

CANYON CITY NEWS.

THE STAYER.

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SALUTATORY.

While not altogether a stranger to the Plains country, the new proprietor of this paper is, or rather was, until within the last few days practically unknown to the citizens of Canyon City and Randall county and we deem it right and proper that we should give some account of ourself as well as outline the future policy in the conduct of this paper.

Concerning self, will say that our boyhood days were spent on the Texas frontier, mostly in the saddle, "punching" cows. For the last thirty years we have resided in Burnet and Lampasas counties; there we married; there our children were born and there we leave many friends, as good and true as ever it fell to the happy lot of mortal to have and some as vindictive enemies. While at Burnet we owned and run for several years the Bulletin, one of the oldest and best newspapers in Central Texas. We afterwards owned and operated the Silver Star office, one of the best job printing establishments west of Austin, and so we come to the people of Randall county, fully prepared by experience not only to conduct a first-class newspaper, but to do any and all kinds of commercial and legal printing—commonly called job work.

We went to Burnet county when that section was considered the frontier and this part of the State was thought to be a howling wilderness. Burnet and Lampasas counties were then only spoken of as a "stock country"—too dry to grow any kind of crops—so said the few settlers there, and so we believed at the time, but we have lived to see the day when farming is about as certain there as anywhere in Texas, and such we hope to see here. The hills, brakes and rocks have yet many attractions for us; our old friends and neighbors we hate to leave—can we ever replace them?—but we are seeking a higher altitude, purer air, a longer lease on life and a brighter future for our children. Canyon City gave promise of such and here we are.

Touching the policy of the paper, our intention is, to make of the News, (Stayer) a strictly county newspaper. In a partisan sense it will have no politics. In a religious sense, while moral in tone, it will be strictly non-sectarian. In everything that promises to build up Randall county from capital to border, including also the Plains country contributory, the News assures its patrons that it will be very much alive. In a word, we expect to make of the News, a paper that every citizen of Randall county will be proud of and that no reasonable, fair-minded man or woman can take offense at. Just such a paper as we have outlined will build up any town and country that

has merits of its own. We can give you as good service in that respect as the West can boast of and all we ask in return is your co-operation in the way of a reasonable patronage.

Respectfully,
GEO. A. BRANDON.

The Right Not to Take Medicine.

(Printed by Request.)

The overwhelming defeat of the bill prohibiting "the practice of Christian Science, mind and faith cure in healing" in the lower house of the New Hampshire legislature is highly creditable to the intelligence of that body and highly satisfying to those who have any conception of the menace to personal liberty involved in such measures.

No matter what may be the individual judgment or opinion concerning the efficacy of Christian Science, in the treatment of disease, to prohibit its practice would be practically to deny to persons the right not to take medicine, and this would be a flagrant infringement of personal liberty. The state might as well undertake to say that only allopathy shall be practiced in healing, thus denying to all the right to receive homoeopathic or eclectic treatment.

The Christian Science healers give no medicine.

The practitioners of both the allopathic and homoeopathic schools give less medicine than they did twenty years ago. The medications are not only not so strong but increasing dependence is placed upon nursing, and upon hygiene and sanitation. The practice of medicine is necessarily an experimental science. Distressing failures to cure or give relief are noted on every hand. But the vast majority of people still have faith in medicines. Their efficacy in many ailments has been frequently demonstrated.

But independent of all discussion or speculation as to the curative power of medicine, the right of a person not to take medicine is inviolable. Deplorable as it may seem to some, this right cannot be denied without striking at the most elemental liberty of the individual. If the right not to take medicine is inviolable, then the right to practice a system of healing that does not employ medicines cannot be denied by the State. —Chicago Record-Herald.

The Webfooted Farmer.

The Farmersville Sentinel says: Plant something that will make feed as quick as possible. Feedstuff is high and scarce. The Dallas News in comment adds "that the farmer must be webfooted to take the advice of the Sentinel," owing to the miry condition of the ground.

