

THE MCLEAN NEWS

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MONEY FOR BONDS NOW DEPOSITED IN CITY FUNDS

Clay Thompson, city treasurer, has received the money for the McLean municipal bonds. The total amount, including accrued interest, is \$74,000.00. This amount of money is now on deposit for the building of waterworks, light plant and street improvements.

The whole matter of issuing and selling the bonds has gone through smoothly, no mistakes or hitches of any kind being made. This is rather unusual in matters of this kind, but everything connected with the bonds was carefully investigated before making the issue.

The city work has been held up to some extent by delay in shipping material, but now that we have the cash to pay for the material, no doubt material men will get a move on to keep from forfeiting their contracts.

It is the intention of the engineers to finish the work this winter if the weather permits.

KATCHELHOFFER OIL WELL TO RESUME OPERATIONS

By Special Reporter
Mr. J. H. Cooley of Chicago is now in the interest of the No. 01 Gagny, whose well is located 3 1/2 miles east of town on the Katchel-hoffer land. Several thousand dollars have been expended by the company and the well is fairly well on its way. But after using approximately \$50,000.00, leases are expiring and they have not gotten results so Mr. Cooley came here to finally settle up the whole affair and release everybody's land without cost to the people, and either sell the machinery and a sets of the company, amounting to about \$25,000.00 or develop some new plan to operate the drilling of the well down to the oil.

After going over the situation with many of the land owners, who all seem to want the well drilled, Mr. Cooley has developed the following plan: First, to form a solid block of several thousand acres around the well and take 5-year leases to the company, and in lieu of rentals to pay the land owners \$5.00 per acre in stock in the company, fully paid and non-assessable. For example, every owner of 160 acres will get \$800.00 in stock; 320 acres \$1600.00 in stock, and so on, depending upon the number of acres owned to the company. This plan gives every stockholder a chance to make money, no matter where oil is found by the company. The new stockholders, like the old ones who hold for their stock, will immediately become part owners in all the machinery and equipment of the company. In fact, they have everything to gain and not much to lose, except the possible chance of a few dollars they might get from some speculator who would only hold the property back from being developed for many years.

Now if this solid block of leases are put in, the company intends to sell more of its capital stock and estimate a few leases to raise approximately \$50,000.00 in cash with which to go ahead with development at the earliest possible date. The company owns its equipment and machinery free from debt, has a well set way down and paid for, and by making a contract with a good reliable driller who can give bond to complete the well and bring in oil as possible, every stockholder will be protected from any loss of time or money under any other haphazard plan or way. Doing the work the day, the contract will be let at a definite price, and a good substantial bonus will be put in the contract for the driller who can deliver the goods.

Mr. Cooley has made many friends among our best people, who thoroughly believe in his straight-forward business-like methods, and they have demonstrated this fact by ready signing up nearly three thousand acres around the well desired to him.

It will boom our town, make our people valuable in fact, make every one of us financially better off, get our flowers and go to it now!
Mr. Cooley can be seen in town at the Hindman Hotel or American National Bank.

Christmas Morning



VOLUNTEER BAND TO GIVE PROGRAM AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Following is the program which the Volunteer Band from Wayland College will render at the First Baptist church during Christmas week, beginning Wednesday, Dec. 28, at 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
Song services led by Douglas Carver.

Opening address by leader—John W. Cobb.

Address—Lawrence Barrett.

Quartette—Selected.

Address—S. W. Badget.

Duet—Selected.

Conclusion—Rev. White.

Thursday, 10 a. m.

Son services conducted by S. W. Badget.

Leader—John W. Cobb.

Address—Milton Leach.

Address—Douglas Carver.

Solo—Lawrence Barrett.

Address—Ruth Barrett.

Duet—Selected.

Conclusion—O. L. Oltham.

Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Song leader—Douglas Carver.

Leader—Philip McGahey.

Address—Rev. White.

Address—Milton Leach.

Duet—Carver and Ruth Barrett.

Address—Rosy Jones.

Quartette—Carver, Badget, Lois and Ruth Barrett.

Conclusion by leader.

Friday, 10 a. m.

Song leader—S. W. Badget.

Leader—Philip McGahey.

Address—Lawrence Barrett.

Address—Douglas Carver.

Duet—Selected.

Address—O. L. Oltham.

Conclusion—Rev. White.

AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Eld. L. D. Cummins of Whitewater will preach at the Church of Christ Saturday night, Sunday morning and evening. The general public is invited to attend all our services.

B. P. Williams of Wichita Falls, representative of Amalia Motor oils, was a visitor at our office Tuesday and gave us an order for advertising.

MISS LENA BENTLEY DEAD

Miss Lena Bentley, aged 24 1/2 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bentley who live north of town, died at the Clinton, Okla., sanitarium last Saturday, following an operation for acute appendicitis. The remains were brought to McLean, where the funeral services were held at the Christian church by Eld. Seruggs of Shamrock Sunday afternoon. Interment followed immediately at Hillcrest cemetery.

The News extends sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

JONES' SALE A SUCCESS

S. R. Jones, who put his stock of hardware and harness on sale last week, is well pleased with the results of his advertising. People have bought goods faster than the clerks could mark them down and put them on display. This week Jones is making reductions in his grocery stock, for he must give possession of the building by Jan. 1st. Read his ad in this issue.

RABBIT DRIVE DEC. 26

We made an error in last week's issue of The News in giving the place where dinner would be served at the big rabbit drive. It should be at the J. S. Howard farm three miles west of town instead of east.

The drive will start at 8:30 o'clock on the morning of December 26, one mile west of town, at the southeast corner of the N. E. Savage farm near the railroad crossing.

Everyone is welcome to come and help make the drive a success. You are asked to please leave your dogs and guns at home.

MAIL LINE FROM PAMPA TO CLARENDON

Pampa, Dec. 19.—The Star mail route that has been pending for about nine months between Pampa and Clarendon has been granted. The route will be by way of Jericho, and in addition to the rural mail service, passengers will be carried.

CHRISTMAS TREE PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH

The following program will be rendered by the Methodist Sunday school on Saturday night, Dec. 23. Everyone has a cordial welcome to come to the tree and program.

Song, "Joy to the World."

Prayer—Rev. J. S. Huckabee.

Song, "The Coming of the King"

—The children.

Reading, "The Crippled Dolly"—Sarah Ellen Foster.

Motion song, "A Christmas Lullaby"—Little girls.

Reading, "A Good Boy"—Clay Edward Thompson.

Dialogue, "The Christmas Idea"—Five girls.

Reading, "Christening Dolly"—Charlie Mae Carpenter.

Reading, "The Message of Christmas"—Joellene Vannoy.

Instrumental trio—Mrs. Homer Wilson, Messrs. Paul and Carl Ashby.

Reading, "If the Christ Child Came"—Anna Wingro.

Duet—Misses Lula Peters and Jewel Shaw.

"A Christmas Pastime," or "The Crying Family"—Twenty-six children.

Motion song, "Sing a Song of Christmas"—Little boys.

Offering for Orphanage.

Distribution of presents.

Benediction.

AT THE LEGION THEATRE

The Legion Theatre promises a good show every night next week. Paramount pictures will be used, together with Charlie Chaplin comedies. Care has been taken in selecting these pictures to get the very best and you will not be disappointed by patronizing this popular theatre any night next week. Look up their ads in this issue of The News.

Miss Agnes Whitley of Groom visited Mrs. C. E. A. Pollard Wednesday.

Geo. Colebank of Northfork was a business visitor in McLean Wednesday.

C. C. BOGAN BUYS CITY PHARMACY

A deal was made last week whereby C. C. Bogan became the sole owner of the City Pharmacy, buying out the interest owned by Eric Shell. Mr. Bogan has had one-half interest in the firm since its inception, but has taken no active part in the management. He has resigned his position as assistant cashier of the Citizens State Bank and taken full charge of the Pharmacy.

Mr. Shell will stay with the firm for the present, but has already had several tempting offers from other towns, one of which he may accept in the near future.

This popular store has enjoyed a good trade every since it started, and there is no reason why the trade should not continue to grow under the new owner.

