

# The McLean News

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## HINDRANCES ASSURED FOR THE McLEAN TERRITORY

### Down in Dixie Again Staged

Last Saturday afternoon the local dramatic company, together with a few citizens—a very few—loaded into conveyances and drove out to the Slav settlement about twelve miles northeast of town, where they were scheduled to stage the last performance of that most successful little play, Down in Dixie.

This reporter, being engaged as one of the curtain rollers, had the pleasure of making the trip with the crowd, and also the opportunity to note the pretty country traversed and the nice homes in the vicinity of the Heald school house, among them the well kept places of A. P. Rippey and John Haynes. Crops along the way were well advanced, although several fields appeared to be sorely in need of relief from the grass and weeds.

On our arrival we were met by Mrs. Caleb Smith who directed the famished bunch to the pretty home of Mrs. Krc, where a supper awaited us that was par excellence. The long front veranda was converted into a dining room and covers laid for twenty-four, but the covers were hardly so interesting as the delicious fried chicken, cream potatoes, cream gravy, nut and lettuce salad, etc., that accompanied them, which had been prepared by Mrs. Krc and Mrs. Smith, assisted by W. T. Wilson of Ramsdell who spent two days helping these good people in preparing

#### McLean vs. Shamrock.

The local baseball team returned from Shamrock somewhat disgruntled last Friday, although according to the rules they had won two of the three games played. The first game was won by Shamrock, the second by McLean and the third broke up in a dispute.

It seems that the Shamrock team was ahead at the end of the seventh inning and wanted to quit as the understanding had been to stop the game at this time. The McLean team claimed the right to play the full nine innings provided they had time before the arrival of their train for home. Here came the split—both sides claiming the victory—the Shamrockers on a score of 7 to 0 in runs made and the McLeaners on a score of 9 to 0 by reason of a forfeiture. As neither team is under the jurisdiction of the Texas league the only decisive way to settle the matter is a return match. Shamrock is invited into McLean territory for another try-out any time she feels lucky.

The ice cream supper served by the ladies of the Methodist church Friday evening on the lawn of the McMillian home was most successful affair and enjoyed by a large crowd. During the evening Misses Fast and McCurdy favored the party with vocal and piano music and Miss McFall rendered some charming recitations. We understand a neat little sum was realized for the church.

The meeting Sunday afternoon at the organization of Gray county; lawyer, quite member of the led their insurance Speaker; now and then, will of Insurance and Bank the tentative and hesitant candidate for Governor. Thomas M. Campbell of Gray county; lawyer; one time road official, now Governor, being second term; platformalist; has been talked of for third term, but is noncommittal on this (and other) subjects. Thomas H. Ball of Harris

to entertain us. Supper over, we returned to the school house where the play was put on before a fairly large audience. During the intermissions between acts the crowd was entertained with song selections by the Slav chorus in their native tongue, which were repeatedly encoered and added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening's performance.

Altogether the affair was quite successful and we understand the people of this community realized a neat little sum for their school fund. They certainly deserved it, as the arrangement committee had left nothing undone that could have added to the comfort or convenience of the visitors, and their hospitality was indeed generous.

#### Jolly Hay Ride.

Monday a party of young people, together with a hay wagon and a span of mules, enjoyed an old time hay ride and during the evening visited the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Scot Johnson southwest of the city. The affair was planned in honor of Miss Norman of Arlington, Texas, who is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Johnson. Those participating in the merry making were the Misses McMillian, Miss McFall, Miss Elington, Miss Crabtree and Miss Guill and Messrs. Roy Ballard, Walter Caldwell, Ollie Statham, Charlie Guill and Bart Hilton.

Charlie Cook returned Friday from an extended stay at Abilene where he has been attending school.

John Haynes was in from his ranch northwest from town Saturday afternoon.

### School Election Carries 10 to 1

While there didn't seem to be much interest manifested in the school election Tuesday there was, after all, a fairly good showing made at the polls, 98 votes being cast. Nine of these were cast against the tax and the remaining 89 for the tax.

As we understand the matter, the tax levy cannot exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollar valuation, and the funds thus provided will go to maintaining the school here in a fitting manner, also an amount sufficient to pay off the back indebtedness of the district will be devoted to that purpose. This indebtedness was occasioned by the fact that the 20-cent levy of last year was declared void and hence it was necessary to borrow money in order to continue the school for a reasonable time and to finish paying for the new addition to the building.

We feel that the citizens have done a wise thing in carrying this election as it insures the community a nine months school and provides the independent with a means of paying its honest debts, which could not have been the case without the special levy as the state apportionment would only carry the school about four months, leaving nothing to apply on debts—in fact the state money cannot be used for that purpose under any circumstances.

There are nine men in the district who were not in favor of the tax, and while we do not know what their reasons were we feel sure they are sufficiently democratic to bow to the will of the majority—the overwhelming majority—and we hope that all will now pull together for the betterment of our educational facilities which will add more impetus to the growth of the

town and bring to our midst more desirable citizens than any other institution we could secure. Let's all forget the little animosities that have manifested themselves and get down to business again in a genuine endeavor to make every lick count for the betterment of McLean and her surrounding territory.

#### Matrimonial Catechism.

What is marriage?  
Marriage is an institution for the blind.

Why do some people marry?  
Because they do not believe in divorce.

When a man thinks seriously of a marriage, what happens?  
He remains single.

Should a man marry a girl for her money?  
No. But he should not let her be an old maid just because she is rich.

When a girl refers to a "sad courtship," what does it mean?  
She means that the man got away.

Is an engagement as good as a marriage?  
It's better.

In selecting a husband, why does a girl prefer a fat man?  
Because a fat man finds it hard to stoop to a anything low.

When asking papa how should a man act?  
He should face papa manfully and never give him a chance at his back.

