

THE McLEAN NEWS

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COLDEST WEATHER SINCE 1912 LAST WEEK

The widely advertised blizzard hit McLean last Thursday night, when the thermometer went below zero, registering the coldest weather experienced here since 1912, and the coldest December weather ever experienced here. The 52nd cold spell was in January and the lowest temperature was 11 below, while some reported as much as 14 below last week.

Freezing temperature has prevailed most every day since, but the sun was shining Wednesday morning, and as very little snow has fallen, there has been no discomfort other than frozen water pipes over town.

Farmers and stockmen report no casualties among cattle and farm animals.

S. B. MORSE COMPLIMENTS NEWS KETNER CARTOONS

S. B. Morse, who is attending the Oklahoma State Normal School at Norman, is home for the holidays, and in a conversation with Newsman, stated that he always reads every word in The News each week, and told of showing his copy of our paper to his relatives and friends, who said some very complimentary things about our front page cartoons, by Ketner.

The News pays a goodly sum for these cartoons each year. The artist draws reasonable cartoons with a stated release date, and The News has the exclusive right to use them in this territory.

BIGGEST FARM SALE OF THE YEAR WILL BE HELD DECEMBER 30

What will probably be the biggest farm sale of the year will be held Tuesday, December 30, at the P. C. Saunders and Sons farm just one mile from town on the Postal Highway. Three sets of farming equipment will be sold, giving a large range of choice for the buyers.

The News printed the bills for the sale and a copy of the bill is in this issue of the paper. Mr. Saunders was agreeably surprised to get our price on such work, stating that it was about a third as much as he expected to pay.

TURNER MAKES CHRISTMAS PRESENT OF NEWS

J. Lee Turner stopped Newsman Tuesday with the remark that he needed to make some Christmas gifts to his children and knew of nothing better than a subscription to The News. Mr. Turner placed the following names on our list for six months each: A. F. Censarz, Detroit, Mich.; L. M. Blair, St. Paul, Texas; and T. J. Turner, Breckenridge. Christmas cards have been mailed to all of them by The News telling of Mr. Turner's gift.

STAR-TELEGRAM BARGAIN RATE OFFER WITHDRAWN

The bargain rate on the Star-Telegram ends Christmas Day. Ordinarily the first of the year would have been the closing date, but on account of the threatened raise in postal rates, the publishers have withdrawn the offer, and it may mean a greater subscription rate than the regular rate.

All who have asked The News to send in their subscriptions are fully protected, if their remittance is in our hands by Jan. 1, 1925.

The proposed increase in postage may mean that we will be forced to increase the subscription price of The News, but we will take subscriptions for several years in advance at the old rate right now if you care to protect yourself against the raise.

Don't fail to read the Greetings from our advertisers this week. Our favorite merchant has a message for you in this issue of The News.

C. C. Bogan, cashier of the Citizens State Bank, has our thanks for subscription renewal for W. T. Bogan, Chattanooga, Ohio; Miss Bogan, Pueblo, Colo.; and Mr. F. C. Grant, Dallas.

Merry Christmas to All



A tree with helpful suggestions for the New Year. We all can use some of the good things on this tree—how many will you pick and use for the entire year? Look them over carefully and then look at your real self and see which you need the most. Life is not so short, there is always time for courtesy. Without courage there cannot be truth, and without truth there can be no other virtue, if you cannot do anything else to help along, just smile.

A man without self-control is like a barrel without hoops, and fails to please. Success comes only to those who lead the life of endeavor. The world does not owe me a living, but I am proud to make a good living for myself. Guard the door of your mind and let only clean thoughts in. Generosity is the eye which overlooks your friend's broken gateway but sees the rest in his garden. To cultivate kindness is a great part of the business of life. A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches. Character is what man is in the dark. A gentleman makes no noise; a lady is serene. Good breeding respects the rights of others, low breeding insists upon one's own rights. It is ever true that he who does nothing for others does nothing for himself. The first requisite of good manners is self-forgetfulness. It is the hundred and one small courtesies that add to daily life its sweet charm and cheer. Good manners cannot be purchased, like an overcoat, but must belong to us. Show courtesy, not because they are gentlemen, but because you are. Reading maketh a full man, conversation a ready man, and writing an exact man. Three things for which they leave the lists. Are they true? Are they kind? Are they necessary? The greatest homage we can pay to truth is to use it. Be as polite to your parents, brothers and sisters as you are to strangers. Make much of it while yet you have the most precious of good gifts—a loving mother. A laugh is worth a thousand groans in any market. When you have spoken the word, it reigns over you, when it is unspoken, you reign over it. Pledge not to yourself what you will be, and then do what you have to do. It is not the worst thing in the world to fail; the worst thing is not to try. One who buys what he does not need will soon need what he cannot buy. After you looked the good things over and have picked for yourself what you really need to help you succeed, there will be no need to wish you a very

HAPPY NEW YEAR

THE McLEAN NEWS

DR. HALL LIKES NEWS

The News is in receipt of a letter from Dr. J. A. Hall, dentist, of Shamrock, enclosing check for his subscription renewal. The doctor says he likes The News and looks for it each week.

M. R. Landers and family left Tuesday for Plainview, where they will spend the holidays with Mrs. Landers' parents.

Mrs. Alger Woody and children of Morrilton, Ark., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Bush.

