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A MISSOURIAN IS "SHOWN."

H. S. Sturgis, Editor of the Neosho (Mo.) Times, Gives His Impressions of The Plains from Observation.

In the Neosho Times of last week its editor, telling of his recent trip to the Texas Plains says:

I returned about two weeks ago from a three weeks' trip through the great Panhandle of Texas and so many have asked me where I went and what I thought of the country that I concluded to write a short account of the trip. There is an immense emigration from the North and East to Western Texas and Eastern New Mexico and it is more talked about, perhaps, than any other part of the great West. My trip was made on invitation of Mr. S. E. Roberts, who recently moved from Neosho to Canyon City, Texas.

Canyon City is twenty miles south of Amarillo on the Santa Fe and has about 2000 people.

In company with Mr. Roberts and his brother-in-law, Mr. John Knight of Canyon, we made a trip in a covered spring wagon over a distance of about 350 miles in twelve days. We took along a complete camping outfit, tent, oil stove, bedding, cooking utensils, etc., and as the roads and weather were both fine we had a most delightful trip. Our destination was Yoakum county which is about 150 miles southwest of Canyon, and in going we passed through the counties of Swisher, Hale, Lubbock and Terry and in returning we crossed Hockley, Lamb and Castro counties. In this trip we saw probably every kind of soil that the Panhandle possesses, from the level prairie around Amarillo which bears no natural vegetation to speak of except the curly mesquite grass that supports the long-horned cattle the year round, to the sandy sage grass country of the southern part of the Panhandle.

The great Plains country has been aptly described as the land

"where the cow sees the wood and the wind draws the water." It is the largest stretch of level, inhabitable prairie country in the United States, probably in the world. An early journalist in the Panhandle described one of the largest counties as "a solid body of land" and this was literally true for there was no running stream or standing water in the whole county. At Canyon City two small streams, the Tierra Blanco and the Palo Dura creeks, come together and form Prairie Dog Town Fork of Red River. Going south there is no other stream until you get to Plainview, a distance of about 60 miles, where Running Water creek is crossed. At Lubbock, some 40 miles further south, is the next stream. There are many lakes, however, most of them dry in the winter season, but full of water during May, June, July and August. Although we passed through some sparsely settled country, crossing on our return the Spade pasture which is 50 miles across, passing only two houses in that distance; yet we were never out of sight of windmills. In the dry season these are the only sources of water and we can imagine what peril the forty-niners faced as they crossed the Plains before windmills were erected. The country is a vast level prairie, stretching as far as one can see without a thing to guide one in traveling. The early Spanish explorers set up stakes as they crossed to guide them on their return, hence it was called the Llano Estacado or Staked Plains.

Just now the Panhandle is undergoing the change from a grazing to an agricultural country and the process will be a comparatively rapid one, judging from the great rush of people from the East, North and South to get hold of the cheap lands. On home-seekers' days, twice a month, great trains of several sections are run into Amarillo over the three roads that enter that town. Every town has more men in the real estate business than in any other business and buying and selling land is the chief occupation. The price of land has gone up rap-

idly in the last two years, but in that respect it has only kept pace with the rise all over the West. The day of cheap land is past, that is, cheap as it was only a few years ago when you could get four sections of school land for a dollar or two an acre and have forty years in which to pay for it at 3 per cent interest. There is now very little, if any, land in the North Plains country around Canyon and Amarillo for less than \$10 an acre and the general run is \$12 to \$20, according to improvements, the rich alfalfa lands near the towns going as high as \$75 or \$100 an acre. Even in the sparsely settled counties of Terry and Yoakum, no land is offered for less than \$5 "bonus," that is \$5 above the bid to the State which is yet due, this being from \$2 to \$3 per acre. The school land is now sold to the highest bidder and the last block in Yoakum county that was offered sold at an average of \$7, one quarter section being bid in at \$12.