When the minister says, "Do you take this woman for better or for worse?" what does it mean?  
The bridegrooms people construe it one way, and the bride's family interpret it another. It is very sad.

When a man says he can manage his wife, what does he mean?  
He means he can make her do anything she wants to.

When a child is smart and good, to whose family is it due?  
To the mother's.

When a child is bad and stupid, to whose family is it due?  
I refuse to answer.

Is it possible for a married man to be a fool without knowing it?  
Not if his wife is alive.

The baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Reed, living in the east part of the city, died Sunday evening and was buried Monday. The little one was suffering with cholera infantum but it was not thought that it was seriously ill until it was too late for medical aid to save it. The grieved family have the sympathy of a host of friends in their sad bereavement.

W. R. Patterson went to Amarillo Friday afternoon to meet his father and mother. They were enroute to Amarillo in a car. Patterson was with them on a visit. They indulged in some time in baseball between some time and the Story.

Keep our boys were victo of a score of 6 to 2. The pitching for McLean was most allowing only two nine innings.

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# Local HAPPAN NEWS

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Item

By A. G. RICHARDSON

SUBSCRIPTION.

The Standard machines 1.00

R. E. Year ..... \$1.00

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

WE ONCE HEARD a prominent advertiser say that he never advertised a piece of goods or placed an article in his show window without stating the selling price. The mere statement that a merchant is selling an article at a low figure does not satisfy or attract a great many purchasers. They like to know what an article costs them in dollars and cents. People do not expect to buy goods at cost and very few of them expect a merchant to sell below a reasonable profit for himself, so it is not necessary for a man to have a cost sale for his prices to be attractive.—Edward L. Manson, in Stratford Star.

With the good season in the ground and the excellent prospect for a bounteous harvest in the McLean country this fall all classes of business is showing increased activity and a feeling of prosperity is beginning to send little thrills down the backbone of even the most hardened croaker. We can think of no combination of contrary forces that could prevent this community from thriving—else it would even now be a mouldering corpse. She's coming to the front and everybody is invited to step into her prosperity van and go with the crowd.

Wake up, you old croaker, and help us boost—you'll feel better. You have been sitting around knocking and developing corns where patches ought to grow until you think the town is dead. She is very much alive and if you don't begin to develop a little activity the band wagon will run over you one of these fine mornings.

Had you noticed the magnificent showing made by the various crops that are flourishing in the McLean country. Verily they do grow and the harvest will be great. Minus factories, minus railroads, minus the hundreds of enterprises that will eventually come, McLean is still pushing forward with steady strides toward greatness, impelled by that force that evolves from the work of the man with the hoe, aided by nature, who has been so lavish with her blessings in this favored section. We all have cause to rejoice when we consider that time alone stands between McLean and commercial success.

The following letter from the county health officer should be heeded by every good citizen of McLean. There is nothing except a knocker that hurts a town worse than filthy streets and alleys—to say nothing of home yards and barns. There are very few people here who are so busy but what they could snatch a few minutes from the press of business cares and do a little renovating. We gladly give space to the following notice and sincerely hope that something will be done before it becomes necessary to adopt stringent measures:

"This being the season of the year when typhoid is apt to be prevalent—and I am sure we have very productive breeding grounds for this germ—let's get busy and remove the cause by having a general cleaning up. Should a blind man visit our city and wander through our back alleys I am sure he would detect something wrong and advise us to take a general cleaning for the benefit of the health of the community. If all will get at their back alleys and closets and clean them thoroughly and sprinkle lime around you will be well paid for your trouble. McLean is called a clean town as she has no saloons, billiard halls nor bootleggers, so lets get physically clean and get rid of all decaying matter. Please attend to this at once. (Signed) W. C. Montgomery, County Health Officer."

Our tax levy, being submitted to the suffrage of our citizenship, has carried and McLean is now assured a first class school in every phase of the term. That is well. No community can thrive where the education of the young people is neglected, for the young of today will be the older ones of tomorrow, and their future must be our pride if we would leave behind us a heritage worthy the name. We have a great country here around McLean and the growth of the town has been steady, but it has not been altogether on account of the country, the good crops and the progressive citizens; the good schools for which the town has been noted and the morality of her people, as well as the fine climate, have brought their share of immigration and we are glad that we continue to invite them on these merits.

## WHITE DEER LANDS.

lands for sale at reasonable prices and on parties desiring homes, in lots of 160 to 320 acres. BART, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact, the p. and Texas agents to obtainable. Palace D.

### Official Statement of the Financial Condition of the Citizens State Bank, at McLean, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 23rd day of June 1909, published in The McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 9th day of July, 1909.

Loans and Discounts personal or collateral	\$61,528 94
Loans, real estate	12,473 97
Overdrafts	3,881 19
Real estate (banking house)	3,065 00
Other Real Estate	2,858 40
Furniture and Fixtures	3,148 75
Due from Approved Reserved Agents	\$16,601 74
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	279 98 16,881 72
Cash items	579 82
Currency	1,721 00
Specie	5,128 84 7,429 66
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$111,267 63</b>

<b>LIABILITIES.</b>	
Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000 00
Surplus Fund	1,000 00
Undivided Profits, net	2,124 69
Individual Deposits, subject to check	66,715 94
Time certificates of deposit	6,614 00
Cashier's checks	3,020 90
Unfinished business of the First National Bank of McLean	17,793 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$111,267 63</b>

STATE OF TEXAS, )  
COUNTY OF GRAY )  
We, D. N. Massay, as president, and Wm. Abernathy, as cashier, of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

D. N. MASSAY, President  
WM. ABERNATHY, Cashier  
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 3rd day of July, A. D. 1909.

WITNESS my hand and notarial (Seal) seal on the date last aforesaid. W. R. PATTERSON  
Notary Public

Correct—Attest:  
D. N. MASSAY  
J. L. CRABTREE  
WM. ABERNATHY  
Directors.

