

# THE MCLEAN NEWS

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## 54 Cases Filed Justice Court

Fifty-four cases were filed in Justice Court during 1945, with 31 pleas of guilty and two cleared of charges.

Drunkenness led with 27 cases. Traffic cases were second with 15, filed by highway patrolmen. There were six fighting cases, three for disturbing the peace, and two for theft.

Most of the drunkenness, fights and disturbing the peace were brought in from Lake McClellan, very few being fined locally. Some drunks were put off buses here. Very few local people were involved in any of the cases filed.

## BILL FOR DIST. JUDGE

E. B. Hill, prominent attorney of Shamrock, has authorized The News to announce him as a candidate for District Judge. Mr. Hill has practiced law in this district for 34 years. He was a candidate for the same office four years ago and came close to being elected. He is a man of broad experience, having worked on a farm, in a grocery store, foundry and grain elevator, besides holding numerous office jobs before he secured a license to practice law. He served two terms from this district in the Texas Legislature.

Mr. Hill said, "I am deeply grateful to the people of this district for the splendid vote given me four years ago. A change of only 363 votes out of nearly 9,000 would have elected me. My friends started immediately to talking about the 'next time.' I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

May we furthermore resolve to start the new year off right by attending all services of the church of our choice. Your presence will be an indication of your intentions for 1946.

The Lord's Supper will be observed at the morning worship hour, and the administration of the ordinance of baptism will follow the evening worship service.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Purdy and baby of Pampa visited the lady's grandmother, Mrs. J. T. Glass, during the holidays. Mr. Purdy has recently returned from overseas and has his discharge from the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty and family visited the lady's sister, Mrs. W. E. James, at Lefors Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Jordan visited their son and brother at Channing last week.

Little Miss Pat Turner of Clarendon visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kirby, last week.

Mrs. L. E. Cunningham left Saturday with her grandson, Roy Lasswell, for California for a visit.

Francis Petty left Saturday to enter the University of Denver, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kibler of Oklahoma City visited relatives here over the week end.

## WITH THE CHURCHES

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

R. H. Nichols, Pastor

With the passing of a most eventful and historical year, we find ourselves surrounded by many resolutions, some of which shall be honored while many are forgotten, and as we view again the year of 1945 with its vale of sorrow, international turmoil, strife and the shedding of blood that bathed the major continents of the world; observing also the cessation of hostilities, we find ourselves yet in a state of bewilderment. Having been deeply concerned over the duration of the horrible war, our concern is no less regarding the duration of the prevailing peace. Our hope is lasting peace, but there must be a basis or justification for such a hope. Surely we do not maintain that lasting peace can be wrought by the intelligence of sinful men. Then our hope must be substantiated elsewhere.

Recently our thoughts were turned to the birth of Christ. May we observe the marvelous teachings of the great Master, the Prince of Peace, the Son of God, in whom the Father was well pleased. We need not fear the atomic power, but rather fear Him to whom all power is given in heaven and in earth.

May the conclusion of the Apostle Paul in Philippians 3:13-14 be our resolution for 1946: "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Carpenter and granddaughter, Martha Kay Finley, visited their daughter and aunt Mrs. F. M. Winsett, and family at Roswell, N. M., last week. Capt. and Mrs. Charles Finley were also there for the holidays.

The following visited their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jordan, during the holidays: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hutchison and daughters of Newkirk, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Jordan of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harlan, Mrs. Helen Harlan, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Harlan of Skellytown visited relatives here Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Calvert have sold their home to their nephew, Elwyn Corbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Biggers of New Mexico are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Sam McClellan.

Mrs. C. O. Huber and daughter, Kathleen, of Amarillo visited friends here during the holidays.

Mrs. Horace Bozeman and Miss Mareta Roach of Fort Worth visited here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cooke went to Lubbock Monday to make their home.

## Chamber Commerce Election Monday

The annual election of officers for the McLean chamber of commerce will be held Monday night at the city hall, beginning at 8 o'clock, according to announcement by President Emory Crockett.

The first Monday night in January each year is the constitutional time for the annual election, and it is hoped that a good crowd of business men and others will be present.

