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The McLean News

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The Town Of Big-Hearted People

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McLean, Gray County, Texas, Thursday, January 12, 1950.

No. 2.

Contract for Widening of Highway 66 Is Let

Ruby and Lawson Submit Bid Of \$331,449 to Get Road Job

Contract for the dirt and structure work on U. S. Highway 66 from the Wheeler County line through McLean to the Donley County was let Tuesday by the State Highway Department for a low bid of \$331,449. The contract was awarded to M. E. Ruby of San Marcos and Norman L. Lawson of Austin.

The contract, as let, calls for grading and structures on 16.92 miles from the Wheeler County line to the Donley County line. This will take the road to the point where it dips down into Donley County west of Alanreed.

The highway will be a divided road, similar to the highway through Wheeler County, with a double-lane strip of pavement on each side. The two portions of the road will be separated by about 20 or 30 feet in most instances, although in some cases the separation will be greater.

Just when the contractors will move in and begin work is not known, although they are not expected to start work until at least February 1. Such projects usually require from eight to nine months for completion.

The contract made is only for the grading and structures, and does not include the actual hard-topping. These contracts are made in a second award after the dirt work has all been completed.

Awarding of the contract is the realization of dreams of a large number of people of this area. Widening of the highway is expected to increase the tourist traffic over the road, and consequently aid business during the vacation season. In addition, many of the dangerous curves now on the highway through this area will be eliminated.

As much of the old highway as is possible will be utilized. The road will be split through McLean with west-bound traffic proceeding on the present highway and east-bound traffic on Railroad street when the work is completed. The road will swing slightly north of the present highway through Alanreed, missing the main portion of that community by several hundred yards.

Doom Named All-State Guard

Ike Doom, hard-playing guard for the bi-district champion Lefors Pirates, was named to the second all-state Class A football team by the Texas Sports Writers Association Sunday.

Doom was the only player in District 2-A to place on either the first or second team.

The Littlefield Wildcats, state champions, had two men on the first team and one on the second.

W. M. U. to Give Seniors Dinner

The McLean High School seniors will be honored January 23 at the annual banquet given for them by the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church.

The banquet, first of the series of events for the seniors each year, will be held in the basement of the First Baptist Church.

Stephen Major Dies in Vernon

Funeral rites for Stephen Major, brother of Mrs. J. W. Story of McLean, were held January 9 in Vernon.

Major had been in ill health for several years. He was 89 years of age at the time of his death.

Those attending the funeral from McLean were Mrs. Story, S. A. Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Beck and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins.

The conscious utterance of thought, by speech or action, to any end, is art.—Emerson.

More Damage to Property Noted; Warning Issued

Mayor Harris King issued another warning this week concerning the damage done to city and personal property by individuals believed to be children.

Considerable damage has been done to cemetery property, as well as the City Park improvements, King and other city officials said.

The official warning by the city, on another page of this issue, states that such offenses are punishable, and that such wanton destruction of property will not be allowed without punishment.

School—SPORTS BY NEIL PRICE

The McLean cagers are entered in the Wheeler invitational tourney which begins today. The Tigerettes will play the winner of the Wheeler-Darrouzett game Friday night at 9 o'clock.

The boys will play the next game Friday night, with the winner of the Wheeler-Darrouzett game at 10 o'clock.

If both local teams win they will play the winners of the Hedley, Miami, and Reydon, Okla., games Saturday afternoon. The girls will play at 1 o'clock and the boys at 4.

The finals, which will be played Saturday night, are scheduled to start at 9 o'clock.

The Grade School gym will be the site of the next home game, which is to be played between the local cagers and the boys and girls from Panhandle.

The boys A and B teams split victories with the Lefors team last Friday night in two contests played in the local gym. The B team boys won by a close score of 36-35. The A team boys were defeated by a surprisingly tough Pirate team 19-13.

In a close game Tuesday night the boys were edged out by the Shamrock cagers 28-22. The Tigerettes scored a 37-26 victory over the Irish girls.

In 1911 the first American aviation pilot's license was issued to Glenn Curtiss.

Gilbert and Sullivan provided the tune for the song, "Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here."

Cagers Defeat Wellington Five Social Security Tax Rate Hiked To One and One-Half Per Cent

The McLean independent basketball team defeated the Wellington Modern Market team by a close score of 47-45 in a game played on the Wellington court Monday night.

Coach Don Leach of McLean led the attack against the Wellington team, racking up 34 of the 47 points scored by the local men.

Others playing on the local team, and the points they scored, were as follows: Bill Willingham (no points); Sammy Haynes, 4; Douglas Groves, 1; Dick Grigsby, 7; Bob Kramer, 4; and Burl Puett, 7.

Earnest Beck, commissioner of Precinct 4, escaped injury when the truck in which he and Billy Graham of Pampa were riding overturned near Melrose, N. M., Friday afternoon.

Beck was slightly bruised, but not seriously injured. Graham suffered lacerations and bruises, but received no broken bones. Both received treatment at Melrose.

The truck, driven by Beck, went out of control, and rolled over three times, it was reported. The vehicle was badly damaged. It was not a county truck, but was privately owned.

Funeral Rites Held Here for John Stratton

Funeral services for John Rice Stratton, 48 years of age, were held Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in McLean.

Services were conducted by Rev. A. T. Kersey of Canyon, assisted by Mrs. C. C. Howard of McLean. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home.

Palbearers were John Cooper, Boyd Reeves, Pets Fulbright, J. N. Smith, Eugene Woodrome, and J. W. Sullivan.

Stratton, a former resident of McLean and son of Mrs. Laura Stratton of this city, died Friday morning of a heart attack at his home near Etter.

He was born at Bell Plain, Callahan County, March 8, 1901, and was 48 years, 9 months, and 29 days of age at the time of his death. He moved with his parents to McLean in 1908, and was reared here.

On June 25, 1935, he was united in marriage to Miss Jewel Barnes.

Stratton had worked in the oil fields in this area for a number of years. At the time of his death, he was engaged in farming near Etter.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Jewel Stratton of Willits, Calif.; his mother, Mrs. Laura Stratton of McLean; five sisters, Eunice Stratton of McLean; Mrs. Lucile Decker of Mountainair, N. M.; Mrs. Vina Meier of Amarillo; Mrs. Rachel Switzer of Keller, Okla.; and Mrs. Georgia Douglas of Bakersfield, Calif.; and two brothers, J. S. Stratton of Tyler, and Charles Stratton of Portland, Ore.

Out-of-town relatives attending the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stratton, Charles and Shirley, of Tyler; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Decker and Bobby, of Mountainair, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Meier and Mona, of Amarillo; Mrs. W. H. Douglas, Wanda, Sandra, Lynda, and Charles, of Bakersfield, Calif.; Charles Stratton of Portland, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Switzer, Gienda, Laura Mae, and John, of Keller, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Walker and Miss Edith Powels of Baird; and Mrs. Errol Halley of Big Spring.

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Truck Overturns; Two Slightly Hurt

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Resuscitator Now At Phone Office; Is Ready for Use

The resuscitator, the purchase of which was recently sponsored by the McLean Volunteer Fire Department, is now at the office of the Southwestern States Telephone company and ready for use at any time.

All members of the fire department have been instructed in the proper use of the machine, which can be used as a resuscitator, inhalator, or respirator. In addition, the physicians of the town have seen the machine in operation, and know of its functions.

Firemen stated that in case the machine is needed for use at any time, it may be found at the telephone office. Any firemen will aid in operating it, time to aid in operating it.

Rice to Seek Re-Election as Justice Peace

C. S. Rice, justice of the peace of Precinct No. 5, this week authorized The News to announce his candidacy for re-election to that office.

He made the following announcement:

"In asking for the office for a second term, I feel that I am even better qualified to fill the position than in the past. This past year's experience has aided greatly in renewing my knowledge of the laws under which the office operates.

"I have done my utmost to be fair to all and partial to none, and feel that I have met these challenges with the greatest sincerity and honesty.

"Your vote and influence in the coming Democratic primaries will be greatly appreciated, and, if re-elected, I pledge to fulfill the office duties to the very best of my ability."

Two Injured In Car Crash

Two people were injured, neither critically, in a car-pick-up collision at the corner of North Walnut and West North Third streets Thursday morning of last week.

Injured were Jack King, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harris King, who received three broken ribs; and Bill Stroud, who suffered a sprained knee.

Harris King, accompanied by Jack and Betty King, were proceeding south in a 1949 Oldsmobile, and Stroud was alone in his 1949 Chevrolet pick-up going west, when the collision occurred. Both vehicles were badly damaged by the impact. King and his daughter Betty were uninjured.

March of Dimes Campaign to Start

The March of Dimes campaign in the McLean area will get underway this week-end, when solicitation cards are mailed to practically all residents of the area, W. C. Meharg, McLean chairman, said this week.

Money derived in the campaign is used to fight the dreaded disease of polio. The Gray County chapter will retain a portion of the money collected for local use, and the remainder will be sent to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The national funds are spent for research, for upkeep of the national hospitals, and to aid chapters throughout the country when chapter funds are exhausted.

In addition to mailing the cards throughout the area, school children will be taken cards and given an opportunity of giving to the polio fund, Meharg stated.

The drive will really get underway next Tuesday, when a program is presented by county drive workers at the McLean Lions Club. The Lions are aiding Meharg in the campaign locally, and will hear reports from Gene Fathree, county chairman at Pampa, Ray Salmon, chairman for the drive in the city of Pampa, and Rev. Douglas Nelson.

Then on Saturday, January 21, Lions and Legionnaires will enter a spirit of competition to see which group can collect the most in donations on the street corners. Throughout that day, Lions will man one corner downtown, and the Legionnaires another, seeking donations from people who pass.

The March of Dimes cans, where donations may be left, were distributed in McLean Tuesday by members of the Pampa fire department. The cans will be left here until the drive is completed. A large jug, where donations may be left, has been set up in the Powers Drug store.

Most of the cotton is now in, the ginners stated, although a few bales are being brought to the local gins each day. If the weather continues fair, the ginners expect to be practically completed by the end of next week.

A few drops of rain fell Monday, but not enough to register. Again Wednesday, the skies were cloudy, and rain appeared near as a trace of rain again fell.

Temperatures during the past week have ranged from near zero at times to marks about 50 degrees. However, the thermometer have not dropped as low as they did during the cold spell which hit early last week.

BIRTHDAYS

January 15—Bobby Jack Massey, C. H. Puckett.

Jan. 16—Jan Black, Mary Ann Beck, Pat Reeves, Carl Sullivan.

Jan. 17—W. M. Smith, Mrs. J. D. Fish, Virginia Ann Hill.

Jan. 18—Mrs. J. A. Meador, Oma Bell McPherson, Billy Rodgers, Mary Evelyn Knutson, Mrs. Sophia Prock, Beatrice Hunt, Jewell Glass.

Jan. 19—Don Alexander, M. T. Wilkerson, J. A. Meador, Mrs. Rosa Collier, Mrs. R. S. Jordan, Mrs. T. J. Wilson.

Jan. 20—Wilma Jean McIlroy, John Robert Bonner, James Richard Bonner, Robert Philip Winn.

Jan. 21—Kid McCoy Jr.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the annual March of Dimes campaign has now begun, and a large amount of money is needed to carry on the work of the local polio chapter as well as the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis;

Whereas, this week-end, the days of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, will see the opening of the March of Dimes campaign throughout this great country of ours;

I, therefore, as Mayor of the City of McLean, do hereby request and urge that all persons buying soft drinks and coffee on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, contribute via the March of Dimes cans the same amount of money as spent on the drinks and coffee. In this way, much extra money can be derived for this great cause.

Signed,
Harris King, Mayor

Bank Deposits Over Last Year

Who don't rightly know who it belongs to, but there's more money on deposit at the American National Bank in McLean now than at any time during the past three years.

At least there's more listed on the official report of the bank than any official report issued since December 31, 1946.

Annual deposits at the local bank at the close of business December 31, 1949, were \$1,412,000—which, incidentally, must be a lot of hay. We say "must" for we wouldn't be knowing just how much money that is, or how that much would look scattered about on the street or on a walk or something.

Anyway, it's nearly a couple of hundred thousand more bucks than the bank had on deposit a year ago—six months ago—June 30, 1949, when the report showed \$1,240,000.

But it's still short of the \$1,552,260.96 registered on deposit December 31, 1948, and the \$1,464,549.65 a year later, December 31, 1946. This would indicate that the surplus money accumulated by many people during the war has gone down, although that stockpile is higher than it was a year ago or two years ago.

The bank receives a call from the state comptroller at least twice each year to issue a financial statement and have it published for all to see. This is theoretically done, of course, to allow the patrons of the bank to be assured that their money is safe. So if a man or woman knows how to interpret the statements, then he or she can be assured.

