

# The McLean News.

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## TRAGEDY AT M'LEAN

Young Couple from South Plains are Main Actors.

It is not often that the quiet of McLean's peaceful slumber is disturbed by a real live tragedy, one of those heart rendering affairs that rack the emotions of the most hardened, but Saturday afternoon it happened. They didn't live here. They lived at some point on the south plains. They had only been married a short time and love's sweet dream was young, but when they boarded the Rock Island at Amarillo a shoe box containing lunch was left behind. Constance was certain that Edward had been to blame and Edward was sure it had been the gross negligence of Constance.

And then a new thing under the sun happened—they quarreled. Edward was an unfeeling brute and Constance did not love him any longer. They would separate. Edward would not live with a woman who tried to blame him with everything.

When the train arrived at McLean Edward gave her five dollars and bid her a constrained goodbye. She should never see him again in this weary world. He slipped off the train, went around the back end and slipped on again. Then the horror of it all dawned on Constance—Edward gone for good, taking eighty-five dollars and leaving her only five. How could she give him up? He had, after all, been very kind and she was sorry she had been so cruel to him. She would get off the train and seek him out and beg his pardon and they would go on their way rejoicing.

She alighted from the train and proceeded to the Hindman Hotel where she was sure she would find him—he was gone—she searched everywhere and someone told her he had gotten back on the train. Thank heaven, he was not going to leave her after all—but he was leaving her as fast as the train could carry him. What could she do? There was no other train until the next day and she was sure she could not wait that long. There was no local freight coming through and Agent Salmon assured her that the hand car was not available for passenger traffic. Her plight was indeed sad and her young life was shocked to its very depths—she would surely never gaze on his fond features again.

There were several sympathizers standing by who proffered her such aid as they could command, but nothing could quench that bitter anguish that was racking her soul—Edward was gone. She finally decided to spend the five dollars for a ticket back to mamma and there live as long as she could under the terrible strain and then die still true to Edward.

In the meantime Edward, after waiting awhile, decided to look in and see if Constance was entirely overcome with misery, but, lo and behold, Constance was gone. Could she have jumped from the moving train and ended her young life? Surely not, he could not think of giving her up, she was so sweet and lovely. A hurried search of the train—she was gone. Then someone told him she had gotten off at McLean and his eyes filled with tears—she was true to him after all and would not willingly leave him. He took the westbound train at the next station and came back to McLean. When the train stopped at the water tank he got off. Constance spied him and then the climax came. Constance was running with outstretched arms to meet Edward and Edward was stumbling blindly over the railroad embankment to meet Constance. They met and took the train for home a happy

couple, promising never again to quarrel.

### Fifth Sunday Meeting.

To be held at Zion Baptist Church ten miles northwest of McLean, August 27-29, 1909.

Thursday night preaching

J. R. Hicks.

Friday, 9 a. m., Devotional

F. M. Pease.

Following is the Program:

1. History of the Church—H. G. Finley, J. L. Walker and J. H. Bennett.

2. Why a Sinner should Pray—F. M. Pease, W. R. Gilliland and J. R. Adams.

3. Who is the Stumbling Block in the Church? Why is he there? How can we get rid of Him?—H. G. Finley, J. E. Stanley and H. A. Goodwin.

4. Why Support Christian Education—T. E. Stearns, J. R. Hicks, R. E. L. Farmer, and Prof. Kenton of Wheeler.

5. Will the Bible Sustain a Public Collection?—T. E. Stearns, H. A. Goodwin and J. R. Hicks.

The regular Sunday school lesson will come on Sunday at

ten o'clock. In the afternoon there will be a Sunday school institute with addresses by Sister Jim Johnson of Mobeetie, Sister J. E. Stanley, T. E. Stearns and other workers.

There will be preaching each day at eleven and at night.

At the close of the fifth Sunday meeting the church expects to protract.

