport Roadster—\$685.00

**Willys-Knight**

Standard 6, with double sleeve valve motor.  
 Coach—\$995.00  
 Coupe—\$1045.00  
 Sedan—\$1095.00

All Prices f. o. b. Factory  
**Rogers Service Station**  
 W. P. Rogers L. L. Rogers

**\$165**



**"AN EASIER WASHDAY— WITH A DIFFERENCE"**

"An easier washday" of course—that is what a woman looks for from her washer. But the woman of today who takes pride in doing things well wants that and more—she is only content with an easier washday when it means whiter clothes—a whiter washing. A lot to expect from a washer, perhaps—but there is one that proves up to this test—the Zenith Washer.

**Southwestern PUBLIC SERVICE Company**  
 McLean, Texas

**An Investment with an EXTRA DIVIDEND**

THERE'S a big difference between an investment and a speculation. You can speculate in any old gasoline and hope it will deliver a satisfactory number of miles per gallon. You can invest in Summer Conoco and be sure of an extra dividend—a bonus of extra miles.  
 Your purchases of gasoline during the touring season represent a substantial investment. Make sure that the returns from that investment are the highest you can get.  
 Fill at the Conoco pump.



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 Producers, Refiners and Marketers of high-grade Petroleum products in Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming



packed with  
**—extra miles!**

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES—One insertion, 2c per word. Three insertions, 4c per word. Or, 1c per word each week after first insertion.

FOR SALE

WE EXPECT to deliver frying chickens every Saturday this summer. Fat, milk-fed Buff Orpingtons. If you appreciate quality products and cheerful service, better become one of our regular customers. Reep Landers. tf

POTATO PLANTS and other plants now ready. Book orders now. Roby's Plant Farm, east of town. Phone 182. tfe

Groceries are cheaper at Packett's Cash Store. tfe

FOR RENT

HOUSE for rent. Inquire at News office.

2 furnished rooms, modern, for rent. Inquire at News office. 1c

FOR RENT.—Comfortable bedroom with bath, close in. Phone 251. Mrs. B. N. Henry. 1c

FOR RENT.—7 room modern house, furnished or unfurnished. A few pieces furniture for sale. Phone 87. 1c

FOR RENT.—Two modern houses with gas, water and light connections. One 3-room, other 4-room. L. O. Floyd. 22-3c

FEMALE HELP WANTED

WE PAY \$1.20 dozen, sewing, mending, ironing, etc. Spare time. Thread furnished. No button holes. Send stamp. Cedar Garment Factory, Amsterdam, N. Y. 1p

MISCELLANEOUS

REGISTERED Jersey bull for service. Do not enter lot without permission. I will not be responsible for consequences. Geo. W. Sitter. 1p

MONEY to loan. We are prepared to loan you money on your farm at 7 1/2%. See us. Smith Bros. tfe

EMBROIDERY carbon, blue, red or yellow. Large sheet for 25c at News office.

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

Letter and invoice box files at the News office.

ADDING machine paper, 2 rolls for 25c, at News office.

MECHANICS' sales books at News office.

REMINGTON Portable typewriters offer every advantage; a standard machine may be bought on monthly payments at the News office.

BEST GRADE typewriter oil at News office.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 28, 1928. For District Attorney, 84th District: J. A. HOLMES CURTIS DOUGLASS For County Judge: T. M. WOLFE IVY E. DUNCAN For County and District Clerk: CHARLIE THUT For Tax Assessor: F. E. LEECH For Sheriff and Tax Collector: JOHN V. ANDREWS S. A. "Art" HURST WALT NEWTON E. S. GRAVES JIM C. KING For County Treasurer: JOE M. SMITH MABEL DAVIS For County Attorney: JOHN F. STUDER F. A. CARY For County Commissioner, Precinct 1: JOHN B. WILLIAMS

Th' Ole Grouch

AS PER YOU, YOUNG SHEIK, I'VE NEVER IDEA OF SHOWING MY DAUGHTER A GOOD TIME IS TO COME AND GET IN THE PARLOR EVERY NIGHT AND BRAG ABOUT YOURSELF, MY ADVICE TO HER IS TO GIVE YOU THE AIR, AND MAKE ROOM FOR A LIVE ONE WHO IS WILLIN' TO SPEND A LITTLE MONEY TAKING HER PLACES—NOT TO MENTION BURNIN' A FEW FLOWERS OR A BOX OF CANDY CANDY IN A WHILE



Mrs. W. T. Wilson has moved her store from the Back building on First street to the Rice-Cousins building on Main street.

