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We Want You to be a Reader of the News

A Gin For McLean Is Now Assured

McLean is to have a gin. We have been believing it for some time but it has never been reached the stage it is now. The gin has been bought, a stand gin with an eighty horse boiler and a sixty horse engine, all complete. The men here are after it this week and it will be ready for business by the first of October, or about.

Having first raised a bonus of hundred dollars for someone to put in a gin, we waited and waited but no taker was found. When that the hour was growing late and further delay would mean the loss to the town of the crop the citizens got busy and raised the bonus to one thousand dollars. This was immediately taken by Messrs. Crabb and Fowler, both farmers of this vicinity.

Having decided to take the matter in hand an effort was made to secure the plant, which resulted in the buying of an outfit at Muskogee, Okla. It is claimed that the outfit could not be had from the factory.

The matter of raising the thousand dollars was the hardest that the citizens had to crack, cash donations amounting to \$650. After a vain effort to raise more it was finally decided to give a note for \$350, the first of February. Nine business men of the town stepped up behind the note and the matter was closed.

While these nine men have promised to pay the amount of the note, and will do so if the note is not otherwise raised, it is their opinion, and a correct one, that the farmers also be benefitted by the buying of a gin. They will

therefore ask every man that owns a bale here this year to donate fifty cents towards the paying of this sum. Fifty cents per bale will be a very insignificant amount to the raiser, and yet on the whole will go a long way towards paying the note.

Several of the business men of the town have signified their intention of buying cotton and it is believed that as good a price can be secured in this market as at any place in the Panhandle.

The following is a list of cash donors:

American State Bank	\$100.00
Citizens State Bank	100.00
C. A. Cash & Son	50.00
Bassel & Wise	50.00
McLean Hardware Co.	50.00
C. C. Cook	50.00
Cicero Smith Lumber Co.	25.00
Western Lumber Co.	25.00
J. W. Kibler	25.00
S. O. Cook	25.00
C. E. Donnell	20.00
J. R. Hindman	15.00
J. A. Grundy	15.00
City Meat Market	12.50
John B. Vannoy	12.50
Will H. Langley	12.50
S. A. Cousins	10.00
J. R. Phillips	10.00
J. E. Flanagan	10.00
J. W. Sugg	5.00
J. M. Noel	5.00
W. R. Patterson	5.00
S. E. Boyett	5.00
J. O. Scarbrough	2.50
Lee Barrow	2.50
Geo. Bourland	2.50
J. H. Crabtree	2.50
J. F. Heasley	2.50

In addition to the above, J. L. Crabtree made a donation of an acre of land as a site upon which to erect the gin.

In the judgment of this office that is a very liberal donation on the part of the majority of our business men and as much

Texas Needs Great Men

III. MISTAKES.

THE statesmen of China have fought back civilization for four thousand years and today it is the most benighted nation of the globe. The Mohammedan government ordered the world's greatest library at Alexandria burned and the followers of the prophet are to this day bound in fetters of ignorance. The dark ages were the result of nations fighting back the tide of civilization. Since the beginning of government, some of the leading statesmen of all countries have become badly frightened at the processes of civilization.



MOHAMED'S MISTAKE.

The smoke of a factory has been distorted into the visage of a terrible ogre; the whistle of a locomotive has been mistaken for the war whoop of an Indian and the approach of capital has scared many of our amateur statesmen into fighting a duel with civilization. Texas needs leaders who will not become frightened at the torch of knowledge or stampede at the forces of progress. Texas needs great men.

as they could be reasonable expected to pay. It is also our opinion that the farmers and a few others will come to their rescue when it comes to meeting the balance of the donation obligation.

What shall the answer be?

Making Nice Improvements

In keeping with the spirit of advancement that seems to be prevalent in our little city, J. R. Hindman, proprietor of the Hindman Hotel, is making some extensive improvements that are noteworthy.

