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## "I Want to Know"

By D. A. Davis

Why does Judge Rice go out and play golf these cold afternoons in his "knee britches?"

What is going to happen next?

Two preachers attended the chamber of commerce meeting Monday night.

Why can't us McLean folks park our old bus outside and move in our garages and rent our house out to the oil field folks so we can have money enough to buy a new automobile next fall?

Why don't the chamber of commerce members attend the monthly meetings and encourage the men that are elected to the different offices, instead of staying at home and criticizing everything we undertake to do?

While President Roosevelt is going after the "big grafters," why don't we get a bunch of fly swatters and swat a "few million" of these little grafters that are swarming around us like "blow flies?"

How many towns do you know that were built up by knockers? If we had as many boosters as we have knockers, we would be flying.

When are we going to "start work" on the McLean-Pampa highway? How is that for a boost?

I want to know how I can pay 13 1/3% increased house rent, 25% increase on groceries and dry goods on a salary that was decreased 33 1/3% two years ago and is still decreased, and how can my company increase my salary while their earnings have decreased 40% as a result of the cotton plow-up program? I'm getting desperate, folks, I want to know something.

I am quoting the Pampa News in "Topics of Our City," which was printed Tuesday—don't blame me for this article; I didn't write it, I am just copying it!

**Some Rent too High**

In connection with the daily search for rent houses, there is arising the cry that rents are being advanced by some landlords beyond the point of reason. Although houses are scarce, the ability of renters to pay has increased very little during the last year. The new deal has brought employment to many but it has not meant a wholesale increase in salaries.

If, as some renters claim, rents have been advanced from 25% to 50% in some cases, the injustice of it is obvious. We say this in all candor, realizing that landlords have "their side" of any rent issue. But we believe in the stability of Pampa. We do not believe it necessary for rent property to "pay for itself" in a few years. Property is an investment. Exorbitant returns on Pampa investments are no less deplorable than on Wall Street investments. Taxes have not gone up; in fact, they have come down somewhat. . . . in some instances, we know that renters have abused property shamefully. The owners of rental property know when they are right, and when they are taking advantage of the scarcity of houses. Renters know when they are being fair. Both groups should demand fairness and should be fair. But to act solely on the so-called economic law of supply and demand is not in keeping with the new deal in America.

**METHODIST W. M. S.**

The Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church met in regular session Tuesday afternoon with some 45 present. Refreshments were served and the following program given: Reading, Wanda Estes; instrumental duet Ermadell and R. L. Floyd; reading, Mrs. C. A. Cryer; instrumental duet, Jack Bogan and Dorothy Jean St. Clair; reading, Patty Ruth Rippey; song, Anna Bell Bogan; reading, John Campbell; solo, Juanita Carter; reading, Mrs. W. E. Bogan; bk, Mrs. Cryer.

**C. OF C. BANQUET JAN. 25**

According to the chamber of commerce banquet committee, this year's will be held at the First Presbyterian Church basement on January beginning at 7:30 p. m.

**131 BIRDS AT PAMPA SHOW**

According to Dr. Tampke, McLean is represented at the Pampa poultry show with 131 birds of better than usual quality.

The McLean show will be held Jan. 25-27.

## Meador, Bogan Again Elected C. of C. Heads

Boyd Meador was reelected president and W. E. Bogan secretary of the chamber of commerce by 23 of the 31 members of the organization who were present Monday night for the annual election.

Claude Williams was reelected vice president and Witt Springer treasurer. Ralph A. Caldwell, D. A. Davis, Jesse J. Cobb, T. A. Landers, C. O. Greene and M. T. Wilkerson were elected directors, the latter two being new directors, the former having several years each to their credit on the executive board.

Voting was purely democratic with secret ballots and no nominations from the floor, each voter writing the name of the man preferred on his ballot.

Rev. W. A. Erwin and B. F. Gray were election clerks, and Jesse J. Cobb and W. W. Boyd election judges.

Following the election a motion carried to make the vote for each officer unanimous.

W. D. Biggers is manager of the C. of C. and will continue in that office.

A motion carried, without opposition, to hold the annual banquet, the only social affair sponsored by the organization, some time this month. C. O. Greene, W. W. Boyd and Claude Williams were appointed to set the date and have charge of arrangements.

Those present were: Geo. W. Sitter, Boyd Meador, W. D. Biggers, Jesse J. Cobb, W. A. Erwin, T. N. Holloway, M. T. Wilkerson, Claude Williams, W. B. Andrews, C. S. Rice, W. H. Floyd, M. D. Bentley, B. F. Gray, D. A. Davis, W. W. Boyd, J. A. Meador, Witt Springer, Ralph A. Caldwell, George Colebank, W. E. Bogan, C. S. Doolen, Earl Stubblefield and T. A. Landers.

## SIGMA GAMMA

The Sigma Gamma met Monday evening at the R. L. Appling home, with Miss Elizabeth Kennedy as hostess.

During the business session plans were outlined for the annual reception to be held Jan. 22, at which time the club will be hosted by the Study Club. Miss Catherine Simmons was elected to membership in the club.

The subject for discussion was America and Civilization, led by Miss Frances Noel, who discussed Immigration.

Naturalization and Education of Aliens was given by Miss Pearl Simmons; Teaching the Foreign-born, by Miss Isabel Baley; Rights and Duties of Citizens of America, by Miss Elizabeth Wilkerson; and the Cradle of Liberty by Miss Nona Cousins.

The hostess served delicious refreshments to the following: Misses Lillian Abbott, Isabel Baley, Nona and Jewel Cousins, Vera Cummings, Winnifred Howard, Aline McCarty, Frances Noel, Pearl Simmons, Eunice Stratton and Elizabeth Wilkerson.

## A TURKEY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell were host and hostess to a number of their friends Monday evening at a 7 o'clock turkey dinner. The evening was spent in playing bridge. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gatlin and daughter, Miss Clara Pearl; Mr. and Mrs. John Haynes, Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Batson, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lander, Mr. and Mrs. Hansel Christian and Miss Robbie Howard.

## BAPTIST W. M. U.

The Baptist W. M. U. met in the church basement Wednesday for Bible study.

Devotional was led by Mrs. J. S. McLaughlin. An interesting lesson from the book of Joshua was taught by Mrs. H. W. Finley, assisted by Mrs. Murray Boston.

Those present were: Mesdames Reep Landers, Wilson, Newman, Biggers, Bentley, Holloway, Goff, Dickson, Finley, Kunkel, Burrows, Boston, Tampke, Cooper, Colebank and McLaughlin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Upham were visitors in Pampa Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ercy Cubine visited in Carter, Okla., Sunday.

## The Secret



## GRAY CO. COTTON CONTROL ASSOCIATION

At a meeting of the county and local committee, at the Sitter Furniture store in McLean, the Gray County Cotton Control Association was organized and plans for launching the campaign in the county were discussed with County Agent Ralph Thomas.

It was decided at this meeting that it would not be necessary to hold any more meetings in the county but to start at once to have producers fill out and sign contracts for the 1934-1935 cotton reduction.