It will be the time for the annual financial report, which will show more money collected and spent for community enterprise than in many previous years.

## White's Auto Store Opens Next Week

O. M. Currey, owner and manager of the new White's Auto Store in McLean, announces that the store will hold opening days Friday and Saturday of next week, at the old City Food Store location on Main Street.

Mr. Currey says that they will handle a complete stock of automotive parts and home appliances and they will appreciate a share of the local business.

## BIRTHDAYS

- Jan. 5—R. H. Nichols.
- Jan. 6—W. C. Simpson.
- Jan. 7—Bazel Pettit, Mrs. C. W. Miller, Glen Chilton, Mrs. C. L. Wood, Mrs. Ed Smith, Judson Tibbets.
- Jan. 9—Donna Gail Stubblefield, Mrs. Lizzie Miller.
- Jan. 10—Mrs. W. W. Boyd.
- Jan. 11—W. E. Bogan, W. P. McDonald, W. J. Hanner, Wanda Davis.
- Jan. 12—Mrs. K. E. Windom, Mrs. C. M. Jones, Martha Joyce King, LaWanda Shadid, John W. Cooper.

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## For Dist. Judge



H. B. HILL  
Candidate for District Judge

## Lions Enjoy New Year Lunch

McLean Lions enjoyed a New Year's lunch Tuesday, with platters piled high with piping hot fried chicken, cream gravy, tender green peas, snowy creamed potatoes, vegetable salad, white bread, fruit salad, coffee and milk.

The chicken suffered most, as some Lions ate as many as seven pieces of their favorite parts of the chicken, and none less than four.

After the sumptuous repast, President Little called for a vote on several prospective members, all of them being accepted.

## LOW RAINFALL IN 1945

Only a little over half the average rainfall was registered in 1945. The following figures are taken from the report of Pete Fulbright, city observer, showing a total of 12.67 inches for the year: January .73, February .40, March 1.54, April 2.28, May .06, June 1.31, July 2.64, August .68, September 2.01, October .95, November 0, December .07.

Census report shows that 1,233 bales of cotton were ginned in Gray county from the crop of 1945 prior to Dec. 13, as compared with 946 bales for the crop of 1944, according to R. H. Wilson, special agent.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Petty of Alpine visited relatives here during the holidays. They were accompanied home by their sister, Mrs. R. V. Kennedy, and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wood and children, accompanied by Mrs. J. A. Meador, were in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy D. Rice and daughter of Lefors visited relatives here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ware and children of Bovina visited relatives here last week.

Fred Lankford and family of New Mexico are visiting Mrs. Lankford's father, W. M. Hinton.

Charlie Graham from Colorado is visiting his brother, Luke.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Calvert were in Shamrock Saturday.

## IN THE SERVICE

Wilburn West has recently received his discharge from service. He and his wife are making their home here.

Cpl. Clint Doolen of San Diego, Calif., is visiting home folks here. He has recently returned from the South Pacific.

L. and Mrs. Robert Gibson and son have returned to Tampa, Fla., after a visit with home folks here.

John Taylor, SP (F) 1c, has received his discharge from the navy and is at home.

Monroe Combs is home from overseas.

## PRICE CONTROL REMAINS

While all rationing with the lone exception of sugar is now removed, there is no change in price control.

Tires went off rationing January first, but prices are still under ceilings, according to advices received by T. A. Landers, local member of the county price panel. The top legal price for any 600x16 4-ply passenger tire is \$15.20 plus tax, and the ceiling on 650x16 4-ply is \$18.45 plus tax.

Tire dealers are required to supply a sales ticket or an invoice showing the size of the tire and the price per unit. Where any doubt exists as to tire costs, the sales ticket may be submitted to the local OPA board for examination.