At any rate, for comparison purposes, here are some figures of bank deposits and bank loans

and discounts during the past few years:

December 31, 1949—deposits, \$1,412,000.40; loans and discounts, \$428,606.75.

June 30, 1949—deposits, \$1,237,654.55; loans and discounts, \$423,256.80.

December 31, 1948—deposits, \$1,389,874.55; loans and discounts, \$391,758.19.

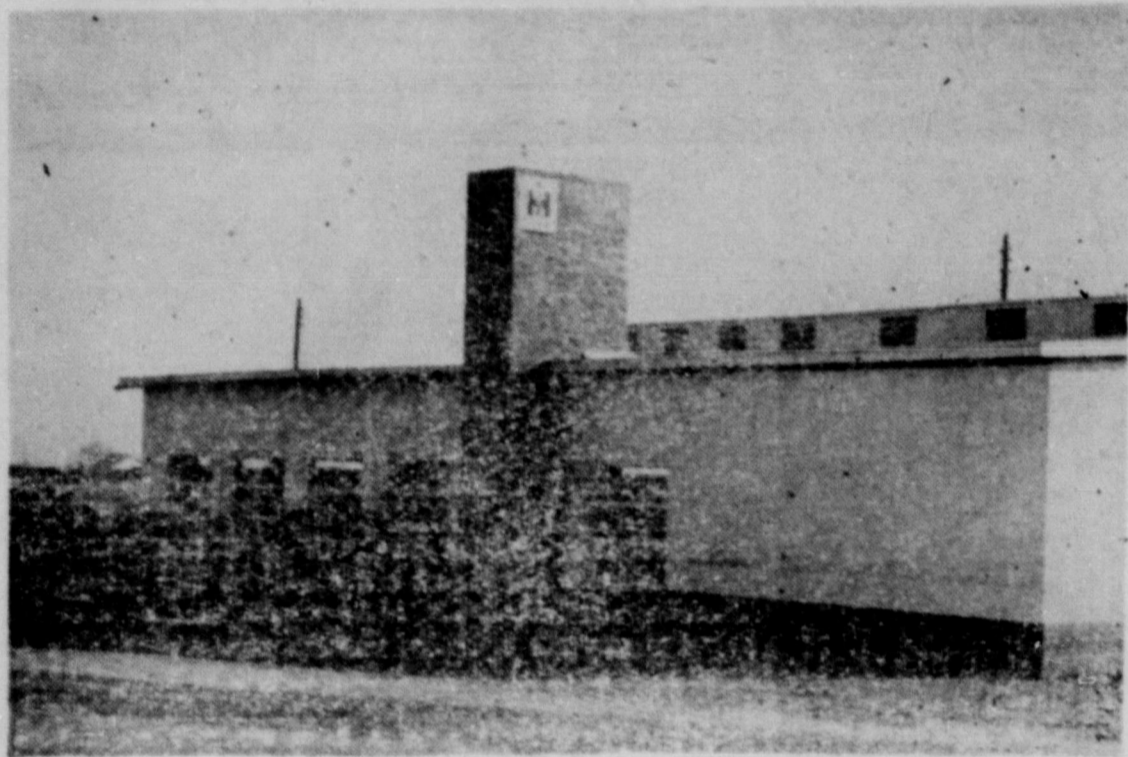
June 30, 1948—deposits, \$1,195,323.49; loans and discounts, \$386,616.23.

December 31, 1947—deposits, \$1,407,252.79; loans and discounts, \$314,583.42.

June 30, 1947—deposits, \$1,313,361.63; loans and discounts, \$277,078.00.

December 31, 1946—deposits, \$1,464,549.65; loans and discounts, \$273,437.49.

December 31, 1945—deposits, \$1,552,260.96; loans and discounts, \$294,898.36.



—Photos by J. M. Payne, Engravings Courtesy Amarillo News
 THESE TWO PICTURES of McLean's newest businesses appeared in the Amarillo News recently. At the top is a picture of Lentz's Flowers, and the inset in the top picture is Mrs. Mittie Paschal. Mrs. Paschal was awarded an orchid for being the oldest lady to visit the floral shop on the opening day in November. The lower picture is that of the building of the Andrews and Johnson Equipment company, International dealers in McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Thompson, Ruth Thompson, Billy Ed Thompson, and Edwin Thompson of Memphis visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Campbell and Chris.

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PERSONALS

Visitors in the home of Mrs. J. E. Simpson of Shamrock Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simpson and son Joe Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clett and Edward Simpson of McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Simpson and children of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard and son Don of Lefors.

Raymond Morgan of Childress is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Guinn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and family of Fort Worth were visitors Thursday of last week in the home of his sister, Mrs. S. J. Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burrows of Benton, Iowa, are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows. Junior Burrows of Socorro, N. M., is also visiting in the Burrows home.

Jack Grigsby has returned to school in Lubbock after visiting friends and relatives in McLean during the holidays.

Mrs. Elizabeth Major of Geom is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Kemp this week.

Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Seay have returned from a visit in McKinney.

Mrs. Alma Turman visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price in Pampa Monday.

Personals

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McDonald were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jones of Sunray. Rev. and Mrs. Buddy Jones and son Harold of Richmond, Calif., Bob Jones of Brownwood, and Rev. and Mrs. Leo McDonald and son Randy of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Woody Hayes and daughter Janet Lou of Fort Sumner, N. M., and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tyle of St. Francis, Kans., were recent visitors of Mrs. Bob Barnett.

Mrs. T. N. Holloway is visiting in Amarillo this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Roberts were week-end guests in the home of Mrs. Horace Wilhelm in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Hudson of ET Centro, Calif., visited Friday night of last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cabot Dysart of Amarillo, and J. Lester Dysart of McLean visited relatives in Dallas Saturday night and Sunday. They returned to McLean Sunday, going by way of Pauls Valley, Okla., to pick up Mrs. Dysart and Gale Plummer, who spent last week there.

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AND, ALREADY, COUSIN JOHN ISN'T LIKING IT ANY TOO WELL
By DON HEROLD

It's easy enough to be a "professor" on the subject of some far distant land like the moon. A friend of mine once said "I like Henry Wallace because he's 20 years ahead of his time." I replied that it's the easiest thing on earth to be 20 years ahead of one's time. The hard thing is to get something practical and useful and beneficial done TODAY. Socialists are always talking about next year or a "five year

plan" or the moon or the millennium—all very remote. But we don't have to wait to see what Socialism will do to England. Even now England has made a flop of it. The Socialist record of accomplishment in England is already an all-around sorry story. Take coal. In 1948, 26,000,000 more miners, helped by more modern equipment, produced 9 million tons of coal less than that produced by miners in 1941, the last year of investor-owned mines in England. By raising prices, the English coal industry made a small profit in 1948, but its loss since it became

socialized has been 90 million dollars. The Electric power industry in England has been socialized for about a year and a half. It takes many more workers to operate it than it took when the industry was investor-owned. Last winter the "planners" decided to increase income by having a higher rate in winter (when people want more electricity) than in summer. Yet industry under government ownership is barely making a profit. John Bull isn't any too happy about being shot to the moon. Yet many fuzzy-wuzzies here want us to take a similar ride. What do you say we wait and see?

Society

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Honored at Party On Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Griffith entertained with a watch party in their home New Year's Eve, honoring Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Webb on their 18th wedding anniversary. Forty-two was enjoyed by the group, and the New Year was welcomed with a song. A buffet supper of turkey, salad, cake, and coffee was served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hupp and Waneta, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Peabody, Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Dwell and Terry Don, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dwight Jr. and Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Flesher, Mr. and Mrs. John Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Morris, Mrs. Birtie Loomis of Topeka, Kans., Mrs. Ted Longino of Sapulpa, Okla.

WHOA!



The old mule train seems to have clippety-clopped right up to the pool where this pretty miss is enjoying an outing in California's winter sunshine. She is wearing a beach ensemble designed in a new embossed cotton fabric by Stephanie Korot. The cotton outfit includes matching shorts and halter, plus a versatile beach coat.

Freda Tugwell Becomes Bride of R. Sonnenburg

Miss Freda Tugwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tugwell of Shamrock, became the bride of Raymond Sonnenburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sonnenburg, also of Shamrock, Friday evening, December 23, in the parsonage of the First Methodist Church at Shamrock. Rev. S. M. Dunning officiated. Miss Tugwell is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Tugwell of McLean. Mrs. Sonnenburg is a graduate of Shamrock High School, where she was a member of the high school chorus, Shillalah Club, and the Speech Arts Club. Mr. Sonnenburg, also a graduate of Shamrock High, served for three years in the navy. He is now a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, and will graduate with the June class. The couple will make their home in Lubbock.

Mrs. F. Patterson Named Honoree at Surprise Dinner

A surprise birthday dinner was given in the home of Fred Patterson for Mrs. Patterson Monday night. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Beck and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. George Beck, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerrel Patterson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hill and son, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Patterson and daughter, and Mrs. L. R. Gholston.

DINNER HELD

Mrs. H. D. Butrum shared her birthday dinner Friday night of last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Butrum, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Barrett and daughter Barbara, and H. D. Butrum and children.

Rev. and Mrs. Nath Franks of Sayre, Okla., were McLean visitors Saturday.

Uncle Sam Says



Planned wisely, the money you have this year of 1950 can be the seed that grows into dreams come true, a harvest of farm or ranch expansion, education for the children or that long vacation trip you've wanted. Invest every possible penny in U. S. Savings Bonds, then every \$3 you plant today will yield \$4 in 1959. Bonds are just as important a part of a well-managed farm as is land, livestock or machinery. With U. S. Savings Bonds, your financial reserves are in the safest possible form and readily available. Your bank offers a simple Bond-A-Month Plan for your convenience. U. S. Treasury Department

S. G. ROBINSON
Attorney-at-Law
Office in
Holloway Insurance Building

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Riemer of Spearman were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith.



McLean Lions Club

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Meharg spent the week-end with Mrs. W. C. Meharg and Mrs. R. E. Singletary of Amarillo.

Tuesday, 12:05
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As the New Year 1950 rolls in, we invite you to continue that patronage of Puckett's, where you receive high quality foods at lower prices, plus the courtesy and friendliness which means so much to all of us.

Thanks again, and again HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PUCKETT'S

GROCERY & MARKET

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bodenhamer and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Al Bodenhamer in San Diego, Calif., during the holidays.

Pvt. Tim Keffer, of the Army Air Corps stationed at Wichita Falls, spent New Year's night in the home of Mrs. T. E. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCarty and children, Sandra and Mike, of Las Cruces, N. M., visited with relatives here last week.

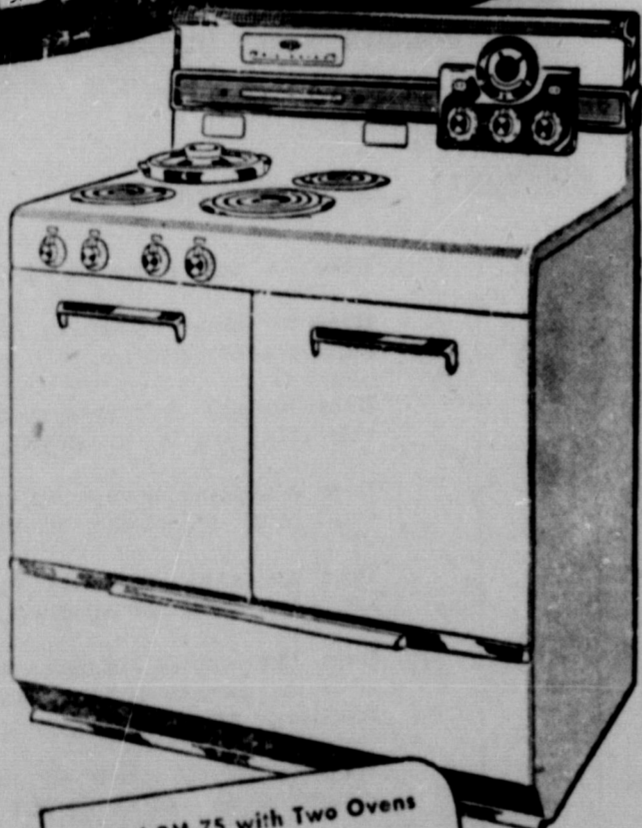
Mrs. L. E. Cunningham visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Simmons of Amarillo last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Rodger and son Jimmy Don of Pampa were week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Chase.

Billy Reynolds of Amarillo visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Guthrie.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fevehouse of Amarillo were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Back last week.

