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Plainview, Texas

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have a periodicity which has been determined by their return at the predicted intervals. Of course they all have elliptical orbits.

A comet is no longer looked upon as an evil omen, and the old superstitions regarding it are reposing with many others in the worlds rubbish-heap. Nevertheless, the appearance of such a body in the heavens arouses great popular interest, and the spectacle is an impressive reminder of the incomprehensible vastness of space and of the wonderful laws which control the universe of God.—Youths Companion.

Whitney Messenger: Frank F. Seagrave, a Providence, R. I., astronomer, whose calculations relative to Halley's comet have attracted widespread attention, announces that the correction of a slight error in calculation has developed the discovery that on May 19, 1910, the comet will recce the plane of the earth in its orbit. It is therefore determined that the tail of the comet will sweep across this plane instead of clearing it. The earth and comet will meet on the same plane, but not in the same path. The nearest dividing distance will be 13,000,000 miles. The fan of the comet's tail, according to Seagrave, will spread out and for a short peri-

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Of McLean, Texas

od the earth will find itself swept by "star dust" brought from many millions of miles beyond the furthest known comet. "There need be no scare over the approaching event," said he. "Nothing will happen. The end of the world will not come. It will be nothing more than we passed through on June 10, 1861, when the earth swept the comet. The nearest it could come would be 6,235,000 miles."

The astronomers assurance of nothing worse than happened in June, 1861, may quiet the nerves

of those who remember that day and date, but he ought to remember that there are millions and tens of millions of who have arrived since that time. The sweeping of the earth by the tail of the comet may be a harmless diversion, but some of us should be excused for a disinclination to play the role of fly. We do not wish to be swished into ethereal space.

**Grady Notes**

We had a spelling match Friday evening at the school house. We welcome visitors and want them to come prepared to spell next time.

Bob Harlan entertained at singing Sunday afternoon; every one there report a good time.

We feel sorry for Clyde Loyd and Ben Wright, they had to walk to Singing Sunday—could not afford horses to ride.

Sam Kunkle and wife spent Sunday at the home of N. H. Kinard.

Master Thomas Hauk entered school last Monday.

Mrs. Pit Keller has been ill but is reported as improving.

Mrs. G. S. Loyd and Miss Etta Kunkle were in town Saturday shopping.

Miss Harriett Gracey spent Sunday with Misses Laura and Loree Stacks.

Sidney Kunkle seems to like the carpenter trade of late, especially on Sunday afternoon.

We have a prayer meeting every Sunday night at the school house.

Messrs. Nene and Hearn attended singing here Sunday.

SOMETIMES.

Mr. and Mrs. Meadows are in Clinton, Okla., this week where they were called on account of the serious illness of their son who is teaching school at that place.

Miss Mattie Holder of Thorp Springs, Texas, is in the city for an extended visit. While here the lady will be the guest of her cousin, J. W. Holder and family.

W. A. Hawkins of Northfork was shopping in the city Saturday.

**Halley's Comet**

Before the days of Edmund Halley, the great English astronomer who died in 1742, the ways of comets were little understood or studied. They were looked upon as celestial bodies of freakish habits, following no fixed paths, but appearing as a portent of some stupendous calamity—war, pestilence, flood or famine.

With such a visitor blazed through the heavens in 1682, Halley, after extended observations and calculations, declared it was the same comet which had appeared in 1607, 1531 and 1406, and predicted that it would return at regular intervals of about three-fourths of a century. It was the first calculation of the orbit of a comet, and the prediction was strikingly verified in 1759 and 1835 and now again in 1909.

For months the astronomers have been scanning the skies through their most powerful telescopes for the expected visitor, and the honor of first seeing it fell to those at the observatory at Heidelberg, Germany. The comet is coming nearer at the rate of many thousand miles a minute, but it will not become visible to the naked eye until during next April or May.

The orbits of about three hundred and fifty comets have been obtained with more or less accuracy. The paths of the planets are all elliptical, which is not the case with the orbits of all comets. Some of them are in paths having the form

of parabolas or hyperbolas, and therefore never return. Seventeen, besides Halley's comet,

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The addition of a large stock of coal to our business and in the future will be prepared to supply your wants at any time from a big stock of the

**BEST COLORADO COAL**

Our large and commodious sheds recently built are filled with a clean stock of coal and we can fill your orders promptly. We solicit a share of your business

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# THE McLEAN NEWS

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McLEAN

TEXAS

By A. G. RICHARDSON

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

"PROCRASTINATION is the thief of time." Before we realize it some enterprising town in this vicinity is going to have a Creamery, and where will our farmers all go—to the creamery town of course. We need this enterprise and must have it.

