

# THE McLEAN NEWS

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## Santa Claus to Visit McLean Monday

## McLean Boys' Team Wins at Amarillo Poultry Show

### TAMPKE AMARILLO WINNER

#### McLean Wins First Place at Poultry Show

Prof. A. A. Tampke's poultry judging team was awarded first place at the Amarillo Tri-State poultry judging contest Friday, winning the silver loving cup offered for the high team. The medal for the high scoring individual went to Forrest Switzer of the McLean team.

Teams from 11 Panhandle towns entered the contest, Silverton winning second place with a total of 1429 points out of a possible 1800; McLean winning first with 1534 points. White Deer won third place with 1343 points.

Forrest Switzer, Guy Hibler and Oren Ayer composed the McLean team, with Hugh Cobbs alternate.

Oren Ayer won second place in individual scores, with a total of 536 points against Forrest Switzer's 549 points.

A banquet was tendered the teams and teachers at the Amarillo Hotel Friday evening, when the prizes were announced.

The judging contest was a feature of the five-day poultry show that opened Thursday of last week.

Prof. Tampke's teams are consistent winners wherever they enter, as is evidenced by many cups and medals awarded by state and district shows.

Prof. Tampke has presented the members of the McLean team a copy each of the American Standard of Perfection as a reward for winning the prize. This team has not had access to the standard, but has been compelled to learn from extracts typewritten and furnished by Prof. Tampke.

### NEW YEAR GREETINGS NEXT WEEK'S NEWS

Next week's issue of The McLean News will be the annual Good Will and New Year's Greetings number, in which merchants and others will have their message of thanks and good will to their customers.

This is an annual custom in McLean, and last year 57 business firms expressed their good wishes in the largest single edition of The News ever published.

Every one will have a chance to have their message in The News next week, and it is expected that this year's edition will surpass last year's, as most of the merchants have their copy already in and printed.

On account of the Christmas holiday breaking into next week, it is urged that those who have not handed in copy for this edition, do so at once.

### CHRISTMAS TREE AT METHODIST CHURCH

A Christmas program will be given at the First Methodist church on Christmas Eve night. The church will be appropriately decorated, and there will be a tree, open to anyone who desires to give gifts.

All are invited to the program.

### COLD WEATHER HITS McLEAN

Following two weeks of warm weather, a cold snap hit the McLean community Wednesday morning. However, the weather bureau promises warmer weather the rest of the week.

Mrs. W. E. Clement and daughter, Miss Loyce, of Amarillo visited their son and brother, Harold, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Upham and Miss Fern Upham were Shamrock visitors Friday.

### Lions Vote to Dismiss for the Holiday Season

McLean Lions voted to dismiss the regular weekly luncheon for the coming two weeks on account of the busy holiday season.

President Boyd Meador reported the tent show receipts amounting to \$63.25, with expenses of \$8.55 for lights and \$10 for grounds, leaving a net income for the club of \$44.70. Secretary Evan L. Sitter was asked to write a letter of appreciation to the Allen-Names Players for courtesies shown while in McLean.

Tail Twister Dr. Coleman collected several fines for various offenses and it was voted to collect 10c fine for being late, in place of using the dunce cap, hereafter.

The matter of securing full enumeration for the 1930 census was discussed, and it was agreed that the Lions and Chamber of Commerce assist the local enumerator in every way possible.

Lions Meador and Cohen were appointed to confer with the manager of the American Theatre with a view of mutual benefit shows about once a month.

Dr. A. A. Tampke was given a rising vote of thanks for honors secured at the Amarillo Poultry Show. Dr. Tampke responded by saying that much credit was due the boys team in securing first place.

City Secretary W. E. Bogan was presented as a visitor of the club by Lion Biggs, and in a short address complimented the club for the work done the past year. Mr. Bogan also praised the social side of club membership and expressed the opinion that every business man should become a member of the club.

T. W. Gilstrap treated the members of the club to cigars. Food and service furnished by the Webster Home Dining Room.

Those present were: Boyd Meador, E. L. Sitter, T. W. Gilstrap, Sherman White, J. E. Biggs, S. M. Hodges, D. H. Brynoff, T. A. Landers, Dr. Coleman, T. J. Coffey, B. W. Wilkins, A. A. Tampke, I. S. Cohen, W. A. Erwin, Reep Landers, W. E. Bogan.

### COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE WILL BE MADE SOON

At a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, M. D. Bentley was made chairman, with F. H. Bourland and T. A. Landers members, of a community chest committee to raise a fund to take care of worthy charity cases, and a drive for funds will be made soon.

The committee has already placed gas in two homes of people who were suffering during the cold weather, and other cases are demanding attention.

### A TURKEY DINNER

Mrs. Roy Campbell entertained with a turkey dinner last Sunday.

Those present were: A. W. Haynes, L. A. Haynes of Granite, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Campbell, Grandma Cubine, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sloan of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Haynes and son, Misses Sallie and Jane Campbell, Hansel Christian, Vernon Rice, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Shelburne, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell and little daughter, Joan.

Misses Marie Watt and Texola Harlan were in Lefors Thursday of last week.

Mrs. E. B. Hedrick of Alanreed was in McLean Monday.

W. T. Lindsey was in Lefors Monday.

Walter Willis was in Shamrock Friday.

J. H. Wade was a visitor in Lefors Thursday of last week.

Lenard Howard was in Amarillo Sunday.

### Vulcan Oil and Gas Co. Spudded in

The Vulcan Oil and Gas Company's well, located on the Charlie Carpenter ranch, section 25, block 25, spudded in Saturday morning and is now running the large pipe through the quicksand.

This company has one of the best derricks and line of tools in this section, and prophesies big things to come from McClellan Creek in the near future.

All the oil pools in Gray county have been traced to produce from a soft, cracky formation. The wells that have been located on cracks and crevices in Gray county that have been capable of producing 5,000 barrels or more of high gravity oil have led the further operations of the oil producers to take into consideration the most favorable locations for the finding of these cracks and crevices.

The Vulcan Oil and Gas Company feel that their well has been most favorably located to conform with this geology.

### With the Churches

#### CHURCH OF CHRIST

R. B. McDougald, Evangelist

Regular services for Fourth Lord's Day, Dec. 22:

10 a. m. Bible study.

11 a. m. preaching. Subject, "Where Are You?"

6 p. m. Bible study for young people.

7 p. m. preaching. Subject, "Why Do You Wait?"

You are cordially invited to bring your friends and attend these services.

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

W. A. Erwin, Minister

Christmas services for Sunday, Dec. 22:

Sunday school 10 a. m.

Morning worship 11 a. m. Subject, "The Bells of Bethlehem." Special Christmas music.

Evening worship 7 p. m. The congregation will sing Christmas carols for half an hour, then the pastor will tell Henry Van Dyke's story of "The Other Wise Man."

Come and let us join with all the sons of Asaph—with the sweet singer of Israel—with the angel choir—the redeemed, and all little children, in singing "Joy to the World, the Lord Is Come."

#### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

B. W. Wilkins, Pastor

Our services will be held at the usual hours next Sunday.

Subjects for the preaching hours:

"Jesus the Rising Star" at 11 a. m.;

"The Wise Men, and the Other Wise Man" at 7 p. m.

Music appropriate to the occasion.

#### BAPTIST W. M. U.

The Baptist W. M. U. met at the church Monday for an all day meeting, when the week of prayer program was carried out in an interesting way. The following were present: Mesdames D. L. Abbott, N. E. Savage, Lee Wilson, James Burrows, D. H. Brynoff, Loyse Caldwell, A. R. McHaney, Homer Abbott, T. N. Holloway, George Colebank, George Cochran and Luther Petty, and taking part in the discussions. Mrs. J. J. Simmons and Miss Merle Young were present at the noon hour, when a very delicious lunch and social time was enjoyed.

An offering of \$27.20 was taken for the Lottie Moon offering, which we feel will be added to.

The meeting next Monday will be omitted on account of the Christmas rush.

Porter Smith returned Tuesday from a trip to Dallas.

J. A. Sparks went to Wichita Falls Saturday.

### City and C. of C. Offices to Move to Back Building

At the regular meeting of the city council held last Friday evening, it was decided to move to the Johnnie R. Back building next door to the American Theatre.

The Chamber of Commerce will also move the secretary's office to the new building at the same time.

Certain improvements and repairs to the building at the new location were promised by the owner, and it is expected that the city and C. of C. officials will be in the new location by the time this paper is issued.

### CHRISTMAS WINDOW DECORATIONS PREVAIL

McLean has more pretty Christmas show windows than at any time in the history of the town. The dry goods stores have been generous in displaying their goods. The Famous has the Christmas motif in its windows; C. M. Stone & Co. has many articles displayed that will make appreciated gifts; John Mertel's windows show careful preparation, as also do the Fair Store's in the same block.

Blake Dry Goods have many useful articles displayed; Cobb's Variety Store, Erwin Drug Co., Montgomery Drug Co., City Drug Store, McGowan Furniture Co., Hamilton-Doolen Hdw. and Furn. Co., McLean Hardware, Hodges Furniture, Mrs. W. T. Wilson, Western Lbr. and Hdw. Co., McLean Radio Co., Southwestern Public Service Co. and many others, have beautiful windows. The grocery stores have displays of fruits, nuts and candies that carry a message of Christmas that appeals to most people.