BAPTIST SENIOR CLASS BUYS PIANO FOR THEIR CLASS ROOM

The young people's class of the Baptist Sunday school has bought a piano for use in their class room in the basement of the parsonage.

Born, Saturday, December 29, to Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Crews, a girl, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hansen.

Miss Jewell Cousins came in Saturday from Georgetown to spend Christmas.

John Valencik has renewed his subscription to The News.

J. P. Brooks is a new reader of The News.

The News printed male sale bills for Carl Hefner this week.

Miss Mannie Abbott came in Saturday from Fort Worth to visit home folks.

E. F. Bell of Albreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Clay Thompson went to Dallas Sunday.

CHRISTMAS CHEER AND GOODWILL PREDOMINATE THIS ISSUE OF NEWS

This issue of The News might well be called the Goodwill number, as can easily be seen from reading the advertisements. Practically every business house in McLean is represented in our pages this week with a message of Christmas Cheer and appreciation. And while you may find the same sentiment differently expressed, you may rest assured that each advertiser is sincere, for they are consistent advertisers in our paper. Today they do not call special attention to their wares, but rather give place to thoughts of appreciation of past business and express hopes for a glad New Year. These messages should be taken as personal messages, for they cost money and are used in this way in order to reach the greatest number of people in the best possible way.

JOHN MERTEL'S CALENDAR PLEASES HIS CUSTOMERS

John Mertel, who ordered wall pocket calendars from The News this season, states that he did not have enough to go around, as people are still asking for them. Mr. Mertel selected an especially attractive number and it was deservedly popular.

The News will have the new 1926 line of samples in within a few days and merchants are asked to wait until they see them. The price and value will be as satisfactory as any that can be bought from peddlers who do not spend a nickel for the betterment of the community.

NEWS PRINTED DAY EARLY THIS WEEK

The News is being printed on Wednesday this week in order that we may take Christmas Day off. The News has never been a day late under the present management and we had rather be early this week than to be late.

WALKER FUNERAL MONDAY

Funeral services were held at Rice's undertaking parlor Monday for J. G. Walker, who died Saturday at the age of 68 years, 6 months and 28 days. Rev. W. C. Garrett of the First Baptist church conducted the services and interment was made in Hillcrest cemetery.

The deceased had been a sufferer from rheumatism for the past thirty years, being practically helpless during the time.

The News joins friends in extending sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

T. N. Holloway asked us to send in his renewal to the Star-Telegram Wednesday, the last day of the bargain rate.

What do you think of our advertising pages this week? We are proud of the lines represented and suggest that if you feel like reciprocating the good wishes of your favorite merchant, tell him so the next time you are in town.

Gene Cooper of White Deer came in Sunday to visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hindman.

Sam Deben of Slavonia was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Miss Ethel Abbott came in Saturday from Canyon to spend the holidays with home folks.

Miss Floyde Jordan came in Sunday from Canyon to visit home folks.

J. C. Lee is visiting his brother, Y. B. Lee.

Miss Agnes Abbott of Oklahoma City came in Saturday to visit home folks.

J. I. Watson of Heald was a McLean visitor Saturday.

John Jordan and Mrs. Goss of Woodland College at Plainview came in Saturday to visit home folks.

Claude Martin of Albreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES AT CHURCHES CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas exercises are planned at the various churches of the town by the Sunday schools, and while the weather may not be all that might be desired, one will be sure of a welcome and a warm, pleasant place at the churches Christmas Eve night.

CHRISTMAS CARDS POPULAR THIS YEAR

More Christmas cards were sold in McLean this year than ever before, and in the case of The News, we have had to disappoint many people this week, as they came in too late to order printed cards.

The News handles an exclusive line of cards each year, but in order to insure your selection, orders must be in early. The cards are stocked by the supply houses about September 1st, and many of the numbers are out by Dec. 1. Those who ordered cards of The News have the satisfaction of knowing that no one else used the same design in this territory.

FORMER McLEAN PASTOR BUILDING \$25,000 CHURCH AT MARTHA, OKLAHOMA

Rev. A. F. Agee, former pastor of the First Baptist church here, is in a building campaign at Martha, Okla., as pastor of the Baptist church there.

Seventy-five per cent of the \$25,000 needed for the new church is already subscribed, \$15,000 in cash being raised in less than three weeks. The campaign began last summer when a one armed farmer member of the church, T. B. Sampler, in a conversation with the pastor, promised to give \$1,000 to the building fund if he sold as much as \$5,000 worth of cotton this season. A few weeks ago he paid the \$1,000; and with this gift to start with, the drive for funds was made.

Martha is a village of about 300 people, nine miles northwest of Altus.

Rev. Agee was one of the most popular pastors the McLean church has had and he has many warm friends here who are glad to know of his successful work at Martha.

MANY SUBSCRIPTIONS EXPIRE THE FIRST

A large number of subscriptions to The News will expire the first of the year. Notices have been mailed to each subscriber this week and we hope everybody will renew in time so as to not miss a copy of The News.

The serial stories printed in The News each year would cost, in book form, many times the price of the paper—if there was no other reason for taking the paper—but when it is remembered that there is no other medium by which one can be intelligently informed as to the activities of the home community, no one should be willing to do without the home paper.

We are proud of the names on our subscription list, and suggest that in renewing your subscription this year, that you include a subscription for a kinsman or friend "back home." Nothing would give them as much pleasure as the weekly visits of The News.