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For Sale—Cane bundles and a few kaffir bundles 1 mi. E. 1 1/4 mi. S. Everett (Red) Watson. 52-3p

Do you need a good used cook stove, or refrigerator? We have some. Callahan's, Phone 184. 1c

For Sale—2 nice used kitchen ranges at bargain prices. Also have new Coleman kerosene heaters. McLean Hardware Co. 1c

FOR RENT
 For Rent—Unfurnished garage apartment, 4 rooms, extra nice. At my former home. Nath Franks, Sayre, Okla., Ph. 4661. 1-2p

For Rent—Nicely furnished 2-room apartment with bath, private entrance. Also will have 4-room furnished apartment with bath, vacant December 1. See Harris King. 4-1fc

MISCELLANEOUS
 All water repellent jackets and coats are re-waterproofed at no extra cost to you when cleaned at Clett's Cleaners, Phone 52. Pick-Up and Delivery.

Expert local and long distance moving. For more information, call Bruce and Sons, Phone 934, Pampa. Agents North American Van Lines, serving the nation. 44-1fc

If you have any butchering you want done, bring it in now. I will be leaving January 1. Can be contacted at home at any time. W. A. Ayers. 50-3p

Satisfaction guaranteed on hats cleaned, 75c; cleaned and blocked, \$2.50 at Clett's, Phone 52.

I am now butchering hogs and cattle at my place, where W. A. Ayers formerly slaughtered. Contact me at any time. J. A. Meador, Phone 113J. 1c

All garments altered at Clett's are guaranteed to fit and to please and are pressed at no extra cost to you. Call 52.

LOST
 Strayed from Walter Hagler place 4 miles south of McLean, two white-face yearlings, branded slash on left hip. Notify Cal Sugg, Wellington, Texas. 52-4p

Auxiliary—

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meeting were Mrs. Walter Sargent, Mrs. Bob Sherrod, Mrs. Bernard McClellan, Mrs. T. J. Newsom, Mrs. Frank Stewart, Mrs. Herbert Chase, Mrs. C. O. Goodman, Mrs. Herschel Smith, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Mrs. Legon Burris, Mrs. Roy Kiser, Mrs. James Barker, Mrs. Joe Gibson, Mrs. Vergal Smith, Mrs. W. C. Simpson, Mrs. Jasper Graham, Mrs. Cecil Simpson, Mrs. George W. Terry, Mrs. John Cornett, Mrs. Hal Mounce, and Sally Ledbetter.

Veterans attending the meeting were Herbert Chase, Short Hill, Jake Slaughter, Cecil Simpson, Herschel Smith, H. E. Agee, B. R. Robinson, Godfrey, L. O. Burrows, Arthur Boyd, Vergal Smith, James Barker, Lester Carter, J. E. Smith, Jody Patterson, Carlton Patterson, Bob Sherrod, Jasper Graahm, Herbert Guill, Frank Stewart.

Raymond Glass, Bernard McClellan, Roy Kiser, Jesse Coleman, Paul Kennedy, Lawrence Lee, T. J. Newsom, Paris Hess, Spencer Sitter, Ernest Erwin, Hal Mounce, Earnest Beck, Jess Ledbetter, Bob Sheddick, Lester Campbell, Elwin Curry, George W. Terry, Joe Gibson, W. C. Simpson, Ed Lander, Guy Pharis, Floyd Guthrie, and John Cornett.

Mrs. Maude Prefontaine and Hattie Thompson left Tuesday for their homes in Colorado and New Mexico after spending the holidays with relatives in McLean, Quanah, and Stinnett. Fred Thompson, Mrs. Pearl Hindman, and Rob Hindman accompanied them to Amarillo.

TARPS TO FARMERS' AID



The scarcity of permanent crop storage facilities is a headache for farmers again this year, but canvas tarpaulins will play a large part in alleviating the shortage, according to the National Cotton Council. Temporary corn cribs, covered with a tarpaulin as shown above, will be used in many sections. A recent survey among the nation's county agents reveals that there are literally a thousand and one practical uses for canvas covers on farms.

COTTON QUIZ



Mr. and Mrs. Luke Armstrong of Alanreed, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Armstrong and children, Linda Sue and Wendall, of Gainesville, Mr. and Mrs. Vestal Bailey of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bailey and daughter Bonita, and Mrs. Bettie Warren and daughter Janet Kay were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey for a turkey dinner.

Edgar Thompson of Dumas visited Fred Thompson and other relatives in McLean during the holidays.

26.11 Inches in Moisture in 1949

The total amount of moisture which fell in McLean during 1949 was 26.11 inches, including rain, snow, and sleet, according to Pete Fulbright, local weather observer.

The month of May brought the most moisture, with 5.14 inches, Fulbright said, and November was almost a complete Crowth month when only .01 of an inch in rain fell.

Remember last January, don't you? That month was fairly productive in the way of moisture, for a combination of rain, snow, and sleet yielded 4.23 inches. Sleet, which froze on the streets and highways, brought 3.02 inches of that amount.

Here are the records, as kept by Fulbright, month by month:

- January: 4 snows, .59 of an inch in moisture; 3 rains, .67 inch; 5 sleet, 3.02 inches.
- February: 3 snows, .25 of inch; 3 rains, .63 of inch.
- March: 2 snows, .09 of inch; 3 rains, 1.02 inches.
- April: 2 snows, .32 of inch; 6 rains, 2.24 inches.
- May: 13 rains, 5.14 inches.
- June: 8 rains, 2.84 inches.
- July: 9 rains, 2.92 inches.
- August: 9 rains, 2.15 inches.
- September: 6 rains, 1.10 inches.
- October: 1 rain, .01 of inch.
- November: 2 sleet, .04 of inch; 2 rains, .61 of inch.

Senior Music Club Meets in Studio Of Mrs. Boyett

The Senior Music Club met in Mrs. Willie Boyett's studio Wednesday night of last week at 7:30 o'clock.

A repertoire was given by Barbara Nell Williams. She played "Elfin Dance," "Polonaise," "Amarillo," "Mountain Stream," "Skylark," and "Prima Ballerina" on the piano, and "Under the Double Eagle" and "Clarinet Polka" on the accordion.

Others on the program were Sue Glass, June Stubblefield, Floella Cubine, Shirley Allison, Billy James Rainwater, Darlene Shadid, Barbara Beck, and Dick Silar.

Students listed on the honor roll were Floella Cubine, Donna Gall Stubblefield, Barbara Nell Williams, Billy James Rainwater, Darlene Shadid, Barbara Beck, and Dick Silar.

Refreshments of sandwiches, chocolate, and candy were served.

TO JUDGE MAID CONTEST

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Elliott and son Dale in Amarillo.

A. I. Rippy of Stillwater, Okla., was a McLean visitor Sunday.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. W. E. Kennedy during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Keller and children, Carl and Patsy, of Colorado Springs; Mrs. Alice Hommel and C. G. Hommel of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy and daughters, Jerry Ann and Margie, of Quail; and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gaines and daughter Frankie, and Dan Kennedy, of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe T. Williams and Jim and Jo Williams of Oklahoma City were recent visitors in the Harris King home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Keorns of Amarillo were New Year's visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Rice.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Crockett were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bohannon and daughter Rena, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Howard of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard and son Don of Lefors, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Howard and family of Plainview, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Howard and family of Borger.

Let friendship creep gently to a height; if it rushes to it, it may soon run itself out of breath. —Fuller.

Every man will have something to do for his friend, and something to bear with him. Only the sober man can do the first; and for the latter, patience is requisite. —Feltham.

Only two legs of lamb are obtained from each animal.

Benjamin Harrison was the last bearded president of the United States.

Luke, author of two books in the New Testament, was a physician.

Prince Albert of England composed songs, church music, and an opera.

Miss Virginia Pope, fashion editor of the New York Times who is recognized as one of the nation's foremost fashion authorities, will serve as chairman of the board of judges to select the 1950 Maid of Cotton. The finals of the contest will be at Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 3. Immediately after the Maid is selected, she will begin a thrilling 40,000 mile tour as King Cotton's fashion and goodwill ambassador.



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Vic Vet says

VETERANS, WHEN WRITING TO V.A., WRITE TO YOUR NEAREST V.A. OFFICE... DON'T WRITE WASHINGTON



Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Neeley of Memphis were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Willie Boyett.



Status Quo—The bank is full of money, the town is full of people doing nothing, and some lots even in the fire zone are covered with great weeds and rubble. More to do and more to do it with, yet no action. Are we afraid of our horses? A. T. Wilson.

It Looked Good But Do You Know What Happened?



"JUST ONE LITTLE BITE"

By DON HEROLD
 All that Socialism asks is that we take one little bite at a time. That's what the serpent said to Adam and Eve.
 And we are tempted to try just one little bite because, after all, we are by nature curious, and what harm can one little bite do?
 First thing you know, we've eaten the whole apple.
 That's how England got her Socialism—just nibbling at it. It was a definite, cold-blooded policy of the founders of Socialism in England to feed it to the na-

tion gradually—without even mentioning the word Socialism. The movement got going in 1905. Now, 44 years later, England is the victim of the snake in the tree.
 The same sneaking attack is being made by Socialism in America. Methods of life. Unless we watch out, we'll be sold piece-meal on letting the government do everything for us. Instead of sticking to the American "do-it-yourself" ideals which have made us so strong.
 They'll try to cripple our industries one by one. Our national field of industry also our federal government has already

built or bought 46 hydroelectric and 10 steam power plants. And 42 additional plants are under construction or have funds appropriated, while Congress has authorized construction of 74 future plants. In all the government has plans which would involve expenditures in this field of over 40 billion dollars.
 And that would be just the beginning of Socialism's conquest of America's industry. Socialism is creeping advance. All it asks is "Take just this one little bite now."

Friday, Jan. 6, Thru Saturday, Jan. 14
JANUARY

Clearance

Ladies Fall and Winter
COATS 1/2 PRICE

Were \$29.75, now \$14.88 Were \$34.50, now \$17.25
 Were \$49.75, now \$24.88 Were \$98.75, now \$49.38

SUITS 1/2 PRICE

Mary Lane, Swansdown
 Jaunty Jr., Briny Marlin
 Were \$75.00, now \$37.50
 Were \$49.75, now \$24.88
 Were \$29.75, now \$14.88

Jersey Blouses, \$7.95 val.
 1/2 Price

3 Groups of Women's,
 Children's Shoes drastically cut

DRESSES 1/2 PRICE

Were \$29.75, now \$14.88 Were \$10.95, now \$5.48

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B & L Dept. Store

"Always Something New"
 125 N. Main St. Shamrock, Texas

A Few ?'s to Ask The Printing Peddler

When the peddler selling stationery and printing supplies solicits your business, there are a few questions which he should be willing to answer to your satisfaction.

- Among them being:
- Does he pay taxes in this community?
 - Does he donate space in his newspaper to the local community enterprises?
 - Does he pay wages to a force of employees located in this city, county, or state?
 - Does his paper devote its entire space toward the betterment and upbuilding of this community?
 - Does he grant you every favor that you would ordinarily ask of a local newspaper?
 - Does the quality of his merchandise stand inspection—is it on quality paper stock and the printed matter attractively arranged?
 - Will he submit proof of your work before finishing and mailing it to you C. O. D.?
 - Does his price include postage and insurance charges?
 - Can he supply your order on short notice?

If he can answer all the questions in the affirmative, he is entitled to your business.

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No. 2.

Contract for Widening of Highway 66 Is Let

Ruby and Lawson Submit Bid Of \$331,449 to Get Road Job

Contract for the dirt and structure work on U. S. Highway 66 from the Wheeler County line through McLean to the Donley County was let Tuesday by the State Highway Department for a low bid of \$331,449. The contract was awarded to M. E. Ruby of San Marcos and Norman L. Lawson of Austin.

The contract, as let, calls for grading and structures on 16.92 miles from the Wheeler County line to the Donley County line. This will take the road to the point where it dips down into Donley County west of Alanreed.

The highway will be a divided road, similar to the highway through Wheeler County, with a double-lane strip of pavement on each side. The two portions of the road will be separated by about 20 or 30 feet in most instances, although in some cases the separation will be greater.

Just when the contractors will move in and begin work is not known, although they are not expected to start work until at least February 1. Such projects usually require from eight to nine months for completion.

The contract made is only for the grading and structures, and does not include the actual hard-topping. These contracts are made in a second award after the dirt work has all been completed.

Awarding of the contract is the realization of dreams of a large number of people of this area. Widening of the highway is expected to increase the tourist traffic over the road, and consequently aid business during the vacation season. In addition, many of the dangerous curves now on the highway through this area will be eliminated.

As much of the old highway as is possible will be utilized. The road will be split through McLean with west-bound traffic proceeding on the present highway and east-bound traffic on Railroad street when the work is completed. The road will swing slightly north of the present highway through Alanreed, missing the main portion of that community by several hundred yards.

Earnest Beck In Race for Commissioner

Earnest Beck, commissioner of Precinct 4, this week authorized The News to announce his candidacy for re-election to that office.