Subscriptions this week: M. H. Patterson, J. R. Phillips, Mrs. Eph Prefontaine, C. A. Gatlin, R. N. Ashby, Odell Mantooth, W. L. Hinton, J. O. Clark, Paul Ashby, J. T. McCarty, T. H. Andrews, J. J. Coffey, H. E. Franks, J. W. Butler, M. K. Windom, Lawrence M. Watson, Mrs. F. E. Hambright, J. L. Andrews, Mrs. Troy Hinton, A. B. Wood, Cpl. Jack Lisman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lowry and children of Clarendon were dinner guests in the home of the lady's mother, Mrs. J. W. Story, Christmas Eve. All of Mrs. Story's children were present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Adams have returned from a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Lyman Daugherty, and family in California. They also visited other relatives en route on the trip.

Ted Longino of Austin, Hugh and Harold Longino of Abilene and Miss Lenore Longino of Amarillo visited home folks here during the holidays.

Mrs. C. M. Carpenter is visiting relatives at Wichita Falls this week.

Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Finley visited the lady's mother at Mangum, Okla., Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bogan visited their son, Creed, at Borger last Tuesday.

Mrs. Ray Trimble visited relatives at Dodson last Tuesday.

Mrs. F. R. Smith visited relatives at Clarendon last week.

## Hunters Abound In Quail Season

More hunters have been active in the McLean community this year, as ammunition reserves have been enlarged.

However, some cases are of more than passing interest. Four hunters drove about 125 miles Sunday and came to an eighty-acre farm, drove in past four "No Hunting," "Private" and "No Trespassing" signs, and asked permission to hunt. As the farmer did not hunt himself, and his birds are little more than pets, permission was not given.

Another case reported the same number of hunters paid \$20 each to hunt on a farm, and left with 100 birds, paying no attention to bag limits.

Birds are reported more plentiful than last year, and most hunters are getting daily limits on the larger ranches.

## HUGE SUM FOR NEW HOMES

It is estimated that more than \$894,000 will be spent during the next five years by Gray county home owners on remodeling and repair work.

Home owners of Texas are expected to spend \$822,215,000, and the nation \$5,500,000,000 for major repairs within the five year period.

## LUMBER YARDS FINED

Seven Wichita Falls lumber yards have been assessed treble damages in the U. S. Court and permanently enjoined from selling southern pine lumber in excess of legal maximum ceilings established by MPR 215.

New Year's Day visitors in the Lather Petty home were: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James, Sr., and daughter, Vesta Grace, of Lefors; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest James and daughter of Pampa, Rev. and Mrs. Herman Petty of Alpine, Mrs. Robt. V. Kennedy and son, Vernon of McLean.

Mrs. Fannie Rector and son, Sgt. Wilson Rector, of Dalhart; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilson of Stanford visited their sister and aunt, Mrs. Dewey Wood, and family through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Davis and family, their daughter and husband, Cpl. and Mrs. Jack M. Calkins, all of Childress, visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Davis, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Greer visited their daughter, Mrs. Tom Royal, at Amarillo Christmas Day. The other Greer children were present.

Frank Stockton and family of Bethany, Okla., and Mrs. W. C. Jackson of Shannon visited the ladies' brother Homer Abbot, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison Cash and daughter of Dumas visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cash, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Parsons and little daughter of Pensacola, Fla., visited the former's mother, Mrs. T. B. Windom, last week.

Preston Parsons of Syracuse, Kan., has returned home after a visit with his mother, Mrs. T. B. Windom.

Mrs. Imogene Messer, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Bennett and baby of Pampa visited in the T. B. Windom home last week.

Johnnie Cubine of Canyon was a Christmas dinner guest in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cash.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wood and children of Amarillo visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sparks, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Windom of Roswell, N. M., visited relatives here last week.

Homer Davidson of Amarillo visited his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Little, through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Nugent Kunkel of Mountain View, Calif., visited relatives here during the holidays.



Seaman Eddie Flowers, 23, Pensacola, Fla., says buy Victory Bonds to speed the recovery of Navy wounded all over the world. His leg was injured by a land mine in France many months ago but it was slow in healing. He is thankful for the added care and comfort that War Bonds afforded him at the Navy's St. Alban's Hospital, N. Y.



Pvt. Carl L. Smith, 22, of Green Back, Tenn., is getting about again after receiving treatment at the Army's Holloran General Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y. He was wounded in the right leg by a sniper in Germany and urges people to buy Victory Bonds to help provide care for thousands of other men still in hospitals.