There is a chance that The News will have to raise the subscription rate, if the raise in postage rates is put on, so it is only good business judgment to subscribe now while the low rate is in effect. The News is cheaper than the majority of home town papers, and any raise in postage rates would force us to put on a raise in subscription price. \$1.50 per year just about pays for the white paper used at the present postal rate.

Dorothy Wilson came in Saturday from Austin to spend Christmas with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Alford and children left Monday for Green, Okla., to spend Christmas.

Hello!— Anybody Home?



'Twas THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Favorite Yuletide Poem Written
More than Hundred Years Ago

'Twas the night before Christmas
when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not
even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the
chimney with care,
In hopes that Saint Nicholas soon
would be there.
The children were nestled all snug
in their beds,
While visions of sugar plums
danced through their heads,
And Mama in her kerchief and I
in my cap
Had just settled our brains for a
long winter's nap.
When out on the lawn there arose
such a clatter
I sprang from my bed to see what
was the matter,
Away to the window I fled like a
flash,
Tore open the shutter and threw
up the sash.
The moon on the breast of the new
fallen snow
Gleams below,
When what to my wondering eyes
should appear
But a miniature sleigh and eight
tiny reindeer.
With a little old driver so lively
and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be
Saint Nick.
Tossing rapid than eagles his coursers
they came,
And he whistled and shouted and
called them by name.
Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now,
Prancer! and Vixen!
Oh, Comet! Oh, Cupid! Oh, Dunder
and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! To the
top of the wall!
Now dash away! dash away! dash
away all!
As dry leaves that before the wild
hurricane fly
When they meet with an obstacle
mount to the sky,
So up to the housetop the coursers
they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys and
Saint Nicholas, too.
And then in a twinkling I heard
on the roof
The prancing and pawing of each
little hoof—
As I drew in my head and was
turning around,
Down the chimney Saint Nicholas
came with a bound.
He was dressed all in furs from the
head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished
with ashes and soot.
A bundle of toys he had flung on
his back,
And he looked like a peddler just
opening his pack,
And eyes—how they twinkled! His
dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his
nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn
up in a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as
white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight
in his teeth,

And the smoke it encircled his
head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little
round belly,
That shook when he laughed like
a bowlful of jelly.
He was chubby and plump, a right
jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him in
spite of myself.
A wink of his eye and a twist of
his head
Soon gave me to know I had nothing
to dread.
He spoke not a word, but went
straight to his work
And filled all the stockings, then
turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his
nose
And giving a nod, up the chimney
he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his
team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the
down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim ere he
drove out of sight,
"Merry Christmas to all, and to
all a good night!"
Mrs. D. A. Davis and daughter,
Miss Opal, of Clarendon are
spending Christmas in McLean.
Hal C. Kennedy of Lubbock is
visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
S. R. Kennedy, during the holidays.
Mrs. Fred Russell and children
of Clarendon are visiting in the
M. L. Bush home.
Walter Cash and little brother
were in from Peterson Creek Sat-
urday.
W. N. Holmes of Heald was a
McLean visitor Saturday.
Rob Roy Hindman of Texline is
visiting his grandparents, Mr. and
Mrs. J. R. Hindman.
Sammie and Ercy Cobine came
in Sunday from Austin to spend
Christmas at home.
Miss Opal Dutton is spending
the holidays with home folks at
Panhandle.
Miss Stef's Roby came in Satur-
day from Bethany, Okla., to spend
Christmas with home folks.
Misses Blanche and Catherine All-
ston of Amarillo came in Friday
to spend Christmas with home
folks.
Cecil Bible of Skillet was in
town Saturday.
Michael Mertel of Slavonia was a
McLean visitor Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey and
baby left Friday for Fort Worth
to spend Christmas with relatives.
Wait for the Michigan salt.
Chaney & Callahan. Advertisement
Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's
Cash Store. Advertisement. tfe.

L. O. Floyd renewed his subscrip-
tion to The News this week.
Jacob Hess handed us \$1.50 for
his subscription renewal this week.
C. G. Nicholson of Enterprise
was in town Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kramer and
daughter, Misses Winnie Pearl and
Willie Lee Bailey left Friday for
Houston to visit relatives.
Mrs. L. H. McLarty of Lubbock
came in Saturday to spend Christ-
mas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
W. L. Campbell.
Yukon's Best has no superior.
Advertisement. tfe

Wants

THOSE WHO asked The News
to renew their subscription to the
Star-Telegram are requested to let
us have a check before Jan. 1st,
as we must make remittance on
that date. You may be congrat-
ulated in taking advantage of the
bargain rate, as the proposed change
in postal rates may play havoc
with subscription rates.

GROCERIES are cheaper at
Puckett's Cash Store. tfe

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

FOR SALE.—East one-half of
southeast quarter of Section No.
Ninety-one, Block No. Twenty-three,
also three acres out of the north-
east corner of northeast quarter
of Section Sixty-six, Block Twenty-
three, Gray County, Texas. If
interested write John Burns, Cle-
mons, Iowa. 40-26p.

CARDBOARD for any purpose at
the News office.

TYPEWRITER RIBBONS for
Remington, Royal and Underwood
standard machines. The best rib-
bon on the market for 60c each.
Remington portable ribbons 40c, at
News office.