### Notice Subscribers.

If at any time you have had the News sent to any friend or relative you will do us a favor if you will furnish us the name and address at your earliest convenience. In straightening up our list we find a number of names with no one to charge them to, and hence this request.

THE NEWS.

C. H. Rowe made the News office a brief call Monday.

### Slavonia News.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lively's little boy is quite sick with fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Pecan are the happy parents of a fine girl baby, born the 25th of July.

C. A. Linkey and family have moved to Amarillo where Mr. Linkey has purchased a cigar store. He has also purchased a residence at the place named and they will make their home there for the present. Their daughter, Mrs. Shaw, who has been spending the summer with them here also went to Amarillo and will go from there to her home in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith went to Ramsdell Tuesday to get paint for the new barn just completed.

The corn prospect is still very fine with promise of a fine yield. Kaffir corn and other feedstuff was never better.

### A CORRECTION

Pampa, Tex., July 27, 1908.—To the Editor of the Panhandle:

In your report of the beating up of the Rev. Mr. White at this place a week ago it appears that the mother of the young girl who was baptized was present and sanctioned the baptism, and that the young girl was cruelly and brutally beaten by her father. Investigation shows that the mother was present and did all in her power to prevent the baptism, using physical force; and further shows that she had not been examined by a committee of ladies at my request.

So far I have heard no one express any sympathy for the Rev. Mr. White.

Very truly,

R. E. Williams, J. P.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith of Slavonia were in the city Monday and paid the News office a pleasant call. Mr. Smith had us send the paper to D. C. Millikin and A. H. McArthur at Hamilton, Mo. for twelve months each.

## DIVIDEND HAY CROP

Gray County Farm Makes Big Yield This Year.

One of the most profitable crops that can be harvested in the McLean country, and one that has probably been given less thought than any other is hay. The natural grass that grows in the creek bottom makes as fine hay as clover or blue grass and the only work involved is the harvesting. Every farmer who owns bottom land or good valley land should seed it to some sort of hardy grass and he will make a good crop every year with practically no work.

J. L. Crabtree, who owns a farm on Peterson creek, has something like twenty-five acres of natural meadow from which he harvested this year an average of four tons to the acre at one cutting. This is by actual measure and weight. The land was burned off in the early spring and then left to grow until last week when it was cut. If this grass had been cut twice it is almost certain that the yield would have been five to six tons.

When it is considered that this crop can be cut and baled at a cost of about ten dollars per acre and sells readily for \$8 per ton you will see that the profit, dear to the owner, is about twenty-two dollars per acre.

There are any number of good grasses that thrive in this locality and every foot of land in the country that is not in cultivation should be sown to some such crop instead of lying idle. It would not take long to pay for a good farm at twenty dollars an acre.

Let us figure out the Crabtree farm. He has 740 acres that is all well improved and he would sell it for about \$8.50 per acre which would be a total price of \$6,000.00. The thirty acres of hay yielding four tons to the acre would clear every year, above all expenses, \$660.00. Interest on the price of the entire farm would be \$600.00 a year above the ten per cent interest on his purchase and the balance of the farm doing absolutely nothing. Mr. Crabtree has the goods to show for his claims and it is only another proof of the superiority of this over any other section of the great southwest.

### Moonlight Picnic.

Tuesday evening a party of young people enjoyed a moonlight picnic at the old picnic grounds on the creek near the Rowe ranch headquarters about five miles south of the city. After the crowd had gathered under the trees at this pretty spot an improvised swing was constructed in which the young people sported for an hour or so until the moon had risen, when a delicious lunch was served—this, contrary to the usual procedure, being furnished and served by the young men. After the lunch oranges and watermelon was served and another hour spent in pleasant conversation. This affair was given to speed the departure of Misses Mattie McMillian and Edna Merritt who left the following day for a visit in east Texas. Those in attendance were Misses Bryant, Mattie and Lizzie McMillian, Edna Merritt, Ethel McCurdy, Pearl Crabtree and Mrs. Stokes. Messrs. Ollie Statham, William Henry, Bart Hilton, Ira Chambers and Walter Caldwell. They were shaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Richardson.