Do we realize that if we had a creamery farmers who live as far as twenty miles would patronize it? What would this mean to the town? It would mean that hundreds of dollars worth of supplies would be sold here every month to people who never come to McLean now.

THE TIME has come when the city must have some kind of fire protection, at least the business portion. Only by a kind providence was our city saved from dire disaster in the recent fire. If you know of a good plan tell us about it and we will be glad to submit it to the public.

WHAT of a creamery for McLean? There are many of our citizens who would interest themselves in this enterprise if it were properly put before them. There are unlimited possibilities for a successful creamery in this section and the McLean citizens should see that they are utilized.

IN THE last few weeks we have called on several of the business men of our city and asked them to advertise with us. Some have done so, but generally we would get a reply about like this: "No, I never advertise, business is dull," "I believe in advertising alright, but there is no business to advertise for." "Well, I just haven't got a thing to advertise." "It looks like if I only got my money back out of it I ought to do it just to help the town that much." "I know a newspaper builds up a town but I just ain't able to advertise." By reading these answers closely one would infer that we were asking these gentlemen for a donation for our paper, when as a matter of fact we were merely requesting them to make an investment with us for which we know they would get more than value received. We do not wonder that such men's business is dull, the public is never invited to trade

with them and consequently does not know what they have, nor the price of what they have unless they go into the store and make a personal investigation. Did you ever notice that it is the man who does not advertise that is always complaining of dull times. We have yet to hear of our PERSISTENT advertisers grumble about not having any business, in fact we keep a close watch on our advertisers and know that they get the largest share of all trade that comes to the city. Remember that there is no better way for you to get your business before the public than through the columns of your local paper, whose circulation covers this entire territory and is more minutely read than anything else that goes into the home. People want to know what you have, the price of what you have; and want to know it often.

Don't flatter yourself with the idea that you have been a resident of McLean so long that everybody knows you and will trade with you whether you exert yourself to get their trade or not. You will wake up some day to find that you've been dreaming and your business has all gone to the fellow that made the newspaper a "donation".

### A Panhandle Building

A movement is already on foot to construct a Panhandle building at the Dallas Fair and have same completed for use at the next meeting. The need of this structure is eminently apparent as the present tent used, while it attracts considerable attention, is very inconvenient as well as costly. The expenses of this tent used this year will approximate \$400, and at that rate it would not take long to pay for a suitable building, while at the same time the added importance to the Panhandle exhibit would be incalculable. It is estimated that as many as fifteen counties could be induced to co-operate in this enterprise and by a subscription of \$500, from each county, a most creditable building could be erected and the fame of the Panhandle would be increased two-fold.

We feel confident the citizens of McLean, and Gray county, will readily realize the importance of this move and will take

steps soon to raise the necessary funds. It would not be a bad idea for us to lead this move and invite the other counties to join us.

### Some Eye-Openers

That the source of poverty and squalor among thousands of our American population is not chargeable to the sources that some political teachers would have us believe is evidenced by the following authentic (being sent out by the report of the Commissioners of Internal Revenue) facts.

The daily output of intoxicating drinks is 285,000 gallons. They are rum, whisky, gin and high wines. It is not generally known that the production of this flood of ruin requires every day 41,000 bushels of grain was diverted from its legitimate mission? no, that is bad enough, but it is not even the half of it; converted into bread, 41,000 bushels of grain would yield 3,000,000 loaves, which means a day's supply of bread for 3,000,000 persons. So we see that every day the liquor traffic is robbing three million men, women and children of their daily bread. Reader, do you pray "Give us this day our daily Bread", and then vote for the saloon? Do you pray for the poor, the widow, the orphan and then vote for a continuance of 110 institutions (the distilleries) which rob those for whom you pray of 41,000 bushels of grain daily, or 14,965,000 bushels annually, isn't that appalling?

But it is only a small item of the damage done by this home-wrecking, virtue destroying traffic.

Forty one thousand bushels of grain converted daily into 285,000 gallons of intoxicants is a better explanation of the poverty and squalor of this country than can possibly be made by any political school upon the theory of

# WE CARRY

Everything to eat and wear. We handle the best flour on the market and we guarantee to meet any prices and will give you back 10 cents on every cash dollar you buy from us. Will pay 25cts per dozen for eggs and the highest price for chickens. We mean business and have the goods. Come in and see.

## L. M. Haynes & Son

"government ownership," or any other theory that leaves off the count the destructive influence and power of the liquor traffic.

