

The Smith-Roberts House

503 Tucker

The Roberts House, 503 Tucker, owned since 1968 by Mr. & Mrs. R. G. (Geldon and Nina) Roberts, was built in 1904 on part of Block 1 of the Tucker's addition.

A. J. Tucker, an early settler in Collin County, bought the tract of 145 acres from T. T. Bradley, the grantee from the state of Texas for the said land, and formed the Tucker addition out of the same.

Howell E. Smith, president of the First National Bank in McKinney, purchased lot 503 September 24, 1904, and the home was built shortly thereafter.

Dr. W. R. Mathers bought the home in 1917 from Mr. Smith, and R. C. Roberts purchased it from Mrs. Mathers in 1938. As the Roberts House it thus became the home not only of Geldon but also of H. Ray Roberts, the other son, who was state senator from old District 9 from 1955-61, and since January 31, 1962, has been congressman from the 4th Congressional District.

The house has 13 rooms, including a music room, library and foyer. There are two fireplaces, one in the living room and one in the music room. During the remodeling by the present owners, a den and bath were added and the kitchen redone, but the feeling of the era was maintained, even to duplicating the beaded picture molding around the dining room walls.

Originally painted and maintained white through the years, the Victorian Colonial structure is now painted pale celery, and the interior is done in a monochromatic theme ranging from pale celery to deep avocado.

Information: The McKinney Courier-Gazette



Descendant Chart for J. C. Roberts-[1882]

1-J. C. ROBERTS-[1882] b: , Arkansas, d: Jan 1923, Alabama

sp:Unknown

└ 2-Roy Clifton ROBERTS-[1646] b: 30 May 1892, Elkmont, Alabama, d: 19 Dec 1966, Collin County, Texas

sp:Margaret Emma BURTON-[1647] b: 6 Dec 1891, Smithville, Tennessee, d: 14 Feb 1983, Collin County, Texas

└ 3-Congressman Herbert Ray ROBERTS-[748] b: 28 Mar 1913, Chambersville, Texas, Collin County, d: 13 Apr 1992, Denton, Texas, Denton County

sp:Elizabeth Ann BUSH-[12] b: 1911, McKinney, Texas, Collin County, m: 11 Nov 1946, Home of W. N. Bush & Roberta Iris Farrar, Collin County, TX, par:

sp:Jean MASSEY-[1645] , m: 9 May 1981, Denton, Texas, Denton County

└ 3-Roy Geldon ROBERTS-[1648] b: 26 Dec 1920, Chambersville, Texas, Collin County

sp:Nina Marie BEANE-[1881] b: 18 Nov 1924, Ravia, Oklahoma, Johnston County

└ 4-Roy Geldon ROBERTS Jr.-[1883] b: 9 Dec 1947, Dallas County, Texas

sp:Paula Jo POWELL-[1884] , m: Dec 1967, McKinney, Texas

└ 5-Jessica Rachelle ROBERTS-[1885] b: 15 Jul 1970, McKinney, Texas, Collin County

└ 5-Jennifer Claire ROBERTS-[1886] b: 15 May 1973, McKinney, Texas, Collin County

sp:Nancy-[1889]

└ 5-Jeff ROBERTS-[1890]

└ 3-Evelyn ROBERTS-[1887] bur: Ridgeview Cemetery, Collin County, Texas

sp:Leroy ROBERTSON-[1888]

DEATH TAKES FORMER

After Brief Illness, Death Calls For Howell E. Smith, Veteran Banker Of City

After a period of failing health for the past year or two and critical illness of less than forty-eight hours, Howell Emerson Smith, whose name is almost a household word over much of both of the states of Texas and Oklahoma, died at 3:00 o'clock A. M. Sunday, December 5, at his late home, 308 North Tennessee street, this city. News of his passing rapidly spread over our city, county and much of these two states, bringing many expressions of sorrow and regret from prominent bankers, business men and all classes of citizenship, especially from his old home town here and county where he was universally esteemed and respected.

Funeral Services.