Supt. and Mrs. Geo. Tummins have returned from a trip to Central Texas.

Miss Carmen Ulm of Amarillo is a new reader of The News.

Prof. R. C. Davidson and family visited in Clarendon Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Talley went to Erick, Okla., Sunday.

B. N. Henry motored to Mobeetie Friday.

John Carpenter returned Thursday from Lampasas.

Mrs. C. J. Cash visited in Amarillo Monday.

Bill Glass of Alanreed was in town Saturday.

A. T. Russell of Clarendon was a McLean visitor Monday.

A. T. Sherwood of Shamrock visited here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Glass visited relatives in Shamrock Sunday.

Mrs. Claud McGowan visited in Mangum, Okla., Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Smith motored to Leila Lake Sunday.

Mrs. Frazier returned last Thursday from Mangum, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulcher of Bowie were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hedrick of Alanreed were in McLean Sunday.

Ralph Randall visited in Clarendon Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Cash visited in Electra Saturday.

Mrs. Witt Springer visited in Amarillo Friday.

W. H. Craig of Alanreed was here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Williams motored to Leila Lake Sunday.

Johnnie Back was in Mobeetie Friday.

Mrs. Lizzie Miller visited in Pampa Sunday.

J. J. Simmons was in Erick, Okla., Sunday.

Miss Winifred Howard visited in Childress Monday.

Sammie Cubine was in Amarillo Monday.

Roger Powers was in Childress Sunday.

Jack Terrell is in Muskogee, Okla., for medical treatment.

N. A. Greer was in Wellington Monday.

Miss Kate Sublett of Ramsdell was a visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Morse motored to Amarillo Monday.

Miss Vera Swafford of Childress visited Miss Hazel Greer this week.

Mrs. Jess Mann returned Tuesday from a visit in Wellington.

TRASH DISTRIBUTORS TRIBUTE TO COUNTRY PRESS

A Marshall housewife phoned me yesterday: "Can't something be done to relieve the housekeepers of the nuisance of circulars and hand bills being scattered all over our yards and galleries? Not only do they scatter these papers all over the place, but twice today I answered the door bell to find a circular stuck under the door or behind the screen." I don't know what can be done about it.—Homer M. Price in Marshall News.

Little can be done about it—except what is being done about it—indignant housewives throwing the litter in the incinerator without looking at it, thus denying the nuisance advertisers their hoped-for publicity. This country is now too far advanced to be patient with outworn methods of advertising. There was a time when reading matter was so scarce that some attention was given to circulars thrown upon the family doorstep; that some interest was shown in the goods so advertised. But that time passed out with the ox cart and the auroch, the dodo and the quoo. How not to win popularity for even a meritorious product is to litter porches and dooryards with hand bills. Legitimate, sincere advertising in even the best newspapers is inexpensive in comparison with the medium's value. The real, successful, analytical advertisers know this, therefore they steer clear of scheme campaigns and wind-blown handouts. The newspaper comes to those who welcome it, therefore its contents are welcome. It comes as something paid for, therefore it receives attention and respect. State Press is not in the advertising business. But he is a consumer of goods, wares and merchandise, and he is no patron of those who scatter fly sheets on his premises.—State Press in Dallas News.

SOAP AND WATER WON'T HURT SKIN

Skin specialists are inclined to look on with amused toleration at the complexity of oily substances with which the modern woman arranges her dressing table for the purpose of improving her skin. Most of them are unable to conceive of any logical reason why the skin should not be washed at least twice a day, using water, a considerable amount of vigor and a mild soap.

Dr. W. J. McDonald is convinced that the skin of the average man is superior to that of the average woman. He connects this observation with the fact that most men shave daily, using soap and hot water, and that they rarely use cold cream for cleansing the skin.

Mrs. Art Mathis was in Shamrock Sunday.

"The smaller newspapers of the country are the most important newspapers, and, incidentally, in proportion to their circulation, their advertising results are the biggest, and their advertising rates are the smallest in the country. They are read through from end to end. Every copy of circulation means an entire family, not a family that lives in one room with a can opener, but a family that owns its own home and the land around it, at least ninety times out of a hundred; a family that buys everything from the roof on the house to the cement on the cellar floor; from the hat on mother's head to the shoes on the boys' feet. The service that their publishers render to the public is, in my opinion, the most important service rendered by any class of citizens in the United States. [The country editors are distributors of information; they reach the minds of the boys that leave the farms, and they are the nation's mental police force," says Arthur Brisbane.