Donald A. Beall takes Mr. Bogan's position in the bank for the present.

FROM BITTER CREEK

The McLean News is certainly gaining the day

With outside folks and editors that live away;

The editors are working nightly,

without a frown,

In getting up The News to boost the town,

And they deserve all the credit and all the praise

That they are getting from all those ways.

They are spending their time, their talent and brain,

Trying to make a city at the town of McLean.

So here's to the public—if you've got any pep,

Subscribe for The News and try to help.

Do you expect the editor to talk any louder

Without any money to pay for the powder?

The editor is just human, like you and I,

And will have to have some dough if he has any pie.

I like The News, and now I'm really

Looking to a time when it will be a daily.

Then the time will soon be, and won't it be great,

When The News will be read all over the State?

Then the Southwest farmers that are down in the mouth

Will come to McLean, where we have come no drouth.

Then when the immigrants come and spend their wad

And build new houses and turn the sod

And set it in Bermuda grass, clover and rye,

Then it will be when this land will go high.

So I would advise all who wish to reap

To buy some land or town lots now, while they're cheap;

And somebody ought to, though it took the last cent,

Build some houses in McLean, just to rent.

So long,

TOBE SPILKINS JR.

JUDGE HEASLEY HONORED

Judge James F. Heasley was one of the 900 Masons of Texas to be honored by the Grand Lodge with a certificate to teach Masonry for the next year. This is an honor when it is known that very few men ever memorize the 33,000 words of secret work necessary to enable them to pass the examination. Judge Heasley has held a certificate for a number of years that has been renewed from year to year, and no man is any better qualified to teach the first three degrees of Masonry.

Mrs. E. B. Hall of St. Louis sends us \$1.50 to renew her subscription to The News, and suggests that we run items from The News of 10 years ago. No doubt this column would be of interest to former residents of McLean, but we have lots of subscribers who strenuously object to a column of this kind. We appreciate Mrs. Hall's interest in our paper.

BAPTISTS TO BUILD CHURCH NEW LOCATION

At a called conference at the First Baptist church Sunday night a unanimous vote was taken to start building a new church on their lots in the main part of town.

It is planned to tear down the old church building and use the lumber for forms in a concrete basement for the new building. This basement will be roofed and the main building erected at a later date. After serving as forms for the basement the lumber will be used to erect a pastorium on the same lots. This building will be stuccoed.

Most of the work on the new building will be donated, and as this church has some cash on hand from the sale of the old pastorium, it will not be necessary to ask the membership for very much money on the plans for this winter.

John W. Kibler, T. A. Landers and L. O. Floyd were appointed a building committee, and anyone who would like to help on this work in anyway is referred to this committee.

CATTELMEN ORGANIZE

A meeting of stockmen and citizens of the McLean trade territory was held on Dec. 20 for the purpose of effecting some kind of an organization relative to the selling of cattle. The meeting was called to order by C. L. Cooke, acting as temporary chairman. Discussions were given by D. M. Graham and John C. Burns relative to the co-operative marketing of feeder calves from the producer direct to the feeder. A lengthy discussion was given by Mr. Burns, who is secretary and field man of the Texas Hereford Association, outlining ways and means whereby the producer and feeder could be gotten together. Mr. Burns explained how the Highland and Midland breeders Associations were functioning and what great results were obtained through each Association. After these discussions were heard it was the wish of those present that we organize into an Association here at McLean, an organization being duly perfected with the following results:

An invitation was extended to those present to join the proposed organization and the following men responded and gave their names for membership: George W. Sitter, John Carpenter, C. M. Carpenter, S. P. Kennedy, Emmett Thompson, J. T. McCarty, J. M. Noel, J. L. Hess, Evan L. Sitter, Chas. A. Roach, W. P. Rogers, H. N. Roach, D. M. Graham, D. W. Turner and J. W. Kibler.

Officers were then elected as follows:

J. M. Carpenter, president.

J. L. Hess, 1st vice president.

J. M. Noel, 2nd vice president.

D. M. Graham, secretary.

J. W. Kibler, treasurer.

J. M. Carpenter, J. L. Hess, J. M. Noel, D. M. Graham, Emmett Thompson, Geo. W. Sitter and W. P. Rogers, directors.

The chair appointed the following to draft the constitution and by-laws: J. M. Carpenter, J. L. Hess, J. M. Noel and D. M. Graham, who were directed to report at the next called meeting on Jan. 13, 1923.

A vote of thanks was given Mr. Burns for his valuable work in coming to McLean to assist in the organization.

LYCEUM NUMBER GOOD ONE

The third number of the Lyceum course given at the Legion Theatre Tuesday night was thought by many to be the best one yet. There was no doubt of the musicians' ability to play the strange instruments of this country. This number was enjoyed by a large audience who will eagerly await the next number.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

Following the usual custom, there will be no issue of The News next week. The next issue of The News will be in the new year, and if your subscription expires Jan. 1st, this will be the last issue you will receive. Renew now, and at the same time order The News sent to someone for a Christmas present. Your thoughtfulness will be appreciated.

Mrs. Hannah Crawford of Ramsdell was in McLean Wednesday.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LEADERSHIP

By Clay E. Thompson

Nothing has been accomplished worthy of record in history that was not brought about by the concerted efforts of the natural or supernatural.

In the beginning God created the world and all that's contained therein. Upon him rested the responsibility of creating all men equal. The mortality of the body, the immortality of the soul, the laws of gravitation, the orbits of the earth and stars and all heavenly bodies, the divisions of day and night, the changes represented by the different seasons of the year, all indicate the work of a power far superior to that of human hands.

Upon the shoulders of the leaders in the old Bible days rested the responsibility of directing conditions that future generations might share the blessings of God as was manifested in the person of Jesus Christ.

Probably the most critical period in history is described in the passages when it seemed that all the progress made in former years, both in mental and spiritual development as well as in literature and art and industry, was doomed to be lost to humanity. But the cause of righteousness and freedom prevailed, and the then known world came forth from the clutches of powers that tended to drag it down and made advances in civilization and knowledge of their Divine Creator unknown to former generations.

The future of the people of the old world, their happiness, social and economic conditions depended upon their handing down from one generation to another the principles of right above wrong.

Upon Christopher Columbus depended the colonization and civilization of the American colonies, and later the members of the Continental Congress laid the foundation of a government that insures life, liberty and freedom to every well meaning American citizen. A power was vested in them that if misused or misdirected might have caused the present population to be living under the pressure of a despotic Czar or unbearable conditions brought about by the rule of Socialism or Bolshevism.

The treasured principles laid down by these venerable statesmen have been guarded and cherished by their successors in office, and the principle of right above might has been instilled into the lives of succeeding generations until now we are enjoying the protection of the greatest flag of all nations and under a government recognized throughout the whole world as superior to that of any other form of government.

Universal belief in the teachings of the Bible, the recognition of God as the Creator of the world, have been upheld as a standard before the American people, and this principle alone is sufficient to place any nation in the front ranks as leaders in the development of civilization and enlightenment of humanity.

The operations of the Protestant churches have been extended from time to time, from a very small beginning to their now widely extended territories, made possible by the leadership of the godly men who were pioneers in this great work, who had the best interest of humanity at heart. The continued success of this work depends, not alone on the conferences from time to time, not on the bishops, nor elders, nor deacons, nor preachers in charge, although these are all essential and necessary for the carrying out of the program outlined, but upon the co-operation of every member of every church, each realizing that he or she has a definite work to do, something probably that no other person is capable of doing.

It has been proved that neither an emperor or a president can carry the full load of his institution.

The high officials of the great corporations of our country are not necessarily geniuses or prodigies—they have won out by using normal means to think beyond their manifold daily duty; they all began at the bottom and worked their way up, usually by using head and hands more freely and effectively than the average man.

