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School Bonds Win by Good Majority Prizes Awarded in Better Yards and Garden Contest

CONTEST PRIZES ARE AWARDED

Judges Complete Work Awarding Prizes Tuesday

A Landers won first prize of \$25, A. Tempke second prize of \$15, Mrs. A. A. Christian third prize of \$10, in the Better Yards and Gardens contest staged by the Lions Club, according to a report of the judges, Sec. E. L. Sitter, Tuesday.

F. Gray, Sam Hodges and Jesse Cobb were the judges appointed by the Lions Club, and 14 citizens ended the contest. The 14 yards and gardens were visited by the judges Tuesday morning and judged from the cards in which the yard was graded from a possible 50 points in the garden 50 points, divided in each case: appearance 20 points, systematic planting 20 points, growth 10 points.

The judges praise results of the contest, not only among those who entered, but many other yards and gardens show increased efforts of owners over former years.

It is thought that the contest idea will be made an annual affair, beginning at an early date next spring, and inducing as large a number as possible to enter the contest.

The garden slogan "You win if you enter" is in evidence at every home where the yard and garden has had attention this season.

WHEELER ENCAMPMENT TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

The annual encampment of the Wheeler county home demonstration was held Tuesday and Wednesday of this week at Kelly ranch. Over one hundred were in attendance, and an enjoyable time is reported. The encampment was held under the supervision of Miss Viola Jones, county agent.

A feature of the entertainment was a birthday offering for Mrs. T. O. Smith, from the Leila club.

Among those who were in attendance were the following: McLean, S. S. W. Rice, Mrs. John B. Vanoy, H. Reald, Mrs. Haskell Smith, Mrs. J. R. Elliott, Miss Ruth Elliott, Mrs. Ethel La Fener, Mrs. W. H. Hedger, Mrs. Nida Green, Mrs. Winifred Pearl Elliott, Mrs. Bill Bailey, Mrs. Frank Bailey, Mrs. L. McCombs, Mrs. E. H. Kramer, Miss Smith; Mrs. Madell, Mrs. J. G. Davidson, Miss Davidson. Representatives were present from the following clubs: Leila, Leila, Home Craft, Zybach, Address, Going Forward, Good Cheer, Wheeler, and Amarillo.

CALLAHAN BUILDING IMPROVING FRONT

Workmen are installing a new modern front in the Callahan building at door to the News office. It is understood that a dry goods store has leased the building, and the improved plate glass windows are being installed for their benefit.

A PICNIC SUPPER

A surprise picnic supper was given Wednesday evening on the creek in honor of Mrs. Curg Williams' birthday.

Those in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Koons, Mr. and Mrs. Buckler, Mr. and Mrs. Curg Williams, Mrs. Faye Montgomery, Miss Dorothy Cantrell, Miss Ruth Irving of Oklahoma City, Ercy Cubine, B. F. Bulls and C. P. Cunningham.

All report a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. B. S. Jordan visited in Perry this week. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan of

Rev. A. J. Jones Is Speaker at Lions Luncheon

Rev. A. J. Jones was presented as a visitor at the Lions luncheon Monday by Lion Tamer Witt Springer, and made an appreciated speech. Rev. Jones proved himself a master of after-dinner stories and said that the greatest thing of the present age is the opportunity for fellowship. "People are more sociable than at any time in the world's history," said Rev. Jones, insisting that the more we know about people the less chance for misunderstanding.

Rev. Jones was a guest of Rev. B. W. Wilkins, who was to furnish the entertainment for the day. Entertainment consisted of a piano and saxophone duet by Mrs. Willie Boyett and Prof. Robt. C. Davidson, which was encored, and the club gave a rising vote of thanks for the music.

T. W. Gilstrap was presented for membership, having been favorably passed upon by the committee, the vote showing unanimous reception. Sam Hodges spoke in favor of the school bond issue, stating that should the issue fail of passage, the school term might be cut short several months next year.

Rev. W. Hickman resigned his membership in the club, after a talk of appreciation for the courtesies extended him.

The better yards and gardens contest was mentioned, and T. A. Landers offered, in behalf of The McLean News, free printed score pads for the judges' use, which was accepted.

A rising vote of thanks was given the Presbyterian ladies for the lunch served.

The tail twister collected several fines, and M. D. Bentley and Sherman White wore dunce caps for arriving late.

Those present were: C. S. Doolen, Witt Springer, W. Hickman, E. L. Sitter, Sherman White, Jesse J. Cobb, T. J. Coffey, M. D. Bentley, A. A. Tempke, B. F. Gray, Robt. C. Davidson, Sam Hodges, Reep Landers, Dr. Coleman, W. A. Erwin, T. A. Landers, Arthur Erwin, B. W. Wilkins, A. J. Jones, Mrs. Willie Boyett and Miss Ruby Cook.

BAND CONCERT PROGRAM THURSDAY EVENING

A full program has been arranged for the weekly band concert in the city park this (Thursday) evening.

Director Robt. C. Davidson announces that the following numbers will be presented in the order named:

- March—Stars and Stripes Forever.
- Overture—Masterbilt.
- Fox trot—Dream House.
- Trombone smear—Lassus Trombone.
- March—National Emblem.
- Overture—Elves.
- March—Viking.
- Serenade—Night in June.
- March—Salutation.

THIRD QUARTERLY CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH

Rev. W. M. Murrell, presiding elder of the Clarendon district, will preach at the Methodist church Sunday night and conduct the business session of the third quarter, following the preaching service.

Everyone who can is invited to come.

THE FAIR STORE BEING ENLARGED

The building occupied by the Fair Store is being extended to the alley line, the walls being in place and workmen finishing the interior.

The extra room being added will enable the store to carry a larger stock and make better displays than formerly.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. McAlester and daughter, Norma Lois, visited in Texola, Okla., Sunday.

W. P. Dial of Memphis was in McLean Sunday.



Rev. S. R. Jones and family of Hooker, Okla., former residents of McLean, who will be here Sunday.

Rev. Jones will preach at the Nazarene church, of which he is a former pastor, Sunday evening.

Stock Judging Contest to Be at Sitter Ranch

The Collingsworth county club boys, under the direction of County Agent C. C. Stinson, will hold their annual stock judging contest at the Bar LO ranch, owned by Geo. W. Sitter, Friday of this week.

Mr. Sitter will furnish a barbecued beef for the lunch, as he did two years ago when the contest was held at this ranch.

The purpose of the contest is to select the three highest ranking boys for free trips to the A. & M. Short Course to be held at College Station July 29 to August 3.

Arrangements have been made for the entertainment of visitors, and anyone interested is welcome to attend the contest at any time during the day.

Jake Hess is active manager of the ranch, and there are many fine pedigreed animals for the boys to judge this year.

STATE AMENDMENTS LOSE AT McLEAN

The state amendments lost in McLean, showing 53 votes against the supreme judges to 47 for; 62 against the increase in governor's salary to 39 for.

Very little interest was taken in the election here, whatever interest was shown was given to the school bond election held the same day.