Earnest Hall spent several days last week at Shamrock where he played ball with the local team at that and other cities.

## TO THE Business Community

We Extend the Accommodations of a Strong and Well Equipped Bank,

### STOCKHOLDERS

D. N. Massay, J. L. Crabtree, J. T. Close,  
Dr. W. E. Ballard, Judge T. M. Wolfe, Dr. J. A. Green,  
H. R. Mullis, J. T. Glass, A. L. Rippey,  
Mrs. A. A. Christian, Wm. Abernathy.

### OFFICERS

D. N. Massay, Pres. J. L. Crabtree, Vice Pres.  
Wm. Abernathy, Cashier A. L. Rippey, Asst. Cashier

## CITIZENS STATE BANK

Of McLean, Texas

## EVERYTHING

We are especially well stocked with the most complete and comprehensive stock of building material in the west and we are making some very attractive figures on house bills. Do you intend building? If so we are prepared to make competitive bids on

Lumber, Sash, Doors, Blinds, Moulding, Paints and Varnishes—in fact everything that is needed in the way of building material, and we would like to enroll you with our many well-satisfied customers.

## Western Lumber Company

## Local Happenings

Items of Interest About  
Town and County

Dr. W. R. Orr spent a couple of days at Groom the first of the week on professional business.

Wm. Hamilton of Looney, Okla., was here Wednesday visiting with local real estate men.

The Woodmen Circle held an interesting session Wednesday afternoon.

Chas. Goebel was in the city Thursday and made the News office a pleasant call.

Geo. Weaver returned Thursday from a business trip to Groom.

C. S. Rice and J. R. Hindman went over to the county capital Wednesday to carry the returns of the Tuesday election.

Miss Edith Stockton left Wednesday afternoon for a visit with friends and relatives at Chico, Texas.

Miss Edna Brown left Wednesday for Norman, Okla., where she will spend some time with friends and relatives.

Mrs. J. H. Beard, mother of Mrs. J. T. Foster, returned Wednesday from a visit with relatives and friends at Baird.

A. B. Gardenhire and W. R. Patterson returned Wednesday from a ten days trip to Kansas City and elsewhere.

A revival meeting is in progress at the Baptist church this week, Rev. E. A. Wesson of Oklahoma in charge.

John Duyer left Thursday afternoon for a business trip to Chicago. He will be gone several weeks.

The Christian Endeavor program for Sunday night will be omitted on account of the revival at the Baptist church.

Messrs. Duncan and Smith of Wichita Falls were here this week prospecting with a view to making some investments in this section.

Quite a crowd of citizens went from here to LeFors Wednesday to be in attendance upon the county court which is in session this week.

J. L. Crabtree has our thanks for subscriptions to the following addresses: Mrs. Kate Williams, Floydada, and D. H. Morgan, Calhoun, Ky.

Frank Morgan left Sunday for Galveston where he is spending this week taking in the festivities attendant upon the Cotton Festive at that place.

Mrs. A. J. Christian was a pleasant caller at the News office and had the paper sent to John Christian, Decatur, Texas; W. A. Christian, Amarillo, and F. H. Christian, Emboden, Ark.

Arthur Cook's big bargain counter will be the biggest show of the season. Don't forget to visit the store during the next few days, and don't forget your pocket book. Arthur Cook.

Miss Mattie McMillian left Wednesday afternoon for Hillsboro, Texas, where she will spend the balance of the summer and early fall with her grandfather and other relatives.

J. H. Horton, the principal of the McLean schools, with his son, Orman, arrived in the city Saturday with a car of household goods. As soon as he can arrange for a suitable location the balance of the family will follow and take up their residence here. Prof. Horton and his wife will both be instructors in the school for the ensuing term, and come to us highly recommended in every way.

