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Bryan and the Presidency

"Cross of Gold
and Crown of
Thorns"—How
a Wonderful
Speech Won a
Presidential
Nomination .



Mrs. William J. Bryan.

His Renomina-
tion in 1900.
The Dominant
Spirit of the
Democracy For
Twelve Years.
Bryan in 1908

By ROBERTUS LOVE.

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WHEN the Democratic national convention met at Chicago in 1896 one of the delegates from Nebraska was William Jennings Bryan, a young man of thirty-six, a private citizen of the city of Lincoln. His prior political career comprised two terms in congress. He had been his party nominee for a United States senatorship in a Republican legislature.

The national Democracy had broken away from Grover Cleveland, whom it had elected president twice and who was then in office. The split was on the money question. Cleveland had called a special session of congress to repeal the silver bullion purchasing act. The mass of the party stood for the free coinage of silver, chiefly at the ratio of 16 to 1. The Cleveland wing stood for the single gold stand-



WILLIAM J. BRYAN IN 1896.

"You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns. You shall not crucify mankind upon a cross of gold."

The mighty chasm widened at the convention. Congressman Richard P. Bland of Missouri, "Silver Dick," the old war horse of the free silver coinage movement, was the logical and apparently the inevitable candidate for the presidency. His nomination seemed to be a certainty until a thing happened hitherto unprecedented in American politics.

Bryan of Nebraska, known as "the silver tongued orator" and "the boy orator of the Platte," mounted the platform and delivered a brief but bold and masterful speech. His vibrant voice rang out over the heads of the 15,000 persons in the vast hall, penetrating with clarion intonation to the farthest corners. The customary uproar of a great political convention, which the strongest of oratorical lungs, as a rule, cannot quell entirely, was hushed into unbreathing awe. No such eloquence ever before had been heard in a national convention. The man and the occasion had met, and the man had mastered the occasion. The ad-

dress was an impassioned appeal for bimetallicism and an exalted glorification of the new Democratic financial doctrine. When the orator closed with his epoch making metaphor of "the cross of gold and crown of thorns" the enthusiastic approbation of his sentiments and of the man himself was indicated by a whirlwind of applause beyond description.

And William Jennings Bryan was nominated for the presidency of the United States.

Flashed to the remotest reaches of the nation, the news was the most sensational political tidbit that ever took the wires. Bryan was but one year above the minimum age required by the constitution of the United States for a president. While some of his speeches in congress a few years before had given him a momentary reputation, he was practically unknown to the nation at large, and particularly so to the great eastern section of the country. Never before had a great party nominated for president a man living west of the Mississippi river. Never before had so young a man been nominated. Never before had an orator won the great prize by a single speech. Democrats, Republicans, Populists, everybody wondered how the newcomer would conduct himself in the campaign.

Presently the wonder turned to amazement. Young Mr. Bryan was a campaigner—there was no doubt as to that. He injected into American politics a presidential campaign such as the nation never knew before. Men called it a whirlwind campaign, and such it was. The whirlwind road was the railroad, and it carried the candidate up and down and across the land upon an amazing schedule of traveling and talking. Mr. Bryan traveled in that campaign more than 18,000 miles and delivered considerably more than 2,000 speeches. He made forty-nine speeches in one day in New York state. Thirty-five addresses, short and long, were delivered by him on several days, while it was an ordinary thing for him to address twenty crowds at twenty different towns in twenty hours. The candidate showed a physique and a voice that stood the tremendous strain with marvelous endurance. As the campaign progressed and the fame of Bryan spread people got to sitting up all night and traveling many miles just to hear the phenomenon speak.

Bryan's first appearance in the east was on the 12th of August, when he delivered his speech of acceptance of the nomination. Madison Square Garden was packed with a suffocating mass of men and women, though it was one of the hottest days ever known in New York and a dozen persons had died from sunstroke during the day. Bryan read that speech from manuscript, a disappointing thing, for it detracted greatly from his eloquence. But the candidate was well aware that great issues hinged upon his utterances on that important occasion, and he did not care to trust himself to the uncurbed enthusiasm of the moment.

With Arthur Sewall of Maine, the vice presidential candidate, Bryan went down to defeat at the November election, though he had been nominated

also by the Populist party, with Thomas E. Watson of Georgia as the vice presidential candidate on that ticket. McKinley and Hobart went into office, and there were those who predicted that Bryan was forever eliminated from the Democracy.

Four years later, at the Democratic national convention in Kansas City Mr. Bryan was renominated by acclamation. There was absolutely no other candidate suggested for the nomination. For vice president Adlai E. Stevenson of Bloomington, Ill., who had been vice president during Cleveland's second term, was named. The war with Spain and our consequent acquisition of the Philippine Islands had brought new issues into politics, but the silver plank was reinserted into the Democratic platform, Mr. Bryan declining to stand for the nomination without it. It was expressly declared

Again the great east lashed and smashed the western candidate with demoniac denunciation, though that time there was a very large increase in personal respect for Mr. Bryan. He had proved himself to be by no means the wild visionary, the anarchistic revolutionist, the dangerous fanatic, which the opposition in his own party had pictured him as being in 1896, when the Democracy split open and the lesser section thereof nominated a "gold Democratic" ticket, with General John M. Palmer of Illinois and General Simon B. Buckner of Kentucky as the standard bearers, thus contributing to Bryan's defeat in the first campaign. In the campaign of 1900 the Democratic seceders simply voted the McKinley and Roosevelt Republican ticket. A second time Bryan went down to defeat, but gracefully and with good cheer.



NEW PICTURE OF MR. AND MRS. BRYAN.

In the platform, however, that imperialism was the paramount issue of the campaign. The Democracy opposed the forcible subjugation of the Filipinos and the control of the archipelago in the colonial style of the British empire. Mr. Bryan made another whirlwind campaign, even breaking his own record for traveling and speechmaking.