A great man is not necessarily a king or a president, nor one that has accumulated an abundance of worldly goods, although these positions are stations in life from which one's greatness can radiate most effectively, but is anyone that can say at the close of his day's work that he has done all in his power to alleviate suffering humanity, that he has done nothing to offend anyone, and who has due respect and regard for others' feelings, who can lie down at night and sleep the peaceful sleep of an undisturbed soul and conscience, a condition that is

brought about only by the undisputed and undeniable self-satisfaction of having spent an honest day, acknowledging allegiance to his God and seeking his leadership and guidance in all his undertakings, feeling deep down in his soul that he has wronged no man intentionally, forgetful of self to the extent that he would sacrifice, if need be, for others, who can look back over his life, seeing his faults and realizing his mistakes, as others see them, and make amends to them to the fullest extent of his ability.

The man that lives a life like this holds within his breast a treasure that pays dividends a thousand percent, one that he would not exchange

for all the world and be cursed with a nagging conscience.

(Editor's note—The above paper was read at a program given by the stewards of the Methodist church, and printed at the request of Mr. Thompson's friends.)

Enoch and Bill Bentley left Wednesday for Oklahoma City to buy cars for the Bentley Motor Co.

Williams & Son have our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

Mrs. W. T. Wilson has our thanks for renewals to The News for H. C. Wilson, Snyder, and Hugh A. Hefner, Denton.

News From Gracey

Miss Gladys McCright, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. B. D. Fondren, returned to her home Saturday.

Misses Gaut and Rasor and Messrs. Floyd Andrews and Earl Ware attended a party at the Percy Kinard home Friday night.

L. B. Lakey moved to the Montgomery ranch near Northfork last week.

Calvin Meyers and children of Clovis, N. M., are visiting his sister, Mrs. D. E. Johnson.

Mrs. B. D. Fondren, A. L. Lee and Emette Fondren went to McLean Sunday to attend the funeral of Miss Lena Bentley.

J. E. Ayer and Percy Kinard have changed places for the coming year. PENPUSHER.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

Subject—Home Mission Survey. Introduction by leader—Gladys Holloway.

Topic 1—Ernest Abbott

Topic 2:

Parts 1 and 2—Mrs. Savage.

Parts 3 and 4—Lee Wilson.

Parts 5 and 6—Mrs. Wilkins.

Parts 7 and 8—Mr. Savage.

Parts 9 and 10—Mrs. R. A. Shell.

Mrs. H. T. Sherrod of Alanreed visited her daughter, Mrs. L. F. Wilkins, Wednesday.

Att'y H. B. Hill of Shamrock was in town Wednesday on business.

John Fulton of Alanreed was a business visitor in McLean Saturday.

GREETINGS

at Christmas time and all kind thoughts for the New Year

JOHN MERTEL
Fine Shoe Repairing

N. E. Savage handed us \$1.50 for The News another year Wednesday. Mr. Savage says he is taking no chances on missing a copy of The News.

Mrs. Haggard of Ramsdell was shopping in the city Saturday.

M. T. Wilkerson gave us \$1.50 for The News another year Monday.

O. K. Murphree went to Amarillo last Thursday for a few days' visit with relatives and friends.

C. S. RICE
Funeral Director
Calls answered day or night.
Phones—13 and 42

WE APPRECIATE

your business, and hoping that the pleasant relations now existing between us will continue, we wish you much happiness and prosperity for the New Year.

McLEAN FEED STORE
Henry & Cheney, Props.

Christmas Wishes

With full appreciation of the many courtesies shown us during the past year, we extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

McLean Auto Co.
Dodge Brothers Motor Cars
Firestone Tires U. S. L. Batteries
Expert Auto Repairing

THE SEASONS GREETING

At this Holiday Season we think of our customers as our friends.

We like to feel that in a broad sense our customers are our partners—that our success is but the reflection of theirs. And so at this holiday season we extend to you our hearty good wishes.

CLEMENT PRODUCE
The Old Reliable Produce House

FILL YOUR BINS NOW

with our good coal. Better keep a supply of coal on hand this winter.

We extend to our customers and friends the compliments of the season.

Smith Brothers

Coal Cotton Loans Insurance

Fire and Tornado Insurance

Had you ever stopped to think that this is the most hazardous time of the year for fires? If you are not protected from fires, tornadoes and hail storms, why not come in and let me write you a policy in one of the strong companies I represent. The cost is nothing, considering the protection you have.

C. C. BOGAN

Compliments of The Season

We desire to extend to you the compliments of the season and express our sincere wishes for your prosperity the coming year, with a continuance of the cordial relations existing between us.

Cousins Motor Co.

All Work Strictly Guaranteed

Repairing, Storage, Gas, Oils and Accessories
Day Phone 172 SERVICE CAR Night Phone 141

Appreciation

We take this opportunity of expressing to you our deepest appreciation of the cordial relationship which has existed between us in the past. May it continue indefinitely.

Accept our best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Western Lumber & Hardware Company

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H. F. WINGO, Manager

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month. When five issues occur in
a calendar month, charge will be
made for the extra edition.

A Christmas gift without the
Christmas Spirit is worthless.

In the early days of American
history Christmas was denounced as
evil and ungodly.

McLean has cause to be proud of
the way in which her bond issue
has been handled. Not many towns
out over an issue of this kind with-
out a hitch or trouble of any kind.

The fullness of Christmas satisfac-
tion is only to be had around the
home fireside. As long as there
are children in the home, Christmas
will remain a home holiday, and no
way-from-home Christmas will sat-
isfy.

It looks like a poor time to try to
build churches, but history has shown
that churches are built in hard times.
When everyone is flush with money
the church is forgotten. It is a sad
commentary on human nature that
it takes hard times to make us re-
member our blessings and cause us
to strive to do our duty as christians.

W. T. Wilson, manager of the
Cicero Smith Lumber Co., has given
a letter board to the primary grades
of the McLean school. This is an
important part of playground equip-
ment, and Mr. Wilson is to be con-
gratulated for thinking up a good
advertising scheme that will give so
much pleasure to the kiddies.

Tobe Spilkins Jr., our respected
correspondent from Bitter Creek has
an article in this issue of The News
after a long silence. The News ap-
preciates men like Mr. Spilkins and
we sometimes wish he lived right in
McLean where he could help us boost
the town each week. We insist that
our readers read the article this
week, for the gentleman has a real
talent that if he would give his time
to write would make him in the class
with Walt Mason and others.

The change in text books for our
public schools will cost over one and
one-half million dollars. This money
will come out of the State school
fund and will affect every school in
the State. Protests from school men
all over the State are going in to
the Governor. We can see no reason
for a change at this time when
money is so badly needed to pay
teachers. Practically all school dis-
tricts in the State have enough books
to get along with for the next year,
but many of these books must be
thrown out and new ones bought.
Any change in books, under our laws,
means a loss and when there is no
good reason to change the loss is
felt keenly. It is to be hoped that
the next Legislature will enact a
law that will save the schools from
all such losses in the future.

The demand for cigarettes is gradu-
ally growing less, even though the
price has been lowered. However,
each man and youth in the nation,
on an average, is smoking 180 ciga-
rettes and 25 cigars a month. Some
smoke as high as 60 to 75 cigarettes
per day or 1800 to 2,500 a month.
It has been said that when you see
a boy smoking a cigarette "there
is a little fire at one end of the
cigarette and a little fool at the
other."—Plainview News.

According to a report from a pen-
itentiary agent, there are now about
four white men and boys going to
the pen to one negro. Before the
war there were about four negroes
to one white man who was convicted.
Is it possible that the war has done
this for us? And another astonish-

ing thing about the report is the fact
that most of the white men and boys
who are going are ex-service men.
Did the war make criminals out of
some of our boys? To say the least
of it, this is a strong argument
against wars and for a real League
of Nations.—Paducah Post.

The publishers of the Literary
Digest perhaps know what they are
about in the policy they are pursu-
ing, but from this viewpoint, it is
not at all certain. That magazine
had in fifty years built up a high
class clientele, and was reaching
many clean American homes. But
they hearkened to the lure of greed
for the business office, and the re-
sult is that the magazine is rapidly
being barred from the better homes
and schools of the nation. A mag-
azine which will wink and make sport
of the laws of the land for so much
has no right to exist. It is supposed
to be controlled by Jews and others
who are catering to the business
office for the immediate price per-
centage. Too bad that a magazine can thus
be swerved from its moorings.—
Hall County Herald.