A big special train of five sleepers and two baggage, or rather buffet cars, passed thru McLean Tuesday enroute from Muskogee and other Oklahoma points to Los Angeles, where the passengers, a big jolly bunch of Elks, will attend the national convention of that order. Quite a few local Elks were at the depot and many lamentations were current relative to wasted opportunities by not being ready to go. Those buffet cars are delightful for traveling purposes—they afford a beautiful view of the scenery enroute.

Mr. and Mrs. Reece Phillips were here Tuesday shopping.

The examination of students of the Normal was in progress the first of the week.

### John. B. Vannoy

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We have fresh fruit at the our Circulating Library. Come in and look over our We also keep Newspapers thinking of ordering a Suit to look at my sample books the United States. Last, but Notions, Post Cards, etc. Call and see

### NOAH'S AR.

Your home while in town.

## COLD DRINKS

We have the Best Soda Fountain in this section of the Panhandle and are prepared to serve any drink you may want. We make our own Ice Cream and have it fresh every day. Have you tried our new drinks? Call and make yourself one of the happy throng that patronizes our fountain every day.

## Palace Drug Store

Wolfe & Holder, Proprietors

## Subscription Offer

Having boundless faith in the future of McLean, regardless of friends or knockers, and feeling that wide publicity alone will do much toward the desired end, we are going to make the following offer to all the readers and prospective readers of the McLean News:

For every Dollar paid us on Subscription from July 10th and August 31st we will send out one paper

## Free for a Year

to any address out of Gray and adjoining counties. By this means we practically cut our subscription rate half in two and give you an opportunity to send the paper to your friend without any additional cost. If your subscription is paid as far ahead as you like, you may send out as many as you wish at the same rate, 50 cents per year. To take advantage of this proposition subscriptions must be accompanied by the cash, as every cent thus taken in will be devoted to enlarging the plant and increasing our facilities for getting out a newspaper that will be a credit to the community and an excellent exponent of the many possibilities that abound here for the man who is looking for a home. Would you co-operate with us in this undertaking? call and see us and lets get the thing to moving. Any bet is a good bet if the odds are

## TWO-FOR-ONE

### THE CITY MEAT

All kinds Fresh Meats and Clean and Wholesome.

### Biggers

understand that he further investment in the near future. We will be glad to welcome him a home in our thriving little community.

# The MAN

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Special Rates to Weekly Boarders

Hindman, Proprietor

SOME C...

## HOCK ISLAND CAFE.

I have just opened up a first-class Restaurant in the Hobbs building opposite Hotel Hindman. Regular meals 25 c. Private dining rooms for families. Your patronage is solicited.

JOE STOKES, PROPRIETOR

## CITY BLACKSMITH SHOP

TURNER & GRIGSBY PROPRIETORS

First-class work done on short notice and at reasonable prices; when in need of anything give me a call at my shop east of First National Bank.

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road official, now Governor...  
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alist; has been talked of...  
third term, but is noncom...  
on this (and other) sub...  
Thomas H. Ball of Harris

## Local Happenings

Items of Interest About  
Town and County

Shoes are cheap at our joint. McLean Mercantile Co.

S. W. Rice returned Wednesday from a trip down in Texas.

A. P. Rippy was among the Saturday visitors in the city.

Selling shoes for nearly nothing. McLean Mercantile Co.

Geo. Simmons went down to Groom Wednesday on business.

W. T. Veatch was a business caller in the city Wednesday.

Chas. Morris was in Jericho yesterday looking after business interests.

Henry Bailey was here Tuesday to look into the show business.

Good houses for rent; also good milch cow for sale. Mrs. Easterywood.

Mrs. S. B. East and Miss Sidney were visiting with friends in the city Tuesday.

John Carpenter was trading with McLean merchants Wednesday afternoon.

Only a few freezers left going at cost. McLean Hardware Co.

A. B. Gardenhire returned Wednesday from a trip to San Antonio and other Texas points.

New shipment of galvanized tanks, the best that money can buy. McLean Hardware Co.

Attorney Wright of Amarillo was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

The new shipment of mineral water is on sale at the Palace Drug store.

W. W. Breeding of Abra, was calling on friends here yesterday.

Did you say fly traps? Well I should snigger. McLean Hardware Co.

Reece Phillips and wife spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Freeman at the Cash ranch.

Clyde Cash went down to the Cash ranch Wednesday to look after his Kaffir corn crop.

Call at the Palace Drug store for mineral water. A new shipment just in.

A new shipment of fresh mineral water just in at the Palace Drug store.

The best boy wagon ever brought to McLean. McLean Hardware Co.

J. W. Ivy of Northfork was trading with McLean merchants Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson arrived in the city Wednesday for a visit to their son, R. D. Hudson.

R. S. Thompson was in from his ranch south of town Wednesday.

Buy a sprinkler and keep the flowers and plants alive through the dry weather. McLean Hardware Co.

J. F. Heasley was in the city between trains yesterday and left the news man an order for the paper.

Two of the Ellington boys returned Wednesday from a trip to their ranch about 150 miles southeast of here.

F. M. Littleton was a visitor at the News office Wednesday and left two big dollars on subscription.

R. D. Hudson was in the city Tuesday trading with our merchants and shaking hands with friends.

Don't waste ten cents on a shine. Buy a new pair of shoes from the McLean Mercantile Co. and save part of it.

Mrs. L. O. Floyd and daughter, Miss Maud, left Tuesday for a visit with relatives in New Mexico.

Ever have a fit in the feet? Call and let us fit them. Our prices are too low to ask about. McLean Mercantile Co.

What is a Sunday school? It is the church at work. "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations." Baptist Sunday School.

Mrs. E. D. Langley and Miss Eichman of Northfork were visiting friends in the city Wednesday.

