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McLEAN EX'S HOMECOMING ANNOUNCED FOR SEPT. 12-13

The homecoming celebration is planned for September 12 and 13 and all ex-students are to make every effort to attend. The celebration will kick off the celebration with the football game between Shamrock Irish and the McLean Tigers. A general gathering will be held afterwards at the McLean Country Club. Saturday, registration will be held at 9:00 a.m. and a barbecue will be held at the Country Club. Individual class meetings will be held following the dinner. A dance will be held at the Country Club. Other big event to take place

during the homecoming will be the opening of the Alanreed-McLean Area Museum, which has come about through many, many months of work by the Alanreed-McLean Historical Society. A letter will be received later by all ex-students that have their names and addresses on file. For those that do not, or that are not certain, will you please fill out the blank herewith, and return to the McLean Ex-Students Association, McLean, Texas 79057. It is necessary that we know the approximate number of persons that will attend and that we maintain a correct mailing list of all ex-students.

Fill Out and Mail To McLean Ex-Students Ass'n. —

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____
Zip _____
I plan to attend. Yes () No ()
Number Adult Plates _____ No. Children Plates _____

McLean Post Office Receipts \$16,000 Above Last Year

The McLean Post Office shows receipts of \$16,000 above last year's sales, stated Postmaster Frank Simpson. The total receipts for last physical year was \$65,802.44, which is a record for this post office and not many towns this size can show a record to compare with. The Marie Foundation should receive credit for a large portion of the postal receipts with the shipments made through the post office.

Two Teachers To Be Honored With Tea

A farewell tea honoring Misses Leona Forbes and Gussie Bledsoe will be held Sunday afternoon, July 13, from 3 to 5 o'clock in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weaver, 816 N. Main. Students, parents and friends of these two will want to visit with them before they move and this is a special invitation to everyone to attend this tea.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Baldock of Irving, Mrs. Ethel Connelly and daughter Jau of Garland visited the Harvey Hudgins over the weekend.

Large Turnout Expected For School Bond Election

McLean School's Accreditation

In a brochure mailed by the School Trustees stated: "The Accreditation Team pointed out many of the faults of our school facilities that we knew existed from our previous studies. They recommended that we be advised of not fully meeting accreditation standards facility wise and that we must make progress in this area or lose our accreditation. If we lose our accreditation, we would lose our state aid." This was taken from the Accreditation Visit Report of April 6, 1967.

A letter was requested and received dated July 1, 1969, from H. E. Phillips, Director, Division of School Accreditation, states in part:

"Under separate cover you will receive three documents: the accreditation report on the McLean Independent School District, (dated April 6, 1967), a progress report submitted by the superintendent, (dated February 5, 1968), and our letter to the superintendent stating that the progress report was accepted and that the school was continued as a fully accredited school system."

"Consequently, any action taken by the local school officials toward improving the educational program is in keeping with the goals of the State Board. The main purpose of accreditation is continued school improvement."

"The responsibility for school improvement rests with the superintendent. His professional leadership is to minister education to the community in terms of setting goals, helping the community establish objectives, and influencing their values for education. The superintendent that is maintaining an up-to-date school system today will by necessity be asking for more change than school officials in the past."

"As I stated in the first paragraph, the McLean Independent School District is now fully accredited by the State Department of Education. To maintain its accredited status will require considerable initiative within the district. "The only reason for a school losing its accreditation are because of incompetency of administrators or because the school board and the community refuse to permit the professional staff to pursue a program of continuous improvement. I do not know of the conditions in the McLean district other than what is contained in our files. However, I presume the school officials are pursuing a program of continuous school improvement based on that information."

Pfc. Roy McMullen Serving In Vietnam

PFC Roy Lynn McMullen has recently left to serve a tour of duty in Vietnam. While there he will be with the Helicopter Maintenance Fixed Wing Department. McMullen is in the 201 Aviation Co. Corp and is stationed at Nha Trang, which is 25 miles from Cam Bahn Bay. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. McMullen. His wife, the former Paula Marchbanks will make her home in McLean. His address is PFC Roy McMullen 462-74-1168, 201 Aviation Co. Corp, APO San Francisco, Calif. 96350.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Visiting Hours
2-4 p.m. — 7-8:30 p.m.
No Morning Visiting Hours.
Please observe visiting hours.
Admitted — Vera Lynn Wood, Mattie Wheeler, Thomas W. Smith, LaVada Cash, Bonnie Darnell, Richard Darnell.
Dismissed — Ora Lamb, Bonnie Darnell, Richard Darnell, Thomas W. Smith.



A PHONE THAT 'SEES,' the model II Picturephone set, is now being manufactured for the Bell System by Western Electric. Bell hopes to introduce Picturephone on limited basis in the 1970's.

SW Bell Telephone To Have Picture Phones In Future

Western Electric, supply unit for the Bell System, is working several dozen telephone sets that can "see"—after making more than 170 million phones that simply "talk."

While still in the developmental stage, the Picturephone is moving closer to the day when "see-while-you-talk" service will be available throughout the nation, said George Newberry, Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

Already, early models of the Picturephone are "outmoded," with Western currently planning production of a more sophisticated Model II Picturephone set, Newberry noted.

He said Bell Telephone Labs has replaced the conventional camera tube—used in the first models—with its own development, a silicon target tube. Newberry said the pick-up surface of this tube is only a half-inch square, yet it contains 800,000 separate parts, called diodes.

"It is so sensitive that this special tube can transmit a picture from an almost completely darkened room," Newberry said. "At the same time, very bright light in one part of the room will not 'burn in' one part of the tube and shorten its life."

Such features are important, Newberry noted, because Picturephone sets are not designed for use by television engineers in professionally-lighted studios, but rather by anyone in home or office.

Newberry said AT&T recently began a Picturephone service trial between Westinghouse Co. offices in New York and Pittsburgh. He said the Bell System hopes to offer Picturephone service on a limited basis in the 1970's.

Margaret A. White Buried Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Margaret Alice White, 63, of Clarendon, who died Tuesday morning at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo, were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the First Christian Church in Clarendon. Rev. Paul Hancock, pastor, officiated. Burial was in the Citizen's Cemetery in Clarendon by Murphy Funeral Home.

Mrs. White was born at Windthorst and came to Clarendon in 1918. She married Glenn White May 1, 1925 in Amarillo. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Shamrock. Survivors include her husband, a sister, Mrs. C. M. Carpenter of McLean; brothers, Jeff McMurry of Clarendon, Jeff McMurry of Archer City, Roy McMurry of Silvertown and Bob McMurry of Amarillo.