WILLIAM J. BRYAN, JR.

He was forty years of age and in the full flush of magnificent manhood. During the four years since 1896 he had done much political speaking and writing, he had lectured many times on other topics, he had traveled abroad and studied other governments and conditions of people; also he had become Colonel Bryan, having gone to camp during the Spanish war as colonel of a Nebraska regiment.

He was at his home in Lincoln on election day, ate an early dinner, went upstairs at about 6 o'clock and slept soundly until 11, when he came down and discovered that he was badly beaten. He smiled to the assembled reporters, returned to his bed and slept soundly until morning. It was said by those present that he evinced not the slightest sign of disappointment.

Mr. Bryan did not seek the nomination in 1904. He was quite willing for the disaffected wing of the Democracy to name the ticket just to see if the element could do better than the other. He attended the convention in St. Louis as a delegate, made an amazing fight for a platform upon which he and his supporters could stand and won the fight by sheer force of brain and brawn. He arose from his bed on the early morning of the last day of the convention, though threatened with pneumonia, and just as the dawn was breaking over the city he delivered in that convention to the vast throng which had waited and sweated and fretted all night long just to hear him a speech which for pathos and power and thrill no inveterate convention follower ever heard equaled. The Democratic ticket, Judge Alton B. Parker of New York and ex-Senator Henry G. Davis of West Virginia, was defeated in November inexpressibly worse than was Bryan in either of his campaigns.

The discovery of vast deposits of gold in Alaska and elsewhere since the free silver campaign has eliminated the money issue from politics. Mr. Bryan has accepted this fact and now stands upon other Democratic issues. Despite all opposition, he has dominated the national Democracy for twelve years. For several years past he has given expression to his views in the weekly journal, the Commoner, which he established at Lincoln. He has removed to a fine farm near Lin-



MR. BRYAN IN THE 1900 CAMPAIGN.

coln, built a commodious residence and become known throughout the world as the "great American commoner." Popular successor to Henry Clay. He has traveled around the world and written his impressions for a syndicate of American newspapers. He has been for years the most popular and highest paid lecturer on the American lyceum and Chautauqua circuits. It is said that his income from lecturing alone is as much as \$50,000 a year, the president's salary.

Mr. Bryan is a total abstainer from alcohol and tobacco. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and never works on Sunday, save to deliver a religious address now and then. His ideal is morality, personal, political and civic. The Bryan of 1908 looks older than the Bryan of 1896, but he is no less vigorous and virile than he was when his voice flashed across the continent from the Chicago convention hall.



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R. A. SOWDER
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J. A. TATE, re-election.
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JOE FOSTER (re-election)
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JOHN ROWAN
W. J. REDFEARN
JOHN A. WALLACE
- For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2,
E. W. NEECE

N. W. T. P. A.

The Northwest Texas Press Association holds its annual meet-

ing at Clarendon this year on the 4th, 5th and 6th of August. The executive committee met there on June the 20th and arranged the program and it is a good one.

This association is composed of a fine lot of newspaper people; of men and women who not only possess a high order of intellect and know how to and do use it far the benefit of their several communities, but who are good with it in a moral sense. Such a combination of the best there is in man—good brain well-cultivated and correct living—is not as rare as it used to be in organizations of this character, when taken as a whole, but even in this day of "better things" this association is justly entitled to occupy a front seat.

And then—the newspaper people of the Panhandle especially should get together to better their condition in a business sense. Other professions do and why not we?

The News man will be there, he never misses if physically able to go, and his earnest desire is to meet not only the old members of the association but every other newspaper man of the Panhandle. Our word for it, if not already a member of the N. W. T. P. A. you will rejoice to be one.

A good time is assured at Clarendon. The Banner-Stockman of that town says:

Clarendon, through her commercial club and municipal government, extends to the members of the Northwest Texas Press Association greetings at this time, and a hearty invitation to attend the convention in this city on August 4, 5 and 6, 1908. Every newspaper man within the confines of the association's territory is assured that a hearty

welcome will be awaiting him on that occasion, come to Clarendon and join.

PALO DURO PARK.

Red River Association Resolutions Express Support of Forty-five Congressmen.

Endorsement which places behind the movement for the Palo Duro National Park, the united support of about forty-five representatives and senators, besides the commercial and civic organizations in their territory is contained in the strong resolutions adopted by the Red River Improvement Association Congress in Shreveport, La., last week. Mayor Jasper N. Haney of Canyon, president of the Park Commission, M. W. Cunningham and J. W. Crudginton of Amarillo, represented the Panhandle in this gathering and as a result of their efforts, the organization has not only pledged its support to the park project, but has become more thoroughly acquainted with the project and the movement thus becomes more general and less local. Congressman Randell of Sherman, spoke at length before the congress for the proposed park and the approval of the organization is expressed in the following set of resolutions: To the Chairman Red River Improvement Convention:

We your committee on forest reserve beg leave to submit the following report: Whereas, this convention recognizing the great natural resources of the Red River valley and of the paramount importance of restoring navigation on the Red River not alone to the people along said river, but to the nation as well,

and of the importance of preserving and fostering of the native timber at the head of and along said river and its tributaries; and whereas, the Hon. John H. Stevens, representative in Congress from the Thirteenth district of Texas, has introduced in Congress a bill seeking to have a national park established in the Palo Duro Canyon in Randall and Armstrong counties, Texas, on the headwaters of Red River;

Therefore, we endorse said bill and recommend that the same be passed by Congress at its next session and further recommend that this association take steps to encourage the people along the Red River and its tributaries in systematically preserving the natural forests along said stream and its tributaries and engaging in fostering the growth of timber as well. We further recommend that the secretary of this association be requested to furnish a copy of this document to the Senators and the representatives in Congress of the state of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Arkansas and request their united efforts in support of above measures. Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Crudginton, chairman, Amarillo, Texas; Henry Cox, Fulton, Ark.; H. P. Mayer, Paris, Texas; S. R. Crawford, Graham, Texas; J. B. Leeper, Denison, Sherman, Texas; H. G. Evans, Bonham, Texas; Hugh Corry, Alexandria, La.; R. D. Bowen, Paris, Texas.—Daily Panhandle.