While The Post is a newspaper
primarily, it does not claim to give
even all the local news. In the first
place, to do so would not conduce
to better morals in the community.
Almost every week a local editor
leaves out some salacious news story
that would be read with the most
intense interest by many. To pub-
lish it would mean lawsuits, personal
assaults and sometimes murder. In
giving the local news that should be
given and leaving out items that
should not be published, the editor
must be as wise as Solomon or he
will find himself making some awful
mistakes. Almost every week some
person wants certain items of news
told on the other fellow, but the
other fellow is just as anxious to
have it suppressed. It falls to the
editor to decide just what news

should be published and which left
untold in his paper. Where the de-
cision is difficult to make, it is best
to choose the safe course of leaving
such matter out of the paper. The
influence of a local paper can never
remake and reform the entire morals
of its community, but it can easily
stir up enough strife and ill feeling
to last a lifetime.—Childress Post.

A. W. Haynes handed us \$1.50 for
The News another year Monday. We
informed Mr. Haynes that his pres-
ent subscription was not out until
next July, but he said he was taking
no chances on his time ever running
out, and he knew the editor's ex-
penses were pretty heavy around
Christmas time. We appreciate this
spirit among our subscribers.

J. M. Renshaw and Lee VanSant
left Sunday for a few days' visit
with relatives at Conway.

Bill Bentley of Plainview came in
Sunday to attend the funeral of his
cousin, Miss Lena Bentley.

Paul Johnson of Gracey was a
business visitor in McLean Saturday.

W. R. Newton of Dodsonville was
visiting relatives in the city Satur-
day.

V. H. MOORE
Auctioneer
Wheeler, Texas

Magnolia
Petroleum Co.
C. J. CASH, Agent
Day Phone 184 Night Phone 101

LETTER FROM NORTH CAROLINA

Kyle, N. C., Dec. 16.
If you will allow me a space in
your valuable paper, I will write you
a few scratches of my travels since
I left McLean. I left McLean Nov.
22; arrived at Murphy, N. C., Nov.
26. I went from there to Warne to
Brother A. N. Wood, whom I hadn't
seen in twenty years. Found all
well; spent a few days, then went
to Andrews, then to Chaga to my
Sister Dillingham. Spent a few days
there and then went to Kyle to T. H.
Wood, my youngest brother, where
I found my mother at my old home
place, which I hadn't seen in twenty
years. Mother is over one hundred
years old and is able to walk around
and has been helping quilt.

I have been having a good time
catching rainbow trout. It has been
raining most every day. I am fixing
to go bear hunting. I think I will
come home with a big bear skin.
Wish Uncle Dave Veatch and Dr.
Montgomery were here to go along;
what a time we would have.

I went to T. H. Wood's sheep ranch
at the apple tree place and got a
fine mutton and butchered it, and

today I am enjoying eating it.
Good luck to The McLean News.
Your friend, A. B. WOOD.

Mrs. Jack F. Jones of Dodsonville
was a visitor in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Thompson were
in from their ranch Saturday.

Mrs. M. L. Bush and son, Lynn,
of Memphis came in last Thursday
to visit relatives.

T. F. Phillips of Heald was a bus-
iness visitor in McLean Friday.

Mrs. Carl Overton returned Friday
from Marlin, where she has been for
medical treatment.

Mrs. Belle Haynes and children of
Amarillo are visiting friends in this
city.

VULCANIZING.
FISK TIRES.
PETE'S VULCANIZING SHOP

Best Wishes

for Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Buy your Christmas turkey from us.
We have some nice fat birds. Don't for-
get the free turkey given away at 2 o'-
clock Saturday Dec. 23rd.

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THE PLACE THAT SATISFIES
PHONE 158 McLEAN, TEXAS

Best Christmas Wishes

We sincerely wish all a Merry Christ-
mas and a more Prosperous New Year.
We are just rounding out the old year
which has brought many sorrows and dis-
appointments to some, while it has
brought many blessings and priviledges
to all. But as the old year passes, we
look upon it as history and view the new
one with anticipation and determination
to make it better.

We wish to thank our many customers
who have made it possible for our bus-
iness to prosper, and extend a hearty in-
vitation to those who are not our cus-
tomers to become such at once, for you
are missing some mighty good service—
and we need your money.

Bentley Motor Co.

Lincoln, Ford and Fordson Service
Phone 148 McLean, Texas

Our Sale

is a success. People have been buying
goods faster than we could move them up
to the front of the store. However, we
have lots of staple articles left that it will
pay you to buy now, such as: Garden
tools and handles, carpenter's tools, bolts,
rope, horse collars, washboards, pails,
lard cans, feed forks, scoops, shovels,
spades, singletrees, axle grease, windmill
oil, and numerous other articles.

Big Bargains in Stoves and Ranges

Very fine reductions in cut glass and
chinaware.

Remember this sale positively closes
Jan. 1st. We have given up the building
and must move.

S. R. JONES

Hardware Harness Groceries

We Wish

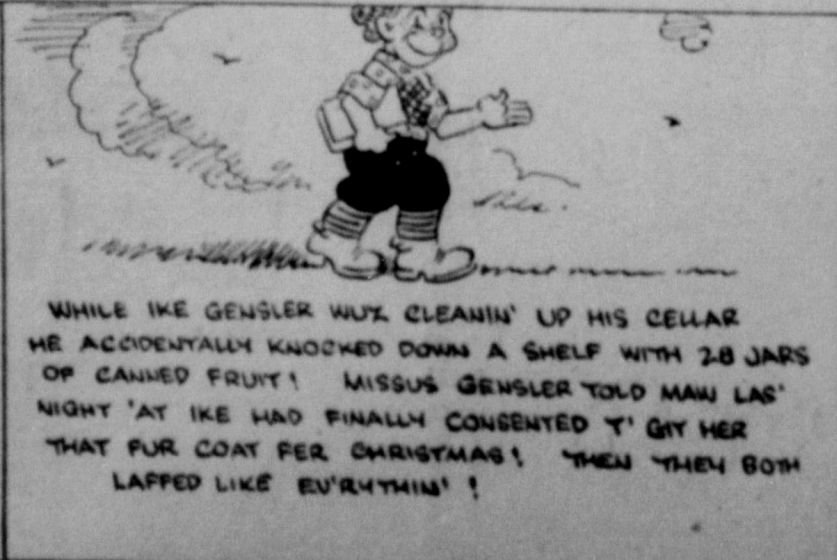
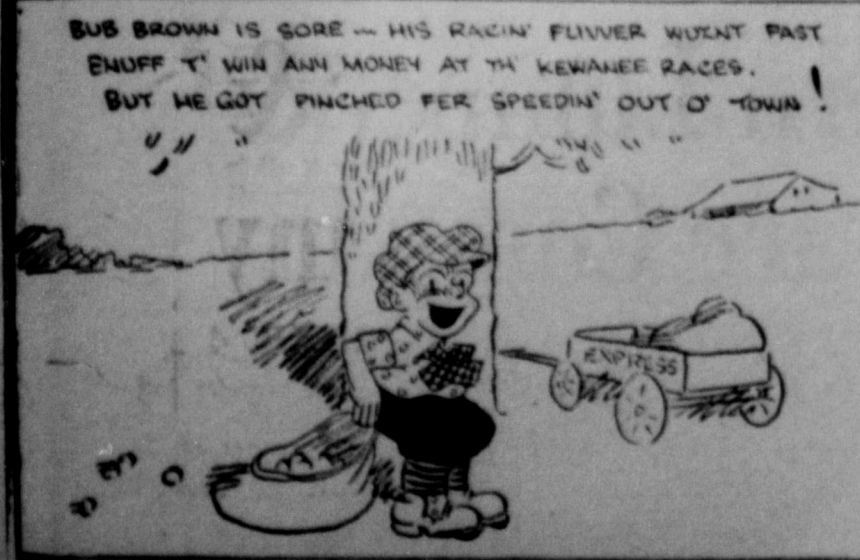
You a Merry Christmas
and Happiness
Throughout
the Year

**ERWIN
DRUG
CO.**

The Retail Store

MICKIE, THE PRINTER'S DEVIL

By Charles Sighroe
© Western Newspaper Union



"Around Town"

TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS

I want to thank those who have notice of their bills and paid them; and call attention to those who have not that the first of the year is close at hand. I need the money you owe me to pay some bills I owe so I can keep my name in good standing. Please see me at my home. I am yours for better service,
JNO. W. KIBLER.

