

# THE MCLEAN NEWS

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## SOUTH SIDE CLUB BOYS TO CONTEST

The Club Boys of McLean, Alan, Back and Eldridge will meet at a preliminary stock judging contest at McLean on Saturday, May 10. The boys will judge three classes of livestock, dairy cattle, beef cattle and hogs. The winners of this contest will meet the club boys from the north side of the county who win in a similar meet at Pampa. The team to represent the county at the district meet will be selected from the boys making the highest score in this preliminary tryout of all the boys of the county.

Four boys will be selected to go to Childress to the district meet. These boys will compete with other counties in the district in the judging of livestock, and the winners will receive a silver cup, the cup to become the permanent property of the team that wins it three years in succession.

These four high score boys in the county will be given a thorough schooling in judging stock by the county agent before they go to the district meet, and he is confident that the boys will make a fine showing when it comes to the final contest.

## AN EASTER DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Landers of Heald entertained a number of young folks from McLean at a dinner and Easter egg hunt last Sunday. Among those present were the following: Misses Bobbie Hodgson, Gladys Holloway, Wilma Grigsby, Vivian and Floye Landers; Messrs. Ted Cobb, LeRoy Landers, Arlie and Merle Grigsby.

## SPEARMAN ORGANIZES BAND OF 30 PIECES

A brass band has been organized at Spearman, consisting of 30 pieces. The Spearman Chamber of Commerce has made arrangements for a director and instruments have been ordered.

It is expected that the band will be in shape to furnish music for the county fair in September.

## News From Ramsdell

By Special Correspondent.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborn Dweese and children of China Flat visited in the home of J. H. McCann Sunday. J. S. Clem made a business trip to Shamrock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Harvey visited John Harvey and family at Shamrock Sunday.

Miss Ola Koons, who has been teaching school near Pampa, is visiting friends here this week.

J. I. Bones made a business trip to McLean Saturday.

W. T. McCann visited in Shamrock Saturday.

Mack Turner and Clifford Simmons from Erick, Okla., visited in the J. S. Clem home Sunday.

Clyde Loyd made a business trip to Shamrock Saturday.

Elton Clem, who is going to school at Shamrock, visited his parents Sunday.

Friday our school was visited by our County Superintendent, Judge L. D. Miller of Wheeler. The people of the community were present, and he made an interesting talk on the necessity of building a new school house for Ramsdell.

Little Miss Joellene Vannoy of McLean visited in the Davidson home Saturday and attended the Easter egg hunt at the Pharis home.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Ferguson visited Mrs. Ferguson's sister, Mrs. H. T. Fields Sunday. They were enroute to Fort Worth, where they will make their home.

Rev. W. C. Garrett of McLean conducted the Baptist services for Rev. J. J. Baird Sunday night. He was accompanied by Rev. S. A. Cobb also of McLean.

The Easter egg hunt at the W. N. Pharis home was a great success. A fine dinner was served on the ground and was enjoyed by all who attended.

Mrs. John B. Vannoy spent the week end with home folks at McLean.

G. R. Scott made a business trip to McLean Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Scott and children of McLean visited in the C. R. Scott and Clyde Loyd homes Sunday.

## April Showers



## CLEMENT SAYS MUST HAVE SIDEWALK TO SCHOOL THIS YEAR

W. E. Clement, manager of the Clement Produce, stated Wednesday that a sidewalk should be built from Main street to the school house before another school term. Mr. Clement indicates that he is ready to put a walk in front of his property just as soon as others manifest a willingness to do the same. The gentleman feels strongly about the matter and intimates that the work must be done this summer.

There is no question about the need of a sidewalk on this street and we hope to see it put in before next fall.

## POSTAL HIGHWAY TO BE OFFICIALLY MARKED SOON

M. D. Bentley, who is a director of the Postal Highway system, has a communication stating that the markers are all prepared and a man will be here soon to place new markers where needed.

Markers were ordered made some time ago, but it has developed that Shamrock does not care to contribute anything to the cost of marking the road, and all signs marked reading "Texola to Shamrock" are being repainted to read "Texola to McLean."

McLean has already paid her quota for remarking the highway.

## COTTON COMPRESS WILL BE BUILT AT SHAMROCK THIS YEAR

A deal was made last week to locate a modern cotton compress at Shamrock. A Mr. Underwood of Dallas, who has 12 compresses in different Texas towns, will build the plant at Shamrock.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

On Sunday, April 27th, at eleven o'clock at the Presbyterian church of McLean, I purpose to begin a series of expository sermons from the Book of Genesis. Subject for 11 o'clock, "Creation of Man" Subject for 8 o'clock, "Introduction of Sin."

A cordial invitation is extended to all. Respectfully,  
J. L. JOYNER.

## COUSINS IMPROVES STREET

The trees in front of the Cousins block on First street were removed one day last week, which adds materially to the attractiveness of the street.

## MOBERTIE GIN REBUILDING

Smith Brothers are rebuilding their gin at Mobeetie that was destroyed by fire last fall. The new gin will consist of 5 70-saw Lummas stands, with all the latest improved machinery.

## WELLINGTON DOCTOR OFFERS TO DONATE HOSPITAL TO BAPTISTS

Dr. Jones of Wellington has offered a fully equipped modern hospital located at Wellington to the Wheeler-Collingsworth Baptist Association.

A vote is being taken by the different churches composing the Association relative to accepting the hospital, and the matter may be definitely decided at the Workers Conference to be held here May 6th.

Pastor Lem Hodges of Wellington, moderator of the Association, and Judge A. P. Black of Wheeler, treasurer of the Association, were in McLean Monday and laid the proposition before the official board of the First Baptist church.

Indications are that the proposition will be accepted and a modern hospital will be maintained that will be of service to every one.

## WHEELER COUNTY TO VOTE ON COURT HOUSE BOND PROPOSITION

The commissioners' court of Wheeler county has ordered a bond election to be held May 24 to determine whether bonds to the amount of \$75,000 shall be issued for a new court house.

## C. OF C. BANQUET POSTPONED ACCOUNT ODD FELLOWS DAY

The banquet to be staged by the Chamber of Commerce tonight has been postponed on account of the I. O. O. F. convention here today. The conflict of the two meetings was not known at the time the committee set the date for the banquet.

## A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Reported. A birthday party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Windom at Eldridge Saturday at 2 p. m. in honor of Master Millard Windom.

Several games were played, as well as an Easter egg hunt being enjoyed by the children. Cake and grape juice were served. Those present were: Bill Stubbs, Arthur Dee Fromwalt, Ralph and Coy Palmer, J. J. Reece, Ralph George, Robert Howard, Glynn Reece, Misses Charlean and Geraldine George, May and Floela Reeves, Edna and Lola Smith, Helen and Vivian Fromwalt, Barbara Windom, Mrs. Windom and Millard.

## CRABTREE FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral of Chester L. Crabtree, age 23, who died at Mexico, Mo., April 21, was held today at the Presbyterian church, Pastor J. L. Joyner conducting the services. After services at the church the Masonic Lodge took charge and interment was made in Hillcrest cemetery.

## NEW COTTON GIN BUILDING WILL BE COMPLETED SOON

Manager Douglass of the new cotton gin now being erected south of the railroad on Main street states that the building will be completed within two weeks' time. The ginning machinery will be installed some time in June and everything will be in readiness for this season's crop.

## ANNUAL CONVENTION FT. ELLIOT HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The annual meeting of the Fort Elliot Highway Association has been called to meet at Wheeler June 5th by F. P. Reid, president of the Association.

A basket dinner will be given and an effort will be made to have the Fort Elliot Highway placed back on the state system.

Several state highway officials are expected to attend the meeting.

## AN EASTER EGG HUNT

Reported.

A crowd of young folks took lunch and enjoyed an Easter egg hunt on north McClelland creek Sunday. The crowd gathered about 10 o'clock and enjoyed an egg hunt and other amusements until noon, when lunch was spread. After lunch they went to Eldridge to Sunday school. The following were present: Misses Mary Ellen and Almada Howard, Messrs. Jack McClellan and Leon Crockett of McLean; Miss Audra Clodfelter, Messrs. Raymond Howard, Harry Guill, Jasper Elms and Pearson Sherrard of Alameda; Misses May, Blanche, Willie Bell and Jimmie Palmer, Helen and Vivian Fromwalt, Barbara Windom, Edna and Lola Smith and Tommie Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Messrs. George Fromwalt, Hershell Palmer, Buck and Marvin Hill, Jack Broyles and Lloyd Fulton; Masters Robert and Alton Howard, Arthur Dee Fromwalt, Millard Windom, Ralph Palmer and others.

## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TO BE DIVIDED INTO TWO CLASSES

Austin, April 23.—More than a hundred high schools have already approved the plan to divide competitive schools in football in two classes, according to Roy B. Henderson, director of athletics in the Interscholastic League. The plan was submitted to the schools over the state recently, and the speedy approval of both large and small schools indicates its unqualified success. The two classes are to be known as Conference A and Conference B. The basis of division is an enrollment of 350 in the high school.

"Schools that fall into both classes favor the plan," said Henderson, "because a defeat of any team in either conference will not prevent the defeated team from playing teams in the other conference."

## ODD FELLOWS ANNUAL MEET HERE TODAY

Today is Odd Fellows' Day in McLean. About two hundred visitors are attending the annual convention of the Wheeler County and McLean, Texas, Association of I. O. O. F. and the 165th anniversary of Odd Fellowship.

The session opened this morning with W. H. Peters, McLean, president; Troy Montgomery, Shamrock, 1st vice president; Mrs. E. T. McCleskey, McLean, 2nd vice president; and Mr. Clampitt, Shamrock, secretary; officers for the past year, in charge.

Invocation was offered by O. K. Murphree, McLean. C. S. Rice, McLean, made the address of welcome, responded to by A. P. Bumpers, Shamrock. M. L. Lively of Shamrock then addressed the Association.

At noon the meeting adjourned to the S. O. Cook building, where a sumptuous dinner had been prepared by the ladies of the McLean lodge.

The first order of business for the afternoon was the election of officers for the ensuing year, after which Messrs. O. T. Glasscock, Troy Montgomery and E. J. Baker of Shamrock made addresses.

Supper will be served free to members at the Cook building this evening following the afternoon program.

## ERWIN DRUG COMPANY OLDEST ADVERTISER

In a conversation with Arthur Erwin, manager of the Erwin Drug Company, Tuesday, the fact was mentioned that the Company had never missed having a weekly advertisement in The News for the past 12 years. This is perhaps the oldest consistent record held by any of our local merchants.

Mr. Erwin enjoys a good business and he attributes his success in a large measure to consistent advertising coupled with quality merchandise and good service.

## EASTER PICNIC

Reported.

An Easter picnic and egg hunt was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Swafford last Saturday. A basket dinner was spread at noon after which the large crowd enjoyed an egg hunt and other forms of amusement.

## ROCK ISLAND CROP REPORT

Chicago, April 15.—Texas Panhandle. During the first week of April there were light rains and some snow accompanied by freezing weather—no damage of consequence on that account is reported. Soil is very moist but considerable spring plowing has been done especially in the more sandy regions. Range conditions are improving steadily. Revised estimated acreages of various crops are as follows:

Cotton	247,700 acres.
Maize, kafir & feterita	215,400 acres.
Wheat	204,500 acres.
Corn	57,300 acres.

## STILL AND MASH FOUND IN DONLEY CO. NEAR McLEAN

According to reports, on Tuesday of this week Deputy Sheriff Barnett of Donley county, assisted by local officers, discovered a still and mash just over the county line near town.

The suspected party was arrested and taken to Clarendon, where he was placed under bond to appear before the Grand Jury.

## HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

By Reporter. The Home Economics Club met with Mrs. J. L. Collier on Thursday, April 17. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent.

The next meeting will be on Thursday afternoon, May 1, with Mrs. W. B. Upham. The program follows:

Subject—Food and Cooking. Demonstration.

Raw foods and their value in diet—Mrs. L. F. Coffey.

Relation of cookery to digestion—Mrs. D. A. Davis.

Underlying principles of different types of cooking—Mrs. J. W. Kibler.

Demonstrations in cooking—Home Demonstrator.

Everybody come.

## HOWARD BUYS FARMERS GIN MACHINERY

J. S. Howard, president of the Farmers' Co-operative Society, returned from a trip to Dallas this week, where he bought a four-stand 60-saw Murray gin outfit to be erected in McLean some time in July.

Mr. Howard says that the farmers' gin will be equipped with the latest super-cleaners and in every way it is the very latest thing in cotton ginning machinery.

The addition of this gin will make three gins for our town this fall, which should mean that the monster prospective cotton crop will be adequately handled this year.

## PRESBYTERIANS CALL J. L. JOYNER FOR PASTOR

The McLean Presbyterian church has called Rev. J. L. Joyner of Oklahoma as pastor for the ensuing year. Rev. Joyner is well known to several of our citizens and comes well recommended.

## AMARILLO TO MAKE STRONG PULL FOR 1925 C. OF C. CONVENTION

Amarillo, April 23.—In the belief that holding the 1925 West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention in Amarillo would be of great benefit to the entire Panhandle, the Amarillo Board of City Development today issued the following statement, appealing to every town to have a representative at Brownwood May 13 to 15.

"To the Progressive Citizens of the Panhandle of Texas:

"Have you realized that it will be of great benefit to your own community if the West Texas Chamber of Commerce convention comes to Amarillo in 1925?

Undoubtedly it will, because this convention—one of the largest in the world—will bring 25,000 visitors to the Panhandle of Texas. Thousands of these will come by auto.

Everyone will be curious about the attractions and advantages of this section, of which they have heard so much. That means they will scatter over the length and breadth of the land. It will be a wonderful opportunity to advertise the attractions and advantages of your city—and then take visitors out and show them the advertising is true.

"But to get this convention Amarillo must have the support of its friends and neighbors. That support will not cost you much—merely the sending of ONE delegate to the Brownwood convention on May 13 to 15. Under the rules, one citizen can vote for the entire membership of any city, whether it is five, ten, fifty or any number. But the vote cannot be cast unless a citizen is present from that town.

"Here is the situation, in cold figures: Between 5,000 and 6,000 votes will be cast at Brownwood. There are four towns in the race—Amarillo, Mineral Wells, Vernon and El Paso. The town with the smallest vote is dropped each time. That means we must have a minimum strength of about 1,250 votes to get past the first ballot. Our advice are that we will gain strength with each successive vote. But we need your rock-ribbed support for the first ballot. And the only way for us to get it is for you to send a delegate. We need every possible vote.

"Your delegate—or any number of your townsmen—are invited to go with us on a special train. The cost of the trip will be fare and a half from Amarillo and return, with pullman fare—about \$35—plus meals and incidentals. This rate does not include purchase of hats and canes which will be worn by the Amarillo party. Under this plan, the entire expense of the trip will be less than \$50.

"Chambers of Commerce will find it well worth while to send their president or secretary to Brownwood, because he will learn much that will be of value in his work. Town boosters will find this an inspirational outing, well worth the cost out of their own pockets. We invite and urge you to go with us. Please take action at once and write the Board of City Development, Amarillo, Texas, advising us as to who will be the representative from your town and whether he wishes to go with the Amarillo party."

# ZEN of the Y.D.

A Novel of the Foothills

By ROBERT STEAD

Author of "The Cow Puncher" and "The Homesteaders"

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### SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Transley's hay-cutting outfit, after stacking 2,000 tons, is on its way to the big Y.D. ranch headquarters. Transley is a master of men and circumstances. Linder, foreman, is substantial, but not self-assertive. George Drask, one of the men, is an irresponsible chap who proposes to every woman he meets. Transley and Linder dine with Y.D. and his wife and daughter Zen. Transley resolves to marry Zen. Y.D. instructs Transley to cut the South Y.D. "spite of"—an high water—and a fellow named Landson.

CHAPTER II.—Drask proposes to Zen and is nearly rebuffed. Transley pitches camp on the South Y.D. and finds Landson's outfit cutting hay. Denison Grant, Landson's manager, notifies Transley that he is working under a lease from the legal owners and warns Transley off. All of which means war.

CHAPTER III.—Y.D. and Zen ride to the South Y.D. Zen is a natural vamp, not yet halter-broke and ripe for mating. Y.D. has taken a liking to Transley. Zen holds Transley off and encourages Linder.

CHAPTER IV.—Zen enjoys the prospect of a race between Transley and Linder for her favor, but secretly laughs at both. She has another and more serious encounter with Drask. Y.D. mowing machines are ruined by iron stakes set in the grass. Zen prevents open war with Landson. Transley half-way proposes and is turned off. Drask resolves to burn out the rival outfit.

"See, but ain't she innocent?" Drask stepped his horse up a few feet to facilitate conversation. "I ain't take an interest in innocent gals away from home, so I kinda kep' my angel eye on you las' night. An' I see Linder stakin' 'round' here an' sighin' out over the water when he should 'ave been in bed. But, of course, he's been interduced."

