

# THE McLEAN NEWS

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## Chamber of Commerce Holds Busy Session Monday Night

### INTERESTING REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

#### Cotton Train Endorsed Arrangements Ordered

#### DATES FOR FAIR ADOPTED

#### Representative to State Highway Meeting Appointed

One of the busiest sessions yet held by the McLean Community Chamber of Commerce was enjoyed by the members present Monday night.

Secretary Wilson being unable to be present until later in the evening, D. Bentley was appointed secretary pro tem for the first part of the session.

Reports from the various committees were called for, and Prof. Castleberry reported for the band committee, stated that a bandmaster would be in McLean Thursday afternoon of this week to confer with the business men in regard to directing a band at this place. It was suggested that perhaps enough band members could be interested who would be glad to pay their own tuition, or other nearby towns could be induced to organize, and a band director divide his time between the towns. The committee was continued.

Mr. Dunkle made an interesting report on the Trades and Sales Day, which was commented on by several members. The Trades Day proposition seems to be universally satisfactory to the community.

The committee to look after the tourist camp ground reported that some work had been done, but that ovens were needed. It was ordered that the Chamber of Commerce pay for material to make the ovens, the work to be donated.

J. A. Sparks reported that the insurance committee had made some progress and asked for further time, which was granted.

Mr. Thompson, who represented McLean at the meeting of fair secretaries at Amarillo, reported that it had been suggested that McLean's fair be held Sept. 19 and 20. After some favorable discussion, these dates were adopted and the various committees ordered appointed, as follows:

Finance, grounds and amusements—The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce, consisting of T. A. Landers, president; W. T. Wilson, secretary; J. M. Noel, D. M. Graham, M. M. Newman, J. W. Fisher, T. J. Coffey and M. D. Bentley, directors.

Catalog—R. O. Dunkle, C. S. Rice and Miss Patterson.

Advertising and prizes—C. L. Cooke, Clay Thompson, Fred Landers, C. J. Cash and W. L. Haynes.

Cattle department—D. M. Graham, O. G. Stokley and J. M. Noel.

Hogs—J. S. Howard, C. E. Hunt and F. P. Wilson.

Poultry—C. M. Carpenter, Donald Beall and R. H. Corum.

Grain—R. O. Dunkle, J. A. Ashby, W. C. Cheney, C. H. Harbison and A. C. Waldron.

Cotton—Vester Smith, N. E. Savage and W. B. Upham.

Fruit—J. M. Carpenter, A. T. Wilson and L. L. Palmer.

Women's department—Miss Patterson.

The catalog committee is expected to finish their work in time to have the catalogs printed about the first of next month.

The committee on arrangements for a monthly luncheon reported that at least four ladies' organizations could be depended on to furnish food for the luncheons and suggested that the first affair be put on by all the ladies of the community, proceeds to go toward buying necessary dishes, etc. for the affairs. All future luncheon proceeds to go entirely to the organization furnishing the food. The report was adopted and the committee ordered to make all necessary arrangements connected with the luncheon, as to securing speakers, etc.

Mr. Bentley reported that the

### FREE DINNER AND PROGRAM MARCH 15TH

A basket dinner is planned for Saturday, March 15th, when the Rock Island Cotton Educational Train will be in McLean, which bids fair to be one of the greatest programs ever put on here. Speakers of State and National reputation will be present and will make addresses on every phase of cotton raising; nor will the cow, sow, hen and fowling crops be neglected. Free moving pictures will be shown and all phases of agricultural community life will be represented.

The committee especially requests that the merchants decorate their stores and otherwise prepare for a gala day.

Farmers are expected to be present from all nearby communities, and suitable prizes are offered in a big Ford car parade to be held in the forenoon.

A reception committee has been appointed, consisting of T. A. Landers, W. T. Wilson, E. J. Lander, Clay Thompson, C. L. Cooke and M. D. Bentley.

### SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER HONORING MRS. J. S. HUCKABEE

On Tuesday of this week a number of friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Huckabee where a pot luck dinner was enjoyed in honor of Mrs. Huckabee's birthday.

A miscellaneous shower resulted in many nice presents to the honoree. The following were present:

Mesdames H. F. Wingo, T. M. Wolfe, F. P. Wilson, W. W. Wilson, L. W. Wilson, Scott Johnston, A. Stanfield, S. A. Cousins, W. B. Upham, T. N. Holloway, Arthur Collins, Will Haynes, E. T. McCleskey, W. E. Clement, J. S. Huckabee, R. S. Jackson, J. S. Morse, A. F. Hanson, H. C. Rippey, J. M. Noel, D. A. Davis, T. A. Landers, S. W. Rice, D. M. Graham, C. S. Rice, J. G. Pollard, C. C. Cook and R. S. Jordan; Messrs. A. T. Wilson, S. A. Cousins, R. S. Jordan, O. K. Murphree, Revs. J. S. Huckabee and J. G. Pollard; Frances Wilson, James Lee Rice, Wilbur Lee Wilson, Shirley Johnston, Mary Alice Wilson, Billy D. Rice, Billy Wilson, James Len Collins, Mattie Lee Wilson.

highway committee was at work and suggested that a representative should be present at the meeting of the State Highway Board at Austin March 17. After some lively discussion, the secretary was ordered to communicate with the various towns interested and the Postal Highway officials and ascertain if they would assume their part of the expense incident to sending a representative. M. D. Bentley was appointed representative to the Austin meeting.

The matter of the Rock-Island Cotton Train was taken up and Mr. Lander, local Rock Island agent, stated that much good could be had from this program if people would attend. The Rock Island railroad furnishes everything for a whole day's program and cannot expect to benefit directly from it, but must take chances on future business. A committee was ordered appointed with full power to make all arrangements for a basket dinner, or such other plan that seems best to the committee to secure the largest attendance possible for Saturday, March 15. E. J. Lander, C. L. Cooke, Clay Thompson, W. Sherman White, J. G. Pollard, J. S. Huckabee and W. C. Garrett were appointed.

The fact was brought out that McLean is not getting all the publicity desired in the various state papers in regard to our oil prospects and other desirable features. After full discussion, it was ordered that E. M. Rice be asked to act as official Chamber of Commerce reporter and keep McLean's prospects properly presented in the different publications.

The next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held the first Monday night in April.

## Last Year's Business



### LEE CASON BUYS BACK TAILOR SHOP

Lee Cason of Wellington has bought the Johnnie Back tailor shop. Mr. Cason will call his shop The City Tailor Shop and promises his customers prompt and courteous service. Read his announcement on another page of this paper.

### FREE PHOTOS OFFERED IN LADIES' CONTEST

C. O. Rowe, photographer, is conducting a popular ladies' contest along the lines of the baby contest staged a few weeks ago. Mr. Rowe offers to take a picture free for the first 60 ladies who enter the contest before Saturday night. Read full particulars in an advertisement in this issue of The News.

### LEAP YEAR PARTY

The lady teachers in the McLean school put on a Leap Year party at the Cousins home one mile north of the city Friday night of last week. The men they wished to be present at the affair were invited to meet the ladies at Cousins Motor Co.'s garage at 7:30 p. m. The gentlemen were there promptly at the appointed hour. Probably the reason for the enthusiasm evinced by the men was due to the fact that the ladies promised to make the "dates" furnish the way to go to the party, etc.

After arriving at the Cousins home, the evening was spent in various entertainments appropriate to the occasion. At a late hour refreshments were served, after which the girls selected the gentlemen they desired to accompany home. The following were present at this enjoyable affair: Messrs. Dunkle, Rice, Beall, Landers, White, Evans, Brown, Stephen, Rippey, Strandberg, Homer and Ernest Abbott; Misses Miller, Roach, Strong, Patterson, Cousins, Orr, Floyd, Abbott, Stratton, Norman, Bridge, Mollie Bird and Ann Richey; Mesdames Rippey and Stuckey.

### HAYNES GROCERY ROBBED

The vault at the Haynes grocery was broken into last Saturday night and between \$1600 and \$1700 taken from the safe.

Messrs. Haynes and Holloway, owners of the store, were in Amarillo when Estel Bowen discovered the theft. They were notified by telephone and returned at once.

Officers are at work on the case, but up to this writing no arrests have been made.

