

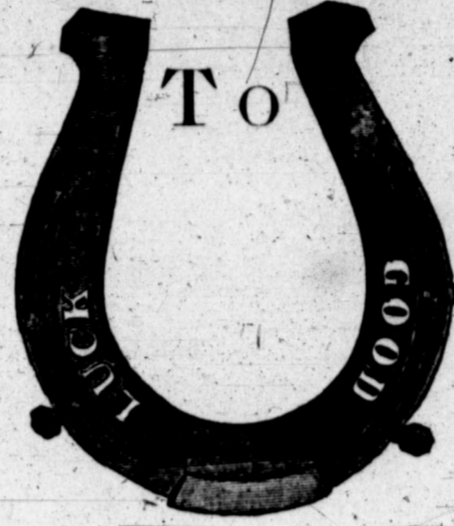
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ALL HANDS POINT



PATTILLO & GAMBLE

For Reliable Merchandise at Reasonable Prices

We carry the celebrated "ARROW" Brand collars and cuffs in all the very latest styles, also one of the largest and most complete line of Men's SHIRTS ever brought to Canyon. We are offering the following values in ladies' dress goods:

Fancy Dress Goods,.....	Worth 60c,.....	Now at.....	50c.
Fancy Scotch Cheviot,.....	Worth \$1.25,.....	Now at.....	\$1.00.
Fancy Flannelette, (high colors),.....	Worth 12c,.....	Now at.....	10c.
All Calicoes, (except oil colors),.....	Now at.....	4c.

We are absolutely headquarters for fresh fancy and staple groceries. Always in the lead with the best, freshest and cheapest. These figures are convincing: See?

10 pounds Arbuckle Coffee.....	\$1.00.
18 pounds Standard Granulated Sugar.....	\$1.00.
100 pounds Standard Granulated Sugar.....	\$5.30.

Anything Else You Want Sold Proportionately.

PATTILLO & GAMBLE.

CUT UP YOUR LANDS.

There is good land in Randall county for sale, plenty of it, and at a very reasonable price but the present owners refuse to cut it up in parcels small enough to suit the average prospectors from the northeast—the farmer. Not many days since a man who had sold his property at Clarendon, was here and expressed his intention to purchase 80 or 160 acres within three miles of town. He remained two days, found several sections that suited him in quality and price but no one would sell him the amount he wanted. He even offered to take as much as 320 acres, but it was a section or more, or nothing so he returned to Clarendon and purchased 100 acres near his old home. This is only one of several instances that have come to the knowledge of the News. This condition of affairs must change if we desire to settle up the country and the sooner the change is brought about the better for us. Smaller parcels and more homes. On this line the News quotes from the Hale Center Messenger as follows.

All this country needs to make it a farming country is the farmer—the man who will apply well known scientific principles to the cultivation of the soil, one of which is to give a crop a reasonable amount of working. It is the custom on the plains to plant a crop and then wait for the harvest. With the proper cultivation this country is as safe a farming country as any part of West Texas. What this country needs is an immigration of farmers who will farm the farms. We do not need men who will buy large tracts of land but men who will buy small tracts. If all the land is to be owned by a few peo-

ple it had just as well remain in the hands of those who own it. Some people say we will have plenty of settlers when we get a railroad, that people will flock here by the thousands on the advent of a railroad. Why don't they flock to Potter, Randall, and Deaf Smith counties, if it only takes a railroad to bring them? Why does Hale county's population exceed that of Deaf Smith or Randall and out side of Amarillo nearly double that of Potter county with her four Ry's? We are thoroughly convinced that the plains will never be much more than it is, till her lands are offered for sale in small tracts, and our real estate men can be of a great deal of assistance if they will cooperate with other interests and induce their clients to sell their holdings as above indicated.

Read the Advertisements in the News. The people who put them there want your trade. Test their sincerity about quality and prices anyhow, and if the Ads don't tell the truth report the matter to the News and it will immediately put them down on the bunco list.

Prices Are Rock Bottom.

A representative of a large retail and wholesale grocery and dry goods house in Amarillo, while in conversation with the News man at the Victoria Hotel this week, had occasion to refer to the low prices our merchants—conspicuous among which were the firms of Pattillo & Gamble and the Canyon Mercantile Co.—were making as special inducements to keep the local trade from going elsewhere. He confessed that they were "rock bottom" prices, which most of the home

patrons realize and appreciate. This same representative also said that their firm received a good share of the trade naturally tributary to this town which is nothing more than could be expected in this age of fierce competition, but the News would like to remark in behalf of our home merchants that they always have, and declare their determination to continue giving their home customers the benefit of real bargains where the sales are accompanied with the cash. It is not reasonable to suppose that any merchant can make great slashes in his prices to the customer on the credit system who goes somewhere else to spend his ready cash.