An office will be maintained at the city secretary's office in McLean, where J. S. Howard and J. R. Phillips, will make out contracts. L. L. Palmer, Eldridge; W. A. Back, Back, Melvin Roberts, Laketon; will make out contracts at their respective farm homes. Contracts will also be made out at the county agent's office in Pampa.

Under the contract, the government agrees to pay to the farmers who reduce their acreage from 35% to 45% 3 1/2 cents per pound on the actual average production in the base years of the land taken out of production and rented to the Secretary of Agriculture. This rental payment will be made in two equal installments, the first to be made between March 1st and April 1st, the second to be made between August 1st and September 30th. In addition to this, a payment of not less than 1 cent per pound on the farm allotment, which is 40% of the average production, will be made between December 1st and January 1st.

Any producer who is an owner, landlord, cash tenant or managing share tenant and who operates or controls a cotton farm, may enter into the cotton acreage reduction plan that fulfills one of the following three conditions:

1. Cotton was planted for at least four years of the base period 1928 to 1932, inclusive.

2. Cotton was planted for three years of the base period, one of which was either 1931 or 1932.

3. Cotton was planted in both of the years 1931 and 1932.

Any producer who is an owner, landlord, cash tenant or managing share tenant, and who fulfilled an acreage reduction contract with the Secretary of Agriculture in 1933 and will farm land in 1934 on which such a contract was fulfilled, may enter into the cotton acreage reduction plan.

PROVIDED, in either of the two cases above, the reduction shall not be less than two (2) acres, and provided further that, on land planted to cotton for any of the periods specified, the average production shall not be less than one hundred (100) pounds of lint per acre.

In every case it is up to the landlord and tenant to decide the status of the share tenant.

## GALLOWAY TO JUDGE SHOW

Prof. Galloway of Amarillo will again judge the McLean poultry and rabbit show to be held here Jan. 25-27.

This will be the fifth annual show to be sponsored by the local chamber of commerce, under the direction of Dr. A. A. Tampke, and with reasonable weather conditions should break all records in number of birds exhibited.

## REV. NORRIS GUEST SPEAKER LIONS CLUB

Rev. W. H. Norris was guest speaker at the Lions Club luncheon held Tuesday noon.

Rev. Norris is the new pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, and was presented by Jesse J. Cobb, program chairman for the day, who introduced him as the Rev. J. Frank Norris, which caused a laugh, but Rev. Norris did not claim any relationship, except being a cousin of the Port Worth man.

The speaker took "Righteousness" as a subject from 1 Tim. 4:8: "Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." stressing the need of love and fellowship with one another.

Lion Meador reported the chamber of commerce election, and presented C. H. Walters of Pampa as a visitor.

The day's program was in charge of Lions Cobb and Davis.

## AMERICAN BANK ELECTS OFFICERS FOR YEAR

At the annual election of officers for the American National Bank held Tuesday, the following were named: President, Geo. W. Sitter; vice president, J. L. McMurtry; active vice president, J. B. Hembree; cashier, Clifford Allison; as assistant cashier, Nona Cousins; chairman of the board, E. L. Sitter; directors, Geo. W. Sitter, E. L. Sitter, J. L. Hess, J. M. Carpenter, J. L. McMurtry, Mark Huseby.

## HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The McLean Home Demonstration Club met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. H. Wade. Mrs. C. T. O'Neal presided over the business session and special work was assigned as follows: Mrs. C. Bjerg, farm and ranch food supply demonstrator; Mrs. Clويد Robinson, bedroom demonstrator; wardrobe demonstrator No. 1, Mrs. J. H. Wade; No. 2, Mrs. W. R. Wise.

Miss Ruby M. Adams, county agent, gave a demonstration on bed-making and making tufted bedspreads.

Those present were: Mesdames John B. Vannoy, Gordon Stafford, E. J. Gething, Joie Stewart, Bob Sanders, C. T. O'Neal, W. R. Wise, Curtis O'Neal, C. E. Hunt, Scott Johnston, Greer; Mesdames Ruby M. Adams, Joeline Vannoy, Shirley Johnston, Grace Crosby.

## S. S. CLASSES HAVE SOCIAL

The young people's department of the First Baptist Sunday school enjoyed a social in the church basement last Thursday evening, at which the Amigas class members were guests of the Friendship and young men's classes.

A short program was given, composed of vocal solos by Mrs. Cecil G. Goff, readings by little Misses Georgia Colebank, Bobbie Jean Lee, Vada and Viola Appling; and numbers by the male quartet.

After the program, games were played, and refreshments served.

W. T. Wilson and son, Gordon, were in Pampa Wednesday.

W. H. Craig of Alanreed was in McLean Wednesday.

## Houses Needed, C. C. Members Told Monday

Following the annual election held by the chamber of commerce Monday night, discussion showed the need of houses to take care of prospective residents here, and it was agreed to invite those who have houses or come to rent to list them with Secretary Bogan; W. W. Boyd, C. O. Green and Mr. Bogan being appointed as a committee to look after this matter.

C. S. Doolen suggested that citizens having spare bedrooms should list them for rent until the present congestion is over.

The point was raised that the town has reached the limit in population until more housing facilities are furnished.

Manager W. D. Biggers reported three schemes of various degrees of merit being acted upon by the advertising committee, in some instance saving money for the merchant's. Mr. Biggers made a plea for cooperation in this regard, advising that all so-called letters be referred to the committee where they will get a respectful hearing.

President Boyd Meador announced the appointment of E. L. Sitter and T. A. Landers on the cotton buy committee. A notice in this regard was read from one of the girls.

It was reported that C. O. Greene was in Austin in behalf of state designation on a north and south road at the instance of the board of directors.

Several other committees made reports before adjournment, with 23 present.

## TAMPKE TO JUDGE CLARENDON SHOW

Dr. A. A. Tampke has been asked to again help judge the Clarendon poultry show which will be held Jan. 11, 12, 13. Dr. Tampke judged the Clarendon show last year, and this makes the third show officiated in this year.

On Saturday of this week the McLean poultry team will defend the Clarendon trophy in the annual poultry judging contest, which they won last year. The class has been busy helping people cull and select birds for the coming poultry shows.

## CWA COMPLAINTS

The following letter addressed to all county administrators and chairmen, signed by Lawrence Westbrook, state administrator of the Texas Civil Works Administration, is furnished by Sam M. Hodges, with request to publish:

Numerous complaints have been received that persons are being employed on C. W. A. jobs when such persons already has another member of the same family working. Some very bitter complaints have also been received that some persons being given C. W. A. jobs through the National Reemployment Service are already in easy circumstances and are not really in need of employment, while other persons in destitute circumstances are unable to secure C. W. A. jobs.

The Public Works Act, under, and by virtue of which the C. W. A. functions, will not permit a test of need or destitution to be applied as a condition precedent to C. W. A. employment (except in designated emergency, drought and flood areas). However, we have been advised by Washington that it is possible under such Act for us to make investigation of any such complaint made. Where investigation proves that any such complaint is well founded, it is suggested that such person be dropped from employment and their place filled with a person (from N. R. S.) who is qualified for the work to be performed and who is in destitute circumstances.