Three Propositions To Be Decided

The Tax and \$500,000.00 Bond election for the McLean Independent School District is entering the final days with those "For", "Against" and "Confused", getting in their say before the polls open Tuesday.

Three Propositions are to be voted on Tuesday, July 15, at the School Tax office in the McLean City Hall. The ballot will read as follows:

Proposition No. 1
(FOR) (AGAINST) Maintenance Tax.

Proposition No. 2
(FOR) (AGAINST) The issuance of Bonds and the levying the Tax in payment thereof.

Proposition No. 3
(FOR) (AGAINST) The assumption of Bonded Indebtedness and the levying of the Tax in payment thereof.

It needs to be mentioned again vote each Proposition separately, place an (X) either by For or Against on each Proposition, or posted voting instructions state you can vote "Against" by crossing out the Proposition. It would be possible to lose your vote by crossing out all three Propositions, like they were one.

Election officers are Homer Abbott, presiding judge, S. A. Cousins, assistant judge, Mrs. S. A. Cousins, Mrs. Homer Abbott, Mrs. New Barker, clerks. Charles Cousins has been appointed as the clerk for absentee voting. Absentee voting must be done before 5:00 p.m. Friday.

Only qualified voters and residents in the McLean Independent School District, who own taxable property in the District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation will be entitled to vote in this election.

To be eligible to vote in the school bond and tax election, the voter must have registered for the voting year 1968, and if possible to save time in checking the registration roll, bring your Registration Certificate. Your Registration number will be recorded on an Affidavit of Ownership of Property Duly Rendered for Taxation, which is to be filled out by the voter and sworn to. There is a blank for Description of Property to be listed.

Property other than real estate which has been rendered for taxation is to be described by a statement of its nature. Real estate, if located in an incorporated city, a statement of the location of the property by street and number shall be sufficient. It shall be sufficient to describe a farm, ranch, or other rural property by a statement of its location with reference to a town, as, for example, "farm near McLean."

If you need assistance in filling out the affidavit, ask the election officer to help you. The major portion of the text of the Three Propositions are as follows:

Proposition 1. published legal notice states: "Shall the Board of Trustees of said District have the power and be authorized to levy and cause to be assessed and collected an annual ad valorem tax at a rate not to exceed the limit of \$1.50 on the \$100 assessed value of taxable property in said District, for the further maintenance of public free schools, . . ."

Proposition No. 2: "Shall the Board of Trustees of said District have the power and be authorized to issue the bonds of said District, in one or more series or issues, in the aggregate principal amount of \$500,000.00, at a price of six and one-half per cent per annum, . . . or other wise as fixed by said Board of Trustees, for the purpose of the construction and equipment of public free school buildings in said District, and the purchase of the necessary sites therefor; and shall said Board of Trustees have the power and be authorized to levy and cause to be assessed and collected annual ad valorem taxes sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the interest on and principal of said bonds, . . ."

Proposition No. 3: "Shall said entire District, as it now exists, assume and pay all outstanding bonded indebtedness for which said District, or any part thereof, is liable or responsible, and, for the purpose of paying the interest on and principal of said bonded indebtedness, shall the Board of Trustees of said District have the power and be authorized to levy and cause to be assessed and collected annual ad valorem taxes at such rates and in such amounts as authorized by the laws under which said bonded indebtedness was issued, with said bonded indebtedness and the outstanding principal thereof being described briefly as follows:

Each Proposition is an individual issue and will be accepted or rejected by the voters by a majority of the votes cast on each Proposition. The Propositions as they appear ask for excessive power for the School Trustees to assess and collect annual ad valorem taxes, "sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount."

As to Proposition No. 2, \$500,000 plus interest for purpose of constructing and equipping school building and land; anyone can visit the high school building anytime it is open and see the need for maintenance and repairs.

Many have asked, "why have broken windows, sagging doors, lighting needs, cracks and general maintenance have been neglected?" Replies come back, "no money," but salaries are raised, field trips made and financing was no problem.

Sidewalk samplings go like this: "I see very little wrong, the building is as good as when I went there," "Why have the Board and Supervisor let repairs go?" "Let's remodel," "Build a new school," "Wait a few years and time will take care" . . .

It is up to the voters of the McLean Independent School District to decide the outcome. See you at the polls Tuesday.

Children's Pictures To Be Taken By Winston Lucas

It is an undisputed fact that the responsibilities of tomorrow's world our nation and community will rest upon the shoulders of the children of today. Since this is true, the publisher of this newspaper would like to give you a good look at these future "World Builders."

The only way we can do this is by publishing pictures of them in a feature series. To assure the latest and best reproduction pictures they must all be of uniform size and quality.

An expert children's photographer with all the necessary equipment for this specialized work will be here Tuesday, July 22nd.

Pictures will be taken at the McLean News office from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

There is no charge to the parents. There are absolutely strings to this invitation. Parents do not have to be subscribers to take advantage of this feature. Neither are they obligated to purchase pictures that are taken. Those who want some additional prints may obtain a limited number by arrangement with the studio representative when they select the pose they want printed in the paper.

The News will print the pictures of all the youngsters, as mothers and fathers of the community should remember the date Tuesday, July 22, to bring their children to the photographer.

Appointments may be had by calling the News office, 79-2447

Time To Wake Up America'

This address was delivered at Memorial Day Services, May 1968, at Hillcrest Cemetery, McLean, Texas, by Earl E. Smith. It is considered timely and worth printing.

Ed.

By EARL E. SMITH McLean Church of Christ

"Blessed is that nation whose God is the Lord." Ps. 33:20 God had His memorial which are those of us who have a Christian heritage to remember. He instituted the Sabbath in view of the fact that He himself rested on the seventh day. God placed the bow in the cloud signifying the fact that He would never again destroy the earth by water. The Passover was given to cause His people to remember the passing over of the death angel in the land of Egypt. The Lord's day with communion service is to cause Christians to remember the path, burial, resurrection and look for the coming again of our Lord.

This is primarily a patriotic address. This memorial day and its service is to honor our dead—especially our dead of this and other wars.

We are a blessed people in a blessed land. Why should not a minister of the Gospel speak? Must we, of all people, be second class citizens?