There has been a prevailing idea that the Plains country was only a grazing pasture and could not be made an agricultural country because of the lack of rain, but this idea has been dispelled long ago. The average rainfall at Amarillo is only 23 inches annually, but most of this is in the crop-growing season and it has proven sufficient for raising milo maize, Kaffir corn, sorghum and alfalfa. Wheat is also raised on the North Plains and as much as 48 bushels to the acre has been produced but it is not a certain crop owing to the drouth in the early spring. Cotton and corn are also successfully grown further south and I saw many nice looking orchards, the peach trees being in full bloom, and in time it will no doubt be a fruit country. There is no scarcity of water for house and stock uses any where on the Plains for it can be found anywhere at a depth of 50 to 200 feet and by the use of a wind-mill an abundant supply can be obtained. The whole Plains country seems to be underlaid with sheet water, probably in sand strata, and the drill always strikes water. It is not sufficient, however, for irrigation and as there are no streams on the Plains, crops must depend on rainfall. It is the history of all drouthy counties that the rain-fall increases as agriculture advances and the Plains is no exception. There can be no question as to the fertility of the soil when there is sufficient moisture and there has not been a complete failure in many years. The wind is an objection to the Plains as a place of residence, and it is disagreeable, but it is a most serviceable agent and the people couldn't do without it because the "wind draws the water." Otherwise, the climate is pleasant, the nights being always cool in the hottest summer weather. As it is passing from a grazing to an agricultural country the native fuel of the Plains, sometimes called "grassoline," must also pass, and as railroads are built other fuel will be obtained at reasonable prices. The Santa Fe has just completed a branch road from Canyon to Plain-

view, a distance of about 65 miles, but there is no railroad in all that stretch of country from Plainview to the Texas Pacific, a distance of over 150 miles. It is in this middle country, 60 to 80 miles from a railroad, that the "cheap school lands" have recently been placed on the market, at the expiration of the cattlemen's leases. Even here, the land is now held at from \$5 to \$10 an acre, with the hope and prospect of a railroad soon. This is where the sandy country begins and it is covered generally with the mesquite bush, cat-claw, sage grass and a little oak bush called "shinnery." It is also full of prairie chickens, coyotes and prairie dogs. In spite of this it promises to develop into a farming country soon because it has been sold in smaller tracts to farmers, many of them the old pioneers from East Texas who have always been "on the front." And besides, it is a cotton and corn country, and that is said to be the "poor man's country" because it takes nothing but a pair of broom-tail ponies and a mould-board plow to cultivate it. In the upper wheat country it takes disc plows with four horses and lately the great gang plows with traction engines have been introduced. When land on the upper Plains went up to \$10 most of the original homesteaders sold to real estate men or speculators from the East and moved to town to live in luxury. Some of them bought cheap lands further South and are waiting for another rise while the real estate speculators are bringing in farmers from the North and East to take their places. The only thing the Plains needs is a farmer on every quarter section to make it as productive as the prairie lands of eastern Kansas.

**Commissioners' Court.**

Held a special session Monday and Tuesday. Among other things that were good the court provided for cement walks east, west, north and south from the courthouse to the street and for a fourteen foot windmill over the public well.

The tax collector's report was approved in all except his showing on the delinquent list. In this matter it was the expressed opinion of the court that closer collections should be made and it was so ordered.

The court also considered the advisability of reseating the district court room and the final determination of the matter was set for the regular May term. The News feels sure that the citizens generally will commend the court's action concerning the windmill and the cement walks. Under the circumstances, with cement walks all around the square, such approaches to and from the courthouse are essential, and the necessity of the windmill is self evident. The reseating of the court room is also a needed improvement and one which, like the others, is sure to meet the approval of our citizens.

**A Woman Tells How to Relieve Rheumatic Pains.**

I have been a very great sufferer from the dreadful disease, rheumatism, for a number of years. I have tried many medicines but never got much relief from any of them until two years ago, when I bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I found relief before I had used all of one bottle, but kept on applying it and soon felt like a different woman. Through my advice many of my friends have tried it and can tell you how wonderfully it has worked. Mrs. Sarah A. Cole, 140 S. New St., Dover, Del. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is a liniment. The relief from pain which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. It makes rest and sleep possible. For sale by S. V. Wirt, druggist.

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LEGISLATURE SPECIAL SESSION.

The regular session of the Thirtieth Legislature ended Friday and the members thereof were immediately, under call and charge of the Governor, but to work again in extraordinary session. For consideration in this special session two things are prominent: one a proposition to reform the judiciary, the other to add to and amend the tax laws.