FOR SALE.—Full Blood Buff
Orpington hens, \$1.25 each; pullets
\$1.00. Mrs. T. M. Wolfe. tfe

FOR SALE.—S. W. 120 acres,
section 42, block 23, good well.
Price \$2,000. Small cash payment,
balance 1 to 10 years, interest 6 1/2%.
Inquire of C. H. Biegel, 105 W.
Monroe St., Chicago, or Massay &
McAdams, McLean. 51-5p

FARM FOR RENT.—3 1/2 miles
east of McLean on Shamrock road.
I. X. Kucheloffer. 51-2p

NEW three-burner oil stove for
sale. Mrs. Alva Alexander. 1p

STRAYED.—One black mare
mule, 4 years old, 15 hands high.
Finder please notify G. J. Abbott,
Phone 144, 3. Reward. 1p

THESE little ads bring results.
Try one. 25 words for 25c.

STORAGE.—Clean dry storage
under daily supervision. Inquire
at News office.

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

On Christmas Day
and all through the New Year
may happiness surround
you.
C. C. BOGAN
Insurance that Protects

Greetings and Cordial Good
Wishes for your
Christmas and Happy New Year
Legion Theatre
C. O. Rowe, Prop.

"Santa's the Goodest Man"



MY MOTHER

A little old red schoolhouse once
Held all the care life offered me.
No shadows fell to whisper what
The gray years on beyond might be.
All childish, fanciful alarms
Were quieted in mother's arms.

The mile between that school and
home
Was such a glad and merry way
On triumph days; but oh, how long
When I in lessons faltered! That day
A little tired figure crept
To refuge sweet and courage kept.

For whether head held high in pride
Or shoulders drooping with disgrace
Revealed my record for the day
To eyes that scanned my baby face,
A welcome waited in the arms
That ever offered soothing charms.

The small red schoolhouse sent me
on
Beyond the hills that held my youth

SHELL'S PHARMACY
SPECIALTIES GUARANTEED
SKIN DISEASES REMEDIED
(Itch, Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching
skin diseases. Try the
treatment at our risk.)
For Sale by
Shell's Pharmacy

BEST WISHES
for a Happy and
Prosperous New Year
Kunkel Bros.
Draymen

But still the farm home drew me
back
And strengthened me in love and
truth.
A woody turn of road—and then
My mother held me close again.

A cloud of grief—a grassy mound—
And only memory remains.
There is no old-home week for me—
No stepping back through child-
hood's lanes;
But to my children may I be
All that my mother was to me.

And though life's roadway winds
along
Through tangled ways I may not
trace,
I hold a sacred talisman—
A thought that lends me needed
grace:
Beyond the last turn I shall see
Those same dear arms outstretched

to me.
—Maud Mero Doolittle in Youths
Companion.

FROM ROMANCE TO FACT

"No more will I hear his foot-
steps on yonder walk just as the
clock strikes the hour of 7."
"Gracious, Dorothy!"
"And the hall light will never
burn for him again."
"You don't mean it!"
"I do; and, furthermore, he will
never sit on the sofa three nights
a week and call me pet names as
he has been doing for two years.
And tonight I am going to burn
all the old love letters in my
trunk."

"B-but why are you going to
discard him?"
"Discard him? Why, you goose,
I am going to marry him!"

Accept Our
sincere good wishes
for continued Prosperity and Happiness
also our thanks for the favors
received from you during the past year
THE CITY MARKET
BRYANT HENRY, Prop. PHONE 165

Like the treasure ship of olden times
full fraught with precious things, so may Christmas
and the New Year come to you laden with all that
will make for your
Happiness and Contentment.
COBB'S CASH GROCERY

Your kind co-operation
has contributed materially
to our success and we appreciate
it most cordially.
Accept our best wishes for a
bright and prosperous
New Year.
Cheney and Callahan
Flour, Feed, Salt, Coal

The Goodwill
of our patrons and friends is
one of our most valuable assets.
The Spirit of the Season brings
to us renewed appreciation of
old associates and of the value
of new friends. May your
Christmas be a happy one and
success attend your New Year
is the cordial wish of
McLean Hdw. Co.
W. B. Upham, Manager

THE McLEAN NEWS

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Editors and Owners

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

They say one can get used to most anything, but the fellow who could get used to zero weather with frozen water pipes would be different to anyone we know. We have so much pleasant weather in the Panhandle that the present cold spell seems unusually uncomfortable, but when it is remembered that perhaps in the greater part of the United States our present cold spell would be considered a mild one, we can better appreciate our usual weather.

Many remarks have been made lately about the general good humor, contentment and satisfaction among our people. Everyone you meet seems to be at peace with the world. Our bountiful crops have a great deal to do with the situation and the election being over with everybody friendly again and no cause for division or strife in the community, makes for pleasant living. And there is no reason why such a condition should not continue, as we all know each other and should be willing to make proper allowances for each other's weaknesses. With very little effort the general good feeling prevailing at this holiday season could easily be made to last all the year.

A code of ethics is all right, other things being equal, but the old code once held by bankers, doctors and lawyers that tried to keep them different from the common run of people by not allowing them to advertise, was all bunk. Nowadays bankers are thoroughly cured of such nonsense, and doctors and lawyers are rapidly outgrowing this relic of an almost forgotten age, when a man depended upon the ignorance of his fellows in order to make a living. Any kind of ethics that will not allow a man to act in a perfectly normal manner should be discarded in this enlightened age.