\$3.00 hats for \$2.25 and clothing, both men and boys, 33 1-3 per cent off. Now is the time. Arthur Cook. Prices guaranteed all the time.

J. F. Monning, president of the Monning Mill and Elevator Co. at Amarillo, was calling on local merchants Wednesday afternoon.

FOR SALE—Choice cane and millet seed, free of Johnson grass. Prices right. Early Grain & Hay Co., Amarillo, Texas.

W. E. Young and W. T. Arnold, representing the Woodmen of the World, are in the city for ten days in the interests of that splendid order.

It will soon be cold enough to wear shoes to church. The McLean Mercantile Co. have performed some operations on their prices that will astonish you.

Do like to fi gone to never w Co.

The ladies of Circle had a very meeting Wednesday afternoon, after which they dressed in lodge regalia and had a picture made of the group.

Every young lady in town who wears shoes is invited to call at our store and see what we have done to the prices. Shoes for everybody at your own price. McLean Mercantile Co.

J. E. Williams of Le Fors was a visitor at the News office Wednesday and left an order for stationery, also a dollar for the paper. Such calls are deeply appreciated.

Cleaning up on neckwear. Kothie Bros. guaranteed neckwear, all silk, regular 75 cent values for 50 cents while they last. Arthur Cook. Prices guaranteed all the time.

Lost—on show grounds near small tent, pocket book, First National bank on outside, containing ladies watch engraved "E. L. M. 1908" on front, and some small change. Return to Hindman Hotel.

Calico 4 1-2 cents; 12 1-2 cent gingham for 9 1-2 cents. Embroideries, ribbons, cheaper than most merchants buy them. Arthur Cook. Prices guaranteed all the time.

Prof. Woodruff, who has been attending the Normal at this place, left Wednesday for Shamrock, from which place he goes to Locust Grove where he will teach school during the coming term.

Mollie Bailey's show, the great southern railroad show, was the center of attraction Tuesday and the city was full of people who came to see the elephant. As usual the show had a good crowd and gave a good clean entertainment. All Texas extends a welcome to this Texas institution and we are always glad to see Mollie's announcement on the boards.

For economy—a Buck's  
For beauty—a Buck's  
For convenience—a Buck's  
For durability—a Buck's  
For you—a Buck's



2.25 per  
1.8 gram  
out in a  
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our boys were  
a score of 6 to 2.  
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his work was most  
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nine innings.

# Local Home

**Fortune**  
The Standard Sunday evening machine running over its head. A physician was called and dressed the wound, but was friendly to say as to the result.  
Mr. and Mrs. Yokley spent the 4th with Dr. Langley and wife.  
Will Langley spent a few days out on the farm with his parents last week.

Misses Ruth Hawkins and Ruth Eshleman attended the ice cream festival at Loyd's Saturday evening and report it a success in every respect.

The singing at Hawkins' Sunday night was fine, E. T. Turner as leader and Miss Hawkins at the organ.

Mrs. J. S. Morse is visiting in Oklahoma for a few days.

Mrs. Ivy visited in McLean this week.

Miss Sallie Trawick of near McLean visited Miss Virgie Sheffy last Saturday and Sunday.

Wheeler Foster was among the number of young men to attend the entertainment at Loyd's Saturday night but I don't think he went across the river that trip.

We are looking forward with pleasure to the fourth Sunday, as we are expecting to go to the Gracey school house to hear Bro. Petty sing and enjoy the dinner that those good ladies are going to serve on the ground that day.

## AUNT SAMANTHA.

For \$4.00 I will sell you a \$5.00 shoe every day in the week and for \$3.00 I will sell you a \$3.00 shoe and not a \$2.50 shoe. Douglas, Queen Quality and Crawford shoes, three of the best lines of shoes made in the United States. Arthur Cook for good shoes.

Tom Massay and family of Clinton, Hunt county, arrived in the city Wednesday for a visit with the former's father, D. N. Massay. Mr. Massay visited here about three years ago and expresses surprise at the growth of the town since his former visit. He says the outlook for cotton in his section of the state is the most flattering in several years and the corn promises a fair yield. Mr. and Mrs. Massay will be here two weeks or more.

We have a few bushels of Crowder and Wimperwill peas for sale—Come early. Foster-Haynes Gro. Co. Phone 115.

## Notice to Band Members

Up to the present there has been some of the members who do not seem to be interested in the band's progress, so hereafter we will resort to our constitution and by laws for your benefit will quote section 18:

"Any member who shall be absent from any regular or call meeting or from any other meeting duly appointed for the purpose of drilling or otherwise, two successive times shall forfeit his membership in this association, provided however that any such member may be excused by a two-thirds vote of the members present." A. L. Rippy, President.

## Policeman in a Quandary.

It is not all pleasure, the life of a country policeman, says the London Globe. The guardian of Pigbury-super-Sploh's morals was observed the other day to be looking careworn. "Why, 100 years to be looking careworn, what matter?" he echoed, in answer to inquiries. "Why, it's now is the time and I locked up this in freezer chest. I got up a row of these small ones in the bridge and are selling cheap—\$.25 to \$.50." McLean Hardware Co.

## Talent.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fast entertained a party of young people at their country home for dinner Sunday evening. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

## Christian Endeavor

Subject—Life Lessons from the Gospel of John.

Song.  
Life and Light—John 1: 1-13—Mr. Caldwell.

Song.  
How Jesus Found me—John 1: 40-31—Miss Nida Rippy.

Heavenly Things—John: 12-23—Ollie Statham.

Song.  
The Living Fountain—John 4: 10-14—Miss Lizzie McMillian.

The Living Bread—John 5: 52-58—Miss Elnore Briscoe.

The Pledge of Life—John 20: 1-18—Miss Pearl Guill.

Song.  
Roll Call—Answer by verses from the gospel of John.

