


# The McLean News

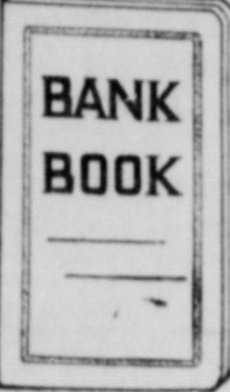
TENTH YEAR

McLEAN, GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 1914

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**TWO WAYS OF TELLING A FORTUNE**



Astrology, Palmistry or resorting to the occult as to what the future will bring are merely guesswork, but there is a sure way to fortune, combining frugality, industry and a bank account

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## Destructive Fire in Business Center

A fire which, for a time, threatened the destruction of an entire business block on both sides of the street, started in the Delmonte Cafe Monday afternoon about three o'clock and before its devastating progress could be checked wiped out the row of buildings on the east side of Main street from the corner opposite the Citizens State Bank to the office of the McLean Real Estate Company, including four buildings and six business institutions with an approximated loss of three to four thousand dollars. An additional loss of from three to five hundred dollars was suffered by the Telephone exchange on account of the burning of one of their large distributing poles at the corner of First and Main.

Only the heroic work of the united citizenship and the dogged persistence of those who fought the fire back from the little office building owned by Messrs. Foster and Cousins saved the rest of the block, including the Hindman Hotel. For a time it looked as though it would be impossible to prevent the fire from lapping across the street and adding that side of the block to the total of its ruins. Once fire caught on the awning of the Small building formerly occupied by Wise and Beall, but men with buckets of water soon scaled the building from the back and managed to put the fire out. Had the wind been blowing with any force the task of stopping the fire would have been practically hopeless as there was no adequate means of coping with it under adverse conditions.

When it first started a light breeze was blowing from the northeast and had in not suddenly changed to the east the progress of the fire toward the Hindman Hotel could not have been checked. As it was the fire confined to the row of wooden buildings on the corner and extending about half way of the block.

As near as could be learned there was little insurance as the risks were all so hazardous that the rate would have been practically prohibitive. The six

businesses included in the fire were as follows:

John Mertel, shoes and repairing. Stock badly damaged in moving and much of it ruined and burned. Loss about \$300.00

Jeff Earp, confectionary. Much of his stock was removed to the street but caught fire and was practically all burned or ruined. Loss about \$400.00 with no insurance.

Frank Gardenhire, restaurant. Practically everything burned and a total loss of six hundred dollars. There was some insurance on this stock.

The buildings occupied by these three businesses belonged to Messrs. Scot Johnston and A. A. Callahan and were covered by insurance in some Oklahoma company.

The next loss was the building owned by C. E. Bogan and occupied by the Eagle Cafe. The building loss approximately five hundred dollars with no insurance. Bee Everett's barber shop sustained a loss of about \$150.00 with no insurance. Much of his equipment was saved. The building was owned by G. H. Simmons of Oklahoma City and we have not been able to learn whether or not it was insured. In this building also was the pressing and cleaning establishment owned by H. F. Lankford. His loss was lighter than the others as he had more time in which to move his equipment out, but will probably reach a hundred dollars.

The fire originated from a defective flue in the Gardenhire restaurant and the entire upper floor of the building was burning before it was discovered. There were quite a few people in town at the time and everybody went valiantly to the work of saving what could be moved before the heat became so intense that it was impossible to enter the buildings. Water hydrants served by the John W. Kibler well were used in the night as long as they could be reached and then the supply tank at the hotel and the water in the town cistern was used.

The crying need of some kind of fire protection for our little city was made vividly impressive by this disaster and it is likely that some steps in this direction will be taken before another and more devastating fire occurs.

After the excitement somewhat subsided the different institutions that had been saved from the fire opened their doors to the public and served refreshments with a lavish hand. Bundy-Hodges Co. and W. R. Veale served cold drinks and Mother Hindman prepared a big supper to which everyone was invited, each in an effort to show their sincere appreciation of the splendid work of the citizens in battling with the fire.

Through the courtesy of Fred O'Dell a big hose and nozzle, which he had purchased for use in the protection of his new building, was secured and connected with the railroad water tank by means of a line of two-inch pipe and with this apparatus the smouldering remains of the fire were drenched in order to prevent it spreading during the night. An additional precaution was the placing of guards

## Paint Your House

You know that 90 per cent of the houses in McLean need a new coat of paint. How much better the town would look if we would all paint our buildings. We handle

# LOWE BROS. PAINT

The paint that spreads farther, looks better and lasts longer than most any other paint on the market.

Let us figure with you on your paint bill. We have a good stock of all kinds of building material that we are anxious to sell.

Just received two cars of lumber this week, well graded and manufactured.

Call in and see us and get our prices.

**Cicero Smith Lumber Co.**

McLean, Texas Phone 3

### Obituary.

George Vest Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Francis of this place, died in Amarillo, Texas, at the Lumpkins and Thomas Hospital, Saturday, August 1, 1914, at the age of twenty eight, one month and one day. The death was the direct result of an accident suffered five days earlier in Ochiltree county while helping his brother at a threshing machine.

The remains were brought here on the evening train Saturday and the funeral was held at the tabernacle Sunday morning at ten o'clock in the presence of a large crowd of sympathizing friends. The interment was in the local cemetery.

Deceased was united in marriage with Miss Addie Mowry, October 7, 1908, and leaves behind to mourn his death, besides his loving wife and parents, three brothers and two sisters.