All these displays, coupled with the vari-colored electric lights strung across Main street and the beautiful Christmas tree in the center of the street, and the same spirit prevailing in the store interiors, make a scene of Christmas splendor never before seen in McLean.

### STORES WILL CLOSE CHRISTMAS DAY

It is understood that all stores will close all day Christmas Day. The cotton gins will not operate on that day, and a general air of commercial quietness is expected.

### COTTON REPORT

According to the government cotton report, the number of bales ginned in Gray county up to Dec. 1st was 5,423, as compared with 5,239 last season. Wheeler county ginned 20,228, as against 23,510; Donley 13,083, against 17,627; Collingsworth 32,612, against 32,828; Hall 41,486, against 55,512.

Mesdames Roy Campbell and E. E. Dishman were visitors in Shamrock Friday.

Sam Dougherty and family were in Shamrock Saturday.

O. E. Lochridge and family went to Iowa Park Saturday.

Mrs. R. L. Howlan was in from the ranch Saturday.

Pete Whatley of Groom was a McLean visitor last Thursday.

Marvin Gardner and Wilmer Messer were in Amarillo last week.

Roy Jones of Carter, Okla., was in McLean Friday.

Mrs. Witt Springer visited in Amarillo last week.

Mrs. Porter Smith is in Dallas for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. John Saunders were in Amarillo Thursday of last week.

### Ribbons to Be Awarded in Poultry Show

The poultry committee of the Chamber of Commerce is urging all that will have birds to show at the poultry show to be held January 24 and 25, to make this be known as soon as possible so arrangements can be made for coops. We are enthusiastic over the prospects of a good show, say Mr. Coffey and Prof. Tampke. Interest is growing every day, and it is expected that from one hundred fifty to two hundred birds will be on exhibit. Suitable prizes will be offered for first and second places, and ribbons will be awarded to third and fourth places. The show this year will be confined to the McLean trade territory.

One of the interesting features of the show is that all the vocational agriculture teachers over the Panhandle and all county agents will be invited to enter a judging contest with their teams. This contest will be conducted Saturday, Jan. 25th. Prof. Frank R. Phillips, head of the agricultural department of the West Texas Teachers College at Canyon, will be superintendent of the judging contest.

### Letters to Santa Claus

Clarendon, Texas, Dec. 10, 1929.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy seven years old. I am in the second grade.

I want a pair of boxing gloves, a tool chest, a garage with two cars in it, some touring cards, a bicycle and lots of nuts, candy and fruit. Bring daddy, mamma and sister what they want.

Yours truly,

VESTER LEE SMITH.

McLean, Texas, Dec. 17, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy six years old. I want a bicycle, a football and lots of fruit and candy. Santa Claus, I have been a good boy and my little brother and I want you to please visit our home Monday night so we can go to grandma's for Christmas.

J. M. MONTGOMERY.

McLean, Texas, Dec. 17, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will write you a letter and tell you what I want you to bring me. The best of all I want a little white Spitz pup, for I am a lover of pets.

I prefer a little white dog instead of a doll, for I have so many dolls, and I want a pretty leather purse and a Santa Claus stocking. And remember the other little boys and girls.

EARLENE FORD.

McLean, Texas, Dec. 17, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want to tell you that I have been a good girl. I have made A's in my work at school. I think you will remember me this Christmas. I would like some china dishes, a doll bed for me and my sister; a comb and brush set, a knife and fork set; also nuts and candy.

Your loving

DOROTHY SITTER.

McLean, Texas, Dec. 15, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

This is what I want for Christmas: a doll, a doll buggy and a set of dishes. I must close.

Signed:

BILLYE MAE BAILEY.

McLean, Texas, Dec. 15, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

This is what I want for Christmas: a big truck, a little tricycle, and that's all.

Signed:

BOBBY WAYNE BAILEY.

Tyler, Texas, Dec. 12, 1929.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a tricycle, a truck, a bus, and lots of candy, nuts and fruit. I have been a good little boy.

BOBBY STRATTON.

P. S. And, Santa, don't forget all the other little boys and girls.

### MANY FREE GIFTS

#### Over a Thousand Free Packages to Be Distributed

The McLean Chamber of Commerce announced this week that they had received word from old Santa Claus that he had made arrangements to be in McLean on Monday, December 23, to meet all the good little boys and girls.

Old Santa has requested that members of the Chamber of Commerce assist him promptly at 2:30 p. m. Monday in distributing to all the children Christmas packages. He has urged that all good little children in McLean and the surrounding territory be sure and be in McLean Monday afternoon. A large truck has been employed to haul old Santa and his Christmas packages, which have been estimated at more than a thousand, up and down the streets of McLean during the afternoon. Every child in McLean will get a chance to see the big jolly red-faced fellow who brings joy and happiness to all good children.

Nothing is being left undone in preparation for Santa's coming. Fathers and mothers are requested to be sure and bring their children to see and receive a package direct from Santa Claus. The business men are working day and night decorating their stores and windows in preparation for old Santa. A large Christmas tree is being placed in the square, with different colored lights and decorations. Everything is being done to make Santa Claus feel at home when he arrives in McLean Monday afternoon. Don't fail to be here and see Santa Claus.

### C. OF C. DIRECTORS APPOINT COMMITTEE

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce directors Tuesday, it was definitely decided to foster dairy bull circles, and Geo. W. Sitter, F. H. Bourland, C. C. Bogan and A. A. Tampke were appointed to serve on the executive committee. Two other members will be chosen from the members of the circle.

Monday night, Jan. 7, 1930, was set for the annual election of officers, and the annual banquet will be held Tuesday, Jan. 21, with R. A. Underwood as the principal speaker. At this affair it is hoped to have everyone in the community present. Every member is urged to have a farmer guest present.

It was moved to pay \$15 per month rent at the new city hall location for the secretary's office.

An out of town advertising solicitor appeared before the body offering tire cover advertising for the coming poultry show. The proposition was not accepted for several reasons given by the members present.

### CHRISTMAS TREES TUESDAY

Most of the churches will have Christmas trees and programs Tuesday evening of next week.

Each church extends a cordial welcome to anyone who wishes to attend the Christmas exercises.

Several hundred extra copies of this week's issue of The News have been printed and will be distributed this week. This is an extra service that may be appreciated by Christmas advertisers.

Mrs. Laura Stratton went to Amarillo Wednesday night for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Meier, and family.

Miss Mary Harris returned to her home at Mangum, Okla., Sunday after a visit with relatives here.



**SCHOOL NEWS**

**SHINING LIGHTS OF M. G. S.**

**SHINING LIGHTS HAVE PICNIC!**

Last Friday afternoon after school Miss Irene Hayes took her "Shining Lights" on a picnic. At four o'clock a merry group scrambled into cars and headed for other regions. A lovely place was found south of town where the members deposited their brilliant rays.

Ground ball was played by the club members. Miss Coleman's side played Miss Hayes' side. Ask Miss Coleman who won.

After both teams had done their best in the "snappiest game of the season," the famished "Shining Lights" made an attack upon weiners, pickles, bread, marshmallows, fruit, punch, etc.

At five-thirty the happy group returned with the hope that there would be many, many more picnics. The "Shining Lights" wish to thank the ones who furnished cars.

**ASSEMBLY**

The low fifth put on a very excellent program Tuesday morning. A Chinese act was effectively given. The rest of the program consisted of songs, readings and piano solos.

Friday, Bro. Erwin came to M. G. S. auditorium to hear the fifth, sixth and seventh sing "The Star Spangled Banner." In the words of Bro. Erwin, "This is the finest singing of 'The Star Spangled Banner' I have ever heard from any school group." The students have not been singing, saying and writing the national anthem as well as "staying in on it" for nothing! Bro. Erwin said that the students had certainly merited the beautiful flag to be given by a merchant. The flag will be here in January.

**PROGRAM OF SHINING LIGHTS**

The Shining Lights have been brightly shining, but come out Friday to see them sparkle! The following program will be given Friday morning at 10:45. We cordially invite any and every one to come.

Play, "The Trials of a Country Editor." Senior editor, Juanita Brooks. Junior editor, Lewis Tolliver. John Smith, Otha Glenn. Miss Penelope Parrot, Clara Payne Carpenter. Poet-taster, Emogene Ayer. First farmer, Cassh Virginia McGowen. Second farmer, George McCarty.

Reading—Pauline Ledbetter.  
???? Quartet. (Come to see what the question marks mean).  
Reading—Beula Marie Bettis.  
Reading—Sybil Young.  
Song, "Shining Lights" by the club members.

(The readings will be the own composition of the Shining Lights.)

**CLUBS**

The Public Speaking Club is still practicing on declamations. The "Wind-jammers" are improving nicely.

The Music Memory Club are learning beautiful Christmas carols. Probably their voices will be heard as they go serenading (oh, I must not tell when Listen for them!).

The Shining Lights Club will not "broadcast" until after Christmas—we just dare anybody to applaud!