The young man in the uniform of our Country has had a very special place in my heart. Among the thrilling moments, the earliest that I remember was when during World War I, during the flu epidemic, my uncle, Isaac Gentry Smith, who was stationed at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, returned to Marshall County Kentucky with the body of one of the Semmell boys, who had died of the flu. For many years Uncle Gentry was my special hero. This happened when I was a very small boy, before I first enrolled in school.

We, the American people, have suffered with Washington and those brave men of the Continental Army through that hard winter at Valley Forge. We have prayed with Robert E. Lee and Lincoln and with Tom "Stonewall" Jackson over a nation divided by the war between the states.

If you are interested in how deeply religious was "Stonewall" Jackson, read "The Gallant Mr. Stonewall," by Hartnett Kane. We have charged up San Juan Hill with Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders.

We have fought Kiser Bill and the Hun in the Muse Argentine with Gen. "Black Jack" Pershing and the European Expeditionary Force, and at Flanders Field we have seen "the poppies grow, beneath the crosses row on row."

We have flown with Gen. Claire Chennault and the Flying Tigers over the hump and along the Burma Road. We have been in the tanks with old "Blood and Guts" Patton and with the beloved like at Normandy. We have been with Harry Truman's Police Action in Korea and have suffered with McArthur in being recalled from a war that politics

would not allow him to win. We have been with our brave young men these past few days and weeks in the rice paddy's and up Hamburger Hill in South Vietnam.

But now to the point of all this: There have been no young men more brave, more heroic, more patriotic—more deserving to wear the uniform of our LOYALTY AND RESPECT OF US ALL, than those young men are fighting in South Vietnam, today. Note to boards of trustees of our public schools: The Book, A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY, should be required reading for all students from the junior high level.

WAR IS A PART OF HISTORY, and during my lifetime it has been a considerable part of history. TODAY'S EVENTS ARE TOMORROW'S HISTORY. And history, yes war, THIS WAR, should teach us something. Someone has well said that those who will not learn from history simply will not learn.

If ever we should learn this lesson, let us learn it now—Let us never again become involved in a war where we are committed not to win and which we dare not lose. Let there be no more war's but if we must have war, let it be a DECLARED WAR in which we stand as a nation united—where those who are sympathetic with the enemy are TRAITORS—And, subject to the fullest penalty of the law.

It is my personal wish that the American Legion, the Veteran's of Foreign Wars, other Veteran's groups and all others who are in a position to bring about such united action, urge President Nixon, even at this late date, to declare that a state of war exists between these United States and North Vietnam and their leader, Ho Chi Min. If this state of war does not now exist, why under the shining canopy of heaven are we over there? Why have we given multiplied 1,000's of America's finest to die over there, while we tolerate the enemy within our gates? We are at war against aggressive, militaristic, Godless, atheistic Communism. Our opposition to Communism at home and abroad is a righteous cause. For, if anything, Mao Tse Tung, Ho Chin Min, Castro and the powers of the Kremlin are more diabolical, more devilish, and more anti-Christ than the Kaiser, Hitler, Mussolini or Tojo ever were. While Hitler may have been a paranoid psychopath, these satellites of the Kremlin have a fanatic devotion to the basic philosophy of Communism, which is dialectic materialism—which asserts that man, indeed all life is but matter in motion, and that man exists for the state. And, those who are in a position today to know best the Communist mind tell us that today the Communist is the most dedicated, the most enthusiastic man in the world.

Today's Communist will gladly give up his sick leave, his vacation time, his week ends, his hours after work until late at night, his wages or salary be-

yond what is needed for bare necessities, in order to spend and be spent in the cause of World Communism.

And, don't you doubt for one moment that he will die for that cause. The supporters of Mao murdered more than a million civilians in China and the supporters of Ho Chi Min did the same thing in North Vietnam. And, if there is a take over of the Viet Cong in South Vietnam, we can expect a blood bath in South Vietnam that will make Hitler's slaughter of the Jews look like a Sunday School picnic. But, as a nation that was built on the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of Peter, James, John and Paul, and on the moral principals of the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule, we are wavering.

How many American's honor a George C. Marshall who considered that the world had nothing to fear from Mao Tse Tung, and who reported that Chinese Communism was but an Agrarian Movement, a land (farm) reform. And how many American's have been brain washed into abandoning a Joseph C. McCarthy who knew how riddled our state department had become with Communists? How many American's today would consider any serious effort to cleanse our government of Communists who are more loyal to Mao, Ho Chi Min and to Castro than they are to the American system and the free enterprise system, a Witch Hunt and a smear campaign. IT VIOLATES NO LAW OF OUR LAND TO BE A COMMUNIST IN AMERICA TODAY. OUR LIBERAL SUPREME COURT SAID TO THAT! It was no idle boast when Krushchev said, "We will bury you." They would much prefer to bleed us to death through "brush type wars" like Korea and South Vietnam, by dividing America with a "no win" policy. But they have every intention of burying us one way or another. These are a people and I understand the word honor, these men of the Kremlin, of Ho Chi Min and Mao. They have never yet kept one Treaty or Agreement, when it was to their interest not to keep it. WHEN WILL OUR LEADERS LEARN THE LESSONS OF YALTA AND POTSDAM? If we make any agreement we don't intend to keep, we practice deception. WE LIE! WHERE IS OUR STRENGTH, OUR NATIONAL PRIDE AND HONOR?

In Conclusion: It is time for America to wake up, in fact it is almost too late, for eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. It is time that we rebuild our walls, that we re-express our faith in word and action. First, we must re-dedicate ourselves to those moral principals expressed in the Ten Commandments, restated in the New Testament and the principal of the Golden Rule. Second, we must stop being mealy-mouthed in our plea that

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DOWN MEMORY LANE

50 Years Ago

The Croix de Guerre, or French War Cross, has been awarded to Lt. Bryon Kibler and Pvt. 1st Class Andrew H. Floyd, late of the 142nd Infantry for gallantry in action during the great war.

A deal was closed this week whereby Earle Shell became owner of the Palace Drug Store, taking it over from Judge T. M. Wolfe.

Something unique in wedding anniversary celebrations was that of Messrs. and Mesdames D. R. and Charles L. Glass, at Hereford July 1st. It was the golden anniversary of the former and the silver anniversary of the latter.

Miss Fannie Bailey prepared a wedding dinner Sunday for the newly wed. Mr. and Mrs. George Saye. Everything was decorated in white. Those present were all the Bailey relatives, John Haynes and family and Rev. Osborne and family.