He united with the church Baptist at the age of seventeen at his home in Missouri and had lived a consistent life. As death approached he told those loving relatives gathered at his bedside that he was trusting in God and was ready to go. The family

### Are Thankful.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hindman desire us to extend their devout thanks to the many citizens who so nobly assisted with the work of checking the fire that for a time threatened the destruction of the Hotel building last Monday afternoon. Mr. Hindman says "make it as strong as the English language will permit" but we are sure that words will not adequately express the feeling of gratitude for those who responded to that awful cry of "fire" and worked manfully, regardless of heat and danger, to save the property of their fellow citizens. All those who would have suffered severe loss but for the ready response of willing workers join in extending sincere thanks.

knows that his presence will be greatly missed and the first link in the family chain is broken, yet that one has gone on to await their coming to home above.

Our aluminum is going fast. Come in and let us show you or sell you—you can't go wrong when you buy aluminum ware. Overton Hardware Co.

## Service and Solidity The Banking Requisites

The satisfactory bank—the only bank which can be of real benefit to the business public—is that which, while assuring absolute security, is prepared to give expert and courteous service not only to depositors but to the public generally.

The success of the AMERICAN STATE BANK has been built upon this winning combination of Service and Solidity. Your account is solicited.

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SURPLUS . . . . . \$10,000.00

**American State Bank**

(GUARANTY FUND BANK)

McLean, Texas

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GEO. W. SITTER, VICE PRES.      CLAY E. THOMPSON, ASST. CASHIER  
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Now is the time to  
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**THE McLEAN NEWS**

PUBLISHED WEEKLY

McLEAN

TEXAS

By A. G. RICHARDSON

SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year .....\$1.00

Entered as second-class mail matter May 8, 1905, at the postoffice at McLean, Texas, under the Act of Congress.

**Excursion Up Salt Creek**

The excursion up Salt Creek left Sunday morning. Jesse Adams of the Plainview News was in charge of the party. Just before the start was made Editor Warwick of the Canyon News phoned that he would join the party. James Lorenza Dow of the Lubbock Avalanche sent a wireless about 2 p. m. that he would make the trip also. Stop was made for Richardson of the McLean News; Satterwhite of the Tulia Enterprise had been engaged as pilot. Editor Elliott of the Hereford Brand was delayed, waiting for his vote in the representative race which proving unsatisfactory, he joined the party at the last moment. Homer Steen took to the Canyon Saturday night after word came of the Ferguson landslide, and has not been heard from since. On up through the north plains the party proceeded. Just before the stop was made for the paragrapher of the Amarillo News, someone began to sing, "We'll vote for Ball in the fall" and he was promptly knocked overboard. A caucus was held and Satterwhite acting as spokesman informed the crowd that the first sucker that started that song again would be mur-

dered on the spot. Along in the afternoon Sunday, when the sun came straight down, and all was still and quiet save the splash of the waves, some poetical soul in a semi-dreary state began to chant, "We'll be dry in July." the scene that followed beggars description. With thick tongues and depressed spirits a general protest was made. A hot discussion took place, and it was then and there decided that a man who was so void of human feeling to state a whine like that was clinically inclined. The matter was viewed from every viewpoint, and as a final conclusion Satterwhite remarked, "Boys, its not a question whether Texas went dry in July, that's not what hurts—but Tom Ball told us he was going to be governor, and it is my candid opinion that the man from Houston was mistaken. In order to divert our minds from dry business, Editor Elliot will explain to us 'the tricks of politicians,' after which James Lorenza Dow will explain 'Jeffersonian Democracy,' and Bro. Adams 'Campaign Contributions.'"—Lockney Beacan.

Brother Smith is indulging rather splendidly in the "I told you so" dope that the loser always hates, but we forgive him freely. He is a good fighter and what he goes into he stays with like a man, but does sound kind

of feminine to begin chattering like a stuttering ape as soon as he finds that he has won. It is such a come down from the stern and unyielding warrior pushing his lines of battle right into the heart of the enemy to suddenly right about when he has vanquished the foe and begin to prattle like an infant lad with his first panties. Ben, old boy, don't do it. Throw out your chest, put your bald head high in the air and try to comport yourself with that dignity becoming the victory for which you fought so gloriously, bearing in mind that fact that although you did write column after column of dope for your candidate and although you predicted the outcome of the election with becoming sagacity and told your readers of the many shortcomings and the utter depravity of the opposition, yet there was hardly a precinct within reach of your mighty voice, but what—turned you down. Good old whiskey centers like Comal county, Bexar county, Harris county, etc., came your way and probably it was due to the fight you fought and the mighty words you uttered, but, who knows, it might not have been all your fault.

**An Appreciation.**

I feel that it is but right that I make public expression of the gratitude I entertain towards these good people of McLean who responded so readily to my apparent need of assistance during the fire, and whose eager readiness to serve would have saved me many dollars had the fire crossed the street, and also to those who labored so manfully to prevent its crossing. Your noble efforts will ever be kindly remembered and my sincere hope is that you may never have cause to need a like service.

Respectfully,  
Arthur Erwin.

**Baptist Meeting Closes.**

The Baptist meeting that has been in progress at the Tabernacle for the past ten days closed Tuesday night. The meeting was in charge of Rev. Lovelace of Vernon, Texas, who is a very able speaker and attracted large crowds at every service. The singing was under the direction of T. J. Earp and proved a splendid addition to the services.

Fourteen additions to the church is reported as a result of the meeting.

**Notice.**

I will change the public weighing office from the Cicero Smith Lumber Yard to the Western Lumber Company and will be there after Monday, August 10, to do public weighing.  
JNO. MONTGOMERY.