"George Drask, if you speak to me again I'll horsepile you out of the camp at noon before all the men. Now, beat it!"

"Jus, as you say, ma'am," he returned, with mock courtesy. "But you don't need to be scared. That's one thing I never do—I never squeal on a friend."

She was burning with his insults, and if she had had a gun at hand she undoubtedly would have used it. But she had none. Drask very deliberately turned his horse and rode away toward the meadows.

"Oh, won't I fix him!" she said, as she continued her toilet in a fury. She had not the faintest idea what revenge she would take, but she promised herself that it would leave nothing to be desired. Then, because she was young and healthy and an optimist, and did not know what it meant to be afraid, she dismissed the incident from her mind to consider the more urgent matter of breakfast.

Tompkins, the cook, had not needed Transley's suggestion to put his best foot forward when catering to Y.D. and his daughter. Tompkins' soul yearned for a cooking berth that could be occupied the year round. Work in the railway camps had always left him high and dry at the freeze-up—dry, particularly, and a few nights in Calgary or Edmonton saw the end of his season's earnings. Then came a precarious existence for Tompkins until the scrapers were back on the dump the following spring. A steady job, cooking on a ranch like the Y.D.; if Tompkins had written the Apocalypse that would have been his picture of heaven. So he had left nothing undone, even to despatching a courier over night to a railway station thirty miles away for fresh fruit and other delicacies. Another of the gang had been impressed into a trip up the river to a squatter who was suspected of keeping one or two milch cows and sunny hens.

"This way, ma'am," Tompkins was waving as Zen emerged from the grove. "Another of our usual mornings. Hope you sleep well, ma'am." He stood deferentially aside while she ascended the three steps that led into the covered wagon.

Zen gave a little shriek of delight, and Tompkins felt that all his efforts had been well repaid. One end of the table—it was with a sore heart Tompkins had realized that he could not cut down the big table—one end of the table was set with a clean linen cloth and granite dishware scoured until it shone. Besides Zen's plate were grapefruit and sliced oranges and real cream.

"However did you manage it?" she gasped.

"Nothing's too good for Y.D.'s daughter," was the only explanation Tompkins would offer, but, as Zen afterwards said, the smile on his face was as good as another breakfast. After the fruit came porridge, and more cream; then fresh boiled eggs with toast; then fresh ripe strawberries with more cream.

"Mr.—Mr.—"

"Tompkins, ma'am: Cyrus Tompkins," he supplied.

"Well, Mr. Tompkins, you're a won-

der, and when there's a new cook to be engaged for the Y.D. I shall think of you."

"Indeed I wish you would, ma'am," he said, earnestly. "This road works all right, and nobody ever cooked for a better boss than Mr. Transley—savin' it would be your father, ma'am—but I'm a man of family, an' its pretty hard—"

"Family, did you say, Mr. Tompkins? How many of a family have you?"

"Well, it's seven years since I heard from them—I haven't corresponded very reglar of late, but they was six—"

The story of Tompkins' family was cut short by the arrival of a team and mowing machine.

"What's up, Fred?" called Tompkins through a window of his dining car to the driver. "Breakfast is just over, an' dinner ain't begun."

For answer the man addressed as Fred slowly produced an iron stake about eighteen inches long and somewhat less than an inch in diameter.

"What kind of shrubbery do you call that, Tompkins?" he demanded.

"Well, it ain't buffalo grass, an' it ain't brome grass, an' I don't figger it's alfalfa," said Tompkins, meditatively.

"No, and it ain't a grub stake," Fred replied, with some sarcasm. "It's a iron stake, growin' right in a nice little clump of grass, and I run on to it and bust my cuttin'-bar all to— that is, all to pieces," he completed rather lamely, taking Zen into his glance.

"I think I follow you," she said, with a smile. "Can you fix it here?"

"Nope. Have to go to town for a new one. Two days' lost time, when every hour counts. Hello! Here comes someone else."

Another of the teamsters was drawing into camp. "Hello, Fred!" he said, upon coming up with his fellow workman, "you in too? I had a bit of bad luck. I run smash on to an iron stake right there in the ground and crumpled my knife like so much soap."

"I did worse," said Fred, with a grin. "I bust my cuttin'-bar."

The two men exchanged a steady glance for half a minute. Then the newcomer gave vent to a long, low whistle.

"So that's the way of it," he said. "That's the kind of war Mr. Landson makes. Well, we can fight back with the same weapons, but that won't cut the hay, will it?"

By this time Y.D. and Transley, with four other teamsters, were observed coming in. Each driver had had the same experience. An iron stake, carefully hidden in a clump of grass, had been driven down into the ground until it was just high enough to intercept the cutting-bar. The fine, sharp knives were crumpled against it; in some cases the heavy cutting-bar, in which the knives operate, was damed.

Y.D.'s face was black with fury.

"That's the lowest, mangyest, cowardliest trick I ever had pulled on me," he was saying. "I'm plumb equal to ridin' down to Landson's an' drivin' one of them stakes through under his short ribs."

"But can you prove that Landson did it?" said Zen, who had an element of caution in her when her father was concerned. She had a vision of a fight, with Landson pleading entire ignorance of the whole cause of offense, and her father probably summoned by the police for unprovoked assault.

"No, I can't prove that Landson did it, an' I can't prove that the grass in steers eat turns to hair on their backs," he retorted, "but I reach my own conclusions. Is there any shootin' irons in the place?"

"Now, Dad, that's enough," said the girl, firmly. "There'll be no shooting between you and Landson. If there is to be anything of that kind I'll ride down ahead and warn him of what's comin'."

"Darter," said Y.D.—it was only on momentous occasions that he addressed her as daughter—"I brought you over here as a guest, not as manager of my affairs. I've taken care of those affairs for some considerable years, an' I reckon I still have the qualifications. If you're a-goin' to act up obstreperous I'll get Mr. Transley to lend me a man to escort you home."

"At your service, Y.D.," said George Drask, who was in the crowd which had gathered about the rancher, his daughter, and Transley. "That Pete-horse an' me would jus' see her over the hills a-whoopin'."

"I don't think it would be wise to take any extreme measures, at least, not just yet," said Transley. "It's out of the question to suppose that Landson has picketed the whole valley with those stakes. It is now quite clear why we were left in peace yesterday. He wanted us to get started, and get a few swaths cut, so that he would know where to drive the stakes to catch us the next morning. Some of these machines can be repaired at once, and the others within a day or two. We will just move over a little and start on new fields. There's pretty good moonlight these nights and we'll leave a few men out on guard, and perhaps we can catch the enemy at his little game. Let us get one of Landson's men with the goods on him."

Y.D. was somewhat pacified by this suggestion. "You're a practical devil, Transley," he said, with considerable admiration. "Now, in a case of this kind I jus' get plumb fightin' mad. I want to bore somebody. I guess it's the only kind of procedure that comes easy to my hand. I guess you're right, but I hate to let anybody have the laugh on me." Y.D. looked down the valley, shading his eyes with his hand.

"That somef-a-gun has got a dozen or more stakes down there. I don't wish nobody any hard luck, but if some-

tennerfoot was to drop a cigar—

"In that case I suppose you'd pray for a west wind, Dad," Zen suggested, "but the winds in these valleys, even with your prayers to direct them, are none too reliable."

"Everybody to work on fixing up these machines," Transley ordered. "Linder, make a list of what repairs are needed and Drask will ride to town with it at once. Some of them may have to come out from the city by express. Drask can get the orders in and a team will follow to bring out the repairs."

In a moment Transley's men were busy with wrenches and hammers, replacing knives and appraising damages. Even in his anger Y.D. took approving note of the promptness of Transley's decisions and the zest with which his men carried them into effect.

"A he-man, that fellow, Zen," he confided to his daughter. "If he'd blown into this country thirty years ago, like I did, he'd own it by this time plumb to the sky-line."

When the list of repairs was completed Linder handed it to Drask.

"Beat it to town on that Pete-horse of yours, George," he said. "Burn the grass on the road."

"I bet I'll be ten miles on the road when I meet my shadow goin'," said Drask, making a spectacular leap into his saddle. "By, Y.D.; by, Zen!" he shouted while he whirled his horse's head eastward and waved his hand to where they stood. In spite of her annoyance at him she had to smile and return his salute.

"Mr. Drask is irrepresible," she remarked to Transley.

"And irresponsible," the contractor returned. "I sometimes wonder why I keep him. In fact, I don't really keep him; he just stays. Every spring he bunts me up and fastens on. Still,



"By, Y.D.; By, Zen!"

