

# THE RANDALL COUNTY NEWS.

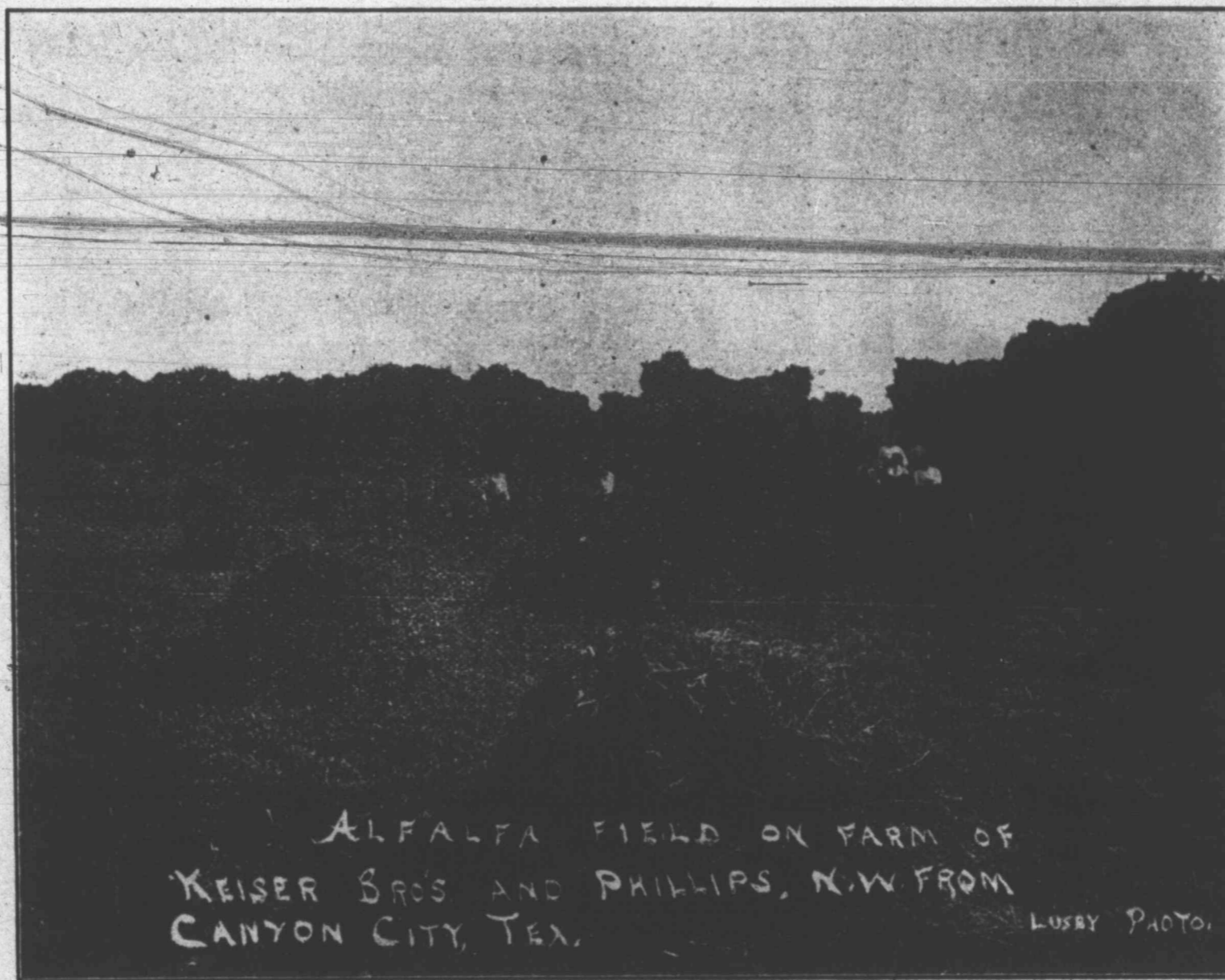
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## Keiser Brothers & Phillips Buy and Sell Panhandle Lands

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Fine Climate  
Plenty of Water  
Moral People  
and  
Great Advantages



Lands are Cheaper  
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Investigate  
This Country  
At Once.