A story comes to us from a neighboring "dry town." A good brother who is a church member and a county official, besides a very enthusiastic prohibitionist, but nevertheless agrees with Paul that "a little spirits for the stomach's sake" went to a friend of his, whom he believed had some whiskey and said to him, "Look here friend, I am feeling awfully bad and think a little snifter would be just what I need. Can't you let me have it?" His friend protested that he would not, but the deacon insisted, and finally his friend said, "Deacon, I aint going to let you have it, because you'd tell it on me in spite of the world." But the deacon loudly protested that wild horses would not drag it out of him. At last his friend winked at his assistant, who quietly slipped out side, and said "All right I'll give it to you" and he reached back and got the bottle. Just then a noise was heard out side and he said, "Here Deacon, swallow quick, there's

somebody coming. Take a big drink but for mercy's sake hurry." The old man drank lustily and then the fun began for it was pure vinegar and the very strongest kind.—Amarillo Star.

This story must have originated from the facts of an episode which took place here some time ago and compares with the story given in the News not long since, though minus the church membership and deaconship. Otherwise it is pretty much the same.

Cheap Rates to the Panhandle.

For the purpose of enlarging the Public's knowledge of the true conditions holding in North west Texas—(The Panhandle)—"The Denver Road" has put in effect round-trip party home-seekers rates to points along its line. These rates are upon a basis of one fare for the round trip for parties of five or more persons traveling together on one ticket, and carry the privilege of stop-overs at pleasure at all points North of and including Vernon, Texas; passengers being allowed a limit of 30 days in which to return.

In view of the fact that the Panhandle is enjoying the most rapid growth of any section of Texas, for which there is ample reason; this move upon the part of "The Denver Road" is a wise one and will doubtless result in the splendid agricultural and business opportunities of that section becoming better known and appreciated within a very short period of time. This section of Texas abounds in resources and the land, being still available at very low prices, is now being rapidly taken up.

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 \$1.75, 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.

I will have a few boxes of nice Clocks, Silverware, Cut Glass ware and Musical instruments coming in within the next few days and if any of the good brothers or sisters wish to see the boxes opened and will let me know of such desire, I will notify them as soon the goods get in, with a cordial invitation to the opening of boxes.

M. C. CHAMLEE.

I have purchased the business of the Rogerson Hotel and shall conduct same at the old stand. Nice well-furnished rooms with good board, good service at \$15 a month or \$4 a week. Best accommodation for the price in town.

MRS. J. I. WILLIAMS,
Proprietress.

OYSTERS—1 dozen fried, 25c, 1-2 dozen 15c. Stew, 20c half dozen, 30c dozen. Meals at regular hours, short orders any old time. Fresh bread, pies and cakes always on hand. All of this happens every day at Lair's city restaurant. Don't get left.

Our Cut Price Sale Still Continues

We will put on sale 3 dozen Street Hats at greatly reduced prices.

Our \$3 Hats will go this sale at \$2.25.

Our \$2.25 Hats go this sale at \$1.95.

We also have a large stock of cotton and woolen blankets which we will sell at great reduced prices.

Men's Cotton Fleece-Lined Underwear

Our \$1 Suits go in this sale at the very low price of 80c.

Our \$1.20 Suits will go at \$1. We also have the celebrated Wright's Health Underwear, also a nice line of Woolen Underwear.

Everything in our line is as cheap as can be bought anywhere. If you are looking for strictly cash bargains do not be beguiled into going to other towns but call on us and get our prices, as we have determined to sell goods just as cheap as anybody. The 10 per cent discount for cash sales in the dry goods department is still granted to our customers.

CANYON MERCANTILE COMPANY.

CANYON CITY NEWS. (THE STAYER.)

GEO. A. BRANDON, Prop.
WALTER R. BRANDON, Editor.

A Weekly newspaper devoted to the interests of Randall county and published at office on West Evelyn St. Canyon City, every Friday.

Papers sent out of the county promptly discontinued at expiration of time paid for.

SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year, \$1.00
Six months, 50

Next Thursday is Thanksgiving Day.

We needed the canal, we took it—the man what owned it kicked, but he can't help is self.

What about putting the Board of Trade advertisement on your envelopes? Come in and see it.

The News would be glad to have all its country friends call in when in town. A good warm fire to sit by as long as the coal lasts.

As will appear elsewhere the "busted" Decatur project seems to have taken a new lease on life. This building of railroads for bonuses may yet prove a fine money getting scheme on the Plains. The new company has added round-houses etc. to make it more catchy.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Cures Colds on Nature's Plan.

The most successful medicines are those that aid nature. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy acts on this plan. It aids expectoration, relieves the lungs, opens the secretions and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. It not only relieves, it cures the cold effectually and permanently, and is unquestionably the most successful medicine in use for this purpose. It is pleasant to take and contains no opium or other harmful drug. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

L. T. Lester returned Sunday from a week's trip to Kansas City. He accompanied L. A. Knight, who shipped cattle to that point last week.