Early returns indicate both amendments carried over the state. Following is the vote in Gray county by precincts:

	Salary raise		
	For	Against	
Lefors	7	0	
Pampa	71	15	
Knorrp	2	7	
Alanreed	11	10	
McLean	47	53	
Laketon	3	12	
Farrington	0	5	
Hopkins	not available		
Kingsmill	5	2	
TOTALS	146	104	
	For	Against	
Lefors	6	1	
Pampa	64	22	
Knorrp	3	6	
Alanreed	10	11	
McLean	39	62	
Laketon	4	11	
Farrington	2	3	
Hopkins	not available		
Kingsmill	5	2	
TOTALS	127	118	

Mrs. John Grogan and son, Reed, returned Friday from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Grogan at Wichita, Kans.

Miss Ruth Irving of Oklahoma City is visiting Miss Dorothy Cantrell this week.

Charlie Mars went to Pampa Friday.

New Secretary C. of C. Will Be Discussed Monday

A meeting of the Chamber of Commerce has been called for Monday night of next week by President E. J. Lander, to discuss the advisability of employing a full time secretary.

A number of applications are on file, and it is possible that several applicants will be present for the meeting Monday night.

Everyone interested in the proposition is expected to be present and voice his opinion in the matter.

The question of employing a full time man has been in the minds of the directors of the chamber of commerce for some time, and it is hoped to get the sentiment of the town at Monday's meeting.

F. P. REID HONORED BY PAMPA FRIENDS

F. P. Reid, good roads booster and former mayor of Pampa, was presented with a new Ford car by friends in that city last week.

The car was bought and registered in Mr. Reid's name, parked down town, and then the donors signed a complaint for parking too long on that street and had the chief of police arrest "Uncle Pete" for the "offense."

Mr. Reid expressed appreciation of the gift and stated that he would wear it out working for good roads.

BENEFIT HORSE RACE NEXT WEDNESDAY

A horse race will be held on the new highway west of town next Wednesday at 4 p. m., proceeds to go to the park playground fund.

Three races have recently been held by the same horses: Dan, a brown horse; and Daylight, a sorrel; proceeds of one of the races going to the crippled children's fund.

Admission to the race Wednesday will be 25c, and the horses will run 440 yards.

"M" SYSTEM GROCERY BUILDING EXTENDED

The store building of the "M" System Grocery is being extended in the rear to the alley line, which will enlarge the stock room of the store to a considerable extent.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jordan and the daughter, Elizabeth Ann, of Amarillo visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jordan, Sunday.

Mrs. Witt Springer returned Tuesday from a visit with relatives in Matador.

Miss Carmen Ulm of Amarillo was a McLean visitor Wednesday.

John Carpenter and family are visiting in Austin.

H. W. Grizzard Found Dead in Pasture Sunday

H. W. Grizzard, aged 60, father of Mrs. E. L. Day of near Alanreed, was found dead in the W. T. Hudgins pasture Sunday afternoon by Dove and Wayne Kite, who live on an adjoining farm.

The deceased had been missing since the previous Tuesday morning, when he left the Day home supposedly to visit a neighbor, and when he failed to return Tuesday night, search was made, but without result until Sunday afternoon when the Kite children saw the body, while horseback riding.

Judge C. S. Rice of McLean was called to hold an inquest, and the verdict was death from natural causes. It is thought that death had occurred not over 48 hours before the body was found.

The Kite children reported seeing a man walking in the direction the body was found Wednesday, but it is not known if it was the same man.

Interment was made in Alanreed cemetery Sunday evening.

McLEAN BASEBALL TEAM WINS FROM WHEELER

The McLean baseball team scored another victory on the local diamond last Sunday when they trimmed the fast Wheeler nine to the tune of 4 to 2.

Next Sunday at 3:30 they will play the nine from White Deer.

Following is the box score for last Sunday's game:

McLean	AB	H	PO	A	E
Cooke 3b	4	1	4	6	1
Bidwell rf	2	0	0	0	0
Ozler lf	3	1	3	0	0
Bird c	2	0	6	1	0
Duncan cf	2	0	2	0	0
Davis ss	3	1	1	2	1
Smith 2b	3	0	2	2	0
Bogan 1b	3	0	9	0	2
Parker p	2	0	0	7	1
TOTAL	24	3	27	18	5

Wheeler	AB	H	PO	A	E
Green lf	3	2	2	0	1
Britt cf	3	1	1	0	0
Cooke 1b	2	0	12	0	2
Burgess 3b	3	0	0	1	3
Craig 2b	4	1	3	4	0
Bolton ss	2	0	0	3	0
Hyatt rf	2	0	1	0	1
Womack c	3	0	5	0	0
Stagg p	3	0	0	5	1
TOTAL	25	4	24	13	8

Score by innings:

	RHE
Wheeler	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2-2 4 8
McLean	1 0 0 0 3 0 0 x-4 3 5

Earned runs—McLean 2, Wheeler 0. Runs—Green, Britt, Cooke, Bidwell 2, Parker. Runs batted in—Britt, Craig, Ozler 2, Bidwell, Cooke. Two-base hits—Britt, Cooke. Sacrifices—Cooke 2. Base on fielders choice—Bird. Hit by pitcher—Parker by Stagg. Stolen bases—Green 2, Bolton, Davis. Base on balls—off Parker 1. Struck out—by Stagg 4, by Parker 6. Left on bases—Wheeler 5, McLean 2. Double plays—Craig unassisted, Smith to Davis to Bogan.

PAMPA CALLS BOND ELECTION

A \$238,000 bond election has been called for the city of Pampa. \$100,000 will be spent for a city hall and jail, \$33,000 for a fire station and equipment, \$85,000 for paving streets and alleys, \$20,000 for improvement of public parks and playgrounds.

A tax levy of 30c is estimated to take care of the issue, which would make the total tax levy for the city \$1.63 on each \$100 valuation. The election will be held August 20th.

Miss Ruby Cook attended the summer meeting of the Pampa Pen-Women at Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Weatherford, Okla., and the Curg Williams family

SCHOOL BONDS CARRY

Small Vote Polled in School Bond Election

The proposed school bond issue of \$20,000 won in the election last Tuesday with a vote of 106 to 56.

The same proposition was defeated May 15, with a vote of 103 to 79. Both elections attracted only a small number of the voters in the district.

The election call was made to conform with the law in such cases and in which the construction, repairing and equipping of a school building was mentioned; however, a statement in last week's issue of The News by President Howard of the board of trustees outlined the needs of the district, stating that the bulk of the money would be used to pay indebtedness incurred when the present high school was erected, making the present bond issue an addition to the issue voted for the high school building, and does not increase the indebtedness of the district, but will save in interest charges.

It is understood that this issue will put the school board in position to have a full term of school next year.

The election was held at the high school building, with M. D. Bentley presiding officer, assisted by J. E. Bentley and L. Siglar.

ELDRIDGE COMMUNITY TO BUILD BRICK SCHOOL

A contract was let Saturday for a new brick school building in the Eldridge community to cost \$4530.

The new building will be completed by September first and will contain two rooms. Elmer S. James of McLean was the successful bidder.