40 Years Ago

A report from the registrar's office of the Technological College shows that Miss Joellene Vannoy, daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. John B. Vannoy, made the honor roll for the spring term.

W. H. Floyd, owner of the McLean Hatchery, has bought a mammoth all electric incubator with a maximum capacity of 25,000 eggs for next season's business.

Cubine Bros., Chrysler dealers, have moved their garage to the building recently vacated by the McLean Motor Co.

The Lions Club voted to endorse the sidewalk proposition outlined by Elmer S. James and to appoint a committee from the club to assist in a sidewalk campaign.

I. E. Jolly, boy scout executive for this district, has been invited by the Cooperative Extension Work of College Station to assist in the short course for club boys to be held July 20 to August 3.

30 Years Ago

Members of the Daughters of Ruth Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church were hostesses at a party Friday evening at the home of their teacher, Miss Eunice Stratton.

Time was when the fourth in McLean could be described as "Quiet" but it was not so Tuesday when thousands of visitors crowded the streets, with three bands playing martial music and firecrackers popping, to say nothing of the excitement engendered by the polo games and the rodeo performances.

J. A. Haynes, pioneer settler here, states that there has never been a killing in the town of McLean. In early days when killings were taking place in this section, McLean citizens were law-abiding in this respect.

20 Years Ago

The Warren Petroleum Company employees and their families enjoyed a chicken dinner at Lake McClellan last Thursday evening with about 125 attending. Minister and Mrs. John R. Fulmer are moving today to Olton, where he has accepted the ministry of the Otton Church of Christ.

A total of 51 cars of wheat has been shipped from McLean thus far, according to a report from the two buyers late Wednesday. Laura V. Hammer, well known author, "visited" McLean on her regular Sunday Morning radio program over station KGNC, Amarillo, last Sunday.

The home of the Andrew H. Floyd post of the American Legion in McLean is getting a general overhauling.

10 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hugg are the parents of a son, born Sunday, June 28, in Erick, Okla. He weighed 7 lbs. and 5 ozs. Grandparents are Mrs. Opal Hugg of McLean and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Snowden of Erick, Ok. Adella Vineyard, Elizabeth Bos-

'Time To Wake Up America'

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Jesus Christ is the one and only solution to the spiritual problems of mankind.

Third, we must re-assert the integrity of the individual personality dedicated to the solution of the individual working out his own problems, rather than to run to home "Great White Father" in Washington for everything. When will we ever come to realize that Washington, the Federal Government, if you will, can never give us anything that it does not first take away from us. And, the more it takes away from us, the smaller percent we will ever get back, because it will always take more and more to support the Federal Bureaucracy we have created. Finally, we must utterly reject IBM's slogan, "Men are supposed to think, machines are supposed to work." This is a denial of the dignity of honest toil, and an utter rejection of the expressed will of God in both the OLD and the New Testaments.

Following the sin of Adam and Eve, God commanded man, "That by the sweat of his face he should eat bread." And, the Apostle Paul commanded that if any man would not work, neither should he eat, and that Christian's should have no fellowship with such.

ton, July Wyatt, Nancy Meacham, Paula Sue Brown and Mary Hall left Sunday morning for Wichita Falls, where they are attending cheerleading classes Monday thru Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gudgel announce the marriage of their daughter, Marlene to Kenneth Hamby, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hamby.

Wedding vows were exchanged by Miss Clara Mae Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Evans and Don Kite, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Kite, on the evening of July 3 at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Shelton and Jeanene honored their son and brother, Jimmy, with a party last Thursday, July 2, on his 7th birthday, in the City Park.

Visiting T. A. Langham in the hospital Sunday were Mrs. Jim D. Sparks from Tulare, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Langham and children of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Langham and children from Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Baker and Mrs. Bobby Baker and Tom, all from Pampa.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

As a citizen and as a taxpayer, I would like to make a few remarks for your consideration, as well as for those who read The McLean News.

In recent weeks we have seen the feelings of various ones expressed in the "letters to the editor column." We have observed being ridiculed and made to look stupid, if we could pay attention to those views being expressed by some.

We have learned by some of the viewpoints being expressed how to have a "first-class" newspaper in McLean.

First: the community should construct a new, modern and beautiful building to house The McLean News (you couldn't expect anybody to publish a decent paper in the present rundown building housing the equipment).

Second: the community should purchase the most modern and up-to-date equipment that money can buy (you couldn't expect anybody to be able to spell and put out a paper on old worn-out equipment).

Third: Now that the community has spent about \$250,000.00 for this beautiful building and all of this modern equipment we don't have to worry about an editor and publisher "for" paper because just anybody would be proud to edit and publish a paper under these conditions. We won't have to worry about his religious or political affiliations, his moral or spiritual behavior or anything like that because "we" have provided him with such luxurious surroundings that he just can't help but publish an outstanding paper.

HOW BLIND CAN WE BE? "And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch."

Yours for better judgement,
George F. Saunders

Dear Editor,

I believe in progress, but does progress have to destroy our traditions and our sentimental value.

It is amazing at the traditions that have been dropped in our schools, in the past eight years. A list of some: the first grade train ride from Groom to McLean. This was the first, then came the following: All day end of school picnics, eighth grade graduation, junior and senior plays, Baccalaureate Sermons, senior trips, the school paper, and trying to standardizing the senior rings.

This last year it was the band trip to Enid. The traditions don't mean much to teachers and new comers. But to old student like myself I put value into these. I would like to see the kids experience some of the good adventures that their parents and parents before them had. As a student this gives him something to look forward to. This modern Hippie world today is an experience but I fail to see anything good about it.

Now the high school building that is loved so well and has great memories for a lot of us ex-students. My heart aches to think of it being torn down or abandoned.

The drawing of the new school is pretty but to me that old building is beautiful even with its old scars. The traditions are gone. Will the sentiments go too? How many heritages can be destroyed in one small generation? To inherit the right to say what we think, is a blessing.

An old ex,
Effie Lou Everett

Bible Family Reunion July 18

The Bible family reunion will hold its annual reunion at Lake Altus, Oklahoma, July 18, 19 and 20.

Paul Bible resides in the old family home at Hollis, Okla. The families of Jim, Cecil and John Bible reside in and around Canon and the Texas Panhandle. Charlie Bible's family reside in Oklahoma City, Della Hassel's family in Tulsa, Okla. A Rollins Family is also in Oklahoma.