Will J. Hodges and D. N. Massay went up to Erick, Okla., Tuesday afternoon to be present at a lecture given in that city by Eugene V. Debbs, the famous socialist speaker.

Jack Fox, who is a prominent employer of the Santa Fe at Canadian, arrived in the city Tuesday for a two weeks' visit with his father, Rev. W. P. Fox.

"McLean Boosters." Everybody get on and ride—boost McLean—give the McLean yell. Don't try to ride a free horse but see Arthur Cook's bargain counter during the next few days.

John Duyer was in the city Monday and made the News office a pleasant call. Mr. Duyer had us send the paper for a year to Hans Hanson at Greeley, Neb.

The Milwood family, who own the old Veatch place south of town, left Tuesday for Weatherford, Okla., where they will spend the balance of the summer.

We are overloaded on all kinds of men's, women's and children's shoes and we are pricing them to move. All Oxfords at greatly reduced prices. E. H. Small & Co.

Ollie Statham has our thanks for subscription favors having paid for the paper to be sent to C. E. Statham at Ranger, Texas, and J. F. Statham at Lawton, Okla.

Miss Vera Moody left Tuesday for Sweetwater, Texas, where she has been engaged to teach in the public school for the ensuing term. The young lady has a host of friends here who wish her unbounded success in her new venture.

"Pa" Hindman, taking advantage of our two-for-one offer had the News sent one year to J. G. Fort and R. G. Lackey at Fairy, Texas; W. W. Hall and Bill Gee at Winters, Texas; Woodford Isabel at McGregor, Texas, and J. S. Hall at Winters, Texas.

The Methodist meeting which was in progress during the last week closed Sunday night. There were thirty conversions and sixteen additions to the church. On the whole the meeting was very successful and a general spiritual awakening was had.

Prof. O. E. Hilton and family left Tuesday for their new home in Erick, Okla., where the former will be engaged as principal of the public school. Their host of friends in this city wish them unbounded success in their new field.

If you live in the vicinity of McLean and feel in too straightened circumstances (by reason of taking so many other papers) to take your HOME paper and will notify us, we will be glad to mail you the NEWS complimentary. We want every citizen to read our paper.

H. C. Graves, a prominent real estate broker of Perry, Okla., was in the city Friday of last week as the guest of Hodges & Cosby. The gentleman speaks with enthusiasm relative to the merits of the McLean country and says the future of this section in his judgement is unlimited.

M. D. Bentley, who has for past year been employed with the McLean Hardware Co., has purchased the stock of groceries from G. F. Anders and will conduct the business in the future. Mr. Bentley has made many friends here and we wish for him unbounded success in his new venture.

# FLOUR - CHEAPER

We have just received a car of the best flour on the market and the price we put on it will open your eyes. This shipment is from the Amarillo mill and is absolutely guaranteed to be the equal of any flour you can buy at any price. Don't these prices LISTEN GOOD?

Panhandle Best, cwt	\$3.50
Amarillo Best	3.25
Reliable	3.00
Best Corn Meal 45c and	.80
Graham Flour, per sack	.50

You are invited to inspect this flour and if it is what we claim for it we would like to have you for a flour customer.

## C. A. CASH & SON

The McLean baseball Club went down to Alanreed Monday afternoon to engage the team at that place in a game, which resulted in a score of 5 to 7 in favor of McLean. The game was well played throughout and both teams showed a considerable ability on the diamond.

J. C. Wadley of Stillwater, Okla., was here the first of the week the guest of his friend, Rev. Moody. The gentleman expressed himself as being highly pleased with the appearance of the country and will probably make this his home in the near future.

Miss Edna Merritt, who has been engaged here for some time in the ladies' department of Arthur Cook's store, left Wednesday afternoon for an extended visit with friends and relatives at Ennis. She will be gone probably thirty days.