After half a century in the publication of newspapers, daily and weekly, the writer can indorse the opinion of Arthur Brisbane that the country paper is read from end to end, and the advertisements are of special interest. Where a hundred read all that is in the home weekly, only one in that one hundred peruses all that is in the big city daily paper that comes to them. Large foreign advertisers are also becoming cognizant of the fact that space in country weekly and smaller city daily papers is of real value to them; that they can gain more at less cost, at the same time securing as much combined circulation with a certainty that their advertisements will be read by all.—Woodburn, Ore., Weekly Independent

NICE PEOPLE

Liza—Are you satisfied with your new employers? Jane—Oh, yes! They are every refined people. I started to work there this morning and they only grumbled five times during the morning."

STRANGE!

"What caused your husband to leave home?" "I haven't the least idea. He just picked up and left the morning after my mother and two sisters came to spend the winter with us."

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Morse motored to Miami Tuesday.

Miss Sybil Fletcher of Childress was a McLean visitor Sunday.

Miss Hazel Greer visited in Childress Monday.

ARE YOU A MEMBER



MOST of us manage to get our hands well smeared with ink when we do much writing with a pen. Remington Portable is the best solution of that problem—and the neatness and legibility of typewritten work are sure to make a hit with the profs.

Get a Remington Portable now! It's the smallest, lightest, most compact and most dependable portable with standard keyboard. Carrying case only 4 inches high. Weighs 8 1/2 pounds, net.

Let us explain to you our easy payment plan.



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THE McLEAN NEWS

BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

SOME PERSONS I KNOW ARE LED TO TRADE IN USABLE CITIES BECAUSE OF THE LEADERS USED BY THOSE STORES AS BAIT, WHEREBY TO DRAW TRADE. BAIT USUALLY CONCEALS A HOOK! I NEVER GET HOOKED WHEN I TRADE AT HOME!"



WE BELIEVE IN THE HABIT OF SAVING

- BECAUSE— 1. It is the foundation of a strong character, in that it builds up self-denial, will power and self-confidence. 2. It promotes the growth of individual industry and responsibility. 3. It calls for intelligence in spending, and results in scientific management of one's personal affairs. 4. It develops fore-thought and removes one of the greatest causes for worry. 5. It establishes for the thrifty person a reputation for intelligence, diligence and dependability. 6. It puts one in line for the best positions. 7. It enables one to seize business opportunity when it comes. 8. It secures greater and better planned pleasures. 9. It makes one a benefactor to society, not a beneficiary. 10. It assures national stability, prosperity and happiness.

Miss Madge Landers is visiting her sister, Mrs. Merle Grigsby, at Groom.

COBB'S SALE THURSDAY

Cobb's Variety Store will hold a Reorganization Sale beginning Thursday of next week, announcement of which is in our advertising columns.

The News printing department designed and printed the big circulation advertising the sale.

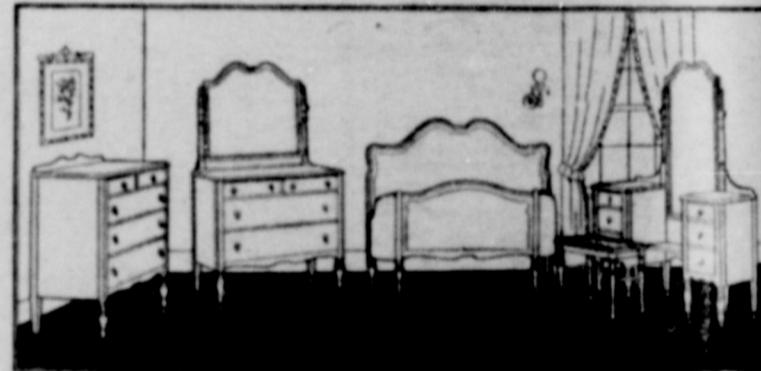
THERE ISN'T TIME

There isn't time in life—there isn't time To fret about each petty ill or wrong! You'll find folks love you better when you smile; They do not want your frown, they want your song. And when folks love you better, all the world Grows brighter and more beautiful each day; The fret and worry of the "common task" Before a friend's warm smile will fade away. There isn't time to mope—there isn't time; If you should stop to weep about the rain, Your tear-dimmed eyes will miss the golden sun That comes so soon to kiss the world again. There isn't time for anger or strife; Your bitter word a deadly thing may prove; There isn't time in life—there isn't time For anything but courage, hope and love! —Eileen Price Evans in "The Happy Mag."