If I don't sell you more shoes and better shoes than others, for less money than others, return the shoes and get your money. Prices guaranteed all the time. Arthur Cook, for cash only.

Did you attend Sunday school last Sunday? If not why not? "Show me thy faith without thy works and I will show thee my faith by my works." Baptist Sunday School, 10 a. m. next Sunday.

Mrs. Wilson Gray left for her New Mexico home Wednesday afternoon after having spent a week here the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Holland.

We have cut and slashed, hashed, mashed and lambasted our shoe prices until there is nothing left to speak of. Call and view the wreck. McLean Mercantile Co.

We sold our other car of coal so fast, that we got out of coal, but we have a car of Colorado Nigger Head now on hand and will supply your wants at all times. Foster-Haynes Gro. Co. Phone 115.

J. R. Smith has sold his interest in the transfer line to his partner, C. J. Cooper, who will conduct the business in the future. We have not learned what Mr. Smith intends to do but it is hoped he will decide to remain in this city.

Come to my store and buy \$10 worth of dry goods; have it cut in one-fourth yard lengths if you want it; take it home, examine it, compare it, and if I don't save you money return it and get your money. Prices guaranteed all the time. Arthur Cook.

## Needn't Be Afraid.

It used to be stated in the school-books that the condor of the Andes was strong enough to pick up a good sized man and fly away with him, and that a boy of 12 years old would be only a feather in his grip. According to the latest reports no condor can lift into the air a weight exceeding 20 pounds, and the boys who have stood in awe of him can now heave a sigh of relief.

## Defect in Human Nature.

Try to cease condemning people, and you will experience a sensation similar to that experienced by the drunkard who leaves off drinking, or the smoker who stops using tobacco; an exceedingly pleasant sensation of cleanliness and also at first a desire from time to time to return to the bad habit.—Tolstoy.

## Uncle Jerry Sees Through Them.

"I see," remarked Uncle Jerry Peebles, "the life insurance companies have laid down a set of rules for making people live 15 years longer. I ain't going to pay any attention to 'em. The life insurance companies have got a good enough thing as it is."

## International Peace.

The nations can have perpetual peace if they will, and without the cost of eternally preparing for war. They can arrange for it by binding international agreements, and that would be the common sense way to proceed and the eminently practical way.—Victoria (B. C.) Colonist.

## Nature's Limitations.

Croesus, the richest man of his day, told Solon that "the gods are jealous of human prosperity." The German proverb better expresses it: "Trees committed to grow up into the sky are not to be obtained."

## Palace to Imitate.

Who will imitate himself and you will be wiser.

## Revival Meeting

Evangelist Lee P. Mansfield and Bro. Harry Mansfield will begin a protracted meeting at the Back School House on July 14 (at night) and continue over the fourth Lord's Day.

Bro. Harry will conduct the song service.

On the fourth Lord's Day there will be dinner on the ground. Everybody come and hear the gospel preached.

Those who can bring a basket of dinner fourth Sunday. Respt. and Frat., W. A. Fowler

## New Car of Feed.

We have just received a new car of all kinds of feed stuff that we will put on the market at the lowest cash price for which you can buy feed anywhere in the Panhandle. Remember that in the future we will sell for cash only, thus giving you every advantage that will make the price lower. Phone or call on us for anything you may need in the feed line and your wants will be supplied at once.

T. W. HENRY & SON.

Soon be school time again. Better get the boy or girl a pair of those school shoes before they go. The prices we are making will move them quick. McLean Mercantile Co.

## I. O. O. F. Installation.

J. M. Smith of Pampa, Deputy Grand Master of the I. O. O. F. Lodge, and who is also editor of the Pampa Weekly News, was here Tuesday night to install the officers of the local lodge for the ensuing term, who were as follows:

J. W. Holder, N. G.; C. C. Cooper, V. G.; C. L. Upham, R. S.; Chas. Shelton, Chaplain; R. A. Bane, Warden; J. R. Phillips, I. S. G.; R. L. DeRoach, O. S. G.; J. S. Denson, R. S. to N. G.; R. N. Ashby, L. S. to N. G.

## A Real Man.

A real man is one who reaching his home is met at the gate, door, or in the house by his children, who grab him around the neck, hug and kiss him and nuzzle him in general; their action to be followed by a hearty reception by the wife and mother. It is possible for such a man to be a gentleman, but many "gentlemen" are not real men.

YOU CAN BUY!

C. C. COOK

\$5.65  
4.00

In old Hardware Building

## Ocean Waters.

A ton of water from the Atlantic ocean, when evaporated, will yield eight pounds of salt; a ton from the Pacific, 79 pounds; and a ton from the Dead sea, 187 pounds.

## Mother Knows.

When the children are told what a smart man their father is they look at their mother as if asking her if they are to believe it.—Athenian Globe.

## A Cause for Thanksgiving.

"What are you crying about?" "My husband beat me." "Who is he?" "A gypsy fiddler. He beat me with the fiddle bow." "Then you ought to be thankful he doesn't play a bass viol."—Fliegende Blatter.

## A Good Word for the Bachelor.

"I'm not in favor of this scheme of putting a tax on bachelors," says the Philosopher of Folly. "On the contrary, I think most of 'em should be pensioned for refraining from making homes unhappy."—Cleveland Leader.

## Thirty Thousand Quakes a Year.

It was realized about fifteen years ago, more or less, that a series of earthquake observatories, with delicate instruments could obtain records of shocks in any quarter of the globe, and identify the spot with certainty, even if there were no witnesses of the actual occurrence. From the records of these observatories it appears that there are every year some 30,000 minor shocks of earthquake in different localities.—Current Literature.

## The Divinity of Man.

The divinity of man is indeed wonderful and glorious in the rare and mighty soul, but how much more so is it in the humble and common one, and how far greater a thing it is to discern and reverence it there.—James Russell Lowell.