Funeral services were held over his remains at 3:00 o'clock, Monday afternoon, at the home of his aunt, Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy, 303 North Kentucky Street, conducted by Dr. Robert L. Cowan, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, assisted by Dr. Clifford S. Weaver, pastor of the First Christian Church, who paid merited tributes to the memory of the deceased and eulogized his life of service as a banker, business and civic leader of our city and state. Interment followed in Pecan Grove Cemetery where his body was laid to rest beside the grave of his wife, who preceded him in death a number of years ago and the grave of his son, the late Vet H. Smith, who died two or three years ago, in San Antonio, and was brought back for interment here in the family burying ground.

Active pall bearers: J. Lovejoy Comegys, Wilkins Comegys, James H. Merritt, R. Fitzhugh Newsome, Joe E. Largent, Henry C. Barlow, W. Avery Dowell, F. Dudlev Perkins and Newton I.

til it was merged with the Oklahoma County National Bank, for or six years ago. Since his retirement from the McKinney banking field, he had been connected with the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas in responsible assignments that took him over the states of Texas and Oklahoma the last two or three years having been spent mostly in Oklahoma City.

Of Brilliant Intellect.

Few men were endowed with more brilliant mind and incisive intellect than was Howell Smith, who was also possessed of a genial personality that gratiated itself into the good will kindly graces and confidence of the general public wherever he appeared. He was a man of wide reading and broad observation, splendid public speaker, successful business man and a natural leader of men throughout his life and career as a banker and citizen. Consequently, many honors were thrust upon him by his associates in civic life, banking circles and in state and Federal governmental activities and leadership.

He served as President of the Texas Bankers Association during 1917 and 1918, was a member of the Executive Committee of the Dallas Currency Association, 1915, operating under the Aldrich Vreeland Act; member of the Capital Issue Committee of the Eleventh Federal Reserve Bank District during life of that Committee; was elected Class A Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, in 1921, serving until December, 1929. He was one of the organizers and stockholders of the Texas Power Light Company, serving a number of years as one of its

DECEASED



HOWELL E. SMITH.

the hearts of countless friends. The writer of this imperfect newspaper obituary notice was one of his admiring friends for nearly a half-century. We know that his heart beat for everything worthy, noble and uplifting for mankind. His philosophy of life and service to mankind is aptly embodied in the following poetic thoughts that we have heard him more than once repeat on appropriate occasion when he was making public address:

TELL HIM NOW.

If with pleasure you are viewing any work a man is doing, If you like him or you love him, tell him now! Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration. As he lies with snowy lines o'er his brow: For no matter how you shout it, he won't really care about it; He won't know how many tears-drops you have shed. If you think some praise is due him, now's the time to slip it to him. For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!

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Ora Finley	32,000
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Nettie Anderson	32,000
Clear Lake, Texas, Route 1	
Maude Harper	25,800
Copeville, Texas	
Alma Cope	5,400
Farmersville, Texas	
Leola Burt	7,800
Minnie Wilcoxson	32,540
J. B. Wright	10,000
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J. B. Hickey	7,800
Josephine, Texas	
J. L. Oswalt	32,140
Hulon Coffman	12,500
McKinney, Texas, Route 2	
Elphis Clayton	30,000
McKinney, Texas, Route 3	
Bessie Drake	32,400
Eva Tarvin	32,180
Gertrude Rollins	32,000
McKinney, Texas, Route 5	
Clara Lockridge	5,900
McKinney, Texas, Route 6	
Ida Lewis	5,900
Edna Talley	5,940
Calvin O'Neil	25,120
Emma Snider	32,020
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Maggie Looney	28,200
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Ida Jennings	32,820
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Hogs... Cotton.
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 Cotton in need per cwt. ... \$4.25

VISITING MINERAL WELLS

One of Our Correspondents at Great Health Resort.