Besides the forty one thousand bushels of grain which are converted daily into that which wrecks human lives and diminishes the productive capacity of men in the various industries, there are also 83,000 gallons of molasses converted daily into rum which works only ruin to those who use it in this form. Think of it! 14,965,000 bushels of grain and 29,295,000 gallons of molasses annually diverted from legitimate uses and converted into that which, when used, destroys homes, blights characters, breeds poverty and crime.

This is the fearful work of the liquor traffic. Do you say the facts are exaggerated? No, no, they are according to highest authority in the nation—the

Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and we may be sure he does not overstate the facts.

Reader, let these facts open your eyes to the real cause of poverty and crime in this fair land of ours. Our only hope is to kill the liquor traffic and give this grain, etc., to feed the poor.

M. L. MOODY.

### Money in Hogs.

B. F. Newton, one of our prosperous farmers, brought into town Monday a hog weighing 360 lbs. dressed. This hog was sold to the meat market for six cents, netting Mr. Newton \$21.60. Plant hogs.

### Call at the Racket Store

We take orders for Ladies Suits, Gent's Suits and Boy's Suits. Also Ladies' Skirts. Call and see us when in need of anything in this line. J. B. Hex

Read a Saturday Evening Post

## There's a Time For All Things

So the time for tricks and schemes in business has passed, and it should. Today the world calls for honest, sober, practical men for every walk of life. Then, with Justice unto all men as my motto, I have engaged in business and I ask you to consider my claim. Investigate my system; you will not find me at all times on everything as low in price as some others, but you will find me always lined up on a reasonable margin, which is only business. . . . About the 1st of the month I will move across the street into one of Mr. Grundy's buildings where I will be better prepared to display my neat stock. I invite my present and future customers to come to see me, I will take care of your wants.

# M. D. Bentley

THE VILLAGE GROCER

TELEPHONE 85



# THE VORTEX

The famous Hot-Blast coal Stove—superior to all others and gives entire satisfaction. Burns all the gases in the coal, which in soft coal amounts to more than one-half the fuel and which are wasted up the chimney, or flue, with the ordinary under-draft Stove.

The two top drafts discharge highly heated air into the combustion chamber with a rotary motion which mixes it with the rising gases more thoroughly than is possible with a single draft and these gases are thus oxidized and burned.

This stove has a larger positive radiating surface than any other stove of the same diameter, and this one reason is why it is a perfect as well as the BEST HOT BLAST coal stove on the market. Its handsome appearance, and extra large ash pan, with door surfaces milled water tight are additional points in its favor and are not found in any other hot blast stove.

## Remember Our Motto—QUALITY

We have most any old thing in our line as well as stoves and are anxious to supply your wants. Our qualities are right

Our Prices Are Right

# McLean Hardware



# STOVES

I can sell you stoves cheaper than you can buy them anywhere else in the United States. Figure with me before buying, for I can save you money and make money at the same time.

## REMEMBER

I sell everything in Hardware, either  
**WHOLESALE OR RETAIL, CASH  
 OR CREDIT.**

# S. O. COOK

## PANHANDLE EXHIBIT GENUINE

Visitors to the State fair in eastern and southern Texas declared G. T. Gebhardt, secretary of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, "decline to believe that the excellent products displayed on the grounds were in the Panhandle. They not only doubt it among themselves, but ask pointedly if, as a matter of fact, the various productions really could have been grown on the 'great Texas desert'."

To the practical, common sense dweller of the Panhandle seems improbable that such questions should be asked, but they were, and many more of similar nature. Astonishment

was coupled with exclamation from almost all who entered the tent inclosing the Panhandle exhibits. Thousands poured in from various points in Texas. All of them were made acquainted with the character of soils, the possibilities of cultural methods rightly employed, and in addition were given literature bearing on the advantages of the Panhandle country.

"Our reputation as producers of many of the best offerings in the state has been pushed forward several degrees, and this fall will note the coming of many new citizens from the various portions of Texas and adjoining states, as well as those from

greater distance. Our displays are all creditable, and it is lamentable that they were not entered in time to figure more liberally in the prize taking contests."

On the class of exhibits at the fair it is stated that there can be no doubt as to the winning of the Panhandle country. This fact is conceded by even those who question that the products were grown in this portion of the state.—Daily Panhandle.

### Anderson Beall

A pretty romance of more than two years standing culminated last Sunday evening when Miss Gertha Beall became the bride of Miller Anderson.

The wedding occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beall, in the northwest part of the city, Sunday evening at seven o'clock, Reverend M. L. Moody officiating. Beside the immediate family of the bride the following guests were present: B. H. Minter and wife, Miss Dora Anderson and Claude Simmons.

Mrs. Anderson, as Miss Beall, was one of McLean's most charming young ladies. She has proven by her untiring devotion to her family the true worth of her noble character.