### AROUND THE TOWN.

#### Items of General Interest Picked Up From Conversations on the Streets.

Speaking of things that should be done in this city, J. D. White, pastor of the Christian church of this city, said to the News reporter: "I notice your questions in the News relative to what should be done for the city, and there is one thing I would suggest. The city council, the citizens, or some one, should have the names of the streets at every corner in the city, and after that is done the houses along the streets should all be numbered. Nothing that can be done for us will make a better impression on a new-comer than this and in addition it will assist strangers in finding any house in town that he wants to find. I am comparatively a new man in the town and it would materially assist me if this were done, and I am sure that it would be of as great a benefit to others."

Anent the question propounded in The News relative to this city and its general improvement, The News reporter was talking with Oscar Hunt and Rev. John A. Wallace last Monday, and they both said that an ordinance should be passed requiring every citizen to cut all the weeds in his yard, on the walk and in the street in front of his house, and where the lots were vacant the owner of the lot should be required to do the same. What do you think about it?

### The Canyon National Bank

Capital ..... \$50,000.00  
Surplus and Profits ..... 16,000.00

#### "OUR AIM AND AMBITION."

A Progressive Bank  
In a Progressive Town  
In the Great  
Progressive West

We are getting there. If you are not a customer of ours we want you to become one.  
Your business will be greatly appreciated.

### The Canyon National Bank

The News man has had his already. Several of the subscribers to this paper from the Ceta community were in the city this week and raked him over the coals because he did not get the paper into the postoffice in time to get them off on the "Happy Hooligan" train last Friday. This caused these people to miss the

paper at their postoffice on Saturday.

Well, we have no excuse to offer except that we did not have printers enough to get the paper out sooner, but we feel like the paper which we did send them will pay them for the delay. Our force has been increased this week and we will be able to let

them have the paper on time, we hope.

A. L. Westbrook, of Saline, Ohio, was here this week, and the reporter had a pleasant talk with him. He said, among other things: "This country looks good to me. I have been on the Plains for more than a week and have seen most of the towns. You people in Canyon City have a hustle on you that I much admire. If you will get together and land the new railroad which I see is offered you, you will have the best town west of Fort Worth. I like this country so well that I have bought land in the county."

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Campbell certainly ought to take the premium anywhere on large peppers. They left at this office last Monday a pepper which certainly was a monster in size. It measured thirteen and three-quarter inches around the short way and a fifteen and a half the long way. This country certainly grows "garden sass" as well as wheat, oats, corn, milo maize, etc.

It makes a fellow feel good to have something good said about him. We quote the following from a letter received at this office this week:

"I was very glad to find out on a trip to Beulah school house on Saturday that the gentlemen present agreed with me that the present editor of The News is a "live wire" and that they are expecting great benefits to Canyon City, Randall county, and the Panhandle generally from his push, energy and ability in the conduct of the paper and as a live, progressive citizen."

### CROP REPORTS.

#### Randall County Farmer Makes Good Average on All Crops.

I. L. Vansant, who has been in this county for many years and has seen the county pass from the pasture to the field, in speaking to a News reporter this week stated that he had about an average crop this year, his wheat averaging seventeen bushels per acre, barley yielded thirty-two bushels per acre and the oats went to thirty-five bushels per acre. He said that this country had never made an entire failure. Mr. Vansant promised some interesting matter in the near future relative to some other crops that he is growing on his farm south of town.

Mrs. May Reed has gone to Amarillo to make a visit to her daughter, Mrs. William Burrow, in that city.

W. T. Moreland, Oscar Gamble, Newt Reeves and Attorneys Rollins and Brandon went out to Umbarger Monday to attend the justice court at that place.

Rev. J. M. Harder, pastor of the Baptist church in this city, spent a day or two in Amarillo this week, the guest of the pastor there, Rev. R. T. Jenkins.

J. P. Magee, who has been in our city several days with a view of locating, returned to his home at Denton last Monday. He has not as yet decided whether he will locate here or not.

## If You Want to be Dressed in the Smartest Style and the Best Quality



Now is Your chance. You'll find this store the right place for Distinction in Clothes.