I left old Collin county on August 24 for Mineral Wells. Arriving at Fort Worth I turned aside to go to Keller, where I visited my two sons for several days. Arriving at this great health resort, I found the place alive with visitors, all seeming intent on getting back lost health and having a good time—mostly the latter. The principal occupation of a great majority of the visitors is playing "42." Dozens of tables are distributed about the pavilions to provide this form of amusement for all those who care for it, and it seems that a great many of them do care. Mineral Wells is a great pleasure resort, as well as a health resort, and hundreds come here, it seems, just to get away from business for a few days, and have a good time.

Cotton ginning is going on right along here, but will soon be over, as the crop is very short all over this section of the state. Anywhere west of Dallas, it will take all the way from six to ten acres of land to make a bale. Corn will make from five to fifteen bushels to the acre, and grass is so dry that it would burn like powder if a fire was ever started. Things certainly look gloomy for the farmer in this section.

I will start tomorrow to journey farther down the country, into Eastland county. I will be there about a week, and will then turn my face to grand old Collin county—the best county in the state.

I was glad to get the two copies of the Democrat-Gazette. They were almost like letters from home. Please send me a copy to Carbon, Eastland county, as I do not want to miss a copy.

Hope all of the Democrat-Gazette staff had a good time at the picnic. But don't suppose that all could go at once, as getting out a daily keeps everybody and the "devil" pretty busy all the time. M. C. CAYLOR.
 Mineral Wells, Sept. 1.

Home From Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Brown and litson, Charles Alfred of Vineland, have recently returned from a three weeks' visit to their old home at Spring City, Tenn. Mr. Brown was a visitor at this office this morning. He reports a very pleasant trip.

Here From New Mexico.

D. R. Harkey of Carlsbad, N. M., was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Sid Brown and husband of this city Tuesday night. Mr. Harkey was transacting business at Fort Worth, and took this occasion to come on to McKinney.

John Foster, a prosperous young farmer of near Anna, was a first Monday visitor in the county capital.

Jesse Carrell, a prosperous young farmer of near Melissa, was among the business visitors in McKinney Monday.

Westminster, Texas.

Baulah McDougal 3,360

the southeast corner the square
 Mr. Wilson, at an early age became a surveyor, and followed that avocation for almost all of his life. He had amassed considerable wealth, comprised for the most part of Collin county lands. It is said that his holdings in this county will amount to four or five thousand acres.

Surviving him are his wife and two daughters, and one son, Miss Jake McIntyre, Miss Estelle, and A. G. (Add.), two sisters, Mrs. Martha Wallis of Wallis Chapel, and Mrs. Bettie Emerson of Pilot Point, and a brother, A. M. (Gus) Wilson of near Roland, this county.

Awaiting communication with the son, Add, who is somewhere in Mississippi with a Government surveying corps, funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

THE ENDING OF A SUCCESSFUL LIFE

The numerous friends of Spencer Howell Smith of this city were very much grieved yesterday when they were informed of his death which occurred at the family home on North Tennessee street at 1 o'clock a. m. Mr. Smith had been an invalid for the past twenty years. Although he was able to be up and about, he was not physically able to attend to business affairs during the last few years of his life, and had been confined to his room for the past five or six years.

Deceased was born at Boston, Erie county, New York, April 22, 1837, and was therefore 76 years, 4 months and 11 days old at the time of his death. After growing to manhood, his first work, which was the beginning of a most successful career, was that of first assistant Canal Collector, on Erie Canal. From New York he went to Wisconsin, where he engaged in the mercantile business for several years. He then returned to New York and was for several years engaged in the wholesale clothing business. He then moved to McKinney, which was eighteen years ago, and had since resided in this city.

Deceased was married to Miss Margaret Emerson, of Monroe Wisconsin, August 4, 1852. Mrs. Smith is a daughter of the late Frances Emerson of McKinney. Besides his wife he is survived by one son, Howell E. Smith, cashier of the First National Bank of this city.

He was a member of the Baptist church; also a member of the Masons and Odd Fellows lodges. He leaves a very large circle of friends to mourn his demise. The funeral service was held at the home, 404 North Tennessee street, this (Thursday) morning at 9:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. E. B. Fincher, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city. The interment will be made in Pecan Grove cemetery.