CANYON CITY AND HEREFORD

"The opening up of shipping points west of Amarillo through the extension of railways into that section has robbed Amarillo of much of her former glory as a cattle shipping point. The shipping business is being divided up between the towns located along the Pecos Valley branch of the Santa Fe, and this season, it is said, the honors have been pretty equally divided between Hereford and Canyon City. Thomas Zook, a Kansas City commission man, who has just been over the territory, in speaking of Hereford and Canyon City as shipping points says: "Both these points are doing a heavy business this year, just about a record breaker for each. I do not know the exact number of cattle handled at the two towns but should judge it is well upward of 25,000 each, and the season is right at its prime. Amarillo used to be the all-important shipping town of the Panhandle, but while she is growing and developing in all other respects, she is falling back in the magnitude of her cattle trade. In former days, before the Pecos Valley road was extended south, the big shippers drove their cattle for hundreds of miles or more to Amarillo, the big shipping station, going right past Canyon City and Hereford. Now these two new towns catch all this southern business that used to go to Amarillo, simply on account of the extension of the railroads southward."—West Texas Stockmen.

C. T. DeGraftenreid, of Ceta, was one of our visitors Tuesday. Some two weeks ago while oiling a windmill he succeeded in getting two of his fingers torn off and is now carrying his arm in a sling. He informed the News that at Plainview, on Dec. 2, he would offer for sale all of his fine bulls. M. S. Lusby went home with him to photograph some of his stock.

Mrs. W. H. Hightower, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. T. Lester, for a month or more, left Monday for Portales where she will probably remain for the winter with her son.

ADVERTISE THE PLAINS!

The following communication from E. R. Guber, clipped from the Hale Center Messenger is such a worthy appeal for the development of our country by the present methods at hand—chief among which is the medium of advertising—that we deem it worthy of reproduction. He says:

To people of Hale Center and surrounding communities: The time has come for a great co-operative movement in advertising our country and keeping up with the procession and aiding and fostering civilization.

There can be no greater character developed in man than love for his fellow man and to aid and assist him in securing a place which he can call home where it is possible to beautify it at a minimum cost, till it will equal in grandeur the home of the millionaire. Our shallow water with abundant wind to run windmills of large pumping capacity and our rich alluvial soil adapted to grow almost any kind of trees, both for bearing and ornamental, all kinds of shrubbery, make it the ideal spot of these United States for home-making. Then shall we be so selfish as to try to deprive the millions of people who are in search of a home, some large and some small, the right of citizenship with us, for and in preference of a few ballfaced cattle and bush tailed ponies of which to support one man and family requires from 2 to 8 sections of land—that would make 8 to 16 good homes. It would bring a class of orchardists, truck farmers and gardeners into our midst that would develop the country and astonish you with the possibilities of its productiveness, then when railroads see your enterprising disposition to develop your county and country they will become interested and you will have all the railroads you want and that at once, for it is an old maxim and a true one, "that people are always ready to help him who helps himself." It is my honest conviction that if the people will rise up in their might and with the means and advertise this country as it should be that you will see the greatest emigration to this country of any country and you will see houses on every quarter section, towns spring up as by magic and in less than ten years you will see a network of electric railways by which you can find accommodations for travel

that will equal any part of this country. Now all this can be accomplished only one way and that is through co-operation. Let every man put his shoulder to the wheel and his pocket book to the tongue and say, by the help of God I will do all that is in my power that is honorable and right to develop my country and to change it from a cow ranch to a densely populated, thrifty and progressive country, that we may have larger and better schools, churches and more sociability.

J. P. Allen, a young man who has spent the last two months with Lee Vasant endeavoring to regain health, left last Saturday evening for his home in Paris, Texas. Mr. Allen is a gentlemanly young fellow and we regret exceedingly that he cannot remain here. He says the winter promised to be too cold out here for him.

Sick Headache.

This distressing ailment results from a disordered condition of the stomach and is quickly cured by Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

Thanksgiving Program.

The following is the program to be rendered at the Baptist church Thursday, November 26, beginning at 10 a. m.

10:00—Song, "Blessed Assurance," by congregation.

Scripture Reading—Rev. J. D. Ballard.

Invocation—Rev. J. E. Stephens.

Song—"Trust and Obey," by congregation.

10:10—History of Thanksgiving, Paper, A. S. Rollins.

10:15—Reading of President's Proclamation, Mamie Conner.

10:20—Solo, "A Song of Praise," Mrs. A. Ernsberger.

10:25—"Some of the things for which we should be thankful," Paper, Mrs. J. R. Dean.

10:30—Quartette, "Rejoice in the Lord," Messrs. Stephens, Thompson, Ernsberger and Wilson.

10:35—Recitation, "The Chopper's Child," Minnie Long.

10:40—Duett, Misses Burrow and Brandon.

10:55—Address, Rev. J. D. Ballard.

Song—"Blest Be The Tie," by congregation.

Benediction—Rev. Kilbourne.

M. F. SLOVER,
LIVERY FEED AND SALE STABLE.
Bus meets all trains. Best teams and rigs always on hand.
DRUMMER'S RIGS A SPECIALTY.

SEE
M. T. JONES LUMBER CO.
FOR BEST PRICES IN TOWN ON
Paint, Lead AND Oil.

L. G. CONNER,
LAND, LIVE STOCK AND
CANYON CITY PROPERTY.

Thousands of acres of fine Grazing and Agricultural lands at from \$1 to \$5 an acre, owing to location and improvements.

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Canyon City, Texas.

