# We Entertain the Panhandle Editors April 13 

Anderson Is


To The News; Possibly o u r editor thinks
there has been enough said for there has been enough said for the present on the subject o patronizing mail order houses, $s 0$ in this article I will not have much to say about the mail or der business, I merly want enlarge a little on some suggestions made in a rece
article in the News from article in the
Subscriber.
In said article
rood things and he says many good things and among them his exhortation for unity fort on the part of the people
for the advancement and up. for the advancement and up-
building of our town and counbuilding of our town and coun-
try, which is an element almost try, which is an element almost
absolutely necessary to the ac absolutely necessary to the ac
complishment of the best end complishment of the best enit we stand; divided we fall."
Also, his admonition to fellow ship and brotherly love, a con dition very much to be desired at all times
He touched the key note in his statement that we are a progressive people living in a progressive age-"old things have ressed away and all things have recome new". There was a ime in the years long passed nd almost forgotten when the rossroads country merchant ould very easily meet the delands of the people because Geir demands were very much
mited. Bill Smith could get mited. Bill Smith could get
arried, take his father's old athand twenty-five Alars, go down to the from a strictly bus

## Union Trading Co.

T. U. SALMON Mgr

## We Accommodate All Classes

roads village and get a full set of good, sound, business judg.
of farming tools and complete of farming tools and complete ment-that it might not enure
housekeeping outtit, take them
to the benefit of the farmer only housekeeping outtit, take them to the benefit of the farmer only, back in the old cart, happy as a but to the profit of the business une lark, thinking he had all man as well. he needed-his wife thinking
the same. Such is not the case the same. Such is not the case
now. New inventions hay e have the farming country, almost deagh new demands and new McLean, furnished the size emands have brought many shipping facilities as is furnish Yes, we necesities.
ple, living in a progressive peocountry in a fast developing and what we need and desire is a progressive town, keeping abreast of the advance guard of a progressive people in a pro-
gressive age. Not a town that gressive age. Not a town that
HAD a gin, an elevator HAD a gin, an elevator and
crusher four or five years crusher four or five years ago,
but a town that HAS these things now, with up to-date machinery capable of handling the products of the country to the best advantage possible that th cally handle their stuff so thi cally handle their stuff so tha spend with have more money th chants. Not the mercies of a mail-order patronizing public, but a tow that gets their heads together and devises means and plans t entirely eliminate all excuse will profit in the mail order business. profit in the mail order business. The people are chuck full of Iiberality but the weakest pulse in their liberal anatomy beat through the vein running the
closets around their purse. We do not eir money business men of our town to hel us get a good price for our help point a charitable stand
d by the Rock Island System, as to take his time and double he amount of teams necessary toul to his own town and reaks and atton through the venty five miles into the coun $y$ and away from the railroad order to find machinery to put into marketable shape, and han he would find at home Nane would find at home very body, acknowledge there ought to be rially wrong an ought to be righted as soon ur town an best interest You know it is
You know it is pretty trying on when he is forced by his own town to go that far out his way to get to market hi tuff-finding goods as cheap as our mules and an empty wagon ack home and make an ext trip to
We are willing to acknowledg statement that the partias of the this present day are soopetime wanting things they do not nee out we are not that phase of the subject just now What we are praying and writing for now is the burning needs of our present situation. Whe we see a people putting a ten or tifteen dollar hat on a two-bi dollar suit on a hfteen-cent bo and a twenty- five or thirty dollar
dress on a badly strained store account, then we acknowledge practice that will finally wor
disaster to the individual and detriment to the people, th
the country and

This is not in keeping with the
lines of progress, but a desper te effort on the part of the com
monality of the people to keep in line with demands of the up own downfall and discomfort
which works a condition that Which works a condition so to be. "Show me
ought Subscriber says, "Show me patronize the mail order bouse and I will show you a live, pros perous town." True. But with equal emphasis and the same de "Show me a town that meets the demands of a progressiv people and I will show you town that is not bothered bu very little with the mail orde business, and in that same town I will show you the town that Subscriber was going to show
you-a live, prosperous town." I still think we ought not to, and admonish the people not to patronize the mail order houser when it can reasonably be avoid ed. Spend your money at home thereby helping to build a town that we are proud of. I still hope and believe that our con ditions will show a marked im provement by the time another
season comes on. McLean has season comes on. McLean has many good things already to be
proud of. Among them a splendid local paper, ably edited by

## ANNOUNCEMENT

We are pleased to announce to the public that we have just returned from market where we purchased a new and complete line of

## Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats, Men's and Boy's Clothing, Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods

 to be put on the market in McLean about
## MARCH 20th

In this stock you will find everything purchased to be the

## Best Qualities

of new and dependable merchandise.
It is our aim and desire to carry a complete and general stock of dry goods that will

## Buy at Home

We shall appreciate a part of your business and ask that you come in and inspect our stock and get prices. We have come to McLean to stay, make it our home and do all we can for the betterment of the town and Gray County. We extend to all a hearty welcome

## R. A. THOMPSON

 Everything to Wear
## Millinery Opening

Will have my spring stock of millinery ready wimas.

## Saturday, the 16th

While at the market 1 found a greater variety of stylen through. Nobby Styles, best materials and reasonable prices is my slogan.

MRS. J. B. PASCHALL

## GARDENHIRE REALTY CO.

Established in 1899
We have sold more land in Gray county than all other real estate men. We sell land anywhere. If you want a
home or want to sell one let us know. List your land with
A. B. GARDENHIRE, McLean, Tezas. B. F. GARDENHIRE, Cole Camp, $y=$



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THE MCLEAN NEWS


By A. G. richardson


SCHOOL ECONOMY
THE sudden termination of the school will have to be conducted al schools after a short term
at less expense or the term cut
short. There is a problem and six months has brought a re-
ization of the fact that even
we believe the present board is lucational pride and advance. fult ent can be carried too far.