Jesse Reese, a recent arrival from Greenville with a musical side line as a cornet player, is a new addition to the Canyon City band.

Fort Worth's constant howl for more hogs will be kept up until every stock farmer in Texas has the earache, or comes across with his contribution of porkers to the 2,000,000 required to meet the demands for 1908. The Panhandle stock farmer is growing hogs at a round profit and peeling the yellowbacks from our bank roll with persistent regularity. And the farmers in other sections of the state are admonished to do likewise. No use to hang back—get in the game.—Fort Worth Star.

Panhandle shippers were "in the game" the same day above was published as follows: Potter county, one car at \$5.47; Donley county, one car at \$5.55; Roberts county, one car at \$5.57. Tops that day were \$5.60. Yes, the Panhandle has dealt herself a hand in the hog raising game; true, she don't get a "full" every time, but she always gets picture cards, and in a few years she will have the deck stacked and four aces up her sleeve on every deal. No hog cholera in the Panhandle; best pig country on earth.—Clarendon Stockman-Banner.

The Frank Ames household goods and other chattels are being loaded on the cars for Cordell, Oklahoma. "Grandpa" Ames is attending to these matters, Frank being at the destination point, arranging for a suitable place to put things when they come. The family may remain here until sometime next week. The News with many other friends regrets to see this excellent family depart from our coasts.

Phone 41 when you have an item of local news.

New Courthouse Information.

The contractor, R. G. Kirsch, was on hand Monday and he informed The News reporter that work on the new courthouse would now be rushed. Sheriff Slover has the contract to furnish the sand and gravel and he, in his own manner, began hauling the same on Tuesday.

Tuesday the work of tearing down the flues and vault in the old courthouse was begun, the records being taken to the vaults of the Canyon National Bank.

Tuesday also, McAllister, who has the contract for the removal of the old courthouse, got to work putting his jackscrews under the building. It is to be moved straight north from its present site far enough so as not to interfere with the street, the flues rebuilt, the vault restored and then it will be occupied as now until the new courthouse is complete and ready for entry. The job of removal as here stated together with its preparation for use as here given is estimated to cost the county some \$500.

Some think the old structure should be sold subject to use of the officials until the completion of the new courthouse. Others are of the opinion that the city ought to buy it for a hall and still others hold to the idea that it ought by all means to be secured for school purposes in the east portion of the town.

On the first proposition, a sale to individuals, as only \$1,200 has been offered the commissioners have refused to accept, and The News thinks properly so.

The second proposition, for the city to buy, don't look good to The News either. What use has the city for such a building? No more than a hog has for Sunday. You can hardly get the council together now long enough to transact what little business it has and when you do, which is not often, the smallest room in the old building would easily accommodate them. When actually in need of a city hall we will want a better one than that old courthouse anyway.

Now for the third proposition; for school purposes in east portion of town. At present there is plenty of room for all pupils in the brick school building, and to spare. And when, by the growth of the town, the one we now have is insufficient we can either add to it or, if circumstances warrant, build another brick in the east part of town. Surely the people of Canyon City, east of the public square, when they need it, are not willing to put up with what is then left of the old courthouse, when their brethren of the west end are in full enjoyment of a comfortable brick? Hardly.

"The Fourth."

The following agreement among our business men speaks for itself:

We, the undersigned, agree to close our places of business from Friday night, July 3d, to Monday morning, July 6th, on account of National holiday.

- CANYON CITY SUPPLY CO.
- A. H. THOMPSON.
- J. W. COWART.
- J. W. HOWELL.
- W. J. REDFEARN.
- DAWSON BROS.
- CUMMINGS & FOSTER.
- CANYON MERCANTILE CO.
- THOMPSON HARDWARE CO.
- THOMAS BROS.
- S. V. WIRT.
- J. M. KING.

LOCAL WEATHER RECORD.



THREATENING.

"Threatening" comes about as near as one word will tell of the weather in and about Canyon City for the week ending yesterday. Almost every day it has looked like rain; it has rained in sight and even sprinkled hereabouts, but that is all for this town and we may say for Randall county. It has rained on the South Plains within the past week and Amarillo got a good rain Sunday evening. It still threatens here and the prospects are good for rain when the time arrives and it will soon, that we must have it.

Much of the small grain has been cut, some already threshed and ready for market. The prevailing market prices are given elsewhere under the proper heading.

Other field crops, where given anything like proper cultivation, are doing well enough.

Grass is now at its tallow stage and stock are doing fine.

HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.

Several from our community attended the big meeting in Canyon Sunday. Some were caught out in the rain coming home.

Crops are looking fine and vegetables are coming in. Everybody wearing a broad smile.

The small grain yield is better than expected.

Cochran & Foster, who have cattle on the Hitchcock ranch, were out last week looking after their interests.

Recently a certain young man of our community was out driving in a new buggy with his best girl. He was busily engaged relating the present, past and especially the future when suddenly his horse fell down and broke a shaft. Not knowing just what to do, his rival came along and took the girl home safely. We sympathize with the young man greatly, as this was his first step in this line. Hope he will not become discouraged—"a bad beginning makes a good ending." If any further information is wanted ask Forest Hitchcock.

Misses Winston Hitchcock and Bessie Johnson of Canyon, made us an auto call last week.

