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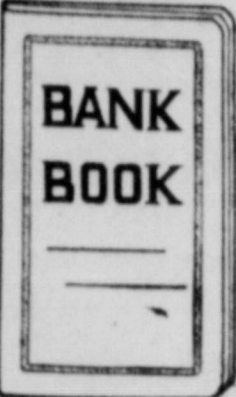
TENTH YEAR

McLEAN, GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY 10, 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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The Outlook Is Cheerful

To help perpetuate the memory of some ancient philosopher we might use the term, "the smile that won't come off" in speaking of the exultation of farmers and business men generally over the recent splendid rains that came at a time when they were beginning to be needed in order that the growth might maintain the steady pace that has characterized it since planting time.

Since early spring there has not been a time when there was not sufficient moisture in the ground to keep the crops "humping"—a condition that has not prevailed heretofore for the past four years—and there is now every reason to believe that the harvest will be one of the largest in the history of this section.

All over the Panhandle, and practically all over the Southwest, there has been a continuous crop shortage on account of unusually dry seasons for four years and the return to normal conditions will not only be hailed with delight by farmers and business men but will tend to overcome the spirit of apathy that has hindered our progress and development during this period.

There are yet thousands of acres of tillable land that need to be utilized in producing food for the world and the fact that it is far cheaper than land in older and more developed sections will tend to turn the tide of immigration this way. We need more farmers, more home builders, and with a little effort combined with natural advantages we enjoy there is no reason why we cannot enjoy them.

Now is the time to start a systematic campaign of advertising in order to bring to the attention of the home builder the fact that in this section he will find what he is looking for.

Strayed—one horse and a mare and colt. Both horses brown and have on halters, mare branded C on left jaw—horse branded L on left thigh. Anyone finding same will be paid for their trouble by notifying C. S. Hunt, McLean, Texas.

Periodicals and magazines of all kinds. Jeff Earp.

Fair Catalog Is Published

The annual catalogue of the Panhandle Fair Association, which holds its fairs at Amarillo each year, has been issued and is being distributed over this section of the state. Among the list of honorary vice-presidents, the name of Geo. W. Sitter of McLean is included.

The Panhandle Fair held its initial meeting last year and proved a success far beyond the expectations of the most sanguine of its promoters and this year there are hundreds of important improvements that will put it firmly on its feet and assure its continued growth until such time as it reaches a size and importance in keeping with the splended section over which its influence shall reach.

An annual fair is an important factor in the development of any locality and while this institution cannot hope to take the place of the local fairs, yet its influence will be keenly felt in that it will foster a general spirit of progress and help to inspire the citizenship of the entire Panhandle with increasing zeal for the upbuilding of their particular localities.

With the present splendid outlook for crop production we predict that there will be one of the most comprehensive displays of everything produced on the farm at the Panhandle Fair this fall that can be found at any fair of its kind in the world. The Panhandle is rich in possibilities beyond the realization of the casual observer and the visitor who inspects the farm and mill department of the Panhandle State Fair will have just cause to wonder.

This condition will be doubly assured if the citizens of the McLean country shall feel themselves sufficiently interested to be there with a representative display of her products. This we should do and now is the time to start with the preliminary arrangements.

Holiness Meeting Closes.

On last Sunday evening the Holiness meeting that was being held at Peterson Creek school house closed. It is reported that quite a bit of interest was manifested during this meeting and a general feeling of good-fellowship enjoyed.

This was the first meeting to be held by Reverends Sam Erwin and Fred Stockton, both being young men just entering in the ministry. They are McLean boys and our citizens feel justly proud that they have chosen this profession and predict for them a successful life.

In about ten days they will leave for Shamrock where they will conduct a series of meetings.

\$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.

For rent—three room house See Mrs. Easterwood.

To The Voters Of Gray County

This is to certify that we have known G. E. Castleberry from one to thirteen years.

In our opinion there is not a more honorable man or a man with a better reputation in the county. We believe that he is well qualified to fill successfully the office to which he aspires, and that the people of this county will make no mistake in voting for him.

In casting your vote for Ed Castleberry you are not voting for a comparative stranger, but for a man who has lived here ever since the organization of this county and we hope that the voters on the 25th of this month will give him that hearty support which he is so justly due.

S. R. Loftin
P. F. Yocham
R. Y. Mangum
D. B. London
J. H. Owen
H. J. Rucker
C. C. Glavin
S. T. Greenwood
J. T. Blakney
E. F. Barnes
H. Phillips
C. W. Greenwood
J. T. McKnight
H. O. McKnight
T. J. Prock
E. F. Elms
H. W. Milton
R. W. Crisp
J. W. Wright
C. H. Bostic
W. H. Cobbs

W. H. Blakney
W. L. Prock
Hugh Guill
E. Williams
E. H. Turbush
J. E. Anderson
F. R. McCracken
E. F. Agee
E. P. Lusk
M. H. Keasler
W. M. Kennedy
John T. Woods
J. H. Crisp
J. M. Huntsman
J. C. Sutton
O. H. Rector
Roy Sherrod
S. R. Kennedy
W. H. Gibson
A. H. Beibrich
J. M. Moreland

Singing Convention

D. N. Massay returned the first of the week from Elk City, Oklahoma, where he had been attending the Singing Convention of Western Oklahoma. This convention was composed of six counties but at this meeting it was decided to add two more counties of Oklahoma and so to include the Wheeler County Singing Convention, which is composed of Wheeler and adjoining counties. This makes it one of the biggest singing districts in the country. Mr. Massay reports a splendid meeting, stating that the crowd Saturday night and Sunday numbered between three and four thousand people. The meeting was held under a large tent placed for the purpose. Classes of singers, as well as individual singers, rendered special numbers and altogether the program was most enjoyable. Prof. Dennis of Elk City (who is well known here) was made president. A committee was appointed to dispose of the detail work of the convention and also to appoint the place of the next meeting.

4th of July Picnics

A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Langly, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Holt and children, Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCombs and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Richardson enjoyed a picnic dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fast four miles north of town on the Fourth. After partaking of a splendid dinner at which there was no apparent shirking of duty, the party were driven out to McClellan creek and subjected to the thrills incident upon crossing a sandy stream when the bottom is crawly and and the water turbulent. A jaunt down the sandy creek bottom and over the grassy hills brought us back to the house where Miss McCurdy furnished an impromptu musical program and an hour was spent in pleasant conversation before the merry-makers took their leave. There were several other picnic parties abroad, one going to the Crabtree place and another going to the Pollard place. A shower of rain about four o'clock drove them all to shelter, but they soon emerged to lend the finishing touches of hilarity to a day of happy merriment.

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.

CAPITAL \$25,000.00
SURPLUS \$10,000.00

American State Bank

(GUARANTY FUND BANK)

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A. P. CLARK, JR.,
J. T. FOSTER,

DIRECTORS.

INDIVIDUAL WORTH OF STOCKHOLDERS \$1,750,000.00

Rattlesnakes And Polecats

A letter has been received by Texas Business Men's Association, asking for information as to where the snake hatchery, frog ranch and polecat farm were located in this state. It is not known by everyone that Texas has such institutions, but she has. A rattlesnake hatchery is located at Brownsville for

the purpose of raising the reptiles for shows. Polecat hides are very valuable and a man in Gainesville realizing this, operates a polecat farm. A large frog ranch does a good business at Center.

I want to call your attention to the fact that this is the time of year to have that old buggy made over. I am better prepared than ever to do you a first class job and my prices are right. Don't wait 'till fall, now is the time. Lee Turner, blacksmith.

... DON'T ...
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That We Appreciate
... Your Business ...

Western Lumber
Company

BIG DEMAND FOR SIX-ROOM HOUSE

People Are Becoming Educated to the Possibilities of Such Abodes.

RESULT OF LIVING IN FLATS

City Habitations Have at Least Taught the Advantages of Consolidation, With its Accompaniments of Increased Comfort and Lightened Labor.

By WILLIAM A. RADFORD.

Mr. William A. Radford will answer questions and give advice FREE OF COST on all subjects pertaining to the subject of building, for the readers of this paper. On account of his wide experience as Editor, Author and Manufacturer, he is, without doubt, the highest authority on all these subjects. Address all inquiries to William A. Radford, No. 1827 Prairie avenue, Chicago, Ill., and only enclose two-cent stamp for reply.

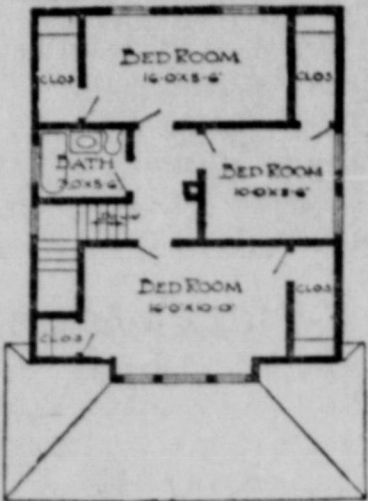
The demand for six-room houses is increasing. During these prosperous years thousands of young men as well as older men have accumulated a little money and have grown tired of paying rent, which has resulted in a determination to own homes of their own.

From watching the building of small houses their interest has increased. They have sent for books of house plans and studied the different designs and have finally selected houses to suit their needs and to fit their bank accounts. Usually arrangements are made with some contractor, who is forehand enough to build a house, take a small payment down and a lien on the property as security for the balance of the purchase price.

These deals have increased until they number up into the thousands in all thickly-settled parts of the country, and the sign is a good one. The best class of citizens live in their own homes; a fact that is recognized the

do without them again, but after putting up with the noise of neighbors too close, the unavoidable variety of flavors caused by so much cooking in one building, the fumes from the laundry where washing is carried on every day in the week, the rattling of pianos at any time of day or night, the dust from beating rugs, the noise from innumerable children, and a hundred other annoyances, a family finds a house like this a great relief and satisfaction. There is so much more light, air and freedom.