I get a lot of good service out of him. Praise 'that Pete-horse,' and George would ride his head off for you. He has a weakness for wanting to marry every woman he sees, but his infatuations seem harmless enough."

"I know something of his weakness," Zen replied. "I have already been honored with a proposal."

Transley looked in her face. It was slightly flushed, whether with the summer sun or with her confession, but it was a wonderfully good face to look in.

"Zen," he said, in a low voice that Y.D. and the others might not hear, "how would you take a serious proposal, made seriously by one who loves you, and who knows that you are, and always will be, a queen among women?"

"If you had been a cow puncher instead of a contractor," she told him. "I'm sure you would long ago have ended your life in some dash over a cutbank."

Meanwhile Drask pursued his way to town. The trail, after crossing the ford, turned abruptly to the right from that which led across country to the North Y.D. For a mile or more it skirted the stream in a park-like drive through groves of spruce and cottonwood. Sunshine and the babble of water everywhere filled the air. Sunshine, too, filled George Drask's heart. The importance of his mission was pleasantly heavy upon him. He pictured the impression he would make in town, galloping in with his horse wet over the back, and rushing to the implement agency with all the importance of a courier from Y.D. He would let two of the boys take Pete to the stable, and then, seated on a mower seat in the shade, he would tell the story. He would lose nothing in the telling. He would even add how Zen had thrown a kiss at him in parting. Perhaps he would have Zen kiss him on the cheek before the whole camp. He turned that possibility over in his mind, weighing nicely the credibility of his imaginary audience. . . . At any rate, whether he decided to put that in the story or not, it was very pleasant to think about.

Presently the trail turned abruptly up a gully leading into the hills. A huge cutbank, jutting into the river, barred the way in front, and its precipitous side, a hundred feet or more in height, kept continually crumbling and falling into the stream. These cutbanks are a terror to inexperienced riders. The valleys are swallowed up in the tawny sameness of the ranges; the vision catches only the higher levels, and one may gallop to the verge of a precipice before becoming aware of its existence. It was to this that Zen had referred in speak-

ing of Transley's precipitateness.

Drask followed the gully up into the hills, letting his horse drop back to a walk in the hard going along the dry bed of a stream which flowed only in the spring freshets. Pete had to pick his way over bowlders and across stretches of sand and boggy patches of black mud formed by little springs leaking out under clumps of willows. Here and there the white ribs of a steer's skeleton peered through the brush; once or twice an overpowering stench gave notice of a carcass not wholly decomposed.

It was not a pleasant environment, but in an hour Drask was out again on the brow of the brown hills, where the sunshine flooded about and a fresh breeze beat up against his face. After all his winding in the gully he was not more than a mile from the cutbank.

"I reckon I could get a great view from that cutbank of what Landson is doin'," he suddenly remarked to himself. He took off his hat and scratched his tanned head in reflection. "Linder said to beat it," he ruminated, "but I can't get back tonight anyway, an' it might be worth while to do a little scoutin'. Here goes!"

He struck a smart gallop to the southward, and brought his horse up, spectacularly, a yard from the edge of the precipice. The view which his position commanded was superb. Up the valley lay the white tents of Transley's outfit, almost hidden in green foliage; the ford across the river was distinctly visible, and stretching south from it lay, like a great curving snake, the trail which wound across the valley and lost itself in the foothills far to the south; across the western horizon hung the purple curtain of the mountains, soft and vague in their moonday mists, but touched with settings of ivory where the snow fields beat back the blazing sunshine; far down the valley was the gleam of Landson's whitewashed buildings, and nearer at hand the greenish-brown of the upland meadows which his hay-makers had already cleared of their crop of prairie wool. This was now arising in enormous stacks; it must have been three miles to where they lay, but Drask's keen eyes could distinguish ten completed stacks and two others in course of building. He could even see the sweeps hauling the new hay, after only a few hours of sun-drying, and sliding it up the inclined platforms which dumped it into the form of stacks. The foothill rancher makes hay by horse power, and almost without the aid of a pitchfork. Even as Drask watched he saw a load skidded up; saw its apparent momentary poise in air; saw the well-trained horses stop and turn and start back to the meadow with their sweep. And up the valley Transley's outfit was at a standstill.

Drask employed his limited but expressive vocabulary. It was against all human nature to look on such a scene unmoved. He recalled Y.D.'s half-spoken wish about a random cigar. Then suddenly George Drask's mouth dropped open and his eyes rounded with a great idea.

Of course it was against all the rules of the range—it was outlaw business—but what about driving iron stakes in a hay meadow? Drask's philosophy was that the end justifies the means. And if the end would win the approval of Y.D.—and of Y.D.'s daughter—then any means was justified. Had not Linder said, "Burn the grass on the road?" Drask knew well enough that Linder's remark was a figure of speech, but his eccentric mind found no trouble in converting it into literal instructions.

Drask sniffed the air and looked at the sun. A soft breeze was moving slowly up the valley; the sun was just past noon. There was every reason to expect that as the lowland prairies grew hot with the afternoon sunshine a breeze would come down out of the mountains to occupy the area of great atmospheric expansion. Drask knew nothing about the theory of the thing; all that concerned him was the fact that by mid-afternoon the wind would probably change to the west.

Two miles down the valley he found a gully which gave access to the water's edge. He descended, located a ford, and crossed. There were cattle trails through the cottonwoods; he might have followed them, but he feared the telltale shoe-prints. He elected the more difficult route down the stream itself. The South Y.D. ran mostly on a wide gravel bottom; it was possible to pick out a course which kept Pete in water seldom higher than his knees. An hour of this, and Drask, peering through the trees, could see the nearest of Landson's stacks not half a mile away. The Landson gang were working farther down the valley, and the stack itself covered approach from the river.

Drask slipped from the saddle and stole quietly into the open. The breeze was now coming down the valley.

(Continued next week)

Mrs. Barney Fulbright and little son were Shamrock visitors last Thursday.

Mrs. J. W. Barks returned one day last week from Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wilson were Clarendon visitors last Thursday, returning Friday.

Sheriff E. S. Graves was in McLean Thursday of last week.

Miss Mary Billingslea of Alanreed spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. John V. Vannoy of Ramsdell spent the week end with home folks.

T. A. Massay of Greenville is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Massay.

Douglas Wilson of Groom spent the week end with home folks.

Miss Joellene Vannoy spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting friends at Ramsdell.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Barrows of Conway spent Saturday night and Sunday in the James Barrows home.

W. Sherman White, Attorney and Counselor at Law, Associated with Hugh L. Umphres in District and Federal Court cases. McLean, Texas.

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Good late gin-run cotton seed at \$45 per ton.  
See these seed before you buy.

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McLEAN, TEXAS

### Official Statement of the Financial Condition of THE GUARANTY STATE BANK

at Alanreed, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 31st day of March, 1924, published in The McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 24th day of April, 1924.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$38,303.89
Overdrafts	119.38
Real Estate (banking house)	5,000.00
Other Real Estate	660.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,107.54
Due from other Banks and Bankers, and cash on hand	9,287.94
Interest on Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,087.56
Assessment Depositors' Guaranty Fund	1,970.12
Other Resources	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$58,636.79</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000.00
Surplus Fund	200.00
Undivided Profits, net	65.90
Individual Deposits, subject to check	34,650.31
Time Certificates of Deposit	7,533.14
Cashier's Checks	1,137.44
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$58,636.79</b>

State of Texas, County of Gray.  
We, C. M. McCullough, as president, and E. B. Hedrick, as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
C. M. McCULLOUGH, President.  
E. B. HEDRICK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of April, A. D. 1924.  
J. A. COPPEDGE, Notary Public (SEAL) in and for Gray County, Texas.  
Correct—Attest: M. M. HEDRICK, ANDY B. WORD, Directors.

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of each one connected with this bank to keep it where it rightfully belongs.

First place in the hearts of the people of this community.

The desire for service and the opportunity for accommodations are unlimited at this bank. It is our desire to be of the greatest service to each and every one of our customers. Come in, discuss your problems freely with us, and you will find us able and willing to extend every accommodation consistent with sound banking principals.

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O. F. ELECTS OFFICERS

Wheeler County and McLean Association I. O. O. F. at annual meeting here today...

EVERYBODY MILKED THE COW

A well known fact that Gage is one of the nicest little Tourist Grounds in the entire west...

Presently our Chamber of Commerce director called at the grounds...

Mr. Benton Collins and many of his family are visiting their son...

Mr. J. L. Crabtree of Wellington is in Thursday to attend the funeral of her son.