BACK GIRLS CLUB NOTES

Miss Patterson met with the club on December 14 and taught us how to make candies, a sock doll, and a quilt, all of which would make some nice Christmas presents. The cooks prepared cream tomato soup for dinner. We are making a great success of our hot lunch. Miss Patterson will not be with us again until January 9th, 1923.
SECRETARY.

REPORT OF P.-P. C. OF C. COMMITTEE ON LYCEUM & CHAUTAUQUA GUARANTEES

We, your committee appointed to formulate some general plans for the cessation of guarantees for lyceums and chautauquas in the Panhandle, have interviewed many leading citizens of the Panhandle and have found them practically unanimous in their opinion that blanket guarantees of lyceum and chautauqua attractions should be discontinued for the following reasons:

- 1st. That the lyceum and chautauqua business is a business conducted for profit and is, therefore, entitled to assume the risks that all legitimate business enterprises are subjected to, being no more entitled to guarantees than is any other business operating in the Panhandle-Plains territory.
- 2nd. That the custom of guaranteeing lyceum and chautauquas is tending to lower the standard of programs offered by the companies and defeats the very fundamental reason given for its existence—viz., a more and more wholesome amusement for our people.
- 3rd. That the good old American basis of success because of merit is defeated by the guarantee plan, for when the contract is once signed, the committee must accept programs sent them, regardless of their merit or worth. If the program is acceptable, very well; if not, the public refuses to patronize and the committee is forced to pay the difference, through no fault of their own, but by reason of low standard attractions offered by the company. This is another way of saying that the guarantee works only one way, directly in favor of the lyceum and chautauqua companies.
- 4th. Since these and a number of other reasons have been advanced against this system, which has brought the lyceum and chautauqua business to such a pass in this region, we, your committee, desire to submit the following resolution:

WHEREAS, for reasons set forth in our foregoing report, we believe that it is for the best interests of the Panhandle-Plains cities and towns to discontinue the guarantee of lyceums and chautauquas, therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Panhandle-Plains Chamber of Commerce go on record as being steadfastly opposed to the practice of lyceum and chautauqua guarantees under

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,

that we recommend that local chambers of commerce operating in the interests and for cities and towns in the territory of the Panhandle-Plains Chamber of Commerce pass similar resolutions, if in their wisdom they endorse the principles set forth in this report, so that lyceum and chautauqua companies coming into this territory will be forced to revise their plan of operation to a more equitable and American basis, if they expect to continue to do business in this territory, and that copies of these resolutions be furnished the office of the Panhandle-Plains Chamber of Commerce for compilation and distribution to publications devoted to the interests of amusements and artists.

Respectfully submitted,
Homer Mulkey, Chairman.
A. C. Peppy, Dr. I. N. Lightner.

W. T. Wilson was a business visitor in Alanreed Friday.

Jess Kemp was a McLean visitor Friday.

Earle Shell made a trip to Oklahoma City last week to buy Christmas goods for the City Pharmacy.

H. J. Cloer of Ramsdell was in McLean on business Friday.

John Gibson of Alanreed was in McLean on business Saturday.

J. A. Fowler left Saturday night for Duncan, Okla.

A. L. Hibler returned Saturday from Kansas City.

A LARGE ORDER

"I want a dress to put on around the house," said the lady in the department store.

"How large is your house, madam?" inquired the new clerk.—Hollywood High School News.

MUSTA PROSPERED

"You don't love me any more, when we were first married you used to help me wash the dishes every evening."

"Sure—but we only had two dishes then."

CAUSE OF DEW

It was the terminal examination, and a budding philosopher concluded his essay on Mother Earth with this startling statement: "The earth revolves on its own axis 365 times in 24 hours. This rapid motion through space causes its sides to perspire; this is called dew."—London Tit-Bits.

Eld. A. C. Huff was a Conway visitor Saturday and Sunday.

CAUSE AND EFFECT

"Whew! Do you call that coffee? It looks like mud."
"Why shouldn't it? Only this morning it was ground."

A HEN-PECKED BIRD

"What's Henpeck feeling so cheerful about?"
"He's found some thing worse off than he; he's just reaq that the male ostrich hatches the eggs."

IN COMPETENT HANDS

"I will admit I haven't always lived as I should, but I do love your daughter sincerely, and if I ever should make her unhappy, I hope I will be made to suffer for it."
"Don't let that worry you; she'll attend to that."

PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY

Little Bobby was absorbed in a picture of Elijah going to heaven in the chariot of fire. Pointing to the halo around the prophet's head, the little fellow finally exclaimed:
"See, daddy, he's carrying an extra tire."

FOR YOUR SCRAPBOOK

Let nothing trouble you.
Let nothing frighten you.
All things pass away.
God only is immutable.
Patience overcomes all difficulties.
Those who possess God want nothing.
God alone suffices.—St. Teresa, 400 years ago.

Giles Phillips was a Clarendon visitor Sunday.

Chas. Roach of Heald was in McLean on business Saturday.

Dr. Ballard has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

THE HARD PART

Millionaire (speaking to body of students)—"All my success, all my financial prestige, I owe to one thing alone—pluck, pluck, pluck."
Student—"But how are we to find the right people to pluck?"

Mrs. L. C. Morgan, daughter and baby of Alanreed were in McLean Saturday.

W. E. Bentley has had his name added to our list to receive The News next year.

R. O. Dunkle was a business visitor in Clarendon Saturday night and Sunday.

Bert Flint of Higgins was in McLean Monday.

D. W. Turner of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Monday.

W. L. Haynes made a business trip to Sayre, Okla., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Kinard of Gracey were shopping in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kramer of Heald were shopping in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Boyd returned Sunday from Wellington.

J. W. Johnson of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

G. W. Henshaw of Heald was in town Saturday.

John Ewing of Alanreed was among the McLean visitors Saturday.

Barney and Pete Fulbright made a business trip to Memphis Friday.

Brice Ladd of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

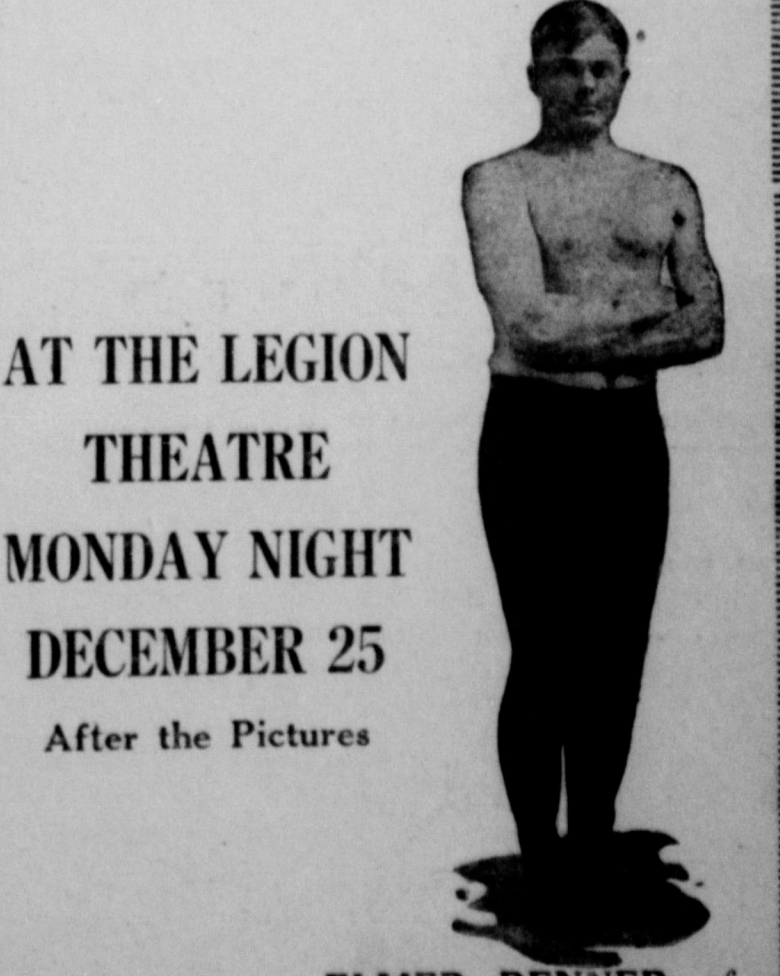
We just want to wish you a good old Merry Christmas, and to extend a hearty wish that the New Year will bring you all the prosperity and happiness that you can wish for yourself.
Four pounds candy for \$1.00 Friday and Saturday, Dec. 29 and 30.