In making the authorization, he made the following statement: "It has been my pleasure to serve as your commissioner for the past three years, and I want each of you to know that I have appreciated your support, not only your support in my candidacy but also your support and cooperation with me in my work as commissioner.

"During the time I have held the office, I feel that I have not pleased everyone, but it has not been my intention to displease anyone. I have made mistakes, but those mistakes were made through honest convictions when I believed I was doing the right thing for the good of the precinct and the county as a whole.

"It is my belief that I can make you a better commissioner in the future than I have in the past, due to the added experience I have had. I have devoted all my time to this job since taking the office, and if re-elected, will continue to devote all my time to the work. I have no other interests to take up any of my time.

"Your vote and influence will be appreciated in the coming Democratic primaries."

Musical Program Heard by Lions

A program of string band music was presented Tuesday noon at the regular meeting of the McLean Lions Club.

Musicians were Emmett Allen, Don Allen, Truitt Johnson, Gene Greer, and Lester Dysart.

A number of selections were presented prior to the meeting of the club, and several more were played following the meal.

Doom Named All-State Guard

Ike Doom, hard-playing guard for the bi-district champion LeFors Pirates, was named to the second all-state Class A football team by the Texas Sports Writers Association Sunday.

Doom was the only player in District 2-A to place on either the first or second team.

The Littlefield Wildcats, state champions, had two men on the first team and one on the second.

W. M. U. to Give Seniors Dinner

The McLean High School seniors will be honored January 23 at the annual banquet given for them by the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church.

The banquet, first of the series of events for the seniors each year, will be held in the basement of the First Baptist Church.

Stephen Major Dies in Vernon

Funeral rites for Stephen Major, brother of Mrs. J. W. Story of McLean, were held January 9 in Vernon.

Major had been in ill health for several years. He was 89 years of age at the time of his death.

Those attending the funeral from McLean were Mrs. Story, S. A. Cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Beck and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cousins.

The conscious utterance of thought, by speech or action, to any end, is art.—Emerson.

More Damage to Property Noted; Warning Issued

Mayor Harris King issued another warning this week concerning the damage done to city and personal property by individuals believed to be children.

Considerable damage has been done to cemetery property, as well as the City Park improvements. King and other city officials said.

The official warning by the city, on another page of this issue, states that such offenses are punishable, and that such wanton destruction of property will not be allowed without punishment.

School—SPORTS

BY NEIL PRICE

The McLean cagers are entered in the Wheeler invitational tourney which begins today. The Tigerettes will play the winner of the Wheeler-Darrouzett game Friday night at 9 o'clock.

The boys will play the next game Friday night, with the winner of the Wheeler-Darrouzett game at 10 o'clock.

If both local teams win they will play the winners of the Hedley, Miami, and Reynold, Okla., games Saturday afternoon. The girls will play at 1 o'clock and the boys at 4.

The finals, which will be played Saturday night, are scheduled to start at 9 o'clock.

The Grade School gym will be the site of the next home game, which is to be played between the local cagers and the boys and girls from Panhandle.

The boys A and B teams split victories with the LeFors teams last Friday night in two contests played in the local gym. The B team boys won by a close score of 36-35. The A team boys were defeated by a surprisingly tough Pirate team 19-13.

In a close game Tuesday night the boys were edged out by the Shamrock cagers 26-22. The Tigerettes scored a 37-26 victory over the Irish girls.

In 1911 the first American aviation pilot's license was issued to Glenn Curtiss.

Gilbert and Sullivan provided the tune for the song, "Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here."

Cagers Defeat Wellington Five Social Security Tax Rate Hiked To One and One-Half Per Cent

The McLean independent basketball team defeated the Wellington Modern Market team by a close score of 47-45 in a game played on the Wellington court Monday night.

Coach Don Leach of McLean led the attack against the Wellington team, racking up 24 of the 47 points scored by the local men.

Others playing on the local team, and the points they scored, were as follows: Bill Willingham (no points); Sammy Haynes, 4; Douglas Groves, 1; Dick Grigsby, 7; Bob Kramer, 4; and Burl Puett, 7.

Truck Overturns; Two Slightly Hurt

Earnest Beck, commissioner of Precinct 4, escaped injury when the truck in which he and Billy Graham of Pampa were riding overturned near Melrose, N. M., Friday afternoon.

Beck was slightly bruised, but not seriously injured. Graham suffered lacerations and bruises, but received no broken bones. Both received treatment at Melrose.

The truck, driven by Beck, went out of control, and rolled over three times, it was reported. The vehicle was badly damaged. It was not a county truck, but was privately owned.

Funeral Rites Held Here for John Stratton

Funeral services for John Rice Stratton, 48 years of age, were held Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in McLean.

Services were conducted by Rev. A. T. Kersey of Canyon, assisted by Mrs. C. C. Howard of McLean. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were John Cooper, Boyd Reeves, Pete Fulbright, J. N. Smith, Eugene Woodrome, and J. W. Sullivan.

Stratton, a former resident of McLean and son of Mrs. Laura Stratton of this city, died Friday morning of a heart attack at his home near Etter.

He was born at Bell Plain, Callahan County, March 8, 1901, and was 48 years, 9 months, and 29 days of age at the time of his death. He moved with his parents to McLean in 1908, and was reared here.

On June 25, 1935, he was united in marriage to Miss Jewel Barnes.

Stratton had worked in the oil fields in this area for a number of years. At the time of his death, he was engaged in farming near Etter.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Jewel Stratton of Willits, Calif.; his mother, Mrs. Laura Stratton of McLean; five sisters, Eunice Stratton of McLean; Mrs. Lucile Decker of Mountainair, N. M.; Mrs. Vina Meier of Amarillo, Mrs. Rachel Switzer of Keller, Okla., and Mrs. Georgia Douglas of Bakersfield, Calif.; and two brothers, J. S. Stratton of Tyler, and Charles Stratton of Portland, Ore.

Out-of-town relatives attending the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stratton, Charles and Shirley, of Tyler; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Decker and Bobby, of Mountainair, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Meier and Mona, of Amarillo; Mrs. W. H. Douglas, Wanda, Sandra, Lynda, and Charles, of Bakersfield, Calif.; Charles Stratton of Portland, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Switzer, Glenda, Laura Mae, and John, of Keller, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Walker and Miss Edith Powhus of Baird; and Mrs. Errol Halley of Big Spring.

Resuscitator Now At Phone Office; Is Ready for Use

The resuscitator, the purchase of which was recently sponsored by the McLean Volunteer Fire Department, is now at the office of the Southwestern States Telephone company and ready for use at any time.

All members of the fire department have been instructed in the proper use of the machine, which can be used as a resuscitator, inhalator, or respirator. In addition, the physicians of the town have seen the machine in operation, and know of its functions.

Firemen stated that in case the machine is needed for use at any time, it may be found at the telephone office. Any firemen will aid in operating it, time to aid in operating it.

Rice to Seek Re-Election as Justice Peace

C. S. Rice, justice of the peace of Precinct No. 5, this week authorized The News to announce his candidacy for re-election to that office.

He made the following announcement:

"In asking for the office for a second term, I feel that I am even better qualified to fill the position than in the past. This past year's experience has aided greatly in renewing my knowledge of the laws under which the office operates.

"I have done my utmost to be fair to all and partial to none, and feel that I have met these challenges with the greatest sincerity and honesty.

"Your vote and influence in the coming Democratic primaries will be greatly appreciated, and, if re-elected, I pledge to fulfill the office duties to the very best of my ability."

Two Injured In Car Crash

Two people were injured, neither critically, in a car-pick-up collision at the corner of North Walnut and West North Third streets Thursday morning of last week.

Injured were Jack King, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harris King, who received three broken ribs; and Bill Stroud, who suffered a sprained knee.

Harris King, accompanied by Jack and Betty King, were proceeding south in a 1949 Oldsmobile, and Stroud was alone in his 1949 Chevrolet pick-up going west, when the collision occurred. Both vehicles were badly damaged by the impact. King and his daughter Betty were uninjured.

March of Dimes Campaign to Start

The March of Dimes campaign in the McLean area will get underway this week-end, when solicitation cards are mailed to practically all residents of the area, W. C. Meharg, McLean chairman, said this week.

Money derived in the campaign is used to fight the dreaded disease of polio. The Gray County chapter will retain a portion of the money collected for local use, and the remainder will be sent to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The national funds are spent for research, for upkeep of the national hospitals, and to aid chapters throughout the country when chapter funds are exhausted.

In addition to mailing the cards throughout the area, school children will be taken cards and given an opportunity of giving to the polio fund, Meharg stated. The drive will really get underway next Tuesday, when a program is presented by county drive workers at the McLean Lions Club. The Lions are aiding Meharg in the campaign locally, and will hear reports from Gene Fatheree, county chairman at Pampa, Ray Salmon, chairman for the drive in the city of Pampa, and Rev. Douglas Nelson.

Then on Saturday, January 21, Lions and Legionnaires will enter a spirit of competition to see which group can collect the most in donations on the street corners. Throughout that day, Lions will man one corner downtown, and the Legionnaires another, seeking donations from people who pass.

The March of Dimes cans, where donations may be left, were distributed in McLean Tuesday by members of the Pampa fire department. The cans will be left here until the drive is completed. A large jug, where donations may be left, has been set up in the Powers Drug store.

4,086 Bales Processed as Season Closing

Although a bit chilly at times, the weather remained fair during the past week to allow cotton harvest to near completion in the McLean area.

Ginners L. H. Earthman of the Pumphrey Gin and S. R. Jones of the McLean Gin reported Wednesday that a total of 4,086 bales have been processed here, considerably more than has been handled in a number of years.

Most of the cotton is now in, the ginners stated, although a few bales are being brought to the local gins each day. If the weather continues fair, the ginners expect to be practically completed by the end of next week.

A few drops of rain fell Monday, but not enough to register. Again Wednesday, the skies were cloudy, and rain appeared near as a trace of rain again fell.

Temperatures during the past week have ranged from near-zero at times to marks about 59 degrees. However, the thermometers have not dropped as low as they did during the cold spell which hit early last week.

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the annual March of Dimes campaign has now begun, and a large amount of money is needed to carry on the work of the local polio chapter as well as the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis;

Whereas, this week-end, the days of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, will see the opening of the March of Dimes campaign throughout this great country of ours;

I, therefore, as Mayor of the City of McLean, do hereby request and urge that all persons buying soft drinks and coffee on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, contribute via the March of Dimes cans the same amount of money as spent on the drinks and coffee. In this way, much extra money can be derived for this great cause.

Signed,
Harris King, Mayor

Bank Deposits Over Last Year

We don't rightly know who it belongs to, but there's more money on deposit at the American National Bank in McLean now than at any time during the past three years.

At least there's more listed on the official report of the bank than any official report issued since December 31, 1946.

Total deposits at the local bank at the close of business December 31, 1949, were \$1,412,000—which, incidentally, must be a lot of hay. We say "must be" for we wouldn't be knowing just how much money that is, or how that much would look scattered about on the street or sidewalk or something.

Anyway, it's nearly a couple of hundred thousand more bucks than the bank had on deposit a mere six months ago—June 30, 1949, when the report showed \$1,200,000.

But it's still short of the \$1,552,260.96 registered on deposit December 31, 1946, and the \$1,464,549.65 a year later, December 31, 1946. This would indicate that the surplus money accumulated by many people during the war has gone down, although that stockpile is higher than it was a year ago or two years ago.

The bank receives a call from the state comptroller at least twice each year to issue a financial statement and have it published for all to see. This is theoretically done, of course, to allow the patrons of the bank to be assured that their money is safe. So if a man or woman knows how to interpret the statements, then he or she can be assured.

At any rate, for comparison purposes, here are some figures of bank deposits and bank loans and discounts during the past few years:

December 31, 1949—deposits, \$1,412,000.00; loans and discounts, \$428,606.75.

June 30, 1949—deposits, \$1,237,604.95; loans and discounts, \$423,266.80.

December 31, 1948—deposits, \$1,393,874.55; loans and discounts, \$301,756.19.

June 30, 1948—deposits, \$1,195,333.49; loans and discounts, \$386,616.23.

December 31, 1947—deposits, \$1,407,252.79; loans and discounts, \$314,583.42.

June 30, 1947—deposits, \$1,313,361.63; loans and discounts, \$337,078.00.

December 31, 1946—deposits, \$1,464,549.65; loans and discounts, \$272,437.46.

December 31, 1945—deposits, \$1,352,260.96; loans and discounts, \$204,888.94.

THE AMERICAN WAY



"I can't hear a word you're saying!"

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brawley returned Wednesday of last week from a visit with their sons in California.