Having first bought a modern gasoline engine, he has equipped his well with this kind of power, erecting over it a tower and a huge tank that is about forty feet high, in which he will keep a large supply of water for use not only about the hotel but for protection in case of a fire. He has also fitted up a modern laundry plant and will run the big washing machine with the engine.

In the back yard, and accessible from the street by a plank

walk, he will build a public bath house, equipped with all the modern conveniences, including hot and cold water. The bath will be for the use of the public at a normal charge.

The gentleman is arranging to pipe water all over the building; putting several hydrants on the second floor in order to have water handy in case a fire starts in that quarter.

It has long been a matter of common comment that the rear portion of this popular eating house is quite as pretty as any front lawn in the city and the opinion of the public is well taken. The lower part of the old windmill tower is covered with vines, as is also the tower from which the big dinner bell is suspended at the kitchen door. The entire back yard is set to grass and trees and is in perfect condition at all times. In fact, the Hotel Hindman is one of the most attractive places in this vicinity and it is the policy of the proprietor to keep adding to the improvements already begun.

We hope soon to be able to publish a picture of the rear view of the hotel.

If it happened it is in the News.

American Bank in Their New Home

Tuesday morning the American State Bank moved into their handsome new brick home on the corner of First and Main streets, directly opposite the Citizens State Bank building. When all the fixtures are straightened out and in place this will be one of the most completely furnished banking rooms for its size in the state.

The fixtures, which were furnished by the Budde-Lindsay Manufacturing company of Jackson, Tenn., are of marble and mahogany, the main walls being of white Vermont marble and the borders, or baseboards, of Verde Antique marble. The wood work is of handsome mahogany, as are also the desks, chairs, railings, etc.

First in order is the president's office and next is the cashier's department, separated from the rest of the room by a steel cage. Back of this is the bookkeeper's department upon which the big fire and burglar proof vault opens. This vault is built of brick and re-enforced concrete with an air belt between the two walls. Besides the big oval shaped steel safe the vault will be fitted with safety deposit boxes and other filing devices. At the rear of the lobby the director's room will be fitted up, equipped with a table and heavy mahogany chairs.

The inside finish of the main building is also mahogany and the plastered walls will be calcimined, the upper part tinted orange and the lower green. All the transoms are of ground glass, affording a strong, though mellow light.

The rear room will probably be occupied by the postoffice and there is some talk of the bank building an extension in the rear of this to be occupied by another business concern. This,

however, is only a matter of conjecture.

Taken as a whole, the new building is handsome one, both inside and out, and will be a credit to our little city.

Lend Us Your Face

We would like to show you what we can do in the HAIR CUTTING and SHAVING line. Everything new and clean.

AGENCY—

Troy Steam Laundry Amarillo, Baskat leaves Tuesday—Returns Friday. Laundry called for and delivered. Phone 54.

City Barber Shop

L. L. LASSWELL PROP.



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No one really enjoys hunting unless he has a good gun and uses good ammunition. Don't be satisfied with anything but the best. We have the firearms and the ammunition that is conceded to be the best.

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Phone 51.

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Have you, or are you investigating

A Safe Place to deposit The Harvestings?

IF SO, REMEMBER

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Citizens State Bank
McLEAN, TEXAS



Can't Stand The Pressure

No use sitting around thinking about it. Your old corn cribs simply won't stand the pressure any longer. You've put it off too long already. A new crib you must have, and you might as well make up your mind right now that you've got to build—and that mighty soon.

We call your attention to cribs this week because we have a particularly fine stock of bone-dry cribbing material, on which we are making very attractive prices.

You'll find our prices on all lumber satisfactory.

Western Lumber Company

Had You Noticed!

That we have been adding to our stock almost daily until our shelves, counters and storage room is all jam full? We are preparing for

Big Business

and if fair treatment and close prices count we will get it.

Will make special price on your full bill.

TRY US

C. C. COOK

League Entertains.