Cobb's Cash Grocery
Pay Cash and Pay Less Phone 19

Wrestling Match



CHARLES BARTELL of Harper, Kans., Champion light heavyweight of the Middle West. Weight 178 pounds.



ELMER RENNER of Erick, Okla. Weight 180 pounds.

Terry W. Hudgins
Jeweler and Optometrist
Erick, Okla.
Can fill all orders promptly.
Send me your repair work.

Get That Suit Pressed
For the Christmas Holidays
Bring your clothes to our shop and get them cleaned and pressed today.
We Guarantee to Satisfy
D. A. HERRON
Cleaner and Tailor

FREE Tire Patching
Saturday, December 23rd
Everyone who makes a purchase of one dollar or more at our filling station Saturday, December 23rd, will be entitled to a fifty cent box of Ajax tire patching absolutely free.
McLean Sales and Service Station
C. W. GINN, Proprietor
Oils, Gas and Accessories

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Something Unusual
Three great, long hours for service at the extremely low fee of 10c each on our choice of sow pigs.
Wilson's Liberty Bond, 2nd prize winner at Dallas Fair as best variety; Boyer's Ma-terpiece, son of the 1922 Grand Champion at Texas State Fair.
Clayton's Liberty Bond, son of Wilson's Liberty Bond the choice of our best of our famous ton litter. This boar for service at the Elmer Wilson place in south edge of town.
Cloverdale Farm
Phone 11 or 211 on 28
WILSON BROS., Props.

Showing at the
Legion Theatre
FRIDAY NIGHT—Conway Tearle in "SHADOWS OF THE SEA." Full of pep and action.
SATURDAY NIGHT—"VALLEY OF DOUBT." A great picture with an all star cast. A powerful story of the great Northwest.
EVERY NIGHT Christmas Week—A Paramount picture with a Charlie Chaplin comedy. Remember—a show every night next week. All good ones.

AT THE LEGION THEATRE
MONDAY NIGHT
DECEMBER 25
After the Pictures

Christmas Wishes

We appreciate the splendid co-operation given us the past year, and we trust that your Christmas will be a happy one and that the New Year will bring prosperity to us all.

THE McLEAN NEWS

Compare the number of locals carried by The News each week with any other paper. You will find that we cover the McLean community thoroughly.

Eld. A. C. Huff was a pleasant visitor at our office Thursday.

J. L. George of Alanreed renews for The News and Dallas Semi-Weekly News this week.

Miss Ida Mae Dunwoody of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

W. J. Chilton of Heald was shopping in the city Saturday.

S. R. Kennedy of Alanreed was a business visitor in our city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Green visited relatives in Childress the first of the week.

A great many people are sending The News back home for a Christmas present. You won't be able to find a more appreciated gift than a subscription to The News.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cash left Wednesday for Electra to spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Cash of Amarillo came through McLean Wednesday night, enroute to Dallas, where their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Freeman of Ramsdell, will undergo an operation.

W. H. Peters made a business trip to Shamrock Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Worley were Shamrock visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Turman of Groom are visiting relatives here.

Miss Oma Arnold came home Wednesday night from Canyon, where she has been attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ewing of Heald were shopping in the city Thursday.

J. K. Crews was in from the ranch Thursday.

G. W. Henshaw of Heald was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kinard and children of Dalhart came in Wednesday to spend the holidays with relatives.

Roy McCracken of Alanreed was in McLean on business Wednesday.

Mrs. Anthony Cozart of Detroit, Mich., came in Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Turner.

Miss Mary Billingslea of Alanreed was shopping in the city Wednesday.

Paul McCracken of Alanreed was among the McLean visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bundy and son of Hammon, Okla., came in Wednesday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Biggers.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Cobbs and children came in Monday from Estelline to make this place their home.

Mrs. Frank Stockton of Bethany, Okla., came in Wednesday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Abbott.

Andy Nelson of Heald was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

W. A. Lankford of Ramsdell was a business visitor in our city Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Stratton and two children visited relatives at Clarendon Tuesday.

A. W. Ward of Alanreed has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

If your subscription to The News expires Jan. 1st, you must hand us \$1.50 for the new year before the next issue if you desire to continue receiving the paper. Please do not ask us to send the paper without the money, for we treat everyone alike. No one can owe for The News.

Romain Pugh of Heald was shopping in the city Wednesday.

Charlie Weaver was in from the ranch Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gatlin were Memphis visitors Sunday. Mrs. Gatlin remained for teachers' institute.

Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Huckabee were Clarendon visitors Tuesday.

Charles Consins motored to Clarendon Wednesday. He was accompanied home by Melvin Davis and Misses Jewell Cousins and Lucille Stratton, who will spend the holidays with home folks.

Miss Ethel McCurdy came in Monday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fast.

R. O. Dunkle made a business trip to Pampa Monday.

Leaman Andrews visited friends in Claude Sunday.

H. E. Franks of Ramsdell was in McLean on business Wednesday.

W. M. Greenwood of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Jack Jones and family of Dodsonville visited in the C. E. Hunt home this week.

C. E. Francis was a pleasant caller at the News office one day this week.

Mrs. Alta McKinney left Monday for Endee, N. M., after a visit with Mrs. W. L. Haynes.

Mr. Blakney of Alanreed was in McLean on business Friday.

Byrd Jones of Alanreed was a Mrs. Sam McClellan and baby returned home Sunday from Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sherrard of Tipton, Okla., visited in the L. F. Wilkins home this week.

Paul Hardwick of Alanreed was in McLean on business Wednesday.

Little Miss Doris Mayfield is on the sick list this week.

Miss Rose Turner of Alanreed was shopping in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. L. F. Wilkins visited relatives at Alanreed Wednesday.

J. I. Bones of Ramsdell was in our city Wednesday.

Messrs. Houghland and Wright

left Wednesday for Amarillo, having completed drilling the new city wells.

L. L. Morse of Northfork was in McLean Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones of Ramsdell were shopping in McLean Wednesday.

Dr. Montgomery is spending the holidays with relatives in San Angelo.

Ced Stone of Pampa was a Mc-

Lean visitor Wednesday.

Homer West returned Saturday from Brownfield.

W. M. Allston of Gracey was shopping in the city Saturday.

S. R. Kennedy of Alanreed was a

business visitor in McLean last Thursday.

Misses Vera Taylor and Julia Mae Barnhart of Alanreed visited in the McGee and Kibler homes Sunday.

Geo. Hourland was an Alanreed visitor Friday.

WILL the person who took 10 pounds of green coffee from our store by mistake, please return same? Cobb's Cash Grocery. 1c.

FOR SALE or trade.—Good heater. Phone 123. 1c.

FOR SALE.—Bundled cane and kafir, also good milch cow. C. T. Calvert. Phone 40 4. 1p.

HOUSE for rent after Jan. 1st. L. F. Wilkins, Phone 78. 1c.

LOST.—String of La Tosca pearls. Finder please notify News office. 1c

PURE RIBBON CANE syrup will be sold at A. T. Wilson's new building for 90c per gallon. J. S. Howard. 1fc.