Dealing with taxation ten or more bills are on file. They reach every phase of the question and are set, drag-net like, to catch all manner of fish and what is more to the purpose, hold them until sized, sorted and skinned or scraped as variety and occasion may demand. One of these proposed measures, and one which seems as likely to pass as any, is evidently aimed at West Texas. It reads:

Any person, firm or corporation owning or controlling for sale any unimproved real estate who shall list the same for assessment and taxation, with any person authorized to receive such assessment at a less valuation than 75 per cent of the price placed upon such property by the owner or agent when offering the same for sale shall be deemed guilty of committing a fraud upon the public revenues of the State, and said act shall be prima facie evidence of the same. By unimproved real estate is meant any village, town or city lot that is not permanently improved and occupied or any acreage of which at least one-half is not actually occupied in agricultural pursuits or stock raising.

The punishment for violation of this section is fixed at a fine of from \$100 to \$1,000 and a term in the penitentiary. And this is not any more drastic than are the others.

THE SANTA FE MERGER.

This bill, having for its object the consolidation of several rail roads in East Texas, has been passed, vetoed by the Governor and again passed over his veto. In the House it came near failing, but just in time to save the measure Representative Alderdice changed his vote from "no" to "aye" and the thing was done. In changing his vote Mr. Alderdice said:

I cannot conscientiously permit my vote to determine the defeat of the bill when so large a majority of the members of the House and two-thirds of the Senate have declared against my judgment. I am not convinced that the measure is unconstitutional nor do I believe that every conceivable consolidation bill is bad. I believe that such a measure of this character should stand or fall upon its own merits as viewed in the light of the general interests, which it affects. I do believe, however, that when a line of railway is absorbed by any of these great systems that they should be compelled to operate and develop it. Hence, when this Santa Fe Railroad Company proposed to tear up and remove the fourteen miles of railway between Panhandle and Washburn, which they had acquired through a consolidation bill by act of the Legislature some years ago, I not only gave my vote against the proposition but on the floor of the House plead with all the power within me for the defeat of the bill.

The bill went to the Governor and though, in my judgment, it is much more of a vicious measure as a matter of public policy than some consolidation bills at least, yet it received the Governor's approval. I cite this fact that it may be known that I am not especially devoting my energies toward helping the Santa Fe Railroad get on.

It was the pending of this mer-

ger bill and the forces it has assembled behind it which enabled our Amarillo friends to bring success to their tear-up scheme. It was a trade all the way through in which not only a sound public policy was ruthlessly set aside, but the Constitution of the State was itself trampled upon. It was, it may truthfully be said, only another instance of the strengthening of a great railway trust in consideration of which a few towns are advanced over their weaker rivals. It was a bargain and sale in which the Santa Fe comes out first and on top, Amarillo and a few other towns second and the people—the common people, who pay the bulk of the toll, last.

OUR COMMERCIAL CLUB.

A commercial organization of some kind, call it what you will, is absolutely essential to a town that would stay in the business ring. This is true of all countries, but more especially so of new ones like ours.

Our Commercial Club has a good personnel; few better, numbers considered, anywhere. It has made a good beginning toward building up our town and county in a financial sense and can, if it will, keep up the work.

To the Commercial Club belongs the credit of the stiff fight made by Canyon City at the Capitol against Amarillo greed. We lost out, to be sure, on the question at issue, but we let the State at large understand we had a good place on the map—a town of great natural advantages and one that was worth living in and fighting for. In the opinion of The News the advertisement in this respect was worth more than the cost. And there are other good things the Commercial Club has done, but it is of the present and future The News would now speak.

Other towns within our trade territory are, through organized effort, bidding before the world for commercial advantage and Canyon City must also continue to do so or, as certain as fate, she will go back to her village toggery and be useful chiefly as a residence place for county officials. It is advance or stagnate. There is no middle ground. If advance is to be the watchword we must back up our Commercial Club. We must join it, every man who can do so, and not only that but pay our dues promptly. The Commercial Club at this writing has seventy members. It ought to have at least as many more. It needs quarters of its own, at least an office for its secretary to do business in. But more than anything else it needs the hearty cooperation of every business man and property owner of Canyon City.

Will you stand by the Commercial Club? If yes, come out to its meeting Thursday night of next week.

GO AFTER 'EM.