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It is a patriotic duty to pay your poll tax or secure an exemption certificate this year. Too many elections are pending that will reflect on the daily lives of each citizen for anyone to fail to vote.

Being good according to calendar has never appealed to us, so new year resolutions have no part in the editor's life. We have yet to see where such resolutions were kept. A man better determine his life's rules and abide by them every day in the year.

Just as soon as manufacturers can supply goods there will be a scramble for buyers. The local firm that has kept its name before the public with advertising and fair dealing may expect to weather the storm better than any firm that has been getting by during the scarce times when it was just a matter of having goods to sell.

We may expect a record crop of political "newspapers" this year. Some have jumped the gun and are already shelling the woods to line up the voters. Texas bids fair to see another hot election year. From this distance we appreciate the calm administration of our present governor, as compared with the Fergusons and O'Daniel. But we fear that the calmness is about over. Several candidates for governor have all the requisites for political rowing, and will doubtless make the welkin ring before very long.

**A NEW INDUSTRY**

While Henderson county is scouting around for new industries, it might do well to interest someone in opening a barrel factory here, for barrels are going to be in demand and popular, whether we like it or not.

Quite the fashion in the not too distant future is going to be barrels with pleated staves and fancy hoops, possibly brass for the men and chromium for the ladies, and shoulder straps of natural cowhide or clear plastic. The men no doubt will want the bottom edge of their barrel plain, while the women will want a little scalloped work on their barrel. Deep red plush would make an attractive lining, and if the barrel is large enough it might come equipped with hot and cold running water. They may be even equipped with steam heating in winter and air conditioning in summer. We must not forget the built-in seat, for it would be neither gentlemanly nor convenient to sit in a chair while wearing a knee-length barrel of the more conventional type. Of course there will possibly be some of the ladies, accustomed to wearing shorts, who will want the abbreviated barrels. For summer wear, the men folk could get along very well with

**SOMEBODY'S STENOGRAPHER—Ready for the Gale**



**VIRGIL**

By LEN KLEIS



**REG'LAR FELLERS—Forgery to Order**

By GENE BYRNES



one small barrel for their middle, while women could do right well on two small barrels. These could be easily decorated with painted flowers to match the season, and there would be no end of fun cutting initials in them and pasting stickers of places visited on them. One of the big advantages would be the lack of a laundry bill and the ease with which they could be donned in the morning. There would be no shrinkage and but little wear, and they would stack nicely in the clothes closet.

It won't be very long before realization of this dream will come true. The shortage of clothes and the serious outlook for the immediate future makes it loom as a near possibility.—Athens Review.

**TALE OF 19 POSTHOLES**

An old story going the rounds is about an accountant in Dallas, checking the voluminous inventory files of the Defense Plant Corporation, who found listed by the government, in addition to millions of dollars worth of other property, an item labeled: "19 postholes."

**Friendly Thoughts**

By Womack



Youth studies the lessons that later as a man he learns. The putting of two and two together on a blackboard is followed by putting two and two together in the market place. History may be studied, but its significance is realized only as life translates it. The answers may be easily found in the back of the school books, but the proof waits for us down the long corridor of Time.

It is known that we are qualified to serve. To each observance we devote not only our professional talents, but our personal consideration.

**Womack Funeral Home**

**FIRE BUG FARMERS**

In an open letter to farmers of Freestone county, Charlie V. Hanning, agricultural agent, says too many farmers are "fire bugs" and advised the farmers to quit burning grass, weeds and stalks that are good fertilizer and also, when turned under, hold the soil together, hold water and permit air to reach the roots of growing plants.

Laws should be like clothes. They should be made to fit the people they are meant to serve.—Clarence Darrow.

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**Woman's World**

Statistics show that women control 60% of the wealth of the U. S. A., and to make a rough guess, 76% of the men. Then with voting, smoking, drinking and undressing, she is really climbing the big rock candy mountain. What next? Amazons?