### Hart, Shaffner & Marx

Clothes are the best ever offered for men to wear; every fabric all wool, the tailoring done in the right way to keep the good style looking right.

You'll find these clothes the best for your wear, the most perfect clothes made.

In addition to a great line of fancy weaves and colors, we want you to have one of black suits for dressier-than-business use.

This store is the home of Hart, Shaffner & Marx Clothes.

# THE LEADER

## TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

J. E. Hawley went to Plainview this week on business.

Bois Waller left last week for his home at Cone, Crosby county.

Quite a bunch of young people from Plainview were in this city Sunday.

Miss Norma Blackburn of Amarillo, visited relatives in this city last week.

W. C. Johnson left Monday for Waco, where he will enter Baylor University.

Elbert Laughery visited his daughter, Mrs. Ella Hinstead, at Portales last week.

Mr. Barnes, the piano man, went to Plainview last Monday to be gone several days.

Mrs. F. D. Tyson of Amarillo, visited Judge and Mrs. A. N. Henson in this city last Sunday.

Mrs. John Hibdon, graduate of the Texas Kindergarten Normal, with an extensive experience as teacher, will open a Kindergarten and Primary School at her home, the Hauser place, West Houston street, Monday, September 21.

Mrs. Chas. R. McAfee and children left Monday for an extended visit at Dallas and Corsicana where they have relatives.

Uncle Nick Thompson and his wife have been visiting their daughter at Dalhart this past week.

L. T. Lester and D. A. Park have returned from an automobile trip to Lockney. They report the entire country along the route to be in fine shape, grass and crops being good.

Mrs. A. A. Earhart of Amarillo, spent last Sunday in this city with her husband who is here for a short time on business. She also visited Mrs. Maude Nickson while here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Rollins have returned from a visit with relatives at Greenville and Farmersville. Rollins says that it is too hot in that country for anything.

Henry T. Stewart, of Argyle, was here the first of the week visiting his brother, Dr. D. M. Stewart. While here Mr. Stewart invested in lands north of town and it is possible that he will move here to make his home.

Mrs. H. J. Cavet was in the city yesterday from Canyon City. She came for the purpose of meeting her son, William Cavet, who has been spending a year at school. While in the city she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lewis at 1404 Buchanan street.—Daily Panhandle.

Mrs. Anna Allen, nee Consineau, passed through Canyon City this week en route to her home at Plainview. She had been visiting relatives at Amarillo and Mobetie. While in the city she was the guest of Mrs. Mittie Gatewood Newberry.

**Born.**—Last Sunday afternoon, a fine girl to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sowder. Mother and babe are doing well. Mr. Sowder is in charge of the arrangements for the laying of the cornerstone of the court house next Saturday and with that and the new daughter he is as busy as an old hen with one chicken.

#### Cornerstone Laying.

The cornerstone of the Randall county court house will be laid by the Grand Lodge of the State of Texas, A. F. and A. M., on Saturday, September 19, 1908, at 1:30 p. m. On that day a general picnic will be held on the court house grounds and every one is cordially invited to be present and bring with them their lunch baskets. Meat, bread, pickles and coffee will be furnished by the Canyon City lodge. Meet promptly at 10 a. m. and dinner will be served at 12 m. sharp. Music by the Canyon City band. All the neighboring lodges have been invited to be present and participate.

#### R. A. SOWDER, W. M.

Ever Ready electric batteries now in stock.

THOMPSON HARDWARE CO.

#### BEULAH RAILROAD INTERESTS.

People of That Community Held Enthusiastic Meeting Last Saturday.

That the people along the line of the proposed new railroad from Canyon City to the east and southeast are really interested was clearly shown last Saturday evening when nearly every man in the Beulah community met the party of citizens from Canyon City that went down there to feel of the pulse of the people.

The party from this city was composed of Messrs. J. N. Haney, John Knight, G. S. Ballard, J. L. Prichard, A. H. Rife, W. E. Bates, W. S. Keiser, L. G. Conner and B. J. Rector. Major E. C. Gordon, of Amarillo, the promoter of the enterprise, accompanied the party.