Poor, suffering Dallas. Every time we think of her besieged with so much mud and water we recall to memory the old moss-covered pond with its flock of geese.

Notes For Stockmen.

Senator Geo. W. Savage has introduced a bill to make radical changes in the statutes pertaining to the lands of the State. It abolishes the lease line altogether, and throws all the lands on the market. It provides that present lessees shall have refunded to them the amounts due from the unexpired period of their leases in the event of sale of the property. It also provides that where lands sold or leased by the State are within the pasture inclosures of others such purchasers or lessees shall not turn more than one head of cattle or horses, nor more than four head of sheep or goats, upon said land for each fifteen acres owned or leased by them.

The bill further provided that where more than one person shall make application on the same day for the purchase of a particular tract of land the County Clerk shall on the following Monday conduct a drawing to determine which of said applicants shall be awarded the tract. The bill provides in detail how such drawings shall be conducted.

The purpose of such last mentioned provision is to thwart the "bonus jumpers," who are said to have gotten in line at the various county seats for the purpose of selling their places or to take up the tracts of land for various interested parties. The plan contemplated by this bill will make it immaterial who shall reach the County Clerk first on the day when the land shall be placed on the market.

Jack Surreys of Montana, Pierre Webeaux's buyer, comes forward with his annual address to the Texas cattlemen in a recent interview he seems to have lost sight of the fact that the season in the ground this year is fifty per cent better than it was last year, and yet he is howling for still lower prices. His nerve is commendable, to say the least of it. He says: "If they are expecting last year's prices down there, they have a dose of disappointment coming. Conditions have been radically changed in Montana lately. The man who runs cattle there now must own his land and that is expensive. Unless Texas growers drop considerable in their demands northern men will not buy this year, for the simple reason that it is not a paying proposition. If they don't get their two-year-olds down to \$18 they needn't expect to sell a hoof to Eastern Montana men this year." —San Antonio Express.

The Fort Worth correspondent of the Dallas News says: An item of news developed here today which is of great interest to the cattlemen who are watching the course of the Bryan quarantine bill. It was to the effect that the cattlemen be-

low the line who are active for the passage of the bill have agreed to certain changes regarding the ten months' inspection period. It comes from a reliable source that an amendment will be offered to the bill when it is taken up in the Senate that if the agricultural department or, rather, the animal industry bureau of that department and the Texas livestock sanitary board, in their wisdom, feel that at any time the line should be closed during the ten months during which cattle are allowed to pass by inspection, that this can be done at such times as the authorities may think proper. As to the two months absolute open season, however, there will be no concessions, the supporters of the measure maintaining, that the line should be kept open during the winter season from Nov. 15, to January 15.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Edited by the
County Superintendent.

The county schools of Randall county next year, especially those voting the 20c tax, will have a good local fund. Now would be a good time to enlarge and improve the school houses. Some of the school houses are a disgrace to the county. Let us not be content until we have good comfortable rooms, well furnished, which will be a comfort and a pride to patron, teacher and pupil.

We understand the assessor for Canyon Independent School District will at once make an assessment of the property in the district to determine the valuation and determine the propriety of ordering an election for the purpose of voting bonds for the erection of a school building.

The six counties of Donley, Hall, Collingsworth, Armstrong, Randall and Deaf Smith will be entitled collectively, to one appointment to the Girl's Industrial College at Denton, Texas, which will be open to students in September, 1903.

Applicants must be white girls of good moral character, not less than 16 years of age, who have a good knowledge of the common school subjects.

For further information call on or address the county superintendent.

A. N. HENSON,
County Judge and Ex-Officio
Supt. of schools,
Randall Co., Texas.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

A citizen of this town, who is at present at Amarillo, is loyal yet to Canyon City and offers encouragement to its citizens in the following:

Amarillo, Texas.
Editor News:—Having spent some time here and having witnessed the enthusiasm of the people in the upbuilding and advancement of the town, has set me to thinking of the welfare of our own little city.