Misses Ruby Lee Landers and Anna Latson, Messrs. Elton Naylor and Milton Price of Clarendon...

Mr. W. Haynes, W. L. and Roy Campbell were Amarillo visitors Sunday.

Misses Ruby and Mary Anderson, Kathleen Copeland and Donald...

THE DEVIL'S DREAM

One night, as the Devil sat musing alone, In the midst of his cosy, warm fire...

Twixt a thief and an all-round liar, His memory turned back to the scenes of his youth...

So he looked down a ledger and turned to a page Dated back about six thousand years...

"I suppose," he exclaimed, as he looked through the book, "That I'm doing the best that I can..."

Every since the creation of man, I've cribbed a good harvest for six thousand years...

And should be content with the yield And give my opponent permission to have The gleanings I leave in the field.

"I've gathered a very diversified crop. Of merchants and lawyers galore; I've bound politicians in bundles until The ends of my fingers are sore."

I have railroad conductors and doctors to spare; Horse traders and preachers to spend; Republicans, Democrats, Tories and Whigs,

And two or three newspaper men. "But there is one class I am happy to say Can never gain entrance here; Their souls are so dirty that I'm sure that they would Demoralize hell in a year."

I do not like him—neither human nor beast— The carrion crew of the world, Who never is happy unless he can feast On the wreck of an innocent girl.

"A million of years in my warmest of rooms His stangers could never atone; So I give him a match and advise him to start A select little hell of his own."

With his fingers he then lit an asbestos cigar. And placing his book on the shelf, He muttered, "I may be a very bad man, But I've got some respect for myself."

—Exchange.

SECRET THOUGHTS

I hold it true that thoughts are things Endowed with bodies, breath and wings, And we send them forth to fill The world with good results—or ill.

That which we call our secret thought Speeds to earth's remotest spot And leaves its blessings or its woes Like tracks behind it as it goes.

It is God's law. Remember it In your still chamber as you sit With thoughts you would not dare have known And yet make comrades when alone.

These thoughts have life, and they will fly And leave their impress by and by, Like some rash breeze, whose poisoned breath Breathes into homes its fevered breath.

And after you have quite forgot Or all outgrown some vanished thought, Back to your mind to make its home A dove or a raven it will come.

Then let your secret thoughts be fair, They have a vital part and share In shaping worlds and molding fate— God's system is so intricate.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Campbell, Misses Sallie Campbell and Mrs. John Haynes and little Miss "belly Wafford" were Alanreed visitors Sunday.

WHAT AND WHEN TO DO IT

By A. Leda

Women have seen to it that men should be attracted to them ever since Eve first saw Adam. And ever since that day, women have been the subject of admiration by both the masculine and feminine gender.

So, as time went on, she gave women more and more charms—more and more wiles with which to captivate her man. So finally, after many generations, a very fascinating creature is recorded in history, so very fascinating, in fact, that many men have laid their lives and fortunes at her feet.

With these fascinating women of the present day comes the knowledge of how to win men. Every woman can do it, although some have not enough confidence in themselves to believe it.

A beautiful girl walked into a reception room the other day. She was lovely to look at, wore perfect clothes, walked with her chin up, and carried herself like a lady.

The darky who, while sweeping, disturbs us, the bell-boy who brings us a call, all "Pah'n me." They do not know any better. This phrase is in a class with "pleased to meet you."

The cardinal sin against good taste is cheap language—and using bad English is cheap elegance.

LUCKY FRIDAY

Strange how many of us consider Friday an unlucky day, for Friday has been uncannily lucky in the history of America.

It was on a Friday that Christopher Columbus sailed westward into the unknown, on his voyage of discovery. He discovered America on Friday and returned to Europe on Friday.

St. Augustine, our oldest city, was founded on Friday. The Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower sailed into Providence Town harbor on Friday.

George Washington, father of our country, was born on Friday. Other famous events happened on Friday: Bunker Hill was seized and fortified.

The surrender of Saratoga took place, powerful in inducing France to throw her strength to the Colonists fighting for American Independence. Benedict Arnold's treason was discovered.

Surrender at Yorktown, decisive in the war for independence, took place on Friday. And it was on Friday that the Declaration of Independence was moved in Congress by John Adams.

And still there are many who consider it unsafe to start on a journey or embark on a new adventure on Friday. The superstition that Friday is unlucky probably is of religious origin, in connection with the Crucifixion, according to historians.

It has persisted through so many centuries that it still survives, despite its being disproved thousands of times. Superstition outlives granite—Amarillo Evening Post.

News From Alanreed

By Special Correspondent.

F. R. McCracken returned last Friday from Corpus Christi, where he has been on a pleasure trip.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blakney, Mesdames Tom Blakney and Vera Slavin motored to Clarendon Monday.

Monroe and Samuel Timmons entertained their Sunday school class of the Methodist church last Sunday with a dinner and egg hunt.

Married, on Sunday afternoon, at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. George Elems and Miss Edyth Dudley. G. E. Castleberry, Justice of the Peace, officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wood and nephew, Raymond Jones, visited in the R. M. Wilson home at Clarendon Saturday.

Miss Madeline Bell spent the week end with home folks in Hedley. Mrs. Barbour, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Tom Blakney, left Monday for Cleburn to visit her son.

W. J. Ivey was in from the Morse ranch Wednesday. Mrs. A. Stanfield went to Groom Wednesday to visit relatives.

L. P. Preston of Skillet was in town Wednesday. Ben Powell of Skillet was in the city Wednesday.

R. W. Wyatt of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Wants

REMINGTON PORTABLE TYPE-WRITERS are the only portables made with a standard keyboard; will do the work of the large machines at a much cheaper price. Now on display at the News office.

LEGHORN EGGS.—Dark brown Leghorn, eggs, \$1.00 for 15; \$5.00 per 100. Good hatch guaranteed. L. L. Palmer, Alanreed, Texas. 10-5p

GARBAGE and trash hauled from any part of the city at reasonable rates. Frank Haynes. 1c

ASK TO SEE the new Remington portable typewriters on display at the News office. Pay for them like rent.

GROCERIES are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. 1c

CARBON PAPER for embroidering, in large sheets at the News office.

WANTED.—Horses and mules to pasture. Plenty of grass, shade and running water. \$1.00 per month. S. B. Fast. 16-2c

IF YOU have a "boarder cow" and are satisfied, breed to any old thing. If you want a better cow, breed to Financial King, a Waterloo Jersey bull. Fee \$2.50 in advance. Geo. W. Sitter. 16-3p

BUY YOUR typewriter paper at the News office.

A FEW sudan seed, brown crowder peas, cabbage plants ready now. Other plants really soon. M. H. Kinard, Phone 55-21. 16-2p

BROOM CORN SEED.—All who expect to plant broom corn this year and are interested in pure seed, see me at McLean next Saturday. P. C. Saunders. 1p

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

For Representative, 122nd District: DEWEY YOUNG

For County Judge: F. P. REID

For County and District Clerk: CHARLIE THUT

For Sheriff and Tax Collector: E. S. GRAVES

For Tax Assessor: D. M. GRAHAM

For County Treasurer: R. L. COTTRELL

Sled go-devils and Avery cultivators. Buy them at McLean Hardware Company. Advertisement. 1c

A. C. Waldron gave us a nice order for printed envelopes this week.

Miss Eunice Floyd, Mrs. T. A. Landers and Miss Mildred Landers went to Amarillo Wednesday.

W. D. Howard and family were in from their farm Saturday.

Mrs. J. L. Collier is visiting in Amarillo and Groom this week.

Sam Brown of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

T. B. Hines of Whitefish was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

S. T. Barker of Alanreed was a visitor in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Holloway and daughter, Miss Gladys, visited relatives at Erick, Okla., Wednesday.

R. O. Dunkle, Erwin Rice, Misses Margaret Miller and Altha Bridge visited friends at Pampa Sunday.

Mrs. W. D. Wiles returned Sunday from a visit at Wichita Falls.

Geo. Oskley of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

Peterson Creek News

By Special Correspondent.

Mrs. S. B. Fast has been on the sick list the past two or three days. An Easter egg hunt was enjoyed at the J. C. McClellan home Sunday afternoon. There were 70 present.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Crews were Clarendon visitors Sunday. Miss Lillian Cothran spent Saturday night with Miss Maude Cash, and Miss Alma Cothran with Misses Lorena and Ruby Mars.

A crowd of young folks enjoyed a pound supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mars Saturday night. Clinton Mars is recovering nicely from a spell of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Barrow motored to Shamrock Monday on business. Mrs. V. R. Jordan's parents from Alanreed visited her Saturday night and Sunday.