They found that the people of that vicinity are enthusiastically talking for and are anxious to aid the project and the building of this railroad from Canyon City to the southeast to connect with lines now building in this direction. The people were united in saying that all Canyon City had to do was to start the proposition and they would be in line to keep it going.

Major Gordon and Messrs. Haney, Rife and McGehee and others made talks that were to the point and it was the general consensus of opinion that the proposition as made by Major Gordon was a good one for all parties. According to these peo-

ple they would rather help Canyon City get the road, but if Amarillo, Hereford, or any other point secured the road they would also help them. What they want is the road built through or near their portion of the country and they are determined to have it.

Before adjournment was had arrangements were made for another meeting of the citizens on next Saturday when the people of the community and other persons as well are invited to attend and have a general rally together with a basket picnic. A number of outside people are expected to be present and definite steps taken towards the furtherance of the railroad and the securing of the right of way.

#### A Pretty Home Wedding.

A pretty home wedding took place at 3:30 yesterday afternoon at Greenville, when Mr. Charles B. McCauley and Miss Beulah A. McWhirter were married. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. S. J. McWhirter, which is one of the handsomest and most elegantly appointed homes in Hunt county.—Greenville Banner.

Miss McWhirter was the sister of Mrs. A. S. Rollins, of this city, who was present at the wedding.

Miss Mildred Hyatt came down from Amarillo last Sunday and spent the day with Judge and Mrs. A. N. Henson in this city.

REMINISCENCES OF PAST.

Some Old Happenings in Randall County Which Are of Interest.

In examining some of his old papers this week, L. C. Connor found a copy of the first election ticket used in this county. The election was held in the old shed south of the square about where L. E. Cowling's residence now stands, and Chas. J. E. Lowndes, now cashier of the First National Bank of Amarillo, was the presiding officer of the election. The election was held on July 27th, 1889, and the following was the ticket from which you will note that the matter of the location of the county site was also settled.

For County Seat, Randall County, Texas—Canyon City, on survey No. 34, block B 5, H. & G. N. R. R. Co.

For County Judge—M. M. McGee.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector—J. W. Ingram, Sam Wise.

For County and District Clerk—W. F. Heller, J. W. Kelly.

For County Treasurer—Alexander George.

For County Assessor—F. A. Roper, James Atkinson, C. H. Harlan.

Commissioner Precinct No. 1—W. C. Baird.

Commissioner Precinct No. 2—F. P. Varner, James G. Davidson.

Commissioner Precinct No. 3—Walter Roper.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4—M. V. Kinney.

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1—J. W. Turner.

The News reporter has tried to get the vote polled at this election, but after careful search in the county clerk's office, failed to find where the returns were recorded, but found where the officers elected gave their bonds.

Of the ticket, Canyon City became the county site, M. M. McGee the county judge; Sam Wise, sheriff and tax collector; W. F. Heller, county and district clerk; Alexander George, county treasurer; James Atkinson, county assessor; W. C. Baird, commissioner precinct No. 1; F. P. Varner, precinct No. 2; Walter Roper, precinct No. 3; M. V. Kinney, precinct No. 4, and J. W. Turner, justice of the peace.

These people composed the first set of county officers, of whom W. F. Heller, W. C. Baird and J. W. Turner are the only persons now living in the county. Of the others, some have moved to other points and some have passed to the great beyond.

Among other relics that Mr. Connor has is a copy of the first paper published in the county, the name being The Canyon City Echo, and it had as its editor, John W. Edgell, who, it is reported, is now living at South McAlistier, Oklahoma. Edgell & McClellan were the proprietors. That they knew of the possibilities of the country is clearly shown by their salutatory which we reproduce below:

"The Canyon Echo opens its infant eyes upon the big busy world with this issue, and echoes the common sentiment expressed by all who chance to come this way—i. e. 'This is a fine country, a glorious country, a country susceptible of the highest degree of material development, and that not in the ordinary, slow, plodding manner, but with a railroad speed that will surprise even the most sanguine.'"