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement t/c

**SHOE REPAIRS**

Modern Machinery  
Expert Workmen

Service while you wait.  
Send the school shoes here.  
Satisfaction Guaranteed

**Service Shoe Shop**  
McLean, Texas

**LEGAL NOTICE OF RECEIVER'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**

By virtue of a certain judgment rendered by the District Court of Gray County, Texas, in a certain cause, wherein Lura Carter et al were plaintiffs and E. C. Hooper et al were defendants and Roy Oliver et al were intervenors, I was appointed by said court as a receiver to advertise and sell the following described property at a public sale, and in compliance with said judgment and decree of said court, I will offer for sale and will sell FOR CASH TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, ALL OF BLOCK NUMBER 108, IN McLEAN, GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS, TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON. Said sale will be held at the court house door of Gray County, Texas, at Pampa, Texas, on the first Tuesday in January, A. D. 1930, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., the same being the 7th day of January, A. D. 1930, and I will execute and deliver to the purchaser or purchasers a deed or deeds as provided by law in such cases.

Witness my hand at McLean, Texas, this 12th day of December, A. D. 1929.  
H. N. MASSAY, Receiver.

We shall come back after Christmas with a happy jolly face and a great desire to work, so you had better enjoy the rest while you can.

The Dramatic Club is working on a play. The time that it will be given will be announced later. The members of this club show remarkable talent.

The Woodcraft Club boys are pounding and hammering in an old-fashioned way to fool Santa Claus, but that fellow cannot be fooled! Really, the boys are making a wonderful advancement in woodcraft.

The Vocational Guidance Club has been everywhere except to visit the hop of Santa Claus. I am quite sure that at Christmas time the members will visit old Santa.

**CHRISTMAS PLANS**

The primary rooms are beautifully decorated in Christmas "pretties." Each teacher is giving her kiddies the surprise that she wishes. Most of the teachers are planning Christmas trees which they have decorated in all their splendor and glory.

The Red Hot Peppers are almost worried to death. Miss Hayes will not tell them a thing about her surprise for her Peppers. If "curiosity killed a cat," the Red Hot Peppers would have been dead long ago.

**PERSONALS**

Eugene Herron has entered the low fifth grade.

Hazel Alexander has moved away. The students and teachers miss this excellent classmate and student.

Miss Hayes and some of the high sixth students heard from Lucille King of Glen Rose. The room plans to write her a joint letter under the supervision of the English teacher.

Ben Pierce has our thanks for a subscription to W. P. Weatherford of St. Clair, Mo. Mr. Pierce returned last week from a visit to St. Clair.

**CHUCKLE OVER THIS**

Venita Savage, Editor  
Hasn't he got any sense of rhythm?"

"He might have rhythm, but he hasn't any sense."

Kind Old Gentleman—"What is your little brother's name?"

Buddy—"His name would be Jack if he was my brother, but he ain't, and her name is Ruth."

Teacher—"Use the word 'boycott' in a sentence."

John—"It rained last night and the boy cott cold."

**FOUND**

"Oh, John, I've lost my diamond ring and I can't find it anywhere."

"Never mind, dear, that's all right."

"But I can't find it."

"I did. I found it in my trouser pocket this morning."

**SONG OF THE FARMER**

Oh, I'm a farmer now,  
Yes, I'm a farmer now.  
Tough I am strong, an' it's a cinch  
To lift two hundred in a pinch,  
A mortgage I can't lift an inch,  
For I'm a farmer now.  
—Brooklyn Eagle.

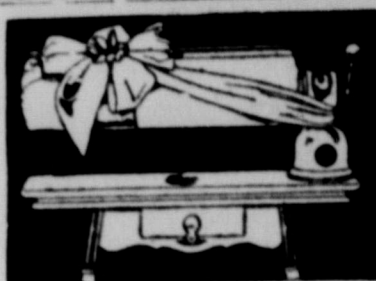
Buy it in McLean

**MEADOR CAFE**

Modern Equipment  
Pleasant Service  
Your Patronage  
Appreciated

**TENANTS' WIVES BEAUTIFY YARDS**

Denton.—A yard improvement contest in Denton county among home demonstration club women this year resulted in the beautification of 100 farmsteads by planting of shrubs and flowers. Mrs. Edna W. Trigg, home agent, reports that 10 yards were cleaned six times during the year and 20 others were cleaned weekly. Every member of the Camey Club, composed almost entirely of tenants' wives, set out shrubs and flowers, and cleaned yards weekly.



Give her 312 hours of  
**Freedom from Labor**  
Each year for years to come

WHAT can the average busy wife or mother do with 312 hours a year of freedom? More, perhaps, than she has ever had before—and split up into 6 hours a week.

Think of the hours she needs—of the time she deserves—when you give her a gift this year.

And give her this amazing new speed-ironing invention—electrically heated and electrically operated—that saves 6 hours of ironing drudgery every week in the average home. Give her precious hours—to call her own. That's the kind of a gift she wants this year.



**ROTARY IRON**

Southwestern  
**PUBLIC SERVICE**  
Company

Notice to merchants of McLean: No bill will be paid that is made without an order signed either by the president or secretary of the board of trustees. J. S. Howard, President. Advertisement 51-3c

**WHERE THEY LIVE**

"What kind of a living room do you have?"  
"Oh, ours is an eight-cylinder dan."

**REAL ESTATE BARGAINS**

Real estate investments are sure of profits. Land values will probably never be cheaper than they are today. We have a number of bargains listed that will bear investigation.

**Massay, McAdams & Stokely**  
Phone 44  
McLean, Texas

**"Static"**

Most of the static in our lives is man-made, therefore, preventable.

It is the wish and the business of this bank to help men get "clear reception" in life's financial receiving sets.

If you will accept and give co-operation, there will be perfect harmony and little static.

**The Citizens State Bank**

Capital, Bond and Surplus \$58,750.00

J. S. Morse, President W. E. Bogan, Cashier

**Practical Gifts**

For the Last Minute Shopper

Boys' Wagons Electric Irons  
Velocipedes Gas Stoves in colors  
Roller Skates Many others on display

**WESTERN LUMBER & HARDWARE CO.**

Phone 4 McLean, Texas  
Roy Campbell, Mgr.



**Useful Gifts ALWAYS PLEASE**

Do you realize that we have a wonderful assortment of articles suitable for every member of the family? And that every gift in this store is a useful one?

Useful gifts can be appreciated every day in the year, and you have the satisfaction that your money is wisely spent here.

Make this Christmas long to be remembered by giving useful gifts. Come in for suggestions.

**McLean Hardware Company**  
W. B. Upham, Manager



**A Christmas Present for the Home**

**RCA RADIOLA 21**

Height 10 1/2 in.; width 19 1/2 in.; depth 9 1/2 in

One's home should be beautiful, and fully equipped, regardless of the remoteness of its situation. Here is a modern Screen-Grid battery operated Radiola, compact and handsome, which does not depend upon power lines for its successful operation.

Price \$69.50 (less Radiotrons)

**McLEAN RADIO CO.**

McLean, Texas



**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING**

RATES.—One insertion, 2c per word. Two insertions, 3c per word. Three insertions, 4c per word. Or 1c per word each week after first insertion.  
Lines of white space will be charged for at same rate as reading matter. Black-face type, double rate. Initials and numbers count as words.  
No advertisement accepted for less than 5c per week.  
All ads cash with order unless you have a running account with The News.

**FOR SALE**

**FOR SALE**—21 acres well improved, town section, has gas and electric lights. Close to grade school. Small payment down, balance in payments to suit purchaser. If you want chicken ranch, you can't beat it. So two lots, new modern 5 room building and garage. Small down payment, balance in small monthly payments. If you are in the market for small tract of land or a nice residence in town, you can't beat the above. Town property close to high school building. J. S. Howard, phone 183. tlc

**FOR SALE, cheap**—3 young mules broke to work, one mare, 4 sets harness, 1 wagon, lister, cultivator, go-devil. W. C. Johnston, Francis place. Phone 1619F21. 50-3p

**FOR SALE**—7 head mules, 5 to 7 years old, well broken; 2-row Oliver lister, new P. & O. single-row lister, new P. & O. 2-row go-devil. R. N. Ashby. tlc

**Christmas Cards**; 21 beautiful cards with envelopes to match, each one different. \$2.75 value for only one dollar, postpaid. A. S. Kenyon, 606 Carolina St., Amarillo, Texas. 48-4p

**THE BEST GIFT**—A subscription to The McLean News; a weekly reminder of your thoughtfulness throughout the year.

**FOR SALE**—Team good mules, wt. about 1000 lbs. each. Team mares, wt. about 1100 lbs. each. John Rainwater, Rt. 1, McLean. 51-2p

**FOR SALE**—Some nice lots in northeast McLean. Terms if desired. Also Majestic range cook stove. Chas. Jones, phone 1622F21. 50-2c

**FOR SALE, cheap**, 5 room modern house, garage with two lots. Small cash payment, balance easy monthly payments. C. S. Rice. 1c

**FOR SALE**—Half-and-half cotton seed, \$1.25 per bushel, or \$1.50 sacked. S. L. Montgomery. 49-4p

**FOR SALE and service**—Registered Jersey bulls. Call Geo. W. Sitter. 51-3p

**FOR SALE**—7 good Jersey milk cows. See V. R. Hines, 1 mile northwest of Alanreed. 48-3p

**FOR SALE**—Purebred Barred Rock roosters. Call W. B. Bush. Phone 1615F31. 50-3p

**FOR SALE**—Two Jersey cows at bargain prices. L. A. Kaika. 48-4c

**FOR SALE**—S. C. White Leghorn pullets, 75c each. Raymond Hall. tlc

**NICE apples for sale**, \$1.50 per bushel. J. S. Howard, phone 183. tlc

**WINDMILL outfit for sale**, priced right. See T. B. Roby, phone 192.

**NEW YEAR CARDS** at News office.

**FOR RENT**

**PARM** for rent for money rent. See L. S. Stockton. tlc

**LOST**

**STRAYED OR STOLEN**, about 15 days ago—Light Jersey cow, brand J Bar on left hip in two places. Liberal reward for any information leading to recovery. J. W. Mars. 1p

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**McLEAN MERCHANTS**—Let us rebuild and oil your hunting boots before Christmas. Up-to-Date Shoe Shop, Reep Landers, Prop. 1c

Just a few more days in which to take advantage of our bargain rates on your favorite daily. Subscribe at News office.