Mr. Slaughter entertained the neighborhood Friday with a big fish fry on his ranch. It was quite enjoyable to all, plenty of fish and a nice outing. He is improving his ranch, making it look home-like. We are glad to welcome such among us.

Mrs. Hitchcock came out this week to have her small grain cut. Mr. Gibson of Umberger, was among us Monday.

TASSIE.

Bryan's Commoner and The News, both one year \$1.80.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET

The quotations here given are from the Canyon City grain dealers and show the market the day before the issue of this paper. The prices are for grain in sack unless otherwise stated.

Wheat, No. 2, bushel	\$00 90
Oats, best, bushel	40
Corn, best	60
Maize, threshed, bushel	50
Kaffir corn, threshed, bu.	50
Maize and Kaffir in heads, old crop, ton	17 00
Millet hay, per ton	10 00
Johnson grass hay, ton	10 00
Alfalfa, per ton	10 00
Chickens and Eggs	
Fryers, per dozen	\$3 00
Eggs, per dozen	12 1/2

This paper and the Dallas News \$1.80.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Books with cattle bills of sale
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Reduced Rates Account Fourth July.

For above occasion round trip tickets will be on sale July 3rd and 4th to all points on P. & N. T. Ry., S. K. of T. Ry., and E. Ry. of N. M., including points West of Texico. Rate one fare for round trip, final return time July 5th.

O. C. DAVIS.

Cheap Rates for 4th of July Celebration at Amarillo.

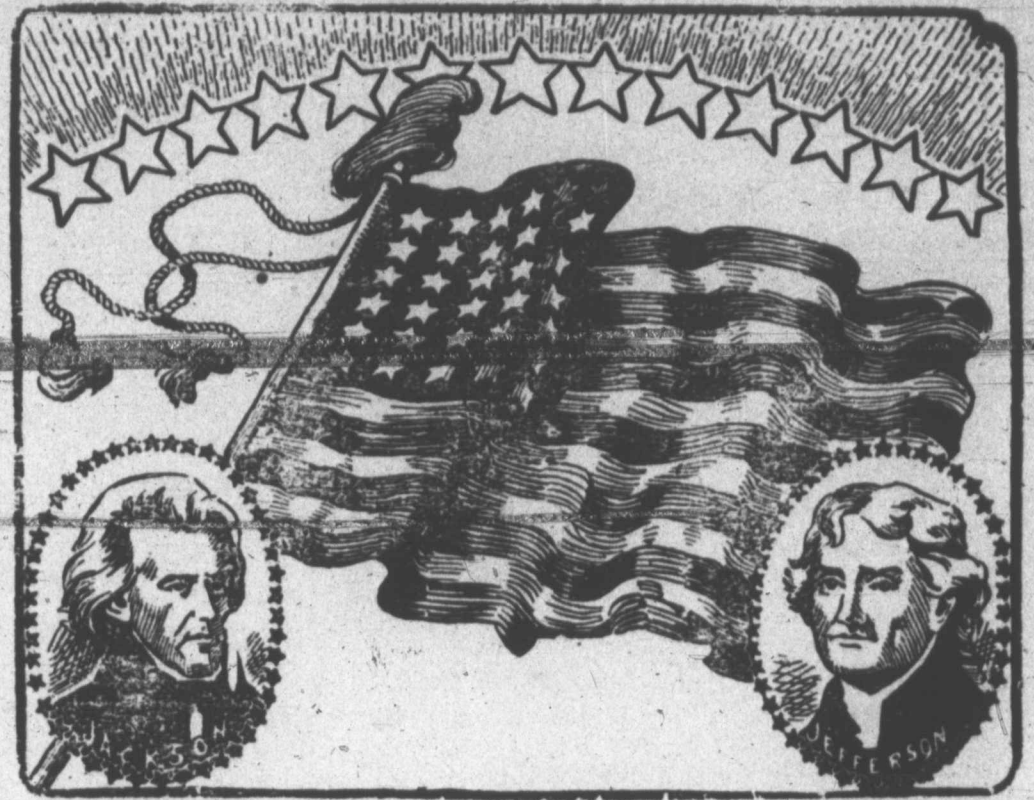
Amarillo has prepared an attractive entertainment for the celebration of July 4th. The Pecos & Northern Texas Railway Company will sell low priced tickets for this occasion; the fare from Canyon City to Amarillo and return will be 55 cents. Tickets on sale July 3rd and 4th returning July 5th. It is suggested, in order that the Railway may be prepared to accommodate the large crowd expected, that as many as possible of those intending to take advantage of these rates notify the agent in advance so that proper facilities may be provided.

D. L. MEYERS,
General Passenger Agent,
Amarillo, Texas.
O. C. DAVIS, Agent,
Canyon City, Texas.

Low Rate to Albuquerque, New Mexico.

For the 16th National Irrigation Congress to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 29th to October 10th, 1908, inclusive, the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway in connection with the Eastern Railway of New Mexico will offer unusually low and attractive rates. It is suggested that those desiring to avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Albuquerque, and assist in making this national event a memorable and successful one, notify the railway agent as much in advance as possible in order that necessary facilities and train service may be arranged for their accommodation. Tickets will be on sale from September 27th to October 9th, inclusive, with return limit October 31st. The round trip fare from Canyon City, Texas will be \$12.80.

D. L. MEYERS, G. P. A.,
Amarillo, Texas.
O. C. DAVIS, Agent,
Canyon City, Texas. 10-18



JULY "FOURTH" AT CANYON CITY

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PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Next week is excursion week. Digging on the new court house foundation.

C. M. Hardin of Amarillo, was a visitor in town Wednesday.

L. L. Hunt and family went to the C. C. club grounds Monday.

T. A. Goffer and family of Amarillo, visited Judge and Mrs. Henson Sunday.

One of T. C. Thompson's children, Clarence, has been ill some two weeks with typhoid fever.