NOTICE TO HUNTERS.—Hunting or otherwise trespassing on the J. O. Quattlebaum farm seven miles east of town is strictly forbidden. John Quattlebaum. 1c.

BUNDLED kafir for sale. Howard Hardin, Phone 112 131. 51-2p.


BOAR FOR SERVICE.—Cloverdale's Liberty Bond, choice son of Wilson's Liberty Bond. \$2.50 season. See Homer Wilson. 51-2p.

BATTLESHIP Bronze turkeys, choice toms and hens as long as they last (that won't be long). Better get yours at once and get first pick. You can "buy 'em cheaper," but you can't "buy 'em bigger or better." Shady Grove Farm, Phone 66 111. Mrs. Robt. H. Corum. 48-1fc.

Christmas Wishes

Like the treasure ship of olden times, full-fraught with precious things, so may Christmas and the New Year come to you laden with all that will make for your happiness and contentment.

The City Pharmacy



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Your insurance can be no better than the company that issues the policy. I represent **THE NATIONAL BEN FRANKLIN**, a good strong company that pays losses promptly. See me when you need fire insurance.

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I can loan you all the money you need on farms at 8 per cent. Come in and talk the matter over with me while you can get money at this low rate.

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Your kind co-operation has contributed materially to our success, and we appreciate it most cordially.

Accept our best wishes for a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

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We extend to you the compliments of the season, and wish for you a Happy Christmas and hope that the New Year will bring you Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

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PHONE 67
McLEAN, TEXAS

News From Back

Well, Mr. Newsman, it has been so cold that news this week is almost as scarce as the remaining days of 1922. But everybody seems to be busy getting ready to make New Year resolutions.

Clyde Holloway visited in the Grassy community Sunday. Jesse Cobb had business in McLean Saturday.

Miss Catherine Corum visited Misses Ozella and Neoma Hunt at McLean Friday night and Saturday.

C. E. Hunt has the county road grader at work filling the chugholes on our highway this week.

C. M. Carpenter and family attended church in McLean Sunday.

As this may be our last for 1922, we wish the McLean News force a merry Christmas, bushels of fun at the big rabbit drive, and a happy and prosperous Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-three. OBSERVER.

KEPLINGER LADIES' CLUB

Miss Patterson, the county demonstrator, met with eighteen ladies at the home of Mrs. C. W. Bowers on Wednesday, Dec. 6, for the purpose of organizing a club for the Keplinger community.

First on the program was candy making. We fairly swooped our hostess' kitchen, with eighteen making twenty kinds of candy all at once. At least it was all done (except that that had boiled over.)

Then we were called to order for the business of the afternoon. First it was put to a vote to decide whether we were to unite with the Laketon club and have just one or divide and form two separate clubs. The vote came to a tie, so Miss Patterson most graciously decided to give us two clubs. Officers were elected as follows:

President, Mrs. W. F. Holland; vice president, Mrs. Theo Duncan; secretary, Miss Vernice Turcotte; year book committee, Mesdames Forest Kechn and H. E. Cole; membership committee, Mesdames C. W. Bowers, H. E. Cole and L. C. Holland.

At the next meeting we are to have a demonstration on home nursing. We are to meet with Mrs. H. E. Cole on Jan. 3rd. SECRETARY.

McLEAN GIRLS' CLUB

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, Miss Patterson, county demonstrator, met with the girls of the McLean club. Many useful things were learned. We especially learned to make Christmas gifts—dainty, useful novelties for the home. She also showed us how to make flowers of ribbon. Thursday we learned how to make our Christmas candies.

REPORTER.

J. S. Howard and W. H. Peters renewed their subscriptions to The News this week.

Z. W. Latson was a caller at the News office last Saturday and handed us \$1.50 to move his subscription figures up a year.

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by the most modern methods, and if you need glasses, we grind the required lenses in our own shop and deliver them to you the same day.

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TOWN PESTS



The McLean News reporter gloms on to the... He's Great on this Free... is now Looking for a Radio... Mark this Picture... him Your Copy of

CARD OF THANKS

We very deeply appreciate the many kind words and deeds by all those we came in contact with in the recent illness and death of our dear daughter and sister. We shall not forget the nice flowers contributed by the L. O. O. F. Lodge. These precious words and deeds make the burden easier to bear.
W. E. Bentley and family.

Smith Brothers have renewed the subscription of S. J. Dyer, Prague, Okla.

Miss Mattie Patterson, County Home Demonstration Agent, was a caller at the News office last Friday and ordered The News sent to her father, J. A. Patterson, of Hamilton.

M. D. Bentley, Ford and Lincoln dealer, renews the subscriptions of S. E. Gunn, Crawfordsville, Ga., and J. F. Bentley, Savannah, Ga., for another year each.

Emmett Thompson renews for The News this week.

Ton. Clinton Small of Wellington was in McLean on business Friday.

L. O. Floyd made a business trip to Alanreed Friday.

Sam Brown of Alanreed was a business visitor in our city Saturday.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

I will be at McLean on January 11th and 12th, and Alanreed on January 13th, for the purpose of collecting taxes. E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff and Tax Collector.

50-3c Gray County, Texas.

Doc Hudzeitz of Alanreed was in our city Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Davis returned Thursday of last week from Clarendon.

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF GRAY.

By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Gray County, Texas, on the 4th day of December, 1922, by R. B. Thompson, Clerk of said Court, against A. C. Matthews for the sum of Four Hundred and No-100 (\$400.00) Dollars, and costs of suit, in the cause of B. E. Finley vs. A. C. Matthews et al; and for the sum of Eight Hundred and No-100 (\$800.00) Dollars, in the cause of H. M. Barrett vs. A. C. Matthews consolidated with said cause of B. E. Finley vs. A. C. Matthews et al; No. 740 in said court, and placed in my hands for service, I, E. S. Graves, as Sheriff of Gray County, Texas, did levy on certain real estate situated in Gray County, described as follows, to-wit: All of Lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, in Block No. 3, South Side Addition to the town of Pampa, according to the map of said South Side Addition to the town of Pampa on file in the office of the Clerk of Gray County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said A. C. Matthews. And on Tuesday, the 2nd day of January, 1923, at the Court House door of Gray County, in the town of Lefors, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m. I will sell said property at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said A. C. Matthews by virtue of said levy and said order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in The McLean News, a newspaper published in Gray County.

WITNESS my hand, this 5th day of December, 1922.

E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff, Gray County, Texas.

IMPOUNDING NOTICE

I have taken up at the city pound one black mule 17 hands high. Left eye blemished, smooth mouth, collar marks. If this animal is not claimed, same will be sold to the highest bidder for charges, on Jan. 2, 1923. G. W. SULLIVAN, Poundmaster. 1c

DIDN'T HAPPEN HERE

A clerk in a Centerville (Ia.) shoe store, whose head was almost bald, was trying on a pair for one of the female species. She was paying more attention to those around her than she was to her foot. When she happened to look down she spied the clerk's bald head, and thinking it was her bare knee, she quickly gathered her skirt and covered it. Timely assistance on the part of fellow clerks saved the bald one from suffocation.—Greencastle (Mo.) Journal.

R. C. Patty called at our office Saturday and renewed his subscription to The News. Mr. Patty says he could not do without his home paper.

John W. Kibler, proprietor of the McLean Telephone Exchange, gave us \$3.00 Monday to renew his subscription to The News and to send the paper to his mother, Mrs. L. M. Thompkins, at Pilot Point.

SOUND ADVICE

"Our chautauqua closed last week with nearly \$100 deficit," related the landlord of the Petunia Tavern. "A number of our leading citizens guaranteed it and had to stand the loss. Week before last a medicine show was here, and left town about \$400 to the good. That's the way it always goes."

"Well, then," answered the low-brow guest, "why not suggest to your leading citizens that they hold a medicine show each year? It would do the public as much good as a chautauqua and pay said leading citizens a profit."

Godfrey Kre returned Saturday from Detroit, Mich., where he has been attending school.

Misses Ida and Dora Brock of Heald were shopping in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Jones and little son of Ramsdell were shopping in the city Friday.

Mrs. A. T. Wilson and children returned Thursday of last week from a visit with relatives at Midlothian.