**GROCERIES** are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. tlc

**NOTICE**—All of my premises are posted. L. H. Webb. 50-5p

**YOUR NAME** printed free when you buy as many as 25 of one kind of Christmas cards. Cards from 5c to 15c each included in this offer. News office. 50-2

M. D. Bentley was in Amarillo on the Federal Court jury this week and last.

**WANT AD RHYMES**



If you plan to invest  
So your money will earn  
Dividends in a good enterprise,  
Give the want ads a test  
And we know that you'll learn  
They hold many good tips for the wise.

**Keep the Pot Boiling for Christmas Dinner**

EVERY afternoon they stood on opposite corners—he in a Santa Claus outfit, holding a "chimney"—she ringing a bell by the sign "Keep the Pot Boiling." Younger people pausing to drop a coin in the pot at the chimney, wondered at two old people out in such wintry weather.

But the coins dropped often, so that "Christmas Dinners for the Poor" were coming true. And the man (such a thin Santa) said "Thank you, sir." And the little old lady said, "God bless you."

Sometimes he would look across and smile and she would fingle her bell the harder. But one day she was not there. "Sick," they said. That night he found where she lived and went to see her.

"Much better," she told him. "But if I had gone out today I might have been very sick tomorrow—and what of my corner?"

"I know," he said. "We love working for others—you and I—who know loneliness—"

They talked long of their work then of themselves, and two old people grew young again. "Don't you think," he said at last, "that maybe—you and I—could keep the pot boiling together?"—Helen Galeford.

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**Christmas Legend in Sweden**

There is a legend in Sweden that the Christmas tree sprang from the soil where two true lovers died, the candles standing "for remembrance"

**Kindness at Christmas**

The kindness you do at Christmas is peculiarly blessed, so do all you possibly can. But you mustn't mention your good deeds or the spell is broken.

**Wassail**

Wassail is derived from two Anglo-Saxon words meaning, "Be in health."

**CHRISTMAS FORESIGHT**



She—I suppose you're looking forward to Christmas?

He—Am I? I'm looking away beyond it—that's when the bills fall due

**Height of Christmas Trees**

The average height of Christmas trees is from 1 to 15 feet or more, the greater number probably being 4 to 8 feet tall.

Porter Smith was in Clarendon Sunday.

W. T. Wilson was in Lefors Sunday.

**BLACKSMITHING**

and general repair work.

Your business appreciated.

**Chas. Eudy**

South of the P. E. R. Track  
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Better hand us a check today.

**THE McLEAN NEWS**

The Paper That's Read First

**When "Merry Christmas" Will Do Lots of Good**

BIG snow flakes crossed the farmhouse of Garth Mason and lingered at the window sills—a frame for hollywreaths. Inside every one but Garth chattered happily. He stared through a window toward a distant light.

"But he ought to make the first move," Garth muttered stubbornly. Finally, impelled by something stronger than will, Garth jerked on his coat and strode forth.

In the doorway of his "hard" neighbor Garth paused self-consciously.

"—Just brought—Christmas eve, you know—a little present—" he awkwardly extended a new pipe gaily wrapped. "Wanted to say, 'Merry Christmas—'"

Garth stopped. His hollow-eyed "enemy" had only partially risen from his chair. John Clark was sick! Long the men talked. John had been haunted, too, by the old misunderstanding.

"Fell that—if I could only see you I'd get well," he faltered. Already he looked improved.

When Garth left the fields stretched before him in peaceful white. Above the ebbey lights of his home a star shone with unwavering calm. Garth smiled.—Clara Agee Hays.

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**Candles in the Windows**

In thousands of Austrian homes lighted candles are left on Christmas eve in the windows, so that the infant Christ when He passes through the village or town may not stumble.

**Enjoying Christmas**

When one is very young and when one is very old one may enjoy Christmas; things look so different viewed from a perambulator or a bath chair.—The Tattler.

**Christmas in France**

Christmas in France is observed chiefly in a religious way, and the great revelry and feasting and exchange of presents are reserved for the New Year.

**Christmas "Waits"**

Christmas "waits" get their name from "the old Scottish word "waith," meaning wandering or roving. Gradually the term was applied to wandering musicians.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Cooke were in Amarillo Friday.

Mrs. Jim Smoot and little daughter were in Amarillo Monday.

**SHRUBBERY AND TREES**

Place your order now for acclimated shrubbers and trees. Landscaping done at reasonable rates.

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**Gifts for Everyone**

**FRAMED PICTURES**

Copies of Old Masters and pretty modern scenes nicely framed under glass

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Box Stationery **15c 25c 35c 49c 59c**

Imported Decorated Salad Bowls **25c 35c 59c**

23 piece Decorated Tea Sets **\$4.75 to \$9.50**  
imported direct from Japan for our store

Ladies' rayon silk bloomers, all shades, only **59c**

Big doll, 23 inches tall, dressed, only **98c**

Boxed handkerchiefs, 3 in box **35c, 65c**

Neckties in Christmas boxes **49c, 75c, \$1.00**

**BOOKS**  
Children's books and late copyright novels **10c to 75c**

**CHRISTMAS BOXES**, all sizes **4c to 25c**

**EXTRA SPECIAL**  
Beautiful artificial flowers **3 for 25c**

Decorations in great profusion for the home  
**Christmas tree**

Dolls and toys in great variety

Everything for the late shopper

**Cobb's Variety Store**

Ben Franklin Chain Store No. 2261



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The Christmas season is the great humanizing time of the year when we are all caught in the spirit of thinking of the other fellow. The longer we can keep this spirit, the better it is for all of us.

The News, in common with many other progressive papers, has consistently spelled the word Christmas in full and has not used the abbreviation for the word for several years. It is only thus that the proper reverence for the day may be taught.

Mr. Names, who was in McLean last week, compared the activities of the Lions Club to the three great civilizing agencies, the church, school and newspaper. While service clubs are a new idea in the world, they are growing each year and their possibilities for good are unlimited.

A number of nearby towns will have community Christmas trees this year, without the usual church trees. An effort was made to have the custom established in McLean this year, but negotiations were not begun in time. There is a growing sentiment among church people that the way Christmas is usually celebrated, it would be much better as a community proposition than as a church affair.

No man ever did anything but that someone can be found who will offer to do it cheaper, but it never turns out the same. Cheaper goods may be bought than are on the shelves of McLean merchants, but it will be found that they are also of cheaper quality. The same will hold true of printing; the cheap price man gives you cheaper quality paper and work. There is no way to escape getting just what you pay for, whether it be shirts or printing.

Most every industry is prepared to curtail production during periods following over-production, but cotton farmers lack the necessary organization to effect similar advantages. The world is over-supplied with poor grade cotton, and a big crop of short staple cotton next year will mean poverty for many farmers. Nothing but the best cotton should be grown, and acreage should be kept to the minimum. There has been nothing invented that will help the farmer more than raising a living first and depending upon cotton only as a money crop.

Judge Wilson declared, in an address before the Amarillo Bar Association, that the legal profession has not made any progress in the last 50 years and that it is to blame for the "growing disrespect for courts, lawyers, judges, law enforcement, and even the constitution itself. Lawyers," he declared, "must bear greater responsibility than anyone else, not only for delays, but for failures." He predicted that laymen may have to reorganize the legal profession if better progress is not made. Every other profession and business has made wonderful progress within the past few years, and the contrast is all the greater in the legal profession.

**Oil Aids Santa Claus in Making Family Happy**

THE Herrmans had known both cold and hunger; but when oil spilled prosperity all over the district it included Hal's ranch. Now he could do things for Lottie and the girl! They should have a home. Having located one for him the realtor started to show him through. "Never mind," said Hal "all I want to know is—is it hot?" Reassured, he bought it furnished Christmas eve. Next morning he brought them. He lighted the fire in the cheery fireplace. Lottie quickly spied the row of stock logs and hugging Betty, cried: "I always knew there was a Santa Claus even if he couldn't find our ranch." "Just what we wanted, too," said Betty.