SHERIFF GIVEN \$200 MONTH FOR DEPUTIES

The commissioners court last week voted to set aside \$200 per month to be turned over to Sheriff E. S. Graves to pay his deputies.

For the past six months deputy sheriffs in Gray county have received nothing but a percentage of the fees collected from fines.

ENGINEER OPENS OFFICE RICE-COUSING BUILDING

W. C. Bushfield, highway engineer who will have charge of road construction in Gray county, and reported last week to have opened an office at Pampa, has opened an office at McLean upstairs in the Rice-Cousing building.

BLAKE DRY GOODS SALE OPEN

Friday morning is the day of Blake Dry Goods Sale, announced in this paper.

The News paper and a large list.

An Adventure of the Scarlet Pimpernel

By The Baroness Orczy

THE STORY

CHAPTER I.—The Scarlet Pimpernel, known during the French revolution as the most intrepid adventurer in Europe, is an Englishman. His identity is unknown, but in England he is hailed as a hero. In France he is feared and hated by the terrorists as a spy, as he has rescued many unfortunates from the guillotine and brought them safely into England. His recent rescue of the Tournon-d'Ageneys makes him the toast of the hour and he is the topic of conversation at a party given by Sir Percy Blakeney, popular London dandy (who is the Scarlet Pimpernel) and his beautiful wife, Marguerite. Lady Alicia Nuxket coaxes Sir Andrew Ffoulkes to tell of the latest adventure of the Scarlet Pimpernel.

CHAPTER II.—The failure of Lauzet, one of the French terrorists, chief of the section in which the Scarlet Pimpernel has recently been operating, to prevent the escape of the Tournon-d'Ageneys brings the condemnation of the government upon him, and he plans with Armand Chauvelin, the bitterest enemy of the Scarlet Pimpernel, to lay a trap for the English spy. Chauvelin has given up a high position to devote his entire time to the work of capturing English spies operating in France—in particular, the Scarlet Pimpernel.

CHAPTER III.—Lauzet causes the arrest of the Deszeze family, father, mother, and little daughter, on a charge of treason, and has it noised about the small city of Moisson, home of the Deszeze family, that the prisoners are being taken to Paris under a feeble escort. In reality six picked men, armed to the teeth, are to be concealed in the coach with the prisoners. Lauzet and Chauvelin hope to lure the Scarlet Pimpernel into an attack on the coach and capture him. The vehicle is driven by Charles-Marie, a half-wit, who is known to have no fight in him.

CHAPTER IV.—The coach leaves Moisson in a downpour of rain. That morning the small city is crowded with farmers and drovers bringing their cattle to market. Chauvelin and Lauzet make their final dispositions for the capture of the bold Englishman and his band. Captain Haffet is in charge of the party. He expects the attack to be made in a forest through which the coach has to journey, and makes his preparations accordingly.

CHAPTER V Dissension

It was not everybody at Moisson who sympathized with the Deszeze family when they were arrested. There were all the envious, the dissatisfied, the ambitious, as well as the rag-tag and bobtail of the district, who had linked their fortunes with the revolutionary government and who looked for their own advancement by loudly proclaiming their loyalty to its decrees. For such as these the Deszeze family, with their well-known integrity, their wealth, and unostentatious piety, were just a set of aristos that the principles of the glorious revolution condemned as traitors to the state and to the people.

And on market day Moisson was always full of people; they were noisy and they were aggressive, and while the sympathizers with the Deszeze family, after they had waved a last farewell toward the fast-disappearing diligence, went quietly about their business or returned silently to their homes, the others thought this a good opportunity for airing some of those sentiments which would be reported in influential quarters if any government spy happened to be within earshot.

In spite of the persistent bad weather, when congregated in and about the market place during the intervals of rest and justly discussed the chief

event of the day. There was much talk of Citizen Lauzet, whom every one had known as a young out-at-elbows ragamuffin in the employ of Hector Deszeze, and who now had power of life and death over the very man who had been his master.

Be it noted that Lauzet appeared to have few friends amongst the crowd of drovers and shepherds and the farmers who came in with their produce from their outlying homesteads. With advancement in life had come arrogance in the man and a perpetual desire to assert his authority over those with whom he had fraternized in the past. Those, however, who had their homes in the immediate neighborhood of Mantes dared not say much. For Lauzet was feared almost as much as he was detested; but the strangers who had come into Moisson with their cattle and their produce were free enough with their tongue. Rumor had gone far afield about this arrest of the Deszeze family, and many there were who asserted that mysterious undercurrents were at work in this affair, undercurrents that would draw Citizen Lauzet up on the crest of a tidal wave to the giddy heights of incredible fortune.

Nay, more! There were many who positively asserted that in some unexplainable way the whole of the Deszeze affair was connected with the capture of the English spy who was known throughout France as the Scarlet Pimpernel. This spy had been at work in the district for some time; every one knew that it was he who had dragged those ci-devant traitors and aristos, the Tournon-d'Ageneys, out of Citizen Lauzet's clutches, and Citizen Lauzet was now having his revenge. He would capture the Scarlet Pimpernel, catch him in the act of trying to effect the escape of the Deszeze family, and thus earn the reward of ten thousand livres offered to any man who would lay that enemy of France by the heels.

Lucky Lauzet! Thus to have the means of earning a sum of money sufficient to keep a man and his family in affluence for the rest of their lives. And besides the money there would be the glory, too! Who could

gauge the heights to which a man might rise if he brought about the capture of the Scarlet Pimpernel? Well, Lauzet would do it! Lucky Lauzet! He would certainly do it, asserted some; those sort of men always have all the luck! There were even those who asserted that the Scarlet Pimpernel was already captured and that Lauzet had got him. Lucky, lucky Lauzet!

"You don't suppose," one man declared, "that anything would be known of the affair unless it was already accomplished? Lauzet is not one to talk till after a thing is done. No! No! Believe me, my friends, Lauzet has already got his ten thousand livres in his pocket!"

He was a wizened little old man from over Lanoy way, and now he dolefully shook his head.

"And to think," he went on, "that I might have laid that English spy by the heels myself, if I had had a bit of luck like Lauzet."

A shout of derision greeted this astounding assertion.

"You, papa Sargon?" one of the crowd ejaculated with a loud laugh, "you, laying the English spy by the heels? That is the best joke I've heard for many a day. Will you tell us how that came about?"

And papa Sargon told the tale how he and his wife had a visit from a squad of soldiers who told him that they were after a band of English spies who were known to be in that district. The soldiers asked for a night's shelter, as they were weary after a long day's ride. Papa Sargon had made them comfortable in the big barn behind the cottage; but the next morning, when he went to see how they had fared in the night, he found the barn empty and the soldiers gone. And papa Sargon remained convinced in his own mind that for the better part of a night he had harbored the most bitter enemies of his country, and if he had only guessed who those supposed soldiers were, he might have informed the local commissary of police, and earned ten thousand livres for his effort.