On their return of a tour of the Lubbock country, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Kimbro of Taylor, stopped over Sunday with Travis Shaw's wife and baby.

This week brings Jno Knight with a stalk of rhubarb the leaf of which measured 26x23 inches. Wade Stephenson's was 18x22. Both were planted this spring.

Rains—Lightning Damage at Tulia.

The News is indebted to "Central" for the information that on Wednesday night a big rain fell at Plainview and along up this way including Tulia. Also that at Tulia during the rain, which was very heavy, lightning struck the Baptist church causing its destruction by fire.

Reunion Preparations.

Yesterday at the meeting of the executive committee the following orders were made:

J. D. Gamble, Travis Shaw, Geo. L. Abbott and Geo. A. Brandon were appointed a committee to solicit funds for Reunion purposes.

F. M. Lester and W. F. Heller were appointed to provide material for the usual rations and to see to the issuance of same to the old soldiers.

C. P. Hutchings was appointed to provide the necessary wood for cooking. O. C. Davis was appointed to secure reduced railroad rates and to see about water for the grounds.

Judge J. C. Hunt was instructed to secure speakers.

Secretary Brandon was instructed to insert ads in the Fort Worth Record and Wichita Beacon concerning Reunion dates and privileges.

He was also instructed to interview the real estate men about the agricultural exhibits. His account for stationery, amounts paid to Dallas News and Daily Panhandle for former advertising and for postage, \$6.55, was ordered paid. The secretary was also instructed to print for general distribution 20,000 hand bills.

A committee meeting was set for Monday morning at 8 a. m. to arrange premiums for live stock and other exhibits.

The committee has set in to make this Reunion one of the very best ever held here and Randall county people, both in and out of town are cordially invited to co-operate with the committee in doing so. It may be the last of the kind held here and it is the wish of those having the matter directly in charge to make it the best of all.

Scale Books at this office.

HAPPY ITEMS.

T. Williamson went to Tulia Monday on business.

E. Clemmer was a Canyon caller Monday.

Mrs. Morris and son, of Hereford, visited Mrs. J. Kelley several days last week.

O. Malcom, wife and son, went to Canyon Saturday returning to Happy Sunday.

A livery and feed stable is to be erected at Happy early next week.

Rev. Coleman, of Wayside, occupied the Happy pulpit Sunday June 28. There will be services in Happy Sunday July 5.

About four threshing machines began working in the vicinity of Happy this week.

J. O. Bradenbaugh is in Tulia this week.

J. Durrett will leave this week for Savoy, Texas, his home, on a three weeks visit.

A. W. Woods returned Sunday from Colorado, where he and his wife and son were on a visit. Mrs. Woods and Melville remaining for a longer visit.

June 30, '08. HAPPY.

Clean Up Day.

Friday, July 10, has been appointed by the city authorities for every resident to cut all weeds adjoining premises owned or occupied by him. Let everybody comply and help add to the beauty and health of our city.

JASPER N. HANEY, Mayor.

The majority of the wheat fields have required from two to five pounds of twine per acre. This would indicate that The News' estimate of from 12 to 15 bushels average for the county is too small.

News Roll of Honor

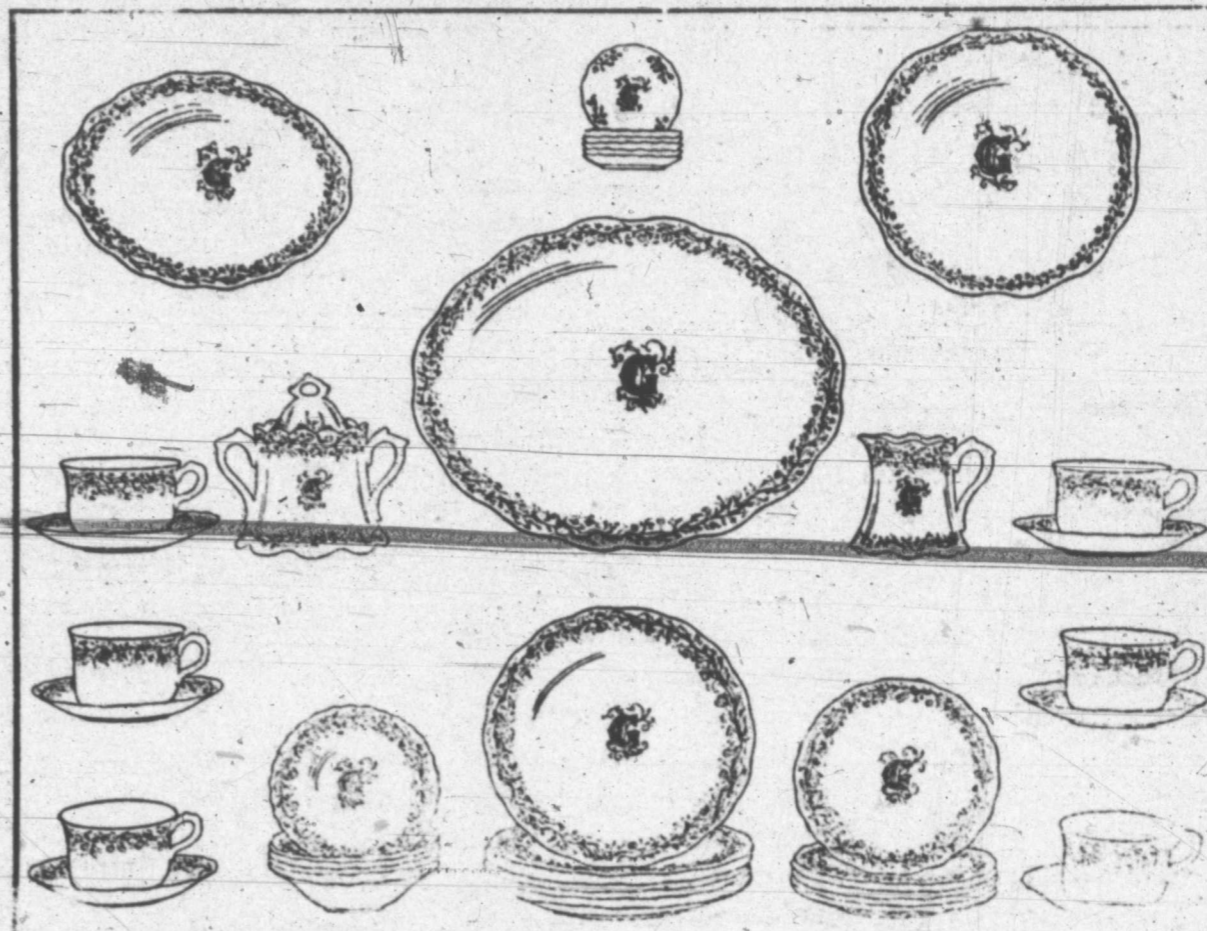
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CT Word.....	\$1 00
IL Vansant.....	1 00
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N Thompson.....	50
JF Smith.....	1 00
BF Buie.....	1 00
JW Stewart.....	1 25
HT Stewart.....	1 25
WH Hicks.....	1 00
TI Richardson.....	1 25
IN Hicks.....	1 00