Lottie emptied her stocking eagerly as a child. Silk stockings, bon bons, gloves and deep down in the toe—a wedding ring! "Better ten years late than never," laughed Hal. "A happy wedding, Hal, even without a ring. Money isn't everything." "Powerful convenient though," returned practical Hal. It was his day.—Nont C. Bailey (© 1929, Western Newspaper Union.)

**Burning the Yule Log**  
The custom of burning the Yule log on Christmas eve is not prevalent in England. The custom is still followed in some of the rural sections. It is more prevalent in the Scandinavian countries.

**The Great Yule Feast**  
December 25 was chosen for the celebration of Christ's birth probably because it was the date of the great Yule feast, when many pagan countries celebrated the passing of the shortest day in the year.

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

**"UP IN THE AIR"**

By the Radio Editor  
"I know there is nothing wrong with the bulbs, because they all burn." A tube may become what is termed a low emission tube, therefore unfit for service, and still burn as brightly as a new tube. If reception becomes unsatisfactory in volume it is advisable to either take the complete set of tubes to your dealer for testing or to secure a new tube for each type of tube used in the set and try substituting the new for the old, noting if there is any increase in volume.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harsler of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bidwell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey and children of Lefors were in McLean Saturday.

Mrs. D. A. Herron and children of Bisbee, Ariz., are visiting the lady's father, S. W. Rice, and family.

R. O. Shannon hands us \$4.50 for the Amarillo Daily News a year.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Loftin of Albreed were in McLean Friday.

Mrs. Sam Tipton of Farwell visited friends here last week.

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

**News from Enterprise**

The farmers surely are grateful for the beautiful weather the past week. Most of them are through with their crops.

The following were visitors in McLean Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kunkel and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hess and family.

M. H. Kinard of Gracey visited at Enterprise Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. R. B. Kinard clerked in Cobb's Variety Store at McLean last week. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Shirley and daughter, Miss Gladys, were in Quitaque Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Hansard will preach here Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. G. A. Nicholson and Miss Bernice Wood spent the week end in Wellington.

Dean Gammel of Wellington was a visitor in this community Wednesday night.

Miss Alva Beach was a guest of Miss Vera Breeding Friday.

Glen A. Nicholson was a visitor in the A. C. Hughes home Sunday.

Mrs. S. L. Sugg of Hooper is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. B. Upham.

**AMERICAN THEATRE**

Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 23-24  
"THE GIRL FROM HAVANA"  
Paul Page and Lola Lane  
"Final Reckoning" chapter 8

Wednesday, Christmas Day  
Joan Crawford and Rod LaRoque in  
"OUR MODERN DAUGHTERS"  
Comedy, "PANTING PAPAS"

Thursday & Friday, Dec. 26-27  
"THE UNHOLY NIGHT"  
with Ernest Torrence and Dorothy Sebastian  
Metro comedy

Saturday, Dec. 28  
TOM TYLER WESTERN  
Comedy, "MAKING WHOOPEE"  
Also Pictorial Tide

T. A. Gray of Carlsbad, N. M., arrived last week for a visit with his brother, B. F. Gray. The gentlemen visited relatives at Oklahoma City and Luther, Okla., Saturday and Sunday.

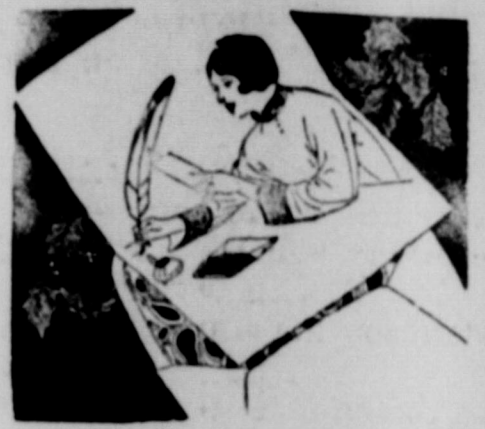
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Let your cook enjoy the day. Buy your baking needs here. You will enjoy the quality.

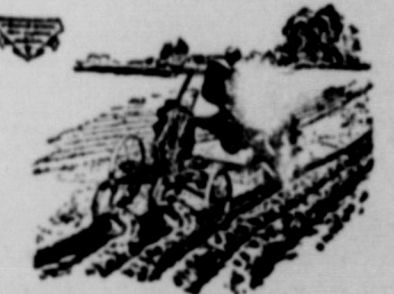
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We'll tell you—give you the facts and figures—and thus save you money and help you secure the utmost satisfaction from your investment. Stop in and talk it over today!

**FOXWORTH-GALBRAITH LUMBER COMPANY**



**Farmall Demonstration**

on Scott Johnston Farm  
1/2 mile west, 1 1/2 mile south of McLean

**Saturday, Dec. 21**

at 3 o'clock

Let's all be there to watch the Farmall do the work of 10 horses at less expense.

Demonstration in charge of factory expert,

If It Isn't a McCormick Deering, It Isn't a Farmall

**FREE FREE FREE**

Bed room suite, kitchen cabinet and rocker given away absolutely free Tuesday, Dec. 24. Be on hand at 4 p. m.

**Hamilton-Doolen Hdw. and Furn. Co.**

The Best for Less

McLean, Texas



# Vulcan Oil & Gas Company

have started a test for oil on McClellan Creek, located in the west 1/2 of the northwest 1/4 of section 25, block 25, H. & G. N. R. R. survey, Gray County, Texas, on the Charlie Carpenter ranch.

The Vulcan Oil & Gas Company have made their location after a long and continuous study of the McClellan Creek area and after a close check by their geologist, and feel that their location where they are now drilling will prove the long-worked-out theory that McClellan Creek will produce oil in paying quantities and in large quantities.

The good showing of oil found in the McLean Oil Company's well but a mile and a quarter east of the Vulcan oil well proves that the oil is on the creek and will be found in paying quantities when the soft spots are found in the granite wash.

A message to the citizenship of McLean, Texas, and especially to those who are stockholders in the McLean Oil Co.: We invite you to join hands with us in furthering the interest of development in your area. We believe in this test that the results will be most gratifying and that each and everyone will be benefitted from this test, and those with their money who will join with us will reap the reward. The management of the Vulcan Oil & Gas Company wants it distinctly understood here and now that they have no desire to take anything out of McLean and this area but oil and gas, and it is their desire to add to those who have the foresight to put their money and lend their co-operation toward this project. This company is offering to the stockholders of the McLean Oil Company a special consideration, and while it must be distinctly understood that the stockholders in the McLean Oil Company have not a liability on their hands by being in this company, as their investment is not a loss by any means. Due to this well, it is believed that a trend has been traced which has caused the drilling of this second well but a mile and a quarter due west of the McLean well.

Why have the major oil companies bought leases up and down McClellan Creek so consistently; why are they now ready to purchase any available leases in this area? They feel that the chances for big oil on this creek are more than an even break, consequently they have spent their money and are holding these leases for reserve oil for themselves in the future. We, as independent operators, are not in position to wait for the future development of this creek, but desire to start something now, and while we are in perfect harmony with the major companies, we are driving ahead toward development in which we believe we will be successful, consequently the dormant situation will be reversed into one of great activity.

Messrs. C. R. Bock and E. J. Horner, drilling contractors of years' experience, have the contract to drill this well. They have operated successfully in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and throughout the different oil fields of Texas, and are men worthy of confidence in their line of business.

## WHAT SUCCESS IN DRILLING HAS MEANT TO THE OIL INDUSTRY IN 68 YEARS

### HERE IS WHAT THE RECORDS SHOW

In the U. S. 740,764 wells have been drilled. 151,784, or 20.4% failures;  
588,980 or 79.6% successful have produced this—

Over 10,341,675,000 barrels of oil have been produced in the U. S.  
Over \$11,000,000,000.00 are invested in the oil industry in the U. S.  
Over \$3,000,000,000.00 are invested in refineries in the United States.  
Over \$1,000,000,000.00 is invested in pipe lines.  
Over \$1,000,000,000.00 is required annually to run the industry.  
Over \$6,000,000,000.00 is invested in tank cars.  
Over \$554,533,000.00 worth of oil products were exported in 1927.  
Over \$240,000,000.00 is paid various states as taxes on gasoline.  
Over 903,000,000 barrels of oil were produced in the U. S. in 1927.  
Over \$330,000,000.00 bonds for new highways were voted on in November, 1928, in six states to encourage consumption of oil products.

Over 24,000,000 motor cars are propelled by products of oil.  
Over 4,000,000 people make their livelihood in the oil industry.  
Over 740,764 wells have been drilled in search of oil.  
Over 319,026 oil wells were producing oil in 1927.  
Over 165,000 service stations supply the public at retail.  
Over 70% of all oil is produced in the United States.  
Over 17 states have felt the power of the great wealth oil produces.  
Over every other commodity it ranks second in exports.  
Over every other commodity it is second as a mineral wealth producer.  
Over all other industries it has made more millionaires than any other.  
Over every other industry it has made more poor people rich than any other.