## Concrete Also Is New-Old.

Concrete itself is, of course, very old. The concrete stairs of Colchester and Rochester castles still show the marks of the encasing boards; the dome of Agrippa's Pantheon, which is 142 feet in diameter, is of concrete; and fragments of concrete buildings are found in Mexico and Peru.

## Command Respect and Love.

Beauty of achievement, whether in overcoming a hasty temper, a habit of exaggeration, in exploring a continent or guiding well the ship of state, is always fascinating, and those who are in this fashion beautiful are never desolate, and some one always loves them.—Frances E. Willard.

## Hung by Wedding Ring.

While a woman named Gregson, of Swadlincote, England, was placing a penny in her gas meter she slipped, and her wedding ring caught on a nail in the wall. She remained hanging for some time before help arrived. The ring had to be removed by a jeweler before the doctor could dress her injured hand.

## Worthy of Confucius.

He who slanders me behind my back, fears me; he who praises me in my presence, despises me.—Chinese Proverb.

# IN BUSINESS YET

We are continuing in business and as we have some special lines to move, are going to quote you as follows:

## SUMMER SUITS

A brand new, clean, fresh, stock that we do not wish to carry over for another year, and as an inducement to move them will give you, for cash

## TEN PER CENT OFF

This is a real bona fide bargain but we will make a small margin above cost at these figures. We need the money to continue our business. Come early and get first choice.

## NEW MEN'S HATS

We have the largest stock of Hats in Gray county and will make some very low prices to move them. We are offering any Hat in the house at

## TEN PER CENT OFF

for cash, except Straw Hats, which we will place at your disposal for actual cost. None of these hats reserved.

We are also offering some very interesting prices on shoes. Call and see our new stock. It is complete in every particular and the styles are up to the minute.

Would also call your attention to the fact that we carry a complete Stock of Groceries—the Largest and best in the city. During the next thirty days we would like to buy all the chickens and Gray county. The highest market

C. A. CASI

the further investment in the near future. We will be glad to welcome him a home in our thriving little community.

# The Eph Crossing the Divide

Whitney Montgomery in Holland's Magazine

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## Some Ca

Bottle up, Lucindy,  
no use to dose me now,  
callin' wid his trumpet,  
wants to go, somehow.  
Eph done got his final summons  
From dat home beyon' de stars,  
Whar dar aint no rheumatism,  
Whar dar aint no Jim-Crow kyars.  
What you say some white fo'ks tol' you:  
"Nigger got no soul to save?"  
Eph aint feard de Lord'll leave him  
Sleepin' out dar in de grave;

For I's gwine straight to Heben,  
When I leaves dis fevered bed,  
An' I'll fin' a crown er glory  
On yo' ole black mammy's head;  
An' dar'll sho' be "sumfin doin' "  
When I meets my Marster Jim,  
For I know de Lord done tol' 'im  
How ole Eph has long' fo' him.  
An' I know I'll see him smilin'  
When I reach de golden gate,  
"Hello, Eph! You old black rascal,  
What you doin', come so late?"

Gedder close aroun' me chil'en,  
Sing me sumfin' sof' an' low,  
Liks we use to sing back yonder  
At de "quarters" long ago.  
Oh! dem days was happy, chil'en  
Eph can say it fo' he die—  
Slav'ry's cha'in wa'nt ha'f so gallin'  
As some fo'ks would testify;  
An' I longs to meet my "white folks"  
In dat home beyon' de stars,  
Whar dar aint no rheumatism,  
Whar dar aint no Jim-Crow kyars.

## Local Happenings

Items of Interest About  
Town and County

C. C. Holland was trading in the city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kinkaid of Alameda were shopping with local merchants Tuesday.

C. C. Cosby made a business trip to Texola the latter part of last week.

Lost or Strayed—Red muley heifer yearling, no marks nor brands. Notify J. S. Snow.

J. F. Brewster was in from his home place Tuesday on business.

Mrs. W. T. Wilson of Ramsdell spent Tuesday here as the guest of Mrs. C. S. Rice.

List your land with me. I spend more money advertising my country than the majority of real estate dealers make. J. W. Burrows, Texola, Okla.

Henry Nixon left Sunday for Amarillo, where he went to take a position as brakeman for the Rock Island.

There will be preaching at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening. Everybody invited.

The Palace drug store is undergoing some improvements this week in the way of a nice screen front.

A baptizing occurred at the Geo. Weaver place Sunday afternoon, at which time three persons were baptized in the Baptist faith.

Mesdames Dalrymple and Hext were pleasant callers at the News office Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Dalrymple had the News sent to her son, Fred, in California, and her brother in Oklahoma.

The cold drinks served at our fountain are guaranteed to be of the purest and freshest ingredients obtainable.  
Palace Drug store.

So far we have heard no further news of the new bank, although it is claimed they will probably be ready for business about the tenth of August or sooner.

W. H. Langley left this week for a business trip to Hereford and other south plains points. He was accompanied by his father, Dr. E. D. Langley of Northfork.

We are informed that C. C. Cosby has sold out his interest in the properties and contracts of the McLean Dramatic Co. to W. R. Patterson who will at once assume the management of same.

D. H. Alexander returned Sunday from a trip to Clarendon and Memphis. He was accompanied home by his father, S. G. Alexander of Memphis, who returned Monday, taking with him his daughter, Miss Allie, who has been here attending the Normal.

## LAND!

If you want to buy a Farm, a City Home or Raw Land at a good profitable investment see us or write

### J. L. Crabtree & Co.

McLean, Texas

We are informed that Guthrie-Haynes Co. has purchased the building, lot and stock of G. F. Anders, and will conduct the establishment in the future. It is not known yet what business Mr. Anders will engage in, but he intends to continue his residence in this city.