Now, this story would not perhaps have been altogether convincing to unprejudiced ears, but such as it was, and with everything that had occurred in Moisson these last few days, it aroused considerable excitement. It went to prove that the Scarlet Pimpernel was not nearly so mysterious or so elusive as rumor credited him to be since he almost felt a victim to papa and mamma Sargon. It also went to prove to the satisfaction of the company present that Citizen Lauzet was sharper than papa Sargon and having come across the Scarlet Pimpernel through some lucky accident, he had laid hands on him and was even now conveying him to Paris, where a grateful government would hand him over the promised reward of ten thousand livres.

This action, which gradually filtered into the minds of the company, did not tend to make Citizen Lauzet any more popular; and when presently most of that same company adjourned to Laury's for refreshment, there were some among the younger men who wanted to know why they should not have their share in those ten thousand livres. The Scarlet Pimpernel, they argued with more enthusiasm than logic, had been captured in their district. The Deszeze family who were citizens of Moisson; why should they, citizens of Moisson, be a part of the reward?

Wild and illogical, and it was even impossible for any sensible man to see how the man who was the

prime mover in the ensuing resolution which, by the way, was carried unanimously, that a deputation should set out forthwith for Mantes to interview Citizen Lauzet and demand in the name of justice, and for the benefit of Moisson, some share in the money prize granted by the government for the capture of the Scarlet Pimpernel. Subsequently, both papa Sargon and a drover from Alincourt were held to be chiefly to blame, but as papa Sargon properly remarked, neither he nor the stranger from Alincourt stood to gain anything by the wild goose chase, so why should they have instigated it?

Be that as it may, soon after mid day meal, half a score of young stalwarts climbed into the cart of the drover from Alincourt, and the party, full of enthusiasm and of Leon's excellent red wine, set out for Mantes. They had provided themselves with a miscellaneous collection of arms; those who possessed guns brought them along, then they borrowed a couple of pistols from Leon and two more from old Mitau, who had been a soldier in his day. Some of them had sabers, others took sickles or scythes which might be useful; one man had a saw, another took a wood chopper. All these things would be useful should there be a fight over this affair, and most of them hoped that there would be a fight.

The first disappointment came on arrival in Mantes. Here at the commissariat they were informed that Citizen Lauzet had been gone these last two hours. He had ridden away in the company of his friend who had come from Paris some two days previously. The general idea prevalent at the commissariat was that the two men had ridden away in the direction of Paris.

The second disappointment, a corollary of the first, was that the diligence with prisoners and escort had started on its way less than half an hour ago. It seemed in truth as if the plot thickened. Lauzet and his friend from Paris gone, the diligence gone! No one paused for a moment to reflect how this could possibly mean anything in the nature of a plot, but by this time spirits were inflamed. Unaccountably inflamed. Every one was so poor these days; money was

so terribly hard to earn; work was so grinding, remuneration so small, that now that the idea of the capture of the English spy with its attendant reward had seized hold of the imagination of these young bohemians, they clung to it tenaciously, grimly, certain that if they acted quickly and wisely, and if no one else got in the way, they would succeed in gaining the golden prize. A competent judge might say that it was a mad scheme, but here was Lauzet interfering! Snatching the prize for himself! Lauzet, who already drew a large salary from the state for very little work!

All this had been talked over, sworn over, discussed, commented at great length all the way between Moisson and Mantes, in the rickety cart driven by the drover from Alincourt. He was a wise man, that driver. His advice was both sound and bold. "Why," he asked, pertinently, "should a man like Citizen Lauzet get everything he wants? I say it is because he has a friend over in Paris who comes along and helps him. Because he has money and influence. What? Was there ever anything seen quite so unjust? Where is the English spy, my friends? I ask you. He is in this district. Our district. And what I say is that what's in our district belongs to us. Remember, there's ten thousand livres waiting for every man who takes a hand in the capture of the Scarlet Pimpernel. Ten thousand livres! And Citizen Lauzet, with that stranger from Paris, is even at this hour riding away with it in his pocket!"

He spoke a great many more equally eloquent words, for he had the gift of speech, had this drover from Alincourt. A rough fellow, it is true, but one with his heart in the right place, and born in his own mind that for anyone could tell that by the contemptuous way with which he spoke of any stranger born outside this corner of Seine et Oise.

He was listened to with great attention, was the driver. And his words presently carried all the more weight because something very strange came to light. It appeared that the diligence from Moisson with prisoners and escort had made a halt of several hours in Mantes. The party only made a fresh start in the late afternoon. That was strange enough, in all conscience! What did it mean but that Lauzet was counting on darkness for his schemes? But there was something more mysterious still. While the diligence stood before the posting inn ready to start, horses pawing and champing, the driver on his box, whip in hand, the four troopers who were to guard to right and left of the vehicle would not allow anyone to come within measurable distance of it. Be it noted that all the blinds of the coach were drawn so that it was impossible to get a peep at the inside. But two young men, strangers to the neighborhood, who had since come forward, eager to tell their story, more venturesome than others, had crept under the horses' bellies and tried to peer into the interior of the coach. They were almost immediately driven away with blows and curses by the troopers, but not before they had vaguely perceived that there were more than just the prisoners inside the diligence.

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Groceries are cheaper at Buckett's Cash Store. Advertisement etc

The best drinks and most suitable service at our curb. Montgomery Drug Co. Advertisement etc

BUSINESS IS GOOD

First Manufacturer—"How's business?"

Second Manufacturer—"Getting better. One of our men sent in a ten thousand dollar order last week."

First Manufacturer—"You've got to prove it to me."

Second Manufacturer—"All right, come around to the office and I'll show you the cancellation."

Agitated Wife—"I'm positive that was a human being we ran over."

Motorist (in thick fog)—Good! Then we're still on the road all right."

B. F. Gray orders The News sent to his son, Max, at Dumas.

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Attorney-at-Law
McLean, Texas

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MONUMENTS

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Ambulance Service Anywhere
at Any Time

Phones 13 and 42

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We have several phonographs that we have taken in exchange that are in good condition and are nice pieces of furniture, that we will sell at bargain prices. Here are some of them:

\$150 Edison, will play all makes of records. A good one for only \$50.00

\$150 Columbia in antique oak cabinet. A bargain for \$45.00

\$165 Brunswick, console model. A real buy at \$65.00

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Three Girls of a Kind

By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

For several years Marcia Glen, Cora Bassett and Jerry St. Clair had taught adjoining rooms in the Webster grammar school and were popularly supposed to possess similar tastes along all lines.

Only in one respect did they differ, and that was on the subject of the most desirable spot in which to pass the annual summer vacation.

Had you eavesdropped from Mrs. Bates' living room one June evening as the three chatted on the porch you would have heard them expressing their opinions thereupon along with Mrs. Bates' other boarders, from the Trumbull twins to Lacy Haskell, eccentric bachelor.

Marcia delivered herself definitely. "My hey fever will not stand any place but Bretton Woods."

"It's futile to urge me," interrupted Cora briskly. "The surf, the crowds, the boardwalk—Ocean Grove for mine!"

Jerry, the youngest of the trio, sauntering a trinity shod foot from the couch bannock. "I," she told them, "am trying a new place. Oh, another Adirondack lake, of course, couldn't miss the canoeing, August bass, etc. Finger Lake Inn—that will be my address."

This matter disposed of, the three turned to other subjects. One thing leading to another, the imminent wedding of a mutual acquaintance was arrived at.