Canyon has many natural advantages, but that alone will never make a city. We must have facilities for carrying on every trade necessary for the welfare and happiness of the people.

The roads, schools, churches and social development are being looked after but there are other things necessary to keep Canyon City abreast of other towns and somebody should look after them at once.

When the citizens sit down and wait for things to come, the other town generally gets them. It is the "get up and go after it" town that gets the results and if we want anything more at Canyon we must ask for it, work for it and probably pay for it.

Shall we let Canyon "die in the shell" while other towns are out growing their winter clothes already? Let's let the world know we are here and moving. We may watch the current of Plains development until we imagine it is us moving and yet be chained in our place and some day find that we have waited too long.

Something ought to be done. Something must be done or we may crawl out of our den some day and find ourselves so far behind that we may never catch up.

Neighbors, give your town one week's careful thought and then let us "put our heads together" and our "shoulders to the wheel" and with a pull all together bring Canyon to the front.
A CITIZEN.

Amen!—Ed.

Low Rates to Chicago.

For the International Live Exposition at Chicago. This will be your opportunity to make a cheap trip to the City on the Lakes. See your local agent for dates of sale, limits, conditions, etc. Don A. Sweet, Traffic Manager.

Don't lose the key to the box of money at A. L. Anderson's.

THOMAS BROTHERS

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Haddorf Pianos; Thompson & Sons Pianos; Sherman Pianos;
Brinkerhoff Pianos; Sweetland Pianos; Braumuller
Pianos; D. H. Baldwin Pianos; Ellington
Pianos and Hamilton Pianos.

DO NOT FAIL TO SEE US BEFORE BUYING.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT.

The News Will be a Leader Devoted to Your Interests as well as Our Own.

The new management of the News respectfully calls your attention to the ad to be found elsewhere in this issue, announcing the fact of the installation of a new job press and all other necessary material to make this department complete. We feel that the present equipment is inadequate to meet the demands of the town for high class job work and propose to be able in a short time to meet the requirements and tastes of the most exacting. Your work will be neatly printed and tabbed and we will see that all orders receive prompt attention and after doing business with us will convince you that all work will be delivered when promised.

This shipment of material is expected here the latter part of this week. We will quite naturally feel proud of this acquisition to the progressiveness and rapid growth of the town and we feel that you will justly appreciate same and show it by holding such work as you can until everything will be able to sail on its own bottom.

Taking Desperate Chances.

It is true that many contract colds and recover from them without taking any precaution or treatment, and a knowledge of this fact leads others to take their chances instead of giving their colds the needed attention. It should be borne in mind that every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality, and makes the system less able to withstand each succeeding cold and paves the way for a more serious disease. Can you afford to take such desperate chances when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, famous for its cures of colds, can be had for a trifle? For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

The town of Hereford is threatened with the displeasure of the railroad officials owing to the alleged charge of \$5 per day for taking care of passengers during the recent blockade. It is said that the officials were so incensed that they declared hereafter they would run through the town without stopping, only putting off and taking on the mails as they passed through.

One Woman's Experience With a Grip Remedy.

While suffering from a severe attack of the grip and threatened with pneumonia, Mrs. Annie H. Cooley, of Middlefield, Conn., began using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and was very much benefitted by its use. The pains in the chest soon disappeared, the cough became loose, expectoration easy and in a short time she was as well as ever. Mrs. Cooley says she cannot speak too highly in praise of this remedy. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

It is claimed that as a consequence of the increase in the wages of the railroad men, there is to be an increase of freight rates of 15 per cent per hundred. It is ever thus.

This office desires to borrow or purchase a good milk cow.

The Man With The Mule.