W. P. Rogers left Wednesday for Amarillo to attend the cattlemen's convention.

Evan L. Sitter was in from the ranch Wednesday.

Mike Mertel of Slavonia was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Geo. Colebank of Back was in the city Wednesday.

### A WEDDING CELEBRATION

The golden anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Phillips was celebrated Wednesday by a pot luck dinner to which were invited all the family connections and the older residents of the town. Seventy-five persons were present, including six children and 10 grandchildren of the honorees.

The invitations were printed in gold upon the best of vellum stock, gold decorations were carried out at the table, where a large gold cake had five ribbons hung from the center to the sides of the table, with a \$10 gold piece at the end of each ribbon. The gold pieces were gifts from the children. Mr. Phillips was presented with a gold watch chain and Mrs. Phillips with a gold pin by friends present.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips have lived in McLean for the past 20 years, being among our oldest settlers, and enjoy the affection and esteem of everyone.

### A BIRTHDAY PARTY

A surprise party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Landers last Thursday afternoon from 3 until 6 o'clock, the occasion being the 10th birthday of their daughter, Fern. Refreshments were served to the following guests: Lola Ruth Stanfield, Cleone West, Anna Lou Grigsby, Ida Belle Newman, Gorda Lou Haynes, Thelma Young, Verla Hibler, Bobbie Appling, Oleta Holloway, Venita Savage, Josephine Turner, Georgia Stratton, Odessa Kunkel, Johnnie Villa Haynes, Clay Edward and Bud Thompson, R. S. Jackson Jr., Robert Howard, Woodrow Wilkerson, Billie Robinson, Erwin Browning.

### INCOME TAX MAN HERE THURSDAY, MARCH 13

A deputy income tax collector will be in McLean on March 13th. Information may be obtained at either bank in McLean.

### SNOW WEDNESDAY NIGHT

A snow egan falling Wednesday night, but Thursday morning dawned bright and fair. The snow fell without any wind and melted off rapidly. It will be of much benefit to the soil just at this time.

F. E. Robinson was an Amarillo visitor Wednesday.

M. C. Burdine of Alanreed was in McLean Tuesday.

Booth Woods and family have moved back to McLean.

Floyd Johnson of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

City Marshall J. A. Sparks orders The News sent to his brother, W. W. Sparks, of Elmo.

John Hrciar of Slavonia was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

## TRADES DAY SECOND SALE A GOOD ONE

The second monthly Trades and Sale Day was held Saturday with a large crowd present and plenty of offerings.

The total sales realized \$985.85, which was a slight increase over the first day, due partly to the nature of the offerings and the bigger crowd.

There was less misunderstanding of the purpose of the sale than at the first sale. Most of those who listed articles understood that they were expected to place them on the grounds for the auctioneer before 1:30 p. m., and that no articles could be put in the sale that had not been previously listed and advertised.

The next sale will be held the first Saturday in April, and those who desire to take advantage of the free auction must list their offerings with the committee at an early date.

### POULTRY SPECIALIST ADDRESSES CLUB WOMEN WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Miss Myrtle Murray, poultry specialist, from the Texas A. & M. College, was in McLean Wednesday and spoke to the members of the Home Economics Club at their meeting with Mrs. J. M. Noel.

County Agent R. O. Dunkle introduced the speaker, and his remarks complimentary to the speaker's mastery of her subject were fully confirmed by the speech that followed.

Miss Murray began her remarks by saying that the poultry business was formerly regarded as a back yard proposition and strictly woman's work, but now some of the brainiest men in this country are interested in poultry. The poultry business of the country last year amounted to \$43,000,000, or about \$11,000,000 more than the dairy business; and when it is remembered that the profits to be made in the poultry industry are greater than in most any other business, due partly to the feed consumed about the place that would otherwise be wasted, it is seen at once that the poultry industry deserves more attention from all concerned.

The money derived from poultry comes at a time of the year when the farmer has very little income from other sources, which is another important factor to be considered. The farm flock should consist of from 100 to 500 hens, as it takes about the same care for any number up to 500 as it does for a smaller number. The largest poultry farm in the United States is located in California where 50,000 birds are kept. The speaker digressed at this point to say that the people of California are the most conceited folks in the world, yet they do have something to be proud of in their poultry industry. California poultry men buy Texas oyster shell on account of its superior value for laying hens.

A hen should return on an average of \$2 per year profit, if properly selected, housed and fed. The strain of chickens selected is of more importance than the breed, as any breed can be used for egg production by proper selection; the only requirement is that they should be of some standard breed and free from mixtures with other varieties. Different balanced feed rations were given and the care of baby chicks discussed. More chicks are killed from overfeeding and feeding too young than perhaps any other cause. All poultry houses should be of the open front type and none smaller than 16 by 20 feet. Lame breeding must be practiced, if a new male bird must be bought from another strain occasionally, the whole flock should be changed and a new start made and handled properly.

The speaker stated that more has been learned about the poultry business within the last ten years than in any other 25 year period, and ventured the prediction that the next five years would see still greater advances.

Following the address, Orval Cunningham, Chester Savage and Miss Vera Wilson, members of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs, gave a practical demonstration of properly preparing the setting hen and nest. The young folks had had only one lesson in this work, but they gave the demonstration in a very practical and entertaining way.

Miss Patterson county home dem-

### HIGHWAY MEN MARKING NEW SUNSET TRAIL

The Sunset National Trails committee has men at work marking the Postal Highway, which is now a part of the Sunset Highway system. The road is marked all the way from the east to McLean, and the work is progressing steadily toward Amarillo.

The markers used are of attractive color enamel on steel and set on iron posts in concrete bases.

It is reported that the highway between McLean and Amarillo is now in good shape, and will doubtless be kept in good condition from now on by the State Highway Department.

### ALANREED SCHOOL NOTES

Reported. The following students made the highest average in their respective grades for February:

- Low first—Aaron Hunt.
- High first—Mildred Gull.
- Second—Monta Mae Gibson.
- Low third—Woodrow Barker.
- High third—Anna Lou Darnell.
- Fourth—Virgil Elms.
- Fifth—Houston Hall.
- Sixth—Wynona Street.
- Seventh—Mary Snyder.
- Eighth—Amy Snyder.
- Ninth—Bernice Hall.
- Tenth—Ernest Jones.

### A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mr. W. H. Peters entertained the following little folks with a party Saturday afternoon, honoring the 9th birthday of her daughter, Earline:

John Lee Shell, Cleone and Dean West, Paul and Pauline Ledbetter, Georgia and Charles Stratton, Anna Katherine and Athalie Overton, Cleo Young, June Turner, Oleta Holloway, Melrose Richardson, Allison Cash, Lola Ruth Stanfield, Valda Amick, Bobbie Appling, Jack Roberts, Rebecca Ruth Jackson, Wright Wise Jr., Ishmael and Betty Swafford, Earline Peters.

### J. W. REID ANNOUNCES FOR STATE SENATOR

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of J. W. Reid of Canyon for State Senator from the new senatorial district, the 31st. Mr. Reid has lived in Canyon for the last 13 years and was a professor in the West Texas State Teachers College until two years ago. Mr. Reid is well qualified for the place, being a good business man, and has the interest of this section and the entire state at heart. His only motive in entering the race is to be of service to the state.

We are glad to commend Mr. Reid to the voters of this district.

Illustration agent, closed the exercises by distributing yearbooks and outlining the year's work for the club.



# Held in Trust

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### SYNOPSIS

**CHAPTER I**—Jasper Haig and Hasbrouck Rutherford were searching for a young woman—a girl who resembled Adelaide Rutherford enough to serve as her double. For Haig was manager of the great sixty-million-dollar Gorgam trust-benefit, created by old Daniel Gorgam in his will for the benefit of his daughter Adelaide during her lifetime. Rutherford, the husband of Adelaide, shared her great wealth. And Adelaide Rutherford was dying, was already unconscious.

**CHAPTER II**—They found the young woman—Mary Manchester, a work-wearied but still beautiful young shop girl who was thoroughly discouraged with life, and arranged for a meeting with her to present their proposition.

**CHAPTER III**—Mary lived with a drunken stepfather who had no interest in her, so it happened that when Haig—after explaining that Adelaide and her husband had lived apart for some years—offered her great wealth he found her in a receptive mood, but she demanded to see things for herself.