G. F. Geren was a pleasant caller at the News office Friday. He has been working with the Rock Island construction party near Anadarko, Okla., but having had the misfortune to get a foot badly mashed, he is laying off for a few days and visiting with his friends.

Rev. F. S. Hodges returned from Oklahoma City Friday, where he had been spending several days with his parents. The gentleman brought back with him a sample of the apples grown on his father's orchard this year and they were of a specially delicious flavor almost as good as those that grow in the Panhandle.

One of the most interested spectators at the ball game Tuesday afternoon was Jno. Chisholm. Though Mr. Chisholm is sixty-one years old this is the first game of ball he ever witnessed. During the game he was heard to remark "I'd like it better if they didn't throw the ball so hard when the boys were trying to hit it."

### Furniture Bargains

I will sell cheap some tables, chairs, bedsteads and springs, also air-tight hot blast stoves. See me in the next few days.

W. E. Boyd.

### McLean Grapes

F. M. Littleton, our popular constable, presented the News man with the first ripe grapes cut from his vineyard this year and they were as fine as we have seen anywhere. They are of the Niagra variety and Mr. Littleton informs us that his yield is splendid and he will have several hundred pounds

for the market soon. It might be well to say that dry weather and late frost are no drawback to this hardy fruit in this section after it once gets hold of the ground. They make grapes every year and when properly attended yield in quantities that make them most profitable. In fact this is a great country we have here.

## THE STANDARD WINDMILL

Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, Cement, Brick, Lime, Well Casing, Pipe, Wire, Posts, Coal, Builders' Hardware, Paints and Oils. We have everything you need to improve your place. Let us figure on your next bill. Our prices are right

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Pampa, Gray County Texas

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By A. G. RICHARDSON

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"You will be pressed for money oftener because you have no advertising to pay than because you have," observes the Buffalo News. "Big advertising bills and bank balances grow together, out of the same publicity campaigns." The merchant who holds down his expense account by cutting out advertising saves money just the way the railroads would if they should stop buying coal for their locomotives. Without coal the wheels would not turn, without publicity trade comes to a standstill. It pays to throw silver out at the window that gold may come in at the door.—Centerburg (O.) Gazette.

This section is on the eve of a great period of development. The next twelve months will show some long strides in that direction—anybody to the contrary notwithstanding.

McLean cannot, like some other Panhandle towns, claim the reputation of having no knockers. We have several of them and the loss is so thick on their back that the fleas can't bite 'em.

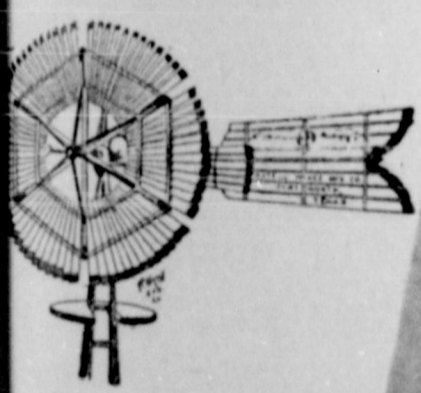
Do you believe in the McLean country? Do think it is a first class farming country? Lots of good sound business men think so. We are willing to say so openly without fear of palpitation of generosity. Speak out.

Clarendon people are of the opinion Amarillo will lay down the law for the state normal and give Clarendon the benefit of its influence in that direction. Such may be the case, but it is possible that the "Queen" has something entirely different that up her sleeve.

We are beginning to hear from the fellows "back yonder" who are reading what we have to say about the McLean country. They want to know more of this favored land and we take pleasure in telling them all we know. We have answered quite a few letters recently from parties who talk very favorably of making McLean a country visit.

We acknowledge receipt of a complimentary membership to the Texas Prosperity Club, which has for its purpose the advancement of the state. We have pledged ourselves to study Texas, to promote Texas and work for the upbuilding of Texas in every legitimate way. Next to McLean, Texas is the greatest state in the Union and we are ever ready to speak a good word for its welfare.