## To Prepare The Seed Bed

(Continued from last week)
Water:-It is hardly necessary
to state that plants require
water, not in minute but in very
substantial qualities. It re.
quires a bout three hundred
pounds of water to mase one
pound of dry material or to ma:
ture an average acre of corn or
grain it requires from four tosix
hundred tons of water. Tte
soil water, holding in solution
plant food, is carried through
the plant, performs its functions
and is evaporated through the
leaves. Soil moisture, together
with humus, equalizes in great
measure soil temperatures, dis-
solves chemical elements and
distributes them, and in a great
measure contributes to the life
and activity of the soil.
Water is found in the soil in
three forms, mamely-
(1) Hydrostatic, or gravita-
tonal.
(2) Capillary water.
(3) Hygroscopic, or vapor
water.
Hydrostatic Water:-Hydrostatic
water is the water that falls on
the surface it the form of rains
or by artitical irrigation. If
this water exists in excessive
amounts and percolates slowly,
saturating the soil to the extent
of filling the air spaces between
tbe particles of soil for a period,
thereby driving out the air, it
works disaster to the crop. If,
however, the ground is of good
tilth, and the seed bed is deep
and free from hard pan, the
downward movement is sufti-
ciently raptd to preventsmother-
ing plant. If a hard pan exists,
which is rarely the case where
deep plowing is practiced, but
is usually found where the pra-
ctice is to plow shallow, the soil
cemains saturated, rendering it
cold, sour and lifeless. Deep
plowing and subsoiling where it
is needed are usually sufficient
to properly take care of ordinary
rainfalls.
Capillary Water:- C a p illary
water is the reverse of hydrosta
tic water in it s movements.
Water is stored in the deeper
subsoils and by the process of
attracion it moves upward, pass.
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attracion it moves upward, pass
ing from soil particle to soil par of moisture, until the surface i reached. This water dissolve plant food elements and distri butes them. It also forms chem food compounds, and holds them in solution until they are utilized by the plant. The root hairs, or food and water gathers, pass be
tween the soil particles throwing tween the soil particles throwing
out their minute tentacles, which wrap around the particles o soil, absorbing by the process of
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it through the plant arteries per it through the plant arteries per
forming its functions of life and growth.
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Help! Help!

## Beats Anything You Ever <br> Heard Of

Ask us about it

BASSEL \& WISE
The Pace-Makers

Plant Food:-Food is just as es sential to the growthoy are interdependent, and it must be re membered that the ability and
a great extent upon the cond-
tion of the seed bed. If the tion of the seed
plants receive their food from that a deep bed would contain that a doed than a shallow one. seek the course of least resis tance and their abundance, en the freedom they have and the amount of nourishment provided quire no argument to convince the farmer of the advantages a deep, thoroughly made the ele
bed, well stocked with ments that go to make a balanc ed ration, and keep in mind the food depends upon the chemica and
soil

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broken and the plant food is | made available. |
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Continued Next Week.

| The Mothers, Club have a |
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| number of splendid programs |
| prepared and will begin a series |
| of entetrainments as soon as the |

MARCH 23rd

Admission 10 and 25 cents

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Lecture On Labrador



## INGTON <br> GOSSSIIP

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ed the Joke on Himself



## Crabtree For Commissioner <br> Delegates to Convention <br> We are authorized to present election. <br> Mr. Crabtree is one of the and is recoginized as one of our staunchest business men, hones elected we feel sure that he wil make a commissioner of whom we may weil feel proud. <br> His long residence in the county fairs eminently fits him for th responsible place to w Your consideration of his can. didacy is repectfally solieited. <br> Road Notice. <br> Notice is hereby given that the south side of McLean to the south side of McLean to the north side of Alanreed will be opened on the first of next April, and all parties along this road are requested to have their are requested to have their fences up by this time. This road was declared open by the Commissinners Court two years ago and they have given me poson the date named. <br> . H. Biebrich, Overseer. Visiting Cards. We have just received a new lot of type and cards-both la- dies' andl Misses' size-and are dies and Misses size-and are <br> PRICES MUROERED Sunday afternoon. It is under. AD at its initial meet. The public is invited to attend. The followis invited to attend. The follow ing people have been named a delegates form this city; Geo. Weaver, S. H. Bundy S. R. Jones, Luther Petty, Mr Newton, Hulon Collier, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Chambers, Bessie Sit ter, Cora Cash, Minnie Gard hire and Mrs. W. E. O'Neal. Alternale delegates appointed <br> L. O. Floyd, Edith Stockton on. Lucile Horton, E nor Grundy, William Henry, Olive Henry, Minnie Foster, Mr Meize, Mrs. S. R. Joncs. San Hodges and S. H. Erwin. Notice. After this the News will mak a charge for all items that d a charge for all items that do not come under the head of general news. <br> We are glad to get news item nd will appreciate you ringing if you know anything of in

to the voters of this precinct Singing Convention will meet the candidacy of A. T. Russell candidate for the office of County $\quad$ tommorrow asternoon at the for the office of City marsiall Commissioner at the coming sion will continue over until be held on the first Tuesday stood there will be singing all
day Sunday and a good old
Mr. Russell needs no intorduc. fashioned "dinner on the tion from us as he has been ground." Heald people were resident of this city most of the ing convention and it will be
ind is thoroughly cognizant romembered that they entertain- the needs and requirements ed the people with a lavish hand the office he seeks.


Everything in stock at like propor tion. If you want anything in our line we will order it for you for cost and carriage as long as we are in business. Or we will sell our entire stock at 85 ets. on the dollar. We are actually going out of business. All etail sales are strictly CASH.