The interest in the meeting at the East McKinney Christian is growing rapidly. Services are being conducted in the open air. Large crowds are attending and though the revival is only in the beginning, there have been already some additions to the church.

Read the WANT ADS today

friendly call. While here he renewed his subscription to The Weekly Democrat-Gazette and Dallas News at our clubbing rate of \$1.75 for both papers one year. Just one year ago the writer obtained his subscription to the above papers and while the latter's face was covered with sores from a case of small pox that had recently developed.

Mr. Dees is a native of Louisiana who has resided in Texas only a few years. There is room for many more Pelicans who are as law-abiding and industrious as this man who was reared near Ouchita.

A Fine Boy.

A handsome young man arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Moritz at Triblett, Mo., last Friday. Mrs. Moritz was formerly Miss Grace Rice of this city.

A Pretty Girl.

M. and Mrs. J. J. Smith are very happy over the arrival of a pretty little girl who took up her residence in their home Monday.

THE M'KINNEY MARKET REPORT

Feedstuff and Grain.

Corn in shuck per bu	95c to \$1
Oats per bu.	60c to 65c
Bran, per cwt	\$1.45
Shorts, per cwt	\$1.70
Chops, per cwt	\$1.30
Wheat per bu	\$1.50
Oats baled per ton	\$9 to \$10
Alfalfa hay per ton	\$12 to \$15
Millet hay per ton	\$8 to \$10
Prarie hay per ton	\$9 to \$10
Bermuda hay per ton	\$8 to \$10
Primo per ton	\$12.00
Prime Cotton Seed	\$20.00
Off cotton seed, according to grade.	

Produce and Provisions.

Flour per cwt	\$3.75 to \$4.25
Bacon per lb.	12c to 15c
Butter per lb	15c to 25c

A Leader in Society. Mrs. Smith was a leader in the society activities of the city. She was a charter member of the Owl Club and assisted in the organization of that body, of which she was president for one term at a later time. She was also active in the work of a number of other organizations which have for their object the betterment of human society.

She was a woman of charity. Not only did she dispense many alms but could ignore any faults she might see in the life of another. The bright smile she always saw and continually held so that it was noticeable by even the casual observer.

Early in her girlhood days she became a member of the Presbyterian Church and held membership in the First Presbyterian Church in McKinney at the time of her death.

She was ill about one week and continually thought of her friends. She expressed a wish that they come to her home and feel welcome, even if the attending physician could not permit them to see her.

She always loved little children and many now treasure the little acts of kindness which she showered upon them every time they chanced to meet.

Mrs. Herbert Morehouse of Denver, Colo., a favorite friend from the days of girlhood, here and was visiting Mrs. Smith when she was taken ill.

"As falls the night, upon the sleeping world, so fell upon you the last eternal sleep;

"As comes the light of glistening stars unfarled, so come to you the joys supreme complete.

"God gave and in his time took back again to full abound.

"Still that true heart and hushed thy gentle voice; cold and now that once strong, tender, helpful hand;

"Yet though we mourn, the angels must rejoice to welcome you so strong, so true, so grand."

All details of the funeral have been completed. Devotional services will be held at her late home on Tucker Street at 2 o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon. Rev. E. B. Fincher will conduct the funeral.

which she never fully recovered. She is the first of a family of eight children to be called to the Great Beyond.

Both parents survive to mourn her loss, as do also the following sisters and brothers: Linas Smith, J. Ollie Smith and Mrs. Frank Dowell of McKinney; Mrs. F. B. Rickerson, Bennington, Oklahoma; W. T. Smith, Richardson; Mrs. J. O. Neeley, Rusk, Texas; and Mrs. W. B. Hansel, Dallas. All the above were at her bedside at the time of the demise, except Mrs. Rickerson, who is ill at her home.