**CHAPTER IV**—Finding conditions as they had been described to her, she accepted the proposition and on that night the real Adelaide Rutherford died.

**CHAPTER V**—To the new servants who replaced the old ones in the Rutherford household it becomes apparent that their mistress was rapidly improving—though they, like everyone else, had been given to understand that her mind was unbalanced. Her physician confided to Stanford Gorgam, a cousin of Adelaide and Hasbrouck Rutherford, and a personal enemy of the latter, that his patient was not insane.

**CHAPTER VI**—Stanford promptly went to see his cousin and was denied admittance by a new doorman. Suspicious, he employed a latch-key to a private entrance, a key once given him by the sister Gorgam. Confronting "Adelaide," he recognized her for an impostor. "And yet," he incredulously said to himself afterward, "murder—murder with that face!"

**CHAPTER VII**—Ignorant of Stanford's identity, Adelaide assumed from his possession of the key that he was her supposed husband and sent for Hasbrouck—who came, found her pleading and insisted that when he came next she be kind to him, otherwise he would have her confined as insane.

**CHAPTER VIII**—Stanford Gorgam in a second interview all but accused her of being a murderess.

**CHAPTER IX**—Desperate, Adelaide tried to escape and was prevented.

**CHAPTER X**—Then she found a note from Gorgam under her dog's collar offering to come and take her away by the same mail carrier she answered: "Tonight at eight-thirty."

**CHAPTER XI**—The note is intercepted by a maid, a spy in the employ of Haig. Haig and Rutherford, in a panic at the fear of exposure, plot to kill young Gorgam and fix the blame on Adelaide. The plot goes wrong and Jasper Haig is killed by Rutherford.

Well, there was or not, it gave to Adelaide Rutherford the exact opportunity that she had wished, to be entirely free in her own house, at least—and to be, at a little before half-past eight, in the great study of the dead Daniel Gorgam without the questioning glances of anyone following her. She was dressed in a dark, rather quiet gown which would have seemed equally suited to indoor or street wear. She was alone when she entered the great room, her usual companion, Raes, having by a strange awkwardness been allowed to go out of the house following her maid. There was nothing to be done, then, but go alone into the room and to the interview that she expected and at the same time dreaded and wished for.

She was afraid, until the hour itself came, that she would be unable to get into the room unseen. She did so, however, and turned on the light and closed the door behind her. There was an inside bolt on the door—of the kind that turns with a little knob. She turned it. There would be no one who would enter the room to disturb her. It was now eight-thirty by her watch, but she listened several minutes in vain for any slightest sound from the room or from behind the door on the farther wall by which she knew her visitor and accuser would enter.

Several minutes passed, which seemed more like hours. She looked at her watch again. It might be that her message by her accepted messenger—that morning had miscarried—even though she had believed that she herself had seen it taken from the dog's collar and knew for a fact that the dog had returned without it. It might even, she reflected, have come into other hands! She stirred uneasily and got up.

It was now eight-forty. She turned toward the long bookshelves at one side of the room, took out a book at random and sat down again, making a pretense of reading but with her eyes upon the wall of the room where that door was to open. And as she sat

there—still with no sign of the sound she was listening for—a feeling came over her that not infrequently attacks one alone at night in a great dark-cornered room, that some one else was there watching her. Dismissed at first, the idea returned and even grew. Gradually she had the fancy that there was some one breathing heavily in the stillness.

Behind her, at the farther extremity of the room, two tall, heavily curtained windows looked out upon an inner garden laid out at one side of the house. It was possible, of course, that some one might be concealed there. Try as she could to resist it, the impression grew upon her mind that there was some one there. She was determined about one thing: she would not leave the room for any mere imagining. So, rising suddenly, she moved quickly toward the long velvet draperies to convince herself of her foolishness. She reached out her hand—and when she did so, felt through the softness the terrifying solidity of a man's body.

"Keep still, if you know what's good for you!" said a thick voice. And stepping backward, Adelaide Rutherford saw appear the great figure of the man whom she believed to be her husband.

He had evidently—only too evidently—been drinking. His breath, his bloodshot eyes, his stiff but carefully controlled walk—all showed it. But besides, there was a thing more terrible to her than this, she thought—the light of a curious and inflamed anger, it seemed to her, in his eyes.

He smiled, or pretended to—a surly smile. "Sit down!" he told her thickly, and forced her into a chair. He turned away then, and going back to the door where she had entered, tried it and assured himself that it was locked. Then coming back and drawing up another chair, he sat down beside her, both facing by this arrangement, she observed now, the door in the back wall of the room which she expected at any time to open—to open and admit the man who was to have rescued her.

"You're clever, aren't you?" the man went on. "Now, you sit down and shut up! And if you make the first attempt at warning, it will be the last exercise you'll ever take in your little crooked life."

She shrank away from him, but for the moment he made no offer of violence to her beside his seating her and cautioning her to keep still. So she sat for the time being, thinking—trying to realize the full meaning of his words, just what he was planning and what she herself must do.

And then silently, with a certain stupid bravado, he drew out an old revolver from the pocket of his coat and laid it upon his lap. And now she saw, or thought she saw, with terrifying distinctness, what his purpose was. He was offering no violence to her—yet! Probably he would not until—until after her visitor arrived. For very clearly in some way he must know the other man was coming. She sat still silent, wondering what she should do, watching him furtively as he sat beside her.

She was very near to him indeed; she could feel the warmth of his breath—almost of his great body. She could see the beating of his pulse in his thick red neck, and she could see, always more and more distinctly, that glint in his eye—that glint in the eye of a man who has been drinking, drinking all day long for a purpose! Her patience outlived his.

"When did you expect him?" he asked her finally—after several minutes of restlessness and growing irritation on his part.

"Expect whom?" she returned with a calmness she did not feel.

"None of that!" he said, and took the corner of her shoulder in his great hairy hand. "When?"

"I don't know what you are talking about!" she answered with spirit, and she started to get up. But when she attempted it, a faint scream came from her lips. It seemed as if her shoulder would be crushed.

Her first instinct was to keep on screaming, but the look in his face prevented her. It was a look, she saw clearly now, a little different from the look of a mere drunken man; it was more the glance of a man unbalanced, by drink perhaps, and by something else—by hatred, the impression grew on her—an old, violent hatred, studiously self-inflamed.

And again they sat there waiting. It must be, she thought, like this that men sit hunting animals by a runway of woods. She sat now, as still as he, submissive now to all appearances; but her mind was never clearer or more accurate, or her senses keener. They were probably, she thought now, overacute—yielding perhaps to a touch of hysteria, to something she must fight.

For now a still more singular impression came over her. The idea had come, and was growing on her, that there was a third person in the room! It had come first—so far as her excited mind recalled—at the time when this man beside her had hurt her and made her scream. It had seemed to her that at that instant she had seen a movement, a sudden twitching of the velvet curtains in the window upon the other side of the room from where she had discovered this man beside her.

Since then she had cast continual guarded glances at the window—trying to satisfy her mind whether she had been mistaken. Could it have been that this man whom she had been expecting had arrived before time, and had concealed himself there—possibly suspecting the other man to be in the room—and waited; if so, he was certainly a strangely constituted man to

let her sit there under the threats and compulsion of this drunken brute—or madman, whichever he might be—without aiding her. And yet, on reconsideration, what else could he do now but wait his chance—if he was there. For one thing at least was certain in her mind: appearance now must mean certain death to him.

"What are you looking at?" demanded the sudden voice of the man beside her.

"Looking at!" she exclaimed in a voice that seemed even to her to be speaking from a great distance.

"I believe," he said, starting up, "he is here already. I believe you've got him hidden away here somewhere now!"

He was certainly not a mere drunken man now. He was certainly not sane. His voice showed it, as did the blood rising to his face, the little knot of veins upon his temples and the unnatural glint which showed now in his reddened eyeballs.

He started to his feet and she with him. He was staring now at the place where her eyes had been—the folds of that high velvet curtain.

"Come out of there!" he cried in a hoarse voice. "From behind that curtain! I see you," he said with a mouthful of foul epithets.

And at that the curtain moved—very slightly, but still visibly.

"No, no, no!" cried the false Adelaide Rutherford, pushing at him with all her might. She saw now what she had done. She had brought this unfortunate man—this rescuer and benefactor whose name she did not even know—in here to be murdered. "No!" she cried hysterically; and she was pushing at the unyielding body of the man beside her as he fled.