Misses Lorene Sparks and Dorothy Cousins visited in Clarendon Sunday.

Bonnie Beauty Shoppe

Belcano Facials Marcelling Permanent Waves Shampooing, Scalp Treatments MABLE WATSON, Operator Montgomery Drug Store Phone 253



A Big Carload of New Furniture

just received. Everything that is new in suites and odd pieces, rugs, etc. You will want to see this display of fine furniture. We sell on the weekly or monthly payment plan and will take your old furniture in trade.

Come in and look over our display; you are welcome whether you are ready to buy or not.

Remember the free gold every Saturday.

McGowan Furniture Co.

We Lead—Others Attempt to Follow Claud McGowan, Mgr.

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOND ELECTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF GRAY,  
McLEAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

TO THE RESIDENT PROPERTY TAXPAYING VOTERS OF McLEAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 31st day of May, A. D. 1928, within said district in obedience to an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees on the 24th day of May, 1928, which is as follows:

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the consideration of the Board of Trustees the petition of Arthur Erwin and 37 other persons asking that an election be ordered upon the question of issuing bonds of said school district for the purpose of constructing and equipping a public free school building within said district, of brick and stone material and purchasing a site therefor, and

WHEREAS, it appears to the satisfaction of the Board of Trustees that said petition is signed by at least twenty qualified property taxpayers voters of said school district and is otherwise in conformity with law, the Board of Trustees is of the opinion that said petition should be granted, and said election as prayed for should be ordered;

WHEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF McLEAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

That an election be held in said McLean Independent School District on the 31st day of May, 1928, which is not more than thirty days from the date of this order, at which the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted to the resident qualified property taxpayers voters of said school district for their action thereupon:

**Proposition**  
"Shall the Board of Trustees of McLean Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of said school district to the amount of \$74,000.00 to become due and payable serially as follows:

Serial No.	Maturity date	Amt.
1-6	April 10, 1933	\$ 6,000.00
7-12	April 10, 1938	6,000.00
13-20	April 10, 1943	8,000.00
21-28	April 10, 1948	8,000.00
29-38	April 10, 1953	10,000.00
39-49	April 10, 1958	10,000.00
50-58	April 10, 1963	10,000.00
59-64	April 10, 1968	16,000.00

Each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote on the proposition.

None but resident qualified property tax paying voters of said McLean Independent School District shall be allowed to vote at said election.

The secretary of this Board of Trustees shall forthwith issue a notice of said election stating in substance the contents of this order and the time and place of said election, and said secretary shall file a copy of such notice at three different places within the boundaries of said McLean Independent School District, which posting shall be done less than three weeks prior to the date fixed for said election.

Immediately after said election has been held the officers holding the same shall make returns for the results thereof to the Board of Trustees of said school district, who shall return the ballot box to the secretary of said Board for safekeeping.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed as nearly as may be by the General Election Act as modified by Chapter 24 of the Acts passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature at its regular session, 1921, and all amendments thereto and the Constitution, and the Board of Trustees will furnish necessary ballots and other election supplies requisite to said election.

J. S. HOWARD, President,  
Board of Trustees.  
Test: JAS. W. BURROWS,  
Secretary.  
19-4c

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

V. D. Prewitt vs. Bessie Prewitt in the 84th District Court, Gray County, Texas.

The State of Texas to the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray county—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Gray once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon Bessie Prewitt, who is alleged to be a non-resident of the State of Texas, to be and appear at the next regular term of the 84th District Court of Gray county to be held at the court house thereof in the city of Pampa, on the second Monday in June, A. D. 1928, the same being the 11th day of June, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1928, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court, No. 307, wherein V. D. Prewitt is plaintiff, and Bessie Prewitt is defendant; the nature of plaintiff's demand being substantially as follows, to-wit: That plaintiff and defendant were legally married to each other on or about January 25th, 1910, and defendant permanently abandoned plaintiff on or about January 15th, 1925, without any cause or provocation, and against the consent of plaintiff, and having since lived separate and apart. Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving said bonds of matrimony existing between them.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of next term thereof this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the city of Pampa, Texas, this 10th day of May, A. D. 1928.