The Echo hopes to be able to keep up with the procession and reverberate the music in the air, as the hand of industry transforms these broad plains into vast fields of golden grain—bedecked here and there with farm houses, church houses, orchards, school houses, villages, towns and cities, inhabited by a dense population, cosmopolitan in makeup, virtuous, prosperous and happy. This is the picture that opens up to the view of The Echo and which prophecy will be fully realized in a few short years. Kind reader, mark the prediction, and lend us your cheering presence in this favored locality, where nature has made extraordinary exertions to make one spot on earth more beautiful than all others. Added to the lavish hand of nature, the genius of man can and will make of this beautiful country, a poet's dream of loveliness. To die in such a place as this is a luxury that thousands of our unfortunate

fellow beings might very consistently crave. But to live here, is bliss in the superlative degree. The history of the growth and development of this glorious country will be found in the Echo each week from now on, until it gets beyond the power of pen and press to describe.

Yours truly,  
JOHN W. EDGELL."

The Echo had seven columns and was four pages in size and contained many items of interest which we would like to note. It was dated August 8th, 1890, and contained the cards of candidates for the various offices in the county. H. H. Wallace and W. B. Plemmens were running for district judge; H. G. Gathright for district attorney; M. M. McGee and E. Brooks for county judge; W. F. Heller and James Patton for county and district clerk; J. T. Atkinson for assessor; Sam Wise and M. V. Kinney for sheriff and tax collector; Alexander George, J. W. Turner and J. W. Cartwright for county treasurer; Andrew McClellan for county attorney; J. C. Hatchell, commissioner precinct No. 4, and W. C. Baird, commissioner of precinct No. 1. The paper boasted that Randall county had one of the best and most substantial court houses in this portion of the state. It gave a report of a democratic mass meeting held July 26, 1890. Said that several advertisements were unavoidably crowded out that week.

Among the advertisers the following had display ads: First National Bank of Amarillo with capital of \$50,000.00; McGee & Dowlen, attorneys and land agents; T-Ancor saloon, Moore & Patton, Props.; Albert Hammond, blacksmith; Edgell & McClellan, real estate agents; Smith & Walker, successors to Burns, Walker & Co., general merchants, Amarillo; M. T. Jones Lumber Co.; Amarillo and Estacado Mail and Stage Line, tri-weekly trips; Atkinson & Wise, livery stable; S. E. Roberts, general merchant; G. W. Tucker, drugs, Amarillo; Fuqua & Weatherford, successors to H. T. Cornelius, livery stable, Amarillo; B. F. Lloyd & Co., lumber, Amarillo, and E. G. Pendleton, attorney and land agent, Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Saul, together with their daughter, Miss Emma, of Reinbeck, Iowa, are in the city, the guests of Hugh H. Saul.

# Millinery Opening

Saturday, Sept. 19.

Every lady in the county invited to come and bring their friends to see the best display of millinery ever placed on exhibit here.

Styles new and to suit everybody.

It will certainly pay you to attend.

## Canyon Mercantile Co.

HAPPY ITEMS.

G. Baumgardner arrived in Happy, after a several weeks' stay in Missouri.

W. A. Woods and son were in Amarillo Saturday and Sunday.

O. Malcom and family are living in town and are at the hotel at present.

The erection of a new drug store was started Tuesday.

D. F. Felton was an Amarillo caller last week.

J. O. Bradenbough was in Hereford over Sunday.

It is understood that Ben Carson and wife will remain in Fort Worth for the present, at least.

The Malcom steam plow moved Wednesday to J. M. McNaughton's to plow a large tract of land.

M. A. Malcom will return to Illinois Saturday.

J. Hendel is in Happy this week.

Mrs. J. Nunn and children returned from Kentucky Saturday, and thinks Texas the only place.

C. Gatten was a caller in Canyon Monday.

E. Gatten is attending High school at Tulia.

HAPPY.

Rev. M. F. Hawkins has returned from San Marcial, N. M., where he has been assisting in a revival.

Try The Palo Duro Land Co.