He fled; the curtains shook and fell apart. And on the floor, protrud-



On the floor appeared the upper body and face of—Jasper Haig!

ing from them, appeared the upper body and face of Jasper Haig! The new Adelaide Rutherford crouched for the moment, covering her white face with her bloodless hands. She heard the heavy footsteps of the man who had been with her pass across the room to the body upon the floor—the body with the white face and the smile—still that oblique smile of the celebrated and wonderfully astute lawyer, the manager of the Gorgam Trust.

And as she looked up, she knew with terror that he must be dead, for she saw the great brute who now stood over him, lift him and drop him back.

"You!" he said, and added a hideous name. "You again!" He was clearly now a thing entirely out of any semblance of self-control.

"You couldn't keep away, could you?" he asked deliberately, and quite deliberately kicked him in that still oblique smile, for which so long the face of Jasper Haig had been famous.

Then suddenly he stopped and listened. And Mary Manchester listened with him. Outside the door, back in the hallway of the house, there was a low sound of a dog growling, and of whispering. The servants were there—beyond that fastened door, waiting, no doubt wondering what to do—and as yet doing nothing!

And now another change came over the speaker—his voice and manner hardening.

"Don't come in," he said calmly, addressing the closed door and holding his revolver at attention. "It'll be bad for you."

"Why bring them?" he asked, now reasoning with Mary Manchester. "Rank outsiders! Innocent! It's got us. You and me—and this," he said, alluding to Joseph Haig, "and the one that's coming. It's got us—it was certain to from the first—it planned to. You can't help that—you can't stop it," said the speaker. And now, his mind turning in a new direction, he started cursing the Gorgam Trust. The girl was surprised as she listened. He was addressing it, this legal fiction, like a living creature, a monstrous thing of flesh and blood which hated and pursued him.

"They make them," he cried, his wild imagination taking now a curious form. "They make them, to do what they want done. All the big dirty work of the world! Rotten-hearted—evil to the core. And you did this!" He broke off in a grotesque aside to the dead lawyer on the floor. "And in the end they get loose from you—they get too strong. They get you finally, the way this one got you!"

Mary Manchester could see now quite certainly that the Trust, that immaterial thing, had grown more real

and more terrible in the immaterial region where this wild imagination lived now than any actual breathing thing—a great enemy, stalking him, which he feared and hated as nothing else. "It gets us. It's moved us around," he asserted. "—you and me and all the rest, just where it wants to. First it's that," he said, in brief allusion to the figure on the floor again. "Next it will be him!" he explained, and glanced with pleasure and expectation toward the door into the private entrance, facing which they now stood waiting. "Then it will be your turn—and then mine!"

"But there's this one thing too—you may not see," he went on, lowering his voice now to a more confidential pitch—as if the Gorgam Trust stood there behind them somewhere in the room. "When it's done—it's done, with us; when we go out, it goes out too!"

He spoke now in a voice touched by a kind of ecstasy—the voice of one who stands on a pinnacle of high emotions, of intense thought, with all the petty motives of life put behind him. And Mary Manchester, watching him, debated what she should do—could do. Could she, if she would, convey to those outside the cumbersome explanation of the one thing which must be done—how to prevent the entrance of this man she and the other watcher now expected? Could she do this before the man prevented her; and should she, if she could, draw them into this danger of almost certain death? But then a sudden light came into her eyes. She heard the louder growling of the angry dog behind the door into the hall.

In spite of her hurrying thoughts, the girl herself sat perfectly silent—still apparently unresisting, waiting for the execution of her plan, the thing she had definitely decided would be best for her to do now. Certainly, she reasoned, having brought this man here to help her, she and no one else was responsible—and should take the risk! The least that she now could do was to prevent his murder. She waited, listening—to the growing puzzled murmur outside the hallway door, the occasional protests of the dog, the sound of the heavy, even breathing of the man beside her. Then all at once the one particular sound that she waited for came. She heard the sound of some one moving behind the side door—the door of the personal entrance of old Daniel Gorgam to his study. At last, she knew, it was time for her to act.

There are certain advantages which women have, even in a time of violence. She was lighter, quicker-sensed, more responsive to her nervous impulses, one might say, than this great brute beside her. She heard first; she moved first; and when the key was turning in the lock of old Daniel Gorgam's private door, on the other side a girl with disheveled hair and frightened voice was beating on the panels, and crying out in wild warning:

"Keep out—keep out—keep out! He will kill you! He will kill you! He will kill you!"

(Continued next week)

### CITY ELECTION NOTICE

WHEREAS, By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of McLean, Texas, notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the S. O. Cook building in the City of McLean, Texas, on the first Tuesday in April, the same being the first day of said month, for the purpose of electing two (2) aldermen, each for a term of two (2) years, to take the place of Earle Shell and Vester Smith, whose terms expire in April, 1924.

W. C. Phillips is appointed as judge of the election and he shall select two (2) clerks to assist him in holding said election, and said election shall be held in accordance with the laws made and provided for holding such election.

The presiding judge of said election shall open the polls of said election at 8 o'clock a. m. of the first day of April, 1924, and shall close the same at 7 o'clock p. m. the same day.

Witness my hand and attest by the city secretary of the City of McLean, Texas, with the seal of said city, affixed hereto this 3rd day of March, 1924.

Signed: T. A. LANDERS, Mayor.  
Attest: A. A. LEDBETTER, (Seal) Secretary.

ALAN REED B. W. M. U.

By Reporter.

The ladies met with Mrs. Rosellus this week. Seven were present. Our scripture lesson was 1 Sam. 15. We also had an interesting lesson on the W. M. U. manual. We decided to begin at the first of the manual and study it over as we have some new members who want to study it. Our pie supper was well attended. \$47.35 was received. Our next meeting will be with Mrs. Lufkin. Our scripture lesson will be 2 Sam. 7. The meeting will begin at two-thirty.

INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U.

Group No. 2 in charge.

Bible drill.

Subject—Cornelius.

Leader—Chester Savage.

Introduction by leader.

God Answers Prayer—Versie Savage.

Seeking to Know Christ—Lacuna Holloway.

Our Part in Soul Winning—Tommie Mae Bird.

How a Person is Converted—Naomi Hunt.

The Next Thing After Conversion—Elizabeth Bird.

Lister shares for all standard makes, at McLean Blacksmith Shop. Advertisement. Ip  
Miss Bernice Hall of Alabance was a McLean visitor Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bailey and daughter of Heald were in town Saturday.  
H. Billingslea of Skillet was a McLean visitor Saturday.  
Richard Spinks of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.  
Melvin Davis of Clarendon spent the week end with home folks here.

### READ THE ADS

### ANNOUNCEMENT

I have bought the tailor shop from Johnnie Back and will be glad to have a share of your patronage. Note the following prices for first class work:  
Men's suits cleaned and pressed.....\$1.50  
Men's trousers cleaned and pressed......75  
Ladies' suits pressed......75  
Ladies' suits cleaned and pressed.....1.50  
Ladies' suits pressed......75  
You may expect prompt service at this shop.

### CITY TAILOR SHOP

LEE CASON, Proprietor

COMBINATION CREAM

Jonteel 50¢

A Wondrous Beauty Cream

YOU will love the fragrance first. Then the velvet smoothness, the delicate creaminess, of this marvelous beauty cream. It fairly melts into the skin—without a trace of grease, or the clogging of a single pore. Anemic tissues speedily drink it in, becoming smooth and softly pliable under Combination Cream Jonteel. A perfect base for powder. Take home a jar today.

## Erwin Drug Co.

The Rexall Store

## Everyday Problems

Everyday problems of finance—large or small—are the portions of everyone. Opportunities for investment—some good, some bad—are offered every day; means of financing personal ventures must be considered and all of them ought to be submitted to your banker.

We are in business to help our depositors. That's the reason our officers are not kept behind closed doors. Drop in and see us any time.

## The American National Bank



**SCHOOL NOTES**

Myrtle Murray, poultry specialist at A. & M. College, gave the following information and demonstration to the club boys and girls on March 5 in the school room:

More than 10,000 boys and girls completed the year's work, and a profit of \$129,517.01.

Main factors in this work are: select strong, healthy, vigorous, then give them comfortable housing and proper feed during the seasons.