**To The Public.**

I take this method of thanking the people for helping me get my stock removed from the fire. While my loss was heavy, it would have been much more if it had not been for your help. I have renovated, added to it and opened up in the Crabtree office, just back of the Citizens State Bank, where I will be pleased to have your trade. I am still prepared to do first class shoe repairing.  
JOHN MERTEL.

**B. Y. P. U. Program.**

Subject—The prevalence and power of sin.  
President in charge.  
Song.  
Prayer.  
Quiz on Bible readers' course.  
Secretary's report.  
Leader in charge.  
Song.  
Prayer—Led by four young men.  
Responsive reading, 14 Psalm

**—FREE SHOW—**

**Every Saturday Afternoon**

**— From 2 to 4 o'clock —**

**T**HE business men of McLean will entertain you every Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock at the Electric Theatre with a free picture show. You don't need a ticket, the doors are wide open. Go when you please and stay as long you like.

There is always a good program, good music, comfortable chairs and electric fans are on the way.

C. A. Cash & Son  
McLean Hardware Co.  
Cicero Smith Lumber Co.  
Earp's Confectionary  
Eagle Cafe  
Veal's Grocery

Everett's Barber Shop  
Overton Hardware Co.  
McLean News  
Wolf Drug Co.  
Citizens State Bank  
Turner Blacksmith Shop

Delmonte Cafe  
Erwin Drug Co.  
Wise & Beall  
American State Bank  
C. C. Cook  
Willis Bros.

—Wayland Floyd and Andrew Jordon.

Sin is—Leader.  
What is the worst that history says about sin—Roger Hearne.

What is the best that history says about man's sin—Bessie Christian.

What does observation teach us about man's sin—Mr. Mayfield.

Song—Rescue the Perishing.  
What is the verdict of conscience—Doyal Foster.

What does the bible history teach as to the prevalence of sin—Frank Stockton.

What does the bible teach about the doctrine of sin: As to total depravity—Maggie Jordon.

As to the universality—Ruby Newton.

Song—A Little Bit of Love.  
Closing prayer.  
Leader—Winnie Newton.

**Socialist Program**

The following is the program for the first day of the Socialist Encampment to be held here on August 11, 12 and 13th. Encampment to be held at the tabernacle:

Meeting called to order by the speaker of the day.

Address of welcome—K. Mitchell.

Response—G. R. Scott.  
Class F, struggle—W. S. Noble.

At 3 p. m. John A. Currie will address the meeting on "Socialism and the Bible."

At 8:30 p. m. E. R. Meitzen will make an address on "What I would do if I were Governor of the State of Texas."

Music will be rendered by Mr. Currie and daughter and others.

Everybody is invited to come and attend these meetings and come prepared to stay on the ground and make this gathering one of the most profitable and enjoyable entertainments in the history of McLean.

There will be entertainment for both young and old. Programs will be rendered each day.

D. N. Massay.  
G. R. Scott.  
Kyle Mitchell.  
J. M. Robinson.  
F. M. Anderson.

Do you want a tombstone or marble work? Call on S. A. Cobb at Northfork, Texas.

**The McLean Shoe Store**

has just received a line of new

**—SHOES—**

For Men, Women, Boys and Girls

Call and see them. My prices are reasonable. I am prepared to do fine shoe repairing.

**JOHN MERTEL**

**FOR SALE**

In order to make room for a full car load of furniture, we are offering great bargains in our furniture department.

We have a few odd dining chairs, not a set of any one design, positively at cost. We have some beautiful designs in Axminster and Brussels rugs that will pay you to see them. Special price for a few days: also a few patterns in matting rugs offered at 20 per cent discount. We are going to sacrifice profits for room.

Our stock is not damaged one bit by the fire, hence this is not a FIRE SALE.

We wish to express our appreciation to the public, especially those who worked so faithfully to save our building and goods. We don't feel that there were any favors shown any one, but that all worked for one common cause.

**BUNDY-HODGES MERCANTILE COMPANYP**

See The

**DOGS AND PONIES**

Under Canvas

**Wednesday, Aug. 12**

**ONE DAY ONLY KING & GOLDMAN SHOWS....**

**SHOE SALE**

We are going to close out all of our low shoes for men, women and children in order to make room for our new stock of winter shoes. We carry one of the best lines of shoes in town and our stock is complete.

In order to make these shoes move at once we are going to sell them exactly

**AT COST**

This is no fake sale—when we say cost we mean cost. Come and see for yourself.

We are looking for an order of drygoods in a few days and you will find just what you need to make your children's school clothes. New fall ginghams, etc.

You can't beat our prices.

**C. A. CASH & SON**

PHONE 25

# Local Happenings

### Items of Interest About Town and County

Twister will call for and deliver your laundry. Phone 159.

Price Rogers is sporting a brand new car.

For Sale—200 quart and half gallon fruit jars at 5 cents each. Geo. Garner, phone 16.

Miss Susie Beall returned Saturday Canyon City where she has been attending the Normal.

Let us furnish you with your wiring. McLean Hardware.

Herman and Raymond Glass have returned from the Normal at Canyon City.

Come to the Electric Theatre and have a good laugh—it will do you good.

Mrs. W. H. Holt spent Wednesday in Amarillo selecting the interior decoration for her new home.

If your summer suit gets all mussed up take it to Twister for repairs.

J. W. Dougherty left Wednesday for a short business trip down in Texas.

Make your childrens pictures while you have flowers for a background. Willis Bros.

Mrs. S. A. Cousins left Tuesday for an extended visit with relatives at Abilene and Robert Lee.