McLean is to have a real live chamber of commerce. It has several of these and they all went the way the hearse travels. This one, now in the making, is to be so thoroughly infused with the spirit of enthusiasm and push that it will sail of its own momentum. If you are a booster and wish to put your brains and brawn behind the town for the purpose of advancing its welfare, you should be well to identify yourself with this move.



## THE G-A-M-E-R

Is now conceded to be the best Windmill made—by all who know windmills. It has two special features, over any other mill and when you see one you will admit that it has all others beaten by a "City block". Prices same as inferior mills.

## A WISE BUYER

Will always give the matter of quality more consideration than price. The purchase price of a cheaper grade mill does not represent the real cost as the future repair bills and inconvenience will increase the price paid to more than a life time cost of a high grade "GAMER". The cost of the "GAMER" is therefore eventually less and with it you are sure of perfect and greater satisfaction.

Yours for quality,

**McLean Hardware Company**

### Gracey Notes.

People are all up with their work and are spending the time visiting and talking of going fishing.

Needing rain in this part of the country.

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

Mrs. Carwile and daughter, Nellie visited Mrs. Stacks Friday evening.

Miss Jennie Carpenter was the guest of Miss Etta Kunkel Saturday night.

Mesdames Kinard and Kunkel visited Mrs. Gracey Friday evening.

Little Elsie Gracey is fast recovering from the burns she received from potash one day last week.

Miss Claudie Kinard visited Miss Etta Kunkel Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Back of the Northfork settlement spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Colebank.

U. S. Hawk and family visited with the family of W. L. Stacks Sunday.

Mrs. Stacks has been quite sick but is reported better at this writing.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Sewell is recovering very rapidly from her recent illness.

Mr. Gracey's sister, Mrs. Mills, who has been visiting him several days returned to her home in Illinois last week.

### "SOME TIMES"

#### To Whom it May Concern.

During the next thirty days there will be no lady clerk at my store, or in other words my store will run itself. If you want to buy dry goods cheap now is the time. Would be glad to have as many of my friends as possible to come and see if I am getting along all right. Be sure and come around to see my big bargain counter. Yours truly, ARTHUR COOK.

### Church Announcements.

The protracted meeting at the Methodist church, after continuing for one week, adjourned till the first Sunday night in September, when the meeting will recommence to continue indefinitely. Let every worker direct every effort in reference to this arrangement. There were 12 baptisms and seventeen accessions to the church, sixteen of which were on profession of faith. The interest was increasing with each day.

There will be preaching at the Methodist church Sunday at 11 o'clock. All the members and friends are earnestly requested and cordially invited to attend this service.

The protracted meeting will begin at Heald school house on Friday night before the fourth Sunday in August to continue to the fifth Sunday night. Let all in the community be ready. M. L. MOODY, P. C.

### Northfork Notes.

Mr. Hawkins is putting up his hay, which he says is not yielding as well as it did last year.

Will Langley is spending a few days out on the farm and is enjoying himself flying a kite for the children, etc.

J. S. Morse and a few friends enjoyed an outing on the river one day this week.

Mrs. Langley and Will and Mrs. Eishelman and children visited the Yokeley's Sunday afternoon.

Little Miss Lettie Bogan of McLean is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. S. Morse and Mrs. Ivey for a few days.

The Yokeley's visited at Dr. Langley's Tuesday.

Miss Virgie Steffy attended the singing at the school house Sunday night.

The young people enjoyed an ice cream social at the Halcomb home last Friday night.

Miss Annie Sanders spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Overby, last week.

Mrs. Turner spent the day with Mrs. Hawkins Tuesday.

After the 15th of this month the mail carrier from McLean to Northfork will travel the new road one mile east of the one he now travels. Those who wish to put mail boxes on the new route will be waited on with the same care that is characteristic of our mail carrier.