Selecting eggs for hatching for the parent stock. Choose only eggs and from hens that have been fed properly. Eggs should not be more than seven days old, never spotted, dirty nor rigid, should be of uniform size, and color.

Nest should be 16 inches square, located in a quiet comfortable place. Thoroughly clean and treat with stock dip or any suitable disinfectant. Cover the bottom of the nest with two inches of soil, that with clean hay.

Ensure the hen is contented with her nest. Dust with 10 or 12 pinches of sodium fluoride which will kill six of the seven kinds of lice, and her with plenty of clean water, a place to exercise, and feed whole grain.

Set eggs every seven days and use infertile eggs.

Do not feed baby chicks until 3rd day when give good brown corn meal or oatmeal five times a day until they can eat for five minutes. Feed skim milk and on the 5th day add 10% hard boiled eggs.

The demonstration in preparing the nest and setting a purebred hen was well appreciated by the boys and girls as to which one should be allowed.

We are always glad to have Miss Murray to give work to us. She is only put's her work across, but her pleasing personality leaves a home for her always in McLean.

**NOTICE**

Everybody should read The McLean News. Let me have your subscription. I have a special 5-months rate on the Dallas Morning News. Ask about it. I can furnish any publication wanted.

J. F. FAULKNER 1c

**AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Reported.

Pastor Garrett will occupy the pulpit at the First Baptist church next Sunday after a two weeks' absence, holding a meeting at Sonora, Okla. Everybody invited to attend our services.

J. O. Holloway of Liberty was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Harold Chambers of Erick, Okla., visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Haynes returned Monday from Amarillo.

L. L. Palmer of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Monday.

Jack Brothers of Mobeetie was buying supplies in McLean Monday.

G. N. Cornell was in from the farm Monday.

Paul Machina of Slavonia was a McLean visitor Monday.

M. H. Kinard of Gracey sold grain on the local market Wednesday.

Groceries are cheaper at Snell's Cash Store. Advertisement. 1c

It's easy to relieve that hoarseness with Penzlar Bronchial Lozenges. 25c. Shell's Pharmacy. Advertisement. 1c

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following announcements are subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held in July:

For County Judge:  
F. P. REID  
T. M. WOLFE  
C. S. RICE

For County and District Clerk:  
CHARLIE THUT

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:  
E. S. GRAVES

For County Treasurer:  
R. L. COTTRELL  
MIRIAM WILSON

For Tax Assessor:  
D. M. GRAHAM

For County Attorney:  
A. A. LEDBETTER

For State Senator, 31st District:  
J. W. REID

Groceries are cheaper at Snell's Cash Store. Advertisement. 1c

J. K. Crews has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

Clyde Willis is a new reader of The News.

Don't take chances with your health. Use Penzlar Remedy for safety's sake. The formula is on the label. Shell's Pharmacy. Advertisement. 1c

A good supply of locust, bois d'arc and cedar post. Cicero Smith Lumber Co. Advertisement. 1c

John Cadra of Slavonia was buying groceries in the city Wednesday.

W. M. Ails on of Gracey was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Leo Stocken of Alanreed was in the city Wednesday.

M. C. Street of Alanreed visited in McLean Saturday.

Charles Back of Back was in town Wednesday.

IF DID NOT ADVERTISE WOULD NOT BE IMPORTANT

Washington.—The Federal civil service commission is supposed to be omniscient. It receives inquiries from all parts of the country concerning matters not at all related to its work.

The latest is a request for information as to the names of all the important advertising firms in the United States.

quirer, a woman in the middle west, that if she intended to ask for a list of all the important firms in the United States that advertise, and if by "firms" she meant mercantile establishments, it may be said that every important firm in the United States advertises; that if it did not advertise it probably would not be important. She was also told how she could obtain a list of advertising agencies.

When the buffalo nickel was first circulated, a letter came to the office of the commission asking for the names of the members of the supreme court of the United States, "and will you please send me one of the new buffalo nickels?" The names of the members of the supreme court were given to the inquirer, and she was informed that she could obtain one of the new nickels at her bank.

"If you cannot assist me to a government position, please hand this letter to some kind, righteous, wealthy maid or widow who is matrimonially inclined and who would marry an honest poor man who has brains and character," wrote an applicant for examination. In this instance the commission admits that it failed miserably.

From way down south came an inquiry concerning a matter that is very much in the public print at this time. The writer of the letter said: "I am ritin for Some infermatious consurn of this bone us money. I would be glad to find out about it. This is my zeal No....."

"Where is the national museum?" "In what internal revenue district is Providence?" "Can you tell me the congressional district that includes my home town?" "In what government office in Washington is Mary Jones from Smithville, Ill. working?" These are some of the questions which bombard the information bureau of the commission every day.

A man in Virginia wrote, stating that he had sent money to a certain advertiser for the purchase of his goods, but that after several months of correspondence, he had been un-

able to secure the goods. The commission referred the letter to the national vigilance committee of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, which committee informed the commission in due time that the complainant, thru the effort of the committee, had received the goods and had reported them as being satisfactory.

The civil service commission impresses upon its employes that the taxpayers of the country are their employers and that they are expected to serve them to the limit of their ability.

**UNPLEASANT TRUTH**

The teacher, a woman of questionable age, was having a hard time getting Johnny to memorize the names of the presidents.

"Why, when I was your age," she explained, exasperated, "I could recite the names of the presidents forwards and backwards."

"Yes'm," replied Johnny, unimpressed, "but when you were my age, there wasn't nearly so many presidents."

**WHERE HE MADE A MISTAKE**

"I thought you owned a motor car."

"I do, but I taught my wife to drive, and now I'm back to the street cars."—Boston Transcript.

**THEN SHE KISSED HIM**

"Who would you rather be if you were not yourself?"

"The man my wife was going to marry if she hadn't married me."—Kansas City Times.

**VULCANIZING**

PETE'S VULCANIZING SHOP

**McLean Filling Station**

Oils, Gas and Accessories  
FLOYD PHILLIPS, Mgr.

**CUNNINGHAM FLOWER SHOP**

Plants, Cut Flowers, Designs, Flower and Garden Seeds  
Mail or Phone Orders Filled Promptly  
**AMARILLO, TEXAS**  
1909-11 Van Buren St. Phone 1081

**CLARENDON NURSERY COMPANY**

A. L. Bruce & Sons  
Clarendon, Texas

We have a nice line of fruit, shade and ornamental trees and shrubs for spring planting. We would appreciate your order.

Rev. S. A. Cobb, McLean Agent

**Wants**

SHEEP, CATTLE, cotton, wheat lands, \$25 acre. Easy terms. Jas. Bush, Amarillo, Texas. 7-4p

Groceries are cheaper at Snell's Cash Store. tfe

\$150 talking machine with 50 double records, for only \$75. Terms. Perry Everett, Phone 33. tfe

WILL HAVE Buff Orpington baby chicks for sale about March 8th. 16c each. Mrs. J. W. Lively, McLean, Texas, Phone 40 3. 9-2p

LOST—A foot piece for cultivator somewhere in city limits or between there and my home. Finder please leave at News office. Luther Petty.

FOR SALE.—One span mules, lister, cultivator and a section harrow. Luther Petty. 1c

FOR RENT.—120 acres land. Grass furnished for work stock. Miss Mary Billingslea. tfe

LEGHORN EGGS.—Dark brown Leghorn eggs, \$1.00 for 15; \$5.00 per 100. Good hatch guaranteed. L. L. Palmer, Alanreed, Texas. 10-3p

GARBAGE and trash hauled from any part of the city at reasonable rates. Frank Haynes. tfe

KODAK ALBUMS at the News office. 1

EVERBEARING strawberry plants 50c per hundred. C. C. Cook. 1c

FOR SALE.—Bundled hegar and cane. Ernest Abbot. tfe

FOR SALE.—Kitchen cabinet and three-burner New Perfection oil stove. Mrs. Allen Wilson. 1c

**New Barber**

Having secured the services of a first class barber, I am prepared to serve you better than ever before. We cordially invite the public to visit our shop. Our motto is satisfaction to our customers and courteous treatment to all.

**McCleskey's Barber Shop**

**REAL DRAY SERVICE**

We excel in Service because we have more experience and better equipment, so our customers say.