Mrs. W. T. Wilson has our thanks for subscription renewals for H. C. Wilson, Abilene; and H. A. Hefner, Denton.

Dave Rice of Wheeler, Okla., is visiting relatives here.

J. A. Payne was an Amarillo visitor Sunday, returning Monday.

M. C. Bordine of Alanreed was a McLean visitor Saturday.

Gaylord Hodges came in Saturday from school at Bethany, Okla., to visit home folks.

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

Yukon cream meal is the best in the world. A trial will convince you. C. & C. Advertisement etc.

W. A. Derrick of Gracey was a McLean visitor Monday.

Jenkins Shaw of Pampa is at home for the holidays.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER EXECUTION

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Gray.

In the District Court of Gray County, Texas, Walter Darlington, plaintiff, vs. W. I. Compton, Florence Owen, T. M. Owen, Clarence E. Myers, B. T. Rives, B. F. Holmes, Harvey Close, Melvin Johnson and W. B. Maulding, Defendants.

WHEREAS, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the District Court of Gray County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the 28th day of October, A. D. 1924, in favor of said Walter Darlington, and against the said Florence Owen, T. M. Owen, Clarence E. Myers, B. T. Rives, Harvey Close and W. B. Maulding, and the other said defendants, W. I. Compton, B. F. Holmes and Melvin Johnson, having been dismissed from said suit, and said dismissal entered of record in said judgment No. 1194, on the docket of said court, I did, on the 6 day of December, A. D. 1924, at 9 o'clock a. m., levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in the county of Gray state of Texas, and belonging to the said Clarence E. Myers, to-wit: All of the north half (N. 1) of section No. 27, in block No. 23, certificate No. 11-2317, H. & G. N. Ry. Co., original grantee, and containing 320 acres of land, commonly known as the Clarence E. Myers land, and located about one and one-half miles east from the town of McLean, Texas; and on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1925, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all of the right, title and interest of the said Florence Owen, T. M. Owen, Clarence E. Myers, B. T. Rives, Harvey Close and W. B. Maulding, in and to said property.

Dated at McLean, this 6 day of December, A. D. 1924.
E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff
of Gray County, Texas.
By JOHNNIE R. BACK, Deputy.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Rogers went to Amarillo Monday to visit relatives.

A. P. Rippey of Heald was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Powell of Ramsdell were shopping in our city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Orrill of Perryton are spending the holidays with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jordan.

Christmas Joy and Good Fortune for the New Year
McLean Vulcanizing Shop

Magnolia Petroleum Co.
C. J. CASH Agent
Day Phone Night Phone
86 101

DR. J. A. HALL
Dentist
Of Shamrock, Tex.
Will be in McLean on Thursday, Friday and Saturday after the first Monday in each month.

ECZEMAL
Money back guarantee. HUNT'S GLEBA... SKIN DISEASE... (Illustration of a man's face)
For Sale by
Shell's Pharmacy

Miss Lula Peters of Pampa came in Monday to visit Miss Minnie Morse.

Mrs. J. S. Morse and daughter, Miss Minnie, were Amarillo visitors Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Stockton came in Monday from Norman, Okla., to spend Christmas with her mother.

ASK TO SEE the new Remington portable typewriters on display at the News office.

DESK BLOTTERS, large size, at the News office.

Miss Lora Saunders, who is attending Abilene Christian College, is spending the holidays with home folks.

Wishing You

The Season's Greetings and assuring you of our keen appreciation of your good will and patronage

GRIGSBY'S AUTO SHOP

"A Square Deal Always"

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

SMITH-COOKE GIN

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your GOOD WILL. And so at this Holiday Season we extend to you—not as a customer alone, but as a friend—our sincere Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for 1925.

Mrs. W. T. Wilson and Son

Dry Goods

SEASON'S COMPLIMENTS

We desire to extend to you the Compliments of the Season and express our sincere wishes for your prosperity the Coming Year, with a continuance of the cordial relations existing between us.

McLEAN TELEPHONE CO.
John W. Kibler, Prop.

At this Yuletide Season we greet you with sincere wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Shell's Pharmacy

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

CICERO SMITH LUMBER CO.
W. T. Wilson, Manager

Our Christmas Gift

As a slight token of our appreciation at this Holiday Season we offer our customers and friends a full sized Goodrich Tube Patching Outfit appropriately packed in a Christmas box. Call for your box any time on December 24th and 25th. One box to a family. We express the hope that the coming year may be a Happy and Prosperous one for all of you.

McLean Filling Station

"Sudden Service"
Magnolia Gasoline and Oils
C. J. Cash and Floyd Phillips

To Our Friends:

We seem too busy every day To say the things we want to say; Our deepest thoughts we seem to hide, Until we reach the Christmas-Tide. 'Tis then we send to friends again In happy words the Old Refrain—"A Very Merry Christmas!"

We're always glad when Christmas-Time comes 'round again. For it gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation for your good will and friendship, and to thank you for the business you have sent our way in the past. May this Christmas bring you all the many things your heart desires, and the New Year prove a full twelve-months of Happiness and Prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

Bundy-Hodges Mercantile Co.

Merry Christmas

The Spirit of the Season prompts us to wish you increased happiness and prosperity the coming year. May your business dealings with others be as pleasant as ours have been with you.