"What she can see in him worth the loss of her freedom and good times, beats me!" declared the decisive Jerry.

"Our married friends are not a stimulant to imitation. I wouldn't marry the best man living!" laughed Marcia comfortably.

"Nor I!" said Cora.

"Nor I!" said Jerry, explosively.

In the living room the audience, forgotten by the three outside, listened shamelessly. The twins giggled. Lacy Haskell puffed thoughtfully at his cigar. And he took out a little notebook and made three entries: Bretton Woods; Ocean Grove; Finger Lake Inn.

The morning following Marcia's arrival in the White mountains she ran into Lacy Haskell.

He explained his presence vaguely, but straightway dated up Marcia for tennis that afternoon, and from that moment proceeded to make such inroads upon her time that she lay awake nights wondering. Particularly as he had let her know almost deliberately that he never intended wed.

Marcia was plighted, interested, he gulped. She evaded him, endured him, and, it must be confessed, at length pursued him. When in the course of casual conversation she hinted that marriage would be the making of him, Lacy fled precipitately to the evening train.

Three days later he was giving the boardwalk procession at Ocean Grove a critical survey. By his side Miss Cora Bassett beamed and glowed. True, Lacy had just been telling her of his pet aversion to marriage and the female sex in general. Yet wasn't he full of plans for the next few days which included her? Who could tell what might fall out? Cora all but clung to his arm, sent him oblique, coquetish glances.

That very evening another cross went into Lacy's little booklet and he nodded with satisfaction. And as soon as he had fulfilled his obligations with Cora he checked out and headed north. His baggage was labeled for Finger Lake Inn.

Somewhat or other, when Lacy from the stern of a canoe looked at the slim, knicker-clad Jerry his puttee about confirmed bachelorhood and distrust of her sex sounded rather insane. In the days that followed he found himself involved in a strange predicament. Jerry did not respond as the other two had to his attentions and the cooler she grew the more he wished she wouldn't. Soon he had forgotten that he was making a personaly conducted experiment to prove that the woman didn't exist who would refuse any man's attentions.

He wanted Jerry for his wife and wanted her very much. One afternoon—and he noticed it shortly after the arrival of the mail—Jerry was so very uppish to him that his hopes fell thuddingly and he decided to know the worst.

Listlessly he put the age-old question, sadly sure of the answer.

Followed a silence—then bitter speech from the girl. "Are you playing with me as you did with Marcia and, as I heard this morning, with Cora as well? They both write how only the most desperate measures would ward off a proposal."

Whatever were Lacy's inmost thoughts, he kept them to himself and rose like a hero to the occasion. There was but one road to take, that of confession, and he traveled it gallantly from beginning to end. Twilight was dimming the lake when Jerry saw fit to forgive him, and they were started on their homeward way when Lacy, lifted to the seventh heaven, grinned teasingly.

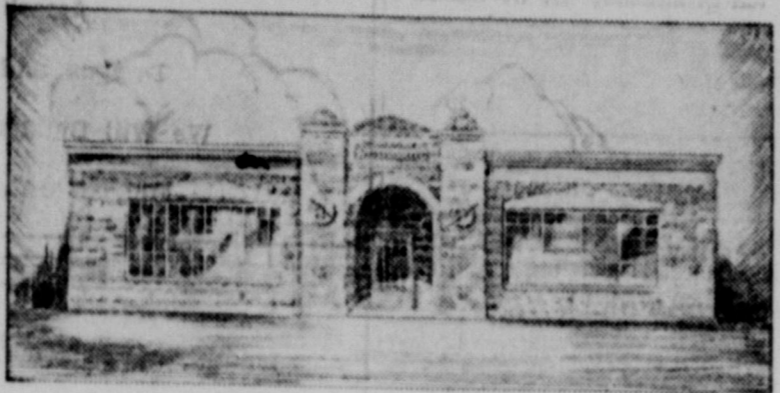
"Perhaps my experiments did fall with the other two—he did not let Jerry share his mental reservations in the matter—but how about—"

"The third?" asked Jerry coolly, "meaning me? Oh, I merely said I wouldn't marry the best man living. And what could Lacy say?"

FAMOUS PRIZE WINNING AIRPLANE TO BE PRESERVED FOR POSTERITY



The Woolaroc airplane which flew from Oakland, California, to Honolulu in August, 1927—2,600 miles in 26 hours to win the Dole prize of \$25,000.



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The "Woolaroc" will be seen in McLean soon in response to an invitation of the Lions Club. The plane will visit McLean and other towns that have extended invitations, according to B. F. Bulls, Phillips' representative here.

News from Ramsdell

Dolph Burrows left Thursday night for Lamas to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nowlin of Denton spent the week end in the W. N. Pharis home.

Mrs. Wallace Buster of Panhandle visited in the Lewis Powell home Sunday.

Mrs. Rand Griffin of Lefors visited Mrs. E. E. Franks Saturday afternoon.

Miss Art Goven of Shamrock visited her mother, Mrs. J. T. Hawkins, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Charlie Jones of Shamrock visited her sister, Mrs. Lewis Powell, Sunday.

O. B. Harvey and family called at the W. N. Pharis home Sunday afternoon.

C. P. Hamilton Jr. returned Monday from a tour through Colorado and Kansas. His wife remained for a visit in independence, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Davidson and family, Shamrock, visited in McLean Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman White and son, Billie Grant, returned Sunday and a visit with relatives in Huckabay.

Mrs. J. E. Lynch and Mrs. J. J. Simmons were Clarendon visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ince and children of Amarillo visited the lady's mother, Mrs. A. A. Christian, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hodges and little daughter, Lorraine, were Pampa visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Wilson of Pampa visited relatives here Sunday.

W. L. Haynes of Wynoka, Okla., is visiting home folks here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lee visited in Amarillo Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Cooke was a Shamrock visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Ona Sears of Lubbock visited Mrs. L. H. McLarty Tuesday.

John Miller of Shamrock visited here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hessey of Pampa were McLean visitors Sunday.

Miss Mildred Rogers made a trip to Shamrock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Looney visited in Erick, Okla., Tuesday.

Miss Texola Harlan was in Pampa on business Thursday.

Dr. C. E. Donnell of Canyon visited friends in McLean Tuesday.

Erey Cubine spent the week end in Wichita Falls.

Lenard Howard was in Clarendon Monday.

J. R. Phillips was in Shamrock Tuesday.

Floyd Huff and family of Lockney visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Vera Laswell is visiting in Dalhart this week.

Miss Faye Bible of Amarillo spent the week end with home folks here.

The News is in receipt of a card from Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stephens and amery Crockett, in which they state they are enjoying the mountains of Colorado. However, they say they miss reading 'The News.

Rev. D. H. Bruff and family left Tuesday for Nebraska, where they will visit the gentleman's father and spend a three weeks' vacation.

J. E. Wehba and son, Jack, of Web City, Okla., visited their son and brother, Jim Wehba, and other relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood Hindman and Misses Corrie Lee and Idabel Newman returned Monday from a tour through Canada, Washington and Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wilson and son, Gordon, and Mrs. Sarah Hefner visited relatives in Abilene last week end.