**KUNKEL BROS**

**INSURANCE**  
LIFE FIRE HAIL

I represent some of the strongest companies in the world I insure anything. No prohibited list.

Money to loan on farms.

**T. N. Holloway**  
Reliable Insurance

- Coal
- Feed
- Salt
- Cake
- Meal

**W. C. Cheney**



**Farm Implements for Less Money**

We Handle the Kind Most Farmers Use

Our prices are attracting buyers from distant points. They tell us that the saving they make is good wages for the time incurred in making the trip.

Get Our Prices Before You Buy

"It is easier to save a dollar than it is to make one."

**Haynes Grocery Company**

Phone 23  
We Make the Price—Others try to Follow

**Implements of Known Quality**

P. & O. AND AVERY

Buy new farm equipment this season and realize the difference in the service and satisfaction you will get from their use. We carry a complete line of P. & O. and AVERY implements. Every man who has had experience with farm machinery will know these makes to be two of the best on the market. Get our prices before buying.

**McLean Hdw. Co.**

W. B. UPHAM, Manager

**AW, WHAT'S THE USE**



By L. F. Van Zelm  
© Eastern Newspaper Union

Some Busy!



**THE McLEAN NEWS**

Published Every Thursday

T. A. Landers Fred Landers  
LANDERS & LANDERS  
Editors and Owners

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**Subscription Price**  
One year.....\$1.50  
Six months......75  
Three months......40

Four issues make an advertising month. When five issues occur in the calendar month, charge will be made for the extra edition.

The sales committee for the Trades Day sale are to be congratulated on the second sale. They advertised the sale fully in this and neighboring communities and the results of their efforts were very pleasing to everyone concerned.

The earthquake shocks in California make our sandstorms a small matter. Even a cyclone is to be preferred to an earthquake, for it is possible to escape the wind, but one would have to be pretty handy in cranking an airplane to escape an earthquake.

Amarillo is to have a big free auction and trades day at the time the Rock Island Cotton train is there with hundreds of dollars offered in prizes in the various contests scheduled for that day. The Cotton train offers an unusual opportunity for everyone, and every town affected should make every effort to see that the greatest number of people possible are reached on the day the train is in their community.

A tree planted this spring means a year's start that will be appreciated later. There is no good excuse for not having trees about each home in McLean. We have the soil, climate and water to produce as fine trees and shrubbery as can be grown anywhere. Every plant about the home adds to the attractiveness and value of the place and surrounding places. Plant trees and shrubbery this month and put in walks where needed as soon as the weather is warmer. By so doing we can help make our town a desirable place in which to live.

The Cotton Educational program to be given here on Saturday, March 15, be made very helpful to our community if the proper interest is taken, but in things of this kind people must be present at each session to reap the full benefit of it. There will be speakers who are masters of their subjects and will be well worth hearing by anyone. The educational moving pictures to be presented are not the least of the attractions, and taking it all together we could not spend a more pleasant and profitable day than to attend the whole day's program.

Wouldn't it be a better world in which to live if we would recognize the fact that we have just as much right to disagree with one another as we have to agree? No one man has a monopoly on knowledge of right and wrong, nor has any man a right to force his opinions on another, yet how many times do we see men fall out about their differences on trivial matters. The other man's right to his own opinion should be respected by his neighbor—as long as his opinion does not lead him to break the law of the land. When we learn to agree to disagree on small matters, then it is that most of the strife will disappear from the community.

Frank Naylor and daughters, Misses Ina and May, of Clarendon visited in the Kibler and McGee homes last Thursday. Miss May remained for a longer visit.

Frank Moore of Heald was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

M. D. Bentley made a trip to Clarendon Wednesday.

S. B. Morse, Houston Bogan and Miss Minnie Morse spent the week end with relatives at Erick, Okla.

S. L. Ball of Alanreed was a McLean visitor last Thursday.

F. B. Thomas of Alanreed was a McLean visitor last Thursday.

Perry Kinard and family of Gracery were trading in the city Wednesday.

Cement, lime, plaster and Ciero Smith Lumber Co. Adv. tfe

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

**News From Back**

By Special Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Back and daughter were shopping in McLean last Tuesday.

T. F. Henley attended the public sale at McLean Saturday.

Chas. and Bud Back were business visitors in McLean Saturday.

W. I. Bacon had business in McLean Saturday.

Geo. Colebank and family visited relatives in McLean Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Back spent the week end with Miss Lockey Norman.

J. E. Norman left last Thursday for Vernon on business.

Halbert Watson of Pampa is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Chas. Back.

R. H. Corum and family visited in the Chas. Back home Sunday.

Jesse Roberts of Mobeetie was a pleasant visitor in our community Sunday.

Bud Back and family visited in the T. F. Henley and John Powell home Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Norman and daughter, Miss Lockey, were visitors in the Chas. Back home Sunday.

C. M. Carpenter, in company with D. M. Graham of McLean, left Monday for Amarillo to attend the annual Hereford Breeders' sale.

Mrs. R. H. Corum visited Mrs. J. E. Ayres on the Cousins farm Monday.

Bailey Lakey and family returned Sunday from an extended visit in the Gracery community.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

John G. Pollard, Minister  
Morning service 11 a. m. Sermon subject, "A Walk with God." Evening service 7:30 p. m. Sermon subject, "What is the World Coming to?" Sunday school 10 a. m. You are cordially invited.

W. H. Craig, manager of the Alanreed Telephone Exchange, has our thanks for a subscription to The News this week. Mr. Craig also orders the Dallas News sent to his address for a year.

D. S. Simmons of Alanreed was in town Thursday of last week.

N. L. Nickell of Shamrock was a business visitor in our city Friday.

Miss Annie Belle Roby returned last week from a visit with relatives at Lubbock.

S. L. Ball of Alanreed was in town Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baynes of Livingston, Mont., are visiting in the James Burrows home.

Porter Smith was in Shamrock Tuesday.

C. C. Bogan and T. A. Landers made a business trip to Shamrock Tuesday.

Roy Sherrod of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

H. E. Franks of Ramadell was in McLean on business Saturday.

Elmer Reeves of Alanreed was in city Saturday.

R. D. Kinhead of Johnson City, Tenn., has renewed his subscription to The News.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Holloway and daughter, Miss Laeuna, and Miss Floye Landers were Amarillo visitors Sunday.

N. S. Ray of Gracery was in the city Saturday.

Sam Brown of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Hog wire, barb wire, smooth wire and garden wire. Ciero Smith Lumber Co. Adv. tfe

**Life Insurance**

Insure your life in the Kansas City Life Insurance Company  
The Successful Western Company

**E. M. Rice**

Agent, McLean, Texas  
Life Accident Health

**Announcement**

TEXHOMA headquarters are now at the Star Filling Station. You will be able to get in touch with me at any time by phoning or calling at the Star Filling Station. Any phone orders will be taken care of from this place.

**W. D. WILES**

Agent, Texhoma Oils, Greases and Gasoline  
Day Phone 131 Night Phone 75

**Pedigreed Cotton Seed**

We have a good supply of pedigreed cotton seed in the Mebane, Belton and Kasch varieties. This seed represents the purest strains obtainable, and you will make no mistake in planting it. Come in and examine this seed before you buy.

**SMITH BROTHERS**

McLEAN, TEXAS



**We Can Repair It**

And in most instances it will only take a few minutes time, but if you neglect some minor car trouble, it may develop into a serious one, even tying you up on the road somewhere.

The safe way is to have us inspect your car regularly.

We sell STUDEBAKER cars.

**Cousins Motor Co.**

All Work Strictly Guaranteed

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

**FREE PROGRAM**

Consisting of lectures, literature, films, conferences, etc.

The Texas Panhandle Cotton Educational Campaign will be held in McLean Saturday, March 15. Speakers of national reputation will be present. Lectures on all phases of cotton raising will be given. The cow, the sow and the hen, forage crops and livestock will be featured.

**Free Picture Show**

Educational pictures will be shown.

**Prizes Offered**

A big Ford parade will be staged at 9:30 a. m. and prizes will be offered for the oldest Ford car, the farmer with the most children in a Ford car, the newest married couple in a Ford car, the oldest married couple in a Ford car, and the best decorated Ford car.

**Basket Dinner At Noon**

Everyone is requested to bring dinner and spread on the tables which will be provided by the committee. Merchants are requested to decorate their places of business.