C. C. Cook has returned from Abeline and we are informed that he has shipped his stock of goods and will open them up here at once. Mr. Cook is one of the pioneer merchants of McLean and has many friends here who will be glad to know of his intention of staying.

Frank P. Morgan, a brother of the News man, arrived in the

city Sunday to accept a position on the paper. Frank will be is not married and has a very tender regard for the fair sex. Any young lady not otherwise engaged is perfectly welcome to call at the News office at any time and upon any excuse they can think of.

Last week we made an egregious error in stating that Mr. Early was traveling for the Morrow-Thomas Hardware Co. It seems that the gentleman is selling windmills and says he is traveling for the biggest and best windmill concern in the United States. We gladly apologise.

Two-for-One—Read ad on another page.

# YOU HAD BETTER GET BUSY

## GROCERIES

Diamond C Flour	\$3.65
White Crest Flour	4.00
Cane Sugar	5.75
Arm and Hammer Soda, 4 packages	.25
Arbuckle's Coffee, 7 packages	1.00
Peaberry Coffee	.20
African Java	.20
Red Salmon	.15
Soap, Lenox and Clariette, 7 bars for	.25
Canned Sweet Potatoes	.10
Corn, best grade	8 1-3c
Tomatoes, Niggerhead	.10
Search Light Matches, 35c a gross, 3 for	.10
Rasins	7 1-2c
Prunes	7 1-2c
Peaches	.10
Appricots	.10
Ribbon Cane Syrup	.60
Royal and Tennessee Sorghum	.50
Star Tobacco	.45
Thick Plug Tinsley	.50
Union Standard	.25
Canned Appricots	.20
Peaches	.20
Best Apple Vinegar, worth 40c, per gal.	.25
Meat from 10c to	.16
and all kinds of crockery	.10
Thomas B. Lds, sweet and sour, per gallon	.50
county, lawyer, 1st, Keg	1.22
member of the leg-n Powder \$3.50 Barrel	2.25
nce Speaker; now Commis-	.75
of Insurance and Bankin	.35
entative and hesitant candid	
for Governor.	
Thomas M. Campbell of An-	
son county; lawyer; one time	
road official, now Governor,	
erving second term; platform	
alist; has been talked of	
third term, but is noncom-	
on this (and other) sub-	
Thomas H. Ball of Harris	

## DRY GOODS

Trimmed Hats  
Half-Price

Ladies' Waists  
One-Third off

Skirts  
One-Third Off

Dress Goods  
All Reduced

### MEN'S SUITS

\$22.50 Value	\$16.33
20.00 Value	14.24
18.00 Value	12.24
15.00 Value	10.98
10.00 Value	8.35
7.00 Value	6.25

## CLOTHING

### HOSE

Ladies' Silk Hose, \$3.00, now	\$2.48
Embroidered Lisle Hose, \$1.75, now	1.38
Colored Lisle Hose, 55c, now	.45

### LADIES' GLOVES

Elbow Silk Gloyes, were \$2.00, now	\$1.68
Elbow Silk Gloyes, were \$1.75, now	1.42
Elbow Silk Gloyes, were \$1.50, now	1.28

### DRESS GOODS

\$2.00 per yard Chiffon Panama, now	\$1.68
\$1.50 per yard Messaline, now	1.18
\$1.50 per yard Taffeta, now	1.12

### SHOES

\$5.50 Shoes	\$4.68
\$5.00 Shoes	4.32
\$4.50 Shoes	3.82
\$4.00 Shoes	3.38
\$3.50 Shoes	3.00
\$3.00 Shoes	2.48
\$2.50 Shoes	1.98

### HATS

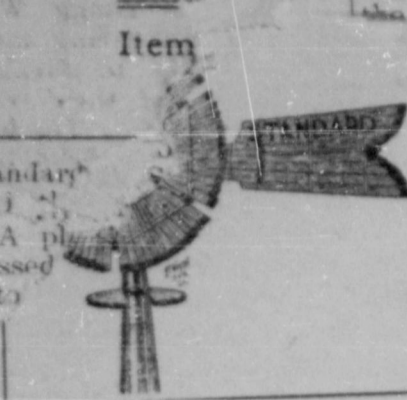
\$6.00 Stetson Hat	\$4.24
\$3.25 Hat	2.35
\$3.00 Hat	2.25
\$2.50 Hat	1.87
\$2.00 Hat	1.50
\$1.50 Hat	1.12

# Wes. HAYNES & SON

Our boys were victors a score of 6 to 2. The pitching for McLean his work was most allowing only two nine innings.

Local Hardware

The Standard machines lead. A plain dressed frimable to



# STANDARD

WINDMILLS

CICERO SMITH LUMBER CO

Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, Brick, Lime, Cement  
Well casing, pipe, wire, posts, coal, Builders' Hardware

## PAINTS and OILS

We have everything you need to improve your place.  
Let us figure on your next bill.

## RIGHT PRICES

# Cicero Smith Lumber Company

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

**W. C. MONTGOMERY**  
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON  
Office in Palace Drug Store  
McLean, — — — Texas

**DR. W. R. ORR**  
DENTIST  
will spend the first Monday of each month at Alanreed and the week following at Groom; the remainder of the month he will be in McLean.

**C. J. COOPER**  
THE DRAYMEN  
McLean, Texas  
Prompt attention given to all orders and goods handled with care. Your patronage solicited.