Occasionally one will hear the remark, "I wish I was out of this town," and then one feels like saying, "I wish you were, for a man, who stands on the streets chewing and spitting, telling obscene stories, cursing the town, finding fault with his grandmother because she was a woman, claiming that the merchants are a lot of thieves, that the lawyers and real estate agents would skin a man to a finish and a whole lot more, is a nuisance and abomination. Any town destitute with one or more such worthies would be justified in exercising cow-hide authority on the bosom of their overalls. No one is obliged to live where he is not suited. If one hasn't an encouraging word for the business enterprises and institutions of his town, he should shut up and "go 'way back and sit down." If things don't suit you, move on to where they will. A growler and a sorehead in a

town is an enterprise killer every time. It would pay a town to donate \$5.00 and tell him to migrate.—Leon Journal.

Randall County School Trustees.

Following is a list of the trustees for the different schools of Randall county, either elected or appointed to serve for the next two years:

- District No. 1. John Boulware and G. C. Wiseman. Dist. No. 2. R. B. Redfearn and J. H. Crowley. Dist. No. 3. J. R. Skidmore and W. T. Garrett. Dist. No. 4. J. D. Knicely and J. W. Stoddard. Dist. No. 5. F. Hoffman and D. B. Coghlan. Dist. No. 6. R. T. White and J. C. Kelley. Dist. No. 7. E. W. Small and J. A. Wilson. Dist. No. 8. I. W. Scott, C. P. Hileman and T. A. Ridgeway. Dist. No. 9. Bob Caler and G. G. Foster. Dist. No. 10. J. A. Currie and J. A. Derr.

District No. 11. W. G. Rose and Lewis Greenfield.

District No. 12. O. R. Blankenship, J. A. South and W. E. Roberts.

Said trustees elect are requested to come in and qualify at once. A. N. HENSON, County Judge.

HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.

Sunday school will be organized at this place next Sunday at 3 p. m. Everybody invited to lend a helping hand.

A. B. Cage is on the puny list this week. Misses Emma Hoffman and Mattie Naylor went to Canyon Tuesday shopping.

B. T. Johnson and wife and J. M. White and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Campbell last Sunday. They certainly enjoyed their visit and especially that fine turkey roast.

Misses Ora and Sallie Cage spent Saturday night with Miss Kate Garner.

L. A. Pierce is still improving the looks of his home.

Plenty of ice Wednesday morning. We fear this will get the remaining fruit.

B. T. Johnson went to Canyon Wednesday.

School is progressing nicely. TASSIE.

John A. Wallace is setting out a considerable apple orchard on his place east of town. Although his oldest trees are less than one year old he brags considerably on the size and flavor of the apples he eats when visiting his orchard. "Go out to my orchard and eat apples with me," is the invitation extended to The News reporter and he, the reporter, is going.

Base Ball Items.

The Canyon City team played two games at Hereford with the team of that place Tuesday and won both.

The Roswell team against which our boys played last week is "cleaning up" Amarillo at almost every round.

The victorious Roswell team is billed to be here and try it over with Canyon City on next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Elder Stoekard has tendered his resignation to the brethren of the Christian church to take effect May 1st. He will return to Collin county, his former home. Next Sunday morning and night, will in all probability be his last sermons in Canyon City. He is a capable young man, devoted to his calling in life and conscientious in the practice of it and his going away from us will be sincerely regretted by many friends, including The News.

This paper and the Dallas News \$1.50.

IN NEW QUARTERS

Having moved into the brick building joining the "Supply Co." on the East side of the Square, we are now better prepared than ever to serve the public in all our lines.

These lines include anything you may want in Hardware, Wagons, Surries or Buggies. We also have plenty of Windmills, Pumps, Pipe and all manner of Pipe Fittings.

In Harness and Saddles our stock is all sufficient and our repair department is always ready to supply your needs.

Come to us and supply your wants in our line, and we guarantee you not only the best of everything but a saving in money you spend.

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Successors to Stringfellow-Hume.

News Roll of Honor

Under this heading will be found the amounts received on subscription to the News since last report, and names of the parties paying. This will serve as a receipt to those of our subscribers forwarding money by mail.