AUNT SAMANTHA.

I am mailing a statement to everyone that is indebted to me while I was in the drug business and I insist that each one will call and settle at once or I will be forced to take legal procedure. Very respectfully, Will H. Langley.

### We Are Incorporated.

At the election held at the school house Tuesday for the purpose of voting on the question of incorporating the town the proposition carried by a vote of 53 to 10. This now brings up the matter of officers to look after the welfare of the infant corporation. The expressed opinion of the citizens indicates C. S. Rice for mayor and we are confident the gentleman would fill the office most creditably. Any others?

### Big Bargain Counter.

Be sure add go to Arthur Cook's and see the big Bargain Counter. Same will be on exhibition from Saturday morning, August 7th, to August 14th. Don't fail to see the big show.

The Western Lumber Co. is having a large set of wagon scales placed this week for convenience in handling the big corn crop this fall, of which Mr. Woodward, the manager, is an extensive buyer.

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## COLD DRINKS

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

## Palace Drug Store

Wolfe & Holder, Proprietors

## HODGES & COSBY

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We have farm and ranch lands in any sized tracts from 40 acres up. Easy terms and reasonable prices. We can also please you in city property. If interested, write us your wants

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D. H. Nunn, Local Agent.

# Local Happenings

Items of Interest About  
Town and County

Smoked bacon at 17 cents per pound. Foster & Son.

Jas. Burrow returned Saturday from a trip "everywhere."

W. A. Fowler was visiting with friends in the city Saturday.

Miss Amie Faulkner returned Sunday afternoon from a two weeks trip to Goodnight.

All kinds of fresh fruits at Noah's Ark. Call on us for your after dinner dessert.

J. F. Heasley was down from Amarillo Sunday and Monday visiting with friends.

Chas. Slavin of Alanreed was a business caller in the city Monday.

Men's pants, \$1.00 grade going at 75 cents. Come and get them. E. H. Small & Co.

Mr. Hern of near Mobeetie was in the city Saturday with a load of hogs for the local market.

J. R. Hindman is in LeFors this week attending county court.

W. B. Brewster went over to LeFors Wednesday to attend county court.

H. G. Biggers ordered the paper sent to G. H. Dallas at Gorman, Texas.

W. W. Mars had us send the paper to his brother, J. W. Mars at Ringgold, Texas.

M. H. Kinard was a pleasant caller from the Gracey neighborhood Tuesday morning.

Frank Underwood was a business visitor in the city Tuesday afternoon.

Have you a couple of friends? \$1.00 will send both of them the News for one year.

Sam Tayler was in from his place near Heald last Saturday trading with our merchants.

C. E. Minix was one of the pleasant callers at this office Monday afternoon.

# TO THE PUBLIC

For eleven short months I have tried to serve you as a hardware flunkey. I have tried as best I could to treat you as courteous as was possible. I have at all times acted with exact justice between house and customer. I have not flinched from my duty at any time, as I saw it—in short, I have done my best. How well I have succeeded I leave you to render decision.

My connection with the hardware business ceases on account of an ambition to do business for myself. I have purchased the stock of G. F. Anders and will continue the business at the same place for the present. From this time on I will be glad to see you at the Village Grocery and serve you in the capacity of the village grocer. It will be my pleasure to supply your table with the best that money can buy and at live and let live prices. My future career depends entirely upon your support, which I hope will be strong and steady. Phone 85

Yours for pleasant business.

**M. D. BENTLEY, THE VILLAGE GROCER**

Ed Castleberry of Alanreed was a business visitor in the city Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Elsie Hodges is at Naylor for a visit with her uncle, J. P. Hodges and family.

R. L. Kennedy was an Alanreed visitor in the city Tuesday afternoon between trains.

Ed Trigg was down from Amarillo the first of the week on business.