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**January 31 THE LAST DAY FOR MEN NOW IN THE ARMY TO RETAIN THEIR PRESENT GRADES BY REENLISTING...**

Men now in the Army who reenlist before February 1 will be reenlisted in their present grade. Men honorably discharged can reenlist within 20 days after discharge in the grade they held at the time of discharge, provided they reenlist before February 1, 1946.

There's a long list of attractive reenlistment privileges in the new Armed Forces Voluntary Recruitment Act of 1945. The ability to keep your present grade is only one of them, but this privilege expires on January 31.

There are plenty of other reasons why many thousands of men have enlisted, and more thousands are enlisting every day. You'll certainly want to know all of the opportunities open to you. If you'll read them carefully, you'll know why a job in the new peacetime Regular Army is being regarded today as "The Best Job in the World."

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		20 Years' Service	30 Years' Service
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Technical Sergeant	114.00	74.10	128.25
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Sergeant	78.00	50.70	87.75
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**NEWS FROM KELLERVILLE**

Sgt. Roy S. Kiser is at Fort Sam Houston getting his discharge from the army. Sgt. Kiser landed at New York, Monday, Dec. 24, after 21 months overseas service in England and France.

Capt. and Mrs. H. M. Pegram of San Angelo visited the former's father, Dan Pegram, and brother, Walter Elliott. Capt. Pegram has just returned from Germany and is on furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Perrin of Fargo, Okla., spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Blackerby. Mr. Perrin is an uncle of Mrs. Blackerby.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bruton gave a pinocle party Friday night honoring their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Joe D. Bruton. Those enjoying the evening were Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Blackerby, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. West, Miss Meta E. Bruton, the honoree, host and hostess.

Sgt. Paul Miller of Camp Fanning has visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Miller.

Mrs. Royce Quarles and daughter of Richmond, Calif., have been visiting the former's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gossett.

Mrs. John Garner and children of Pampa visited the lady's sister, Mrs. Joe Thompson, New Year's Day.

The Baptist W. M. S. met at the church Jan. 1 for their regular monthly business and Royal Service meeting. Those present were Mesdames Chapman, Boyd, Sagner, Miller, Immel, Harris and Higdon. The next meeting will be Tuesday at 2:30 in the home of Mrs. H. Miller. Bible study will be conducted by Mrs. Joe Bidwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Boyd gave a 42 party Monday night. After several games, the remainder of the evening was spent in candy making and taffy pulling. Cake and coffee were served, and at midnight, Happy New Year greetings were said.

Those attending were Joe and Jeannie Harris, Newt and Loree Barker, Verl and Larry Tinkler, Charles and Bobby Boyd, Carolyn and Verlene Tinkler.

**KEEPING THE DOG**

It used to be that when you owned a dog, you just owned the dog and that was all there was to it. Of course, you had to see that the animal was given food and water and received sufficient exercise. That was in the days when life was simple.

Now, even as old and established a custom as owning a dog has come almost unbelievably complicated.

Of course, if you live in a city, you have to pay a dog tax—on the dog, of course. And before you can pay the tax, you have to have the dog inoculated against rabies. And the veterinarian suggests also that it would be a good idea to have the dog immunized against distemper.

All of these things cost money—not much separately, but still they add up. Like they used to say about a Model T, "It's not the original cost but it's the up-keep; one of these cars will two-bit you to death."

Then there is the problem of food for the dog. In the old days, you fed your dog scraps and of course some meat—but there is a meat shortage, of which you've heard.

Someone suggested that we feed Bessie some prepared food. Upon opening the package, we found that the contents looked like pieces of brown cardboard. The directions said to soak in warm water, which was done with considerable misgivings, but to our amazement, Bessie ate this with much gusto and began to grow taller and heavier.

And as she grew, she became more playful and energetic. Fox terriers are generally conceded to be the liveliest of all dogs; Bessie is hereby placed in nomination as the liveliest of all fox terriers. Of course, she had to have a

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place to romp and run—so that meant fencing in the backyard. Of course, we had been intending

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to build a fence for a long time (so we said). The fence has now been built at a cost of \$77.50. Say, those friends that gave us the dog, do you suppose they were friends?—Boyce House.