DR. J. A. HALL

Dentist
Of Shamrock, Tex.

Will be in McLean on Thursday, Friday and Saturday after the first Monday in each month.

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Christmas Wishes

At this Holiday Season we wish to express to you our appreciation of past favors and sincerely wish you and yours a Joyful Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

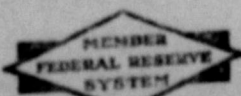
Cicero Smith Lbr. Co.
By W. T. Wilson, Mgr.
PHONE 3

Good Will

The season prompts us to express to you our appreciation of that intangible and invaluable asset—Good will—that you have so kindly bestowed on us during the past year, and which we fully reciprocate.

We extend to you all the compliments of the season, wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK



Christmas Greetings

Not because it is an honored custom, but because of the sincerity of our appreciation, we take this opportunity to thank you for the part you have played in our business prosperity the past twelve months, and we wish you a good old Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Haynes Grocery Co.

We Make the Price—Others Try to Follow

CLAUDE SCHOOL MAN AGAINST CIGARETTE ADVERTISING

(Editor's note: Below is an article clipped from the Claude News, written by E. L. Hunter, superintendent of the Claude schools, that is very timely and has a reference to the McLean football game. The McLean News suffers a financial loss by refusing cigarette advertising, and we heartily agree with Supt. Hunter.)

The cigarette habit is the outstanding evil existing not only in the Claude schools but in practically all the schools of the State today. What are you doing as a citizen who is interested in the best welfare of the boy to let him know that the use of cigarettes is harmful? Mr. Williams, of the Williams Sign & Poster Advertising Co. of Amarillo, has consented to discontinue the display of cigarette advertisements on his bill boards in the city of Claude. Are you willing to, if needs be, suffer as great financial loss as Mr. Williams to help check the increasing use of cigarettes? If you have fences, outbuildings, ware houses, etc., which are sometimes used as a place to display advertisements, will you sacrifice the small amount you receive for the space in order that alluring displays may not be posted? A picture of a well-dressed fellow with a cigarette in his mouth means to a ten-year-old boy: "There is a fellow who has smoked cigarettes all his life and has prospered." If there was not a psychological effect upon the young brought about by large expensive displays like the cigarette people use in advertising, they would not go to the expense of exhibiting them.

My objection in this matter is not against the "user" of the cigarette, but against the "use" of the cigarette. I am far from thinking that all boys who use cigarettes are "bad." But I ask you if practically all BAD boys do not use cigarettes? This habit does not rob all boys of their noble ambitions, but it does take from all of them SOME of their noble aspirations, and it takes from some ALL of their best qualities.

I am aware that the most effective way to combat this greatest foe to the boys' welfare would be to, by some miraculous manner, induce the parents to "taboo" the habit. If interest in the betterment of boys is not inducement enough to bring this about, I do not suppose that the offer of a hat would make a serious impression. But I hereby offer any man who uses cigarettes and who has a boy in the Claude schools a high priced Stetson hat who will throw his tobacco away until the night of that boy's graduation.

The teacher in the school room notices particularly the effect upon the mind of the boy, the man employing help takes note of the loss of time and the endangering of his premises to the fire hazard, while the athletic coach or fan is quick to note the weakening effect upon the physique of the use of cigarettes. I maintain that there is not a high school boy in Texas who uses cigarettes habitually who can put out the "FIGHT" that Howell Averyt put out in our Thanksgiving game against McLean school. As much might be said of Alton McClure, Lawrence Bagwell, Everett Wallace, and perhaps others.

I, as one who wishes to spend his life in the interest of young manhood, ask for your best co-operation, thought and prayers in teaching the boys the evil effects of this useless, filthy, expensive and injurious habit.

E. L. HUNTER,
Supt. Claude Schools.

Emette Föndren of Gracey was a business visitor in our city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wrasche of the Campbell oil well were shopping in the city Saturday.

Woody Agee of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Bacon and Miss Ruth Israel of the Back community were shopping in the city Saturday.

Christmas Baking

Why do a lot of heavy work baking your Christmas pies, cakes, etc., when we can do it for you at a very reasonable price? Call on us and let us have your order. Try our quick lunch counter for good food well cooked and served the way you like it.

McLean Bakery
TELEPHONE 7

NOTICE

Fred Russell will have charge of my accounts during my vacation. Any settlement you make with him will be agreeable.

Promptness is a game in which two can play. Join the game and be happy during 1923.

DR. MONTGOMERY.

J. A. Haynes of Heald was in McLean on business Saturday.

Louis Morse of Northfork was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Jesse J. Cobb of Northfork was a business visitor in McLean Saturday.

Albert Roby made a business trip to Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey of Heald were McLean visitors Saturday.

W. C. Foster and Att'y A. A. Ledbetter were business visitors in Amarillo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Patterson of Amarillo spent the week end with Mrs. Patterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCombs of Gracey were shopping in the city Saturday.

Miss Myrtle Bellinger left Saturday for her home at Altus, Okla., after an extended visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Crisp of Alanreed were shopping in the city Saturday.

L. F. Morrison made a prospecting trip along the Santa Fe R. R. last week. While at Canadian Mr. Morrison talked with M. J. Moody, former editor of The News. He says Moody is well pleased with Canadian and the folks there.

Bill Harlan made a business trip to Clarendon Friday.

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Service and Quality
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TAILORED TO MEASURE

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Honest Work Prices Reasonable
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Cheapness is relative. Adulterated food, even if bought at a "bargain," may impair health. Insurance which does not insure is one of the most costly things on earth, though its promoters claim to sell it "at cost!" Good insurance may be more expensive to buy, but it is much cheaper to hold.

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\$2.50 Per Day
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Proprietor
McLEAN, TEXAS

Appreciation

I want you to know that I appreciate your patronage, remember your favors and thank you for the business given me. I solicit a continuation of same, and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

MRS. W. T. WILSON
"THE LITTLE STORE" NEXT DOOR TO P. O.

We Wish

you one and all a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.

NOTE
Our store will be closed all day Friday, Dec. 29th, for our annual inventory.

Bundy-Hodges
MERCANTILE COMPANY
Bring your hemstitching to the store.

Ed Bailey of Heald was in town Saturday.

Miss Gladys McCright left Saturday for her home at Altus, Okla., after a visit with relatives here.

Clyde Ware of Gracey was among the McLean visitors Saturday.

Olin and Oscar Castleberry of Alanreed were business visitors in our city Saturday.

R. L. Harlan of Heald was in McLean on business Saturday.

Fred Bidwell of Gracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Cooke and children were Amarillo visitors Saturday.

Byrd Gull made a business trip to Groom Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Floyd and children of Lelia Lake came in Saturday to spend Christmas with relatives.

Sam Brown of Alanreed was in town Tuesday and gave us \$1.50 to renew his subscription to The News.

Mrs. Pete Fulbright of Alanreed spent the week end with home folks.

Hill & Ledbetter
Attorneys at Law
McLean, Texas

We Appreciate

your business and if you are not satisfied with our work tell us

Elite Barber Shop

If your time expires to The News with this issue, please do not ask us to send the paper on without the cash. We treat everyone alike, and you cannot owe for The News. If you get a copy beyond the time paid for, you may consider it a sample copy. The number of sample copies we may mail to one address is limited, so to insure not missing a copy, send us \$1.50 for the new year NOW.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Burrows and

children returned to their home at Conway Sunday after a visit with relatives.

Paul Ladd of Heald was a business visitor in McLean Saturday.

McLean Sales and Service Station
Oils, Gas and Accessories
C. W. GINN, Prop.

Holiday Greetings

I wish to express to each and every one my appreciation of any patronage you have given me during the past year.

I have just received a shipment of new mattresses, rockers and dining chairs.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Prosperous New Year, I am yours to serve.

C. S. RICE

Good Wishes

Wishing you The Season's Greetings, and assuring you of keen appreciation of your good will and patronage.

Phone us for fresh meats and groceries.

Fresh fish and oysters every Thursday.

The City Market

Bogan and Henry, Props. Phone 165

At this Holiday Season

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