The Huntsman school visited the Back school Friday afternoon and had an egg hunt. Mrs. Henry Pettit stuck a nail in her foot recently, which has been giving her quite a bit of trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Smith visited in the J. W. Mars home Sunday. Ben Pierce was a McLean visitor Saturday.

C. Dean of Northfork was in town Tuesday. A. L. Morgan of Liberty was in town Tuesday.

RAISING THEM

Dr. Alzamon Lucas of New York, who claims that by the exercise of the will power a mother can determine both the sex and vocation of her unborn child, said at Atlantic City the other day:

"I hope to see—in fact, I do see—a revival of the good old-fashioned motherhood idea. The modern mother was too scientific altogether. She glanced through a textbook and thought she knew it all.

"There's a story about a nursemaid who rushed into the smoking-room of one of these modern mothers and shrieked: 'Oh, my goodness, ma'am, the twins have fallen down the well! What shall I do?'

"The lady calmly lit a cigarette and answered: 'Go to the library and bring me the last number of 'Modern Motherhood.' There's a very complete article in it on 'How to Bring Up Children.'"

Sales Day

If you want to take advantage of the next big auction sales day that will be held at McLean Saturday, May 3, list your articles by Saturday, April 26. Make your listings early, as the number of articles to be offered in the sale is limited.

See any member of the committee Saturday. R. O. Dunkle, C. E. Hunt, J. E. Kirby, Committee.

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By L. F. Van Zelm

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The Jayton News is the latest arrival at our exchange desk. The news is edited by R. E. Stoker and carries a nice line of advertisements as well as plenty of local news.

Indications that the Pope of Rome is not holding the power that he formerly held are in the fact that last year Catholics received only 19,000 new members in this country to Protestants 928,000.

The man who whines that the world owes him a living will never climb very high on the ladder of life. We may think we are badly treated, but the only way we can collect a living is to work for it, and a cheerful spirit helps, while a whining face will only repel those with whom we come in contact.

This is music week at Amarillo. Emil F. Myers deserves credit for his untiring efforts in furthering the interests of good music for Panhandle people. Many of our citizens are attending the programs and the remaining concerts are well worth anyone's time and money.

The coming to Amarillo of the 1925 West Texas Chamber of Commerce Convention would mean more to the Panhandle than any other gathering, with the possible exception of the Texas Press Association that will meet in Amarillo in June of this year. Many of our East Texas friends came from Missouri, and a trip of this kind will show them to the fullest extent the advantages we enjoy. Let's boost for Amarillo by sending a delegate to Brownwood instructed to vote for Amarillo.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction S. M. N. Marrs states that any girls leave the high schools of the state a few months before graduation on account of not being able to dress as well as their classmates for commencement day. This is a pretty state of affairs in a democratic country. We boast of everyone being equal but the aristocracy of dress scores on occasions of this kind. Things of this character will force the public schools to adopt uniforms for all students so that lack of finances can make no difference in a pupil's standing.

The McLean community has more advantages than many of the less favored sections that are being advertised to such an extent that many prospective citizens are moving into their communities. We need more people and more farms, and the only way to get them is to let our advantages be known. A McLean banker suggests that a booster edition of The News be issued and the Chamber of Commerce or business men pay for 1,000 extra copies to be distributed along with other literature during the trip to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce meeting at Brownwood May 13 to 15. Another business man suggests that it is high time we have some folders setting forth our advantages to be mailed with every letter that leaves our town. There are many good schemes, all of which have some merit, and we are all agreed that some effort should be made to let the outside world know of the opportunities to be found here; the only question should be the best and cheapest way to do the work.

Anson Lee of Gracey was in town Saturday.

H. Longan of Ramey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Uncle John Dwyer of Peterson Creek was trading in the city Saturday.

F. E. Robinson was in from the ranch Saturday.

Henry Bailey of Back was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Michael Mortel of Slavonia was a visitor in McLean Saturday.

**WHAT THEY WISH THEY HAD KNOWN**

A group of men in mature life with varied business and professional experience recently answered as to what they wish they had known before they were 25. These replies are given by the Educational Digest as revealing the following things which a young man ought to know:

1. What he wants to do for a living.
2. That his health after 30 years depends largely on how he lived before he was 30.
3. How to take care of his money.
4. The advantage of being neatly and sensibly dressed.
5. That habits are mighty hard to break after 21.
6. That things most worth while require time, patience and hard work.
7. That the harvest depends on the seed sown; sow wild oats and one is likely to reap tears of bitterness and unhappiness.
8. That a thorough education pays in the long run.
9. That education should not stop with the school year.
10. That father is not such an old fogey as he may at times seem.
11. That mother is generally the greatest practical idealist.
12. That the doors of opportunity in this country are still open.—Exchange.

Vines Bentley of Carpen'er was a visitor in McLean Saturday.

Paul Machina of Slavonia was a McLean visitor Saturday.

W. T. Wilson and daughter, Miss Vera, and Miss Verna Rice went to Amarillo Tuesday.

W. O. Todd of Gracey was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Headquarters for all kinds building material. Cicero Smith Lumber Company. Advertisement. 15-3c

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. 1fc.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Thompson and children went to Hedley Wednesday to visit relatives.

M. M. Newman made a business trip to Lefors Wednesday.

W. S. Kunkel was an Amarillo visitor Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Orr of Wellington were in our city Tuesday.

Dewey Wood of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Monday.

Raymond Howard of Alanreed was in McLean Sunday.

Mrs. L. H. McLarty of Lubbock came in Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Campbell.

Mesdames J. H. Crabtree and Roy Campbell were Clarendon visitors Monday.

Attorney A. A. Ledbetter and Jess Mann were Clarendon visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. P. J. Stevens of Waco, Mrs. V. H. Gracey and daughter of Reedspring, Mo., are visiting their daughter, sister and aunt, Mrs. F. P. Wilson.

Mrs. T. F. Phillips of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Vester Smith made a business trip to Mobeetie Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Coffey and son, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Alexander and daughter visited relatives at Hedley Wednesday.

James Noel and Jenkins Shaw were Alanreed visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Susie Mae Redwine and Miss Gertrude Wingo were visitors in Groom Sunday.

W. G. McGee of Fort Worth came in Sunday to visit his parents, Capt. and Mrs. E. E. McGee.

Frank Naylor and daughters, Misses Eula and Mary, and son, Loren, of Clarendon visited Capt. and Mrs. E. E. McGee Sunday.

Little Miss Lois Kirby attended the Music Festival in Amarillo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Stephen left the first of the week for Tulsa, where Mr. Stephen has a position in a drug store.

Ched Lander of Alva, Okla., has accepted a position with the Erwin Drug Company.

**LIVE AND LET LIVE**

The most unselfish business carried on in any community is the newspaper business, says the Milton Gazette. The editor has demands made upon his time and space, which is his only stock in trade, that are wholly out of proportion to that given by any other business or profession in the community.

If there is an industrial plant to promote, the space of the newspaper is devoted freely to the propaganda boosting the enterprise. The business men who are to profit most by the launching think it no more than the newspaper should do and he renders the service without pay and without thanks. If there is a church edifice to build the newspaper is expected to boost the proposition and help in every way the movement for subscriptions and the newspaper does it, and when the subscription paper is passed he is expected to contribute as much in cash as the fellow of like financial standing contributes who has given neither time nor space to the enterprise.

If there is a clean-up campaign on, the newspaper is supposed to boost it for the entire season, and the editor does this at his own expense. If there is a farmers' meeting, a church meeting, a meeting of commercial men or social clubs, or if any firm makes a business improvement or a change in any way, the matter is referred to through the newspaper. Besides, the newspaper is boosting every other business, helping the business men to make money on their investments and yet, there are in every community business men who cannot enjoy life and see the newspaper prosper. It is one of the ironies of fate, and newspaper men go on serving the public, unselfishly accepting the business of those who are appreciative and who are willing to give support to the editor whose whole time is devoted to helping build up and to boost the town.

We are reminded of the prayer of the old tight-wad deacon who, when the new pastor was called to his church, was called upon to lead the opening prayer and said: "O, Lord, bless our dear pastor as he comes to labor among us. If you will keep him humble, Lord, we will keep him poor." That is the attitude that some business men always assume toward their newspaper. But, it is gratifying to note that their number is growing smaller with each passing year. The newspaper is considered a necessity, and intelligent business men know that to have a good newspaper they must give it whole-hearted support.—Lake Worth (Fla.) Leader.

Miss Lora Saunders is visiting her sisters at Amarillo during the music festival.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Howard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Windom of Eldridge.