## ALL SEW CLUB

Members of the All Sew Club and guests enjoyed a pleasant afternoon Wednesday in the home of Mrs. Clarence Tedder, where they sewed and chatted.

Sandwiches and coffee were served to the following: Mesdames N. E. Pogue, Ben Chilton, Harris D'Spain, Walter Cash, Claude Williams, Andrew Watkins, Jerry Morrow, Montgomery. Guests present were: Mesdames E. O. Dennis, G. W. Jolly, and the hostess.

## A GOOD OMEN

By O. L. D. Timer

When the American bank opened up it was just as good news and as good an indication as the people could expect. Whoever the parties that caused it to open, they sure do deserve great credit and have done more to restore confidence than they could have done by any other method. Some of us will take back what we said about them and wish we had said more so we could take that back, also. We are proud of the fact that we yet have some men that will make great sacrifices in order that we might have a bank. Had the bank not opened up, the future of our town would have looked bad. The customers who cooperated with the officers deserve some credit for their patience and willingness to temper the wind to the shorn lamb. I actually believe that some folks are due the bank an appreciative apology for probably the bank has helped you to save your money while you were abusing them. All things work together for good to them that like to help and cooperate.

I believe that our bank means to do well by the people of our town and the bank and its customers should by all means make good bed-fellows and sleep straight and not crowd one another and pull the cover off of each other, nor saw goods so loudly that the other can't sleep, and get up in the morning all out of humor.

If the bank opens and stays open and we could close up some of our useless and detrimental institutions, we would be like a flock of expertly pulled poultry and not have any boarder hens wasting feed, taking up room, and interfering with the laying hens.

If we can all do business with one bank and try to do a good part by it, we can carry on successfully and come out like Rome did in the Punic wars, but if we have strife and contention, spite, venom and malice toward our bank like there was among the Carthaginians, we will probably come to the same end that Carthage did.

We can hardly afford to do without a bank, for when all the relief money is spent—and it is not inexhaustible by any means—then we will surely need a bank.

Here is hoping that the efforts and sacrifices that the bankers made to keep our bank alive will be appreciated to the extent that the customers will not be weighed in the balances and found wanting.

## A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Master Bobby Bentley celebrated his 5th birthday on Friday, Jan. 5, with a party at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Bentley.

Various games for children were played until about 4:30, when Miss Isabel Baley arrived and delightfully entertained the children with several surprises, after which refreshments were served.

Those helping Bobby to celebrate were: Jack and Shirley Ray Glass, Bruce Rogers, Harold Meador, Jerry Hamilton, Dickie Everett, Bobby Beall, Dorothea Back, Irma Ruth Fulbright, Anna Bell Bogan, Mary Catherine Brooks, Jessie and Annie Crews, Frankie Sue and Martha Joyce King, Ernestine Dickenson and Billie Marie Stewart.

## A TURKEY DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lander entertained with a turkey dinner Sunday noon. Those enjoying the affair were the lady's sister, Mrs. Jim Gillum, her husband, and son and daughter, Leon and Gwendolyn, of Erick, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell and little daughter, Jo Ann.

## FORD GARAGE MOVES

McLaughlin-Reeder Motor Co., Ford dealers, have moved to the old Ford stand in the Bentley building on First street.

## P. T. A. MEETING TONIGHT

The regular evening meeting of the P. T. A. will be held tonight (Thursday) at the high school auditorium. The program will be presented by pupils of the primary grades.



# MEDUSA'S HEAD

by Josephine Daskam Bacon

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### SYNOPSIS

Chapter 1.—In concern over the disappearance of the young and beautiful wife of his wealthy friend, Crandall White, Aaron Glaenger engages Motherwell, private investigator, to find her. A note from the missing woman warns her husband not to call in the police, saying she "hoped to come back."

Mrs. White is younger than her husband, and his devotion has been the talk of New York. Her leaving him is inexplicable. She is known to have with her a remarkable jewel, the "Medusa's Head," but her maid, Coggeshall, thinks she had little else of value.

Chapter 3.—It is found that Mrs. White has all her jewels with her. Coggeshall talks mysteriously of her mistress being "worried."

Chapter 4.—Through an advertisement Motherwell secures the Medusa's head, which, he is told, an "old woman had thrown out of a cab." From the finder he gets a clew which sends him to the office of Dr. Wentzel, consulting chemist. Wentzel is away, but from a clerk Motherwell secures a package which he recognizes as coming from the White home.

"Where is this laboratory?" he asked suddenly. "I'd like to have a try at the professor, myself."

"I'll bet you would!" the youth agreed ardorically. "But you won't! Nor anybody else. He's not to be disturbed, he isn't."

Motherwell sighed. "Oh, well, all right," he said. Then his face lighted. "Hasn't he got an assistant or something?" he asked hopefully. "couldn't I see him?"

"You mean Doctor Schaffner?" "Dark," said Motherwell suggestively, "with a beard . . ."

"Lord, no! This one's sandy-haired and a little moustache. He's working with him now. A lot of people want him, too. I'll tell you Schaffner's got a dinner plate at Brucca's—know that Italian place? You might catch him there. Try it, anyhow."

"Thanks, I will," said Motherwell. "And, ef, were you here Wednesday morning? I didn't see you."

"No, sir, you did not," said the youth promptly. "because I wasn't here. It was Wednesday noon that Old Pretzels sicked me on this job. That's when he dashed off, swearing like a steam engine. Some of his messes went back on him, you see. The woman that cleans up the little lab in there nearly fainted when she saw the broken glass and the mess. He's not been in since. Oh, gosh, there's that phone again!"

Motherwell went slowly down the stairs.

"Now, why did Coggeshall lie about that paperweight?" he asked softly of the taxi cab he sat in. "Did she come for it? Then why not ask for it, outright? Or was she looking for the Medusa? Or did she throw the Medusa away herself? Nonsense; the woman who stole it threw it away. And kept the rest, of course. She didn't dare keep it—knew it would be identified. Because Coggeshall is shielding her madam—she'd keep the Medusa, if anything. Didn't even ask for her—unless madam called herself 'Mrs. Gray.' But if Coggeshall knew that name, then she knew the whole plan from the beginning, and lied all along. Besides, that woman in the cab wasn't young. Did they fool her on the jewels, and give her only the Medusa?"

"Well, here's the paperweight and there's where she went, anyway. Now let's look up Old Pretzels."

Sitting an hour later in his club in front of a chop and a baked apple he was called to the telephone booth and surprised to find himself talking to Mr. Glaenger himself. No, he had not gone to his old friend who had begged him to stay in New York. The doctor was with him, and a nurse. Had Mr. Motherwell any further ideas as to the business they had been discussing?

Mr. Motherwell had, and would send Mr. Wells around to see him shortly. And soon the young man with his bag and shell-rimmed spectacles was in the library of Mr. Glaenger's city house, and the torn box was on Mr. Glaenger's knees, and the Medusa in his olive hand.