The members of the family may retain the habit of speaking in whispers, but it wears off in time and they finally settle down to enjoy themselves after the manner of life in the old home in the country. But it is not like the old home, either, for they carry the modern inventions from the



Second Floor Plan.

crowded parts of the city with them and distribute them through their new six-room house to enjoy them as they never did before.

Modern large windows having sashes hung with weights so they may be easily moved up or down, covered outside in summer with accurately fitting wire fly screens which may be removed in the fall and replaced, especially on the north side of the house, with an extra outside sash to keep out the cold, is merely one of the latter day improvements.

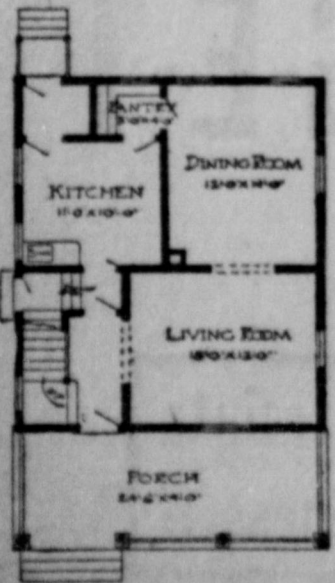
All through the house such mechanical devices as revolving coal grates



world over. The more homes we have the more interest people take in local improvements and municipal government. This is a home-rose country and the home is the local unit.

For 20 years the general trend has been toward smaller houses. There are many reasons, too many to mention, but one of the principal causes is the education people have had through flat life in the larger towns and cities.

The habit of living in flats has educated people in the way of utilizing the advantages of concentration. Families that once thought a large dwelling necessary have found that the six-room, two-story house, about the size of the one illustrated, may contain more actual comfort through the application of modern methods of housekeeping than the larger houses they were formerly accustomed to. They have learned that a small house is more cheaply furnished, because



First Floor Plan.

you have no extra room that must be filled up to make it look right, because you have a place for everything and it is necessary to keep things in their proper places.

City flats no doubt are responsible for a great deal of sickness and discomfort through lack of proper light and ventilation, but they have done one good thing in pointing the way to pack a great many house comforts in a very little space. After becoming accustomed to the regular warmth of a steam-heated building and the luxury of having water on tap any time of day or night, no one wants to

that make a continuous fire possible, gas heaters to warm the water in the tank when a coal fire is not needed, attachments to furnaces to warm the wash water in the winter time, electric flatiron heaters, gas cooking ranges, improved gas burners for lighting, and a hundred other inventions are now installed into these small modern up-to-date houses in such a way that life is rendered more enjoyable than ever before in the history of dwellings, and what makes it all seem almost too good to believe, more like a dream than a reality, is the fact that all this may be enjoyed by any hard-working couple with no capital except their hands and willingness to work.

Take a house like this, for example, that is only 24 by 28 feet in size, and you have six good, satisfactory rooms, an attractive-looking front stair with easy access to the other parts of the house, and with all the modern improvements at a price ranging from \$2,000 to \$3,000, according to the location, local conditions and style of finish.

A house could easily vary \$1,000 in cost by the difference in materials. For instance, a heating plant large enough to keep the house comfortable may be purchased for \$100, or a system of heating costing \$300 or \$400 may be put in. A difference of \$100 could be easily made in the floors alone. Some men want floors double, with deadening material between, while others are satisfied with a single tongued and grooved flooring, and if there are a few knots in the bedroom floors there is no serious objection made.

When you go through a house in this way from cellar to roof it is easy to make a variation of \$1,000 even in a small house. But no matter how cheap the material or how hard the workmen are driven to finish the job within a certain time limit, such houses are not complete without the very best plumbing that can possibly be secured. In this sense the best does not always mean the most expensive. An iron pipe may be just as sanitary as one made of copper nickel-plated, but what is meant by the best in this sense is a thorough plumbing system, properly proportioned to the house, well trapped and ventilated, and the pipes put in by a man who understands the business. A house should also be wired for electricity and piped for gas and there should be plenty of ventilating flues in the partition

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS

Washington Explorer Finds Strange Cave Men

WASHINGTON.—Caves hewn in the solid rocks of sugarloaf mountains, sometimes to the depth of 150 feet, large enough to hold from 1,500 to 2,000 people. Men who think nothing of running 40 and 50 miles a day without taking a drink of water.



People who never set eyes on fruits or vegetables. Towns of 5,000 to 6,000 inhabitants, in which there is not a building, the people living in holes in the earth. A land of no shadows between 8 a. m. and 5 p. m.

A nation in which women are never seen. These are some of the wonders described by Frank Edward Johnson, the explorer and lecturer and contributor to the National Geographic Magazine, who arrived in Washington after an absence of almost two years, spent among the troglodyte tribes of southern Tunisia. Mr. Johnson gave out his first interview since his return to the United States, after reporting to the National Geographic society in Washington.

While in Tunisia Mr. Johnson conducted extensive researches among the buried Roman cities, and traced the old Roman highways, which have been hidden for centuries by the shifting sands of the Sahara. He succeeded in following for 300 miles the route of the road that was built from Carthage to Leptis Magna and to Alexandria nearly two thousand years ago.

"On the trip just concluded," said Mr. Johnson, "I came into a more intimate contact with the innermost lives of the peoples of the extreme southern Tunisia than ever before, and I had an unequalled opportunity to study them at closer range than any foreigner has ever enjoyed. There are probably more than one hundred thousand of these people in a section hitherto supposed to be almost uninhabitable. They are pursuing an exceedingly primitive life.

"All the troglodyte strongholds are difficult of approach. Their warriors could see the enemy approaching for many miles, unless they came by night, and then the zigzag path that led up to the great walls, worn smooth by centuries of hard use, with a surface like polished marble, was too dangerous, for a stumble meant sudden death on the rocks hundreds of feet below. It is difficult even for the mountain goats born and bred there."

Capital Folk Scramble for Rent-Free Houses

THERE'S a scramble on among several hundred Washingtonians for rent-free houses during the summer months in the city's most exclusive residential districts. Few people outside the capital realize that there are in this city scores of beautiful and costly homes which are turned over to caretakers, sometimes without rent, and with coal, gas and electric light bills paid. On some occasions, even, caretakers are paid a nominal sum to live in the houses.

Now is the season when these caretakers are the busiest. Those who have had these positions in the past are the most active and they beseege almost daily the various real estate offices in the city. For this business is one of the hardest for real estate men to look after. In the first place they must be able to judge character "on the jump" and be able to pick men and women who would be capable and honest. Then after selecting the names of applicants the agents have to investigate their standing and trustworthiness. In the selection of the tenants widows almost always have first choice. A good widow with children is always regarded as the best caretaker.

While the occupation of caretaker grew up originally when Washingtonians left the city for the summer it has extended to another branch now—that of furnished houses for sale or rent. For instance, if a public official who has lived here several years suddenly becomes a "lame duck" and moves "back to the farm" his Washington home is for sale. Often it is difficult to sell the place immediately or even to rent it. As a result a caretaker is selected. This party is given possession of the house, but is required to keep it in tip-top condition and to show it to prospective buyers.

Uncle Sam Needs Rifle Ranges for Civilians

WITH the probability that citizen soldiery may be called to national service, the national board for promotion of rifle practice of the war department has issued a statement explaining the need of rifle ranges for practice, which has been made possible by the present congress in providing for the free distribution of rifles and ammunition to civilian rifle clubs and school cadets.

"Again we are faced with the possibility of sending untrained youths from their homes to the battlefield," the statement says. "Recruits can be taught to march, drill, and take care of themselves in the field in a comparatively short period, but such is not the case with the care and effective use of the service arm. A long step in the right direction was taken by the present congress when it enacted a law, through a paragraph in the army appropriation bill, authority for the war department to issue rifles and ammunition free to certain civilians.

"It is a fundamental principle of national defense that citizens should be trained in the use of the service arm. Rifle instruction is the keynote of national defense of Switzerland. If we were to train our citizens in the same proportion as that small republic, we would have about 3,000,000 trained civilian expert rifemen.

"A serious handicap to the proper development of this movement is the lack of rifle ranges. With the growth of cities and the increasing value of land generally rifle ranges have been swept away. Therefore, unless the issue of rifles and ammunition is followed by the construction of ranges where civilians can practise such issue will not accomplish the results desired by the government."

Varied Lot of Plants Grown by the Government

IN CONNECTION with its investigations, the Smithsonian Institution undertook some years ago the collecting of a series of cactuses. Not only herbarium specimens, but many examples of living plants were secured.

The problem of the care of these living plants while under observation was solved through the co-operation of the department of agriculture, which assigned special greenhouse No. 7, at Fourteenth and B streets northwest, for housing them. Today a veritable desert flourisheth in it, filled with all kinds of strange desert plants, especially cactuses from North and South America, of which there are perhaps in the neighborhood of five thousand specimens.

The collection has much to attract the ordinary visitor. No such collection in Europe has so many unique and rare species. Each pot contains a label which gives the key number to record books giving the history of each plant. The collection contains about twenty-five species of the night-blooming cereus, several plants of the so-called bishop's cap, and some striking specimens of Turk's head cactus.

The photographer of the National museum makes photographs of the flowering plants when any special features are to be noted, thousands of these cuttings being distributed by the department to the various botanical institutions throughout the world.

The collection is directly under the charge of E. M. Byrne, superintendent of gardens and grounds.

GOOD CARE AND FEEDING OF WORK TEAMS



Fine Work Teams—The Requisites for a Working Horse Are Good Size, Quick Action and Strength.

(By R. A. GALLIHER.)

Perhaps no subject is of more importance to the average farmer than the proper care and feeding of the teams that are relied upon to do the farm work; and as a rule, we do not believe that these horses receive the care and consideration that they should. A good horse used in common sense manner, should live to an old age and be in condition to perform good work at all times.

The essential requisites for a working horse are good size, quick action and strength. A high-spirited animal or one of great value is not the most desirable animal for the farmer.