Rites Are Held For A. B. Wood

Funeral services for Andy B. Wood, retired farmer and longtime resident of this area, were held at the First Methodist Church in McLean Friday afternoon, with Rev. W. B. Hicks, pastor officiating.

Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery under the direction of the Claborn Funeral Home.

Wood suffered a stroke one week prior to his death and had been critically ill. He died Tuesday night of last week. He was 92 years, 5 months, and 3 days of age at the time of his death.

He was born September 11, 1857, in Hendersonville, N. C. He had been a member of the Methodist church for 63 years. He and Mrs. Wood had been married for the past 68 years.

Survivors include his wife, of McLean; three sons, J. O. Wood of Bellview, N. M., Carl Wood of McLean, and Orville Wood of Los Angeles, Calif.; four daughters Mrs. Cora Price of Oklahoma City, Mrs. Andy Wood of Alameda, Mrs. Jess Sammons of Borger, and Mrs. W. O. Hommel of Alameda; 27 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren.

Palbearers were Earl Jeter, Irvin Jeter, Randal Price, Horace Wood, Arvin Wood, and Orville Wood Jr.

Honorary palbearers were Andy Wood Jr., Lee Price, Billy Hemphill, Billy Jeter, Dwane Jeter, Grady Jeter, Drew Word, Lynn Wood, Herman Winegeart, and Chester Andrews.

Out-of-town relatives and friends attending the services were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hemphill and son Billy, Mrs. Wilton Frier and daughter Elaine, Mrs. John McMahan and children, Wanda and Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wilkins, Drew Word, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Storcham and son Lane of Amarillo, Mrs. H. A. Whitener and grandson, Gordon Whitener, of Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Winegeart and Mrs. Jess Goodwin of Groom; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Andrews of Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hommel and daughter Geraldine of Clarendon; Mrs. Irene Wade, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sammons of Borger; Mrs. Delbert Cummings and Cynthia of Stratford; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wood and Mrs. Edwin Jacobson of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wood of Chino, Calif.; Orville B. Wood of Palm Springs, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Reece of Navajo, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wood and sons, Orvin and Lynn of Bellview, N. M.; Horace Wood of San Jon, N. M.; Mrs. Cora Price and sons, Randal and Lee, and Miss Ant-Goss of Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Jeter and George Jeter of Altus, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jeter and children, Billy and Mary Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard of Mulehoe; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Word, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hommel and daughter Patsy, Mrs. Hugh Cas-

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Here's a good 1950 resolution: "I will start today taking advantage of the safe, sure way of saving by purchasing U. S. Savings Bonds. That is one habit I will adhere to, come what may." Start the new half of the 20th Century right by enrolling for the Payroll Savings Plan where you work or, if self-employed, the Bond-A-Month Plan where you bank. In ten short years, 1960 to be exact, you will reap the harvest of \$4 for every \$3 invested today. Your future will be secure with U. S. Savings Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Waldrop visited in Canyon and Amarillo over the week-end.

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CARD OF THANKS

To all those friends who were so thoughtful in offering words of sympathy, to those who sent food and flowers, and all who assisted in any manner during our bereavement, we offer our heartfelt gratitude. May God's blessings rest with each of you. The Stratton Family.



Young son (as poultry show): Let's stay until they let the chickens out, mother. Mother: They don't let them out, honey. Son: Yes, they do, mother. Last night I heard daddy tell Uncle Leonard that they would stay after the show and pick up a couple of chickens.

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Report of Condition of the American National Bank in McLean

of McLean in the State of Texas, at the close of business December 31, 1949, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Ejection 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 534,271.12
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	400,900.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	16,300.00
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	100,618.12
Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	3,000.00
Loans and discounts (including \$419.82 overdrafts)	428,662.75
Bank premises owned \$1,000, furniture and fixtures \$2,000	3,000.00
Other assets	817.12
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,547,549.11

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,298,000.00
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	30,622.00
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	6,200.00
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	50,700.00
Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	26,070.00
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,411,792.00

Other liabilities	360.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,412,000.00

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital Stock:	
Common stock, total par	\$50,000.00 \$ 50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	7,980.00
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	27,500.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	135,480.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$1,547,549.11

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 15,000.00

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Gray, ss: I, Clifford Allison, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of January, 1950 (SEAL) RUEL SMITH, Notary Public. CORRECT-Attest: J. L. HESS, J. B. HEMBREE, MILTON CAMPBELL, Directors.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Lt. General Henry S. Aurand, Army Chief for the Pacific, turns over a check for \$1500, representing contributions to the USO from the enlisted men in his area. Receiving the gift is Major General Philip B. Fleming, Maritime Commission Chairman, who serves as liaison from the Federal government to the USO. Today there are 170 USO clubs, lounges and units providing civilian services and help to meet the off-duty needs of the 1,600,000 Americans in the Armed Forces.

Failure is often that early morning hour of darkness which precedes the dawning of the day of success.—Leigh Mitchell Hodges.

T. B. Avoidable, Curable, But Not Inherited

Do you know that tuberculosis is preventable? Curable? Not inherited?

Tuberculosis is contracted from another active case. It is a "catching disease." It is caused by a germ which usually attacks the lungs, but may attack other parts of the body," says Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer.

Tuberculosis is spread from an infected person to others in several ways, some of which are: through nose and throat discharges by coughing and spitting; through using dishes, linens and other articles soiled by an infected person. Tuberculosis infection usually is the result of continued close contact with an active case; therefore, it is a "family disease."

How do we know who has tuberculosis? Early TB is without symptoms. It is no respecter of persons. It occurs in all walks of life, and at any age, but is least likely to be present in serious form between the ages of 4 and 14 years.

If coughing and loss of weight are present, the disease is well advanced, and a person has lost

his best chance for complete recovery.

How can we protect our families? Go to your physician for an examination, including a chest X-ray. When the mobile X-ray unit comes to your town, have a free chest X-ray. X-ray surveys have been conducted in 132 counties and 18 institutions during the past year and over 514,400 persons have been X-rayed. Protect your home from tuberculosis.

Use for Cotton Linters Near

A new use for cotton linters may be found if a process developed by University of Texas scientists can be made economically feasible.

The plan, worked out under Dr. K. A. Kobe's direction by Graduate Researcher Ralph Burdyski, New York, provides for the cleaning and de-waxing of cotton linters, and their transformation into alpha cellulose, with cotton wax as an important by-product. Dr. Kobe is associate director of the Industrial Chemistry Bureau.

"Alpha" is the designation for the best grade of cellulose which, in one form, is found in nature as cotton fibers and linters.

"Our process is not practical

from an industrial standpoint yet," Dr. Kobe said. "We are still in the talking and testing stage."

The bureau director has conferred with officials at the Hercules Powder Company, Wilmington, Del., and the Du Pont chemical plant, Waynesboro, Va., about the production plan.

The Hercules talks were concerned with actual production while the Du Pont conferences were on the use of linter-based alpha cellulose as a cellulose acetate, plastics and rayon, source

Women first appeared as professional dancers on the French stage in the 17th century.

The first Bible printed in America was printed in the Indian language.

In the ark with Noah there were four women—his wife and the wives of his three sons.

At the age of 70 a Supreme Court Justice may retire on full pay.

Since 1878 the population of the United States has increased every year.

Doughnuts have holes in the center to keep them from becoming soggy.

INITIATIVE!



This attractive traveler showed real initiative in getting ready for her trip—she made her own luggage. Using this striped cotton swain cloth, she constructed an overnight bag and a suitcase, made from a suitcase. She reports her canvas luggage is light, colorful, and inexpensive. It cost only \$16 and there was no 20 per cent luggage tax!

Uncle Sam Says



Isoratio Alger's favorite theme was: "America is the land of opportunity" and I am sure he would agree to another important factor—the cornerstone of security in the future is the cultivation of sound saving habits. Right now, in this new year 1950, you can take advantage of one of the safest, surest opportunities to save ever offered—U. S. Savings Bonds. You can buy Savings Bonds on the Payroll Savings Plan where you work, or if self-employed, the Bond-A-Month Plan at your bank. Just think, 10 years from now, you will begin receiving \$4 for every \$3 invested today. Sign up now for one of these two safe and sure ways to provide future security.

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TAXES CAN KILL

THE GRAVEST and most far-reaching internal issue this country faces is the cost of its government. And of all issues, it is probably the least understood.

At a time when the Federal government's income is at a near-record peak, and when the burden of taxation borne by the people is without precedent in days of peace, the nation is unable to make both ends meet. It is running a heavy deficit which will be added to the towering national debt—a debt which is a direct obligation upon every man with an income, a piece of property, or material resources of any kind.

There is, of course, a glib answer to all of this. It is: "Tax the rich man and the rich business—let them carry the load for the rest of us. But the fact is that we could tax the rich into financial extinction and the proceeds wouldn't even come close to paying the bill. It is the tens of millions with moderate means—not the few with large means—who are hurt by extravagant government.

But that is not the end of the story. Something infinitely ominous is quietly happening in this country. Taxes are killing our economic growth.

A recent article in Newsweek describes this. Sales of common stock in industry largely determine whether we shall have good times or bad, an expanding economy or a static economy, more employment or less in the future. Yet, Newsweek says, last year trading in stocks accounted for only four per cent of the national income where, in the 55 years prior to 1930, it averaged more than 40 per cent. This means, the magazine goes on, that "if most of our corporations were not already in existence, it would be impossible today to create them." The money that once went into the enterprises upon which our living standards and our world leadership are built is being taxed out of existence.

This is but one illustration out of many that could be cited. Every individual whose income is above the subsistence level knows how onerous taxes are. Practically everyone talks at one time or another about the cost of government and how something must be done. But talk is generally the beginning and the end of it.

This brings us to a fundamental fact. Wasteful, excessively costly government is simply a symptom of overwhelming significance. That condition cannot be described in cold figures. It exists in the minds and hearts of the people.

In the last twenty years, there has been an insidious change in our concept of government. We have turned to it to perform tasks which always before were the duty of the individual and local community. More and more of us look to government to protect us in every way. We are losing our independence. We ask government to protect our health, build our homes, care for us if we are unemployed, and see us through all the way from the cradle to the grave. We ask it to provide more and more goods and services. The polite term for this "gimme" habit is "the welfare state," a softer name for socialism. The welfare state always leads to one of two conclusions. It impoverishes and enslaves the people and subjects them to ruthless dictatorship, as in Eastern Europe. Or, finally, the people rid themselves of its worst manifestations, as the voters of New Zealand and Australia recently did. But, even in the latter case, the wealth of nations has been dissipated, and the tentacles of government have been woven so tight that it may take generations to recover.

The basic troubles of the world, from war to human want, can in one way or another be charged to too much government. All-powerful government is simply a reflection of the loss of individual self-reliance, initiative, pride, independence of spirit, the will to work—the qualities which made possible the founding and the growth of this republic. We, as a people, are fortunate that we have not yet gone so far on the "welfare state" road that we cannot turn back. We can still save ourselves from the final disaster that has overcome much of the world. But we, as a people, must do it ourselves. Big government will not do it for us. We must ask ourselves this question: "Are we willing, in return for a mirage of material security, for which we pay through exorbitant taxation, to sacrifice those liberties for which men have fought and struggled for two thousand years?"

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LES TALK

BY LESTER

Ruel Smith, one of those Smith boys who helped make oil history in Gray County, is back in the oil business in a pretty big way these days. Along with Herrmann Bros., Ruel has three good producers now and another is being drilled. He thought the first of the three was a pretty good well, but each of the other two has been better than its predecessor.

The wells are located on Ruel's lease 10 miles north and two west. He tells me that there is considerable drilling going on in that general area. Anyway, he's mighty pleased with the results he has obtained so far.

Speaking of oil, the big talk in Texas now, you know, is the new field at Snyder. Biggest thing since East Texas is the general consensus of opinion.

Tests have been put down around Snyder for a number of years, I'm told, but many of the major companies had given up. Then someone went down a little deeper, and the rumble began. Now Snyder is the proud center of a regular old-time oil boom. Six months ago, the population was about 2,500 or 3,000. Now it's 15 or 20 thousand. For example, the Scurry County Times, the weekly newspaper which has been published here at Snyder for years, turned semi-weekly about two months ago. It will become a daily within a few days, not more than a month. The man who has owned the paper for

15 or 20 years, cashed in on the boom, sold his paper a few days ago. Of course, I don't know how much he got for the paper, but I notice it took a partnership of four men to buy him out. So I gather the price was high.

Some day some driller may decide to go down to a deep test in the right spot around McLean. We might be lucky too. However, I wonder if I will still be young enough to enjoy it when it does come—if it does come.

Bob Shredrick has moved his jewelry store to the new location in the Millanax building next to the post office. Understand a new business is going in where he vacated. Since I'm not certain of just what it is—I won't say what the business will be or who is putting it in. But I think it's a pretty good certainty that a business is going in there—and one of a type the town needs to hold more business in McLean.