It will require concerted action on the part of the citizens of Canyon City and Randall county to convince the great tide of emigration to the West that this is just as good a country to locate as can be found. To the "wheelers," i. e., the man with a yellow dog and a couple of sore-back ponies, who is looking for a well-stocked farm at his disposal, the good country is always just ahead. Let him continue to think so, for he is not the man the Panhandle needs most. It is the thrifty, honest old tiller of the soil that we are after and the citizens should present the advantages and merits of this country in such a clear, concise manner that we can "land" them "gwine and comin'."

Grip Remedies in Great Demand.

When colds and grip are prevalent the quickest and surest remedies are in great demand. Mr. Joseph D. Williams, of McDuff, Va., says that he was cured of a very deep and lasting attack of la grippe by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy after trying several other preparations with no effect. This remedy has become famous for its cures of colds and la grippe and can be depended upon with implicit confidence. It prevents any tendency of those diseases toward pneumonia. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

This paper earnestly desires the friendship of every citizen of Randall county. Kindly call and let us get acquainted with you.

A man may not know it all but it is hard to convince him that he does not.

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Manufacturers of Tanks, and Flues, and All other Galvanized Iron Works.

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\$5 IN SILVER, FREE

A. L. ANDERSON,

Canyon City, Texas.

Trade has been resumed with renewed energy since the snow-storm and the wholesale and retail dealers in all lines are kept busy supplying customers.

A. L. Anderson is giving away \$25.00 in silver to his customers. With every cash purchase of \$1.00 you get a key, the key which unlocks the box gets \$5.00

R. C. Ware is off to El Paso to take in the Stock Convention. The hack drove off without him. Sunday morning, but Lee Shropshire came to his rescue, hooked to his buggy and landed Mr. Ware in Canyon without loss of time. -Hale County Herald.

The senatorial race will keep Let the farmers pitch a crop.

The Dallas News says that during the recent heavy rains a trunk was found on the street bogged to the keyhole and in another paragraph speaks of a lady slipping on the street and rolling in the mud. The writer's experience with Dallas mud is that one would experience some difficulty in either slipping, rolling or swimming.

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Fresh Home Made Bread Baked every day. Pies and Cakes a Specialty. Cakes baked for Parties on Special order any day. Pure Home Made Candles always on Hand. Give me a Trial. Next door to Bank

Don't tell your troubles to the police. The legislature is in session.

R. A. CAMPBELL, Auctioneer.

Grand Combination Sale

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CANYON CITY, TEXAS,

APRIL 2nd., 1903.

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HEREFORD AND SHORTHORN

BULLS

75

These animals are finely bred and ready for service

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Remember The Date

APRIL 2, 1903.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.

Preaching first and third Sundays morning and night by Rev. Charles Kilbourne, C. P. pastor.

Second Sundays morning and night, Rev. A. W. Crawford Presbyterian pastor.

Fourth Sundays morning and night, Rev. Randolph Clark, Christian pastor.

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Christian Endeavor 3 p. m. Choir practice every Friday night.

BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday, morning and evening, Rev. J. D. Ballard, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday morning, J. W. St. Clair, Superintendent.

B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 3 p. m. A. H. Thompson, President.

Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. H. Thompson, President.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Choir practice and teachers' meeting every Friday evening.

METHODIST.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.

Junior and Senior Epworth Leagues every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and 3:30 p. m., respectively.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 7:30.

Choir practice every Friday night at 7:30.

J. E. Stephens, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, services at the court house every Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Sunday school every Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Testimonial services every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Everybody cordially invited to attend these services.

Mrs. V. Edna Henson, First Reader.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

S. B. TADLOCK, DENTIST.

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Office over Thompson Drug Company's. Calls promptly answered night or day

Helpful Reading Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of **The Semi-Weekly News** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department Has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer If you are not taking **The Stayer** you should. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.50, cash in advance, we will mail you **The Stayer** and **The Galveston** or **Dallas Semi-Weekly News** for 12 months. The News stops when your time is out.

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