What we need is a good walker, as much of the usefulness and efficiency depends upon that quality. This faculty is quite as much a matter of education as inherited qualities.

Under ordinary circumstances it is judicious to use mares for working teams upon a farm. Except for a short time, the period of parturition and immediately after, they are fully as well adapted to farm work as geldings. They also possess the advantage of annually bringing colts, and in event

of their being incapacitated by accident or labor they may still be kept with profit as breeders.

Horses employed for farm work should not be pampered, but should be fed generously, so as to sustain vigor and good spirits.

A team ill fed, and consequently in poor condition and feeble, will not accomplish much real hard work, and it is a waste of labor to hire an expensive hand to drive such a team.

The harness, and particularly the collar, should be accurately adjusted to the horse. If the collar is either too tight or too loose it galls him and seriously affects his breathing.

The workhorses should be fed early in the morning, and they should have a liberal feeding. The comfort and rest of the team will be vastly promoted if the harness is entirely removed at noon while they are feeding. Rub them down carefully and cleanse from dust and sweat.

Allow them plenty of time for a good meal and partial digestion before they are put to work for the afternoon. It is poor policy to put them to work right after eating a hearty meal.

PRACTICAL HINTS FOR THE SHEPHERD

While Dipping the Sheep Just Dip the Lambs, Too—Keep All Good Breeding Ewes.

Do not let anyone deceive you by telling you that buck lambs will bring you as much money as wether lambs, for they will not do it.

Castrate all male lambs at eight days to two weeks of age, and any good operator will not lose one out of 100.

Dip all your sheep as soon as shearing is over. While you are at it just dip the lambs too, as the ticks will leave the shorn ewes for the woolly lambs.

Just as long as a ewe "holds her teeth" it will pay to keep her for a breeder, as ewes breed lambs up to quite an advanced age.

That old ewe might have brought \$2.50 last fall and the two lambs trotting at her side will bring \$5 or \$6 in July.

An old ewe or two may die during the winter, but you can lose one out of three and still make it pay to keep them at \$2 to \$3 per head.

The sheep get uneasy as soon as the hot weather comes on unless they get out on the ground. It is a good plan to let them out every day for a while. If the pastures are not high enough so that they can get all they want to eat, bring them down at night and give them a nice, bright look of hay and a little grain. The ewes need this if the lambs are to be kept growing.

If the coarse hay in the mangers is given to sheep they will nibble a great deal of it away.

The sheep is a dainty feeder and will not eat musty or unclean hay or fodder. Neither will sheep drink unclean water.

It is strange that some men will insist on raising a scrub ram when a thoroughbred costs so little in comparison to the improvement he will make in his flock.

Sheep will sometimes eat weeds, but it is generally because they have nothing better.

The reason why so many men fail in the sheep business is because they do not study it before they begin.

Sheep raising means something more than buying a flock of sheep and turning them into a bare pasture without shelter.

Our sheep farmers are beginning to learn that they need permanent pastures increased yearly in productivity by high fertilizing.

The hit-or-miss plan of raising sheep has never yet proved profitable.

Never feed sheep heavily on one grain alone. Give them a variety and don't forget the roots.

English shepherds believe that people who eat mutton and leave pork alone will never have indigestion.

Arrange your fields so that the sheep will have good shade during the coming summer.

It is an easy matter to provide a narrow trough filled three or four inches deep with solution through which the sheep can pass from the pen to the pasture every morning.

This will not cure bad cases of foot rot but it will prevent new cases.

One of the necessary things in the care of sheep is the paring of their hoofs at least twice a year. Nature provided a rapid growth of hoof to stand the wear and tear of stony ground but soft pastures will not wear down the hoofs fast enough and the broken hoof often results in disease.

If you have any old sheep, they should be separated from the rest of the flock, and if they are to be fattened, corn should be cracked for them.

Do not make the mistake of starting the sheep business with a large flock. You will have your hands full for the first year or two with a dozen.

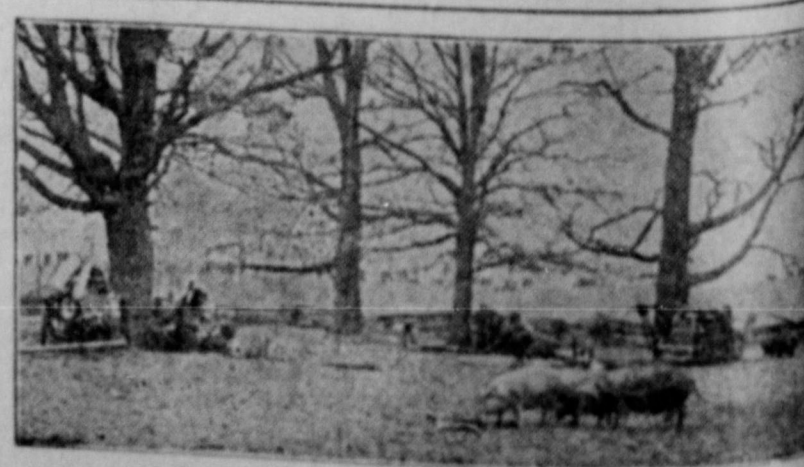
The most profit to be made in sheep is on the farm where small flocks can be handled to better advantage than by wholesale.

Ever try smoked mutton ham? They are cured just as easily as pig hams and are good eating.

If sheep and lambs are fed grub together, the lambs will fare poorly. Have a hole in the fence near the barn through which the lambs can slip and get away from the old sheep. Have a good trough out there for the grain you feed the little fellows and they will get their share and grow like weeds.

Make it a rule to see the sheep and lambs every day. Count to see that nothing has happened to them. If one is sick or otherwise you can give it a little extra care.

FENCE REVOLUTIONIZING HOG INDUSTRY



Pigs Find Money in Waste Land.

(By W. M. KELLY.)

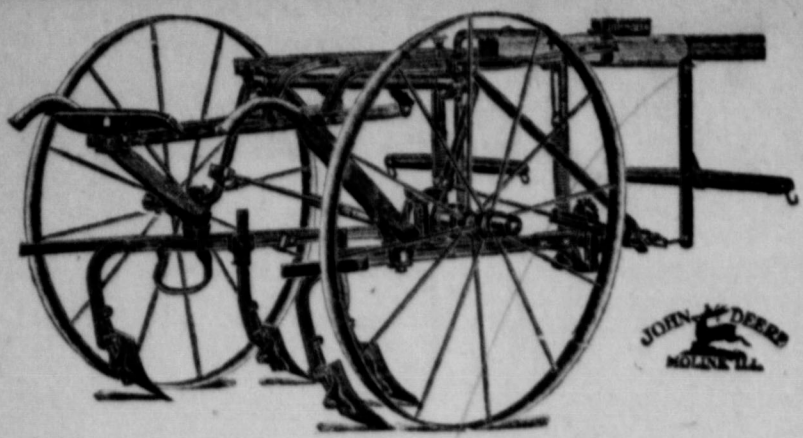
The woven wire fence is revolutionizing the hog industry in the whole country, and when farmers learn to utilize every bit of waste land for pasture for their hogs the herds will be healthy and the cost of production will be decreased many dollars.

It won't do to allow the pigs to lie in the shade of the corn crib or to allow them only a run of pasture. I

believe in feeding a little corn all the time that the pigs are running in the pasture.

The grass-grown pig does not appear so attractive with his working clothes on, but when he is well developed and ready to be fattened he makes the most perfect pig look like very little.

It makes a fine appearance to the eye and is a credit to his owner's feeder.



A man needs good tools in order to do good work

Get The Best

We have John Deere one and two row Go-devils, four and six shovel Cultivators. They can't be beat.

McLean Hardware Company

Safe And Sane Fourth

Reports received at the headquarters of the Texas Business Men's Association in Ft. Worth from practically every section of Texas, indicates that Texans spent an unusually safe and sane Fourth. It is generally reported that injuries from fireworks were fewer than ever before.

Sentiment, for some time, has been growing in favor of a safer and saner celebration of Independence Day and people everywhere are learning that noise and disaster is not patriotism. Statistics show that 32 people met violent death and 1,134 were injured in the United States in celebrating July 4th in 1913.

It is also noticeable that in territory made DRY by legislative enactment there is an appreciable decrease and the citizens devote themselves to more civilized methods of celebrating than that of painting the town and adjacent scenery red with their drunken revelry. McLean has ever been fortunate in this respect and conscientiously claim the distinction of not having a "bad man" in her midst, yet there has been a time when Fourth of July celebrations were not so tame as was the last one.

Bad as we hate to forego our "cold bottle," it must be for the best that it is no longer possible to ship booze into dry territory and those of us who cannot adjust ourselves to existing conditions will probably have to move to more congenial localities.

Complete line of aluminum ware on the road. It is guaranteed for twenty years—if a hole wears in any piece in that time bring it back and get a new one. Overton Hardware Co.

Take Notice

We close up on Thursdays to WORK THE ROAD

But will be here early and late all other days during the week to wait on you and supply your wants in all kinds of building material SUCH AS

Lumber, Sash, Doors, Post, Wire Nails, Paints, Red Picket Fence, Nigger-Head Coal

both in the Nut and Lump. And in fact everything usually carried in first class Lumber Yards. Yours for good crops and better Roads.

Cicero Smith Lumber Co.

McLean, Texas Phone 3

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Subject—How man came to sin.

Song—"There's a Great Day Coming."

Prayer.

Report of bible readers course.

Song—"What Can Wash Away My Sins?"

Scripture reading, Joshua 7—Leader.

Prayer.

The bible gives our only information as to how sin comes—Luther Petty.

The Garden of Eden and its lesson:

Innocence—Fred Landers.

The tempter—Ether Duncan.

The effects of sin on us all—Roy Newton.

Scripture quotations:

Psa. 53:1-3, Rom. 5:12, I Cor. 15:21-22, Eph. 2:3, Gal. 3:22—Grace Francis.

Rom. 8:9-18—Berl Glass.