"You know, you're rather extraordinary, Motherwell!" said the jeweler.

"Only lucky, sir," the young man answered frankly. "really! A child would have followed up that ad in

the Herald. The rest just broke my way."

"I was told that things often broke your way," said Mr. Glaenger. "It seems they do. Who is this Wentzel?" "Perfectly all right, sir, as far as I can find. He's a Swiss. Alsatian. Stands very high. He worked out some explosives, during the war, and they had him up before the war board for on or two formulas, of which one was just about to be used when the armistice was signed. He's very strong on aniline, and coal-tar products generally. He's a member of the Chemical Engineers Club and has lectured at Columbia. Has a laboratory in Jersey. They've got his whole record."

"You're sure she went there?"

"Here's the onyx thing Coggeshall tied up, sir. The paper fits absolutely. I think she wrote it there."

"And left this for Coggeshall?"

"Probably. Only she seemed to want a message, not a package. Didn't even take it."

"You think she was 'Mrs. Gray?'"

Motherwell shrugged. "Maybe. But who is the older woman? She's the one we want, sir. She didn't get enough pay, you see. And she was alone. Mrs. White was with some one—someone who was hurrying her."

"And telling her what to say, you think?"

"Absolutely, sir. And making her go."

"You still stick to that, don't you?"

"Yes, sir, I do."

"And yet, Motherwell, what was the hurry? The jewels were all out of the way, before; a very quiet, plain dress was arranged; a taxicab was called, not to use her own car. What's there sudden in all that?"

"Something turned up," said Motherwell.

"Or somebody," said the jeweler. Motherwell turned on him impatiently.

"There you are, sir!" he cried, "there you are! You see, you've got his all clear in your mind—I know you can't help it, but you have. And you can't really think, you see. You've got a complete picture."

"What do you mean?" the older man asked shortly.

"Why, excuse me, sir, but it's so clear what you think."

"What do I think?"

Motherwell sighed impatiently. "See here," he said, "here's a girl. Married at what—twenty-two—twenty-one? That's near enough. All accounted for since then, and, perhaps, from when she got to Paris. Perhaps before. But a lot can happen to a girl before she's twenty-one. Before she's nineteen. Before she's eighteen. Well, suppose it's happened. Happened and forgotten."

"Now, here she is, happy and secure. Brilliantly secure. Everything going her way. And then—the old story. It turns up. Or, of course, he turns up. A lover? Perhaps a husband? Maybe. Maybe she thought he was dead. Maybe—in prison. Oh, yes—it happens, you know!"

"Now, in that case, it's blackmail, or it's just plain principle—principle and conscience—or it's sheer funk. Of course, everything she has she'll give up. But maybe that's not enough—maybe he just wants her, and there's no bribe at all."

The jeweler's mobile face stopped him. "I tell you, yes!" the young man cried, "men are that way about women! It's happened! Anyway, she went. And didn't want to. Because he hoped to come back. That is, according to you, she wants to eat her cake and have it, too! And all you want to know, now, is, how much he'll take. Isn't that so?"

Glaenger threw up his hands. "I'm afraid it is," he said softly. "I'm afraid it is! And can you see any other picture, you extraordinary boy?"

"I can't see any picture at all," said Motherwell slowly. "None at all. There's one, the obvious one. And of course it may be the actual one. I don't say that. But I do say that if I let it get in my way, I couldn't do anything. You think Coggeshall knows all about it. Now, I don't. I think she knows something, a little, a lead, a clew. But she's afraid to tell it. Why? I think she had no idea that her mistress had gone. I think she hasn't any idea where she has gone, but believes she can find something out from Wentzel. I believe if she knew she'd tell me."

Mr. Glaenger shook his head.

"Well," he said heavily, "my head is too old a head to make a new picture, perhaps. But Clelia would never have parted willingly with this," and he stared, half bitterly, half delightedly, at the frozen smile on the wonderful lips encircled by the tiny tossing serpents. "Whoever took that from her, took the thing she loved the best, Motherwell."

He sighed.

"I'll put this away," he added, and opened the box. Lifting out the heavy, opalescent half-globe of onyx, he shook it free from the tissue wrappings.

"I gave her that last Christmas," he said. "See, the frame has slipped." He gathered up a handful of paper from the bottom of the box and stared questioningly at the young man. "What's this?" he asked, and shook it free.

(Continued next week)

### SERMONETTE

By Rev. Stephen M. Tuhy, Lutheran Pastor

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent ye, and believe the Gospel." Mark 1:15.

Many prophecies in the Old Testament pointed to the time and place of Christ's visible coming into the sinful world to redeem mankind from sin and the curse of the law. We do not know why Christ did not come sooner than four thousand years after He was promised to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, but we do know that God does everything on time. When the proper time was fulfilled, the Almighty and Eternal Jehovah sent His only begotten Son into this tear-drenched world to become a ransom, a substitute for all members of this sin-infested Cosmos. His great and infinite love for us is incomprehensible.

The kingdom of God is at hand. Now is the time for genuine repentance and sorrow for our numerous sins. "Repent ye, and believe the Gospel." Now is the time to repent and to believe the Gospel, the "good spell," the Glad Tidings that the Christ Child in the manger at Bethlehem came "to save that which was lost." The time is at hand for us to believe that "the blood of Jesus Christ, His Son, cleanseth us from all sin." The hour is here for us to believe and be baptized and be saved from the power of sin.

Absence of the Light of Christianity causes darkness, despair and unhappiness in the human soul. But we are thankful as we stand upon the threshold of this new year of 1934 that the True Light of the World is revealed to us in the Holy Scriptures, the Holy Bible, which is available to us in more than 800 languages and dialects.

The crying need of our age is: back to the Bible; back to the old Bible religion; back to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. "Repent ye, and believe the Gospel."

Mrs. P. B. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Russel, Jr., of Matador visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. Witt Springer, last week end.

Ralph A. Caldwell was in Elk City, Okla., Sunday.

### With the Churches

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Cecil G. Goff, Pastor  
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.  
Morning service at 11. Message by pastor. Special music by choir.  
B. T. S. at 6:15 p. m.  
Night service at 7:30. Message by pastor. Special music by choir and orchestra.

Y. W. A. Monday 4 p. m.  
W. M. S. will meet in circles Wednesday.

S. S. officers and teachers meeting Wednesday, 7:15 p. m.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8 p. m.  
Choir rehearsal Friday, 7:30 p. m.

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

W. A. Erwin, Minister  
Sunday school 10 a. m., J. A. Ashby and Mrs. Chas. E. Cooke, supts.  
Morning worship at 11. Sermon by the pastor. Anthem by the choir.  
Evening worship at 7:30. The Christian Endeavor will have charge of this service. They have a splendid program. Come and hear them.  
Junior choir Monday, 4:15 p. m.  
Ladies' Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.  
Choir practice Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

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Corinthians 13—Willa Mae Gressett. Story of Joseph—Dorothy Sitter. Song—Joe Cooke and Frances Sitter. Group of Scripture quotations: Ten Commandments—Hallie Nell Silgar.