Jap-A-Lac makes old furniture look new; we have it. McLean Hardware Co.

Stubs & Foster shipped a car load to the Wichita market the latter part of last week.

We are especially prepared to wash your kodak pictures. Willis Bros.

Mrs. L. W. Wilson left this week for Paducah, Texas, where she goes for a visit with friends and relatives.

Mrs. G. A. Anderson has been spending a few days in Amarillo, where she went for medical treatment.

Takes one of our Morning Glory washing machines home with you. It don't do the act bring it back. Overton Hdw. Co.

Born on August 2nd to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hunt, a twelve pound girl.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bogan returned Monday from Granite, Okla., where they were called on account of the severe illness of their son, W. E. Bogan.

I have put in a new line of beads of all kinds and also jewelry. Ask to see it. Wolfe's Drug Store.

Mrs. Hall has returned to her home in central Texas after a several week's stay with her daughter, Mrs. Herman Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty left Tuesday for Ochiltree county where they will visit Mrs. Petty's brothers family.

Earnest D. Francis of Brinkley, Ark., attended the funeral of his brother here Sunday, spending several days with his parents.

We have the real seal batteries—best made—none excepted. Overton Hdw. Co.

Robert H. Francis and family of Ochiltree county have returned home after attending the sad funeral of their brother.

Mrs. G. V. Francis has returned to her home at Prairie Grove, Mo. She was accompanied on her mission here by her father, Mr. Mowry.

Mrs. Ambrose Rippy and baby of Electra arrived Monday and will spend the remainder of the summer at the A. C. Rippy home northeast of town.

Lost—Conklin self filling fountain pen somewhere on Main street during fire. Finder please notify Tracey Willis.

We are requested to announce that S. R. Jones will conduct Holiness services at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

S. O. Cook and family arrived Sunday afternoon from Dallas and will spend the summer here with relatives.

Since the recent rains reports are to the effect that the watermelon crop is on the jump and there will be millions of this luscious product ready for the market soon.

Six reels at the Electric Theatre Tuesday night and an interesting lecture besides was given the public by Manager Wall in token of his appreciation of their patronage.

Just received a washtub full of pocket knives, from 50 cents up. Every one guaranteed—all you have to do is to bring it back if not satisfied. Overton Hdw. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Veale and family left Wednesday for Granite, Oklahoma, where they will make their future home. We are sorry to lose these good people and wish for them much prosperity in their new home.

Mrs. R. B. Hearne is enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. D. E. Hall of Columbus, Miss. Mrs. Hall is spending this week at the Carpenter ranch.

Mrs. R. E. Dorsey returned Monday from a few days visit with her parents at Amarillo. She was accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. Pitts who will be her guests for a few days.

Haynes and Bird have rented one of the Fred O'Dell building for the resumption of their restaurant business and Mr. O'Dell is having the finishing work rushed in order that they may move in as soon as possible.

Bee Everett has installed his barber shop in the Paschall building where he will be glad to meet his customers. The tailor shop has been moved to this building.

J. L. Crabtree returned the first of the week from Nevada, Mo., where he has been in hopes of bettering his health. He says McLean is the best place on earth for a man either sick or well.

Good rains Tuesday and Wednesday nights in this vicinity insure the continued splendid growth of all crops. It is understood the rain Tuesday night was pretty general over this immediate section.

We are informed that Arthur Cook and family will again make this their home. Mrs. Cook and children are expected to arrive from California in a short time. They will keep house in their home in the north part of town.

We have our shipment of short burner stoves. Come in and get yours, everybody's doing it. Overton Hdw. Co.

R. B. Hearne returned the first of the week from Baird, where he attended the funeral of his father. The elder Mr. Hearne was seventy-three years of age. Friends join us in extending sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

L. F. Coffey of Erick, Okla., was here making arrangements for the opening of his big dry goods store in the E. H. Small building. The junior member of the firm, S. J. Coffey, has gone to New York to buy the opening bill and they expect to have it all installed within the next two weeks.

H. F. Mathews and Miss Catharine Dwyer were quietly married at the home of Rev. Hamilton Sunday evening, August 2. Both young people are well and favorably known here and have hosts of friends who wish them many years of happiness.

Public broncho riding was one of the features of local excitement the latter part of last week. A bunch of horses belonging to Everett Watking were taught the ways of the saddle and spurs and several local boys participated in the instruction.

Mollie Bailey's show was here Saturday night and enjoyed fairly good patronage. Attending Mollie Bailey's show is more a habit than a pleasure in Texas, and the old timers pride themselves on the fact that they have never missed one performance when it was possible to attend.

J. M. Huntsman and wife and Mrs. Hardin of Alanreed passed through McLean Wednesday afternoon enroute home from an auto trip to Hobert and other towns in Oklahoma. They report a pleasant trip but say that crop conditions in much of the country traveled are distressing.

Jno. W. Montgomery of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Monday. While here he called at the News office and had his name added to our subscription list. Mr. Montgomery is one of the oldest settlers in the Panhandle, coming here thirty-one years ago.

#### New Restaurant.

We wish to announce to the public that we will open the Eagle Cafe, with the entire equipment brand new, in the O'Dell building. We expect to be prepared to serve you by Saturday morning, August 8, and ever as of yore we will do our best to give you first class service.

Thanking you for past patronage and assuring you that we will appreciate a continuance of same, we are,

Yours truly,  
Haynes & Bird.

#### Announcement.

I wish to announce to the public that I have gotten together and straightened out what stuff was saved from the fire and am adding to it as fast as possible. Have located for the present in the C. C. Cook building opposite the News office, where I would be glad to meet my old customers and the public in general, believing that I can serve you as efficiently and satisfactorily as before.