Sin, its wide consequence—Grace Hamilton.

Song, "Though Your Sins be as Scarlet"—Miss Ruby Newton.

Messrs. Harris, Reep Landers and Wayland Floyd.

The threefold value of this doctrine, philosophical, Practical and Religious—Rev. Hamilton.

Closing prayer.

Leader—Edith Stockton.

Card of Thanks.

We take this method of expressing our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors who showed their sympathy for us during the recent illness in our family by the many acts of kindness and the lovely flowers they brought. May each one have just such help when in need is our wish.

CHAS. GATLIN AND WIFE.

A new line of shoes at Cook's.

To Close Millinery.

We will close our business for the season on Saturday, July 18th. The few hats left are at the following reduced prices.

1 hat \$8.50 now \$3.75.
6 hats from \$4.75 to \$5.75 now \$2.25.

A few childrens hats and flowers at greatly reduced prices.

MRS. J. B. PASCHALL.

Notice to the Public.

McLean, Texas, July 8, 1914. We, the undersigned merchants of McLean, Texas, hereby agree to observe the following schedule of deliveries of merchandise to the town customers and pledge ourselves to a strict compliance therewith.

Our delivery wagons will leave our respective stores for last forenoon deliveries at 11 o'clock sharp, and orders given after 11 o'clock will not be delivered until after 2 o'clock P. M.; also, our wagons will leave our respective stores at 5:30 o'clock P. M. for the last deliveries until the next business day following.

We also further agree to close our respective places of business at 7:30 o'clock P. M. on each day except Saturdays.

This agreement shall begin on Monday, July 13th, 1914, and continue until conditions may require a change.

We do this believing that our customers can easily adapt themselves to the change and that it will be to the benefit of those in our employ as well as to ourselves.

Hoping that our customers will co-operate with us in what we believe to be the right direction, and will not ask to violate the above rules, we are,

Yours very truly,

C. C. COOK.

C. A. CASH & SON.

BUNDY-HODGES MER. CO.

WISE & BEALL.

W. R. VEALE.

Information About the Cotton School.

Our Cotton Classing School opened Monday, June 20th, with a good attendance, but on account of so many of our prospective students' writing us that the harvest would keep them from coming so early, we have made arrangements with Mr. Harrel, our instructor, to have another opening day, July 20th.

Those who can get here by the 20th will get the same results as those who are enrolling now, as the school will continue on into August.

If you can get here any time up to and including July 20th, you can finish your course and be ready for a position this fall, as the cotton crop is late this year. No enrollments will be accepted after July 20th for we want all our graduates to have positions this fall, and this is an opportunity you can't afford to miss.

If you have not already written us for particulars, do it today.

Notice.

The revival services previously announced, will begin at the Methodist Church in McLean, next Sunday morning. Until the meeting now in progress at the tabernacle closes, services will be held at the church. Services will begin each morning, except Sundays, at 10 o'clock, and each night at 8:30. We will use a little pamphlet song book entitled "Familiar Songs of the Gospel," the songs in which can be sung by all. Regardless of creed, if you are trying to live a consistent Christian life, we invite your co-operation. If you are unsaved, "Come thou with us and we will do the good."

Services will likely continue until Sunday night, July 26th.

J. T. Howell, Pastor.

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

NEW DRY GOODS

have arrived and we invite you in to see them.

We are sure you will find just what you want in new gingham and dress goods.

You don't have to wait for a NEW store to buy NEW Goods—Our stock is complete.

GROCERIES

We always carry a full line of staple and fancy groceries and will be glad to figure on your bill however large or small.

Don't fail to call for your coupons with every purchase.

C. A. CASH & SON

Round Trip

Summer Tourist Fares

VIA



TO

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

D. H. NUNN
Local Agent.

Close Bible Study.

The Bible Study course that was begun several months ago under the auspices of the Woman's Home Mission of the Methodist Church has been completed, the last lesson being Wednesday.

Much interest has been shown in the study and the ladies who have followed it closely have gained a much better insight to the spiritual interpretation of the life of Christ as given by St. John.

The next study course will begin the first week in September and will be entitled "The World's Need." Rev. Howell has consented to teach this course. All who desire are invited to join this class. Books can be had by phoning Mrs. Cousins at any time before September first.

The Ladies of the Home Mission have decided to rest during the balance of this month and resume their regular work the first of August.

Mrs. Mont Noel has had as her guest her sister, Miss Jennie Gardner, of Waco. The young lady left Wednesday for Canadian where she will visit friends before returning home.

Terry W. Hudgins

Expert Watch Repairing Best Engraver in Oklahoma
ERICK OKLAHOMA

Send me your work by Parcel Post; or leave at McLean News office.

Notice.

The State of Texas, County of Gray.

To the creditors of David Bassel:

You are hereby notified that David Bassel of the county of Gray on the 12th day of June, A. D. 1914, executed a deed of assignment, conveying to the undersigned all of his property for the benefit of such of his creditors as will consent to accept their proportional share of his estate and discharge him from their respective claims and that the undersigned accepted said trust, and has duly qualified as required by law.

All creditors consenting to assignment must, within four months after the publication of this notice, make known to the assignee their consent in writing and within six months from the date of this notice file their claim, as prescribed by law, with the

undersigned, who resides at McLean, Texas, which is also his post office address.

Witness my hand this 25th day of June A. D. 1914.

A. B. Gardenhire,
Assignee.

Will Serve Lunch.

The Ladies of the Presbyterian Aid Society announce that they will serve a splendid lunch on the church lawn next Wednesday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock. The small amount of 15 cents will be charged. The hours were arranged in order not to conflict with church services. A large table has been built for the purpose and they assure the public that their lunch will be an abundance for supper. Come and then go to church.

The Racket store is in the Vanoy building. It's a little far but just think how much you can save by buying from us.

LOOKY HERE!

THIS MIGHT INTEREST YOU
—READ IT

Three Canton four-shovel Cultivators, \$25.00 each cash—\$30.00 on time.

One 14-inch Success Sulky Plow, \$35.00 cash—\$40.00 on time.

One Bain wagon bed, \$18.00 cash—\$22.50 on time.

One old style Go-devil, \$10.00 cash—\$12.50 on time.

Two walking Sod Plows, \$5.00 each cash—\$7.50 on time.

One wheeled Lister Cultivator, \$18.00 cash—\$22.00 on time.

One Johnston Corn Binder, \$135.00 cash—\$150 half this fall and half the next.

One 60-tooth Drag Harrow, \$3.00 cash—\$10.00 on time.

C. C. COOK

The Voters Of Gray County

The undersigned voters of Gray county, have known S. L. Ball from one to ten years and it gives us great pleasure to recommend him for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Gray county.

Mr. Ball came to Gray county nearly ten years ago, however he has not lived in the county the whole ten years, but has been in the county about five and a half years, and has been back at that time over one and a half years which makes him a legally qualified voter just the same as if he had remained in the county the whole ten years, at the time he farmed and afterward accepted position with the St. L. & S. W. Ry. Co. at Tyler, Texas, where he served for several years.

Mr. Ball is strictly a business man and well qualified to fill the office to which he aspires to fill. He is making the race on his merits, confident of his ability to discharge the duties of the office to which he aspires, and pledging to the people of Gray county his word and honor, if elected, ever to remain true to the duties imposed in him, and conduct the office in that business like manner expected of an efficient office holder.

R. Loftin.	Dr. J. A. Coppedge.
J. Ball.	W. O. Mathis.
F. Yocam.	F. R. McCracken.
P. Reeves.	W. E. Kennedy.
B. London.	E. B. Reeves.
T. Blakney.	J. T. Davis.
D. Shaw.	J. D. Davenport.
H. Keasler.	and others.

Tyler, Texas, November 28, 1913.

WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We, the undersigned officers of Smith County and of the City of Tyler, have known Mr. S. L. Ball for several years past, and it gives us great pleasure to commend him for any office or position which he might aspire to fill.

Mr. Ball is an honest, sober, upright gentleman, and any business entrusted in his hands will be closely attended to and fully discharged. He is energetic and faithful and true to his trust. We feel confident that he is competent to fill any office of clerical office or field work entrusted to him, and heartily commend him to the public.

JOE LAND, Sheriff of Smith County, Texas.
W. E. BURGESS, City Marshall of the City of Tyler.
J. J. RAY, Policeman of the City of Tyler.

Local Happenings

Items of Interest About Town and County

Expert shoe repairing and leather work. John Mertel.

Shooting Capes for the 4th at 15¢—25¢ with fifty shot.

Ask our price on a "Quick Meal" range. Overton Hdw. Co.

Mr. Clark returned Saturday last week from New Mexico.

Large Flags! Flags! at the Wolfe Hardware Store.

Good clean pictures at the Electric Theatre.

Beautiful Japanese fans at 15¢.

Walter Cooke was among the visitors to Clarendon last week.

You can get what you want in our store at Cook's.

Don't forget the 15 cent lunch on Wednesday.

E. Boyett visited in Amarillo Wednesday.

The Delmonte Cafe is the place to eat.

Handle standard make shoes—very best. C. C. Cook.

Dr. Hugh Snow of Erick is attending to business matters here.

Have a nice line of bran new shoes. Let me fit you. C. C. Cook.

Get one of these new Perfection cook stoves and enjoy life. Overton Hardware Co.

Geo. Bourland enjoyed a visit with friends at Clarendon the other day.

Just received a beautiful line of shoes—you had better get one before they are picked over. Wolfe Hardware Co.

Mrs. R. S. Thompson left Wednesday for Clinton, Okla., to visit with relatives.

Get in the habit of coming to the Racket store for what you want—it's cheaper.

Miss Lula Faulkner spent the week at the Thompson ranch the guest of Miss Maud.

Try our cold drink department—ice cream always on hand. Delmonte Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Siler Faulkner of LeFors are visiting friends in the city.

For garden tools, rakes, plows, hoes, etc., see us. McLean Hdw. Co.