**Those People Did not Let Selfish Propaganda about Hazard Mislead Them, and They Had the Courage to  
Back Their Convictions; so They Are Today Rich.**

We invite you to go out and look over this location for yourself. It is but approximately eight and a half miles north of McLean. It won't take an expert to see that we are on the right track for this oil.

We wish you a Happy Christmas and that we will be instrumental in increasing your success for the ensuing year.

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**"Merry Christmas" Made Him One of the Party**

FOR years the same old conductor had been on the local train. He knew every one by name, how long they would stay home, how their families were, what they were doing. He had been given a leave of absence this year. There was a new man in his stead.

The new man did not know any of the people. He had heard what friendly people there were on this route. He had thought it would be pleasant to take the trip Christmas eve with people about whom he had heard so much.

The engineer was so excited about it being Christmas and knew how excited those were on the train going home for Christmas. He knew how crowded the little stations would be at every place they stopped with those home people ready to welcome their families.

It was the engineer's way of saying "Merry Christmas" that the train pulled in five minutes ahead of time. And then, as some one got off the train, "Merry Christmas" was sung out to the new man. And then every one sang out "Merry Christmas." No longer did the new man feel so out of it all. No longer did he feel a stranger.

That Merry Christmas greeting had made all the difference.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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**A Remembrance From Her Boss at Christmas Time**

JENNY was standing in front of the ladies cloak counter of the great department flagging one of the cloaks covetously. "Could she buy it? There was the room rent and the five dollars a week for board. That must be paid. The landlady did not wait for her money from anybody.

Of course there was the ten dollars she had saved from expenses in the past two months. And she did need it. The weather was growing very cold, so she shivered in going to and from work. Perhaps she could go without shoes a little longer. And then the boss usually gave his help a remembrance. Maybe he would make it money this Christmas. But she mustn't count on that.

"Hello, Jenny; looking at cloaks eh? Glad I saw you. Haven't given you a remembrance yet. How'd you like it to be a cloak? But look here! This is shoddy! Haven't you better?" to the clerk.

"Yes, sir. This is better. But it's four times as much."

The boss examined it. "All right," he decided. "Let the girl have this," dropping the price on the counter.

"But I—"

"Tut, tut, you've been very faithful. And he was gone.—Frank Sweet.

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**The Christmas Message Brought by a Cyclamen**

AS USUAL, the man stood before the Christmas display in the florist shop window. Instead of passing, he entered the shop. He wished the cyclamen that was in the window he told Myra Gordon the owner.

He was Jack Corwin, an actor separated from his family. Myra had learned the intense longing in his eyes each year as he saw the Christmas window touched Myra's heart.

"Don't bother about any change, offering a bill exceeding the value of the plant. 'It's worth everything to me."

"It's my wife's favorite flower," he explained, a catch in his voice. "I haven't seen her for three years. A misunderstanding separated us. Each year your cyclamens have bid me go back. I can't ignore their message any longer. I'm taking this to her today Merry Christmas." And he was gone before Myra could answer.

Joy filled Myra's heart to think that she had again selected a cyclamen for her window.—Blanche Tanner Dillin.

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**Truly Merry Christmas for the Lonely Hearts**

THE large old home sold—Margaret Brierley and her mother in their new home—a small apartment in a distant city, dreaded the holidays, away from the old friends.

Shortly before Christmas Mrs. Brierley unfolded a plan to Margaret. Their apartment was small but home like, "with lots of love in it," as Mrs. Brierley often said. Now there was the young man artist across the hall, the young music student, the elderly lady, and several others all away from home, and doubtless lonely for home just now. So why not have them all in for Christmas?

A tree sparkling with lights and decorations greeted the guests Christmas day. Inexpensive, funny gifts from a grab bag and games brought many hearty laughs. Troubles momentarily fled and hearts lightened. Margaret and her mother agreed with their radiant happy guests' sentiment—"A truly Merry Christmas. One of the happiest I ever knew."—Blanche Tanner Dillin.

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**Roast Goose Favored Dish**  
Roast goose is one of the favored Christmas dishes of the Germans.

**Local and Personal**

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rippey of Clarendon were in McLean last week end.

Born, Sunday, Dec. 15, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Gilstrap, a 9 pound girl, named Mary Joyce.

Mrs. D. J. Haynes of Granite, Okla., visited Grandmother Haynes Saturday.

Miss Oleta Holloway visited her sister, Mrs. Ruel Smith, at Clarendon last week end.

C. P. Hamilton Jr. orders The News for 1930.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Breeding of Enterprise were in town Saturday.

Mrs. Buck Miller visited in Pampa Sunday.

A. G. Davidson of Frederick, Okla., was in McLean Wednesday.

T. W. Gilstrap was an Amarillo visitor this week.

Mrs. Ola Bailey of Wellington was a McLean visitor Sunday.

T. N. Holloway and Chas. E. Cooke were in Clarendon Wednesday.

Miss Imo Osborn returned to her home at Carter, Okla., Sunday.

L. R. Bush has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

Mrs. Elmer Reeves of Alanreed was in McLean Monday.

L. Sligar was a visitor in Lefors Monday.

Jesse Grogan of Ramsdell was in McLean Monday.

H. Billingslea was in Shamrock Monday.

F. M. McCracken of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Monday.

Tom Harlan visited in Miami Sunday.

Frank Howard was in Altus, Okla., Saturday.

Miss Robbie Howard was in Shamrock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Campbell of Pampa were McLean visitors Sunday.

Misses Cora Greer and Jane Campbell were in Shamrock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sloan of Pampa were McLean visitors Sunday.

Wilson Boyd was in Shamrock Friday.

Mrs. W. B. McNott of Erick, Okla., visited friends in McLean this week.

Marvin Gardner and Ralph Caldwell were in Pampa Sunday.

**Christmas Pool Donated to Eight Little Jenks**

TOM said Hartley Rice to his partner, "remember when we were doing our Christmas shopping together as kids, and you got so tired you proposed giving me the quarter you'd intended spending on my gift?"

"Yes, and when I insisted on our giving back the quarter for your present to me, you thought you'd been cheated."

Hartley laughed reminiscently, and continued: "I was just thinking—I had intended to spend \$25 on a gift for you this Christmas, and I suppose you were going to be just as idiotic about your gift."

"Yes, I'd even thought of a star net for that amount, that you probably wouldn't have had a place for anyway."

"There you are!" exclaimed Hartley. "Now I don't propose that we exchange a roll of bills, but suppose we pool our gift money, and present it to Poor Jenks here in the office, for the new baby."

So the eighth little Jenks got this Christmas pool—Myrtle Koon Cherry man.

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Mr. Logan of Ft. Worth, manager of the Cicero Smith Lumber Co., was in McLean this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. B. Lee and daughter, Miss Alta, visited relatives in Clarendon Sunday.

Mrs. D. M. Graham and children and Miss Lola Ruth Stanfield were visitors in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wilson and little daughter visited at Shamrock Sunday.

Mrs. Etta Mae Bentley was in Shamrock Friday.

W. R. Patterson of Amarillo was in McLean Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bryant visited in Amarillo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vester James visited in Oklahoma City last week end.

Miss Jewel Shaw was in Shamrock Friday.

Mrs. John B. Vannoy attended the funeral services for Col. Goodnight.

Mrs. S. B. Morse and Mrs. John C. Haynes were in Amarillo Monday.

**INSURANCE**  
Fire, Hail, Tornado  
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**Miss Modern Chooses Cape-Coat of Tweed**



Wouldn't you like to have a cape coat just like it? This fetching fall model is made of a soft-toned green tweed—equally as chic in any of the yellowish, or pinkish, or bluish, or purplish, or reddish tweeds which are so "classy" this season. Gray astrakhan trims it.

A few families of the First Baptist church enjoyed dinner spread under the trees at the McClellan Creek bridge last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnston visited at Mangum, Okla., last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith were visitors in Clarendon Sunday.

Mrs. C. E. Smith of Erick, Okla., visited friends here Monday.

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## THE STORY

I—In the usually quiet town of Red Thrusch, Iowa, the small town of Red Thrusch, his motherless daughter, Miriam, and Eddy Jackson, who are "grooving" their way for participation in the "groove" that evening with the prosperous young farmer, Marjory leaves for the triumph.

II—Overwork and nervousness on the building of the church to replace the one destroyed by fire had affected Mr. Tolliver to the point of threatening to use force to occupy his home. He has tried in many ways to get the family's slender means, but discouraged Marjory, Jackson and a friend he has Tub Andrews, returns to acknowledge the gift of fifty dollars in gold, which she gives the money as part of the expense in the treatment of his eyes.

III—With Miriam, Mr. Tolliver goes to Chicago. Eddy goes another friend, Alex Murdock, who he says has been on a tour of the world, to see Ginger, whose heart is two sisters making rich. Eddy is engaged to a grocer's daughter, Horace (the world's goods), but becomes chided at the fact that Murdock is working in a grocery store, Obvoluta. Ginger thinks, and Mr. Tolliver returns, his hope and the doctors give the hope.

IV—The doctors having Mr. Tolliver country at rest, with complete rest, he invites him to stay on with Miriam to care for him. Marjory, treasurer of the church, arranges for a suitable place for a while, with Miriam to make his parsonage, a "paying" place.