First Psalm—Joe Cooke. Twenty-third Psalm—Frances Sitter. Twenty-first Psalm—Doris Nell Wilson.

Twenty-fourth Psalm—L. L. Smith. Reading, Find a Way—J. L. Penland.

Sentence prayer—Endeavor members. Song and benediction.

Willa Mae Gressett is president of the Endeavor.

#### LEAGUE UNION MEETS

The League Union met at the Heald Methodist Church Friday night in their regular meeting, with about 100 young people present.

Following a good program given by the Heald young people, a social hour was enjoyed. A plate lunch was served and the meeting adjourned to meet next time at Lefors.

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Sure, we all know that taxes should have been collected from everyone alike, during good times, but how are we going to pay them now?

This is the time of the year to plan orchards, yards and gardens, and ten cents spent for postals sent for catalogs will profit anyone who has access to any size plot of ground this year.

Voters will get good returns from their investment in a poll tax this year, and it is either pay during this month and have a part in the elections, or be left on the outside to gripe and not be able to do anything about it.

That the housing problem in McLean is acute, we all agree, and while it is no time to raise rents inordinately, yet it is a fact that rents are not high enough to entice anyone to build. We seem to be in that "in-between" time and must wait until things become adjusted before we can do much about it.

Several Texas towns are now enjoying lower fire insurance rates, due to a successful war against "burners for profit," according to advices from the State fire insurance commissioner. It is now no longer necessary to have eye witnesses to the act of burning for profit, but it is now possible to treat an arsonite as the more familiar acts of criminality are dealt with.

Fire insurance in McLean is almost prohibitive on account of so many fires, and it is to the interest of every citizen that any suspicious fire should be immediately investigated.

Miss Viola Studebaker visited her sister, Mrs. B. F. Bulls, at Stinnett last week end.

Mrs. C. P. Hamilton and son of Mangum, Okla., visited in McLean last Thursday.

Mrs. A. A. Christian returned last week from a visit with her son, Bethel, at Phoenix, Ariz.

**Next Sunday's Lesson**

**BAPTISM AND TEMPTATION OF JESUS**

By Rev. Cecil G. Goff  
Lesson text, Matt. 3:13-4:11.  
Golden text, Hebrews 2:17.

The Bible is practically silent concerning the early life of Jesus. After the return of the family to Nazareth from Egypt, there is only one incident given concerning the life of the young Savior until the time of His baptism. Matthew says nothing concerning this period of the boy's life. Luke states that he grew mentally and physically, and with but one exception, which he gives with some detail, states that Jesus was subject to His parents until the time of His baptism. When Jesus was probably thirteen, He was taken to Jerualem to observe the Feast of the Passover. The feast observed, the group from Nazareth started home. It was thought that Jesus was in the company of probably more than a hundred people, or even possibly two or three times that many. When it was found that Jesus was not in the group, His parents returned and found Him teaching the great doctors of the law in the temple. This was where He stated that it was necessary that He should about His Father's business. Following this, Jesus went home and was subject to His parents for some sixteen or seventeen years.

Jesus' foster father probably died shortly after his return to Nazareth, or at least within three years. This left Jesus the oldest of Mary's children and the one on whom fell the responsibility of making a living for the family. No doubt Jesus took over the carpenter trade of his father. He had been helping him and knew the business. Jesus was the best carpenter that ever lived. But there came a time when He lay down His carpenter's apron. The word of the powerful messages of John the Baptist began to be spread abroad. The marvel of the great hosts he was baptizing was a mystery. But Jesus knew that He must go to that baptism. He then had at least two half brothers old enough to make the living. He folded up His apron one night never to unfold it again. We imagine early the next morning He bade His mother goodbye and started on the road toward Jerusalem.

It appears that John was preaching and baptizing in the Jordan just a short distance above its entrance into the Dead Sea. This was the nearest point to Jerusalem that he could have maintained his ministry and baptize in the Jordan. In order to get there it was customary for the Jews living in Galilee to go east and cross the Jordan just below the Sea of Galilee, then go south on the east side of the river, so as not to pass through Samaria. This was the common and most traveled road, and probably the way Jesus went.

How long John had been preaching and baptizing when Jesus arrived, we do not know, but evidently some time. It probably took Jesus three days to get to the scene, since He had to travel at least sixty miles. Some think it was in the evening after everyone else had left that Jesus first approached and asked to be baptized, however, there is no record concerning this. We do know that John knew Jesus as the Son of God as soon as he saw Him. He recognized in Him no guile and sin. The answer of John was that he had need to be baptized of Jesus. It had been prophesied that John should baptize Jesus, and He called the attention of the last of the prophets to it. The two went down and into the river. John lowered Jesus into the liquid grave of repentance. Jesus had nothing for which to repent. He had no sin. But in submitting to the baptism of repentance for sin He identified Himself with mankind, with the sin of the world for which He

was to die. When John was lifting Jesus up out of the water—"And Jesus when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water, and lo the heavens were opened—" the Holy Spirit took the form of a dove and descended and rested upon the shoulder of the Son of God. The voice of the Father then thundered from heaven saying that He was pleased with this, His Son.

As soon as this was over, the Spirit took charge of the Son of God and directed Him into the mountains. The scene of this next scene was probably in the mountain just west of the Jordan where John was baptizing. This area was desolate, mountainous, and filled with wild beasts. Here Jesus remained in deep meditation for forty days and nights, without food. His hunger must have been terrific. Only the strongest type of physical constitution can stand such punishment. It was in this hour of weakness that Satan pounced so heavily upon Jesus. We are told that Jesus during His lifetime was tempted in all points like as we are—and certainly far beyond our possible temptation.

In the first temptation Satan played heavily upon the hunger of Jesus. He knew that He had the power to turn stones into bread, but He also knew that to do it, especially at the suggestion of Satan, would be sin. Bruce translates the answer of Jesus this way: "Man shall not live by bread alone," for "bread is a mere detail in man's dependence on God." It was a temptation on the same plane and level that Satan catches most of us. It was on the level of physical desires.

Satan then took Jesus to the top of the temple. There he suggested that Jesus cast Himself down, since God would care for Him. This would have meant that He would have been immediately in favor with the Jews because of His supernatural appearance. The distance was at least 250 feet. Malchi had prophesied that the Messiah would come quickly to His temple. Jesus turned aside with the scripture that God was not to be put to trial.

Satan then took Jesus to a high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of that day and possibly those to come. These Satan offered Jesus if He would bow to him. He offered temporal power, he offered it immediately, and he offered it on a

basis of homage. Stalker says that Mahomet yielded to a similar when he baptized the heathen first and attempted to evangelize them later. To this Jesus commanded Satan to be gone. To all these Jesus turned a deaf ear. He returned from the point of temptation victoriously. He had overcome Satan and temptation. He was well on His way to the complete overcoming of sin and death.