At the age of 14 years, Miss Angle became a member of the Missionary Baptist Church and ever afterward continued a faithful and consistent follower of the humble man of Nazareth. She held membership in the First Baptist Church here at the time of her death. Her devotion to her God and the duties of life showed a character of beauty and constancy.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist Church yesterday at 4 o'clock by her pastor, Dr. E. E. King, and burial followed in Pecan Grove Cemetery under the direction of the Crouch-Hartzog undertaking establishment. The pall bearers were as follows: B. B. Wilbanks of Sherman, Dr. J. Knight, Herbert Browne, Dr. Tillman H. Bryan, Eugene Crouch, Will Duer, D. D. Martin and W. L. Fitzgerald.

VISIT FROM J. T. DEES.

Call of a Good Citizen and Appreciated Reader.

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She was married on Oct. 9, 1887, to Mr. Howell E. Smith, a native of the same town and a schoolmate. They came at once to McKinney, Texas, where they have since made their home, practically without interruption. Mr. Smith has been connected with this institution he has been the cashier.

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Biographical.

Miss Cheney was a native of Monroe, Wisconsin, where she was born Aug. 30, 1866. She was therefore, 4 years, 4 months and 10 days of age at the time of the demise. Early in girlhood she evinced that spirit of thoughtfulness and desire for the welfare and happiness of others, which, in after years, made her a favorite in the affections of all who formed her acquaintance.

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MISS ANGIE SMITH DIED TUESDAY

DEATH OF MRS. HOWELL E. SMITH

Tuesday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock Miss Angie Smith quietly departed from this life at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Smith, at 127 West Virginia Street after a lingering illness of several months. Miss Angie had been one of the bright lights of the Christian home all her life.

The deceased was a native of the state of Mississippi where she was born at Summitt. When only a child she came to Texas with her parents and settled near the town of Allen. About eight years ago the family moved to McKinney where it has since made a home, except about one year, which was spent in Dallas. While in the latter city, the deceased had an operation from the effects of which she never fully recovered. She was the first of a family of eight children to be called to the Great Beyond. Both parents survive to mourn her loss, as do also the following sisters and brothers: Linas Smith, J. Ollie Smith and Mrs. Frank Dowell of McKinney; Mrs. F. B. Rickerson, Bennington, Oklahoma; W. T. Smith, Richardson; Mrs. J. O. Neeley, Rusk, Texas; and Mrs. W. B. Hansel, Dallas. All the above were at her bedside at the time of the demise, except Mrs. Rickerson, who is ill at her home.

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VISIT FROM J. T. DEES.

The death angel has crept silently and almost unexpectedly into another home in McKinney and taken for its toll one of the brightest and noblest of the city's society. In the death of Mrs. Howell E. Smith hundreds feel overwhelmed by the sudden disruption of the ties of friendship and affection which have been cultivated and mutually enjoyed for many years. Even the close relatives and the immediate family scarcely realized the approach of the blow, until late Monday. This life ebbed out "like the mildness, the serenity, the continuing benignity of a summer's day", leaving the grateful, long-lingering light of a worthy example of active benevolence and enduring friendship as a bright path for others to follow.

Biographical.

Miss Minnie Cheney was a native of Monroe, Wisconsin, where she was born Aug. 30, 1866. She was therefore, 48 years, 4 months and 2 days of age at the time of the demise. Early in girlhood she evinced that spirit of thoughtfulness and ever-living desire for the welfare and happiness of others, which, in after life, made her a favorite in the affections of all who formed her acquaintance.

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Floral offerings were profuse and beautiful, mute testimonials to his memory and life of usefulness and service to mankind.

Native of Wisconsin.

Howell Emerson Smith was born in August, 1863, at Monroe, Wisconsin, where he was educated, reared and married. He was the son of Spencer H. Smith and Margaret Ann (Emerson) Smith. His family is of Scotch-Irish descent. His mother was a daughter of Francis Emerson, who, with his sons, Thos. H. Emerson and Turner T. Emerson, founded the First National Bank of McKinney, in 1869. He attended public schools and graduated from the Monroe High School. He was married, at Monroe, to Miss Minnie Cheney, a cultured young daughter of Monroe, in 1888. He soon thereafter brought his bride to McKinney, where they built their home and became the parents of several children, one or two dying in infancy and two living to be grown. One of them, Spencer C. Smith, now resides in Denver, Colorado, but was unable on account of feeble health to make the trip to Texas for the funeral of his father. As stated, Vet H. Smith, died only two or three years ago.