V—Mr. Buckworth's admiration for Marjory, and a manifest pleasure at his success in getting her, and watchfulness. It is not that Marjory should be practically penniless, but Marjory tells Mr. Tolliver the business have decided to "complete rest," engaging Marjory. In other words, she is retired on a small pension.

VI—Ginger's accumulation from her chain letter to increase to her interest, but she watches Marjory's affair with Hiram Buckworth. Finally she drops that Marjory's future is in Buckworth's hands. It is she is engaged, and Ginger undecide him.

VII—Buckworth, on seeing his attentions to Marjory, is heartbroken at his unaccountable defiance. He decides on action, and the intimation to Buckworth and misunderstanding her as engagement. The cloud over the household is at once but Ginger is in the depths.

VIII—Another fly in the ointment is her fear of Miriam's meeting with Alex Murdock (the grocer), she has contemptuously, but to her relief he is leaving town tomorrow. Tolliver decides that, do Marjory's engagement to Buckworth and Miriam must go to working their way.

IX—Over the phone Eddy tells Ginger he has a romantic "lined up" for her inspection. He is undoubtedly a rich man, once plans to bring the new and Miriam together at a moment's notice, getting her father out of the way. She exclaims lavishly for the repeat, but Eddy has deceived her "romantic figure" is Alex, the can

X—Jackson stifles General indignation with the Murdock's family owns the groceries in which Alex is the business. In any event, it is actually out of Ginger's firm's engagement to Alex accomplished fact.

XI—Ginger really need them, of that one could not well show between twins. She went swiftly home, and in the kitchen, where she rolled up her sleeves and went to work. She notion of announcing anticipations until the two ministers out of the house, and dinner. She realized that she had foot the men with this only invitation out, but her would certainly suspect her of it. So she postponed her moment, and in the meanwhile, she sought out her father, Hiram, deep in a discussion of progress in the mastery of the business, and informed them that she had been invited to dinner. They expected them very early. Buckworth seemed anything at this hospitable over-

see here—I can't go. I told I would—I think I'll call it too late. Why, his wife was all ready for you. I didn't you tell us sooner? I didn't get home until very late. I was upstairs. I hated you. And I supposed of you would like to go. Of course, I would like to—but tonight—

"He said to be there before six, because they eat early, and he likes his food hot," she said. "Come, father, I'll brush you off a bit."

And she persisted in her assiduous kindness until she finally saw her father walking off in the unwilling hands of Hiram Buckworth.

"I can't find Marjory," he whispered, dejectedly. "You tell her how it was—will you? And tell her I'll break away as soon as I decently can."

"Oh, don't do that. Marjory won't mind—she can wait until tomorrow night for—whatever you were going to do tonight."

And she stood grimly on the veranda and watched until they disappeared from sight.

"For it would be just like him to drop poor father right in the middle of the street, and come bounding back for a last look at the roof that shelters her—the base pretender," she said indignantly.

But when she was assured that their departure was final, she flew upstairs to the room where her sisters were industriously sewing lace upon bits of silk to accord with the very latest fashions in lingerie.

"Girls, hurry and get doiled up," she said. "Father and Hiram have gone out to dinner—to Jop West's—and Eddy Jackson is coming in, and I'm doing all the work myself, so we're going to pretend it's a party just for us."

"Put it off till tomorrow night," said Marjory, "so—father will be here."

"Can't. Eddy has some kid from some place—old school friend, or something—and he wants something to do with him, so they are coming here. Come on now, let's have a good time. Look, I bought you each a present—silk-to-the-top." She brandished the stockings before them. "A sale. Good ones."

Marjory's eyes were wistful. "They are just lovely," she said, "but I shan't waste them on Eddy Jackson and that child from some place. I'll keep them till tomorrow when—father is here."

"Since when has father shown such fondness for silk stockings? And if you don't put them on this very minute, I'm going to wear them myself. Aw, Margie, be a sport. Show Eddy a good time for once. Think how good he was to father."

Either the pleading or the threat was to good effect. Marjory hastily pulled off her shoes and stockings, and tried on the new silks-to-the-top. The shimmering whiteness of them, the silken softness, seemed to inspire her, to inspire Miriam, also, who quickly emulated her example, and inciting each other to further effort by this brave beginning, they entered joyously into the spirit of the affair. They brought out their entire wardrobe to make selections that would match the charm of the silk stockings—treasured bits of ribbons and lace, modest pieces of inexpensive jewelry. They tried things on, rearranged, experimented. They admired bizarre effects, offered criticisms, suggestions helped to arrange each other's hair. Ginger, meanwhile, flew distractedly back and forth, between kitchen, dining room and bedroom, urging them on, praising the results.

It was five minutes before seven when they pronounced themselves perfect beyond the power of their positions to improve one iota. And then they looked at Ginger, flushed, perspiring, with tumbled hair and stary eyes, a Ginger adorned in a trim, cheap, flaming red smock.

"Mercy, Ginger, you are a sight. You'd better dress. They'll be here."

But Ginger had no intention of dress. She was going to make this a real party, two and two, on tete-a-tete. She would wait on the table, passing back and forth as service was needed. As the girls, indeed, often took turns in waiting upon the table when there were guests, they quickly acquiesced, for as Ginger said, she was entirely too hot, and too tired, and too excited to dress.

She straightened her disordered hair, puffed her flushed face with a whisk of powder, and smoothed down the flaming smock. Beside the twins in their delicate coolness, their shimmering silken whiteness, she was like a hot and scorching little fire.

At the sound of the siren at the gate, she ran toward the kitchen, while the twins, each with an arm around the other's waist, snatched slowly down the stairs, softly singing, as the two men came briskly up the flagstone path.

But Ginger had not gone to the kitchen. Not all the way. She planted herself just beyond the base of the circular staircase, out of sight, but where a mirror on the opposite wall reflected the veranda entrance. Ginger was not one to miss the approach of a romantic figure. These things happen too seldom to be taken with nonchalance.

And as, in the mirror, reflecting the doorway, she saw that brisk approach up the flagstone path, black horror darkened her eyes, white anger paled her flushed cheeks.

The twins, cool, white and smiling, had descended to the bottom-most step. And in the open doorway, laughing, stood Eddy Jackson. And beside him—

Miriam withdrew herself impetuously from Marjory's light clasp, and flung her arms about him.

"Oh, Alex—oh, you darling—you hateful thing—Why didn't you tell me—Margie, it's Alex!"

It was the can grocer.

## CHAPTER XI

A fresh wave of wrath painted Ginger's face with rose. She flashed from the secretion of her corner by the stairway just in time to see the can

grocer press a fervent and unmistak-



She Flashed From the Secretion of Her Corner by the Stairway Just in Time to See the Can Grocer Press a Fervent and Unmistakable Kiss Upon the Delicate Lips of Miriam.

able kiss upon the delicate lips of Miriam, the sensible twin. Miriam seemed not in the least surprised, but rather pleased. Marjory, too, seemed to take the outrage with indecent calmness, while Eddy Jackson wore a smile no less than diabolic.

"Just for that, Eddy Jackson, you owe me ninety dimes," she announced sternly. "Nine whole dollars I spent on this comedy of yours."

And she marched straight to the kitchen.

Only Eddy Jackson heard her. For Miriam, the last shred of her sensibility thrown to the winds, was clinging to Alexander's hands, and trying to draw Marjory by sheer force into the warmth of his nearness. Eddy followed Ginger to the kitchen.

"Aw, have a heart," he pleaded. "He told me to do it."

Ginger stared at a pan on the stove, where thick heavy bubbles rose and fell.

"You see the gravy is burning," she said, and offered not a hand to save it. "Let it burn. I hope it does burn. I hope the gravy burns him, and the alligator pear chokes him, and the fried chicken gives him pernicious anemia."

Eddy laughed. "Listen, wild one, and I'll tell the deep and bloody mystery of that young man's life. Nobody knows it. Marjory doesn't know it. Miriam herself doesn't know it. But I know it and I'll tell you. He really is a romantic figure—most romantic."

"Canned beans, canned corn, canned tomato soup, canned peaches—it makes me sick—canned sweet potatoes—" she recounted drearily.

Eddy Jackson briskly stirred the gravy as he talked. Eddy was fond of cream gravy.

"He's no grocer. His family owns that chain gang set, whatever you call it, the Orange and Black, all over the country. Alex will be some high-mucky-muck-manager one of these days. They sent him on this trip west to familiarize himself with the business, and the localities—this new idea of know your stuff from the ground up."

Ginger took the spoon away from him. After all, it was her gravy.

"Eddy, why didn't you tell me?"

"He told me not to. Nobody knew it. Not even the chain bunch here in town."

"But you should have told me!"

"If anybody asks me not to tell something that is none of my business—and nobody else's—I won't tell it," said Eddy firmly.

"Just like father," mourned Ginger. Suddenly a fresh sneeze swept over her. "But Eddy, just see what a mess you've made of it. Why, he's never so much as looked at Marjory."

"I should say not. He's nuts over Miriam."

"But Miriam—Miriam hasn't got a thing—but brains."

"She's got Alexander Murdock."

"Does Miriam think he is a real grocer?"

"Yes. She told me she would marry him if he was a shoe shiner."