**News from Pakan**

Caleb Smith transacted business in Pakan today. Mrs. Grace Stauffer returned to P. W. C. at Fort Worth Tuesday, after spending the holidays with her parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stauffer and Mae Ruth. Mike Mertel and John Hrucliar were Wheeler visitors Tuesday. English Lutheran services will be held by the pastor, Rev. Stephen M. Tuhy, at the Pakan school house Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Every one is invited to attend. John Hrucliar, Jr., returned Sunday night from a few weeks' visit in Chicago and Indiana.

Kumquat—"I never deny my wife the slightest wish."  
Strudel—"That's generous, but how in the world can you afford it?"  
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**News from Heald**

Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Elliott and daughter spent Saturday night in the N. J. Holder home. Mrs. John Rotenberry is in Shamrock for medical treatment this week. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bailey and family spent Sunday in the O. N. Elliott home.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodie Green visited in the Josh Chilton home Sunday. Charles Wendell Bailey is real sick with whooping cough.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bailey and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Green at McLean Saturday.

T. J. and Leonard Saye spent Sunday with Tom and Lester Bailey.

Pretty Waitress—"I must take a vacation. I'm afraid my beauty is beginning to fade."  
Proprietor—"What makes you think so?"

Waitress—"The men are beginning to count their change."

Little Besie, aged five, after calling her mother several times during the night and receiving no reply, said: "Mother, are you really asleep or are you just pretending you're a telephone girl?"

**OUR CREED**

I take no thought of my neighbor's birth, Or the way he makes his prayer; I grant him a white man's place on earth If his game is on the square; If he plays straight, I'll call him mate; If he cheats, I'll drop him flat; All rank but this is a worn out lie. For each clean man is as good as I, And a king is no more than that.

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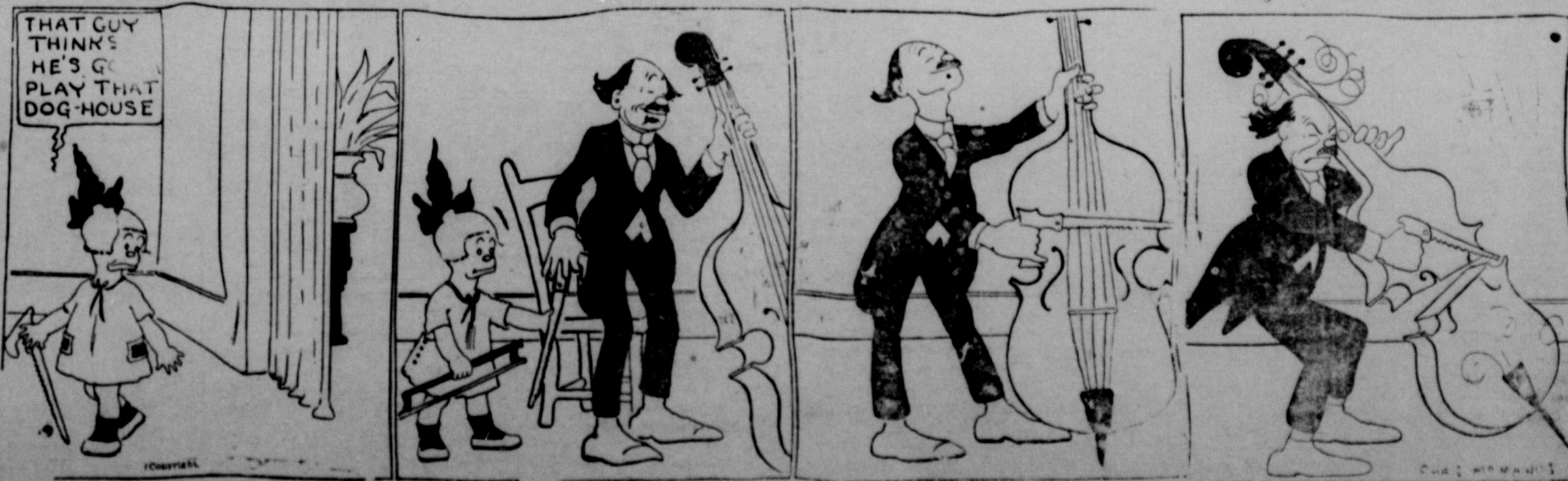
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Sponsor Elizabeth Kennedy

HOME ECONOMICS ACTIVITIES

The home economics girls gave the agriculture boys a party Monday night in the basement of the Baptist Church. Lively games were played and enjoyed by seventy-five people in attendance.

ASSEMBLY

The high school band entertained the high school with a most enjoyable concert on Tuesday afternoon. Solos were played by R. L. Floyd, accompanied by Ermadel Floyd; Jack Bogan and James Massay, accompanied by Dorothy Jean St. Clair; and Jesse Dean Cobb, accompanied by Willie Louelle Cobb.

BASKETBALL

On Friday evening the McLean basketball teams motored to White Deer, where they played two fast games. The scores were: Boys, McLean 20, White Deer 10; girls, McLean 20, White Deer 20.

On Saturday evening the White Deer teams returned the games and played in the local gymnasium. Both games were interesting, fast and thrilling. Scores were: Boys, McLean 28, White Deer 19; girls, McLean 48, White Deer 23.

INTERESTING FACT—Seats in the gymnasium were comfortable and quite an improvement over former ones. Fans are becoming more enthusiastic over these games. Won't you, and you, and you join the others and encourage these players?

Mr. Rush has purchased a new trailer which will be used to transport the ball teams from place to place.

MID-TERM EXAMINATIONS

Examinations will be given Thursday and Friday of this week. Some subjects will be completed and others will be added. New courses that are being added are elective, worth one-half credit, and books for these will have to be purchased by pupils taking them.

LIBRARY NOTES

There have been 21 volumes of new books placed in the library this week. The entire library is to be renumbered according to the decimal system and the number of each volume will be written on with the electric pen.

During the semester the library has been enclosed with lattice work, and it is now possible to lock the books in so that they may be better taken care of.

THE CUB POST

INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE WORK

The following assignments have been made for Interscholastic League work:

- Mrs. Back—Essay, declamation, girls playground ball.
Miss Cummings—6th and 7th grade spelling, volley ball and tennis.
Miss Newman—3rd and 4th grade spelling, picture memory.
Miss Simmons—Story telling.
Mrs. Silgar—Music memory.
Mr. McHaney—Arithmetic, boys playground ball, junior track.

P. T. A. PROGRAM

The primary grades are sponsoring the P. T. A. program for Thursday night.

The following program will be given:

- Greetings—Wilma Dean Page.
New Year song, two Eskimo songs, and Echo, a song.
Reading—Viola Appling.
Reading—James Hinton.
A Telephone Conversation—Bernard McClellan.
Music—Rhythm band.

This is mid-term examination week.

The new semester will begin next Monday.

SPORTS

It has been so cold that the Tigerettes and Kittens have not been able to play groundball very much. The Tigerettes have played several games with the boys. The Kitten team is improving, and some of the players will soon be placed on the Tigerette team.