We are selling the best Louisiana Cane Sugar for \$5.75 per hundred. Compare these prices. Foster & Son.

J. H. Reeves of Clarendon was in the city a few days last week the guest of his daughter, Mrs. C. E. Donnell.

Marvin and Vester Cooke returned Saturday from a two week's visit with friends in Oklahoma.

Need a shirt? We are selling them cheap. All \$1.25 soft shirts to close at \$1.00. Come early. E. H. Small & Co.

W. B. Skaggs and two little boys were in from the ranch Saturday visiting with local merchants.

Foster & Son are selling dry salt bacon at 15 cents per pound. That is cheaper than you can get it elsewhere.

D. N. Massay returned last Saturday from a business trip to Amarillo, Plainview and other plains cities.

O. H. Rector, the popular hotel man at Alanreed, was a caller in the city Monday afternoon.

We will take in exchange for dry goods fat chickens. Highest market price paid. E. H. Small & Co.

S. A. Cousins ordered the News sent to C. L. Cousins at Hewit, Texas, for twelve months.

Judge Wolfe and S. E. Boyett went over to LeFors Sunday afternoon to look after legal matters.

A specially large stock of Uvalde Comb Honey—fresh and Pure. \$1.75 a bucket. Investigate this. Foster & Son.

J. T. Foster in company with his guest, L. W. Wilson of Bridgport, made a trip to Hall county the first of the week.

C. A. McKnight of Dickens county was here this week the guest of Frank Underwood at the Johnson ranch.

C. C. Cook has purchased the grain store and building occupied by Henry & Son from J. O. Scarborough.

J. R. Hindman was having another coat of paint applied to the exterior of the hotel the first of the week, F. B. Kachelhofer doing the work.

F. B. Kachelhofer ordered the paper sent to his brother, I. X. Kachelhofer, at Joliet, Ill., for which he has our thanks.

The best coal on the market. We are selling it at \$8.00 per ton. Can you beat that price? Foster & Son.

W. W. Dillingham was in from the Zion neighborhood Tuesday and was a pleasant caller at the News office.

T. J. McClain returned the first of the week from a prospecting trip to Erick, Oklahoma.

J. O. Phillips sends the News to his brother, John Phillips at Sycamore, Ind., for twelve months.

J. F. Brewster, J. B. Self and John Davis were in the city Monday with loads of roasting ears as fine as we ever saw.

J. L. Crabtree was confined to his room the latter part of last week with a severe attack of stomach trouble.

Fresh peaches, pears, grapes, bananas, Oranges and lemons just arrived at Noah's Ark. Come early before they are all gone.

Mrs. Marvin McMillian and children arrived in the city Wednesday afternoon for a visit with the former's brother, B. F. McMillian and family.

Rev. Switcher of Shamrock who has been engaged here in the Methodist revival for the past few days left Monday for his home at Shamrock.

We are selling tailored suits at cost and have only a few left. Come early and get a good selection. They will not last long. E. H. Small & Co.

C. C. Cook moved the first of the week into the new home which he recently purchased from John Guthrie in the northeast part of the city.

The Louis Brand canned goods are absolutely the best on the market. If you are particular we can please you in canned goods. Foster & Son.

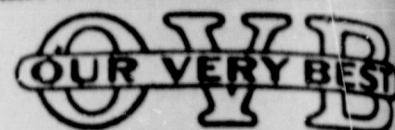
Mr. and Mrs. Barker are in receipt of a telegram from a son in San Antonio to the effect that they are now grandpa and grandma.

We are closing out our ladies' ready-made skirts at actual cost. This is an opportunity you have been looking for. E. H. Small & Co.

Still having large and small rains in this vicinity and the corn is still looking good and kaffir corn and other feed stuff is in excellent shape.

The two-for-one offer of the News is still growing in favor and every day's receipts outstrip the day before. Now is the accepted time to do a little missionary work for the McLean country.

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