Enters Field of Banking.

Upon coming to Texas, Mr. Smith became bookkeeper in the First National Bank of which his grandfather Emerson was President and his uncles, Turner T. Emerson and Thomas H. Emerson, were Vice-President and Cashier, respectively. He steadily advanced in responsibility with the institution, becoming Teller, member of the Board of Directors, Cashier, Vice-President and then President of the bank, in

1911; was elected Class A Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, in 1921, serving until December, 1929. He was also one of the organizers and stockholders of the Texas Power Light Company, serving a number of years as one of its Directors and was Assistant Treasurer for several years of the Texas Electric Railway Company. During the World War, he was a member of the Council of Defense; County Chairman of Liberty Loans, County Chairman of the War Savings Stamp; received special appointment by Governor W. P. Hobby of Texas, as a delegate from this state to the convention "To Win The War For Permanent Peace," held in the city of Philadelphia, May 16-1918.

He was one of the original good roads advocates in this part of Texas and received a special commission by the Governor of Texas to represent this county and section at the United States Good Roads Association Convention, held in April, 1917, which met that year, at Mineral Wells, Texas.

He was ever active in Red Cross and Salvation Army relief and humane efforts conducted during the four-year duration of the World's War and was often called upon to set forth the aims and objectives of these humanitarian organizations for the relief of the war and poverty-stricken and victims of disaster, plague and flood. He gave freely of his time, thought, money and labor for the promotion of worthy welfare measures.

He served for two years as President of the Board of Governors of the McKinney City Hospital, during 1919-20-21 with W. Avery Dowell, Secretary-Treasurer; W. R. Abernathy, Walter I. Wilson, Henry W. Warden and A. Rountree, in locating, building and equipping the McKinney City Hospital that has been and is so much appreciated. He led his fellow Board of Governors in raising funds for equipping the \$100,000 institution after the bond issue funds had been used in its construction.

The deceased had been active in Masonry for more than forty years, serving as Master of St. John's Lodge No. 51, A. F. & A. M.; High Priest, Haggai Chapter Royal Arch Masons; Commander McKinney Commandery, No. 34 Knights Templar; McKinney member of Dallas Consistory Scottish Rite Masons, member of Hella Temple Shrine, Dallas. During many years, he was regarded as one of the brightest Masonic leaders in the state during his active career.

He was a member of the McKinney Elks Lodge, Hill Country Club and the Dallas Athletic Club. Mr. Smith was also active in Chamber of Commerce

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Large Number Of State Aid Schools In Collin

An increase of 35 state aid schools in Collin County this year over any previous year, was announced Saturday by Prof. L. Dow Hendricks, County Superintendent, after the conclusion of an inspection tour by Prof. Alex Dickey, Deputy State Superintendent, and Mr. Hendricks. They visited thirty-five schools, this week, making a total of 85 visited in the county, fifty of the schools having been visited several weeks ago.

The great increase in schools eligible for state aid this year was brought about by the cooperation of patrons, who voted additional taxes to raise their schools to the proper levels.

Prof. Dickey was well pleased with the schools visited as a whole. He is Deputy State Superintendent for this District, which includes Collin, Denton, Wise and Grayson Counties. Prof. Dickey is this week visiting schools in Hunt County, which is out of his district, aiding the Deputy Superintendent in that District who was kept from his work by serious illness and death in his family.

Prof. Dickey states that there are 373 state aid schools in his four counties of which Collin has almost exactly her fourth.

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L. W. Crouch, who has been seriously ill for three months, is recovering nicely.

J. M. Honaker of Farmersville was a business visitor in McKinney today.