Mr. Anderson has lived here a number of years and gives promise of a bright future.

For a short time Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the guests of the bride's parents, after which time they will be at home to their friends in a home of their own.

The young people have many friends who join the News in wishing them much joy in their wedded life.

### Ramsdell Doings

Most of our people are busy gathering corn.

S. W. Maddox made a business trip to Benenine this week.

The patrons of the school, and also others, met at the school house Saturday and weather-boarded it. This will add greatly to the warmth of the house, and in fact will make it very comfortable.

Our people were too busy to attend the fair Saturday as had been planned.

Paul Risian and Sam Baduch were in town Thursday. Mr. Baduch left on the east bound train for Chicago.

Caleb Smith and wife here were Thursday. We are always glad to welcome these excellent people to our town.

A very sad accident occurred at the home of our friend, Stefan Kovac, Monday morning. While Mr. Kovac and wife were at the cow lot milking, their small boy, about 6 years old, in playing with a gun let it go off, the entire load taking effect just under the left shoulder blade of

his little sister Anna. The load ranged upward on account of her being in a stooped position in dressing a smaller child, and came out through her collar bone killing her instantly. Anna was eight years four months and ten days old and was the second child of Mr. Kovac's first wife. She was born in Chicago and was only fourteen months old when her mother died. Anna was a bright little girl and many had learned to love her. The burial took place at Ramsdell Tuesday afternoon. Services were held at the school house by Rev. Easley. A large concourse of friends and neighbors from that neighborhood were in the procession and while many were present who were not of their nationality yet we are sure that the family has the heart-felt sympathy of all present in this dark hour of distress.

Success to the News and its readers.

### A SUBSCRIBER.

### Extra Work on Fire Drills

Prof. Horton and his corps of teachers have been giving the pupils extra work on fire drills. They have reached such a degree

of proficiency that the 350 students can be gotten out of the building in perfect order in one and one-half minutes. Prof. Horton declares that in case of fire the pupils would be under perfect control and would make their exit on schedule time. All patrons should inspect this work to enable them to better appreciate the necessity of the fire drill.

### Notes from Mrs. Horton's room.

Four new pupils have been added to our list recently.

We are glad to hear that Jesse Ashby is much better. We hope to see his face soon in our room.

Ora Waldrop has been promoted to the sixth grade.

Pupils have stood a hard examination, but have come out victorious withal.

Watch for the honor roll next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams of Floydada are in the city visiting the lady's parents, Mr and Mrs. J. L. Crabtree, in the northwest part of the city. They made the trip from Floydada here by wagon and report a most pleasant journey.

## WHITE & KIRK

### DRY GOODS

AMARILLO, TEXAS

Richardsdson's Silks and Accessories  
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Special Attention Given Mail  
 Orders. Samples Gladly Sent  
 On Request

## THE CITY MEAT MARKET

All kinds Fresh Meats and Lard. Everything  
 Clean and Wholesome.

### Biggers & Graham

Proprietors

## LAND! LAND! LAND!

If you want to buy a farm, if you want to buy a ranch, if you want to buy raw land, for an investment, or if you want to buy city property, see or write

### L. Crabtree & Co.

McLean, Texas

## OUR CAR OF PANHANDLE FLOUR IS HERE

WE want you for a flour customer. Panhandle Flour is the best Flour on the market and our prices cannot be equaled.

We carry a complete line of fresh Groceries and are giving

### 5 per cent off FOR Cash

We are not going out of the drygoods business, but for SPOT CASH we will give you a

### 10 per cent Discount

## C. A. CASH & SONS



# ARE YOU MARRIED?

To any merchant? If so I can't help you. But if you are a free man, free to trade where you please, free to buy where Quality is high and prices low, then I can help you and your whole family by saving you some of your hard earned dollars on every purchase you make.

# GET A DIVORCE

If you are wedded to any merchant and trade with him exclusively simply because you owe him or he treats you nice. Nice treatment is good and we all like it but beware that you don't pay too dearly for it. Don't be a slave to any man or set of men, but assert your God given right to freedom and spend your dollars where they will buy the most high grade Goods. That's good sense and good business.

If I don't sell you Clothing, Shoes, Hats and Ladies' Fine Footwear cheaper than others, then don't trade with me no difference how nice I may treat you nor how much you may owe me. The only reason I ask any man or woman to trade with me is because my goods are Highest in Quality and Lowest in Price.

# ARTHUR COOK

"THE HIGH PRICE BUSTER" PHONE 16

## Local Happenings

Items of Interest About  
Town and County

Our phone number is 47—news is what we want.

25 cents per doz. for ranch eggs. C. A. Cash & Son.