Misses Ozella and Naomi Hunt of Canyon spent the week end with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Roberts visited in Vinson, Okla., Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan and Miss Lorene Sparks visited in Amarillo last Thursday.

Miss Dorothy Cantrell and Miss Ruth Irving were Amarillo visitors Wednesday.

Billie Ross and Julian Biggers of Bethany, Okla., are visiting their uncle, Sam Hodges.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harlan left Saturday for a visit in Tucumcari and Estancia, N. M.

Frank Stockton was a visitor in Wheeler Friday.

W. C. Phillips returned last Thursday from a visit in White Deer.

Mrs. Ella Cubine was in Shamrock last Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Rutledge of Heald was in McLean Saturday.

Oscar Sullivan was in Pampa Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Floyd and week.

Mackie Greer returned Friday from a visit at Tucumcari, N. M.

J. W. Hall of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clement of Amarillo visited here Sunday.

Miss Lois Harris of Lubbock was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Glen Wolfe of Lefors visited in McLean Sunday.

Mrs. M. C. Street of Alanreed was in McLean Saturday.

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C. C. Bird was in Shamrock last Thursday.

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Mrs. Alton Bodenhamer and children of Dodsonville visited her sis-Shamrock were McLean visitors Sunday. Mrs. Sam Hodges, last week, day.

Mrs. J. H. Crabtree and daughter, Miss Pauline, were in Amarillo Tuesday. M. T. Wilkerson was a visitor in Chattanooga, Okla., Wednesday.

C. S. Doolen and family left Tuesday for a visit in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Bill Bentley and son are visiting in Clarendon.

J. H. Wade made a trip to Pampa last Thursday.

Mrs. M. H. Kinard of Gracey was in town Wednesday.

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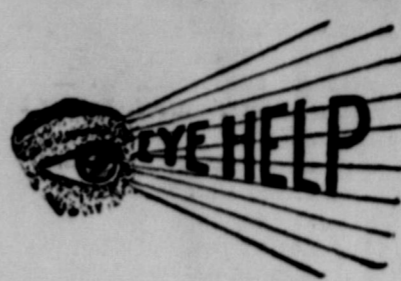
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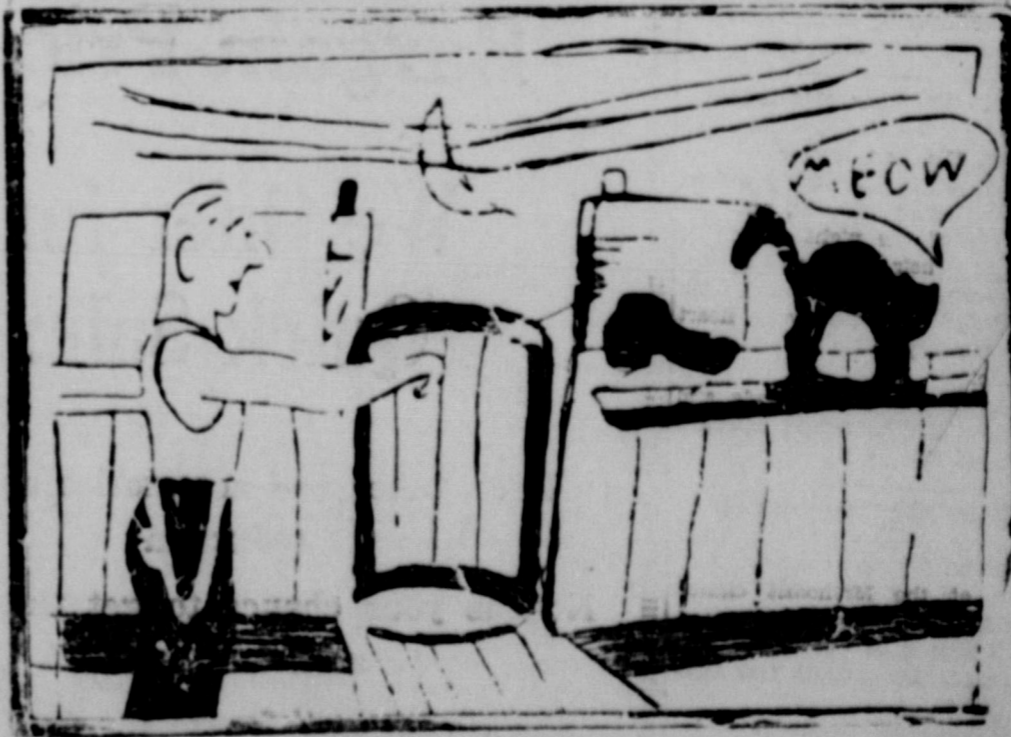


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The fellow who can get away for a vacation this hot weather certainly is not to be blamed for taking advantage of his opportunity.

And now we must pay the increased tax on gasoline and wait until next year to benefit by the reduction in car license fees. The taxpayer gets it in the neck every time.

The need of a full time chamber of commerce secretary is becoming more apparent every day. The fact that mistakes were made in the past should not deter us from taking a forward step for the future. Every business man should be vitally interested in this matter and be present Monday night to voice his opinion.

"You win if you lose," the better yards and gardens contest slogan, is easily proved by observing the improved appearance of the homes in McLean as compared with other years. Not every one who has improved yards entered the contest, but the good results of the extra effort put forth this year adds much to the attractiveness of our little city.

Two men who hold positions of trust in McLean have indicated to the editor this week that they favor publishing regular financial statements as the law directs. There can be no cause for criticism for anyone who keeps the public informed as to how the public's money is being used. Whatever it costs to have such statements published is well worth the money; however, The News is glad to take such statements at a low price in order that the people may be informed.

METHODIST W. M. S.

The W. M. S. met at the M. E. church Tuesday afternoon in Bible study. The subject was "What Next in Home Missions?"

Devotional was led by Mrs. Upham. Mrs. Cousins gave a history of the organization of the first local church in McLean.

Mrs. Wilson brought a message on the missionary adventures from the Atlantic to Pacific oceans.

Mrs. Watkins made an interesting talk on the frontier settler. Closing prayer by Mrs. Cook.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

W. Hickman, Pastor
Rev. S. R. Jones and family will be in McLean Sunday, July 21, and will have charge of the night service at our church. Their music will be uplifting as well as entertaining, and their message will bless your heart and strengthen you for the race for eternal life.

Come and bring your friends and enjoy a feast of good things. Services will begin at 8:30 p. m.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

B. W. Wilkins, Pastor
Services at the Methodist church next Sunday at the usual hours. Services were good last Sunday and well attended. Be with us next Sunday.

Miss Jewel Shaw spent the week end in Amarillo.

Mrs. Faye Montgomery spent the week end in Canadian.

Leslie Huff of Abilene spent the week end with relatives here.

Loyce Caldwell was in Amarillo last Thursday.

Percy Barnes was in Pampa Friday.

News from Liberty

Mr. and Mrs. Prescott Mathis took the lady's father, C. A. Alderson, who is ill, to Childress Saturday, where he will remain with other relatives.