The following boys are practicing basketball: R. L. Floyd, Spencer Sitter, S. J. Ayer, Joe Billy Bogan and Albert Overton.

The following boys seem to be the best prospects for the year's playground ball team: Catcher, Albert Overton, Winifred Finley and Richard Simmons; pitcher, R. L. Floyd, J. C. Williams; infield, J. C. Young, Ralph Riddle, Finous Glenn, Harry Barnes, Mike Wingo, Fow Bogan, Spencer Sitter, Kid McCoy, L. E. Flowers, Edwin Ledbetter, Junior Woods, Jesse Dean Cobb, Billy D. Rice; outfield, Kenneth Mossor, Fred Wayne Harris, Jack Bogan, Ferrell Abbott, D. V. Nicholson, Jeff Coffey, Steve Kennedy, Billy Allen, S. J. Oyer, Hobert Moore.

With three and four boys for each position on the team, the competition has become very keen and the prospects for a good team to compete in the county meet are exceptionally bright.

ROOM REPORTS

Mrs. Back's room: The English Club had a party last Thursday afternoon. Each member of the club invited one guest. We had a very nice time. The club mothers treated us with a banana, stick of gum and a bar of candy apiece.

Miss Noel's room: Friday we had a baby show. Each girl brought her doll to school. We decided that Grace Smith had the prettiest doll, but there were many pretty ones.

The Brownies won last week in our attendance contest. Dorothea Kown visited our room Friday.

Mr. McHaney's room: The seventh grade has a new pupil, Geneva Eldridge, from Clarendon.

Mrs. Silgar is printing the seventh grade's motto on our blackboard. She is printing it in pink and white, the room colors. The motto is, "We are the architects of our own fortune." We have framed a very pretty picture which we got from a calendar.

Miss Bailey's room: Group three received new morning readers Monday. We are working on our part for the P. T. A. program Thursday night. Bernard McClellan is learning a reading and the other pupils are learning songs. The pupils who were good citizens in school last week received blue ribbons Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Silgar's room: We have enrolled a number of new pupils since New Year's: Ila Sue Goodman, Doris Bryant, Evelyn Davis, Deon Wilson, Rex Williams and Dale Lovell, which brings our number up to 45.

We have organized our reading groups, and now have four groups instead of three. We expect to shift children from group to group as it becomes necessary.

100% SPELLERS

Second grade—Ormalene Gregory, Mary Lee Abbott, Jo Ann Campbell, Betty Jo Andrews, Colleen Burrows, Carl Martin, Maurine Tampke, Annie Crews, Billy Gressett, Nadine Boyd, Watson Mitchell, James Smith, Billy Carpenter.

Third grade—Frances Sitter, Virgil Ray Smith, Imogene Bell, Earlene Green, Joyce Bowman.

Fourth grade—Jewel Allen, Edith Ayer, Oren Dorsey, Maxine Goodman, Carl Green, Deon Kennedy, Floetta Koen, Dora Mae Overton, Bennie Mae Wade, Mary Ellen Green, Rosemary Norris, Bernice McClellan, Fairlee Koen, Clyde Blocker.

Sixth grade—Billy Allen, Mabel Back, Georgia Colebank, Ermadel Floyd, Marjorie Lochridge, Julia Merrel, Jack Sharp, J. C. Williams, Ernie Back, O. Q. Finley, Linley Hugg, Velma Mann, Billy Cooke, Frank Wharton, Margurite Wheeler.

Seventh grade—Billie Jean Biggers, Jesse Dean Cobb, Charles Cunningham, Shirley Johnston, Margaret Kennedy, Julia McCarty, Lorene Moore, D. V. Nicholson, Irene Penland, Frankie Roth.

Miss Verna Rice was in Pampa Saturday.

Mrs. Martha Hamilton was in Amarillo Friday.

Mrs. Inez McLarty was in Pampa Saturday.

Hamlin Smithdeal of Dallas visited friends here last week.

Walter McDonald of Pampa was in McLean Thursday.

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JANUARY
8—Cherry trees bloom in winter at Nyack, N. Y., 1890.
9—First shot of Civil war fired at Ft. Moultrie, 1861.
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13—Part of Horseshoe Rock at Niagara Falls drops, 1869.
14—Hoover announces candidacy for re-nomination, 1932.

FREE SHOW TICKETS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The McLean News is sponsoring a move to obtain 50 copies of Louisa M. Alcott's famous novel, "Little Women."

To the first 50 school children who bring to the News office a copy of the novel, "Little Women," a free ticket will be given to see the motion picture of Louisa M. Alcott's classic, "Little Women," which will be shown at the LaNora Theatre in Pampa, Texas, four days, starting January 21.

Any school child living in McLean or this community is eligible to bring the books, which will be given by The News to the school libraries.

We have only fifty tickets to be distributed in this way. First come, first served.

DRILLERS CONTRACTORS MEET

A meeting of all the contractors of the Panhandle oil field will be held at the city hall at Pampa at 8 p. m. Jan. 16th, when matters pertaining to the drilling contractors code will be discussed.

According to the contractors committee, every contractor should be present or have a representative present.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

W. B. Andrews, Minister

The preachers' meeting is now in progress and will continue until Sunday night. The program for the rest of the week will be: McGaughy of Elk City, Okla., 7 p. m. Thursday; Hendry and Bishop Friday morning; Robert Jones Friday night; Willeford of Canyon Saturday morning; Cooper Saturday night; Bro. Ribble will speak both morning and evening Sunday.

Large crowds are attending these services. Come and enjoy these services with us. Every service will be worth your attending.

AUNT HET ON SCHOOL TEACHING

"One o' my girls had her heart set 'n bein' a school teacher, but I talked her out of it. Teachin' school is too much like bein' a preacher's wife. It's a high callin', but people expect you to give more'n they pay for."

"You take the teachers here in town. The only difference between them an' Christian martyrs is the date an' the lack of a bonfire."

"They was hired to teach an' they do it. They teach the younguns that can learn, and entertain the ones that fell on their heads when they was little. But that ain't enough. They're supposed to make obedient little angels out o' spoiled brats that never minded nobody, an' wetnurse little wildcats so their mothers can get rest, an' make geniuses out o' children that couldn't have no sense with the parents they've got."

"But that ain't the worst. They've got to get up plays an' things to work the school out o' debt; an' sing in the choir an' teach a Sunday school class, an' when they ain't doin' nothin' else they're supposed to be a good example."

"Then they don't get no pay for 'ix months an' can't pay their board or buy decent clothes an' on top o' everything else they can't hold hands comin' home from prayer meetin' without some pious old sister with a dirty mind startin' a scandal on 'em. 'T'd just as soon be a plow mule. A mule works just as hard, but it can relieve its soul by kickin' up its heels after quittin' time without startin' any talk."—Robert Quillen, in the Fountain Inn Tribune.

Miss Georgia Stratton is visiting in Pampa this week.

J. P. Reeves is visiting relatives in Montague county this week.

SMALL TOWN PAPERS ARE BADLY NEGLECTED

One of the most surprising and disappointing features of the present upturn in business is the fact that the local newspapers, which have been a tremendous factor in maintaining the morale of every community during the distressing conditions of the past few years, are receiving scant consideration at the hands of merchants and business men.