- W. E. Lair ..... \$1 00
H. S. Parks ..... 50
H. D. Brown ..... 1 00
W. McCranie ..... 50
Peter Meyers ..... 1 00
W. H. Stith ..... 1 00
G. H. Youngman ..... 1 00
W. D. Overhalt ..... 1 00
I. W. Scott ..... 1 00
J. D. Key ..... 50
R. W. O'Keefe ..... 50
J. H. Forsyth ..... 1 00
J. W. Howell ..... 1 00
M. S. Lusby ..... 1 00
R. C. Hoyt ..... 1 00

For Sale—One section of improved land near the town of Happy in Randall county, Texas. See Joel Preslar, Canyon City, Texas. Phone No. 204. 52-1f

An old friend, Ben Hartley, representing the Southwestern Paper Co. of Dallas, was here to take orders from this office on Monday.

The Postmaster General has issued an order requiring the size, weight and form of private postal cards. They must not be more than three and nine-sixteenths by five and nine-sixteenths inches, or less two and three-fourths by four inches—to conform substantially with the cards issued by the Government. Cards having on them particles of glass, mica, metal, sand, tinsel or other substances will not be received for mailing.

From what Joe Foster, T. H. Rowan and others say about convention times at Roswell it was a take 'em in and skin 'em down there nearly all around. From 30 cents to a dollar a shave, 20 cents for a 5 or 10 cent cigar, proportional prices for restaurant goods, \$1 per night for a cot to sleep on, or more properly speaking lay down on, and so forth all the way through.

D. N. Forsyth, on the Edwards ranch, called in Tuesday and provided for a year's supply of The News to go to his brother, J. H. Forsyth, at Albia, Iowa.

AXTELL & MILLER. CIVIL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS. Call Phone 135. Canyon City, Texas. EAKLE BLD'G., AMARILLO, TEXAS.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK CANYON, TEXAS. At Close of Business, March 22nd, 1907. STATEMENT CONDENSED FROM REPORT TO COMPTROLLER. RESOURCES LIABILITIES. Loans and Discounts \$377,963.66 Capital Stock \$100,000.00 U. S. Bonds and Premiums 104,746.65 Surplus 30,000.00 Banking House and Fixtures 9,838.50 Undivided Profits 967.37 Municipal Bonds 50,000.00 Circulation 100,000.00 Demand Loans \$ 25,000.00 Cash and Ex. 164,325.37 Deposits 540,912.81 Total \$741,874.18 Total \$741,874.18. I certify that the above is correct. D. A. PARK, Cashier.

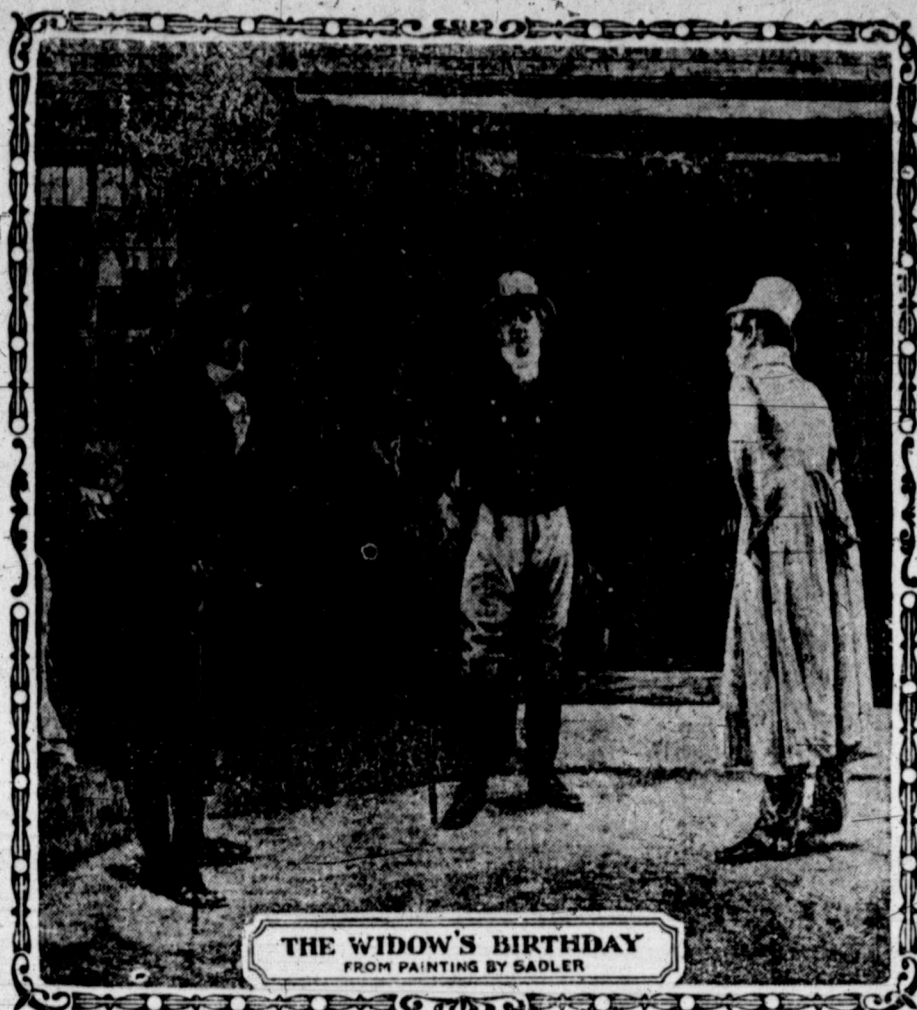
The Bates Addition. Desirably located in best residence portion of Canyon City and just outside of corporate limits. Near College and depot and about one mile from court house. Will sell in blocks from 3 1/8 to 100 acres. W. E. Bates, Canyon City, Tex.