Dewey Wood and family visited Sunday with his brother, Henry, and wife.

Mrs. Mollie Francis entertained the following Sunday afternoon: Mrs. Roger Francis and children of Perryton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stockton and daughter, Lula Jean; Mrs. W. R. Ault and children of McLean, Bradley Kaiser and family, W. E. James and family of Alanreed, Luther Petty and family.

Mrs. Edward Berry and son, Clifton House, visited with relatives at Pampa Sunday.

Miss Levie Nelson spent several days the past week in the home of her cousin, John Nelson, at Gracey.

Mrs. Herman Lee and baby of McLean are visiting in the Y. B. Lee home.

Edward Berry and family and Mrs. Luther Petty called on C. A. Alderson Saturday morning.

Leo Stockton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Phillips were dinner guests in the Howard Hardin home Sunday.

Miss Ione Alderson spent Monday night with her sister, Mrs. Prescott Mathis.

Luther Petty returned to Perryton Monday after spending the week end with his wife and children.

Rev. D. H. Brynoff of McLean called on C. A. Alderson last Thursday afternoon.

"Why don't you wear that beautiful underwear you got for Christmas?" "Oh, I'm saving that for a windy day"

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

Mrs. C. A. Gatlin was in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnston visited in Mangum, Okla., Sunday.

Mrs. Dwight Upham visited in Amarillo this week.

Miss Loyce Miller returned last week from a visit in Taos, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Filer of Groom were McLean visitors Sunday.

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

Temple Atkins of Shamrock was in McLean Sunday.

Lee Cason of Memphis visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Breeding of Enterprise was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Norman of Pampa visited relatives here Sunday.

J. W. Dougherty of Heald was in town Saturday.

Sam Hodges orders The News sent to his son, Gaylord, at St. Louis.

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FOR SALE—Nice windfall apples. 50c per bushel. Call me before coming. Milton Carpenter. 1c

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FOR SALE—Electric washer, electric sewing machine, 2 gas ranges, 2 dressers, kitchen cabinet, duofold, and refrigerator. Priced to sell. Nugent Kunkel. 2912p

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SHOCK TOO GREAT

Teacher—"Johnny, if your father earned forty dollars a week and gave your mother half, what would she have?"
Johnny—"Heart failure."

Little Mary (getting her first sight of a peacock)—"Look quick, Auntie, one of your chickens is in bloom."

Eugene Hodges of Clinton, Okla., is a guest in the Sam Hodges home this week.

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THE CARELESS LETTER WRITERS

(Editorial in St. Paul Pioneer Press)

The American public was 8.5% less careless or inaccurate in addressing its mail in 1928 than in 1927. Even so, the annual report of Postmaster General New shows that 23,649,044 letters went to the dead letter office in 1927.

Of course not all of these letters went astray because of carelessness or illegibility of addressing. In many cases misdirection of mail is unavoidable because addressees have moved, leaving no trace. But letters need not be condemned to hopeless wandering, ending finally in the dead letter office for that reason. If senders will only place a return address on the envelope their mail can be spared the humiliation of such an inglorious death. Indeed the Postal department attributes the improved showing of last year to its campaign to induce the public to give return addresses.

How much carelessness there does exist in the addressing of mail, however, can be appreciated from the fact that many of these dead letters contain money. Cash and currency found in dead letters amounted in 1928 to nearly \$100,000, and the nominal value of drafts, money orders and checks contained was well over five millions.

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Community how to grow businesses that has machine age. They are no longer as they were; their development depend on the prosperity of the city.

Light about the wide-ness of city planning. Agencies authorized to work for a city rarely exist. What-complished must come from the citizens. The most effective medium of the city or body.

Problems that the com-munity has to face, that of and its attendant de-velopment. The travel car has caused the bloating districts to bloating arteries must be certainly there must be agency to see that and built where there should.

course, but most com- growing with fair rap- idly. For example, whose increased 128% since gone by cities and without intelligent direc- for the most part were that age-old four-rod at proper guidance, the families will find them- selves out the same old which became inade- quate time blacksmiths be- the anvil for automo- regional planning com- munity placed under the an expert who is con- sidering the problems that go- ing growth. He cooperat- ed the several local gov- ernments to be found in any through his suggestion a good look is taken and then preparations are made.

them somewhat as a lux- ury and taxpayer, but the of planning commis- sion that through early con- sideration of problems, the not only be saved money but enabled to live in a comfortable city.

on the cross-beam at the hind end of the crib and deposits her egg on the ground below. Then she cackles a while and goes on about her business. The thought don't seem to occur to her that when an egg hits the ground after a fourteen foot drop it ain't fit even to scramble, or maybe she just don't give a dern. Anyhow I'm worried. By close watchin' and loss of considerable time from other duties I manage to save an occasional egg by ketchin' it on the drop. But I lost more than I ketch. In my young days I uster be an expert ball ketcher, but them days was long ago and I've kinder lost my teknik. I ain't much on the ketch no more. Besides I'd rather put in my time at something else. When I've got a little leisure I like to go to town and take in a movin' picture show or set in Bond Alley and discuss politics, or some- thing else divertin', educative or in- structive.

"Please advice me what to do about Rebecca. I and Maud, my wife, are deeply attached to Rebecca, and hate to eat her, but times are hard and we hate to board her for nothin'. Please answer right now."

FOOLISH SNAKE

One day last week I saw a snake crushed to jelly on Main street. Foolish snake. It takes a man with good legs and plenty of action to keep out of the way of speeding cars on our streets. Unless city and county officers get busy and put a stop to this speeding (forty to eighty miles an hour) on our main streets, somebody's child is going to be seen in the same condition as that snake.—Panhandle Herald.

The Lady in the Case—"Well, your honor, it was like this—yesterday was the anniversary of our weddin' day, an' I only asks my old man if 'e still loves me. But he took such a long time to answer that I had to land 'im one with the copper-stick to help 'im make up his mind!"

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Increased profits are the reward for ideas mixed with marketing sense. Ford knows that. The chain stores are learning it. Why is Woolworth, with "everybody beaten on price" coming out with 16 color pages in The Saturday Evening Post, and big space in other magazines? He is seeking the rewards of salesmanship.

If two strong young fellows open a printshop and work 14 hours a day for \$12 a week, they can succeed (?) without salesmanship, provided enough buyers find out how foolish they are. This may continue for five years without physical breakdown.

But if one of those young fellows had learned the finer points of typog- raphy, presswork and color, and the other had learned something about selling and advertising, the two could have gotten twice as far in half the time.

It isn't necessary to compete with the ox.—Spinal Colyums.

ACCOMMODATING

"Please send me the amount of your bill," wrote the garage man to the mechanic who was chronically slow with the cash.

"Certainly," answered the slow guy. "It is \$136.72."

Misses Pauline and Beatrice Muncie of Canyon spent the week end with friends here.

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Not very thick—is it? Yet by the thickness of the dollar bill they failed to bank, thousands of people have just missed success. The dollar bill in a bank account here is thick enough to support a man from disaster.