A young Austrian nobleman who had the reputation of being a brilliant talker made a wager with a club friend that during the first year of his marriage with the daughter of a certain count he would preserve a rigid silence when in her presence and, in fact, would not speak a single word to her. This resolution he faithfully kept; but, owing to the fact that the wager was not made public, some very curious consequences ensued. His wife, believing him to be insane, privately sent a brain specialist to examine the taciturn gentleman. He was on the point of being conveyed to a sanitarium when he disclosed the reason of his behavior. When the year was up he claimed the wager, which was duly paid.

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TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

W. T. Moreland was a business visitor in town Saturday.

President Glover of Clarendon College was a visitor in town one day last week.

Miss Cora Reynolds returned last week from the Industrial college at Denton.

Mrs. Hitchcox and daughter of Claude, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gamble last week.

Mrs. George of Waxahachie, is here this week visiting her sister, Mrs. E. H. Ackley.

Mrs. R. W. Morgan, representing the Amarillo Daily Panhandle, was in town Tuesday.

Rev. Harder and wife left last week on a visit to relatives at Gainesville and other points.

Mrs. G. M. Swink of Dallas, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. W. F. Heller and Mrs. John Knight.

John Watts of Huckabay visited relatives here, John A. Wallace and family, the first of the week.

Miss Mamie Conner returned home last week from Waco where she has been attending Baylor college.

Joel Preslar has been ailing for two or three weeks with "stomach troubles." He is some better.

L. T. Lester on Monday left in his auto on a business trip to Emma and other points down that way.

Fulton Brown had the old livery barn on East Evelyn moved up to his residence on Monday for use as a barn.

W. O. Bennett went Monday to his wheat field up the Palo Duro, to stay, he said, "all the week" and "work."

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Donaldson of Tulia, moved to Bovina this week where Mr. Donaldson has a position in the bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett, roomers for some two months with I. N. Hicks, returned last week to their home in southern Illinois.

Sam Shotwell spent Friday and Saturday in Hereford. He says the new railroad is a sure thing and that business there is flush.

Carl Coffee had his residence moved the first of the week to his lot in the same block and on the corner south of the J. D. Gamble home.

John Hutson and Heb Smith are having John Turner build them a 5-room cottage on the Palo Duro club grounds. John says he will finish it this week.

Judge R. E. Carswell of Decatur, was introduced about town Saturday by Mayor Haney. He is a candidate for associate justice of civil court of appeals, this district.

While assisting in the removal of the Methodist revival tabernacle Monday morning J. E. Rogers fell and sprained his ankle, causing him to take to crutches in order to get about.

J. W. Cummings moved on the 30th into the Leonard residence, southeast portion of town. The home Cummings vacated, now the property of Sam Heiser, will be occupied by Mrs. Chapman.

Judge J. C. Hunt goes to Clarendon as one of the orators of the big celebration that town has for the Fourth of July.

Jim Coffee on Monday gave this office some of his dewberries. Two and three-quarter inches lengthways and crossways was the average measurement and the taste was alright. Jim has only one of several nice patches in town. Strawberries do equally as well in Plains soil.

Rev. J. S. Groves will move into the new Presbyterian parsonage sometime next week. W. J. Hall is putting up an Eclipse windmill there and when the paper hangers and painters get thru, which they are expected to do in a few days, it is going to be one of the nicest homes in the town.

J. Frank Smith returned Saturday from a trip to Big Springs, Midland and the country thereabouts. He does not like the sand about the last named town and there are many other features connected with the country he visited, that in his mind, make it much less desirable as a farming proposition and as a place to live than on the Plains. Mr. Smith returned by Dallas, visiting his folks there.

The Baptist Revival.

The lumber used in the Methodist revival tabernacle was hauled to the Baptist church Monday for use there to like purpose. The Baptists hope to begin their meeting by July 12.

County Scholastic Population.

The total scholastics enrolled in Canyon City Independent district this year 285
 In rural districts this year 286
 In that part of Amarillo Independent district lying in Randall county 18
 Total No. enumerated this yr 589
 Total in C. C. Ind. district last year 308
 Total in rural districts last yr 230
 Total in Amarillo Ind. dist. last year 13
 Total enumeration last year . . . 546
 Net gain over last year 43
 Gain in rural districts 56
 Gain in Am. Ind. district 5
 Decrease in C. C. Ind. dist. . . . 18
 June 27, 1908.