Brother Hawkins was over from Canyon yesterday to get a square meal. All his friends (and that includes every one here) were glad to see him up, though he is quite feeble. Claude News. This refers to last week and the "square meal" spoken of was the anniversary dinner given by a mutual friend of both Bro. Hawkins and the Claude News editor. Unless this explanation were made people might think that Bro. Hawkins had dined with the editor and that would be calculated to work against said editor with those folks opposed to "sumptuous living."

O. K. Barber Shop. Canyon National Bank Building. HOT OR COLD BATHS! LAUNDRY. Your Patronage Solicited. Books with cattle bills of sale.

An Amarillo citizen, advocating the passage of the Veale bill at Austin and commenting on the greatness of his town, remarked that "there was not a grave yard in Potter county." The explanation is easy, for like Jacob of old, Amarillo seeks sacred soil; hence the graves of their dead are in Randall county.

Tarrant county votes on local option on Saturday 27. The outcome depends altogether on the anti majority at Fort Worth.



THE WIDOW'S BIRTHDAY  
FROM PAINTING BY SADLER

19 APRIL 07

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**TOWN & COUNTY**

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS  
THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Fine Candies—Best in town at Wilson's.

For Rent—Two farms close to town. GEO. L. ABBOTT.

C. T. DeGraftenreid was at the Roswell convention.

The Photo Gallery will be opened for business May 8—M. S. Lusby.

Mrs. A. N. Henson visited in Amarillo the first of the week.

Roscoe Ballard was among those going to Roswell Tuesday.

Stock Cattle—I want to buy 250 or 300 head.

J. W. MORROW.

M. S. Lusby returned home last week and we were all glad to see him again.

Thos. F. Eaton will preach at the Christian church Sunday night.

Rooms—To rent, upstairs in my new brick building.

J. F. SMITH.

Judge Buie will move his office into the Smith building on May 1st.

All kinds of Racket Goods School supplies and Confectionery at Wilson's. Try us.

Mayor Jasper N. Haney is spending this week in Ochiltree county on business.

Our sidewalk improvements are going to be one of the most attractive features of the town.

Comer Thomas has moved into his nice new cottage west of the Gober place.

W. D. Overholt of Happy, was in town Tuesday on his way to Amarillo on a business trip.

Col. R. A. Campbell was at Roswell as one of the auctioneers at the fine stock sale.

Next month The News will publish, as recorded, the transfers of real estate in Randall county.

A. B. Axtell spent last week at Floydada surveying in and about the town.

H. J. Sevall is having a front porch and another room attached to his residence.

T. F. Gilleland, in town Tuesday, said that grain about Happy would come out all right yet if it rained any time soon.

J. E. Rogers had four children sick with measles the first of the week. Measles don't amount to much anyway if taken young and handled with anything like reasonable care.