J. W. Wilson of Alanreed was trading in the city Wednesday.

The Rock Island Cafe serves regular dinners for 25cts.

Mrs. Caleb Smith was in the city Saturday shopping.

When in town get a nice dinner at the Rock Island Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanders of Alanreed spent Wednesday in the city shopping.

We will pay 25 cents per doz. for ranch eggs and will buy all you bring us. C. A. Cash & Son.

E. F. Barnes of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

Give us a show at your hides and furs—we want them. Foster & Son.

Joe Billy Davison made a business trip to Amarillo Wednesday and Thursday.

Short orders our specialty—anything you want. Rock Island Cafe.

Lewis Lasswell left Wednesday for Canute, Oklahoma, to accept a position for the winter.

C. C. Cook made a business trip to Amarillo Wednesday, returning Thursday.

Fresh fish and oysters on Friday and Saturday at the Rock Island Cafe.

J. B. Williams left for his home in Tulla, Texas, Wednesday.

The Western Lumber Company shipped out a car of kaffir this week.

Mrs. L. N. Wilson was in from the Heald neighborhood yesterday.

W. P. Rogers, the "Drygoods man," is a professional window cleaner.

J. A. Roach and daughter were shopping in town Thursday.

Mrs. Callahan is visiting at the home of Mrs. L. H. Tyler in the Fogg neighborhood.

We understand that W. B. Upham has bought the Luthye place west of town.

W. C. Foster went to Amarillo yesterday on business. He will return this afternoon.

Charles Wall of Grapevine, Texas, was here this week representing The Kansas City Hay Press Company.

Hides and Furs of all kinds are wanted by Foster and Son and we pay the highest market price for them.

Mrs. Thad U. Salmon left Thursday for Hobart, Oklahoma, where she will visit her parents for some time.

We had a large sale on Onyxware last Saturday, but still have some and it is going at sale prices. McLean Hdw. Co.

Six white Angora rabbits for sale. Very hardy, will eat anything. 50cts. each. Roy Stam or the News Office.

Rev. M. L. Moody will fill the Methodist pulpit Sunday for the last time before attending Conference.

The Standard, "The World's Best" sewing Machine. Don't forget they are in McLean, and for sale by McLean Hdw. Co.

W. P. Majors is now dressing rocks of the grist mill and in

a few days Mr. Davidson will be making meal.

Needles for any sewing Machine, also Shuttles and Bodkins and the best sewing Machines on earth. McLean Hdw. Co.

Tell us what you know. When we have to get it second hand we often make mistakes, especially in names.

The Grundy Furniture store shipped a coffin to Alanreed Wednesday for a Mrs. Robbins, who died there Tuesday night.

Fresh fruits and vegetables of all kinds always on hand. Cheap for the spot cash. Biggers & Son, fruit specialists.

Andrew Eaton, after visiting his aunt, Mrs. Parsons, left Monday for points in Oklahoma before returning home.

We handle Snowflake flour and guarantee it. If you don't like it bring it back and we will pay you for your trouble. L. M. Haynes & Son.

Ferd Faulkner of Plainview returned home Monday after spending a few days here the guest of his brother, F. M. Faulkner.

Norliegh Diamond wagons for the boys, they are the best, will hold up 200lbs. McLean Hdw. Co. has them, "git" one for the boy.

The entire population (almost) of McLean was at the depot Saturday to see the crowd off for the fair and those who didn't go wanted to.

Grandma Rodgers, who has been visiting relatives here in the Heald Neighborhood, returned to her home in Wheeler Tuesday.

Don't forge that the Standard sewing Machine is the "hot mud," superior to all others. Fully guaranteed. McLean Hdw. Co.

Most of the Saturday excursionists returned Tuesday and were a tired looking set. Each one reports a good time and as being well pleased with the Dallas way of entertaining.

L. H. Tyler of the Fogg neighborhood was in town Wednesday. The gentleman went to Oklahoma in connection with a land deal.

We call your attention to a cut of the Vortex in our display ad this week. If you have to have a heater buy the best—The Vortex. McLean Hdw. Co.

Misses Helm and Bryant will leave this afternoon for Clarendon for a visit with friends. The young ladies will return Sunday.

We are in the market for all kinds of hides and skins, cow, dog, cat, coyotes, skunk, and any kind that you happen to get. T. W. Henry and Son.

If any one is visiting you phone us about it or tell us. Our business is to report all of the news and you can help make the News interesting by telling us what you know.

I am in the market for all kinds of hides and furs—remember all kinds—and will pay the highest market price. Foster & Son.

We have not gone out of the grocery business just because we are in the hide and fur trade. We carry a complete line of everything good to eat. If you don't believe it try us. Foster & Son.