Mrs. C. H. Rowe and Flossie spent several days in town this week at the Vatch home.

Painting and paper hanging. Ask for prices. Jack Hodges phone 153.

Edgar Thompson of LeFors was a business visitor here the first of the week.

Give us a call and let us demonstrate to you our splendid confectionary service. Jeff Earp.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cash have rented the Vannoy home and are now housekeeping.

Come see my shoes. I have a new line of the very best. John Mertel.

Dr. Donnell and family visited relatives and enjoyed the fourth in Clarendon.

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

Miss Ruby Cook is enjoying an outing on the Aldus ranch north of Shamrock.

Sam Erwin is back at his old post in the Cook store for a few weeks.

Go-devils, both two row and sled. Let us fit you out with one. McLean Hdw. Co.

J. T. Davis of Alanreed was transacting business here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Collier of Amarillo spent the week end at the Dorsey home.

100 foot clothes line—the very best—for 29 cents at the Racket store.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Gardenhire are now housekeeping in one of the Rochinsky houses.

Miss Pearl Newton left Tuesday for Dodsonville, Texas, for a visit with relatives.

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

A. A. Callahan has had the misfortune of losing two fine calves.

Swat the fly, we have swatters. Also have screen doors and screen wire. McLean Hardware Co.

M. and Mrs. J. H. Chambers are enjoying a visit from their son, Sam Chambers.

Jake Stubbs made a trip overland to points in Oklahoma this week.

What is the use to bake bread and pies this hot weather when you can get a fresh supply at the Delmonte.

A letter to friends announces that Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hurst are enjoying a visit with their parents at Meigs, Ga.

Quite a crowd of pleasure seekers enjoyed a dance at the Howard Hudfins home Saturday night.

Anyone finding a gold cuff button engraved "G. B. K." will receive reward by returning same to J. W. Kibler.

Sam Hodges spent a couple of days this week on a fishing trip the guest of Ira Chambers of Shamrock.

Mrs. B. F. Gardenhire returned Sunday from an extended visit with her parents at Clarendon.

Just come in and price our stuff—we don't ask you to buy if you can order cheaper. The Racket Store.

Miss Grace Evans of Erick spent several days here this week the guest of Miss Molly Gardenhire.

Your neighbor has one of those New Perfection Oil cook stoves and is enjoying her cooking. Why not you? McLean Hdw. Co.

C. C. Cook enjoyed a visit from his brother and nephew, W. H. Cook and Virgil Cook, of Ola, Ala., the latter part of the week.

For good photographs see Willis Brothers. All Kodak work gotten out promptly. Orders taken for enlarged pictures. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Quite an increase in membership is the result of the contest inaugurated by the members of the Presbyterian Sunday school.

For Sale—Fifty head of cows and calves and seventy-five head of yearling steers. All high grade Herefords. Address box 149, Clarendon, Texas.

S. P. Rogers and wife of Sayre spent the latter part of last week with their brother, W. P. Rogers.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church will serve a 15 cent lunch on the church lawn next Wednesday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock. Every body invited.

J. L. Crabtree left the latter part of last week for Nevada, Mo., where he will enter the Weltmer Sanitarium. Friends express the hope that he will speedily regain his health.

Dr. J. A. Hall, dentist, announces that he will be in McLean from Monday until Saturday, July 6th to 11th inclusive, to do dental work. Will be at the Wolfe Drug Store.

Miss Annie Binns left Tuesday for her home in Moody, Tex., after a pleasant visit here with her sister, Mrs. S. W. Rice.

Have you visited our ice cream parlors and tried our service? We are better than ever prepared to handle the lady trade. Give us a trial. Jeff Earp.

Considering the season of the year, we believe the bank statements in this issue of the News tell a splendid story of the prosperity of this section.

The 4th of July is coming be patriotic by getting a flag. Small size, two for 5 cents, next size 10 cents and large size 15 cents. Wolfe Drug Store.

Mrs. W. R. Richardson returned to Erick Wednesday after a visit with her son Euriel Evans and family.

Baby days and baby ways are over too soon. A good picture, though, will keep the memory of those days fresh through all the years of growth and change. When was your baby's picture taken last? Willis Bros.

J. W. Kibler, Joe Phillips, W. M. Massay and Ross Biggers were Clarendon visitors last week. They witnessed a ball game between Shamrock and Clarendon in which the score stood two and two at the close of the thirteenth inning.

The protracted meeting now in progress at the tabernacle will continue over Sunday night. This meeting is being held by the Church of Christ with Elder W. P. Skaggs of Vernon doing the preaching. Good crowds have been present and much interest shown. Everyone is cordially invited to hear each sermon. The singing is congregational and no public contributions are taken.

MOVING PICTURES

When you are tired nothing will rest you more than to come to the "picture show." We make a special effort to get only the good, clean, moral films. We will soon install electric fans and an electric piano.

ELECTRIC THEATRE

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Of the financial condition of the Bank of Alanreed at Alanreed, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1914, published in the McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 10th day of July, 1914.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$23,041 32
Loans, real estate	1,210 08
Overdrafts	54 29
Real estate (banking house)	4,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	1,000 00
Due from approved reserve agents, net	886 91
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check, net	00 00
Cash Items	690 00
Currency	1,502 97
Specie	2,192 97
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	233 10
Total	\$32,618 67

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$10,000 00
Surplus fund	2,500 00
Undivided profits, net	3,084 58
Individual deposits subject to check	11,734 09
Time Certificates of Deposit	300 00
Bills payable and rediscounts	5,000 00
Total	\$32,618 67

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Gray } We, F. R. McCracken as president, and D. B. London 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.

F. R. MCCRACKEN, President.
D. B. LONDON, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of July, A. D. nineteen hundred and fourteen. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. [SEAL]

J. A. COPPEDGE, Notary Public.

CORRECT—ATTEST: { S. R. LOFTIN }
{ S. R. KENNEDY } Directors
{ D. B. LONDON }

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Of the financial condition of the Citizens State Bank at McLean, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1914, published in the McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 10th day of July, 1914.

RESOURCES:

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$44,770 91
Loans, real estate	10,789 47
Overdrafts	1,809 84
Real estate (banking house)	3,065 00
Other real estate	1,134 79
Furniture and fixtures	2,586 00
Due from approval reserve agents, net	10,771 19
Cash Items	39 25
Currency	3,710 00
Specie	468 24
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	14,988 68
Other resources as follows: Assessment for Guaranty Fund	1,714 96
Net Expenses	141 09
Total	\$80,669 95

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock paid in	\$15,000 00
Surplus fund	2,600 00
Individual deposits subject to check	39,896 27
Time certificates of deposit	9,907 84
Cashiers checks	1,175 84
Bills payable and rediscounts	12,000 00
Total	\$80,669 95

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Gray } We, D. N. Massay as president, and Clay E. Thompson 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.
CLAY E. THOMPSON, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of July, A. D. nineteen hundred and fourteen. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. [SEAL]

W. R. PATTERSON, Notary Public.
D. N. MASSAY }
W. E. BALLARD } Directors
CLAY E. THOMPSON }

Leave your orders for all kinds of JEWELRY and

WATCH REPAIRING

with me I am representing H. S. Taylor of Shamrock. All work guaranteed.

WILLIS BROTHERS

The "Quick Meal" range can be bought from Overton Hdw. Co. Wall paper—see my samples. Jack Hodges, phone 153.

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FOR 20 YEARS

This Three Piece Set for ONLY \$1.50

Get yours while you have a complete stock to select from. ALSO

Quick-Meal Stoves and Ranges
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A case stove constructed according to the Fire Underwriters. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED OR MONEY REFUNDED. Give us a trial, we need, and want, your business. Yours for a square deal.

OVERTON HARDWARE CO.



The Hollow of Her Hand

by George Barr McCutcheon

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SYNOPSIS.

Challis Wrاندall is found murdered in a rooming house near New York. Mrs. Wrاندall is summoned from the city and identifies the body. A young woman who accompanied Wrاندall to the rooming house is subsequently disappeared. Mrs. Wrاندall starts back for New York in an auto during a blinding snow storm. On the way she meets a young woman in the road who proves to be the woman who killed Wrاندall. Feeling that the girl had done her a service in hiding her from the man who though she loved him deeply, had caused her great sorrow, Mrs. Wrاندall determines to shield her and takes her to her own home. Mrs. Wrاندall hears the story of Hetty's relation to Wrاندall. This and the story of the tragedy she forbids the girl ever to tell. She offers Hetty a home, friendship and security from peril on account of the tragedy. Sara Wrاندall and Hetty return to New York after an absence of a year in Europe. Leslie Wrاندall, brother of Challis, becomes greatly interested in Hetty. Sara sees in Leslie's infatuation possibility for revenge on the Wrاندalls and repatriation for the wrongs she suffered at the hands of Challis Wrاندall by marrying his murderers into the family. Leslie in company with his friend Brandon South, an agent, visits Sara at her country place. Leslie confesses to Sara that he is madly in love with Hetty. Sara arranges with South to point a picture of Hetty. Booth has a haunting feeling that he has seen Hetty before. Looking through a portfolio of pictures by an unknown English artist he finds one of Hetty. He speaks to her about it. Hetty declares it must be a picture of Hetty Glynn, an English actress who resembles her very much. Much to his chagrin Leslie is refused by Hetty. Booth and Hetty confess their love for each other, but the latter declares that she can never marry, as there is an insurmountable barrier in the way. Hetty admits to Sara that she loves Booth. Sara declares that Hetty must marry Leslie, who must be made to pay his brother's debt to the girl. Hetty again attempts to tell the real story of the tragedy and Sara threatens to expose her if she says a word. Sara insults Hetty by revealing that all this time she has believed Hetty to have eloped in her relations with Challis Wrاندall. Later she realizes that Hetty is innocent. Leslie again proposes to Hetty and is rejected. Hetty proposes to Sara, declaring that after what has happened she can remain no longer. Hetty starts for Europe. At sea she receives a message from Booth that he has started on a faster steamer and will be waiting for her on the other side. Booth meets her and accompanies her to London.