All who know themselves to be indebted to us, either on account or by note, are requested to call and settle at once as we will turn our books and notes over for collection in a short time—not later than May 15th.

STRINGFELLOW-HUME  
HARDWARE CO.  
T. P. WILSON.

Another fine Ludwig piano finds a place in Canyon. Mr. Maxwell supplying the J. M. Cooper home.

Mrs. Lois Cummings left on Tuesday evening for Dalhart, where she has secured a situation in a hotel.

Dr. Ingham and Joe Foster were with those who took the Sunday morning train for Roswell.

Johnson, Gary Hardware Co. has moved into its new quarters—a brick building on the east side of the square.

The Odd Fellows and K. of P's held their first meetings in their new hall in the Smith building this week.

Everett Haney, now working at Plainview, spent last week at home sick, but is now on the streets again.

A considerable number of Lubbock, Plainview and Tulia people passed through here the first of the week going to Roswell.

Our old friend J. M. Shafer of the Plainview Herald, and his daughter, passed through here bound for Roswell Monday.

W. H. Stith called in Saturday and arranged for weekly visits of The News until this time next spring.

The Canyon Mercantile Co. purchased through L. G. Conner last Friday the lot laying west of the May blacksmith shop. Consideration \$500.

Among those leaving for Roswell on the Sunday evening excursion train were Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Word, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Rowan, C. T. DeGraftenreid.

For Sale—Three quarter sections one mile and a half south of school house. Will sell in blocks of 20 acres and up.

JOHN KNIGHT.

From Sunday to and including Tuesday 93 Roswell excursion tickets had been sold at the Canyon City depot. Seventy-five of these at least were purchased by local people.

Among those going to Roswell Tuesday were County Clerk Tate and wife, Joel Preslar and son, Hosea; W. C. Baird, J. L. Howell, L. T. Lester, W. A. Donaldson and J. H. Garrison.

**Commercial Club Doings.**

At the regular monthly meeting of the Commercial Club held Thursday night of last week the number in attendance was not up to expectations. Only about twenty members out of a total of near seventy were present. The meeting, however, was not lacking in interest (as several lively discussions were had touching present and future prospects and it was a late hour, near 11 p. m. before adjournment.

Dealing with past business a resolution of thanks was voted Judge Cyrus Eakman, J. C. Hunt, A. S. Rollins, R. A. Sowder, R. M. Peeler, John Hutson, L. T. Lester, R. W. O'Keefe, Pat Young, T. H. Rowan and other citizens who visited Austin in behalf of the town during the recent scrap over the Amarillo "tear up the tracks between Washburn and Panhandle." It was the unanimous sentiment of the Club that these gentlemen, each one and all of them, had performed valuable and gallant service not only for Canyon City but for Randall county, and at a sacrifice to themselves of time and money, and that our citizens generally owed them a heavy debt of gratitude for such unselfish devotion in our behalf.

The Santa Fe shop project was taken up and discussed and also the deal on foot with the Rock Island and a proposition to raise, by assessment, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars with which to finance the matter was favorably received. After considerable talk along this line it was moved and carried that these questions be referred to a committee of five, to be appointed by the chair, and to be known hereafter as the Railroad Committee. Thereupon the chair appointed the following gentlemen as forming said committee:

R. W. O'Keefe, John Hutson, L. T. Lester, J. F. Smith and L. G. Conner.

After some other business of minor importance the meeting was, on motion, duly carried, adjourned to Thursday night, April 25th at 8:30.

Don't overlook this next meeting—Thursday night April 25th.

**Spitting on Sidewalks.**

Spitting on any kind of sidewalk is a filthy and disgusting habit at best and when it comes to expectorating on such nice walks as Canyon City will have it should not be tolerated at all.

In all fairly well regulated towns, Roswell for instance, it is made a finable offense to spit on any of the sidewalks and The News is of the opinion that it should be made so in Canyon City. There is much to be said in favor of an ordinance to that effect and not one sensible reason to advance against it.

Chewing tobacco is a nasty habit anyway, and one to which The News editor himself must per force plead guilty, but out of respect for those who don't, and especially for the ladies, he is willing, and all gentlemen are, to be regulated as to where he shall spit.