To those who so nobly came to my assistance during the fire and helped to save so much of my stock, I wish to take this method of extending my sincere thanks.

Again thanking you and soliciting your confectionary trade, I beg to remain,

Respectfully,  
T. J. EARP.

#### To The Public.

We take this method of thanking the people for helping us remove our things from the fire and to state that we are again ready for business in the Paschall building, next door to C. C. Cook's.

We are prepared to take care of your trade and invite you to call on us in our new quarters.

B. EVERETT,  
V. ESTER COOKE.

**Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the president died Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock from Brights disease. Her dying request was that a bill be passed relieving the slum districts of Washington, which Congress immediately did.**

# Round Trip

### Summer Tourist Fares

VIA



### United States, Canada and Mexico

Effective May 15th. Tickets on sale daily to September 30th, with final return limit October 31st. Optional routes.

ALSO—  
Very low summer excursion fares to various destinations in California and the Northwest effective June 1st to September 30th; final return limit October 31st. Stop-overs and all up-to-date accommodations.

For particulars call on

**\$50.00 Reward.**

We will give a reward of fifty dollars for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any persons found crossing any of the fences or in any manner trespassing upon our land in Gray or Wheeler counties. The public is cautioned to take warning that we will vigorously prosecute any violation of the law covering the crossing of fences so far as it affects our properties.

Boatman Bank,  
By A. B. Gardenhire.

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## WILLIS BROTHERS

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A Stirring Story of the Mexican Revolution  
By DANE COOLIDGE  
Author of "The Fighting Fool," "Hidden Waters,"  
"The Texican" etc.  
Illustrated by DON J. LAVIN.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

We wish to announce to the public that we still continue our grocery business, and will at all times keep a full stock of dependable groceries.

We also carry fresh fruits and vegetables and will keep our stock complete in every particular.

In connection to our grocery store we have everything in the cold drink line and invite you to call and give us a trial.

We thank you for your past patronage and will appreciate a continuance of same, always striving to give you the very quickest and best service.

## Veale's Grocery

Phone 67

# Notice

## Come Friends

### And Get These Bargains

## At The McLean Racket Store

Nest eggs 24 cents per dozen, 1 cent less than Sears Roebuck asks you for them.

Regular 10 cent oil cans for 5 cents.

Lamp globes Nos. 1 and 2, 5 cents each.

12 quart galvanized water pails for 20 cents.

Two 1 pint tin cups for 5 cents.

100 foot clothes line for 29 cents.

Regular 50 cent plyers for 25 cents.

Regular 25 cent glass dipper for only 10 cents.

Hold-fast clothes pins at 5 cents per dozen.

Old fashioned clothes pins, 3 dozen for 5 cents.

And hundreds of other bargains too numerous to mention. Come in and bring your family with you and see for yourself. We are in the Vannoy building.

**Make The Racket Store Your Headquarters while in McLean.**

Good Mechanics are Always in Demand

The business of making machinery and its various parts is important. There is a constantly growing demand for good machinists. In fact, there is almost a lack of skilled machinists. There are many chances in this occupation which the young growing boy of sixteen, with a grammar-school education and no trade, would do well to consider.

The most necessary qualification to become a good machinist is an actual fondness for handling and working with mechanical appliances. Good common sense, willingness and a strong, sound body form the necessary requisites for the trade.

The work can be learned well by apprentices. Many machine shops take a limited number of apprentices each year. A boy must be fifteen years or over to enter. A period of four years is occupied in learning this work. It is never wise for a young man to specialize too early in the beginning of his career.

An ambitious, industrious apprentice, desirous of success, would do well to take an evening course in mathematics and drawing while serving his term of apprenticeship.

Whenever possible and desirable a young man can take up a special course in one of the technical institutes or colleges of the country. This course will give him a valuable technical training which will later be supplemented by actual experience in a machine shop.

The pay of a machinist averages from \$16 to \$25 per week. The apprentice receives a nominally small sum after averaging about 12 cents an hour for the actual time employed.

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The business of making machinery and its various parts is important. There is a constantly growing demand for good machinists. In fact, there is almost a lack of skilled machinists.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

President Wilson Orders Lower Speed for Autos

WASHINGTON.—There is sorrow in the White House garage. Two mighty touring cars and a landaulet have been brought to a state of watchful waiting. There is an embargo on speed which will not be lifted.

About the only person in the garage who is happy is the automobile washer, who has figured it out that the slower automobiles run the less dirt they accumulate.

Ever since a presidential automobile was held up outside of Hyattsville the White House machines have been passed by about everything on the road.

The cause of the sorrow is manifest. The engines in the White House cars are of the latest type, and can, without an effort, run the machine up to 50 miles an hour.

Sleigh's Bells Give Shivers to the Gaudily Clad

IT WAS at noon on G street when the jingling bells of a sleigh were heard. A large, perspiring, spluttering fat man suspended his palm leaf fan in mid-air.

Another jingle, in frosty accents. A willow maid, exceedingly summerish and diaphanous as to her gown, pulled her gauzy skirts close about her and was seen to shiver.

A puffing lady, of generous girth, plumped down her market basket on the pliant asphalt and felt her pulse.

Traffic was suspended, passing horses sniffed the air, and Doctor Cook's press agent came running up to a nearby hotel to see whether some other intrepid explorer had put another one across on his employer.

The raucous voice of the auctioneer explained the greatest natural phenomenon Washington has witnessed for many moons.