**NEGRO LOAFERS**

This city should adopt the plan of putting all loafers to work or make them leave. The Leader has been considering this question for some time and believe we are right in advocating such a plan. Idleness breeds vice and crime, and since the cotton picking season is over, we find the loafers of the colored variety congregating in "nigger town" and every day or two our officers have to take some of them into custody for some misdemeanor. They are all right in the fields or away from town, but are a public nuisance when they are out of jobs. "But they are used for the drudgery work," one hears occasionally. For years we did without them in the Panhandle; then for a few years they helped out during the cotton picking season, and for the past few years many have been staying all the year, and more and more of them each year. And as for the drudgery work, they are not worth all they cost.

There is hardly a day that one or more are not in jail here. See the Commissioners Court minutes and you will find so much money paid for so many meals furnished the negroes in jail. Then court comes on and jurors are paid their per diem, the officers are paid their per diem, and mileage in summoning witnesses, making arrests and the like, all because of the misdemeanors or criminal acts of those said negroes. And who pays the bills? Easy, isn't it? The taxpayers, of course.

In almost every Panhandle namer each week one reads of the fights, the murders, the crap games, the misdemeanors of the negro population in their respective towns. That was an unknown thing eight or ten years ago in the Panhandle.

We do not advocate any stringent or unlawful action, but let our authorities see that they work and be

thus kept out of mischief. And, still further, discourage any more from taking up their abode here except during the busy season when they can be of some benefit to the people. There are numbers of poor, but respectable, citizens here who would be glad to do the necessary work, but cannot, because the negro is getting the job. And that is not right and very unneighborly.

Some might think that because they are here, we must take care of them and keep them employed. While they were invited to come and help in the crops, they were not invited to stay after the crops were gathered and make this their permanent location. Shall they stay? If so, should they be put to work? Should the guilty be put to work on the streets or roads to pay for their fines and feed? Think it over!

Since writing the above, a free-for-all shooting and cutting took place in nigger town Monday evening. Citizens are liable to be the innocent victims of their wild bullets. We do not like it, do you?—Wellington Leader.

Mrs. B. L. Burk and little daughter, Virginia, of Texola, Okla., visited friends here from Tuesday till Thursday.

Mrs. J. W. Burks left Sunday for Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey of Heald were shopping in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Kelly Patterson of Amarillo came in Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Copeland.

Misses Lena Sparks and Beatrice Cash went to Amarillo Tuesday to attend the Music Festival.

Fred and T. A. Landers will give the Chicago Little Symphony orchestra concert at Amarillo Monday night.

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News From Enterprise

Special Correspondent. McIntosh and family visited Alanreed Saturday. Mr. Wood and niece, Minnie and Della Wilburn, came down to Enterprise Friday. Miss Carrie Allred is visiting friends at Alanreed this week. Johnnie McIntosh visited friends Alanreed Saturday and Sunday. The young folks enjoyed a party the Mathis home Friday night. Several young folks from Abra attended the party. LeRoy Luttrell of Hedley visited brother, Nolan, Saturday. C. G. Nicholson and Los Hancock went to Amarillo Saturday. We are sorry to report that Anita Hancock is on the sick list. She will recover soon. Several of the young folks enjoyed social in the Glen Nicholson home Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Chas Cooke visited the Evan Sitter home Sunday. Jack Cooke visited Prescott Mathis Saturday. There was a surprise birthday dinner given at the home of W. H. Mathis Sunday in honor of his wife. Dinner was served picnic style and had an enjoyable time. Prescott Mathis and Jack Cooke went to Hedley Sunday afternoon. Otto Caraway was a McLean visitor Saturday. All the people of Enterprise met at the Evan Sitter home for the Easter egg hunt and had a nice time. Miss Minnie Wilburn spent Friday night with Miss Urcie Mathis. Roy Allen and Jim Ray of Rinz visited at Enterprise Sunday. Misses Annie and Bonnie Biggers and Boyd Reeves of McLean were here for the egg hunt. Misses Opal and Marie Sublet and Herbert and Unie Smith attended the egg hunt.

Peterson Creek News

By Special Correspondent. (Written for last week) Miss Illene Harper, the Huntsman teacher, attended the dance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Willis Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Rish Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Clayborn Cash and children spent Sunday with home folks. Mrs. L. L. Smith and children, Irene and L. L. Jr., spent the week with her mother, Mrs. J. W. Marrs. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bacon and children have been real sick with measles. Mrs. Sam McClellan and Mrs. J. H. Pettie were shopping in Amarillo Friday and Saturday. They returned home Sunday afternoon. Cecil Back of the Back community visited Clifford Cash Sunday. Miss Jessie Cash spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Rish Phillips of McLean. Allison Cash of McLean spent the week end with his grandfather. Miss Alma Cothran spent Sunday night with Misses Maude and Jessie Cash.

News From Back

By Special Correspondent. J. E. Cubine and family moved from McLean to their farm last week. Those who attended the Easter egg hunt at the school house last Friday report a most enjoyable time. Miss Oma Arnold spent the week end with home folks in McLean. Chas. Back and family visited in the Ode Holloway home in the Liberty community Sunday. Clyde Holloway and Lawrence Watson spent the week end in the Ode Holloway home near Liberty. Mrs. Bud Back and children visited in the Bacon home Sunday. Geo. Colebank and family were McLean visitors Sunday. R. L. Appling and family and Mrs. S. A. Cobb of McLean visited Jesse Cobb and family Sunday. D. M. Graham and family of McLean visited in the C. M. Carpenter home Sunday. Louis Morse and family were visitors in the Jesse Cobb home Sunday. Bud Back was trading in McLean Monday. Louis Morse was buying supplies in McLean Monday.

SENIOR B. Y. P. U. Subject—Home Mission Society. Introduction by leader—Article Grigsby. Early Years—Glaays Holloway. Surviving the Wreck of War—Lillian Abbott. New Location in Alania—Fred Landers. A Unifying Force—Sammie Roach. Adaptation to Changing Conditions—R. L. Appling. A Glorious Record—Bro. Garrett. A Greater Task—Merle Grigsby.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

No. 123. THE STATE OF TEXAS. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray County—GREETING: B. E. Finley, administrator of the estate of M. S. Thompson, deceased, having filed in our County Court his FINAL ACCOUNT of the condition of the estate of said M. S. Thompson, together with an application to be discharged from said administration; YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That by publication of this Writ for twenty days in a newspaper regularly published in the County of Gray you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the May term, 1924, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County, in the town of Lefors, Texas, on the 19th day of May, A. D. 1924, when said Account and Application will be considered by said Court. WITNESS R. B. THOMPSON, Clerk of the County Court of Gray County. Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at Lefors, Texas, this 18th day of April, A. D. 1924. R. B. THOMPSON, Clerk. (Seal) C. C., Gray County. COC-17-4c

APPLICATION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP

THE STATE OF TEXAS. County of Gray. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Gray County, Texas, GREETING: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cause to be published the following notice in a newspaper of general publication which has been published continuously and regularly for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Gray, Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be published once a week, for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication before return day hereof; and you will cause to be posted for ten days exclusive of the day of posting before return day hereof, in three of the most public places in your county, one of which shall be at the Court House door, and two of which shall be in the same city or town, copies of the following notice. THE STATE OF TEXAS. County of Gray. TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF MAYBELLE VEATCH, A MINOR. You are hereby notified that Fula Veatch has filed in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, an application for letters of guardianship upon the person and estate of said minor, Maybelle Veatch, and which will be heard at the next term of said Court commencing the 3rd Monday in May, A. D. 1924, the same being the 19th day of May, 1924, at the Court House thereof, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said minor, may, and are hereby cited to appear and contest said appointment, if they see proper to do so. HEREIN FAIL NOT. But have you then and there before said Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, this Writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same. GIVEN under my hand and seal of said Court, at Lefors, Texas, on this 15th day of April, A. D. 1924. (Seal) R. B. THOMPSON, Clerk County Court, Gray County, Texas. 16-2c

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News From Gracey

By Special Correspondent. Everyone enjoyed the dinner and egg hunt on the creek Sunday. Mrs. P. M. Kellar, who has been on the sick list, is improving. Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Kinard entertained the young people of the community with a party Saturday night. Simon Bush returned Friday after a few days' visit with his grandfather, Mr. Hart of McLean. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin Padgett and James Carwile of Memphis visited their aunt, Mrs. J. S. Carwile, and family Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Sam Shelton of McLean is visiting her cousin, Mrs. B. D. Fondren, this week. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Kunkel and children of McLean visited in the M. H. Kinard home last week. Misses Leora, Loree and Bea rice Kinard and Letta Bush of McLean spent the week end with home folks. Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Lakey and children of the Back community attended the dinner and egg hunt Sunday. Master Merle Norman is on the sick list this week. Mesdames Fondren and Shelton spent Tuesday in the A. L. Lee home. Rudolph Bush spent Sunday in the Bill Webb home. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Kinard and son, Vernon, visited at Hayhollov Sunday. The singing class met at the Carwile home Sunday night. Several are hauling feed to town this week.