A colored boy and his girl were gazing in the moonlight when he said: "Say, Rozella, what would you like to be if you wasn't what you is?"

Rozella replied: "Hush you'll's mouf. I can't be somethin' I ain't."  
"Well," said he, "If you could be what you ain't, just what would you like to be?"  
"A red rose," said Rozella.  
"I'd like to be a centipede if \$105,000 in treasury printing costs

you was a red rose," said he. "How come?" asked Rozella. "So I could climb up the stem and put all my arms around you." "Hush you'll's mouf," said Rozella. "You ain't usin' the two arms you has got."

**DIFFERENT DOLLARS**  
Sharp eyed citizens note that some of their money is different. Their one, five or 10-spot bills have a yellow instead of a blue seal—or a brown seal with the word "Hawaii" overprinted. War currency, used in foreign invasions, is in general circulation. Designed to thwart the enemy, its use domestically will save

**THE SMALL SON**

The small son of the house had been told that he must always wait patiently till he was served at meals, and not draw attention to himself.

One day he was dining out at a friend's house with his mother, and somehow he was accidentally overlooked. Nobody noticed, and for a time he was patient, but at last he could stand it no longer. Leaning across to his mother, he said in a low voice:

"Mother, do little boys who starve to death go to heaven?"

**H. B. Hill Says:**

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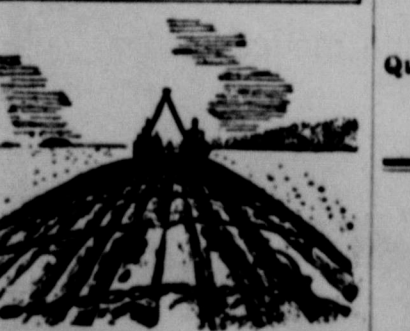
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Sarah's Place

By RONALD KEELER  
McClure Newspaper Syndicate,  
WNU Features.

THINGS weren't going any too well on the Bender quarter section lately. Crops had been good; the stock was well fed; all bills had been paid in advance, but Sarah's dad had suddenly decided that he wanted to sell, and stopping him was like meeting a policeman on a one-way street.

Lawyer Jayne was coming from town today to look over the place. The thought made Sarah so nervous she hardly knew which side of a chair to sit on. All week she had confused and twisted things. Once she started to can the pits instead of cherries. At another time she started to fry the potato peelings. It wasn't as if her father hadn't promised her full ownership of the farm when he died. She wished something could be done to stop him before it was too late, but it seemed hopeless.

Sarah's father came running into the house. "Don't forget to feed the chickens and the pigs. I don't want Jayne to think our stock is half-starved."

"Come pig, pig, pig!" she called. Several anxious grunters soon moved in quickly on her, and she poured the trough full of reddish-colored garbage.

She didn't want to sell. She wanted to live on this farm where she had been born and reared. Suddenly she



"I want to buy it."

decided she wouldn't give in easily. Walking boldly to her father, she said, "If you're going to sell this farm, I want to buy it."

For a few moments he boiled inwardly, then spoke. "This place must be sold, and I'm selling it for cash today."

"But I'll pay cash for it," Sarah protested.

"With what?"  
"With the money you'd get from it today. Only the deal would be made before the sale. You said once this farm would belong to me some day." Her voice was firm.

"If Jayne comes through, the farm goes. You don't want to be bothered with this old place now that prices are so high."

The smooth hum of an engine grew louder down the valley, and soon Jayne rolled into the lane with his big car. "Hello, Jim," he said jovially, holding out a big hand. "Hello, Sarah," he smiled.

Sarah remained cold and crisp. "Let's take a look at things," Bender suggested, and the two started up over the ridge.

"This alfalfa has a good stand," Jayne admitted. "It should produce a fine crop next season."  
"The crops are the best I've seen around here," Bender said. "You can't go wrong with the place."

They were at the pig pen now viewing future prospects for meat. Then one of the pigs began to grunt and squeal and dance madly around. Soon the others did the same. There was no sense or reason to their strange antics.