# C. N. Harrison & Co.

## Fire and Tornado INSURANCE

Only the very best companies are represented through our agency. Here they are:

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Aetna                          | New York Underwriters      |
| American Central               | National                   |
| Continental                    | North River                |
| Commonwealth                   | National Union             |
| Commercial Union               | Northern Assurance         |
| Detroit Fire and Marine        | North British & Mercantile |
| Equitable                      | Providence of Washington   |
| Firemen's Fund                 | Phoenix of Hartford        |
| German American                | Phoenix of Brooklyn        |
| Hartford                       | Queen                      |
| Home                           | Royal                      |
| Insurance Co. of North America | Springfield                |
| Liverpool, London & Globe      | St. Paul Fire and Marine   |
| Michigan Commercial            | Shawnee                    |
| Mechanics and Traders          | Westchester                |

## Fire and Tornado Insurance

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## JOB PRINTING

We can do the finest class of printing, and we can do that class just a little cheaper than the other fellow. Wedding invitations, letter heads, bill heads, sale bills, statements, dodgers, cards, etc., all receive the same careful treatment—just a little better than seems necessary. Prompt delivery always.

**The Randall County News**  
Published Every Friday.

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R. A. Terrill, Manager & Editor

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

SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year in County.....	\$1.00
One Year out of County....	1.25
Six months.....	.75
Two months.....	.25

**DEMOCRATIC TICKET.**

- For County Judge—  
A N Henson
- For County Attorney—  
W D Scott
- For District and County Clerk—  
M P Garner
- For Sheriff & Tax Collector—  
R A Sanford
- For County Treasurer—  
P H Young
- For County Assessor—  
Joe Foster
- For County Commissioners—  
W J Redearn  
E W Neece  
J D Knicey  
M S Park

**WHAT WOULD YOU DO?**

In recent editions of The News we have been endeavoring to get the people interested in the welfare of the town by putting in a few pointed paragraphs tending to make our citizens think about what they would like to do if they occupied the mayor's chair of the city. One of our readers has handed us the following article:

"Now really if you were mayor of this city what would you propose to do for the benefit of the town."—News, Sept. 11.

Answer. First. I recommend that every lot owner and renter in the corporate limits keep such lot free from noxious weeds, trash and other unsightly and disease harboring filth, and this includes sweeping the sidewalks where such have been built. Each occupant of the lot should see to this and the city in turn through an employe of its city council should thoroughly open up all the drains and keep them open and free from weeds large enough to go to seed in the more thickly settled portion of the city so that it would have the appearance of being inhabited by civilized and health-loving people.

Second. The merchants and business men should keep the sidewalks, alleys and spaces at sides of their business premises scrupulously free from rinds, fly-fattening garbage, sweepings and other disease-breeding filth, and they should not expect patronage of ladies unless they so keep their premises. Violators should be promptly reported by any person who may see another placing filth or rubbish on or near the streets.

Third. The city council should lose no more time in thoroughly draining and grading at least two more streets from a point north-west of the public square due east to the corporate limits, and two other streets from the point first above named to the south line of the city, so as to carry off all of the water falling north and west of such streets, and thus prevent the flooding of the business part of town, and immediately thereafter they should likewise drain and grade several other much neglected streets.

Fourth. The city council should inaugurate and encourage

(and the people should sustain them) the installing of a sewerage system, and also a system of waterworks with at least one main (east and west) entirely through the town, with stand-pipe at the point of greatest elevation, so that protection against devastation of fire and a large saving of insurance premiums may remain with the people, and so that the sewers first above named may be properly flushed. Conflagration and sickness will come and protection against each is the duty of every city and every person.

Fourth. The people of Canyon City and for several miles around should willingly pay (if necessary) ten per cent on the valuation at which they now hold their property, to secure and make a success of the proposition for a railroad beginning, and with shops and round house at, Canyon City, to a connection with another railway southeast from Silverton and thus be on the line of direct transportation to the Gulf. No other such opportunity has ever been presented, or will ever again be within the grasp of Canyon City, and if she lets this opportunity pass we had better make an assignment and quit pretending to do business, and move to Happy or Umbarger, and become a decent way-station on the Santa or Pecos Valley railway."

What would you do if you were mayor of this city?