Any and all friends, kindfolks or funding cousins are welcome to come, bring a basket lunch. The big get together will be Sunday, July 20.

Those residing in McLean are The Clovis Bible and The John V. (Jake) Bible families. They are the son's of the late John Bible who also resided in and around McLean.

LOOKIN' BACK

by Vera Featherston Back

There's a small group of young people in McLean that work quietly and, almost, without recognition to make this town a better place to live. These are the Jaycees and their wives, the Jaycee-Ettes.

Because of them we had fourth of July fireworks and numbers of us who stayed home on the Fourth enjoyed this display very much.

Our special thanks and appreciation to all the Jaycees and their wives, but especially to Casper and Jean Smith, Bill and Billie Kingston, Larry and Wanda Smith, Jim and Betty Adams, Robert and Carol Martindale, and Al and Helen Anderson.

The museum is taking shape. The building is looking good

with its fresh coat of paint applied by Bill Cooke, its electrical wiring to give more light, this latter done by Jay Thompson and Otis Calcote. Soon the committee will be ready to start processing the articles already on hand and then we want YOURS. Claude Powell says he has a churn—one that is connected to the ceiling and operated by pulling a rope. We're looking forward to seeing that. The Bidwells have an old-fashioned crock churn that we do know how to operate. We are anxious for both types.

Our museum buttons will soon be ready for sale. Let's all wear them and help advertise the Alanreed-McLean Area Museum.

This is a special note to Leonard Glass: Remember the animal's head you helped us dig up out on the Alanreed-Lefors Highway? We had that appraised at West Texas Museum last week. The head is over 100 years

old, belonged to either a horse or a mule. When the dirt is cleaned out of it, we may stand it on a table—nose up. It is alone, it's a horse. If it falls, it is mule. Now I know why we say, "Stubborn as a mule." Even after resting in the grass for over a century, a mule refuses to cooperate!



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He loves her ... he loves her not ... he loves her ... or does he? If only daisy petals could give the answer!

Then there's that more introspective question: Does she really love him ... or does she not?

And that ultimate question—still a long way off—but getting closer every day: Can theirs be a happy, lasting marriage?

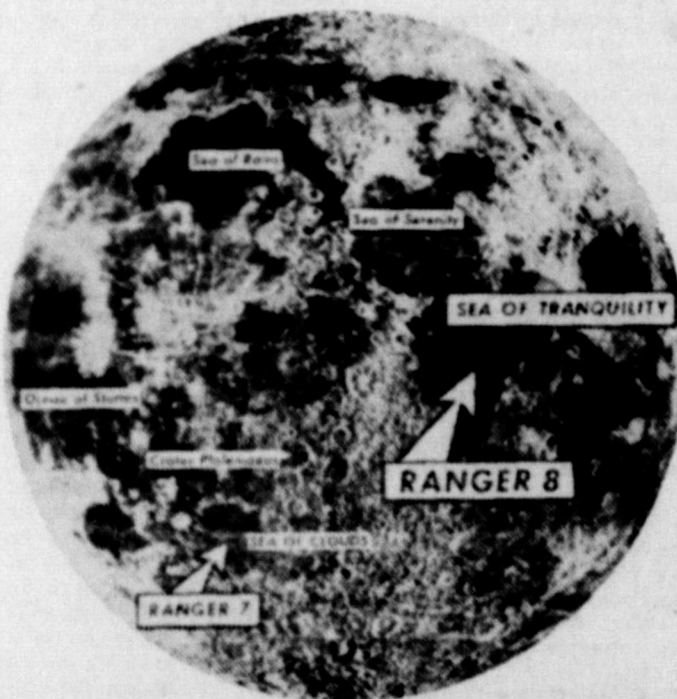
Is romance a colossal gamble—or are there basic elements which are predictable?

Millions of Christian parents are staking their children's future on the latter view. They believe that religious education in the Church and religious atmosphere in the home can foster moral and spiritual maturity. They believe that character as well as love is essential to marriage ... a home ... a family.

And they want their sons and daughters to meet others who are being brought up the same way!

Scriptures selected by the American Bible Society

- Psalms 119:129-144
- Psalms 119:145-160
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CHANGE—Jean Carol Bible, 712 S. Fannin, Amarillo, Tx. 79106; Clyde Allen Windom, 3808-Bryn Mawr, Dallas, Tex. 75225; Robert McCabe, 302 Elm St., Dumas.

Mrs. C. O. Goodman went to Amarillo last Thursday and spent the night with her son, Kenneth and family. On Friday she met her son, Keith and family of Fort Worth and daughter, Maxine and family of Arlington, at Lubbock. They all made a tour of Carlsbad Caverns, N. M. While at White City they toured the Million Dollar Museum and rode the ski lift. Mrs. Goodman returned to her home Sunday and the others on to their home at Fort Worth and Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Simmons and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Thomas all of Grand-ada Hills, Calif., visited Mrs. Helen Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Abbott and Mr. and Mrs. Hershel McCarty and friends in McLean. The Thomases were moving to Springfield, Ark.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Z. A. Myers, Pastor Sunday Services Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.	McLEAN METHODIST CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Services will be held each Sunday morning, Rev. George McDonald will bring the message. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Dan Beltz, Pastor Sunday Services Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 10:50 a.m. Training Union 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Service 7:45 p.m.	CHURCH OF CHRIST E. E. Smith, Minister Sunday Services Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Morning Service 10:50 a.m. Evening Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Ladies Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Midweek Worship 7:50 p.m.	KELLERVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST ALANREED FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10 a.m. Church Services 11 a.m. Training Union 7 p.m. Church Services 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 8 p.m. W.M.S., Monday 2 p.m.
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McLean has always had a good school system as is evident by the outstanding records of past students, and we recognize the necessity of maintaining a **GOOD** school in McLean.

Our Tax values on property in McLean Independent School District have recently been raised because of necessity to meet present operational costs. Gas and oil are now paying a good portion of our present taxes, however, with the rapid depletion of these minerals, a heavier tax burden will have to be carried by the home, business and land owners. Tourists today are supporting business in McLean up to 75 percent in some cases. What will happen to this town when it is by-passed by Interstate 40? Can you afford to pay 3, 4 or 5 times as much tax as you are paying today?