Sarah stood dumfounded. She couldn't figure out what was wrong. Jayne looked suspiciously at Bender. "They act as if they were crazy," Jayne charged.

"They're not crazy!" Bender said. "They're among the best in the state. It's your one chance in a lifetime."

"I'm not taking the chance, thank you," Jayne concluded, and started for his car.

"Just a minute," Bender pleaded. "You can't run away like this, Sarah, go in and fetch the cherry wine. Jayne can't go without some refreshment."

Sarah obeyed gladly. There was some hope now of keeping the farm. That would mean she would have another chance to own it.

Soon she returned with a jug of fresh cider. "I told you to bring the cherry wine," her father said. Sarah's face flushed. Her throat was hot and choked.

"I don't drink fresh cider," Jayne said, and climbed into the driver's seat. Before Bender could stop him he was speeding in the highway. "Well, the pig in the sweater said dependently, she hurried toward the house. "Now get me some cherry wine."

Finally Sarah managed to say, "There is no wine. I think it must have spoiled. You'll have to drink cider."

"That's strange," the man said. As the kitchen door slammed Sarah thought, How could I have been mixed up enough to pour that wine into the pig feed?

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THERE IS still time to take advantage of our bargain offer on the Amarillo News. Phone 47.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. For District Judge: H. B. HILL

WHAT IS YOUR EXCUSE?

A certain church prepared a service of worship and invited whoever would to come. And it sent forth a letter, saying to all its friends and members, "Come, for the minister and choir and sexton have made all things ready." And the majority began with tiresome repetition to make excuse.

The first said, "All week I labor hard and unceasingly. On Sunday, I must needs rest in bed until noon. Or, if I should arise at a respectable hour, there are many odd jobs to be done about the house; and, as a last resort, there is the Sunday paper. I pray thee, have me excused."

And another said, "I have bought a car, and on Sunday my family doth make a great clamor to be taken into the country. I am aware that on rainy Sundays when the car remaineth in the garage I do not go to church either. But then I have some other excuse."

And another said, "I have children and behold! By the time they are dressed and fed and dispatched to Sunday school I have reached the end of my Sunday morning enthusiasm; and to get myself ready is more than I can manage. I pray thee, have me excused."

And another said, "I would fair come, but alas! when I was young and tender, my unwise parents did compel me to go to the church once, twice, even thrice a Sunday. And I became 'fed up' on church and have not yet digested the contents of this 'forced feeding.' Accept, I pray thee, this my valid and intelligent excuse."

And another said, "The members of my family are peculiar; they must needs eat on Sundays, the same as on other days. And if I go to church, will the minister

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send someone to prepare our dinner? To sit down to dinner an hour late is impossible, for we are not of a mind to subdue the call of our stomach to the needs of our immortal souls. To prepare the roast on Saturday is out of the question, for my cronies will accept no excuse for my absence from the weekly bridge party. I pray thee, have me excused."

And many other excuses of equal impressiveness did the people make. Yet did these same people raise a great hue and cry and make bitter lament when war and crime and corruption and all manner of evil did flourish greatly. And with one accord they began to make complaint, saying, "Why is not something done about these things?"—Tulsa Herald.

A wise-cracker stepped up to the crowded train as it stopped at the station and inquired of the conductor: "Well, Noah, you've got here at last. Is the Ark full?"  
The quick-witted conductor replied, "Nope, we need one more monkey. Hop in."

The American widgeon is a species of duck.

Pet Shop ad: "Our perfume for dogs will glamorize the plainest pooch."

Mrs. O. G. Stokely is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Martha McDonald, at Dallas this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hindman were in Amarillo Tuesday.

Miss Mary Lee Abbott of Canyon was home for the holidays.

Jack Mercer was in Pampa Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Kibler made a business trip to Shamrock Monday.

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W. B. Hotchkiss of Medford, Ore., is visiting his sisters, Mrs. E. J. Windom and Mrs. Leo Gibson.

Mrs. Nora Loveland left last week after a visit with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lee, Sr., have bought one of the Holloway houses on Main Street.

NEW THINGS

for the NEW YEAR

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