CITIZENS STATE BANK

To You

We extend our heartiest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous Nineteen Twenty-Five. We assure you of our sincere appreciation of the cordial relations which have existed between us during the past year, and of our earnest efforts to the end that the same friendship and good will may be continued throughout the coming year.

Western Lumber & Hardware Company
H. F. WINGO, Manager

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CARD OF THANKS

We take this means to thank our friends who were so kind in the recent illness and death of J. G. Walker. Especially do we appreciate those who sat up with him night after night. Your acts and words will be long remembered. May God bless all of you.
J. A. Walker.
Rufus Walker.
Mrs. J. G. Walker and family.

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Gray.
BY VIRTUE of a certain order or sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Gray County, on the 1st day of December, 1924, by R. B. Thompson, clerk of said court, against T. W. Hester for the sum of four thousand five hundred forty-eight and 10/100 (\$4548.10) dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 1140 in said court, styled K. E. Windom versus T. W. Hester, J. T. Glass and W. J. Ball and placed in my hands for service, I, E. S. Graves, as sheriff of Gray County, Texas, do, on the 3rd day of December, 1924, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Gray county, described as follows, to-wit:
Being all of the following described lots, tracts and parcels of land, located and situated in Gray county, Texas, as the same existed on the 10th day of January, 1920, as follows:

FIRST TRACT: All of survey No. 1, abstract No. 726, John Scott pre-emption survey, patented by the state of Texas to John Scott by patent No. sixty-four in volume No. twenty-four, patent dated June 17, 1891, and containing 160 acres of land.

SECOND TRACT: All of survey No. two, abstract No. 66d, S. E. Watson pre-emption survey, patented by the state of Texas to W. G. Ross, by patent No. 167, volume 24, patent dated September 16th, 1891, and containing 161 acres of land.

THIRD TRACT: All of survey No. 3, abstract No. 722, J. J. Burdick pre-emption survey, patented by the state of Texas to W. G. Ross by patent No. 163, volume No. 24, patent dated September 16, 1891, and containing 161 acres of land, and levied upon as the property of said T. W. Hester and W. J. Ball. And on Tuesday, the 6th day of January, 1924, at the court house door of Gray county, in the town of Lefors, Texas, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m. I will sell said land at public vendue for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said T. W. Hester and W. J. Ball, by virtue of said levy and said order of sale.

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

WITNESS my hand, this 4th day of December, 1924.
E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff
Gray County, Texas.
By JOHNNIE R. BACK, Deputy.
WSW-50-3tc

Grandma Haynes of Exeter, Calif., came in Monday to spend the winter with her children here.

Geo. Colobank has our thanks for a subscription renewal this week.

M. R. Landers gave us \$1.50 this week and ordered W. W. Dillingham's subscription moved up another year.

W. Sherman White
Attorney-at-Law
McLean
Texas

Ora Oliver Gooch
Graduate
Optometrist
Office First National Bank
Shamrock, Texas

CREAM WANTED
We have opened a cream station in the Watkins building just back of the Hindman Hotel, and will pay the highest market price.
A share of your business appreciated.
OKLAHOMA BUTTER CO.
G. C. Absher, Mgr.

SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain execution and order of sale issued by the Clerk of the County Court of Gray County, on the 15 day of December, 1924, in a certain cause wherein Frank J. Hommel and W. O. Hommel are plaintiffs and S. L. Ball is defendant, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 19th day of November, 1924, in favor of said plaintiffs, Frank J. Hommel and W. O. Hommel, against said defendant, S. L. Ball, for the sum of ONE THOUSAND AND FIFTY-FIVE AND 70/100 DOLLARS, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per centum per annum from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit, I have levied upon, and will, on the fourth Saturday in December, 1924, at the ALANREED AUTO COMPANY'S GARAGE AT ALANREED IN GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS (the place where said property is located) within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said defendant, S. L. Ball, in and to the following described

personal property, levied upon as the property of S. L. Ball, to-wit:
One (1) air compressor, one Bowser tank and pump, one small pump, one Weaver jack, one large show case, one iron safe, one Burroughs adding machine, one cash register, one check protector, one spoke tightener and jack, one welding machine, one gasoline engine, one large vise, one chain hoist, burning in stand, one Wayne gasoline pump and underground tank, one ring gear and a miscellaneous lot of salvaged wrenches and a miscellaneous lot of auto accessories in said large show case.
The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for ONE THOUSAND AND FIFTY-FIVE AND 70/100 DOLLARS, in favor of Frank J. Hommel and W. O. Hommel, together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof.
E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff
JRB-51-2c
Gray County, Texas.
By JOHNNIE R. BACK, Deputy.
Alanreed, Texas, Dec. 15, 1924.

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. ttc

AUTOMOBILE

TAX NOTICE
I will be in McLean Saturday, December 27; Alanreed Monday, December 29; and in Pampa Tuesday and Wednesday, December 30 and 31, for the purpose of collecting auto licenses for the next year. Car taxes only will be collected on these dates. I will be over later for state and county taxes.
E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff and Tax Collector of Gray County.
Advertisement 51-2c

A new car of Yukon flour just arrived. Cheney & Callahan. Advertisement. ttc

D. W. Turner of Alanreed was in McLean Monday.

Carl Ashby came in Tuesday from the State University at Austin to spend Christmas with home folks.