Economical buildings constructed today **are not constructed** of re-inforced concrete, steel, brick and mortar to last for a long period of years as is our present high school. In thinking of a \$500,000 bond issue bearing 6 1/2% interest over a 20 year period of time we suddenly realize it will cost the tax payers approximately a million dollars to finance this school. There have been other buildings in our area reconditioned and completely modernized for the approximate cost of \$6.00 per sq. ft. as compared to \$12.00 per sq. ft. for new construction. Present high school contains approximately 20,000 sq. ft. floor space as compared to proposed construction of 38,000 sq. ft. which includes a new gym. The present gym, built by the City of McLean when our school could not afford to, has been used primarily by our school, and still has \$54,000 bonded indebtedness against it.

We realize our present school facilities are in a rundown condition and **something must be done**. Education is the most important service a community can give it's children.

We are against the present bond election due to its impracticability. However, we are **for** and will work hard to see our present facilities **remodeled** to meet modern school standards.

We want our school to be modern and our teachers to be of the highest quality, not only to have a good school, but to insure available funds to meet the ever increasing cost and standards of future education.

*Pol. Adv. Signed For and Paid By
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(PAID POLITICAL ADV.)

Saunders - Foster Marriage Vows Read July 4th

Joyce Ann Saunders and Jim Ray Foster were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at 2:30 in the afternoon, July 4, in the McLean Church of Christ. Ross E. Bracey, minister of the Bedford Church of Christ and uncle of the bride, performed the ceremony. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. George Saunders of McLean and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Foster of Lamesa.

The altar was decorated with an arch of Lily of the Valley and two baskets of white daisies and gladiolus.

Music was provided by a quartet composed of Mona Smith of McLean, Mrs. Felton Dickens of Bells, Texas, and Jon and Don Smith of Dallas. Selections were One Hand, One Heart, Dear Love, The Wedding Pledge, and O Perfect Love.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor length gown of white wedding satin and French Chantilly lace. The chapel length train of satin, with appliques of lace and pearls, was attached to the back of the dress by a large bow. Her elbow length veil of illusion was held by a floral crown of beaded pearls, lace and illusion. She carried two white orchids atop a white Bible.

Bridal attendants were Janice Saunders, sister of the bride from Lubbock, Judy Saunders, sister of the bride from McLean, and Lana Carol Grogan, from McLean. They wore identical floor length dresses of turquoise with embroidered daisies down the front and around the stand-up collar. They carried bouquets of white daisies and pom-pom mums.

The best man was Doug Webb of Nocona. Danny Drum of Hestley and Ronnie Brown of Lamesa served as groomsmen. Ushers were Jim Mac Hall of McLean and Kirk Bracey of Bedford, cousins of the bride.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents. For a wedding trip to Flagstaff, Arizona the bride wore a yellow crepe dress and jacket.

Mrs. Foster is a 1966 graduate of McLean High School. She attended Lubbock Christian College and Abilene Christian College. She was a member of Alpha Epsilon Chi at LCC. Mr. Foster is a 1966 graduate of Lamesa High School. He attended Lubbock Christian College until he joined the Navy in September 1967. He is presently stationed in San Diego, California. He was a member of Sub-T-36 while at LCC.

After July 9, the couple will be at home at 2019 F Avenue, Apt. 12, National City, Calif.

Trout Reunion Held At McClellan Lake

A Trout family reunion was held June 27, 28 and 29 at McClellan Lake. There were 65 that attended.

Those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Trout and sons and friends of the Trouts all of Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ferguson and family of Berger; Mr. and Mrs. James Fulton and sons; Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and sons; Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Cooper and sons; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Drake and baby all of Pampa.

Others were Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Taylor and family of Lefors; Mr. Paul Cooper of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bible and family of Canyon; Mrs. Bonnie Johnson and family; Mr. Leon Underdown all of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Richardson and sons of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Teeples and family of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Jud Reuter of Mobeetie; Mr. Marvin Pierce of Wheeler; Mrs. Susie Trout, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse E. Smith, Mrs. Rosie Lee Young and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kingston and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews all of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Mayfield of Longbeach, Calif., visited Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty Wednesday.

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Bradley - Magee Marriage Plans Set

Mr. and Mrs. Dent Bradley of Dimmitt, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Martha Kay to Joe Lynn Magee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde J. Magee of McLean.

They will be married August 8, at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt at 8 p.m.

Fourth Of July Display, Big Success

There was a big crowd out to see the fireworks display last Friday night The Jaycees and Jaycee-Ettes would like to thank all the people who came out to watch.

This is an annual project for the Jaycees and with the help of the Jaycee-Ettes we hope to have an even bigger and better show next year.

The McLean Jaycee's and Jaycee-Ettes would like to express their appreciation to the following people for their help during our Fourth of July display.

To the Rodeo Association for the use of the arena, to the school for the use of their concession stand, to George Terry for the use of the speaker system, to the fire department for being on hand in case of fire, and to all the people who brought fireworks and made it possible.

Francis L. Petty returned to his home in Midland Sunday after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clifton spent the weekend in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Southern, brother to Mrs. Clifton. Sunday they attended the 50th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rigby of Canyon. Mrs. Rigby is an only aunt of Mrs. Clifton and Mr. Southern. The Cliftons also celebrated their 36th anniversary, July 4. Visiting in the homes of their mothers, Mrs. Ross Collie and Mrs. W. N. Pharis, were Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pharis of Fort Worth.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,
Writing a letter on the current controversy has, I'm sure, been in the minds of many—but they, like I, had rejected the idea. Now I must, because my reputation is at stake.

The reputation I have worked hard to maintain—that of a "Trouble Maker"—has been challenged lately, three times, by individuals who should know me better than to ask, "how do you really feel about the school issue?"

I have said openly and repeatedly that I am very much against building a school in this tiny (getting tinier) community that cannot afford the terrific tax burden that it would incur. It had not occurred to me that I was being accused of saying this just for appeasement.

No, I don't want to lose my status as a "Trouble Maker" because that name means, to the ones who bestow it, that you not only have the audacity to form your own opinion, but that you're also idiotic enough to express it, honestly, right out in broad-open day light!

It's a good thing that I don't have to go to school now—I can't ever seem to learn one simple lesson! If I've been told once, I've been told a hundred times, that you don't just take a stand on an issue and admit it. You stall around and wait until you sort of feel out the other person's attitude, and then you say that's the way you feel—pro or con. I've been told over and over that that is diplomacy. Now that's the word I have all the trouble with—I can't seem to remember it—I keep getting it confused with hypocrisy!