The fat man dashed back through the swinging doors for another brace. And the crowd, with sheepish expressions, melted away as only a crowd and a penny vanilla "snowball" can melt on a sweltering June day.

"That's the hottest job I've had this week," plaintively wailed the auctioneer, as he wiped a sweating sleeve across his briny brow.

"If any more uptown folk want to raise cash for a trip to Newport by selling their last year's double-runner, two-seated, low-set, steel-shod, single or tandem—

"Gee, I'll be doing that in my sleep tonight. Say, did you ever try to sell a sleigh with the thermometer at 98 in the shade?"

Oscar Baun bought it. He says he wants it for an investment.

Birds Use Bubble Fountain as a Bathing Place

THE English sparrow is the quickest of all the feathered tribe to adapt itself to the advances of science and civilization.

The most striking instance of this adaptivity was recently proved to a group of laymen who gathered by the little triangular park in front of the Munsey building.

The sycamores along the avenue side of the park, and its cool shrubbery are favorite gathering places for the sparrow.

Some time ago a drinking fountain of the bubbling type was installed. For weeks and even months the sparrows paid but little attention.

In the heat of noontime the other day, one of the boldest and noisiest of a twittering group, solved the problem. He lit on the outer edge of the fountain, cocked his dark brown head and eyed the stream.

The young man with the large, expressive hands, the trembling knees and the huge, awkward feet, dug feebly into his pocket and produced the sum of money required.

"Where's the money?" said the marriage license clerk light-heartedly, "that the statements herein given are the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth so help you God one dollar please?"

The tall awkward young man scratched himself violently. "Where's a preacher?" he demanded abruptly.

"The marriage license clerk waved a hand toward the city directory. "Take your pick," he urged. "There are all kinds in the city. Also

WAYS ARE ANCIENT

Channel Islands Ruled by Feudal Laws and Customs.

Medieval Stepping Stones Lying Between England and France Afford Atmosphere for Romances That Seem Impossible.

London.—In his recently published book, "As It Is in England," Albert B. Osborne devotes one chapter to a vivid description of the channel islands, "those beautiful bits of rock and verdure a hundred miles from England and but 12 from France.

Those islands are all but independent, with weights, measures and copper coins differing from the standard of all countries; with feudal laws and feudal customs still controlling men and events of the twentieth century.

Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, Herm and Jethou form the inhabited islands and on them a hundred thousand people have their homes.

In the oldest of times there was undoubtedly much the same life as in Brittany and Cornwall, for dolmens still stand on the summits of some of the hills.

An average change of eight degrees differentiates summer and winter, palms grow unprotected in the open gardens of the town, and rose trees, heavy with August bloom, and fuchsia trees that blossom through the year.

The street names are in French and the square houses of stone or stucco look very continental. A long stone pier runs out into the sea and then, crooking its elbow at right angles, tucks away a little harbor, protected on the other side by a causeway built on the island, where Castle Cornet stands in partial ruin.

Old women and pretty-faced boys carry huge wicker trays piled with the purple and white grapes, ripe figs, yellow peaches and red apples and pears that grow so well on the island.

From the explanade by the water a very long, very narrow and very crooked street climbs up the hill lined by all sorts of little shops.

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COULD NOT STAND ON FEET

Mrs. Baker So Weak—Could Not Do Her Work—Found Relief in Novel Way.

Adrian, Mich.—"I suffered terribly with female weakness and backache and got so weak that I could hardly do my work.



so poorly that my folks thought I was going into consumption. One day I found a piece of paper blowing around the yard and I picked it up and read it. It said 'Saved from the Grave,' and told what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for women.

In these words is hidden the tragedy of many a woman, housekeeper or wage earner who supports herself and is often helping to support a family, on meagre wages.

A stranger came into our office and graciously offered us some fruit which he said he purchased downstairs in the Greek grocery store.

Sure enough, there was what did look like "Holpos" on the end of the awning, at least there were the letters "H Q L P O S" standing out in bold relief.

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They're light and easily digested and yet nourishing and satisfying. No bother in preparation—just pour from the package and add cream and sugar—or they're mighty good with fresh berries or fruit.

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Humanity Does Not Go Forward Equally

By D. E. McLURE, Assistant Secretary Michigan State Board of Health.

It is a law of progress that humanity does not go forward equally in all directions, but by leaps. This is due to the fact that generations, like individuals, have the defect of their qualities.

The fact that the ancients, who were our masters in so many things, were only children in science proves this.

Certain centuries are religious, poetic, artistic; others commercial, industrial, warlike. They are also effeminate and dissolute, as they are energetic and virtuous.

As evidence of this let us mention our period of colonization, revolution, constitution, civil war. Readjustment and reconstruction was followed by half a century of the most tremendous commercial and industrial progress the world has ever known.

The pessimist viewing civilization in the shadow, in a halting place, would follow the advice of Job's wife, "to curse God and die," but the intelligent faith-led optimist, like the gentle and beloved McKinley, says: "It is God's way, God's will be done."

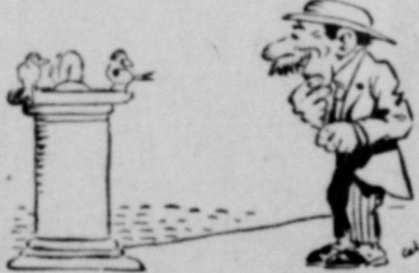
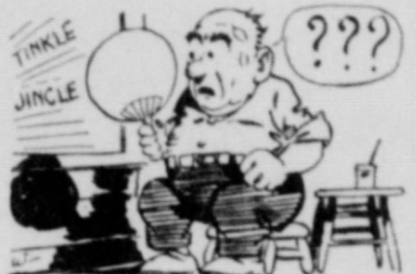
The Apostle Paul, in making a comparison between the limited present and the unlimited future, says: "Now we see through a glass darkly, then face to face, now we know in part, then we shall know even as we are known."