With Kind Thoughts
and all good wishes for
Christmas and the New Year

T. N. HOLLOWAY
Reliable Insurance

A. A. LEDBETTER
Attorney-at-Law
McLean, Texas

May Contentment

share with prosperity
in all your efforts
throughout the
coming year

Rippy & Beall
Insurance

With grateful appreciation of all the favors received by us from you and for that priceless, though intangible asset, your good will, which we prize beyond measure, we seek to merit your continued confidence and aim to serve you faithfully in the future.

Sincerely,

Texhoma Oil and Refining Co.
W. D. Wiles, Agent

Thank You


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

Snappy Service Station
"Service With a Smile"

Merry Christmas

The American National Bank extends the compliments of the season with the wish that yours may be a Christmas of happiness and contentment and a New Year which will bring to you a satisfying measure of prosperity

THE AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK



The Season's Greetings
with the best of wishes for
Christmas and the New Year

J. A. MEADOR
Quick Lunches

Sincere good wishes for
your happiness during the
Christmas Tide
and throughout the
coming year

Elite Barber Shop
West and Everett, Props.

YOU HAVE

our heartiest wishes
for a most enjoyable
Christmas and
Happy New Year

Service Tailor Shop
Hansel Christian, Prop.

Greetings

and
Best Wishes
for
Christmas
and the
coming year.

Erwin Drug Co.

The **Rexall** Drug Store



At this season it is natural to want to say a few words of appreciation to those who have extended any courtesies to us during the year. We are thankful for your kindness and all the tangible tokens of faith that you have manifested, and we wish you health, happiness and prosperity.

McLean Supply Company
T. N. HOLLOWAY, Mgr.

A Prayer

By Rev. Alan Pressley Wilson
(Copyright, 1914, WNU)

O LORD, we beseech Thee to grant that Jesus the Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith to the end that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may be strong to apprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and the height and depth of the love of Christ.

Come into our hearts and lives and dominate our wills as we enter another New Year and grant that we may live all through this year in accordance with Thy divine plan for our lives.

This we ask in the Name and for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

New Years Customs in Scotland

As in France, so in Scotland, New Years is the chief festival of the year. The eve of the day and the day itself are called "Daft Days," or crazy days. And the eve separated from its "daft" associate is called "Hogmanay." But what this means, no one seems to know. The application of the term is in a custom of children to enrobe themselves in a sheet and go the rounds of houses on New Year's eve, knocking at the doors and crying "Hogmanay." In response they always get an oat cake.

Ho, Hum!
Twelve Months Ahead



A NEW YEAR VICTORY

By Katherine Edelman

(© 1924, Western Newspaper Union.)

R. NORMAN TREVOR wore a tender smile as he emerged from the Carter hospital. A dry, blinding snow was falling and the morning was bitterly cold, but there was a warm glow around his heart that made him insensible for the moment to cold and chill.

Within his soul he felt the thrill of victory, a victory won over the greatest enemy the world knows. For, once more his hand had helped to avert the sword of the grim reaper—his skill and sureness of touch had brought back another soul from the brink. It had been an emergency call this time, a call that came just as the bells were tolling the birth of the New Year, with the chances 100 to 1 against winning the fight, but again science and skill had added another victory to its long list. George Hamilton would live; his family in the little cottage in Bower street would have him back with them before many days and, instead of mourning and sadness, there would be joy and happiness in the little home. "Thank God that I was able to do it," Doctor Trevor whispered to the skies as he got into his little car. "It seems like an omen of good to have this happen just as the year was born."

For this time he knew that he had won a double victory. For many years he had tried hard to interest the old and wealthy Mrs. Whiteside in the building of a new hospital for Carter, to be operated along new and up-to-date lines. It was sorely needed in the town and it had been the dream of Doctor Trevor's life since he had come there. Several times he had thought that Mrs. Whiteside was on the point of consenting, but always at the last

she had fallen back on a oft-used argument that people were just as well off and got along just as well or better before all these new fandangle ideas were known.

Then last night had come the call from the Hamilton home. For years the Hamilton family had been counted by Mrs. Whiteside as her own special proteges, and she had spoken her mind quite plainly to Doctor Trevor this time: "They say the case is almost hopeless—that there is not the equipment in the old hospital to handle such a case and that he cannot be moved to the city. Doctor Foster said there was a chance and you were the only one here that could take it. If you succeed, it means the new hospital within the year."

"And as Doctor Trevor drove to his home this early New Year morning, the big building, with all its modern equipment for helping humanity, loomed before him already—a dream building that would soon become a reality.

W. D. Oliver, M. D., rectal specialist, of Erick, Okla., will be in McLean at Erwin Drug Co., on Tuesday, Dec. 30, to treat hemorrhoids (piles) and other rectal diseases. Advertisement. ccoT-c

Groceries are cheaper at Puckett's Cash Store. Advertisement. tfc.