Frank Faulkner returned Wednesday from an extended trip to different points in Oklahoma, Fort Worth and the Dallas Fair. He reports a delightful time but is glad to be home again.

To our Correspondents:—Do not forget to sign your name to

all communications sent to our office. We do not wish to publish your name if you do not desire it but must have it on our records.

Mrs. Willis, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. Saye, for some time left today for her home in Colorado. The lady will stop over for a short visit with her sister, Dalhart, Texas, before making the entire journey.

M. D. Bentley, the V. M. Grocer, will move into his quarters the first of next week. Mr. Grundy is giving him space next to his big furniture store and from the way it is being arranged Mr. Bentley will have one of the most up-to-date places in the city.

**New Drygoods Store**  
C. C. Cook, Price Rogers

Mr. Woodward made a trip last week that resulted in Price Rogers acquiring a \$5000 stock out of the immense stock of goods owned by C. C. Cook in the Rice-Cousins building, which is being remodeled and Mr. Woodward is moving his stock into it. The gentleman states that he will add to this stock from time to time and carry a complete line of up-to-date drygoods. As the opening day for this store has not been arranged it will likely be sometime next week.

If you are not ready to stop your subscription just let us know how you stand. We are trying to get our rolls straight

## EIGHT YEAR OLD CHILD KILLED IN GUN ACCIDENT

Word has been received here that the little eight year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kovac who live in the Slav neighborhood, was accidentally killed last Sunday afternoon by her six year old brother. We have not been able to learn the full particulars of the awful tragedy. The funeral took place in Ramsdell Tuesday.

### Interesting School Notes

In this week's issue of the News will be found an excellent letter from the Heald School. It is our first report from any school other than McLean, however we would be glad to have "Notes" from every school in the vicinity each week. Especially would we like to have a monthly report from each teacher, giving the honor roll or highest grades of the pupils, general attendance, work, etc. We believe there is no better way to encourage the pupils to renewed effort in their school work than by letting the public know just how well they have done. We are anxious to give space to all school reports or notes.

### Rebekahs Meet

The Rebekah Lodge held a very interesting meeting last Monday night at which time they initiated seven new members. This is the youngest lodge in the city but gives promise of being the largest in a very short time. All members seem to be enthused with the

work and with such spirit the lodge is bound to grow.

### Suddenly Ill

J. R. Blalock, who was on Dallas excursion train last Saturday, was taken violently ill just before reaching Heald Springs, Okla. At that time he was removed from the train and carried to a hotel. A. Callahan of this place and physician who happened to be on the train attended him. Some time it seemed that the gentleman could not recover. His condition was wired to sister, Mrs. Hill of Stoneham and his daughter, Mrs. J. Sugg, of McLean, both had arrived there Sunday. On Tuesday his condition was considered favorable enough for Mrs. Sugg to bring him home with her. Mrs. Hill returning to her home. Mr. Blalock was enroute to the home of another daughter at Huntsville where he intended spending the winter. However his condition is still quite serious and it is likely that he will remain here for some time. Physicians pronounce his case as acute indigestion.

### New Restaurant Opens

Ramsey Brothers, former residents of McLean, have returned to this city and will open a restaurant in the building north of the Simmons Barber Shop, where they will be glad to serve you an excellent meal on short notice.

"She talks of a good figure, And being a woman of taste, Is, of course, the figure, For it's most pulled in at the waist."

## Palace Barber Shop

W. M. MASSAY PROPRIETOR

Solicits Your Patronage

Quick and Easy Shaves

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# Closing Out Sale

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## McLean Mercantile Company

### MCLEAN CITIZEN TALKS TO KANSAS CITY PAPER

The Daily Drovers' Telegram of Kansas City has the following:

"In the Short Talks with Stockmen in the Drovers' Telegram we learn a great deal," said F. M. Faulkner of McLean, Texas. "Considerable has been said the last few years about the vanishing range and the disappearance of the big ranches. All this is true. Many interviews have told of shortage of cattle on this account. But this change has gone on for several years, and now we are reaching a time when a change will be an increase in the cattle supply from what it was a few years ago.

"I ranged cattle on the very spot where Fort Worth, Texas, stands. I could have bought land through there at a dollar an acre. Then I moved on west with the crowd and kept in the range cattle business until I am now out as far as I can go as far as ranges are concerned.

"In Clay county, Texas, for

example, there was a time when big herds of cattle roamed over the open range. But Clay county now has thousands of head of cattle where there were hundreds in those days. It is thickly settled and it is the small farmer who is producing the cattle. We think because there were 10,000 herd of cattle in one herd there thirty-five years ago that there are fewer there now. But that is not a fact. On the open range there were perhaps not one steer to every thirty acres of land the country over. But the small farmer, no matter whether his land is in grass or grain, can handle fifty head of cattle on 160 acres of land.