**Cured of Rheumatism.**

Mr. Wm. Henry of Chattanooga, Tenn., had rheumatism in his left arm. "The strength seemed to have gone out of the muscles so that it was useless for work," he says. "I applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm and wrapped the arm in flannel at night, and to my relief I found that the pain gradually left me and the strength returned. In three weeks the rheumatism had disappeared and has not since returned." If troubled with rheumatism try a few applications of Pain Balm. You are certain to be pleased with the relief which it affords. For sale by S. V. Wirt, druggist.

Wheat that has been grazed off close stands the best chance for a crop.

**GALVANIZED STEEL TANKS**

**A Car Load Just in.**

It is a three section tank and thereby much stronger than the ordinary kind. It is the only cistern or tank on the market that is soldered both inside and out, and therefore no leaks. We charge no more for these tanks than for the other kind. Come and see them whether you buy or not.

See also our line of Windmills, Pumps, Piping, Pipe Couplings, Hose and Other Water Goods. Our Prices are Close— as low as the quality will justify. . . . .

**Canyon Hardware Co.**

J. C. PIPKIN R. G. OLDMAN

**Local Weather Record.**



For the past week we have had the usual spring assortment in so far as the weather is concerned except that it has been dry all the way through.

This morning the wind is from the east, rain clouds are visible and, as the picture illustrates, some are doubtful about leaving home without making preparations for "falling" weather.

Tuesday night we had a cold wind from the north and enough ice, about 1-8 of an inch by morning in water troughs, to settle the fruit question against us and also to bite of the leaves on trees about town. It makes things look a little bad, but given a good rain now all will be well with us folks on the Plains.

**Whooping Cough.**

I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family in cases of whooping cough, and want to tell you that it is the best medicine I have ever used.—W. F. Gaston, Posco, Ga. This remedy is safe and sure. For sale by S. V. Wirt, druggist.

Ice Cream Supper.—The ladies of the Methodist church will serve ice cream and cake from 4 to 10 p. m. on Friday, April 26. Will be served in one of the vacant buildings on the square at 15 cents per saucer.

Pasture—Have good grass and plenty of water and will pasture cows or horses at \$1 per month. W. E. BATES.

Bound for Roswell on the Sunday morning train were Mrs. Reeves and son, Vice; Lon Gentry, Penon Reynolds and several others whose names our reporter cannot now recall.

**The Buick Automobile**

Having secured the agency for the Panhandle for the Buick Automobile and having a car load on hand for prompt delivery, we are ready to sell and deliver the Best Machine on the Market for the money. Ask the man who owns one; they are our best salesmen. For specifications and price address or call on—

**T. CARRABINE & COMPANY**  
HEREFORD, TEXAS.

**At Wholesale Prices**

**The Redburn & Co. Stock of Clothing & Other Dry Goods**

I Mean What I Say. **S. V. WIRT.**

**No Hunting and Fishing.**

From this time on no hunting or fishing will be permitted on my premises. W. E. BATES.

J. T. Morrow has sold his residence to Joe Bybee at \$1,400. Mr. Bybee is recently from Indiana and is the purchaser of the R. W. Foster section in the north west portion of the county. He will move in the Morrow residence this week. Mr. Morrow and family going to Clarendon where they have bought considerable property.

Pocket Book Found—At Hereford in the Geo. A. Stambaugh store, a lady's pocket book containing railway ticket and some money. Call, identify, pay for this notice and get the pocket book if yours.

Furniture For Sale.—Our household furniture—nearly all of it is for sale. We desire to dispose of it at once, so call early. J. S. STOCKARD.

The "Sidewalk Club" will soon have much better quarters from the way things are moving.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Rowan, N. Thompson and son, Ab, H. S. Parks and daughter, Geo. L. Abbott and one or two others returned from their Roswell visit Wednesday. Tom Rowan says the water down there made him sick. He is not as enthusiastic over "the Valley" as some of our people are.

We have for sale the Hutchinson property, 65 acres, which lays south of the school building. Desirable part of town and will sell from 1-4 block up. See us for prices. HELLER & KNIGHT.

The Deaf Smith county Tax Assessor serves notice that, complying with Capt. McDonald's demand, he will put "full value" on there. He also wants those already assessed to come and swear it over.

It is stated on good authority that Howard Stephenson and a young lady now residing at Cordell, Oklahoma, are to be married on May 2th.