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BOYS' 75c and 85c OVERALLS	59c	Lot No. 2	.95	32-inch, pretty patterns	8c
CHILDREN'S 2-piece PANTIE DRESSES	89c	Work Straws at Reduced Prices		32-inch, pretty patterns	12c
MEN'S NAINSOOK UNION SUITS	53c	LADIES' SUMMER HATS	95c & 69c	All SILK DRESSES to go at two prices:	
1 lot up to \$1.00 values		HOUSE DRESSES, a limited number at	59c	Values up to \$14.50	\$8.85
				Values up to \$9.50	\$5.85

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THE STOCKINGLESS FAD

These women going without stockings surely must not know how they look. About the only way to stop it is to show them up, so I suggest to every owner of poultry to pull the feathers out of the legs of all their chickens, ducks, geese and et cetera and turn them loose on the streets. They will get the women to thinking when they see these half-naked pullets running around on the streets like nothing had happened.

If women think that they are pleasing men they are badly fooled. I have yet to hear the first man say he liked the idea.—Shamrock Texan.

"Aw, have a heart!" Nobody supposes for a moment that the unstockinged are trying to please the men. Women are only trying to be comfortable. And being comfortable means a whole lot on a hot summer day. While thus being comfortable, the stockingless are also saving money. Silk hose cost a big sum of dollars every month. And high priced hose as well as the cheap variety have the bad habit of developing "runners." After a pair of silk hose are thus incapacitated, the fair owner can do little toward making them presentable and thus an otherwise good pair of hose becomes fit only for a silk pillow that is ornamental, but hardly useful. With the prevailing short skirt the stockings must be without "runners" and when poor old dad foots the bill for hosiery for the feminine portion of the family, he is broke, or at least badly bent. Taking this view of the subject in controversy, we see no reason for mere man to howl. When the women go without stockings, dad may have money with which to buy socks. Furthermore, pulling the feathers out of the legs of pullets is cruelty to animals. If a woman saw a man thus occupied, she would have him juggled or put in an institution for the feeble minded. Especially if said male member of the family refused to pick the pin feathers from the legs of the chicken being dressed for Sunday dinner. Anyway, what are you going to do about it? Have Mary Ann go back to the long skirt that swiped every man's purse and pool of tobacco juice on the sidewalk? Pinch in her waist with a lot of stiff stays and force her feet into shoes several sizes too small as of yore, or praise her for being sensible enough to adopt styles that are comfortable. So far as this writer is concerned, men may discard collars, ties, coats and even socks if they so desire. They may whack the legs of their trousers off at the knees and wear shirts without sleeves, if they are more comfortable that way. In fact, we are strong for being comfortable in the good old summer time. Only we are not fond of chiggers.—Higgins News.

THE EDITOR'S CALLING

Running a country newspaper is a business and a profession; a science and a calling. Its successful operation requires no less exacting application of correct business practice than does the operation of the bank in the same town. But that alone is not enough. It must combine ideals with industry, soul with mind. It must analyze the financial, cultural and moral needs of its people, and work intelligently and tirelessly for their welfare. At the same time it must above all be a faithful mirror of the daily life of its people. It must give the news of its community honestly, sympathetically and interestingly. To do this requires more than a high order of ability. It requires a love for the work—a "calling." In probably half the towns and cities of the state the editor of the leading paper could operate successfully the biggest business of the town. Often the man who heads that business would be a flop as an editor. For mere business ability is not of sufficient avail unless one has heard the call to serve as well as to gain. With a newspaper of this character, a community is fortunate. Without, it is dead.—U. S. Publisher.

BETTER

"It is an established fact," said the lecturer, "that the sun is gradually but surely losing its heat, and in the course of seventy million years it will be exhausted; consequently this world of ours will be dead and, like the moon, unable to support any form of life."

The head and shoulders of an excited member of the audience rose above those of his fellows. "Pardon me, professor," he cried, "how many years did you say it would be before our calamity overtakes us?"

"Seventy million, sir," said the professor.

"Thank heavens!" gasped the interrogator, sinking back exhausted in his seat. "I thought you said seven million."—Southern Pacific.

POST NO BILLS

Able—"Papa, vat is science?"
Able's Papa—"My, how could you be so dumb? Science is does things vat says. 'No Smoking'."

"GIVE THE FARM A SQUARE DEAL," HE SAYS

Ballinger.—By giving the farm a square deal, James Barron, local farmer, has changed a run-down sandy farm that five years ago produced less than one-third of a ton of maize and less than one-eighth of a bale of cotton to the acre into land that is making nearly one ton of maize and more than one third of a bale of cotton to the acre.

This has been accomplished by a system of terraces for the washing land, backed up by a second system of crop rotation, his county agent, C. W. Lehmborg says. Most of the 197-acre farm is devoted to cotton but the feeds are rotated with feed and pasture crops. Five acres are planted to Sudan grass for cows and hogs; two acres in alfalfa sowed last August were grazed during the winter and made 185 bales the first two cuttings; and the poorest hard-pan soil on the farm is growing sweet clover shoulder high. Mr. Barron is enthusiastic over his pasture and hay crops and believes he will get 350 bales of alfalfa on his two-acre patch this year. This crop is not irrigated.

In addition to these field crops three acres are set out to peaches, plums, apricots and pears, and one acre is devoted to blackberries and dewberries.

WHY CAIN KILLED ABEL

"I'm going to Adam and Eve's place."

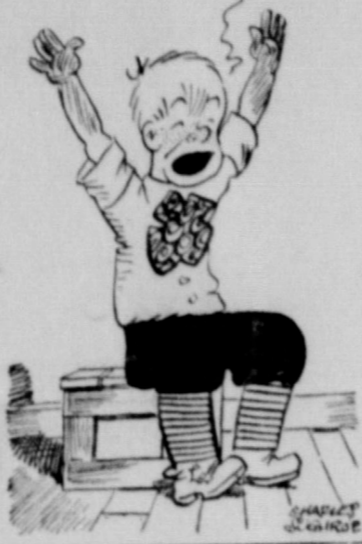
"Adam and Eve's place? I never heard of that. Where is it?"

"281 Apple."

"Drunkness is not one of the great plagues of society. It is positively the greatest evil against which legislators have to contend."—Lord Aberdare.

MICKIE SAYS—

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FUTILE HOPE

A young man who ran out of gas on the outskirts of a large town saw a boy coming along the road carrying a big tin can. "Say, boy!" he yelled. "I hope that is gasoline you have in that can."

"Well, I hope it ain't," returned the boy, with some heat as he continued on his way. "It would taste like the dickens on ma's pancakes."

Mrs. L. E. Cunningham hands us a check this week to renew her subscription and the subscription of her son L. L. Laswell, of Beaverton, Ore.

Mrs. D. B. Veatch and daughter, Miss Maybelle, visited in Shamrock last Wednesday.

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Comedy "Four Wheel Brakes" and News

Saturday, July 20

Hoot Gibson in one you'll surely enjoy
"THE DANGER RIDER"
Comedy "Fandango" and News

Monday & Tuesday, July 22-23

Leatrice Joy and Clyde Cook in—
"STRONG BOY"
and "Tarzan" No. 11

Wednesday, July 24

Bargain Night—10c to Everyone
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