The "Win One" side of the League entertained the "Winners for Christ" last Monday night at Mr. J. T. Foster's home, in honor of the latter winning in a contest of the study of the book of Matthew.

About forty Leaguers were present at this occasion, while a great many were not present.

The "Winners for Christ" were: Misses Beatrice Anderson, Grace Francis, Ethel Herbert, Lettie Bogan, M. M. Chaney, Monta Walker; Messrs. Sidney Geren, Anson Lee, Rondo Dalrymple, Roger Hearne, Hulon Collier, Roger Francis, Doyl Foster, Wayland Floyd, Culberson Bogan, and Leonard Montgomery.

The "Win One's" present were: Misses Hortense Hearne, Mary Erwin, Susie Beall, Nellie Smith, Maggie and Lulu Mann, Ida Brown, Isabel Francis, Bessie Fondren, Katie Robinson, Cora Wadley, Minnie Foster, Eula and Ellen Anderson; Messrs. Joe Fox, Dolphus Wadley, Carl Newton, Sam and Burrell Erwin, Alva and Bethel Christian and Wheeler Foster, with Messrs. Hubert Reed of Oklahoma and Ben Howard of Eastland county as visitors.

Music and games were indulged in which created a great deal

of enjoyment. Among the rest was a fish pond in which all fished and received one fish each having a number on it, and they all had to match numbers for their partners for supper. All passed to the dining room where ice cream and cakes were served.

The hall and dining room were decorated in the "Win One's" colors, white and purple.

At a late hour water-melon was served to the crowd after which all departed thanking the "Win One's" for their nice entertainment during the evening and wished they would soon give them another one.

Church Tea.

The church tea, given by the Ladies' Guild of the Episcopal church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dorsey Tuesday evening of this week was quite successful in every way. A fair sized crowd was in attendance and various amusements added to the pleasure of the evening. Chief among these was the fortune telling by a supposed Gypsy Queen. Mrs. A. G. Richardson in this role told the past and predicted the future in a very interesting way.

Delicious refreshments were served and the affair netted the ladies a neat sum.

McLean School Open Monday

The 1911-12 term of the McLean school is now in full swing and running as smoothly as could be expected for the first week.

At nine o'clock Monday morning the pupils, teachers and many citizens gathered at the Methodist church where the opening exercises were held, the session being opened with appropriate religious worship. A number of excellent short addresses were made and then the children were marched to the school building where the work of organizing the school was undertaken. In his initial address to the student body Superintendent O'Neal said many things that if heeded will be of value to his hearers. The gentleman has a reputation of being a conscientious and efficient instructor and under his direction we feel that the school will be placed on a solid and substantial basis.

There are at this time about 400 students enrolled and the trustees are of the opinion that this number will be considerably augmented during the first month of the term.

Mortuary.

Mrs. Smith, wife of J. W. Smith of Jack county, Texas, died in this city early Saturday morning from a lingering attack of dropsy. Mr. Smith has been traveling with his wife for some time and stopped here in the hope that this climate would be beneficial. After being prepared by Cecil Cazzell of Amarillo the body was shipped back to Jack county for burial, the entire family accompanying it.

These people had many relatives and friends in the McLean country who join with the News in extending sympathy in their hour of grief.

Buys Pollard Section.

A deal was closed this week whereby Charles L. Barr of Wheeler, Texas, bought section 8 of Block 30, from Mrs. C. E. A. Pollard of this city, the section being known as the Pollard place. The consideration is private.

Mr. Barr will probably move in the near future to his newly acquired home and we will be glad to welcome he and his family in our midst.

Bundy-Hodges Announcement

We will within the next few days open up for your inspection one of the most complete and thoroughly fresh lines of groceries ever brought to this city. To many of you we are comparatively strangers, while to many more we are well known, but to one and all alike we make our initial bow and solicit a share of your business, depending entirely upon the merits of our service to hold it.