Three of our more elderly people left us last week. They were Mrs. Fast, Mrs. Rippy, and Mr. Wood. All three were fine people. I never knew any of the three very well, although I had several conversations with Mr. Wood not long after I came here slightly more than three years ago. Mr. Wood was a most cheerful man, jolly as could be. Mrs. Fast and Mrs. Rippy were both living in Amarillo at the time of their death, but they were not forgotten here. As a matter of fact, none of the three will be forgotten here for a long, long time. They lived useful, helpful lives. Our community will miss them in the years to come.

For several weeks now, I have had in this column and other parts of the paper reminders to pay your poll tax, especially in view of the fact that this is election year.

The American Legion post here, under the able guidance of its new commander, George Terry, is sponsoring a drive to get all veterans to pay their poll taxes. Since I have been here, very few veterans have taken this action, and consequently have not had much say in the various issues which have arisen, or in the various political contests. I hope the Legion's drive is a big success, and that all veterans, here and elsewhere, pay their poll taxes.

The Lions Club is also spon-

soring a pay-your-poll-tax campaign. The club feels that it is such an organization's patriotic duty to request everyone to pay his poll tax. These requests are, of course, in the form of reminders.

No one can make anyone pay his poll tax. But actually I feel that it is an obligation which I should fulfill. It is not only my privilege to be allowed to vote—it is also my duty.

The Secretary of Labor would be last to succeed to the Presidency in case of the death of the President, Vice President, and other Cabinet officers.

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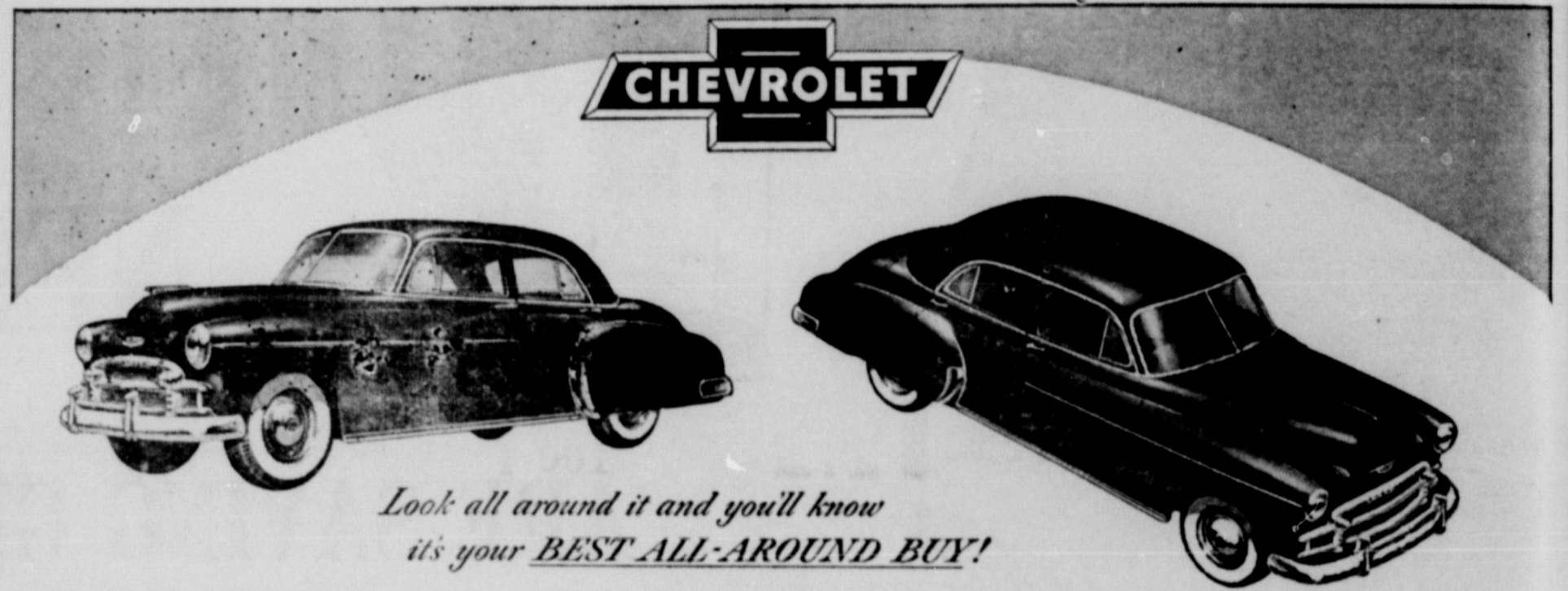


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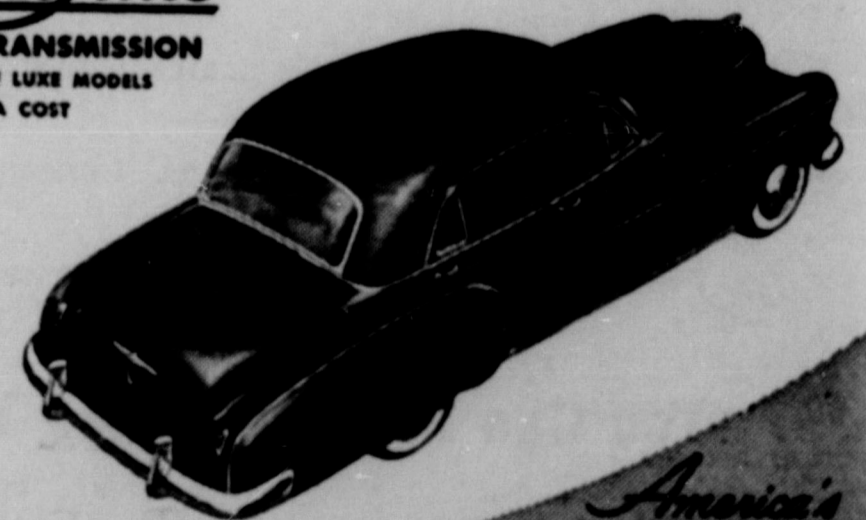
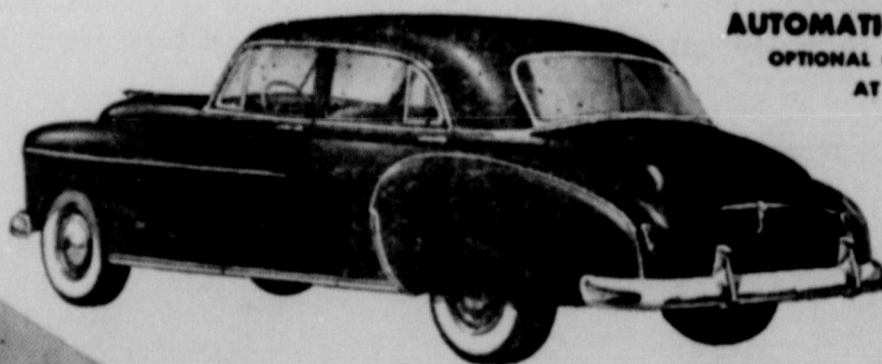
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1949: Linda Brown, Texas

MARCH OF DIMES poster children whose plight and progress depict the fight against polio will tour seven cities in the 1950 drive, January 16-31. They will make a concerted appeal for greater contributions to provide effective continuation of patient care, research, and educational programs sponsored since 1938 by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

By the Way

BY BETTIE

Bennie Wayne, who clerks at Harrell's five and ten store, was surprised when she noticed a check she had accepted from a customer the day before signed simply "Thank You." She thought and thought of all the customers she had waited on that day and finally it dawned on her, none other than Bryan McPherson. Bryan got quite a laugh out of it and Bennie Wayne admitted it was a joke on her and joined in the laughter. Leave it to Bryan to keep us laughing.

Not too long ago, a little girl went into the same store and wanted to buy a Mickey Mouse wrist watch. They had sold out and the little girl telephoned daily to see if they had gotten in any more. One day she called and was disgusted because they hadn't come in and asked to speak to the janitor. Joe, you've really come up in the world, from manager to janitor.

Remember, girls (outsiders), basketball practice next Wednesday night, 7 o'clock, at the gym. Custer Lowary is going to coach us, so be prepared for lots of practice.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Greer visited in Pampa over the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Price.

Mrs. H. W. Finley is ill in a Pampa hospital.

Mrs. Morris Shelton visited Sunday of last week with Mrs. C. P. Darnell in Hedley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brawley were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Sims in Shamrock.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Spencer and son, Tommy Sorrels, visited in Pampa Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Wooten.

visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Corbin recently visited Mrs. Alma Jordan in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Loving visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newton in Amarillo.

LaVaughn Watkins has returned to McLean after visiting in Mesa, Ariz.

Mrs. J. R. Ayers and Emma Ayers of Clarendon were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Jones.

Mrs. Karl Ernst and daughter of Dumas are visiting friends and relatives in McLean this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Steed and children of Childress visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Andrews.

PERSONALS

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bentley last Wednesday and Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brumley of Hugoton, Kans., Mrs. Ernest Cox of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. James Brumley of Sacramento, Calif. Sunday visitors of the Bentleys were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bentley of California.

Mrs. Truitt Johnson made a trip to Pampa Monday.

Jim Corbin of Grady, N. M., is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Corbin this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Windom Jr. and boys visited Sunday in Hereford with Mrs. Windom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bentley of Clarendon visited in the home of M. D. Bentley over the week-end.

Cpl. Kenneth Gibson of Wichita Falls was home last week-end



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ATTEND SERVICES

Those from out-of-town attending the funeral services for Mrs. Lucy Rippy Wednesday afternoon of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Bryant of Elk City, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cryer and Mrs. R. M. Stone of Borger, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Riley and Mrs. J. M. Porter of Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Rippy, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Roach, and Mrs. Caperton of Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Wanser, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Devine of Amarillo, Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Mann of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Arbie Lankford and children of Tulla, Mr. and Mrs. T. E.

Troutle and Rev. Ray Elliott of Lela, and Rev. Vernon E. Willard of Mobeetle.

George Washington did not belong to a political party.

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1. If everyone in the United States cashed in all his life-insurance policies, the total would amount to 44 billion dollars. This would not be enough money to run the government for one year.

2. If every urban home owner in this country sold his home, the total would

amount to 30 billion dollars. That's just enough to run the government for eight months.

3. If every farmer in this country sold his farm, farm equipment and livestock, the total would amount to 25 billion dollars. The government could not run for seven months on that amount of money.

These facts put a new light on the staggering size of our federal government's planned 45-billion-dollar expenditure for the fiscal year of 1950. And remember, this excessive spending is in the face of a national debt of more than 250 billion dollars!

Isn't it as true today as it was in 1932 that "a continuance of that habit means the poorhouse"?

Just what are you doing to end excessive spending by our federal government? Have you written your congressman? Have you discussed the problem with your business associates, your friends, your employees?

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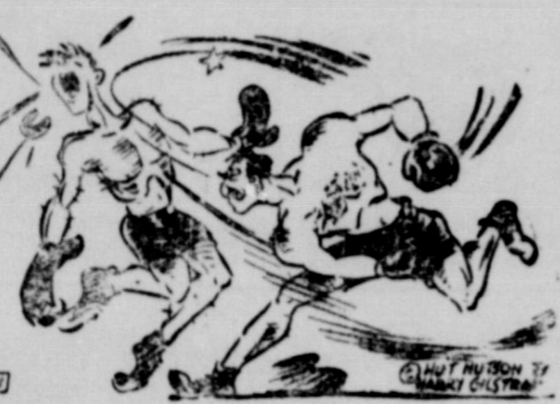


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Wagon users will at once appreciate the wonderful saving in both time and money by the use of this little tightener, which is practically inexpensive as compared with the old method of tire tightening or shrinking.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Adams of Childress and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Grace of Fort Worth were week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Meharg.

Mrs. Frank Reeves made a trip to Pampa Saturday, and to Shamrock Sunday.

Lady Bryant spent the week-end in Pampa with Mr. and Mrs. Dennie Roan.

CARD OF THANKS

For the food, the lovely flowers, and words of sympathy extended to us during the illness and death of our loved one, Mrs. Lucy Rippey, we extend our heartfelt thanks and gratitude. May God's blessings be on each of you.

Mrs. Bonnie Swanson.
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rippey.
Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Rippey.
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rippey.
Rev. and Mrs. M. Leo Rippey.
The A. P. Rippey Family.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Homer Abbot were Rev. and Mrs. Price and son, Mr. and Mrs. Don Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Reeves and son, and Mr. Howard Williams, Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Leroy Williams and R. L. Appling, Mr. and Mrs. R. daughter.