Commissioners' Court.

This court was in session this week finishing its labors as a board of equalization. The work of two weeks ago in this particular line of business was reviewed and the valuations then made were reduced some to correspond with the present judgment of the board as to what was equality in the matter, the Governor's opinion considered and county against county the state over.

The tax valuations of Randall, as now fixed, are still higher than those of surrounding counties with the possible exception of Potter, and in the opinion of The News much higher than they should be as compared to the same purpose valuations already given by counties in the great black land belt of the state.

It will soon be up to the state board to say whether or not this unevenness or want of equality in tax burdens among the counties shall be allowed to stand.

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City Council Doings.

At a meeting of the council Wednesday the following was done:

A petition was presented signed by fifty-two taxpayers asking the city to put in electric lights at each corner of the public square and as far up Houston street toward the depot as the council was willing to. In connection with this the Ice and Light Co. proposed to put in Gem lamps of 250 watt power on the square corners at \$3.25 per month and 32 candle power lamps up Houston at \$1.75 each per month. A committee composed of Aldermen Reid, Ingham and Foster was instructed to take this matter up with the light company and if arrangements satisfactory to said committee be made, to contract for lights at above rates.

The Northwest Texas Telephone Co. was ordered to enclose all wires on the public square in insulated cables within 60 days.

Any further moving of houses across the public square, the courthouse alone excepted, was prohibited unless the consent of the city council be first obtained. The penalty for failure to observe this order is a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$50.

Adjourned at 11 a. m. subject to call of mayor.

A permit was given the new courthouse contractor to build a spur track from the main line of the Santa Fe to the square so that he might unload his material from the cars where wanted.

Very Successful Meeting.

The Methodist revival meeting closed Sunday, the preacher, Rev. A. P. Lowery, and his wife, leaving here Monday to hold a meeting in Granger. The total number of conversions and reclamations is given at 125, 78 of these giving their names for membership in the different churches of the town apportioned as follows, to wit:

Methodist church 58, Baptist 10 and Presbyterian 10.
 This meeting is declared to be the most successful one ever held in the town.

At the Sunday morning service the sum of \$409 was made up by the congregation for Mr. Lowery. Those over the ages of sixteen joining the several churches at the conclusion of this meeting were as follows:

Methodist—C. T. DeGraftenreid, Miss Lucile Coffee, J. W. Cummings, Mrs. Tom Dowlin, C. P. Shellnut and wife, Arch and Reuben Bates, R. E. Leath, Mrs. Emily Moreland, R. J. Stein, J. T. Service, C. W. McCarty, R. E. Foster, Jim Foster, C. L. McDaniels and wife, Chas. Duncan, J. M. Gibson, J. W. Prichard, Elmore and Miss Mattie Prichard, Ernest Ried.

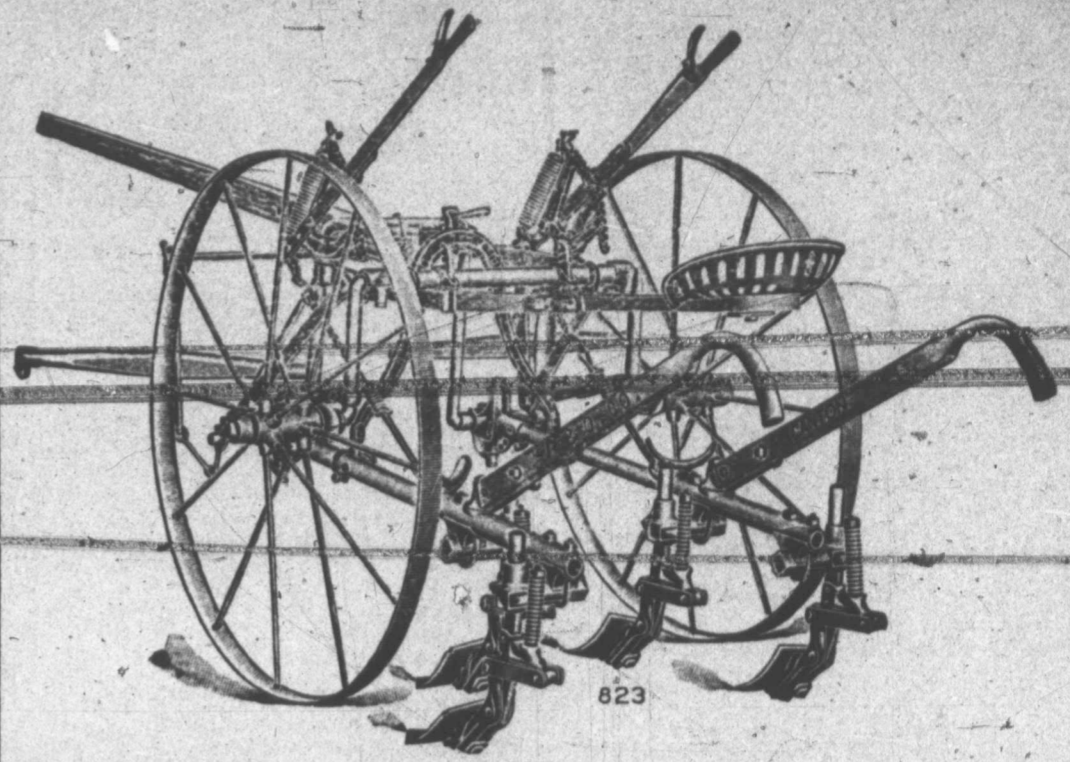
Baptist—Will Cornell and wife, Sullivan Laughery, Hugh Adams, Lillie Adams.

Presbyterian—Miss D. L. Barry, Mrs. Saul, Miss Ora Gardner, J. R. Blanton.