WITNESS, CHARLIE THUT, Clerk of 84th District Court in and for Gray County, Texas. (Seal) 19-4p

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Freeman of Dalhart, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harrell of Balenger visited in the C. J. Cash home the first of the week.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

Nellie Beardmore vs. J. W. Beardmore No. 302.

The State of Texas to the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray county—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in the county of Gray once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon J. W. Beardmore, whose residence is unknown, who is alleged to be a non-resident of the State of Texas, to be and appear at the next regular term of the 84th District Court of Gray county, to be held at the court house thereof in the city of Pampa, Texas, on the second Monday in June, A. D. 1928, the same being the 11th day of June, A. D. 1928, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 9th day of May, A. D. 1928, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 302, wherein Nellie Beardmore is plaintiff and J. W. Beardmore is defendant, the nature of plaintiff's demand being substantially as follows, to-wit: That defendant, J. W. Beardmore is guilty of unkind and harsh conduct and outrages toward plaintiff and his conduct toward plaintiff has been such as to render their living together unsupportable. Wherefore plaintiff prays for a divorce and for general and special relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court on the said first day of next term thereof this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the city of Pampa, Texas, this 10th day of May, A. D. 1928.

WITNESS, CHARLIE THUT, Clerk of 84th District Court in and for Gray County, Texas. (Seal) 19-4p

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Freeman of Dalhart, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harrell of Balenger visited in the C. J. Cash home the first of the week.

with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in the city of Pampa, Texas, this the 9th day of May, A. D. 1928.

Witness, CHARLIE THUT, Clerk of 84th District Court in and for Gray County, Texas. (Seal) 19-4c

Mrs. Ethel Hodges and daughter, Miss Bobbie, Misses Vina and Rachel Stratton, and A. C. Meier of Amarillo were guests in the Stratton home Sunday.

Mrs. Bethel Christian and daughter of Amarillo spent the week end with relatives here.

J. W. Crisp of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

**C. S. RICE**  
Funeral Director  
FUNERAL SUPPLIES  
MONUMENTS  
LICENSED EMBALMER  
Pheres 13 and 42

**MEADOR CAFE**  
Modern Equipment  
Pleasant Service  
Your Patronage Appreciated

**ROY L. PENDERGRAFT, M. D.**  
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat  
Suite 304-305  
OLIVER-EAKLE BLDG.  
Phone 4451  
Amarillo, Texas

N. A. Greer and daughter, Miss Hazel, visited in Wellington last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson and son, Gordon, motored to Pampa Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Dunkle of Hereford visited Mr. and Mrs. W. Sherman White Sunday.

Rev. D. H. Brynolf and family left for their annual vacation Monday.

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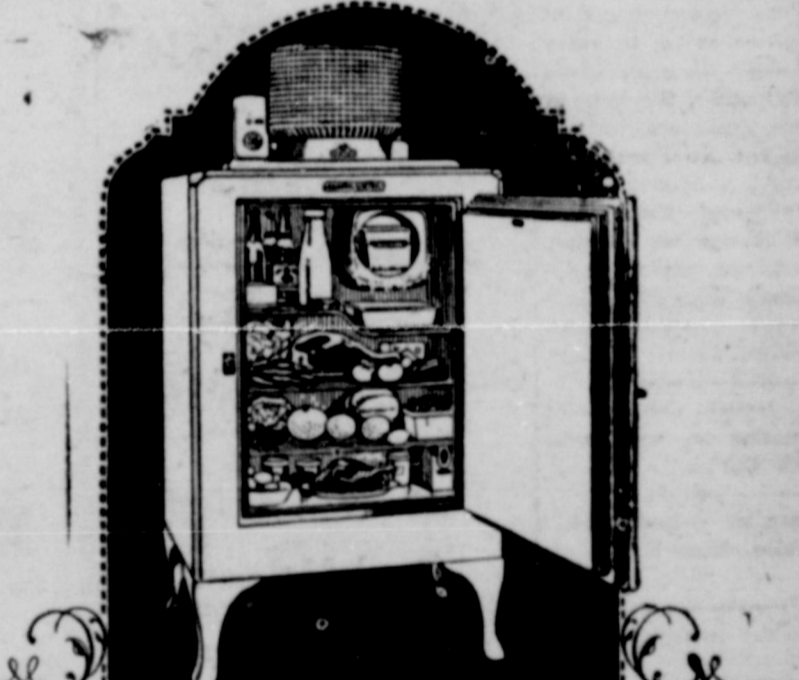
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**News from Liberty**

Mrs. Bethel Christian and children of Amarillo spent Saturday night and Sunday with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boline. The children remained for an indefinite visit.