Real Michigan meat salt due to arrive soon at Cheney & Callahan. Advertisement tfc

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Gray.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of a certain order of sale issued by the Clerk of the County Court of Tarrant County for Civil Cases on the 25th day of November, 1924, in a certain cause therein, No. 23238, wherein THE WAPLES PLATTER GROCERY COMPANY, A CORPORATION, is plaintiff and T. J. PROCK is defendant, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 25th day of November, 1924, in favor of the said plaintiff, Waples Platter Grocery Company, a corporation, against the said defendant, T. J. Prock, for the sum of TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE AND 8/100 DOLLARS (\$265.08) with interest thereon from date until paid at the rate of ten per cent per annum, together with all costs of suit, I have levied upon and will on the fourth Saturday in December, A. D. 1924, the same being the 27th day of said month, at the T. J. PROCK STORE BUILDING IN THE TOWN OF ALANREED, in Gray county, Texas, within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the said defendant, T. J. Prock, in and to the following described personal property, levied upon as the property of T. J. Prock, to-wit: One (1) Dayton computing scale No. 563,62; one (1) four foot floor display show case; three six foot counter show cases; two six foot counter and soda fountain combined; one ten foot wall fountain mirror and counter; one Wrigley cash register; three (3) twenty foot boxed in counters; and all other items of fixtures not specifically mentioned herein which was used by T. J. Prock in connection with his grocery, dry goods and soda fountain business in the town of Alanreed in Gray county, Texas.

The above sale to be made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for \$265.08 in favor of the Waples Platter Grocery Company, a corporation, with costs of said suit and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof. Given under my hand and seal of office at Lefors, Texas, this 15th day of December, A. D. 1924. E. S. GRAVES, Sheriff JRB-51-2c Gray County, Texas. By JOHNNIE R. BACK, Deputy.

C. M. Carpenter of Back was a McLean visitor Saturday.

With hearty
Christmas greetings
and all
good wishes for the New Year

E. M. RICE
Insurance

We wish you a
Merry Christmas
and Happiness throughout
the New Year

Scott's Kitchen
Short Orders
Riley Scott, Prop.

Wishing you a most enjoyable
Christmas
and all good wishes for your
Health and Happiness
in the coming year.

City Tailor Shop
Clarence Gray, Prop.

WE THANK YOU

for your patronage the past year
and extend to you
Christmas Greetings
and all Good Wishes for your
Happiness in the New Year

CLEMENT PRODUCE

An Appreciation

We take this opportunity of expressing to you our deenest appreciation of the cordial relationship which has existed between us in the past. May it continue indefinitely. Accept our Greetings and Warmest Regards.

STAR FILLING STATION

"Headquarters for Service"
L. L. Rogers, Prop.
PHONE 131

Best Wishes

Among our assets we like to count the only one that money cannot buy—your good will. And so at this Holiday Season we extend to you—not as a customer alone, but as a friend—the best of wishes for the coming year.

Puckett's Cash Store
C. A. Strandberg, Manager

PUBLIC SALE

McLEAN, TEXAS

Tuesday Dec. 30, 1924

1 mile south of the southwest corner of town section.

Sale starts at 10 o'clock a. m.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

- 1 iron bedstead and springs.
- 2 wood bedsteads and springs.
- 1 extra springs.
- 3 dressers.
- 1 good library table.
- 2 small center tables.
- 9 cane bottom chairs.
- 2 rocking chairs.
- 1 sewing machine.
- 1 wash stand.
- 1 cook table.
- 1 dining table.
- 1 safe.
- 1 white enamel wash sink.
- Dishes, milk crocks and lard cans.
- 1 New Perfection 4-burner oil stove.
- 1 National range.
- 1 heating stove.
- 1 Safety Hatch incubator.
- 1 wash pot.

IMPLEMENTS

- 2 P. & O. listers.
- 1 Oliver lister.
- 2 P. & O. two-row go-devils.
- 1 John Deere two-row go-devil.
- 4 cultivators.
- 1 drag harrow.
- 2 sled go-devils.
- 1 single stock.
- 1 turning plow.
- 1 stalk cutter.
- 2 iron wheel wagons.
- 2 wood wheel wagons.

- 1 bottom corn thresher, consisting of 1 baler, 1 seeder and 1 3 H. P. Fairbanks-Morse engine.
- 2 sets leather harness.
- 1 chain harness.
- 1 saddle and bridle.
- 1 leather collars.
- 3 weeding hoes.
- 1 rake.
- Shovels, scoops and grain forks.
- 30 rods of hog wire.
- 2 rolls poultry netting.
- 50 red hens and pullets.

LIVESTOCK

- 1 span of mares, 8 and 10 yr., 2300 lbs.
- 1 span horses, smooth, 2400.
- 1 span mares, 10 yr., 2500.
- 1 span horses, 10 and 11, 2500.
- 1 span mules, smooth, 1600.
- 1 span mules, 7 and 10, 1800.
- 1 bay horse, 8 yr., 1000.
- 1 red mule, 4 yr., 1200.
- 1 brown filly, 4 yr., 1000.
- 1 black filly, 3 yr., 1000.
- 1 black horse, 2 yr., 1000.
- 1 Jersey milch cow.
- 1 Jersey heifer yearling.
- 1 Jersey milch cow, 8 yr.
- 1 Holstein heifer, 2 yr.
- 1 white face milch cow.
- 2 white face heifer yearlings.
- 1 Poland China brood sow, Wilson strain
- Farrow March 10.
- 5 shoats.

Other Articles too Numerous to Mention

TERMS—All sums under \$20, cash in hand. Over \$20, 5 per cent discount for cash or ten months' time bankable note.

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

P. C. Saunders & Sons

OWNERS

J. W. DENNIS, Auctioneer

F. H. BOURLAND, Clerk

200 bushels pure Mebane cotton seed at private sale.