"Marry him. Did he ask her?"

"Sure. That's what he came back for. Brought her the engagement ring."

Ginger's eyes glittered. "Put another chair at the table, will you? And get me a knife and fork from that drawer. There won't be any waiting on at this party. You can carry the plates back and forth yourself."

So Ginger accepted Alexander Murdock as a prospective brother-in-law, and one to be received with a certain amount of gratitude. After all, he could give them a reduction on the canned groceries. She shook hands with him, exclaimed joyously over the brilliant solitaire which adorned Miriam's slender finger, and admitted that the denouement was well worth the ninety dimes expended.

"Why dimes?" demanded Eddy curiously.

"Oh, that's the way I get it—I mean, save it," Ginger amended quickly. She regarded her twin sisters reflectively, one after the other. Miriam was well enough of course, the still, deep kind, nothing surprising, nothing startling about her. Miriam was the type that one gets used to. But Marjory's brilliancy was a fresh revelation, an entirely new amazement, every day.

"Beauty's queer, isn't it?" she puzzled. Then she studied her own piquant features in the mirror, and for the first time, not without some hope. "Look me over, will you? Does anybody see any signs of it on me?"

## CHAPTER XII

The new Methodist church of Red Thrusch, Iowa, was an established fact. Mr. Tolliver, his eyes carefully shielded behind the padded glasses, had preached the tender sermon which served both to dedicate the new church, and to bid farewell to his parishioners, for the general conference was to convene the week following. He had accepted the mandate of the church, and planned to live in retirement until some work of different nature could be found for him, or, as he said, until the Lord chose to bless the means used for his restoration. He continued in close correspondence with new surgeons, the best and the most expensive the Middle West afforded.

On this day, the twins had gone to college. Eddy Jackson came in his car and took them and their new bags to the train, after which with Ginger he drove slowly back to the parsonage which would be her home for a brief fortnight longer. Ginger did not know just what was to become of her and her father, but Ginger didn't care. They were always taken care of, would always be. And there was the rich munificence of the home for the blind at their command, although of this her father still knew nothing. They would remain with Miss Jenkins in the parsonage until after the conference, and then go for what they called a visit to Helen and Horace for a while, until they could decide upon the best plan for the future.

The one interest of Ginger herself was to remain in Red Thrusch as long as possible. Her address as treasurer of the parsonage home was too broadly disseminated now to be lightly changed, and all of her arguments were based on that great fact.

All the enthusiasm, and the non-chalance, and the farewells, were over. Ginger and Eddy sat alone in the living room of the old parsonage, rather still, a little depressed with their loneliness. In the small den on the left, beyond the curve of the staircase they could hear Hiram's low voice, talking to her father, while they soiled and packed old manuscripts, ready for removal from the house that had been their home for four years. Miss Jenkins had gone to her room, to weep over the departure of the twins. Ginger had seen her go, with relief. Miss Jenkins' weeping depressed her to the deepest extreme.

(Continued next week)

Mr. and Mrs. Loyse Caldwell and children and Mrs. Frank Bidwell were Amarillo visitors Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Floyd and daughter, Mrs. Maude Pieraal, visited relatives at Vinson, Okla., last week.

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**News from Heald**

The people of this community met at the church Friday night to make up a box of clothing to send to some orphan children at Wheeler.

Mr. Nelson's child who had diphtheria is well, and the children all started back to school this week.

The missionary ladies of Heald visited with the missionary ladies of Alanreed last Monday. They report a very enjoyable visit. Refreshments of cake and hot chocolate were served. C. H. Harbison has sold his farm to John Mertel of McLean.

They have brought in a big gas well of 72 million cubic feet, near Mr. Stauffer's home.

Several of our people went to Dozier to conference last Sunday. Most every one has their crops gathered.

The school will put on a little program Thursday night. All are invited to come. School will close Friday for the Christmas holidays.

Johnnie Brooks came in last week to visit his brother, Ernest, and uncle, U. G. Lane.

Little Margaret Jones was reported as having diphtheria, but we are glad to say she only had sore throat. Ross Colley is moving to Dozier this week.

Grandmother Haynes is very low with pneumonia. Her children and grandchildren who are living away, are here now.

Richard Spinks left Sunday for his home after spending a few days with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Phillips and family and Mrs. J. A. Phillips and children visited in the T. F. Phillips home Sunday.

Mr. Foster spent the week end at the home of his sister near McLean. The missionary ladies met with Mrs. C. H. Harbison Monday afternoon and quilled.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Phillips, J. A. Phillips and family spent Sunday with Mrs. J. S. Phillips at Dozier. George R. Reneau was in Colorado last week with a load of pecans.

**Liberty School**

The people of Liberty and surrounding communities enjoyed a delightful evening last Friday at the school house. The McLean band gave a splendid program that was a treat to everyone.

The children of the school rendered a short program showing the work being done in health education in that school. Attention was called to the school work exhibit on display and it was explained that this type of work stimulates the best in children.

After the short program, a large number of pies were sold, netting the school nearly \$45. The crowd entered into the spirit of the evening as in days of old when the school were the center of all entertainment.

The proceeds will be used to have a community Christmas tree and to furnish playground and school equipment.

G. J. Abbott hands us \$4.50 for the Amarillo News a year.

W. H. Peters of Pampa was a McLean visitor Friday.

Idos Ayer of Pampa visited relatives here last week end.

George Cash of Amarillo was in McLean Friday.

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So they got nowhere, just pawed up dirt.

And oh, by golly! that rope did hurt. Then they faced about, these stubborn mules.

And said, "We're acting like human fools!"

Let's pull together. I'll go your way. Then come with me and we'll both eat hay."

Well, they ate their hay, and they liked it, too.

And swore to be comrades good and true.

As the sun went down they were heard to bray:

"Ah, this is the end of a perfect day!"

**News from Liberty**

Mr. and Mrs. Y. B. Lee and daughter, Miss Alta, attended a wedding dinner at the S. J. Dyer home at Goldston Sunday.

Mrs. Luther Petty and children visited Mrs. J. W. Burrows at McLean Tuesday night of last week.

Miss Gladys Holloway and father, J. O. Holloway, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Clyde Holloway and family at Back.

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Glenn and children took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson.

Mrs. Willie Gibson and baby of McLean spent Tuesday of last week with her mother, Mrs. Edward Berry.

A. L. Morgan and family called at the R. O. Cunningham home Sunday afternoon.

Frank Bell of Lubbock visited in this community the first of last week. George Crawford had a sale Friday. A large crowd attended a pie supper at the school house Friday night, with a program rendered by the school children and McLean band. The proceeds amounted to \$44.50.

Misses Opal and Levie Nelson visited with their cousin, John Nelson, and family at Gracey Tuesday.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Roth of McLean visited with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lively Sunday a week ago.

Luther Petty and family visited with W. E. James and family at Alanreed Tuesday of last week.

Miss Hettie Burr spent Friday night with Mrs. Howard Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Cunningham called on Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Callahan at McLean recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lively attended a singing convention at Bethel Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Johnston and baby

called on Miss Beulah Lovelace Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Doy Holloway has returned from a visit near Ardmore, Okla.

Miss Alta Lee and parents spent Sunday night in the Vester Smith home at Clarendon.

Miss Imogene Rutledge took dinner Sunday with Mrs. R. O. Cunningham.

Mrs. Howard Hardin and daughters called on Mrs. Kate Burcham and children Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Wehba and Miss May Wehba visited at Maude, Okla., last week.

Mrs. Etna B. Clark visited in Amarillo last week.

Misses Cora Greer and Imo Osborn were Shamrock visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyse Caldwell and children went to Pampa Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Orr of Wellington visited in McLean Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bird visited relatives at Wichita Falls last week.

Bryan Roby was in Pampa Friday.

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**PIGGLY WIGGLY**

All over the World

**Christmas Specials for Friday and Saturday**

<b>PECANS</b> Field run, per lb	<b>17½c</b>
<b>COCONUT</b> White Swan, ¼ lb package	<b>8c</b>
<b>COFFEE</b>	
Folger's, 1 lb	55c
Folger's, 2½ lb	\$1.29
<b>Preserves</b> 62 oz.	<b>94c</b>
<b>PEAS</b>	
White Swan Tiny Tot	
No. 1 can	20c
No. 2 can	29c
<b>Snowdrift</b> 2 lb can	<b>69c</b>
<b>BACON</b> heavy Sugar Cured per lb	<b>27c</b>
<b>BACON</b> Swift's, 1 lb Christmas box	<b>39c</b>
We have a good supply of Christmas fruits, nuts and candies. See them before buying.	

<b>Real Bargains on Boxed Chocolates</b>	<b>COFFEE</b>
<b>Brown's Fine Chocolates</b>	Schillings' 1 lb
5 lb box	55c
3 lb box	\$1.10
2 lb box	85c
<b>Ramey Chocolates</b>	Schillings' 2 lb
5 lb box	\$1.85
2½ lb box	98c
<b>Preserves</b> 32 oz.	<b>57c</b>
<b>Grapefruit</b> Texas marsh seedless	<b>5c</b>
<b>Popcorn</b> Jolly Time, 2 cans	<b>25c</b>