CHAPTER XIV.—Continued.

When the night boat from Dover to Calais slipped away from her moorings that evening, Hetty Castleton and her maid were on board, with all their bags and trunks, and Brandon Booth was supposed to be completely at sea in the heart of that glittering London town.

The night was fog-laden and dripping, and the crossing promised to be unpleasant. Wrapped in a thick seal-skin Hetty sat huddled up in the lee of the deckhouse, sick at heart and miserable. She reproached herself for the scurvy trick she was playing on him, reviled herself and yet pitied herself.

A tall man came shambling down the narrow space along the rail and stopped directly in front of her. She started in alarm as he reached out his hand to support himself against the deckhouse. As he leaned forward, he laughed.

"You were thinking of me, Hetty," said the man.

For a long time she stared at him, transfixed, and then, with a low moan, covered her eyes with her hands.

"Is it true—is it a dream?" she sobbed.

He dropped down beside her and gathered her in his strong, eager arms.

"You were thinking of me, weren't you? And reproaching yourself, and bating yourself for running away like this? I thought so. Well, you might just as well try to dodge the smartest detective in the world as to give me the slip now, darling."

"You—you spied on me?" she cried, in muffled tones. She lay very limp in his arms.

"I did," he confessed, without shame.

"God, when I think of what I might be doing at this moment if I hadn't found you out in time! Think of me back there in London, racing about like a madman, searching for you in every—"

"Please, please!" she implored.

"But luck was with me. You can't get away, Hetty. I shan't let you out of my sight again. I'll camp in front of your door and you'll see me wither and die of sleeplessness, for one or the other of my eyes will always be open."

"Oh, I am so tired, so miserable," she murmured.

"Poor little sweetheart!"

"I wish you would hate me."

"Lie where you are, dearest, and—forget!"

"If I only could—forget!"

"Rest. I will hold you tight and keep you warm. We're in for a nasty crossing, but it is paradise for me. I am mad with the delight of having you here, holding you close to me, feeling you in my arms. The wilder the night, the better, for I am wild with the joy of it all. I love you! I love you!" He strained her closer to him in a sort of paroxysm.

She was quiet for a long time. Then she breathed into his ear:

"You will never know how much I was longing for you, just as you are now, Brandon, and in the midst of it all you came. It is like a fairy story, and oh, I shall always believe in fairies."

A long time afterward the throbbing ceased, bell-booms whistled and clanged about them; the sea suddenly grew calm and lifeless; they slid over it as if it were a quivering sheet of ice; and lights sneaked out of the fog and approached with stealthy swiftness. Bells rang below and above them.

sailors sprang up from everywhere and calls were heard below; the rattling of chains and the thumping of heavy luggage took the place of that steady, monotonous beat of the engines. People began to infest the deck, limp and groaning harassed but voiceless. A mighty sigh seemed to envelop the whole ship—a sigh of relief.

Then it was that these two arose stiffly from their sheltered bench and gave heed to the things that were about them.

The channel was behind them.

CHAPTER XV.

Rattling Old Bones.

They journeyed to Paris by the night mail. He was waiting for her on the platform when she descended from the wagon lit in the Gare du Nord. Sleepy passengers crowded with them into the customs department. She, alone among them all, was smiling brightly, as if the world could be sweet at an hour when, by all odds, it should be sleepiest.

"I was up and on the lookout for you at Amiens," he declared, as they walked off together. "You might have got off there, you know," with a wry grin.

"I shall not run away from you again, Brandon," she said earnestly. "I promise, on my honor."

"By Jove," he cried, "that's a relief!" Then he broke into a happy laugh.

"I shall go to the Ritz," she said, after her effects had been examined and were ready for release.

"I thought so," he announced calmly. "I wired for rooms before I left London."

"Really, this is ridiculous!"

"Don't frown like that, Hetty," he pleaded.

As they rattled and bounced over the cobbles in a taxi-meter on the way to the Place Vendome, he devoted the whole of his conversation to the delicious breakfast they were to have, expatiating glibly on the wonderful berries that would come first in that always-to-be-remembered meal.

She was ravenously hungry by the time they reached the hotel, just from listening to his dissertation on chops and rolls and coffee as they are served in Paris, to say nothing of waffles and honey and the marshallade that no Englishman can do without.

Alone in his room, however, he was quite another person. His calm assurance took flight the instant he closed the door and moodily began to prepare for his bath. Resolution was undiminished, but the facts in the case were most desolating. Whatever it was that stood between them, there was no gaining its power to influence their lives. It was no trifle that caused her to take this second flight, and the sooner he came to realize the seriousness of opposition the better.

His mind on one point in that half-hour before breakfast; if she asked him again to let her go her way in peace, it was only fair to her and right that he should submit to the inevitable. She loved him, he was sure of it. Then there must be a very good reason for her perplexing attitude toward him. He would make one more attempt to have the truth from her.

"I can say no more. It is useless to insist, Brandon. If you can wrest the story from her, all well and good. You will hate me then, dear love. But it cannot be helped. I am prepared."

"Tell me this much: When you refused to marry Leslie, was your course inspired by what had happened in—connection with Challis Wrاندall?"

"You forget that it is you that I love," she responded simply.

"But why should Sara urge you to marry Leslie if there is anything—?"

"Hush! There is the waiter. Come to my sitting-room after breakfast. I have something to say to you. We must come to a definite understanding. This cannot go on."

He was with her for an hour in that pinched little sitting-room, and left her there without a vestige of favour in his soul. She would not give an inch in the stand she had taken, but something immeasurably great in his makeup rose to the occasion and he went forth with the conviction that he had no right to demand more of her than she was ready to give. He was satisfied to abide by her decision. The spell of her was over him more completely than ever before.

Two days later he saw her off at the Gare de Lyons, bound for Interlaken. There was a complete understanding between them. She wanted to be quite alone in the Alpine town; he was not to follow her there. She had reserved rooms at the Schwetzerhof, and the windows of her sitting-room looked straight up the valley to the snow-covered crest of the Jungfrau. She remembered these rooms; as a young girl she had occupied them with her father and mother. By some hook or crook, Booth arranged by wire for her to have them again, not an easy matter at that season of the year. Later she was to go to Lucerne, and then to Venice.

The slightest shred of hope was left for Booth. Even though he might accomplish the task he had set unto himself—the conquest of Sara in respect to the untold story—he still had Hetty's dismal prophecy that after he learned the truth he would come to see why they could not be married. But he would not despair.

"We'll see," was all that he said in response to her fervent cry that they were parting for ever. There was a grimace in the way he said it that gave her something to cherish during the months to come; the hope that he would come back and take her in spite of herself.

He sailed from Cherbourg on the first steamship calling there. Awake, he thought of her; asleep, he dreamed

of Challis Wrاندall. There was something uncanny in the persistence with which that ruthless despoiler of peace forced his way into his dreams, to the absolute exclusion of all else. The voyage home was made horrid by these nightly reminders of a man he scarcely knew, yet dreaded. He became more or less obsessed by the idea that an evil spell had descended upon him in the shape of a ghostly influence.

The weeks passed slowly for Hetty. There were no letters from Sara, but an occasional line or so from Mr. Carroll. She had made Brandon Booth promise that he would not write to her, nor was he to expect anything from her. If her intention was to cut herself off entirely from her recent

who loved her did not. It is a way men have.

CHAPTER XVI.

Vivian Aims Her Opinions.

Chief among Booth's virtues was his undeviating loyalty to a set purpose. He went back to America with the firm intention to clear up the mystery surrounding Hetty Castleton, no matter how irksome the delay in achieving his aim or how vigorous the methods he would have to employ. Sara Wrاندall, to all purposes, held the key; his object in life now was to induce her to turn it in the lock and throw open the door so that he might enter in and become a sharer in the secrets beyond.

A certain amount of optimistic courage attended him in his campaign against what had been described to him as the impossible. He could see no clear reason why she should withhold the secret under the new conditions, when so much in the shape of happiness was at stake. It was in this spirit of confidence that he prepared to confront her on his arrival in New York, and it was the same unbounded faith in the belief that nothing evil could result from a perfectly just and honorable motive that gave him the needed courage.

He stayed over night in New York, and the next morning saw him on his way to Southport. There was something truly ingenious in his desire to get to the bottom of the matter without fear or apprehension. At the very worst, he maintained, there could be nothing more reprehensible than a passing infatuation, long since dispelled, or perhaps a mildly sinister episode in which virtue had been triumphant and vice defeated with unpleasant results to at least one person, and that person the husband of Sara Wrاندall.

Pat met him at the station and drove him to the little cottage on the upper road.

"Ye didn't stay long," said he reflectively, after he had put the bag up in front. He took up the reins.

"Not very," replied his master.

After a dozen rods or more, Pat tried again.

"Just seventeen days, I make it."

"Seems longer."

"Perhaps you'll be after going back soon."

"Why should you think that, Patrick?"

"Because you don't seem to be takin' much interest in your surroundin's here," said Pat loftily. He delivered a smart smack on the crupper with his stubby whip, and pursed his lips for the companionship to be derived from whistling.

"I suppose you know why I went to Europe," said Booth, laying his hand affectionately on the man's arm.

"Sure I do," said Pat, forgetting to whistle. "And was it bad luck you had, sor?"

"A temporary case of it, I'm afraid."

"Well," said the Irishman, looking up at his employer with the most profound encouragement in his wink, "if I've never found bad luck to be anything but temporary, Andy, believe me, I've had plenty of it. Mary was dom near three years makin' up her mind to say yis to me."

"And since then you've had no bad luck?" said Booth, with a smile.