Christian—Miss B. V. Bailey.

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NO. 7961.

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RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and discounts	\$ 88,178.54	Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
U. S. Bonds and Premiums	52,055.47	Surplus Fund	10,000.00
Banking House and Fixtures	7,170.49	Undivided Profits	6,306.38
Redemption Fund	2,500.00	Circulation	50,000.00
Cash and Exchange	68,129.72	Deposits	101,727.84
Total	\$218,034.22	Total	\$218,034.22

The above is a correct statement.

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R. W. O'KEEFE, President.

We invite your attention to our statement above and respectfully solicit your account, large or small.

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Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

ONE SIDED.

The speaker in the meeting Has everything his way. The audience must listen. To what he has to say. No one talks back or offers suggestions to his face. Please tell us, then, why should he Not make with ease a case?

Not like a rough and tumble Discussion on the street Indulged in with a stranger That he may chance to meet. No; things are very different. For when he has the call It's up to all dissenters To go and hire a hall.

The man who holds the platform When he has paid the rent Can also hold opinions Of any twist or bent. There may be some objectors To his pet line of talk, And, while they have a recourse It is to take a walk.

They saw the air expounding Their viewpoint of the law. They mercilessly hammer Large cheated men of straw. They grill the ones who differ And put them on the rack And win their case in triumph With no one to talk back.



Where It Would Help.

"You heard about the new noiseless gun?"

"Yes."

"I wonder if the principle could be applied to the man who is inclined to shoot off his mouth?"

Wanted, a Better Way.

"What is your recommendation for a social reform?"

"Mine?"

"Yes."

"Well, I think we should have a more direct, less painful and less cumbersome way of settling our betresses."

"What do you mean?"

"We first have to buy a little princeling or dukeling at an enormous cost, don't we?"

"Yes."

"Then marry them to our daughters."

"Right."

"Then we have to divorce them at a high figure for settlement before the girls can be comfortable."

"I see."

Running a Risk.

"Pretty close run, is he?"

"Yes; he is living from hand to mouth."

"Bad as that?"

"Yes, and almost worse. I understand the connection is so close that he almost bites his hand sometimes."



Supplied With His Kind.

"He is crazy to go on the stage."

"Why doesn't he go?"

"He would but for one thing."

"Folks object?"

"No. They are not needing any scene shifters."

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

The uses of adversity are blessed indeed when they point the way to prosperity.

The best and most universal mascot is hard work and plenty of it faithfully persevered in.

Many a man when he has drowned his trouble straightway hunts some more that he may send it by the same route.

People are much inclined to take you at your own valuation, so keep a stiff upper lip and display the original price tag.

Trouble always has plenty of promoters, not a few of which masquerade under the guise of peacemakers.

POINTED SKULLS.

Admired by Some Tribes, Which Secure Them by Head Binding.

The egg shaped heads of some of the natives of Malekula, in the Hebrides, were once thought to be naturally conical. For that reason scientific men decided that the Malekulans were in the lowest rung of the human ladder.

Later it was found that the conical heads were produced as the Chinese women distorted their feet—by binding them in infancy. The egg shaped head is still fashionable in Malekula, where some extraordinary results are achieved.

"A conical head," says a writer in the National Geographic Magazine, "retreats from the forehead in such a manner that one is amazed to know the owner of this remarkable profile preserves his or her proper senses, such as they are. I could not hear, however, that the custom was supposed to affect the intellect in any way."

"The conical shape is produced by winding strong sinnet cord spirally about the heads of young babies and tightening the coils from time to time. A piece of plaited mat is first put on the head and the cord is coiled over this, so as to give it a good purchase. The crown of the head is left to develop in the upward and backward fashion that is so much admired."

"One fears the poor babies suffer very much from the process. The child I saw was fretful and crying and looked as if it were constantly in pain. But the mother, forgetting for the moment her fear of the strange white woman, showed it to me quite proudly, pointing out the cords with a smile."

"She had a normally shaped head herself, and it seemed that she had suffered by her parents' neglect of this important matter, for she was married to a man who was of no particular account. A young girl who was standing beside her had evidently had a more careful mother, for her head was almost sugar loaf shaped. It is interesting to know that this well brought up young woman had married a chief."

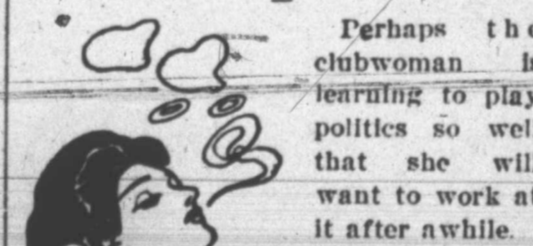
PERT PARAGRAPHS.

The man who gets there doesn't have to explain the devious route by which he came.

The bread and pie that many women know how to make are baker's bread and delicatessen pie.

Justice is for our neighbors, while charity and mercy are much preferred for home consumption.

To ascertain that the brain is stronger than the arm you have only to observe that there are many more people to tell you the right way to do a thing than there are do it.



Perhaps the clubwoman is learning to play politics so well that she will want to work at it after awhile.

The deserving poor are certainly to be pitied, but what we want to know is who deserves to be poor?

As soon as women get to be expert cigarette smokers it will doubtless be good form for them to swear at the brands of tobacco that they don't like.

Anybody can train children—except those actively engaged in the work.

Many a man is able to make good who is unable to stay good.

Being a bachelor is the profession of some men and the depression of others.

The man who is on all sides of a question at one time is necessarily soft enough to spread easily.

Discrimination.

"Your husband squanders lots of money, doesn't he?"

"Yes; lots of it."

"He squandered a dollar on cigars yesterday, did he not?"

"Yes."

"And \$100 the day before for a diamond?"

"Oh, that wasn't squandered; that was for me."—Houston Post.

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