Now what are we to do when we get to the end of our knowledge, when we cannot know, hence cannot see, when we cannot understand? All these wonderful beginnings in knowledge give us an intense desire to know more.

But God has given us the wonderful faculty of faith which carries us far beyond our knowledge and our vision. "We walk by faith and not by sight."

When one reads Emerson's essay on compensation one ought to learn the lesson that when we create a void, a blank, we ought to substitute something else to meet the needs and cravings of humanity.

Most all people are hungry for some form of fun. In taking away immoral things, then, we should substitute the moral. Every church that likes to have its influence felt should have a department, with committees constantly manufacturing new fun stunts.





## AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT NEEDS \$100,000.

### Much Pioneer Work to Be Done

#### Marketing Most Important Problem.

Gainesville, Texas.—In announcing my candidacy for Commissioner of Agriculture, I want to preface my platform with the statement that I am a practical farmer of the modern type. I was reared upon the farm and have spent my entire life in agricultural pursuits. The marvelous process of nature in plant and animal life have always been a fascinating study to me and I consider research work in the field of science a most profitable one to agriculture.

Having depended upon the farm my life for a livelihood, and having raised and marketed almost all commercial crops grown in the State, I have been forced into continuous contact with the business problems of agriculture from every angle. I understand the difficulties in the life of every farmer, having been farm laborer, tenant farmer and farm owner, and my feet have bled upon every rock in the pathway from laborer to land owner.

My experience taught me early in life that the success of the farmers depended upon co-operation, and since 1904 I have been actively engaged in directing and assisting in handling co-operative movements of the Farmers' Union in both state and national work, and was sent to Europe by the Farmers' Union to study cotton marketing.

I shall have to depend upon the liberality of the press to place my candidacy before the public, as the emoluments of the office will not justify a personal canvass of the state and, while I shall be glad to serve my fellow farmers as head of the department of agriculture, I have no desire to purchase the office through the medium of an expensive campaign.

In soliciting the support of the voters of Texas it is due the citizenship that I give a brief review of my understanding of the duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

#### Appropriation of One Hundred Thousand Dollars Needed.

It would be impossible at this time to make up a budget for the Agricultural Department, but anticipating that the next legislature will impose upon the Commissioner of Agriculture additional responsibilities resulting from the enactment of a code of co-operative laws, including rural credits, warehouse and marketing systems, etc., I believe that one hundred thousand dollars per annum could be expended where it would return the farmers of Texas a hundred fold.

The farmers pay more tax and get less benefit from government than any other class of citizens. The Agricultural Department is the most important department in government and is entitled to first consideration by the legislature in making appropriations.

I shall divide the work of the Agricultural Department into three general divisions, viz.: Production, Distribution and Co-operative Business. I shall not at this time undertake to arbitrarily pro-rate the appropriations as I would prefer them, between these departments, but I regard them approximately equal in relative importance.

**Production.** I consider the Texas farmer a capable workman. His knowledge of production far exceeds his understanding of salesmanship or his comprehension of the co-operative business problem of agriculture. But the light of intelligence which has blazed his pathway from the furrow to the market should be made to burn more brightly and every aid that science can devise should be made available to the producer.

We must have explorers to delve into the secret recesses of nature and discover new products and scientists who can commune with plant and animal life and improve quality and quantity without a relative cost to production and who can direct the adaptation of products to the soil and

climate conditions of Texas. The much pioneer work in agriculture that the state should carry on. The experimental and demonstration work of the department should be extended insofar as is compatible with our financial ability.

The necessity for the conservation of the soil, preserving and improving fertility, conservation of moisture, seed selecting, better cultural method and all improvements in production that help the farmer should be held constantly before him.

It shall be my purpose to follow the product from seed breeding to the consumer and to enlist the aid of science every step of the way as well as to institute rigid economies in distribution and sound business methods in co-operation.

**Distribution.** I consider marketing the most important problem the farmers of Texas encounter and I regard our inadequate methods of distribution as the greatest menace now confronting agriculture.

There is little use to produce a crop unless it can be sold. The co-ordination of supply with demand is almost an impossible task owing to the uncertainty of nature, the misgivings of the farmer and the unknown requirements of the consumer, but the surplus in staple products can, by intelligent co-operation, be kept off the market until it is needed and the perishable products can be distributed more profitably by supplying the farmers with more complete and reliable information on market conditions.

There is no doubt but that there are many unnecessary transactions and much useless waste in our distribution methods, and much of it is perhaps beyond the jurisdiction of legislation, but I believe it is within the power of the farmers to co-operate in the sale of their products in such a manner as to add stability to market conditions that will automatically eliminate much of the loss, and it shall be my endeavor to bring about such co-operation.

The consumer, the merchant and the transportation agencies can greatly aid in this work, and all are invited to co-operate.

#### Co-operative Business Associations.

The farmer has no doubt suffered more through lack of co-operation than from any other cause and I shall, with the permission of the legislature, give first attention to the organization of such co-operative associations as the next legislature may authorize, and to the introduction of such economies in farm operation as are possible through organization.

There can be no farm without a farmer, and I shall give first attention to the farmer. I shall make organization and co-operation the keynote of my administration and through the medium of united effort, I shall endeavor to make all agricultural pursuits more profitable, and farm life more attractive and make it easier to acquire a home.