**ARE YOU A KNOCKER?**

It may be alright to be a kicker but to be an everlasting knocker is the worst form of business insanity. The difference between the two species is clear. A kicker is a man who wants things to move along in the right direction and at a good lively gate; a knocker is the man who tries to discourage the fellow who is doing something; one is an optimist, the other a pessimist; one sees the doughnut, the other only the hole. As a concrete example of the difference between the two homos, this railroad proposition fully demonstrates it. The kicker is the man who got out and helped raise the bonus and kicked because everybody did not subscribe; the knocker is the gentleman who said the people were fools for subscribing and the whole thing was a land scheme. The kicker got busy and helped secure the right of way; the knocker is the man who stood in the way and knocked every proposition to settle the damages to property.—Hereford Brand.

We have some of these anvil chorus members in this county, but they are almost afraid to knock for fear of sparks. It would be a great day for the country if some scientist would discover some way to inoculate these pests so that their wails might be turned to cries of joy.

Cleburne typographical union has resolved against the government's entering into direct competition with legitimate trade in the sale of stamped envelopes bearing the printed card of the purchaser. The nature of this competition by the United States is seen in the fact that the government's "royalty" represented in the stamp knocks every-day business west and crooked.—Baylor County Banner.

The government doesn't seem to realize that if a person wants to mail a letter he will have to buy stamps from "Uncle Sam." If the government would quit printing these envelopes for less than actual cost the printers of the country would have some interest in "protective tariff."

Any erroneous statement affecting the character or reputation of any individual or firm which may appear in The Randall County News will be gladly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the publishers.

We were a little surprised the other day to find \$50 lying in the road beside the hedge at the corner of one of our prominent business farmers' home, and the more so to find that it had lain there for quite a while unmolested, but beginning to look much the worse from exposure. The money was in the way of implements that will have to be replaced by new ones before many years unless cared for better. This is food for thought by the farmer.—Grand Saline Journal.

We note the farmers of our county are generally well supplied with sheds and barns and are prepared and do take care of their \$50 implements.

The Dutch farmer who told a New York reporter that he had come to America with his wife and three children in order to find room for a dozen or more additional young ones is invited to make his home in Texas and become a cotton picking contractor.—Dallas News.

We don't invite the gentleman to Randall county to help pick cotton. Picking cotton is too hard work for the net results. We never saw a person that followed that job for a living accumulate anything. We do invite him here for a healthy climate, fine fruit and an easily cultivated soil. Reports say he has gone to Iowa. If that's so he will land in the Panhandle yet.

The independent school districts are catching it now "a-coming and a-gwing." First it was declared by the court that they had no constitutional right to levy a tax of more than 20 cents on the \$100. When this was done a few municipalities, more especially Amarillo, took charge of their independent school districts by a vote of the citizens. Now the courts rule that only an act of the legislature can do away with these old districts. The only way of the difficulty is to vote for the constitutional amendment this fall, which allows school districts to vote a tax of 50 cents. The man who votes against this will be dealing a deadly blow at the cause of education.—Baylor County Banner.

And if the amendment fails to carry it will practically sound the death knell of the country school in addition to the great loss to the permanent school fund of the state.

Mr. Clarendon Citizen, have you missed a meal on account of helping build a greater College? Have you missed a meal because three bridges have been put in? Have you gone hungry because of the fact that Clarendon has in a way protected herself against fire? Have your children cried for bread while you purchased shade trees to make this the "city beautiful?" Ask yourself these questions, and then go to studying as to how much you can help the town without material injury to yourself or those dependent upon you.—Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

It is not at all likely that any of your citizens will answer in the affirmative. The fear of want, of actual starvation, is not an unwholesome one. It teaches thrift and providence and makes for diligence and economy. However, it can be and often is carried much too far. Men with present abundance constantly fear the future and grow small-souled, stingy and picayunish through fear of a "rainy day" that may come and find them without a crust in the cupboard.

It is not necessary for one to be prodigal in order to be a good citizen, but he cannot be a good citizen and a flint-skinner at once.—Dallas News.

When we want to make any improvements which are for our individual good we do not hesitate to make them. So it should be with public improvements. A man who will stand back and object to improvements is a detriment to the community and we wish there were some way to induce such men to leave the county. We would be much better off.