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40 Years Ago—IT HAPPENED HERE

Taken From The McLean News, Published in January, 1910

Deacon Putman is now an old man, and a pretty consistent sort of a Christian. But sometimes, under the stress of surprise or excitement, he forgets himself, and uses a section of his youthful vocabulary that for many years he has zealously endeavored to lay aside.

Not long ago there was a meeting of the pastor and the deacons to consider plans for a Thanksgiving service. A great deal was said about the widows and orphans, and the deacons were accordingly full of the subject of their great needs. When arrangements for the service had been completed the pastor asked Deacon Putman to close the

meeting with a word of prayer. After the usual introductory sentences, the deacon warmed up to the subject that had been under discussion.

"Oh Lord," he continued, "we pray that Thou wilt bestow great blessings upon the widows and orphans in this great land of ours, out of thy great abundance, grant to give each widow a barrel of flour, a barrel of sugar, a barrel of salt, a barrel of pepper."

The enormity of that last request suddenly struck him. "H—l, Lord, that's too much pepper," he stammered. Then aware of his seeming fall from grace, he colored red, choked up, and sat down in confusion. The pastor, not knowing what else to do, cried loudly "Amen."

—Tulla Standard.

After promising and postponing and then promising and postponing again and again, the Rock Island has finally decided not to put on the double-train service over this division. The new time card, which was to have contained these trains, went into effect Sunday with the extras left off. The time of the eastbound train was changed from 2:25 to 2:47 p. m. and the westbound from 4:15 to 4:05 p. m. Agent Salmon had also expected the addition of an assistant in the depot, as the work now developing on him is rather strenuous, requiring him to put in about 18 to 20 hours daily.

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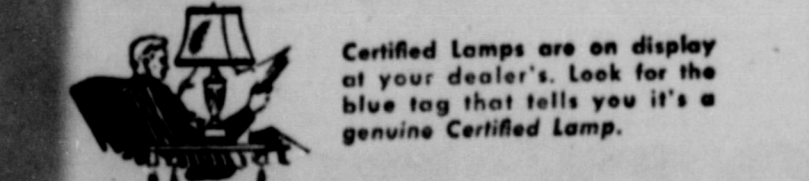
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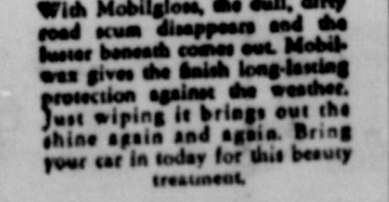
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WEE WILLIE WINKIE



A modern Wee Willie Winkie is ready for bed on Christmas Eve in red cotton flannel pajamas, footies, and night cap. This young fellow probably will be up and down the stairs several times before daybreak in his cotton nightgown to see whether old St. Nick has arrived.

DREAMY!



Dreamy is the word for both the beautiful blonde and her slumber-time pajama set. This cute collection is ready for the Land of Nod in cozy, cotton gingham Tommie topped off with a handy cover-up robe in dyed-to-match corduroy. She also uses her corduroy jacket as a dashing campus coat over skirts and slacks.

COTTON QUIZ



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Power X-ray Service Photo
This man is getting a chest X-ray to check up on his lungs because he knows that if he gets tuberculosis it can be found early by means of a chest X-ray, and that tuberculosis is easiest to cure when found early. Christmas Seal funds support X-ray services of the voluntary tuberculosis associations.

Curtain Care Tips Are Given

"Taking the proper care of curtains may be a lot of work, particularly when they are marquisette," Dorothy Saville, Oklahoma A. & M. College household arts specialist, says.

A few tips in the care of curtains are given by Miss Saville, who has experimented with various marquisette fabrics, concerning their durability and appearance after numerous launderings. Curtains may be washed in a washing machine, without damage to the fabric when properly

handled. They should be enclosed in a loosely woven bag, preferably net and washed for a very short period of time. The soil in curtains is usually a surface soil and is easily removed. Long washing causes unnecessary wear on the fabric.

"Cotton and rayon marquisette that has a permanent finish has less shrinkage than the starch finished fabric," she says. "They need no starch, while those without the 'permanent finish' grow limp and hard to manage after washing.

"Nylon, though more expensive, also may make lovely curtains," Miss Saville concludes. "It has little shrinkage, washes easily, dries

quickly and needs very little ironing. Since nylon marquisette is given a permanent set or shape, it is important that one select a curtain that has been set straight. If it is uneven it cannot be straightened in laundering as can rayon and cotton and will always hang unevenly."

Geo. W. Cox, state health officer.

"Every mother is familiar with the so-called summer complaints which affect small children but certain winter diseases can be just as harmful and are just as likely to make their appearance unless proper precautions are used," Dr. Cox said.

In the group of winter diseases Dr. Cox included influenza, tonsillitis, pneumonia, bronchitis, asthma, and even diphtheria when a child has not been immunized. Any such disease affecting a child's respiratory or breathing system is apt to be very serious and often too often fatal. Pneumonia often develops from a neglected cold or may follow a severe case of

measles or whooping cough. Bronchitis condition may also prove to be an after effect of these diseases, and these respiratory ailments are much more difficult to combat successfully than the digestive ailments which are prevalent in the summertime and known as summer complaints.

"These winter diseases are especially dangerous to babies and very young children," Dr. Cox stated. "Nearly all of them are spread from the secretions of the nose and mouth. Children not in vigorous health are naturally more susceptible to these complaints and the first line of defense against them is to strengthen the child's power of resistance

against disease," Dr. Cox said.

"The second step is to keep the child under medical supervision and the third is to make sure that they avoid contact with those who have coughs, colds, or fever."

Cartoonist Thomas Nast is responsible for the Republican elephant and the Democratic donkey.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh received the first Distinguished Flying Cross awarded by the Government.

Early Now England was bleached their sheets by washing them with sour milk and putting them in the sun.

Check these Fine Car Features at your Ford Dealer's Today!

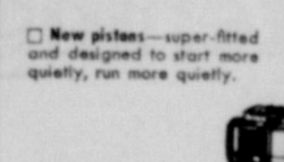
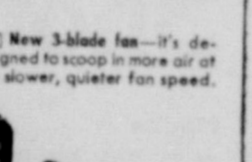


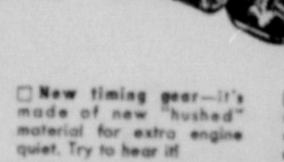



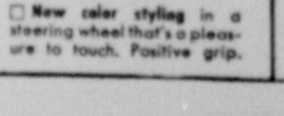
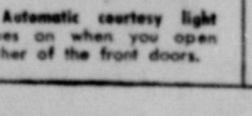
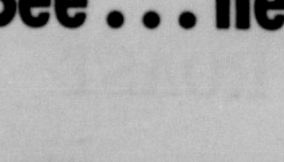
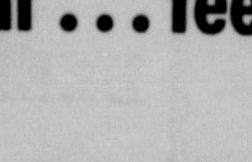



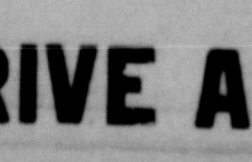


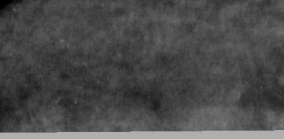

 New front-seat springs of non-sag construction are firmly buoyant for restful posture.	 New foam rubber front-seat cushion holds its shape, provides added comfort.	 Style note—that's the new, rich Ford medallion on hood and rear deck—it's beautiful!	 New rotary door locks as in costlier cars—doors close silently and securely.	 New ornamental deck-lid handle forms attractive frame for license plate.	 Deck-lid latch, too, is new. Luggage Compartment opens with finger-tip ease.
 New rubber seals and molding on windshield and back window add snugness.	 Arm-rest door closer now provides a finger-fit grip to close doors easier.	 Touch-button latch. Yes, a touch on the button is all it takes. Sleeves can't catch.	 New exterior handles, anchored at both ends, have the grace of fine silverware.	 New colors—your choice of 11. They're baked on to keep that "Showroom Complexion."	 Additional strengthening at 13 vital points increases safety of famous "Life-guard" Body.
 Long life has been added everywhere to the engine, frame, and body. That's Ford quality!	 Parking lights are now re-positioned and re-styled—another touch of beauty you'll like!	 New streamlines details in good taste bring new beauty to the "Fashion Car."			
 New bumper guards and new bumper support arms keep you safer... in style.	 Head ornament of new design adds a touch of distinction to Ford's famous beauty.	 "Magic Air" Heater for 1950 has higher speed motor to increase air flow 25%.	 New fabrics are a decorator's dream—your choice of long-wearing broadcloth or mohair in rich clear colors.	 New ring is smart looking and of new shape to prevent snagging of sleeves or lady's bracelet. Needs only a touch.	



HERE'S real beauty that's more than skin deep! Look at all these new, fine car features—the new "hushed" 100 h.p. V-8, the type of engine used in America's costliest cars... a new "sound-conditioned" interior—50 new features! Quality features that make Ford the fine car in its field. The way to convince yourself is to come in and drive the '50 Ford before you buy any car!

50 WAYS NEW FORD for '50

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 New pistons—super-fitted and designed to start more quietly, run more quietly.	 New 3-blade fan—it's designed to scoop in more air at a slower, quieter fan speed.	 New hood luggage locker offers more baggage space than any other car at Ford's price.	 New rear bumper has rib and new mounting arms for greater protection against impacts.	 Head brake operation is easier because of zinc-based permanent-type lubricant.	 New "Magic Air" Heater central clearly marked, lighted for easy reading, easy to operate.	 Sealed brakes—protected against dust and water for greater safety.	 New gas filler tube and cover—new non-spill vent tube. Closed cover blends into body.
 New timing gear—it's made of new "hushed" material for extra engine quiet. Try to hear it!	 New camshaft—its lobes are specially designed for quieter, more efficient valve operation.	 New floor Six, too—95 h.p.—the most advanced Six you can buy. Gives greater economy.	 New concave instrument knobs have brilliant, new contrasting colors.	 Defroster openings are 44% wider and air-flow rate is 25% higher—for wider vision.	 Interior light switch now located on instrument panel. It saves groping in the dark.	 Improved front suspension with new torsional stabilizer adds to Ford's roadability.	 Smart hardware, inside and out, has been designed to give you more than beauty.
 New color styling in a steering wheel that's a pleasure to touch. Positive grip.	 Automatic courtesy light goes on when you open either of the front doors.	 More head room results from new bows that hold top lining across full width of roof.	 New interior appointments—Smart ornaments. New rich treatment on door panels.	 Brake pedal is well away from steering column to allow greater driving freedom.	 New wider sun visors for more protection from glare—more safety when sun is low.	 Exclusive 100-h.p. V-8 performance for brilliant pick-up, smooth response, safe control.	 New floor coverings in both front and rear, are made of rich and durable materials.

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Society

Buffet Dinner Served in Home Of Claude Powell

A family tree and a delicious dinner served buffet style was enjoyed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Powell December 24. Many gifts were exchanged.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Brown and Richard and Ronnie, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Grogan and Marie and Sherrie, Mrs. Hester Grogan, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Grogan, and Mr. and Mrs. Powell.

Price, Boyd Reeves, and Frank Reeves.

F. J. Pardue of Amarillo visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Westfall over the week-end.

Mrs. Zora Kennedy visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tubbs and son at Canyon Friday night.



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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker and Mr. and Mrs. George Preston visited Sunday with relatives in Pampa.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Phillips visited Monday with Mrs. Phillips' brother, Walter Cash, who is ill in a Pampa hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Amick and sons, Rex and Jim, of Pampa visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Graham and son and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gibson and daughter over the week-end, to help Mrs. Graham celebrate her birthday on Sunday.

Wayne Back of Dumas is visiting in McLean this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Back.

John Richards of Pampa visited last week-end in the Morris Shelton home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker Jr. and family of Pampa visited Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Baker.

Mrs. C. M. Carpenter was recently discharged from a Pampa hospital.

Dr. Charles Finley, of Lubbock visited in McLean last week.

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Miss Joyce Smith, John M. Haynes To Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Smith of McLean announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Glenda Joyce, to John Morse Haynes, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Haynes, also of McLean.

The marriage vows will be read in a ceremony at the First Baptist Church in McLean Sunday afternoon, January 2, at 3 o'clock. A reception will be held in the church parlor immediately following the ceremony.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend the wedding service and the reception.

WARDROBE STRETCHER



Borrowing from the male's vest style, designers have created a fashionable wardrobe stretcher in a feminine version of the vest, called a "weskit." In velveteen and corduroy, weskits are made to match freely with skirts and blouses, according to National Cotton Council fashion experts. This soft cotton velveteen weskit was designed by Justin McFarly.

P-TA Meetings Set for Fourth Monday of Month

A meeting of the McLean P-T. A. was held Monday night in the high school auditorium.