I favor a rural credit system that will enable those who are ambitious to own a home to borrow money on long terms at a low rate of interest. This law should be so framed as to bring a home within the reach of the farm laborer and tenant farmer who wrests his living from the soil. The farm laborers of Texas work longer hours and receive poorer pay than any other occupation and they should be given primary consideration.

I favor the warehouse legislation approved by the Farmers' Union and shall do all in my power to make all co-operative legislation efficient.

**A Business Administration.** I shall run the Department of Agriculture free from any political influence. The appointment of assistants and employees will be made upon merit and without reference to party affiliation or partisan activities.

I shall be glad to co-operate with the Federal Government, state institutions, public schools and all organizations, individuals or corporations seeking to assist the farmers.

FRED W. DAVIS.

## Old Settlers Are Slow

Thos. F. Turner, the originator of the idea of an "Old Settler's Day" during the Panhandle Fair, declared Tuesday that he would like to have an expression from the Old Timers as to whether or not the enterprise should be pushed.

"Sometime ago I wrote an article for the press suggesting that an Old Settlers Day be observed during the fair, and asked for the opinion of any who might be interested in the movement," Mr. Turner said. "So far few expressions have come in. If we are going to have an Old Settlers Day we must have the old settlers themselves interested in it. If they want it let them write either to me or to the Daily Panhandle, showing their willingness to participate in the observance of the day, and offering suggestions and plans for the exercises."

Mr. Turner is an old timer himself, having been in the legal profession in Amarillo for more than twenty-five years. He is personally acquainted with most of the older citizens of this section of the Panhandle, and is always interested in their welfare and pleasure.

"I do not wish to take the initiative in the movement," continued Mr. Turner. "I suggested it because I thought it was due those who came to this country years ago and settled it. Now if the proposition strikes them favorably, let them say so at once and select someone to lead in making the preparations for the occasion."—Daily Panhandle.

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Coolidge has in the past, written some truly remarkable stories of the southwest, a section with which he is particularly familiar. His "Hidden Vaters," "The Fighting Pool," and "The Texican," are classed as masterpieces of this type of fiction. He is a naturalist of international reputation and has performed valuable work in the southwestern states and a Mexico for the British museum, for the United States government, for the national museums of Italy and France, and for a number of the states and cities.

"The Land of Broken Promises" is his latest and by far his best work, and we feel that we are fortunate in being able to secure it for serial publication in our columns.

**A Striking Serial Story.** No one of our readers can afford to miss the opening, or any other, installment of "The Land of Broken Promises," by Dane Coolidge, which we will print serially. It is a story of the present Mexican revolution, which gives a vivid description of the conditions in that war-infested nation. We are indeed fortunate in being able to print it at this time.

#### Church Directory

##### Methodist Church.

Cordially invites you to all its services. Sunday school at 10 a. m. every Sunday. Preaching at McLean 3rd, 1st and 5th Sunday, morning and night; Groom 4th Sunday, morning and night; Alameda 2nd Sunday, morning and night; Heald 3rd Sunday, 3:30 p. m.; Elders 2nd Sunday, 3:30 p. m. Junior and Senior Epworth Leagues at 2:30 and 3:30 p. m., respectively, ever Sunday. Woman's Missionary Society 2:30 p. m. every Tuesday. Prayer meeting ever Wednesday night.

J. T. HOWELL, Pastor.

##### Holiness Services.

Conducted by S. R. Jones, at McLean Presbyterian Church 2nd and 4th Sunday nights of each month. Cottage prayer meeting Thursday night of each week. The 1st Sunday of each month at the Heald school house at 3 p. m. Third Sunday at the Back school house at 11 a. m. Public invited to attend all services.

##### Baptist Church.

Preaching second and fourth Sundays in each month at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. every Sunday, C. S. Rice, superintendent. B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. every Sunday. Beep Landers, president. Ladies Aid meets on Tuesdays at 2 p. m. Mrs. Myrtle Hamilton, president. Church conference on Saturday before the second Sunday in each month at 11 a. m.

R. F. Hamilton, Pastor.

##### Notice to the Public.

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THE MCLEAN NEWS.

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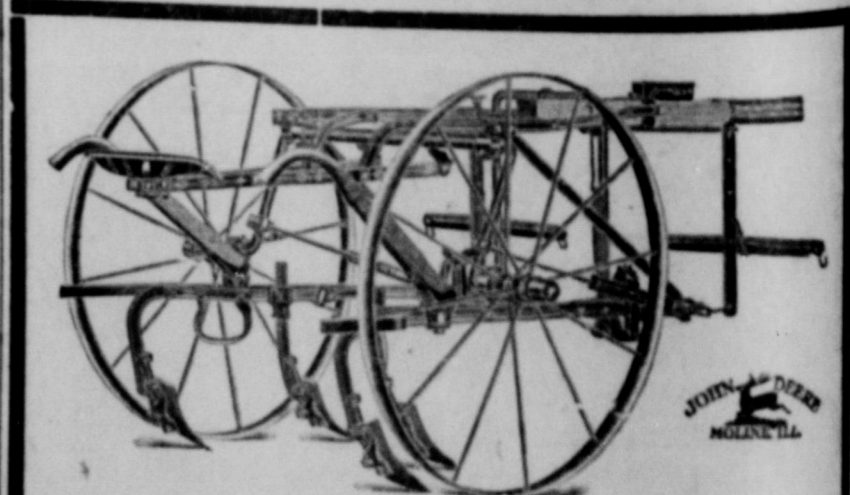
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