Anyway, as I say, I like that label, "Trouble Maker" — with it's local connotation; I like it a whole lot better than "sheep."

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NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING
McLEAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at its regular meeting place in the City of McLean, Gray County, Texas, at 9 o'clock A. M., the 11 day of July, 1969, for the purpose of determining fixing and equalizing the value of any and all commercial property situated in the McLean Independent School District, until such values have finally been determined for taxable purposes for the year 1969, and any and all persons interested, or having business with said Board, are hereby notified to be present.

DONE BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OF McLean Independent School District, Gray County, Texas, at McLean, Texas, the 25 day of June, A.D., 1969.

John M. Haynes Secretary
McLean Independent School District

Mrs. H. M. Billingsley of Amarillo recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty of McLean. The Billingsleys received extensive damage during the recent hail storm in Amarillo.

Lee Hinton and Polly Harrison attended a Avon representative meeting in Shamrock Monday.

Guy Don Pharis Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pharis of Fort Worth has been elected Drum Major of the Arlington Heights High School band in Fort Worth. The band has 110 marching members. Guy will be a music major at North Texas State in Denton after finishing high school.

1969 CROP WHEAT MARKETING CERTIFICATE VALUE TO BE \$1.52 PER BUSHEL.

By Evelyn Mason, Gray Co. ASCS

Domestic marketing certificates for eligible 1969-crop wheat will be worth \$1.52 per bushel, 14 cents per bushel more than for the 1968 crop certificate value. The certificates are based on wheat parity price as of July 1, 1969.

This marketing certificate value is based on the difference between July 1, 1969 wheat parity price of \$2.77 per bushel and the 1969-crop national average loan rate of \$1.25 per bushel. Certificate payments to farmers are based on projected production on 43 percent of the 1969 wheat acreage allotments. For 1968, wheat certificates were worth \$1.38 per bushel and was based on 40 percent of the 1968 wheat allotment based on the projected production on the farm.

Certificate payments add substantially to the income of the farmers for the crops. In determining total return per bushel for wheat, cooperators divide their certificate payment by their total production to get an average in the market, participants in the program find their total return per bushel.

Wheat marketing certificates are authorized by the 2-price wheat provisions of the Food and Agricultural Act of 1965. Under this law, farmers participating in the wheat program are guaranteed 100 percent of wheat parity price for their share of wheat used for domestic food. This bolsters farm income for wheat while permitting support of market prices through loans at levels more competitive in world trade channels.

Visitors in the Ray Gossett home were, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Phillips. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gossett and girls from Gallup, N. M. They were moving to Charleston, South Carolina where Kenneth is accepting a position as an instructor in the personnel department for the department of the Navy.

The Old Timer
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"Some people seem to think they can gain rights by committing wrongs."

2. Is it fair that the industries and land owners pay the largest part of the money it would take to build a new school? The question of the fairness of taxes and who pays the larger part is as AMERICAN as BASEBALL and HOT DOGS and even more controversial. To be fair, school taxes, according to taxing authorities and laws should be equalized. All classes of property should be assessed at the same ratio. This is in accordance with tax law. However, this is usually the exception and not the rule in the case of school taxes. For example in our school district according to The Bartlett Study, a report on property taxes in Texas School Districts, we are taxing oil and gas at a 37 percent ratio and land at only a 20 percent ratio. This is not only unfair, it is a violation of tax law. All persons who spend money in Texas, residents or not, participate in the payment of school taxes. This is done when they purchase such items as cigarettes, tobacco, gasoline, alcoholic beverages and many other consumer goods. It is possible for a consumer to pay more school tax than his neighbor who may have a small amount of property rendered on the school tax rolls. However, the consumer is not a qualified voter in school bond elections and the property owner is. The ten largest taxpayers in our school district, who pay 40 to 45 percent of the local school taxes, are not qualified to vote in our school elections. On an average only ten to eleven cents of each dollar of our annual school budget comes from local taxpayers who reside in our school district. Many citizens are not aware that salaried employees, in the income bracket of \$7,500.00 to \$20,000.00 annually, are credited with paying the bulk of federal income tax. Some of these taxpayers remark they do not think this is fair when some of their friends enjoy a higher standard of living and pay little or no income tax. From the standpoint of fairness, we often overlook the total tax burden of the individual. Local school taxes cannot be divorced from state taxes or from federal taxes.

3. What will the future growth of McLean be? McLean has experienced no significant decline in population. However, the future of McLean will depend upon the interests, efforts and progressiveness of its citizens. This depends upon how much we want our town to grow and prosper

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mr. Jack R. Riley requested that the News publish this letter as paid advertising, but it is being published as a letter to the editor.

Mrs. Leonard E. Bagwell
General Delivery
McLean, Texas 79057

Dear Mrs. Bagwell:

I read your letter To The Editor in the Thursday, June 19, 1969 edition of the McLean News and enjoyed it very much. I thought you raised some very intelligent questions. I will attempt to give you the information to have in regard to your questions with the fervent desire that it will be used to benefit the students, patrons and taxpayers of our school district.

1. Mow much more taxes can we pay? This is a question of prime importance to each taxpayer at the local, state and national level. This was the key factor in the Board of Education's decision to call a school bond election. It is inevitable that improvements must be made in our high school facilities. The problem will not vanish if we put it out of our minds. It exists and must be solved. With the recent state legislative action increasing the interest rates on school bonds to 6 1/2 percent, the total interest on a \$500,000.00 school bond issue, as compared to three years prior, would increase over \$100,000.00. This is \$100,000.00 wasted. Money out of school taxpayers pockets. Economist tell us there is no let up in sight in interest rates or cost of construction. Our school district has not levied a tax increase since 1950. Neighboring school districts have increased property values, in some cases, twice or more during the same period of time. This raising their assessed property values well above the property values in our school district. Consolidating with one of these districts would increase property taxes more at the present rate than it would cost to maintain your own schools. With these factors in mind, the Board of Education had no alternative but to call a school bond election, rather than delay the action until construction costs and interest rates rise to a point that would produce an unrealistic burden for the taxpayers of our school district. This is truly a question that each taxpayer must consider carefully and search their own interest and heart for the honest answer. The fate of our school system and town may well hang in the balance.

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I sincerely hope this information will be helpful to you. If you think this information might be helpful to other citizens, please feel free to have the McLean News publish it as answers to your questions.