Mrs. J. D. Coleman, program chairman, had charge of the program. Readings were given by Jeanne Pharis and Keith Myatt. Mrs. Guy Hibler and Mrs. Frank Rodgers presented versions of "Does Punishment Pay?" and "Quarreling Among Children."

A definite date for the P-T. A. meetings was established. They will be held the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium. Arrangements for the care of young children accompanying their parents will be made.

The local P-T. A. has 54 paid members and any parents interested in P-T. A. work are urged to belong and attend the meetings.

Mrs. R. A. Young, president, announced that there will be a meeting Tuesday afternoon, January 17, at 4 o'clock at the Grade School for parents interested in a child study course.

The next regular P-T. A. meeting is scheduled for January 30 at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

FIRST BABY AT CANYON

Eddie Marvin Tubbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tubbs of Canyon, the first newcomer in that town in 1950, is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tubbs, all of Lefors. He was born at 8:14 o'clock Sunday evening, January 1, and weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. Canyon merchants awarded the youngster a large number of prizes in recognition of his being the first baby of 1950 born in Canyon.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Yearwood over the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Serrel Yearwood and Mr. and Mrs. Burlson of Pampa.

Corinne Trimble visited her sister, Dollie Everett, in Groom Sunday.

Pete Fulbright Named Honoree At Surprise Party

Mrs. Pete Fulbright gave a surprise birthday party honoring her husband last Monday night in their home.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cash, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Heasley, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mercer, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Back, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Butrum, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Guyton, and Mr. and Mrs. Fulbright.

White and black cake, coffee, and chocolate were served, and games of progressive 42 were played.

CIRCLE TO MEET

The Nina Hankins circle of the Baptist W. M. U. will meet in the home of Mrs. Joe Graham Tuesday night for Bible study.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cash and daughter of Amarillo visited in the W. J. Ball home in Alanreed and in the C. J. Cash home in McLean Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman White of Pampa visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Boyd.

William Warren has moved to McLean from Atlantic Highlands, N. J.

Avalon Theater

Thursday, Friday:

William Elliott, Andy Devine in
"The Last Bandit"

Saturday:

Jimmy Wakely, Cannonball Taylor in
"Silver Trails"
plus
John Emery, Tamara Geva in
"The Gay Intruders"

Sunday, Monday:

John Lund, Marie Wilson in
"My Friend Irma"

Tuesday, Wednesday:

Will Rogers, Louise Dresser in
"David Harum"
A Return of the Old Favorite

Thursday, Friday:

Dennis Morgan, Doris Day in
"It's a Great Feeling"

WARNING to PARENTS

Some boys have invaded our cemetery and shot up a number of tombstones, including the pictures of loved ones that are cemented into the stones; and in one case a tombstone was bursted up and part of it hauled away.

The rock seats and fireplaces in the park have been torn down and the lights are being shot out.

This, we believe you will agree, is outrageous and the city will not tolerate such wanton destruction of property.

We have reasons to believe that this destruction of property is being done by boys right here in McLean who own 22 targets that are doing the shooting, and the fireplaces and park seats are being torn up with vehicles or some other instrument that takes a lot of effort and force to knock them down and tear them up in the manner in which this destruction is being done.

This is to warn you parents of boys that are doing this destruction that we are going to hold you responsible if any of these boys are caught destroying city or personal property, and that you will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Ordinance No. 80 makes it unlawful for any person to fire guns, pistols, air rifles, or other fire arms on any of the streets, alleys, parks, or other public place within the corporate limits of the City of McLean, except elective and commissioned officers.

You parents of boys who are owners of any of the above fire arms should see that your boys understand and obey this ordinance.

We will appreciate it if you citizens will notify us if you see anyone destroying public or city property.

Harris King, Mayor

Savings
IS NO PUZZLE WITH THESE **FOOD BUYS**

Royal Seal	25 lb. sack	Folger's	1 lb. can
FLOUR	\$1.59	COFFEE	79c

CRISCO	3 lb. can	64c
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SUGAR	Pure cane 10 lb. sack	89c
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Standard	No. 2 can	FOR BETTER NUTRITION
TOMATOES	10c	EAT MORE VEGETABLES

Van Camp	1 lb can	Grapefruit	No. 2 can
PORK & BEANS	13c	JUICE	12c

HANDY HINTS
By Mary Lee Taylor

Before driving nail in a wall to hang a picture, stick a small piece of adhesive tape to the wall. This prevents plaster cracking.

Little Boy Blue	PEACHES	No. 2 1/2 can	22c
Del Monte	CATSUP	14 oz. bottle	15c

Armour's	Sliced	STEW MEAT
BUTTER	BACON	MEAT
lb 69c	lb 39c	lb 31c

Friday and Saturday Specials

PUCKETT'S

★ GROCERY & MARKET ★

WANT-ADS

RATES
CLASSIFIED INFORMATION
 Minimum Charge 35c
 Per word, first insertion 2c
 Following insertions 1c
 Display rate in classified section, per inch 60c
 All ads cash with order, unless customer has an established account with The News.
 — Telephone 47 —

FOR SALE

House for Sale—2 blocks east of high school, 6 rooms and bath. E. E. Smith. 1-3p

For Sale—Cane bundles and a few kaffir bundles 1 mi. E. 1 1/4 mi. S. Everett (Red) Watson. 52-3p

For Sale—1940 Chevrolet 4-door sedan. Priced right. R. L. McDonald, Phone 234 M. 1p

All garments are fully insured when left at Clett's for expert cleaning and pressing. Phone 52. Prompt pick-up and delivery.

For Sale—1,100 bales wheat straw, 30 cents per bale. Close Duncan, McLean. Phone 1603P4. 2-4p

For Sale—Nice heavy fryers, 2 blocks north, 3 blocks west 66 and Pampa highway. Mrs. O. B. Tugwell. 1p

For Sale—2 slightly used inner-spring mattresses. Call 22 W. Mrs. Frank Rodgers. 1c

For Sale—A variety store. Must have \$9,000 cash or security. Phone 200. W. C. Shull. 1c

For Sale—5 room modern house; good location; immediate possession; priced \$2,750.

5 room furnished house; immediate possession.

Also have other good buys in city property.
 Boyd Meador. 1r

Clett's Nu-Sheen method is unexcelled for removing dirt, grease, and stains from your clothing. Call 52. Prompt pick-up and delivery.

For Sale—Liberty school house, frame building, to be moved from present site. See A. H. Reneau. 1p

For Sale, Trade, or Rent—One good used Remington typewriter. J. M. Payne. Phone 210J. 2-3c

For Sale—One used table top cook stove; one small sized table top used cook stove. Callahan's. Phone 184. 1c

We have the most complete line of Linoleum floor covering in the Panhandle—Armstrong, Quaker, Gold Seal, and Pabco. By the yard, roll, or rugs. Any pattern. Bill Day Furniture Store. Phone 137. 2-2c

FOR RENT

For Rent—Nicely furnished 2-room apartment with bath, private entrance. Also will have 4-room furnished apartment with bath, vacant December 1. See Harris King. 4-tfc

The Wheeler Foster place is for lease. P. O. Box No. 622, Borger, or telephone 1979W1, Borger. 2-3p

MISCELLANEOUS

All water repellant jackets and coats are re-waterproofed at no extra cost to you when cleaned at Clett Cleaners. Phone 52. Pick-Up and Delivery.

Expert local and long distance moving. For more information, call Bruce and Sons, Phone 934, Pampa. Agents North American Van Lines, serving the nation. 44-tfc

SAFETY SERVICE—Our patrons are safer drivers, because we overlook no detail in servicing their cars—even to carefully washing every window, for great visibility and safety. Ernest Watson's Gulf Service Station. 1c

I am now butchering hogs and cattle at my place, where W. A. Ayers formerly slaughtered. Contact me at any time. J. A. Meador, Phone 113J. 1c

LOST

Strayed from Walter Hagler place 4 miles south of McLean, two white-face yearlings, branded slash on left hip. Notify Cal Sugg, Wellington, Texas. 52-4p

Lost—New fur-lined leather glove, size 8, for left hand, at basketball game Tuesday night. Call 176. Bicky Mantoosh. 1c

Political Announcements

The News has been authorized to announce the following candidates for public office, subject to action of the Democratic primaries:

For District Judge:
 H. B. HILL

For Commissioner, Precinct 4:
 EARNEST BECK

For Justice of Peace, Prec. 5:
 C. S. RICE

Uncle Sam Says



Lots of folks complain that the money they draw every payday seems away from them with super-sonic speed. If that's happening to you, here's how to stop it automatically! Sign up for U. S. Savings Bonds regularly, under your firm's Payroll Savings Plan, or—if this method is not available to you—your bank's Bond-A-Month Plan, then that part of your earnings can't get away from you. In fact, every \$3 you invest—in the safest investment in the world—grows up to be \$4 in ten years. U. S. Treasury Department

Mrs. J. A. Belew of Amarillo arrived in McLean during the Christmas holidays and plans to spend the winter months in the home of her son, H. A. Belew.

Cartoon SPORT FEATURES

714 TAYLOR ST. Amarillo, Texas



A COUPLE of country boys turned city slickers are the pair pictured here. They are Hut Hutson and Harry Gilstrap, creators of the sports cartoon which appears weekly in The McLean News as a regular feature. Both men are veterans of World War II, Gilstrap serving in the army and Hutson in the navy. Hutson is now a commercial artist and cartoonist in Amarillo, and in addition to drawing these sports features weekly, he handles a great deal of commercial work for letter-heads, publicity, Christmas cards, etc. Gilstrap, whom most of the sports fans of this area know, is sports editor of the Amarillo News, and writes a daily sports column for the paper. At the present time, Hutson and Gilstrap have ten papers in the Panhandle using their weekly cartoon and expect to enlarge the group during 1950. To make the cartoon more interesting here, as well as in other papers over the Panhandle, more information concerning sports is needed by the pair of men. Any sports pictures, or sporting information which you may think would be interesting in the weekly feature should be brought or sent to The News office and it will be forwarded to Hutson in Amarillo for his use.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Glenn, Mrs. Norman Glenn, Mrs. Emily Carter, and Rev. and Mrs. A. T. Kersey of Canyon; Jack Glenn of Tulla; Mr. and Mrs. Gaines Teeple and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Schroeter of Elter; Roy Fisher and Mr. Cannon of Skellytown were here Monday for the funeral of John Stratton.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty and grandson, Vernon Luther Kennedy, attended the monthly workers conference of the North Fork Association at the Lefors church

last Thursday. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. James of Lefors.

Frances Purdy and daughter Mickey of Amarillo were week-end visitors of Mrs. J. T. Glass and Margaret Glass.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Reese of Navajo, Ariz., are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Orrick this week.

Odil Mantoeth underwent a major operation in St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo Tuesday. He

was reported doing fine Wednesday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend to you who were so kind and thoughtful during our time of bereavement our deepest gratitude. Your gifts of food were greatly appreciated, and your beautiful floral offerings will never be forgotten. May God bless each of you.
 Mrs. A. B. Wood, Children, and Grandchildren.

On a pipe organ, the short pipes produce the high notes.

Mrs. L. Cummings Now at High School

Mrs. Logan Cummings has been transferred from Grade School to McLean High School to replace Miss Louise Jensen, math teacher who resigned recently to take a similar position at West. Mrs. Cummings has been teaching fourth grade work, and has been replaced at the Grade School by Mrs. J. P. Dickinson.

One whale yields little whale-bone, since it is taken from the jaw.

The farther north a bird winters, the farther south it will winter.

A Balalaika is an old Russian stringed instrument.

Benjamin Franklin invented the harmonica.

Your Favorite Returns

Tues. & Wed., Jan. 17 & 18

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Show Starts at 5:15 p. m.

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Warm...kindly... the inimitable Will Rogers in a great romantic classic!

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WILL ROGERS DAVID HARUM

with LOUISE DRESSER EVELYN VENABLE KENT TAYLOR STEPIN FETCHIT

Directed by James Cruze

Screen play by Walter Woods from the novel by Edward Noyes Westcott

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McLean, Texas

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Hydra-Matic Drive, at new reduced price, now optional on all Oldsmobile models.

Rocketing into the Futuramic Fifties—a fabulous new fleet of Oldsmobiles! Three exciting new cars—the glamorous "98!" (pictured above)—the action-packed "88," now at a new low price!—and the sparkling "76!" See them now at your Oldsmobile Dealer! See the Oldsmobile "Rocket"—America's most famous automobile engine! Whirlaway Hydra-Matic—the

new automatic "drive" that matches the smoothness of the "Rocket!" New Futuramic styling—fresh, fleet, free-flowing lines—wider, roomier interiors—more visibility all around! The cushioned comfort of the Air-borne Ride! Plus a host of other Futuramic features! Plan to see these new Futuramics today. Then you'll want to . . . rocket ahead with Oldsmobile!



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