"Plenty of it, begob, but I've had some one besides myself to blame for it. There's a lot in that, Mr. Brandon. When a man marries, he simply divides his luck into two parts, good and bad, and if he's like most men he puts the bulk of the bad luck on his wife and kapes to himself all he can av the good for a rainy day. That's what makes him a strong man and able to meet trouble when it comes. The beauty av the arrangement is that bad luck is only temporary and a woman enjoys talking about it, while good luck is wid us nine-tenths of the time, whether we know it or not, and we don't have to talk about it."

This was the philosophy, but Booth discerned the underlying motive.

"Have you been quarrelin'?"

"I have not," said Pat wrathfully.

"But I won't say as much for Mary. The point av my argument is that I have all the good luck in havin' married her, and she claims to have had all the bad luck in marryin' me. Still, as I said before, 'tis but temporary. The good luck lasts and the bad don't, she'll be after tellin' me so before sundown. That's like all women. You'll find it out for yourself av o' these days. Mr. Brandon, and ye'll be dom proud ye're a man and can enjoy your good luck when ye get it. The bad luck's always fallin' behind ye, and ye can always look forward to the good luck. So don't be downhearted. She'll take you, or me name's not what it ought to be."

Booth was inclined to accept this unique discourse as a fair-weather sign.

"Take these bags upstairs, Pat," said he on their arrival at the cottage, "and then come down and drive me over to Mrs. Wrاندall's."

"Will ye be after stayin' for lunch with her, Mr. Brandon?" inquired Pat, climbing over the wheel.

"I can't answer that question now. 'Tilven help both av us if Mary's

good luncheon goes to waste. I'll be avominoously. 'That's all I have to say. She'll take it out av both av us."

"Tell her I'll be here av both av us," said Booth, with alacrity. From what it may be perceived that master and man were of one mind when it came to considering the importance of Mary's Pat studied his watch for a moment with a calculating eye.

"It's half-past eleven now, sor," announced. "If ye think ye can make it?"

Booth reflected. "I think not," he said. "I'll have luncheon first. When I've leaped from the trap and waded in to tell Mary how happy he was to be where he could enjoy home cooking."

At four he was delivered at Sara's door by the astute Patrick, announced by the sedate Watson and interrogated by the intelligent Murray, who seemed surprised to hear that he would have anything cool to drink. He sent word that she would be down in fifteen minutes, but, as a matter of fact, appeared in less than three.

She came directly to the point.

"Well," she said, with her mysterious smile, "she sent you back to see me." He was still clasping her hand.

"Have you heard from her?" he asked quickly.

"No. But I knew just what would happen. I told you it would prove to be a wild-goose chase. Where was she?"

He sat down beside her on the couch covered couch.

"In Switzerland. I put her on a train the night before I sailed. Ye she did send me back to you. No, I'm here, I want the whole story, Sara. What is it that stands between us?"

For an hour he pleaded with her all to no purpose. She steadfastly refused to divulge the secret. Not even his blunt reference to Challis Wrاندall's connection with the affair touched a vulnerable spot in her armor.

"I shan't give it up, Sara," he said at the end of his earnest harangue against the palpably unfair stand he and Hetty were taking. "I mean to harness you, if you please, until I get what I'm after. It is of the most vital importance to me. Quite as much so, I am sure, as it appears to be to you. If Hetty will say the word, I'll tell her gladly, just as she is, without knowing what all this is about. But you see, she won't consent. You must be some way to override her. You both admit there is no legal barrier. You tell me today that there is no insanity in her family, and that is of other things that I've been able to bring out by questioning, so I'm more than ever certain that the whole matter is not so serious as you would have me believe. Therefore, I must pester you until you give in to me, dear Sara."

"Very well," she said resignedly. "When may I expect a renewal of the conflict?"

"Would tomorrow be convenient?" he asked quaintly.

She returned his smile. "Come to luncheon."

"Have I your permission to take the portrait?"

"Yes. As soon as you like."

He left her without feeling that he had gained an inch along the road to success. That night, in the gloom of his stilted porch, he smoked

a pipeful and derived therefrom a profound estimate of the value of discretion as opposed to bold and impulsive measures in the handling of a determined woman. He would make haste slowly, as the saying goes. He had an unexpected victory in gaining dilatory tactics, provided the blow struck at the psychological moment of least resistance.

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Forged Antiques.

Arabic enameled glassware is prized as one of the finest productions of the glassmaker's art. Damascus is the principal point for the discovery of Arabic antiques, and undoubtedly much of it was made in that city in ancient times; but United States Consul John D. Whiting at Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, discovered that the business of facturing forgeries of the glassware in Damascus.



"Hetty!" He Cried, in a Hoarse Whisper.



She Stared at Him, Transfixed.



Pat Met Him at the Station.

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The last and the most fascinating word that the goddess of fashion uttered is this whisper of crepe chiffon in which she tells her...

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wrinkles about the arm and must extend fully to the knuckles. The neck is finished with a narrow turnover collar of chiffon. About the waist is the very simplest of girdles made of wide ribbon tied in a two-looped bow at the front.

It is arranged in folds, and is, in fact, a sort of oriental turban which sets close to the head and falls, with much grace, to the nape of the neck. It is impossible to keep the hair confined during the buoyant steps and frolicsome springing about in which the new dances abound.

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By One Who, From Her Past Experience, is Capable of Giving Sound Advice.

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After many treatments failed to help me, my husband persuaded me to give Cardul, the woman's tonic, a trial, and I did so. Now I feel like a new woman. I am well of all these troubles, and can do all my household work, with pleasure.

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I shall keep Cardul in my home all the time. There is not any medicine that equals it for women."

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Try it—Adv.

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CUPID HAD HIT HIM HARD

Surely Day of Romance is Not Ended When Lovesick Swain Can Feel Like This.

"Come, come, old man; don't let it knock you out. There are plenty of other girls in the world. In six months from now you will have forgotten her."

"Yes, I suppose it is as you say; but it isn't six months from now. Everything I see reminds me of her. When I look at other women I can't help thinking how much more beautiful she is than any of them. When the wind blows I am reminded that it is probably adding to the color of her cheeks. Whenever I pass a corner where she and I have stood together I have a strange empty feeling as if something were gone out of my life."

"When I look up at the sky, I cannot keep from remembering that it is above her. If I could forget her for only a day, for only an hour, I think I might learn to hope again; but I can't get her out of my mind. It seems to me that the whole world is changed since she told me that I was never to see her again. I can't understand how anybody manages to keep on being happy. I would give almost anything to forget her."—Chicago Record-Herald.

WILLING TO GIVE AWAY PAPA

Youthful Logician Met Appeal to His Generosity With a Crushing Answer.

A mother was urging her little son to be generous, specifically in the case of a small comrade not well endowed with worldly goods.

"I wish you'd give your little wagon to Melville," she suggested. "He has so few toys and you have so many."

"I don't want to, mama. I like my little wagon. Why doesn't his papa buy toys for him?"

"He has no papa, dear. That is the reason why I want you to be so particularly nice to him. It would be no virtue in you to give him what you don't want anyway. We should always be careful to share what we really prize. Now, as I say, Melville has no papa and—"

"Well, why don't you give him papa, then?" was the youthful logician's reply.

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the

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A Rare, Rare Man.

William H. Hamby, short story writer and novelist, is a great lover of folks and makes friends with all sorts and conditions of men. One day while on an outing in the Ozarks he got a hill billy who was something of a character to accompany him on a fishing excursion in order to study the type. The two men spent the day in the woods together and returned to camp old friends and then Mr. Hamby learned that he was not the only one on the expedition who had been studying his companion. As they shook hands in parting the hill billy said:

"I taken a likin' to yuh, but yuh shore be the queerest man I ever see. I've noticed you all day, an' yuh ain't took a drink, yuh ain't took a smoke and yuh ain't cussed onct!"—Kansas City Star.

Poetic Tragedy.

"Bill," the poet gasped, staggering into his friend's room.

"Why, what's wrong?" the friend inquired, startled as he grasped hold of the tottering man.

"Wrong!" the poet muttered. "Ye Gods! I wrote a poem about my little boy. I began the first verse with these lines:

"My son! My pigmy counterpart."

"Yes? Yes?"

The poet drew a long breath as he took a newspaper from his pocket.

"Read!" he blazed suddenly. "See what the criminal compositor did to my opening line."

The friend read aloud:

"My son! my pig, my counterpart!"

—National Monthly.

Patriotic Idea.

"John, why are you not eating your breakfast? What are you looking so queerly at those biscuits for?"

"I was wondering, Maria, if it would not be a patriotic thing to offer them to the government for its stock of ammunition."

Makes the laundress happy—that's Red Cross Ball Blue. Makes beautiful, clear white clothes. All good grocers. Adv.

Appropriate Wooing.

"To court this empty-headed heifer is a hard proposition."

"Then why not try soft nothings?"

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The worst case, no matter of how long standing, are cured by the wonderful, old reliable Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil. It relieves Pain and Heals at the same time. 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

Of the 477 women doctors in England, the greater majority are married.

Coca-Cola advertisement featuring an illustration of a hand holding a glass of Coca-Cola. Text includes: 'Here!', 'Drink this and be refreshed!', 'Coca-Cola', 'Sip by sip here's pure enjoyment—cool comfort—a satisfied thirst—a contented palate.', 'Demand the genuine by full name—Nicknames encourage substitution.', 'THE COCA-COLA COMPANY ATLANTA, GA.', 'Whenever you see an Arrow think of Coca-Cola.'

Everything in a Name.

Gadsby—What will you name your new paper?

Writer—The Plughtown Harp of a Thousand Strings with Steam Calliope Interlude and Journalistic Short Stop.

Gadsby—Heavens, what a name! Why do you have such a complicated title?

Writer—To avoid damages in libel suits. The attorneys will all blunder in the indictments and they'll be quashed.

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Old Squire Grampus—Bill Bigenort's a-makin' a gosh rattlin' good record down that few congress. Bill'll make 'em set up and take notice. He's had durn good trainin'.

Farmer Stringem—Yeou bet. He's done nothin' but set around Pettus' store with yeou an' other similar prominent legislators fer th' last twenty years."