**C. E. ICNEIL M.D.**  
Office East of 1st National Bank  
McLEAN — — — TEXAS

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ABSTRACTER  
AND  
CONVEYANCER  
Fire and Tornado Insurance  
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Phone 60.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.**  
In compliance with law and upon the return of J. E. Williams, County Commissioner for Precinct No. 4, Gray County, Texas, I hereby give notice that there has been found running at large, and not estrayed, the owner of which is unknown, one two-year-old heifer; color, dark brown; long horns; no mark nor brands, has been running at place of J. T. Foster in Gray county, Texas, about one year, and if not legally proven away by the owner thereof within twenty days from date hereof, the same will be advertised, and said commissioner will proceed to sell the same according to law.  
SILER FAULKNER,  
County Clerk.  
Dated at LeFors, Texas, this 15th day of June, 1909.  
R. L. Patterson, who has been here teaching English in the Normal, left Sunday afternoon for Baird, Texas, where he goes to look after a situation for the coming school term.

# LAUGH CAN BE BUSY!

The best buggy whips are at the McLean Hardware Co.  
Len Parker was in the city Monday on business.

The Standard line of sewing machines is the stuff.

Walter Knorpp of Groom was a caller here Friday of last week.

Walter Fly of Amarillo was here the latter part of last week on business.

Will J. Hodges was in Amarillo the latter part of last week on business.

Think of a new drink? We can serve it.  
Palace Drug store.

Grandpa Waters was calling on local merchants here Saturday.

W. W. Mars shipped out several cars of calves the first of the week to Kansas City.

Dr. Smith, the oculist of Weatherford, has been spending a few days in McLean.

Get a set of croquet for the kids from the McLean Hardware Co.

J. P. Smith of Shamrock was a visitor here the first of the week.

J. P. Pennington of Killeen was registered at the Hotel Hindman Sunday.

Try a package of Carpet sweeps. Guaranteed to give satisfaction. McLean Hardware Co.

J. T. Glass from the Skillet neighborhood was a business visitor here Monday.

Z. Z. Rowden, who lives near Alanreed, was calling on local merchants Monday.

Miss Ellington of Hillsboro was the guest of the Misses McMillian this week.

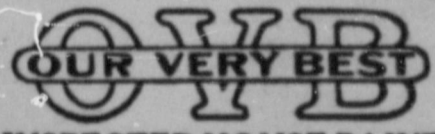
Why don't you buy a garden plow while they are cheap.  
McLean Hardware Co.

W. L. Oliver was down from Amarillo Sunday for a visit to his family.

A. G. Graham, who has been working near Alanreed, visited with his family here Sunday.

Cool refreshing drinks of all kinds served in the most approved manner at the Palace Drug store.

**WHEN you buy Flour, Meat or Coal, you soon know whether you have your money's worth or not, but it takes years to test House Paint. Buying House Paint is risky business unless the label on the can tells just what is in it and unless every gallon has been inspected to make sure it is GOOD PAINT, correctly mixed and according to formula. You are safe in buying**



**INSPECTED HOUSE PAINT** but you run the risk of paying good money for poor paint, poorly mixed, when you buy a Secret House Paint. Don't take the chance, no matter what the brand. Buy what you KNOW is GOOD PAINT, and get your money's worth. Come in and see samples of everything used in making **OUR VERY BEST** Inspected House Paint.

For sale by **Guthrie** Builders

A. employe...  
rillo. \$3.65  
Claude...  
Sayre, Okla., who...  
the service of the Rock Island...  
as brakeman.

L. H. Webb and son, Van, were in town Saturday with a bunch of calves which they sold to W. W. Mars.

We have the best windmills ever brought to McLean. call and be convinced. McLean Hardware Co.

Miss Arthur Hise left Monday for her home near Shamrock, after having spent the term here in the Normal.

If you want to buy land, sell land or trade for merchandise see or write J. W. Burrows, Texola, Okla.

Dr. and Mrs. Orr left Sunday for Alanreed and Groom, where the doctor goes in connection with his profession.

Our reputation for the best cold drinks in the city will not make us a living, we need your patronage.—Palace Drug store.

C. F. Tolliver of Alanreed was in the city a short while Monday and made the News office a pleasant call.

If you want to sell or trade your land list it with J. W. Burrows, the trading man, Texola, Okla.

Jake Stubbs and family have returned from a two weeks' stay in Canadian and will make McLean their home again.

Mail me a list of your land, merchandise or livestock. I will sell it for you. J. W. Burrows, Texola, Okla.

Mrs. J. W. F. Smith and daughter, Miss Fannie, left Sunday for a few days visit at their former home near Alanreed.

We have a few small ice cream freezers left that we will close out at a sacrifice.  
McLean Hardware Co.

E. B. Johnson of Norman, Okla., who owns large ranch property in this vicinity, was a business caller in McLean last Friday.

You can assist your wife in doing her work during the hot summer by buying her an oil stove or washing machine. McLean Hardware Co.

A. B. Spencer, general agent for the Rock Island, was down from Amarillo Monday on business in connection with his official capacity.

H. N. Cobb and family of Mangum, Okla., came in the latter part of last week for a visit to the families of E. A. and Hugh Erwin.

Ed Underwood left Monday for his home in Dallas after having spent some time here as the guest of his brother, Frank, the Johnson ranch.

Why not get an oil washing machine—or your wife? Lighten through long...  
McLean Hardware Co.

All...  
the week on...  
be...  
Mr. ...  
recently purchas...  
east of the...  
understand that he...  
pleased and considers a...  
further investment in the near...  
future. We will be glad to wel...  
come him a home in our thriving...  
little community.



## ..Furniture..

Have you seen the new furniture that has just arrived at the Furniture Store? Our stock is complete. We carry a good line of sewing machines, needles, shuttles and bodkins, refrigerators, etc. We have a good stock of art squares and Davenport. We will take pleasure in showing you through our stock at any time. Our policy is to live and let others live.

UNDERTAKERS GOODS IN STOCK

Our carpet, Rugs and Matting department is complete, and our prices are as low as is consistent with first-class goods.

# Thornton & Grundy

HOUSE FURNISHERS

Texas

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fast entertained a party of young people at their country home for a Sunday evening. A most enjoyable evening was spent.