"And so when we look Texas and the range country over we find that after the change has been made from an open range country to a farming country that the farmers will produce more cattle than the owners of the big herds did on the free range. And they are better cattle too."

#### Heald School Notes

We have not seen anything in your paper written by the students of the Heald School, so we will send a few notes.

Our school is moving along nicely. We will have a two months examination the last two days of this week.

We had a spelling match last Friday. The boys spelled against the girls, but it is useless to say the girls won.

We are sorry to note that Alvin and Stella Taylor and Ruth Baily were absent from school Monday and Tuesday.

We are glad to welcome May Bailey as a new pupil in our school.

We have some good ball games here. The ball team is progressing nicely and the boys are ready to play any team their size.

There was a debate Friday. The question was: Resolved that the Indian has been more cruelly treated by the whites than the Negro. The affirmative side was represented by Willie Harlan, Kester Rippy, Virgie Derrick, Luscius Rogers and Charlie Earp; the negative by Jewel Haynes, Harold Rippy, Floyd Ellington, Alma Harlan, Ruth Whitley and Temple Rogers. The decision was given in favor of the affirmative side.

We have all learned to like

our teacher by the kindness he has shown us.

Everyone is welcome to visit our school. We are always glad to have visitors.

#### PUPILS

Joe Billy Davidson made a short business trip to Alanreed this week, going Monday and returning next day.

#### Vaudeville Show

The New State Shows put on two performances here last week, Friday and Saturday nights. The best thing that can be said about it is the crowd was more than double the second performance. While the personnel was not made up of stars they fulfilled their mission, to make their audience forget their troubles and cares in a good hearty laugh.

They promise to be here again in just one year and the McLean show goers will gladly welcome them.

The Vortex saves fuel and gives entire satisfaction in every way. McLean Hdw. Co.

Mrs. D. N. Massay left Monday for an extended visit to Greenville, Texas, to visit relatives and friends.

Mr. Robert Dorsey leaves Friday for St. Louis, where he will wed, Wednesday, November 3rd. Miss Emma Sharp Hedrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Hedrick of this city. The ceremony will be performed at the home of the bride's aunt. At some after December 1st. in Amarillo. —Daily Panhandle.

Miss Hedrick is a sister of Mrs. C. M. McCullough of this city and has many friends here. Mr. Dorsey is also well known in this vicinity.

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T. U. Salmon, Local Agent.

## Local Happenings

Items of Interest About Town and County

Mr. Sewel was among the business visitors here Monday.

The Vortex hot blast is the stuff. McLean Hdw. Co.

J. E. Mitchell went to Oklahoma City Monday on business.

Just two copies of the Ladies Home Journal left. News Office.

H. W. Smock was shopping in the city Monday.

Safety Razor with one package blades extra, All guaranteed, for \$1.00. McLean Hdw. Co.

Bob Brown left Monday for Oklahoma City on a business trip.

Just arrived a new shipment of fine candies. Biggers & Son fruit specialists.

Geo. Bolden was trading here Monday from his ranch south of town.

Buy a Vortex Hot Blast and save one half the price of your coal bill. McLean Hdw. Co.

Tom Rice left Tuesday for a visit with friends and relatives in Grayson county.

If you want the Xmas number of the Ladies Home Journal let us know as we want to get our order off next week. News office.

Mr. Collins was here from Saturday until Tuesday on professional business.

Better look at those new suits and buckskin pants at L. M. Haynes & Son's.

Mr. Potts of Norman, Oklahoma, spent several days here this week looking after property interests.

The Vortex Hot Blast is the best hot blast stove on earth. McLean Hardware Co. is agent for this heater.

For Sale—Six long hair, white Angora rabbits 50 cts. each. Apply to Roy Stam or the News office.

Everybody that didn't go on the excursion Saturday was at the depot to see the crowd leave.

Tom Holloway, who is teaching school at Story, accompanied by his wife and daughter, were visiting at the home of A. W. Haynes Saturday and Sunday.

170 acres of improved land 3 1/2 miles from Merkel, Texas, to trade for good land in Panhandle. See the undersigned or McLean Real Estate Co. A. A. Callahan.

We carry a complete line of fresh groceries, give us your next order, we can please you. Biggers & Son, fruit specialists.

#### NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

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EDITOR.

## THE North Pole

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## Local Happenings

Items of Interest About  
Town and County

Clayburn Cash was among the visitors to the fair this week.

Mrs. Jasper Stephens and son left Saturday for the fair.