The Domestic Mark.

"A man should be master in his own house, Mr. Dolan," said Mr. Rafferty. "He should. But instead of being master every new and then he finds himself forced into the position of umpire."

For sore or weak eyes, use DICKIE'S OLD RELIABLE EYE WATER. Don't burn. Adv.

A good bluff makes more noise than great riches.

Libby's Luncheon Delicacies advertisement. Text includes: 'Dried Beef, sliced wafer thin, Hickory Smoked and with a choice flavor that you will remember.', 'Vienna Sausage—just right for Red Hots, or to serve cold. We suggest you try them served like this: Cut rye bread in thin slices, spread with creamed butter and remove crusts. Cut a Libby's Vienna Sausage in half, lengthwise, and lay on the bread. Place on the top of the sausage a few thin slices of Libby's Midget Pickles. Cover with the other slice of bread and press lightly together. Arrange on plate and serve garnished with a few parsley sprays.', 'Libby, McNeill & Libby Chicago'.

Zona Face Pomade advertisement. Text includes: 'Zona Face Pomade "The ALL DAY BEAUTY POWDER"', 'Ideal when motoring—protects and beautifies the complexion—does not blow off—pure and harmless.', 'At all dealers or by mail 50c.', 'Zona Co., Wichita, Kansas.'

400,000 Settlers a Year advertisement. Text includes: 'Immigration figures show that the population of Canada increased during 1913, by the addition of 400,000 new settlers from the United States and Europe. Most of these have gone on farms in provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.', 'Lord William Percy, an English Nobleman, says: "The possibilities and opportunities offered by the Canadian West are so infinitely greater than those which exist in England, that it seems absurd to think that people should be impeded from coming to the country where they can most easily and certainly improve their position.", 'New districts are being opened up, which will make accessible a great number of homesteads in districts especially adapted to mixed farming and grain raising.', 'For illustrated literature and reduced railway rates, apply to Supt. of Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or to G. A. COOK 120 W. 9th Street Kansas City, Mo. Western Canada FREE'.

DEFIANCE STARCH advertisement. Text includes: 'DEFIANCE STARCH is constantly growing in favor because it does not stick to the iron and it will not injure the finest fabric. For laundry purposes it has no equal. 16 oz. package 10c. 1-3 more starch for same money.', 'DEFIANCE STARCH CO., Omaha, Nebraska'

TENTS, AWNINGS, CANVAS COVERS advertisement. Text includes: 'OKLAHOMA CITY TENT & AWNING CO. 314 WEST FIRST STREET. WRITE FOR DELIVERED PRICE.', 'W. N. U., Oklahoma City, No. 25-1914.'

Death Lurks In A Weak Heart advertisement. Text includes: 'If Yours is fluttering or weak, use RENOVINE. Made by Van Vleet-Mansfield Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn. Price \$1.00'

TO THE VOTERS

On account of having been thrown from a buggy and badly crippled several weeks ago it will be impossible for me to call on you personally before the close of the present campaign, and therefore I am writing you this letter with hopes that you will take time and trouble to read it and give me the benefit of your consideration in the choice of a tax assessor.

I understand that certain opponents of mine have been setting on a nest of eggs that are expected to hatch out about election time, but I have decided to bring the brood off now, so that the people may know. In the first place, let me say that I have made some mistakes—a common failing of mankind—but I have striven to do my duty as best I could at all times. Last year I failed to assess school taxes against part of the White Deer lands on the plains and against the R. S. Jordan cattle, but as soon as I found I had overlooked these assessments I went to the county judge and told him I would pay the amounts out of my own pocket. He told me that it was not necessary to do this, as I could supplement them this year and collect the tax just the same—which I will certainly do.

Another charge that will doubtless be brought is that I changed some of the property renditions after they had been passed by the Board of Equalization and I wish to confirm the charge right now as I want to be perfectly honest with you and have nothing to hide. As you doubtless know, the Board of Equalization last year failed and refused to take the oath of office prescribed by statute, which failure and refusal rendered their work void from a legal standpoint. Knowing this to be a fact and realizing that part of the renditions had to be certified to by myself, I did make some just and equitable changes in the unrendered and non-resident lists, believing that the non-residents should pay their just proportion of the expenses of the government, as well as the residents who are helping build up the country in other ways. In some instances I put the non-resident property back to what it had been rendered at, under oath, by the owners. So far as I can recall I did not touch the valuation of any property rendered by resident people, as they were here and could look after their own interests. I understand that it is claimed that I raised the valuation of the Judge Saunder's property, but I have no recollection of doing so. If you are sufficiently interested, however, I think you will find that Judge Saunder's property was placed on the rolls at a valuation of \$1.50 per acre, regardless of its real value or the value of the improvements thereon.

In conclusion, let me say that I have touched on the matter of raising property valuations simply because I wish you to know just what was done—and why. I do not wish to keep from the public any of my official actions, neither do I wish to be misrepresented by those who would secure the office through mudslinging at me rather than on their own merits.

If you can consistently vote for me I assure you now that I will appreciate it as much as any old human could and I will, if elected, continue to do my very best to serve you in an acceptable manner.

Very truly yours,

J. B. PASCHALL

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Of the financial condition of the American State Bank at McLean, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 1914, published in the McLean News, a newspaper printed and published at McLean, State of Texas, on the 10th day July, 1914:

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$89,195 59
Loans, real estate	52,258 30
Overdrafts	599 78
Bonds and Stocks	750 00
Real Estate (banking house)	4,711 65
Furniture and Fixtures	2,907 13
Due from approved reserve agents, net	\$13,704 96
Cash items	84 75
Currency	5,965 00
Specie	1,264 96
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund	1,280 79
Suspense	53 13
Total	\$125,776 04

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in	\$25,000 00
Surplus Fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits, net	2,411 09
Individual deposits subject to check	68,275 37
Time certificates of deposit	10,488 77
Bills payable and rediscunts	195 81
Certificates of deposit issued for money borrowed	9,405 00
Total	\$125,776 04

State of Texas, }
County of Gray. } We, D. B. Veatch as president, and W. H. Holt 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. B. VEATCH, President.
W. H. HOLT, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of July, nineteen hundred and fourteen. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

JAS. F. HEASLEY, Notary Public.
D. B. VEATCH }
GEO. W. SITTER } Directors
J. T. FOSTER }

CORRECT—ATTEST:

Date Changed.

The date for holding of the socialist encampment at McLean has been changed and placed at August 11, 12 and 13, 1914. The socialist of this community are making arrangements to entertain a large crowd and general invitation to party members everywhere is extended. Something more definite in regard to the program will likely be published a little later.

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Notice.

Patrons will please take notice to the fact that the 1914 season with Star State is closed.

Joe Clark.

TEXAS FACTS

POPULATION.

Texas had 3,896,542 people in 1910, according to the Federal Census.

Our population at the present time is approximately 4,500,000.

The first Texas Census, taken in 1850, showed 212,595 persons in the state.

Texas ranks fifth with other states in population, having wrested that place from Missouri during the past decade.

In 1850 Texas ranked twenty-fifth with other states in population.

The 1910 population classifies—3,204,848 white, 690,049 negroes, 702 Indians, 595 Chinese, 340 Japanese, 6 Filipinos and 2 Hindus.

Eighty-two and two-tenths per cent of our population is white, 17.7 negro, and 1 per cent Indians, Chinese, Japanese and others.

There are 242,000 persons in Texas who were born in foreign countries.

Seventy-six per cent of our population is rural and 24 per cent urban. There are 2,017,626 males and 1,878,916 females in Texas.

We have 109 white males to every 100 white females in Texas.

We have a million persons in Texas who have moved here from other states. Most of them came from Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas.

There are 20,000 negroes in Texas who came here from Louisiana.

Seventy-five per cent of the native white population in Texas were born in this state.

For every person who leaves Texas and moves to some other state in the Union, we get eight in return.

Cochran county in 1910 had only 65 persons living within its borders.

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McLean, Texas

Announcements

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FOR DISTRICT JUDGE:

F. P. GREEVER.
NEWTON P. WILLIS

FOR SHERIFF:

J. S. DENSON.
W. S. COPELAND
G. E. CASTLEBERRY
S. L. BALL.

FOR CLERK:

C. L. UPHAM.
T. J. D'SPAIN.
D. W. OSBORNE.

FOR ASSESSOR:

A. H. DOUCETTE.
J. B. (Joe) FOX.
J. B. PASCHALL.
J. H. SAUNDERS
T. J. McCLAIN

FOR COUNTY JUDGE:

SILER FAULKNER.
C. S. RICE.

FOR TREASURER:

HENRY THUT.
CLADE DAVIS

FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER:

CARL OVERTON,
A. W. WILLARD.
TILLMAN SUGG
JOHN MONTGOMERY
D. BASSEL

FOR COMMISSIONER:

A. B. GARDENHIRE
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Candidate for
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Primary July 25, 1914.

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Church Directory

Methodist Church.

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Sunday school at 10 a. m. every Sunday. Preaching at McLean 3rd, 1st and 5th Sundays 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. H. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. every Sunday. Reop 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.

Miss Pearl Newton is an authorized agent for the McLean News. Any favors shown her will be appreciated by us.

THE McLEAN NEWS.

If any one is visiting you (or your neighbor), or you are going anywhere, please phone 47 or 54. We want ALL the local news.

\$25.00 REWARD

I will pay a twenty-five dollar reward for the arrest and conviction of any party guilty of tying down any telephone wire or in any other manner tampering with the lines. The state law on the subject is as follows:

Penal code, Art. 784: If any person shall intentionally break, cut, pull or tear down, misplace, or in any other manner injure any telegraph or telephone wire, post, machinery or other necessary appurtenance to any telegraph or telephone line, or in any way willfully obstruct or interfere with the transmission of any messages along such telegraph or telephone line, he shall be punished by confinement in the penitentiary not less than two nor more than five years, or by fine not less than one hundred nor more than two thousand dollars.

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