News From Liberty

By Special Correspondent. The young folks enjoyed a party at the I. P. Irvin home last Wednesday night. Miss Edythe Troxell gave an Easter egg hunt Friday for the children. Needless to say they enjoyed it. J. F. Corbin went to Shamrock on business Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Holloway gave a party Saturday night for the young folks. Miss Clambell Hardin spent Saturday in the J. F. Corbin home. The children enjoyed boiling, dyeing and hunting eggs in the afternoon. The Sunday school gave an Easter egg hunt Sunday. Eighty-four eggs were hid for classes 3 and 4 and forty-eight for the young folks. It was hard to tell which was the most eager for the hunt. Our scripture lesson for Sunday was Mark 16:1-15; a most wonderful lesson for us. Mrs. John Grogan and son, Reed, were at Liberty Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Irvin took dinner at the W. R. Stokes home Sunday and came to Sunday school in the afternoon. Mrs. I. P. Irvin and little daughter, Illia Mae, were at Liberty Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haynes and little daughter, Agnes, visited our Sunday school Sunday. Asa Morgan loaded a car of corn Monday and Tuesday. John Lively was a McLean visitor Tuesday. Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. ttc.

BAPTIST ACTIVITIES

W. C. Garrett, Pastor The B. Y. P. U's. had a fine service at the church last Sunday night. There are two interesting B. Y. P. U. training courses going on at the church this week. Our Baptist farm project is going well. A crew of men with teams listed the entire 40 acres of land last Monday. The women's Bible class will have charge of the 11 o'clock service next Sunday, and the pastor will preach at night on the subject, "The New Life." The Sunday school and B. Y. P. U's. are picking up some in interest. Come and get the benefit of all the services Sunday. If you need spiritual help it is here for you. If you do not need it, then you can help others. Come, you are needed. W. H. Mathis of Enterprise was a McLean visitor Saturday. Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. ttc. Headquarters for all kinds building material. Cicero Smith Lumber Company. Advertisement. 15-3c Misses Lena Sparks, Jewel Shaw and Lolene Coffey spent Sunday in the C. A. Gatlin home at Skillet. J. F. Watkins, Erey Cubine, Misses Floycie Jordan and Mollie Bird Richey were Alanreed visitors Sunday. Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Montgomery were Shamrock visitors Sunday.

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your own safety and are willing to run the risk of the destruction of your own property by fire, you have no right to endanger the lives and property of your neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Patty went to Goodnight last Thursday to visit their daughter.

R. N. Ashby has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

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**SENIOR CLASS BAPTIST  
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By Class Reporter.  
The senior class of the First Baptist Sunday school is now working under the requirements of an organized class.  
The class name is "Bible Gleaners" and the following officers were elected to direct the activities of the class work:  
President—Mrs. Vigna Stuckey.  
1st vice president—LeRoy Landers.  
2nd vice president—Miss Ila Abbott.  
3rd vice president—Miss Sammie Roach.  
Secretary—Arlie Grigsby.  
Reporter—Miss Bobbie Hodges.  
Treasurer—Miss Gladys Holloway.  
Teacher—Miss Lillian Abbott.

**COTTON GROWERS TO MEET**

To all members of the Farm Bureau Cotton Association: You are requested to meet at R. O. Lunkle's office at McLean on Saturday, April 26, at 2 p. m. to organize a local cotton association.  
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**YOUR HOME TOWN**

There are men in almost every town—good men at heart—who want to see their town go forward, but who seldom, by any word or act, do anything to help it go forward. Too many men of this type will kill a town so dead that grass will grow in its main streets and it will be a subject for ridicule by all progressive towns surrounding it.

On the other hand, there are men who work hard to push to the front their home town—who do so at much personal and financial sacrifice. Men of this type are worth millions to their town, but they should be encouraged by all the other good citizens. A few live men finally get tired of shouldering all the work and responsibilities incident to a town's growth and progress. And, in course of time, if some of the other good citizens do not share a part of the work and responsibility, the few live men, sooner or later, quit altogether. This marks a fatal step backward for any town and is generally the beginning of the end of that town's forward march.

Therefore, it is so essential and so necessary that all good citizens work together for their home town's welfare and betterment. When this is the rule there is a better feeling all around, a consciousness that each every man is trying to do his duty. You can't keep a town down when all the citizens are working in concert to put it over the top. Good team work will always win, even under the most adverse circumstances.

You do not have to possess the qualities of a leader to be of value to your home town, nor is it necessary that you have a fine education or lots of money. Just be a willing worker, and keep up a fighting spirit and an unflinching optimism.

We know a certain little town in Texas that had no natural advantages in the way of railroads or industries; in fact, for a long time it had just one railroad, but it did have a live citizenship, and one day out of this live citizenship there sprang a real leader. He rallied the other citizens, and they stood solidly behind him, until now this once little town is "little" no longer. Its population years ago passed the 10,000 mark; it has paved and graded streets, electric lights, trolley lines, a splendid water system, good roads and bridges leading to it from all directions, up-to-date stores, modern churches and schools, creditable hotels and municipal buildings.

But it took days and nights of hard thinking and hard work to do all which brought this little town out of the darkness and into the light of civic beauty and commercial prosperity. However, "it can be done"—for your town as well—that was done by the public-spirited citizens of the once little town. The SPIRIT is what makes towns, more so than advantageous locations or riches. Just get this spirit at work among a few courageous men and your home town will be your home pride, will be the center of all your hopes, ambitions and happiness.—Texas Magazine.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Peters were Shamrock visitors last Thursday.

**MUSICIANS AND TOBACCO**

The reports of investigations made by public school teachers among students have indicated that the advantage is overwhelmingly in favor of the non-smoker. He stands higher in his class, is more energetic, has better memory, better reasoning powers, is braver, more obedient, more truthful, more attractive, less irritable, and, in fact, is in every way a superior individual. University statistics also show a great superiority of the non-smoker. At Columbia University, New York, one hundred per cent more smokers failed than non-smokers. Indeed, in schools and in high schools, as well as universities, the cold facts show that the student who has maintained a good average when a non-smoker has gone down steadily and infallibly when he has become a smoker.

The result of all the laboratory tests, conducted with scientific apparatus with mature persons, show that, taking a large number of individuals (mature), tobacco will slow down and disturb the intellectual processes in a majority of them. More particularly, for the musicians—the pianist and violinist—whose executive ability at the instrument is of greatest importance in rapidity of tapping, muscular fatigue, steadiness of motor control, memory span and facility in learning—tobacco shows detrimental effects, reducing the efficiency of the individual from 35 to 42.12%. Therefore, it is obvious that for the musician and music student, smoking is a hindrance to progress.—The Etude.

**DAIRY COWS WILL PAY  
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Because the fattening animal, particularly the best steer, does better in the open, even taking the cold, wind and rain, than closely confined with others in a warm stable, is no reason why the dairy cow should be treated in that way. In fact, because the fattening beef steer does better in the open than when closely sheltered and confined, it does not follow that it, too, may not do better with a dry place to rest, and with freedom from mud, wind and rain.

The case of the dairy cow is different, however. The feed she eats is largely used for making milk and not for a covering of fat over her bones that will keep her warm. The dairy cow will do best for the man who gives her a good, clean, dry, comfortable place to rest. She too, likes the fresh, pure air and may not particularly require protection from mud and dampness and from wind and rain. She needs and will pay for kind treatment, and to produce milk she of course must have suitable food and enough of it, for milk is produced from nothing else. It is a profitable business to trade comfortable quarters, protection from hardships of all sorts, good, kind care and feed, for milk, or it is not profitable to keep dairy cows at all.—Tait, Butler in The Progressive Farmer.

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J. A. Sparks, W. T. Wilson, M. D. Bentley and J. E. Kirby were Amarillo visitors Saturday.

Miss Lois Clement spent the week end with relatives at Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rice and Misses Verna Rice and Fern Upham were Alanreed visitors Sunday.

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Rev. S. R. Jones and family of Holhis, Okla., visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Dan Cates of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

S. L. Ball of Alanreed was a visitor in our city Sunday.

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