We have before us a current issue of one of the state's outstanding weeklies—published in a neighboring city of more than 3,000 population. It is a good newspaper, brilliantly edited, and enjoys a large circulation. But this edition, which is a fair average issue, contains less than 200 inches of local advertising.

Presuming that this paper sells advertising at a rate of 35c an inch, which is the rule in towns of similar size, its advertising income is less than \$70 a week or approximately \$300 a month, which is insufficient to cover the cost of labor and white paper, and leaves nothing for taxes, depreciation and interest on investment—not to mention a profit for the publisher.

It is inconceivable that good business men in any community will thus fail to support an institution which is so vitally necessary as a local newspaper.

There are dozens of similar situations in the state where splendid newspapers which have rendered conspicuous service over a long period of years, are being literally starved to death by business men who could use them to tremendous advantage in creating a demand for merchandise and service.

The Daily Times Leader is not complaining. We believe that most of the merchants and business men of West Point appreciate the value of the home paper, and it will continue to grow and prosper. We are speaking for the weekly press in the smaller towns, where good business men are not only failing to use the greatest advertising force in the world, but where strong and useful local newspapers are being literally starved to death by short sighted merchants.

Newspaper advertising is today the greatest potential factor in modern business. There is no other means by which the merchants or business men can reach so many consumers so economically.

The local newspaper is an invited guest. It is read thoroughly by each member of the family. This cannot be said of other forms of advertising which probably accounts for the fact that 76% of all national advertising last year appeared in the newspapers.

This economy of local newspaper advertising is illustrated by the fact that half a page ad in the Daily Times Leader costs less than it would require to send a postal card to each of our subscribers. The same thing probably could be said for the average paper in the state.

Mind you, the newspapers of the country are asking no favors, they only seek that which is their due. President James Madison was right when he said: "To the press alone, checked as it is with abuse, the world is indebted for all of the triumphs which have been gained by reason and humanity over error and oppression."—West Point Daily Times Leader.

INTOLERANCE

Intolerance is one of the sins of the best people. The tendency to measure the other fellow's conduct by one's own yardstick is well-nigh universal. The ability to view life and all its problems from the other fellow's standpoint as well as one's own is a faculty that few possess. We are too prone to think that the other fellow's religious convictions, his moral standards and his political beliefs should conform strictly to our own. If they do not we are inclined to regard the individual as perverse or inferior in this respect to ourselves. The world needs a broader spirit of tolerance. Let us try to cultivate a spirit of tolerance during the coming year.—Lynn County News.

A local canning record has been established by Mrs. Y. R. Galtier, home demonstration club 4-H pantry demonstrator in Johnson county. She has 1633 containers of food. Everything in the pantry was produced on the farm except 1/4-bushel of apples.

F. B. Burk of Oklahoma City is in McLean on business this week.

Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Batson were in Pampa Monday.

Mrs. Lester Chiam visited in Pampa Monday.

Witt Springer was in Pampa Monday.

Dan Dean was in Pampa Saturday.

Local and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Holloway and daughter, Mrs. Ruel Smith, and little daughter visited relatives near Plainview last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tedder, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jolly spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. Tedder's parents in Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Nance of Coleman are visiting the lady's brother, John Brooks, and family this week.

A. B. Crites, assistant manager of LaNora, Rex and State Theatres at Pampa, was a News office visitor Monday.

Guy Hibler, Bennie Watkins, Misses Loree Jones and Dorothy Allen were in Shamrock Monday.

Eld. E. C. McKinzey, pastor of the Pampa Church of Christ, was in McLean Thursday.

Mrs. Kid McCoy and Miss Pauline Muncie made a trip to Clarendon Tuesday.

Mrs. Bebie Blake and Mrs. Curg Williams of Amarillo visited friends in McLean last week.

Guy Hibler, Bennie Watkins, Misses Winnifred Ayer and Lorene Turman were in Alanreed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Skinner were in Oklahoma last week at the bedside of the lady's mother.

Mrs. C. S. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Rice were in Amarillo last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McClain of Sayre, Okla., visited in McLean Friday.

Mrs. E. B. Hedrick of Amarillo visited friends in McLean and Alanreed last week.

W. E. James of Alanreed was in McLean Thursday.

Miss Libby Waisman is visiting her mother at Houston.

Sam Brown of Lefors was in McLean Thursday.

J. A. Hall of Alanreed was in McLean Thursday.

Mr. W. F. Stark of Borger visited her son, Wheeler Foster, last week.

O. R. Blankenship was in Pampa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson and son were in Pampa Friday.

Clell Windom was in Spearman Friday.

W. W. Boyd was in Texola, Okla., Friday.

Mrs. Sam Kunkel visited her son, Nugent, at Amarillo last week end.

Haskel Belew of Amarillo was in McLean Friday.

Miss Pauline Muncie of Wellington visited friends here last week.

Deputy Sheriff R. B. Stout was in Pampa Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Howard of Lefors were in McLean Saturday.

Johnnie Mertel and Earl Graham were Shamrock visitors Sunday.

Miss Jewel Turner was in Shamrock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beck were in Clarendon Saturday.

J. M. Carpenter was in Wheeler Thursday.

Mrs. Ella Cubine orders The News sent to her address at Carter, Okla.

Marvin Hall of Alanreed was in McLean Thursday.

Ruel Smith was in Pampa Monday.

Mrs. Tom Ball and sister of Alanreed were in McLean Thursday.

Clifford Allison visited relatives in Clarendon Sunday.

Frank Hill of Pampa was in McLean Wednesday.

Sam Hodges was in Amarillo Tuesday.

Bill Dees of Pampa was in McLean Tuesday.

Earl Stubblefield has our thanks for a subscription favor this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bourland and son, Laurence, visited in Clarendon Sunday.

J. S. Howard was in Amarillo Friday.

Creed Bogan was in Pampa Saturday.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

RATES.—One insertion, 2c per word. Two insertions, 4c per word, or 1c per word each week after first insertion. Lines of white space will be charged for at same rate as reading matter. Black-face type at double rate. Initials and numbers count as words. No advertisement accepted for less than 25c per week. All ads cash with order, unless you have a running account with The News.

FOR SALE

ELECTRIC MOTOR for sale. 2-horse, single phase Century, with new brushes. Priced at \$25.00. News office.

FRESH Jersey cows for sale. Geo. W. Sitter. 1p

GOOD HORSE for sale, weight about 1200 pounds. T. A. Landers.

CONSTRUCTION paper, beautiful colors, 1/2c per sheet. News office.

ADDING MACHINE ribbons and rolls, typewriter supplies of all kinds at News office.

DUPLICATING sales books, 8c each at News office.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST.—Tuesday, between fire station and Piggly Wiggly, pair men's leather gloves. Liberal reward. Boyd Meador. 1p

LOST.—White-face heifer calf branded HN (connected) on left hip. Homer Wilson. 1p



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