Programs will be given at 10:30 a. m., 2 and 7 p. m.

**Come and Enjoy The Day With Us**

**McLean, Texas  
March 15, 1924**



**SCHOOL NOTES**

Principal object in school about the only one, is to parents with some of the one in school with the view of their co-operation in the work of the school.

Gray County Interscholastic meet will be held at Pampa, 4th and 5th. The district will be held at Canyon April 12th, according to a letter from E. Lockhart, League director for district No. 1.

Bible lesson for this week is chapter of Matthew. This is a continuation of Christ's on the mount, and should be read by everyone at least once a year. One of the great truths in this part of the great sermon ever delivered is "No man can serve two masters; for he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon." The application applies to all phases, relations and activities of life, and to living as well as to the old.

This week is the first of the seventh month of school. Report cards showing the records of pupils in attendance, attendance and conduct handed to the pupils this week. "A" ranges from 90 to 100 per cent; "B", 80 to 90 per cent; "C", 70 to 80 per cent; "D", 60 to 70 per cent, and so on. An inspection of each card by the proper person is requested.

The scholastic census of the McLean Independent School District for next school year is being taken by John Sparks. A parent or guardian of any child who will be seven years old and under 17 on the first day of next September should see Mr. Sparks during the week following and attend to its enumeration. It should be done as a matter of business as well as a matter of duty.

In a recent letter sent out to high school principals and superintendents J. Mathews, registrar of the University of Texas, has this to say relative to University admission requirements: "Please allow me to mention again that the minimum number of units for admission next fall will be fourteen, and in the fall of 1925 and thereafter, fifteen. At any time, however, a student may be admitted without the two required units in a foreign language, and make them up later. This will mean, though, that, in the end, he will have presented at least sixteen units." The other prescribed requirements, without which there can be no admission at all, are high school graduation and the following units among the total: At least three in English, two in history, or in history and civics together, two in algebra and one in plane geometry.

The total enrollment by grades in school to date is as follows: First, 8; second, 56; third, 44; fourth, 39; fifth, 48; sixth, 52; seventh, 56; eighth, 39; ninth, 31; tenth, 32; eleventh, 14; total, 459.

Kimberly, Idaho, Feb. 16, 1924.  
Dear Frankie:  
How are you? Fine and dandy. I hope. I have been real sick for two weeks, with measles and pneumonia. There are about sixty with measles out of the primary grades. Lots of them have pneumonia, too. A little boy died yesterday.

I was sick Valentine day. My teacher sent me a pretty valentine. I think the one you sent me real pretty. I thank you for it. I had one for you, but was too sick to send it, so I will send it now. My teacher's name is Mrs. Good. She sure is a good teacher. We have lots of big trees on our school ground and it will be a solid shade when the leaves put out. All the streets have shade trees on them and the water runs on both sides of the streets in ditches all the time, which keeps them watered. It is snowing here now. The trees are all covered in snow today. I don't blow here like it does here. I will close for this time. Write me a long letter.

Your friend,  
Ellen Pearl Sims.  
(Second grade, Kimberly, Idaho)

**A Flower Story**  
By June Turner, 2nd grade  
Once upon a time there was a little girl who had some flowers. She would water them. They were big and she thought they were very pretty, and made a doll of them.

Everybody thought they were very pretty, too. She had a big flower garden and because of the flower garden she was very happy. One day her little neighbor was very sick and the little girl was very sad. The little girl's name was Betty. Betty thought, "If I take the little girl some flowers, she will soon get well." So the little girl took her some flowers, and sure enough, she soon got well because the flowers were so pretty.

And when winter came they closed their eyes and went to sleep very happy and contented. A long time passed and spring came and the flowers woke up, and rubbed their eyes and said, "We are still sleepy. So they went to sleep again and slept till summer. Then they woke up with bright faces, and the little girl wondered how they came to be so late getting up. The little girl worked with the little flowers all day long and that night she wanted to pick them and take them to bed with her. But her mother would not let her, so the little girl had to go to bed and sleep by herself.

**Conservation of Forests and Water**  
By Floycie Jordan in American History

When our forefathers came to this country, three hundred years ago, they found an enormous wealthy land. They had been brought up in the various countries of Europe where everyone had to economize in order to make a living. They had learned from their ancestors the value of industry, economy, simplicity and reverence. In America they found a land of boundless opportunities that had hardly been reached by the hand of man. At first they suffered many hardships, but as time passed and they learned the occupations which were best adapted to the land, they grew immensely rich. As they grew wealthy they forgot the lessons of economy that their ancestors had taught them and they became extravagant, wasting the natural resources of our country.

The beginning of their extravagance has been handed down through the years until now we are beginning to realize what this has meant to us. We are especially noticing this waste in our forests. "Three-fifths of the timber of colonial days are gone," says Colonel Greeley, who is Chief Forester of the United States. When the Declaration of Independence was signed, the forests of this country covered eight hundred twenty million acres, and about two-thirds of this land had been culled, cut over or burned. Today there is about one hundred thirty-seven million acres of timber that is large enough for sawing, and about one hundred fourteen million acres of smaller growth and waste land. Such is the entire timber capital of our nation. Part of this land is owned by the government, some by individuals and the remainder by partnerships and corporations.

Colonel Greeley says that we are using more of every class of timber than we are growing. We are using up the trees, that are even too small for the sawmills, three and one-half times as fast as they are being produced, and these are the trees upon which our future supply depends.

This problem is getting to be a very serious proposition. There are laws to protect the government forests. Only those trees which have been marked by government foresters can be cut. But what are we going to do about the timber owned by individuals and the large corporations? We cannot say that he must cut just certain trees and leave the others until they are larger, for these trees are his own property and he has the right to do what he pleases with them even burn them down in order to plant something else in their place.

What is to be done about our forests? Nearly everything we use has some wood connected with it. We sit down to write a letter, we sit in a wooden chair at a wooden table, write on paper made from wood and use a wooden pencil. We would not know how to do without wood. There are some ways that we might decrease the use of wood and that would be to use more brick and cement in buildings. If the government would take control of the forests and pass the law that no tree could be moved unless one was planted in its place, this would help to preserve our timber. The government would also be more able to protect the forests against fire. Fires destroy a large portion of our forests each year, not only by burning the trees but also by destroying the seeds. Something must be done for our forests will be consumed before we realize what has gone with them. I believe the best plan would be for the government to buy the forest lands so they could make laws to protect the timber.

The water of our nation is another great problem. However, it is a problem in a different way to the forests. Instead of trying to keep from using the water, we must have a plan whereby we can use more of it. There is enough water going to waste to irrigate all the arid land, to create enough electrical power to run all our factories and heat and light our homes. We should "get busy", and devise some plan by which we could put our water to work.

This will not only be saving the waters that are going to waste but it will save our other natural resources. At the rate we are using our oil, gas and coal it will not be many years until our supply will be exhausted. If we could carry out the plans that have been made to save our water we not only could cut down the use of coal and gas but there would not be so many men that would have to work in the mines, as there are today. About twenty-five million horse-power is used in manufacturing today, of which three-fourths of our later energy is produced by coal. One thousand tons of coal will produce one hundred twenty-eight horse-power. If we should develop our forty-million water horse-power that is going to waste, we would not have to mine 312,500,000 tons of coal per year. It takes 853,125 men to mine this coal, while we would need only 40,000 men if we had our 40,000,000 water power developed. The remainder of these men could fill the better positions which we are needing men to fill.

There are several streams in the United States that we could put to work, but the two most powerful and most needed streams are the Niagara and Colorado rivers. Men have been working on this and have found that a total energy equal to six million horse power could be produced at the falls of the Niagara river. This could be done without destroying the beauty or power of the falls. Neither would it reduce the water level of the navigable part of the river.

The Colorado river is also a great asset to the nation. About one-twelfth of the United States is drained by this river. The future development of Wyoming, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada and California depends largely upon the harnessing of the Colorado river. There could be over six million horse power developed in the basin of the Colorado. This would be power enough to run factories, electric light plants and many other things which are necessary for the development of a country. There is a need for reservoirs in which this water can be stored for the purpose of irrigation. These reservoirs will also help to control the floods which destroy so much property every year. The control and development of this river presents a national opportunity equal to, if not greater than the Panama Canal.