I hope Cristy is enjoying her summer vacation and will be ready for school to start this fall. If you and Leonard would like to inspect the high school building, I would be happy to show you through it. If I can be of further service to you, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,
Jack R. Riley
Superintendent

Mrs. Bill Kingston Sr. and Judy have returned home from Harlingen, after returning Minnie Kingston and her daughter Misty to their home. Mrs. Kingston's husband, Jim, is with the Highway Patrol Department in Harlingen.

and just how willing we are to work toward these goals. Many small towns, such as ours in Oklahoma felt that the by-pass of interstate 40 would cause their communities to completely wither away. However, in parts of Oklahoma where interstate 40 has been in use sometime, these towns have found the opposite to be true. They have experienced more trade due to increased traffic on the super-highway. New businesses have developed on the interstate increasing economy and population. Business areas have experienced face liftings due to revived competition and trade. Many small towns have been rejuvenated by the increase of trade brought about by superhighways. In most cases citizens of small towns realize that good church facilities, medical facilities and educational facilities are important to the growth of their communities and the well being of their populace. The most important single factor to the growth or decline of a community is the attitude of its citizens. Do they want to progress or do they want to wither away. Towns can be compared to people. People do not remain static. They must progress or regress.

4. How could it be, that to repair the school, was estimated to be almost as much as to build a new one? The Board of Education stated, that the cost to remodel the high school building was estimated at \$215,000.00. This is with no additions, but simply as it stands. Usually remodeling is as expensive as building because of the added labor cost. You must tear out in many areas and then rebuild. This is very time consuming and often more than doubles the cost of labor as compared to building a new structure. For example there are ninety-five window frames in the high school building that need to be replaced. An estimate to replace these is approximately \$25,000.00. This is only one item of repair. The heating, lighting, plumbing and mechanical systems need to be completely refurbished. The ceilings, floors and walls need complete renovation. One can see immediately the labor costs on the items alone would be tremendous. The Board of Education also stated that the cost of complete modernization and additions was estimated at approximately \$200,000.00. These estimates seem to be confusing, but there is a great deal of difference. In this case you are not only remodeling but moving partitions, enlarging classrooms, enlarging the auditorium, adding classrooms, vocational shops and labs, physical education facilities, science lab, office space and adequate storage space. Some could ask here, why enlarge classrooms when enrollment has declined? This can be answered by asking a question. Why teach three and four sections of typing when you can teach more students in only two sections with adequate floor space? In addition you can also increase your business curriculum by one or two courses using no additional personnel. Accreditation standards state "The school plant should be suitable in design and size to meet the needs of the instructional program of the community." These are standards we must strive to meet.

5. With few attending now, what is the future of the schools build in Alameda and Hedley? It would be unfair of me to comment on the fate of Alameda's school system. However, if and when Alameda decides to discontinue school operation, their facilities could be disposed of at little or no cost. The school plant could be sold and converted into a nursing home or some other type of business. At the present they have excellent facilities for their students. It would also be unfair to predict the future of Hedley's school system. It seems reasonable that Hedley, when it becomes necessary, may consider sending their students to Clarendon. Clarendon being a short distance from Hedley, seems to be increasing in scholastics. Hedley's plant could be maintained as a junior high school for both districts. This utilization of facilities could easily alleviate the growth problem of one district and the decline of another.

I sincerely hope this information will be helpful to you. If you think this information might be helpful to other citizens, please feel free to have the McLean News publish it as answers to your questions.

I hope Cristy is enjoying her summer vacation and will be ready for school to start this fall. If you and Leonard would like to inspect the high school building, I would be happy to show you through it. If I can be of further service to you, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,
Jack R. Riley
Superintendent

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News From HEALD

Lanora, Beatrice and Irene Phillips of Dozier visited in the Ed Bailey home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeland Davis of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Ott Davis and family the Fourth. Visitors in the A. L. Grigsby home the Fourth were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Morris and boys of Pampa. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Turner of Lubbock.

Mrs. Clyde Fox and daughter of Oklahoma City visited her sister, Mrs. L. P. Shelburn last week while here they visited with Mrs. Shelburn and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Cofer visited their brother and family at Skellytown.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Masters and family visited the O. O. Tates the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lankford and family of Dallas spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lankford. Other visitors in the Lankford home the Fourth were Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Tony Floer of Tulsa. Mrs. Edna Hendricks of Dimmitt, Mr. and Mrs. David Vaughn and daughter of Canyon, Debbie Kohls of Galliano, La., Mrs. Nida Green and Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Rippey.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carpenter visited their daughter and family in Amarillo last week while there they attended the show "Texas" in Palo Duro Canyon and the fire works display Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Holder visited K. S. Rippeys Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Nida Green and Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Rippey and Debbie Kohls attended a family reunion of the Beesingers in Shamrock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hulls of Shamrock visited in the K. S. Rippey home Monday afternoon.



We must work the works of him who sent me.—(John 9:4).

Often our way seems to be blocked only because we have not opened up the channels to our good by acting faithfully on the ideas that God gives us. We need to meditate carefully and thoughtfully on the realization that God works through us, through His ideas in our mind. Act on the ideas that God gives us, and good results will materialize.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Meacham and Kevin this week are Mrs. Charlie Vineyard, Debra and Charlie Don of Glen Rose; and Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Billingsley, Melissa and Melanie of Jal, New Mexico.

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Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. Assets include Cash and due from banks, U.S. Treasury securities, etc. Liabilities include Demand deposits, Time and savings deposits, etc.

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Table with columns for MEMORANDA. Includes Average of total deposits for the 15 calendar days ending with call date, Average of total loans for the 15 calendar days ending with call date.

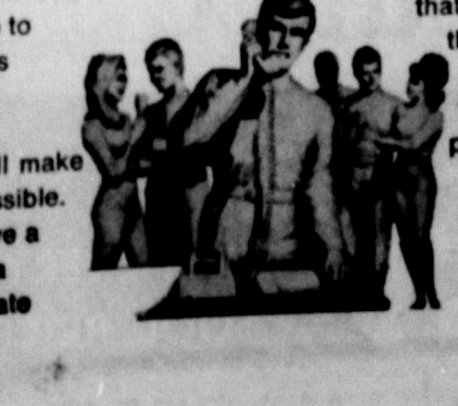
I, T. Elmo Whaley, vice president and cashier, of the above named bank do hereby declare that this report of conditions is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. T. ELMO WHALEY

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct. J. ALFRED McMURTRY, CLIFFORD ALLISON, MILTON CARPENTER, DIRECTORS.



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