We are starting out on a strictly cash basis, hoping by this means to save you money on your grocery bills. There will be many places where the customers will be benefitted by this method. You will not have to pay for

- the expense of a bookkeeper.
- the expense of maintaining a delivery service.
- the other fellow's bad debts.
- the interest on time accounts.
- the cash discounts.

And a dozen other things that must be added to the bill in order that the credit merchant might maintain his business.

We ask you to give us a call (in the Palace Hotel building) and let us get acquainted and show you just what we propose doing in the way of money-saving grocery prices.

Yours for Cash,
BUNDY HODGES CO.

Farewell Party.

Misses Ethel McCurdy, Ruby Rice and Ruby Cook entertained a party at the Richardson home on Thursday evening of last week in honor of the Rev. I. T. Jones, who left the next day for Shamrock, where he went to preach his farewell sermon before returning to school at Trinity University.

The crowd did not gather until after the educational rally at the Methodist church, but at ten o'clock they proceeded on a hay ride over the city, meeting the 10:55 train and waking up all the passengers with their merriment. After the ride they returned to the house where ice cream and wafers were served and a number of very amusing games were indulged.

The affair was a most pleasant one.

Mrs. J. B. Paschall has returned from market and will have her fall millinery opening in the Cunningham building Saturday.

Buys Goebel Place.

A deal was recently closed between Charlie Goebel of this city and a Mr. Duke of Oklahoma whereby Mr. Duke purchased the quarter section belonging to Goebel and lying five miles northeast of town, the consideration being \$6000.00. It is understood that Mr. Duke will move here in the very near future, having purchased the crop on the place. Charlie will likely move back to his old home in Joliet, Ill.

The board of equalization for the McLean Independent School District was in session this week.

To School Patrons.

All school books must be paid for when taken out of the store, as the druggist Arthur Erwin, is bonded and must collect for them. If you persist in asking to have them charged you will compel him to quit handling them. He is merely an agent for the books and cannot sell them other than for the cash. If you compel him to quit keeping them the town will be without school books.

J. T. Foster, Prest.
School Board.

Time Table.

Westbound—
No. 41—1:45 p. m.
No. 43—4:10 a. m.
Eastbound—
No. 42—11:55 a. m.
No. 44—10:55 p. m.

Furniture For Sale

One price or the whole stock. It is cheap but good. Come and get it.

J. A. GRUNDY.

A New Photographer

After July 12th I shall take charge of the Photo Studio, and will continue to use the same class of materials and charge the same prices for work as is charged here now but I will make you a better photograph than you have ever had made at McLean before. Call and see for your self.

John B. Vannoy

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Neat and stylish rigs to let at reasonable prices. Call on us (at the old Voyles barn) when in need of our services.

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McLean, Texas



All Kinds School Supplies

Vacation days are over and now comes the time for school. We carry a complete line of school supplies such as pencils, tablets, ink, pens, etc. It will pay you to look at our stock before you buy.

We don't handle books but will order them for you. Phone 6.

WILL H. LANGLEY
DRUGGIST



Sawee-Sawee

Once a poor heathen Chinese tried with a poor saw to saw-ee. Now his troubles are o'er. For he's at last found the store that sells only saws that saw-ee. For tools that do the best work and last the longest come and see us and don't forget that we handle everything in the hardware line from needles to engines.

McLean Hardware Company

HELLO!—GROCERY—BILL!

We are prepared to trim you down to as close a margin of profit as anyone in this vicinity and we can fill you with the very best grade of goods obtainable in the market. That is our long suit—groceries.

Mr. Man, bring us your grocery bill if you want satisfaction both as to price and quality; we are the people you are looking for and we will appreciate your trade.

Yes, we can sell you that Famous

ALBATROS FLOUR

A fresh car load just arrived direct from the mills, and it's guaranteed to be the best.

Bassel & Wise
The Pace-Makers