Mrs. H. F. Wingo and Mrs. D. La. Craig of McLean visited the latter's daughter, Mrs. R. O. Cunningham, and family Monday.

A. L. Morgan and Frank Bell and families, Mr. and Mrs. Y. B. Lee and daughter, Miss Alta, attended the closing exercises of the Ransdell Thursday and Friday night of which Jason Morgan was principal.

Mr. and Mrs. Doy Holloway, Buddy, J. O. and Miss Gladys Holloway spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Holloway at Back.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewallen, Mrs. Reed and Miss White of Burk Burnett took dinner Sunday with Mrs. Kate Stokes, and all took supper with the latter's daughter, Mrs. Leo Irvin, and husband at McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Roth, Mrs. Kate Burcham and children of Arkansas have moved to a place just north of the school house.

A social was enjoyed at the Y. B. Lee home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hardin of Clarendon spent Tuesday with his cousin, Howard Hardin, and family and were accompanied home by Grandpa Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson and son, R. B., visited at the Dexter Glenn home northeast of McLean Sunday.

Jim Sanders of Wellington visited at the Frang Bell home Thursday. He was accompanied home by little Miss Frankie Mae Bell, who remained until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ratliff spent Sunday with their son, Marion, and family.

W. R. Aselt and family visited relatives at Pampa Sunday.

Misses Fannie Stockton and Geneva Corbin spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Clarabel Hardin.

**JAPANESE EMPEROR A TEETOTALER**

It is a little known fact, even within the confines of the Japanese Empire, that the Emperor is an absolute teetotaler. On the royal banquet tables not a drop of alcoholic beverages is set, and, in addition, His Majesty is also a non-smoker. This good example of the Mikado already has begun to exert a benign influence over the youth of Japan, and many who have been addicted to pay homage at the shrine of Bacchus or to enjoy the fragrant weed have eschewed the practices altogether, these young men reading in the act of His Majesty an example to them all.

The 300 special policemen whose duty it is to guard the Palace precincts have taken the pledge, and the Emperor's example is giving the spreading Temperance movement a tremendous impetus.—North China Herald.

Miss Nina Jewell Cantrell of Wheeler is spending the week with her sister, Miss Dorothy.

Russell Grogan of Hobart, Okla., visited home folks here last week end.

J. W. Armstrong spent the week end in Hedley.

**News from Pakan**

Farmers are busy planting. Cotton is mostly being planted this week.

A farewell party was given in honor of Misses Foster and Gardner at the G. W. Hanes home Tuesday night. Games were played and hot cocoa and cake were served to 40, all of whom report a nice time.

Dusan, Anna and Christina Pakan were McLean visitors Friday.

Misses Beasie and Lora Gossett have returned from Shamrock, where they have been attending school. The former was a member of the graduating class.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Janota and family, Miss Louise Rislan and Paul Ptak Jr. were Shamrock visitors Friday.

Miss Messie Gossett of this community and Mr. Rosecoe Trostle of Plainview were quietly married Thursday morning. They went on a honeymoon trip to California.

Those that were seen on the streets of Shamrock Saturday were John Cadra, R. Janota, Paul Macina, Carl, Frank and Godfrey Linker, Miro Pakan, John Hrciar and son, John.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ptak celebrated their silver wedding Sunday. Dinner was served to a large crowd. Everybody reported a nice time.

The Pakan baseball team will play the LeFa boys at LeLa Sunday. Everybody is invited to come.

Paul, Anna and Elizabeth Ptak, Joe Janota, Anna and Christina Pakan were Shamrock visitors Sunday.

Misses Foster and Gardner have returned to their homes at Dill City, Okla., and Jacksberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Celeb Smith were McLean visitors Saturday.

Miss Jane Campbell visited in Clarendon Thursday.

Jot Montgomery was in Dallas last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Cooke went to Amarillo Friday.

Miss Georgia Stratton is visiting in Amarillo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Landers made a trip to Wellington Friday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Cooke motored to Shamrock Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. AFen Wilson visited in Shamrock Tuesday.

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**SECOND SIGHT**

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Prof. Jason Morgan left this week for Alpine, where he will attend the summer session of Sul Ross Teachers College. He ordered The News to follow him.

Mrs. F. C. Quarles of Dalhart visited in the W. Sherman White home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Suggs of Wellington visited in the W. S. White home Sunday.

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