E. R. Reeves of Jericho was here Saturday on business.

A. L. Overton was a business visitor in the city Saturday.

Charlie Nickleson of the Sitter Ranch was among the Saturday visitors.

County Commissioner J. E. Williams was in town Saturday from LeFors.

Charlie Smith of LeFors was in the city Saturday trading with local merchants.

Ed. Bursleson of LeFors was among the Saturday visitors in the city.

W. T. Wilson and family of Ramsdell visited Mrs. Lily R. Bumpus here Friday.

Mrs. Lily R. Bumpus was among the excursionists to Dallas Saturday.

A. A. Callahan was one of the McLean boosters at the fair this week.

Archie McKetchen of Amarillo was a business visitor here the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hindman were among the visitors to the fair this week.

Miss Ivy Neil returned to Chicago Friday after spending some time here the guest of Miss Bernice Smock.

J. L. Crabtree and daughter, Pearl, visited at Dallas this week, they both promised to boost for McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Watkins of Naylor were in the city Saturday visiting relatives and trading with local merchants.

Billie Biggers was in from his school at Naylor Saturday and Sunday visiting with his parents.

Earnest Cartwright of Amarillo spent several days here this week the guest of Will J. Hodges.

Misses Hattie and Maud Thompson took in the sights at the Dallas fair this week. The young ladies were chaperoned by Ma Hindman.

Moulton King spent several days here last week looking after property in this vicinity. The gentleman lives in Dallas

but has large interests here.

Ernest Dodson came in Saturday from points in New Mexico.

Milton Graham was in from his school Saturday and Sunday.

Grandpa Dean was in from the ranch Saturday.

Wesley Colebank left Saturday for Tampico, Mexico.

Ben Newton of Skillet was a business visitor in the city the latter part of last week.

Tom Kirby of Jericho was transacting business here the latter part of last week.

Jack Hindman returned Saturday from a business trip to Hollis, Okla.

Will Stacks of the Grady neighborhood was in town Saturday trading.

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

A. P. Rippy and family of Heald visited in the city Saturday.

Rev. Huggins of Shamrock visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Duncan Graham took advantage of the cheap rate Saturday and made a business trip to Fort Worth.

Ben Lee who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Bob Harlan, left Saturday for his home at Hamlin Texas.

Messrs. McClelland, Keller, Webster and family and Self were shopping in the city Saturday.

J. N. Bullman was in from his ranch five miles west of town Saturday with a load of hay.

E. D. Langley left for the Dallas fair Saturday. He was joined there by Mrs. Langley who had been there some time.

Prof. Holloway of Story visited Saturday and Sunday at the home of his relatives, Sam Kunkle and family.

Berriah Burrow of Quinlar, Okla. is in the city this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Burrows.

Kit Cooper finally got his consent to leave the show Saturday and go with the crowd of boosters to the fair. We really think it was Mrs. Cooper's consent he was trying to get.

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T. W. Peary was on the streets Saturday with a large catamount that he had roped between Skillet and Aarreed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Richardson of Oklahoma City arrived in the city Friday to visit their daughter, Mrs. George W. Woodward.

Rev. Goodwin of Higgins, Texas, the newly called Baptist minister, was here several days this week. The gentleman will move his family here in a short time.

Roy Rice and sister, Miss Ruby, took advantage of the excursion to Dallas Saturday to visit with their relatives in Fort Worth and incidentally see the sights at the fair.

Misses Anna and Vassa Hollis and Francis Betcham, who live three miles South of town, were shopping here Saturday. The young ladies made the News office a pleasant call.

B. F. McMillian was among the Saturday excursionists to Fort Worth. From there he went to Bursleson to look after his recently purchased property at that place.

U. S. Hawk was a business

visitor in the city Saturday. He was accompanied by his brother, O. C. Hawk, who went to the Dallas the with fair crowd.

Among the visitors in the city Saturday were: L. C. Parker, G. W. Ellington, Geo. W. Stratton, B. F. Newton, W. H. Cobbs, J. F. Brewster.

Mrs. Whitley of Texico, N. M., arrived in the city Saturday for an extended visit with her grand daughter, Mrs. B. W. Moore.

Miss Elvy Parsons left Saturday for the fair. The lady will visit with relatives at several points in central Texas before returning.

Read Saturday Evening Post.

Mrs. Brown stopped in the city from Friday until Sunday to visit at the home of J. H. Erwin. The lady was enroute from her home in New Mexico to Sayre, Okla.

Mrs. S. O. Cook left Saturday for a visit with her brothers in Fort Worth and also to take in the fair. The lady will go to Shreveport, La., for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Erin Dorain, before returning home.

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