If the possibilities of this river are accomplished, there must be a co-operation between Federal and State government. And on August 19, 1921, an act was passed by Congress authorizing a treaty between the State and Federal government.

It cannot be too strongly emphasized, that complete harmony of action is necessary for the best results and the individual, the states and the nation should unite in taking immediate and energetic action to keep the people as a whole interested in this subject. By well devised and harmonious laws, we should be able as a whole, to promote this great cause upon which our future, as a nation, so largely depends.

Groceries are cheaper at Snell's Cash Store.

Andrew Earp of White Deer visited relatives here Saturday.

R. W. Crisp of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

B. E. Timmons of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

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YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED that you summon by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Gray, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, one in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, Earl Kelly, whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Gray on the 31st day of March, 1924, at the Court House thereof in Lefors, Texas, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court, on the 25th day of February, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 1170, wherein Dovie Kelly is plaintiff and Earl Kelly is defendant. The nature of the plaintiff's demand being as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff alleges that she and defendant were married at Pampa, Texas, on the 1st day of January, 1920, and that they lived together as husband and wife until about February 1st, 1922, at which time defendant abandoned her. Plaintiff alleges that during the time they lived together as husband and wife, defendant was guilty of drunkenness, cruelty and excesses of such a nature as to render their further living together as husband and wife insupportable. Plaintiff sues for divorce and asks that the marriage contract now existing between she and defendant be dissolved. REPTN FAIL NOT, and have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof, to show why your endorsement should not be showing how you have executed the same.

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R. B. THOMPSON,  
(Seal) Clerk District Court,  
OCC-9-4c Gray County, Texas.

Mrs. Will Robinson and children left Saturday for their home at Farwell after a visit in the J. C. McClellan home.

Nugent Kunkel has renewed his subscription to The News.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Douglass returned to their home at Erick, Okla., Friday after a visit with relatives.

Misses Loree and Beatrice Kinard spent the week end with home folks at Gracey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Haynes and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bailey and daughter, and Mrs. L. C. Haynes visited relatives at Amarillo Sunday.

Willis Simpson of Shamrock visited his sister, Mrs. A. A. Christian, Sunday.

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**DR. J. A. HALL**  
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News From Gracey

By Special Correspondent. Several around here started plowing this week. We are glad to report those that were on the sick list last week are better. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bidwell, Miss Ruby Bidwell, Mrs. N. S. Ray and John Allston went to Amarillo last week. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bush and daughter, Leesa, spent Saturday and Sunday in the Bill Webb home. There was a dance at the J. W. Gilmore home Friday night. Misses Ebbie, Lorna and Birdie Herrick spent Sunday in the Carville home. Miss Annie Ware of Wheeler and Miss Laura Gilmore spent Saturday night with Miss Ebbie Derrick. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lee spent Sunday in the Fonder home. Mrs. Jewelle Norman and Floyd Andrews spent Saturday and Sunday in the D. E. Johnson home at McLean. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Kinard returned Sunday from Haystack. Ollie Allston left Monday for Amarillo.

IN MEMORIAL MRS. J. W. BURROWS

While we bow in reverence and in humble submission to the Divine will of Him who alone may give, and who alone may take away: While we realize that man's stay here upon earth, as a mortal being, is but a fleeting shadow and reflecting only the real life to come, to which future life hope looks forward with ardent joy as a life full of love, full of Divine mercy, beautiful, happy and everlasting, and which life lies just beyond and beginning at the end of this our earthly probation; and:

While we feel, believe and know that the Great Creator, Giver and Ruler of all things which were, of all things which are, and of all things which will be, created man in His own image and for His own glory, and who doth all things for the good of His creation, and while we feel, believe and know that the word of God created man, when stripped of this earthly mortality, must put on immortality, and that the lots of our loved and honored ones must and can only be the beginning of that glorious life, in the great beyond, far beyond, yet, and notwithstanding, all this:

It is both meet and proper when the Loving Father takes unto Himself, for His own glory, one of our most loved, honored and cherished ones, to meet together and pass suitable resolutions in loving commemoration of her who was once among us, and whose daily walk in life and whose noble deeds of charity and unflinching devotion to duty have justly bound her to us in friendship, brotherly love and heartfelt appreciation. Such a one was our sister and friend, Mrs. J. W. Burrows, wife of our brother, J. W. Burrows, whose days upon this earth were so gloriously fulfilled on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1924, and who has passed into the great beyond, leaving behind her a record of which we are justly proud, and which no one should blush to imitate; THEREFORE:

In commemoration and appreciation of her and the life she has left to us, be it resolved by the McLean I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 229, of which her husband, J. W. Burrows, is a worthy and honored member, that in the death of Mrs. J. W. Burrows we have lost a friend and sister, one of our highest love, esteem and appreciation; that we extend to her bereaved husband and children our sympathy and deep appreciation of the great and irreparable loss they have sustained; and:

In commemoration of Mrs. J. W. Burrows of the life she led and her noble deeds of kindness and unselfish devotion while among us, we do, in our Lodge, adopt these resolutions, and that the same be read upon the minutes of this Lodge, a copy be extended to the bereaved family, and one furnished to our county press for publication.

C. J. CASH, O. W. MURPHY, A. A. LEDBETTER, Committee to

SENIOR R. Y. P. U.

Bible Study—Great Psalms: Ps. 124 and 125—He is Able to Deliver Thee.

Introduction by leader—Eunice Weston.

Let Us Sing the Songs of Zion—Ted Cobb.

A Great Experience Set in Song—Eunice Floyd.

Psalms 85, Gratitude for God's Deliverance—Oralla Hunt.

Prayer for the Past, Psalms 85:1-3—Leo Wilson.

Prayer for the Present, Psalms 85:4-7—LeRoy Landers.

Hope for the Future, Psalms 85:8-13—De Abbott.

W. H. Craig of Alanreed was in McLean on business Saturday.

F. F. Bell of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

If you need a new letter I would be glad to show you the E-B line. A. T. Wilson. Adv. 10-4c

C. H. Holt of Alanreed orders The News sent to Mrs. M. A. Caswell of Sunset, and John Gould of Redin, Tenn.

News From Enterprise

By Special Correspondent. Hello, Mr. Editor, shake hands with me one more time while the weather is pretty. Most everybody has started plowing.

The sandstorm Friday sure was bad; like to have blown us away. The Mathis family spent the day with the 'Breeding family Sunday.

The singing at the McIntosh home Sunday afternoon was enjoyed by all who were present.

Mr. Wood and Mrs. Carrie Allrod spent Sunday with Miss Iona Nicholson.

Rev. Grigsby filled his appointment here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brisco from the Ring community were here for the preaching services Sunday.

Harvey and Miss Corine Grigsby were visitors in the Enterprise community Sunday.

Jim Ray and Roy Allen of Ring were Enterprise visitors Sunday.

W. W. Breeding was in McLean Saturday.

Miss Tittle Brandon visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

A. P. Brisco and Tom McIntosh went to Wellington Friday.

Mrs. Fannie Nicholson and Miss Ella Spence visited in the Ring community last week.

Hubert Bentley has moved on to the Silver ranch.

W. D. Howard has our cheque for a subscription to The News.

Wm. Fowler of Dufrenoy, Okla. is a new reader of The News.

Frank Hayes is a new reader of The News.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Burrows and children of Conway spent Sunday in the Jas. Burrows home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tucker of Jesico were McLean visitors Saturday.

A. B. Christian renews a subscription to The News for E. A. Erwin of Elda, N. M.

Mrs. W. B. Marlar has our thanks for a subscription renewal.

News From Liberty

By Special Correspondent. Some of the men folks are breaking sod this week.

The Leap Year party proved to be a success, if some of the girls were somewhat bashful.

W. P. Irvin and family visited in the T. H. Hardin home Sunday.

News came Sunday morning of the death of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Purcell's baby, Mittie Ruth. We were very sorry to hear the sad news. Some of the men went to Shamrock at once to give their sympathy and help. Interment was made in the Lela cemetery at ten o'clock Monday morning.

Thomas Thompson and Floyd Lively, who have the measles, are doing nicely at present.

Burton Terry went to Lubbock recently.

A number of the men attended the sale at McLean Trades Day.

Mrs. L. J. McCarty returned Friday from Drumwright, Okla.

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