**IMPROVEMENT CLUB.**

Along with the many other things that would be of advantage to our town we think that a good, live improvement club would help. An organization of this kind consisting of the energetic men of the town and assisted by their wives who would be members, would be of great advantage in improving the appearance of the city. Let the women do the planning and then let the men do the work. Lets have it.

Books with cattle bills of sale.

**School Books**

We have secured the EXCLUSIVE AGENCY for about eighty per cent of the school books. The books are changing and all the old books will have to be exchanged for new ones.

These books are handled for the publishers and all exchanges and sales will be for CASH. No school books will be charged to anyone.

**A. H. Thompson**  
Leading Druggist.

**Points That Interest You**

**We Have Money To Loan When Others Are "Broke"**

- WE provide an absolutely safe place to deposit your money.
- WE are not an experiment but a grown, really existing reality.
- WE return your money (all of it) on demand.
- WE are prosperous as well as progressive and MERIT WINS.
- WE give you the best of service as the result of long experience.
- WE do not mimic, or meet, but create, originate and raise.
- WE have the largest capital, surplus and profit account of any bank in this region.

**The First National Bank of Canyon**

**COAL FOR EVERYBODY**

**TOP PRICES FOR WHEAT & OATS**

Highest Cash Price Paid for Hides, Hay, Maize, Kaffir Heads, etc.

We are a Strictly Home Concern and desire your patronage.

**Canyon Coal Company**

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**D. M. STEWART,**  
Physician and Surgeon,  
Office in Wallace Building over  
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Calls promptly answered night or day

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**TO RAISE \$242,000.00.**

**Citizens of Canyon City and Randall  
County Take Steps for New  
Railroad.**

The culmination of the various meetings which have been held in this city during the past two weeks was reached yesterday morning when the committee of citizens that had been appointed came to an understanding with Major Eugene C. Gordon and agreed to raise the amount of subscriptions for the new railroad from this city to Silverton. The exact amount of money that will be needed cannot now be ascertained but it will be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$242,000.00. Be it whatever it may be this county is going to raise the amount. We have that reputation for undertaking such matters and carrying them through. If they take active interest in the matter and decided to undertake it, it is considerably like the man on the street this morning who, when asked if he thought the road would be built, said, "You can bet your whiskers it will be built," and he was talking to a man who takes pride in his beard.

The News published the main portions of the contract in its issue two weeks ago and we will give the contract in full next week. The final decision came so late yesterday that we are not able to give full contents of the agreement, but it is an agreement that everyone should and will be willing to assist in carrying out.

It remains for every citizen of Randall County to do his best. Canyon City will take the lead and all others will have to do will be to catch step and keep up.

We publish below a statement from one of our leading citizens relative to the right of way:

Now that the railroad committee has agreed with Major E. C. Gordon on the term of contribution of new railroad south east from Canyon City provided every one will put his shoulder to the wheel. Every foot of the right of way should be given. We sincerely believe and earnestly hope that no one will think of asking a dime for a right of way over his land. This as much as anything else will insure the building of said railroad and that speedily.

Some of the people who own land of highest price on right of way, say that they will give right of way and just as much money besides as they can to build the railroad. Take the history of railroad building and there is not an instance on record where a close fisted man who contributed for pay for right of way over his land that was ever satisfied with his close fistedness.

His conscience always hurts him and never can feel right in that his neighbor helped to build the road and gave right of way and at the same time accepted the benefits accruing to all on account of the building of the railroad.

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**Church Notes.**

The subject of the lessons at both the regular services at the Christian Science reading room will be "matter."

Rev. D. M. Hawthorne returned from Dimmitt, Tuesday, where Rev. A. P. Lowery had been holding a union meeting. There were about 75 who made a profession, counting a few who returned to the church and renewed their vows. Nearly all of these united with the church and were about equally divided among the three churches represented, Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian.

The subject to be discussed by the pastor at the Presbyterian church in this city at the eleven o'clock services next Sunday will be "The Christian Possessions," with text from I. Cor. 3: 21-22. The theme at the evening service will be "Playing the Fool," and text found in I. Samuel 26: 21. All are especially invited to attend either or both services.

**Amusements.**

Mahara's Minstrel, the oldest, largest, and always the best colored minstrel show, will play at Canyon City for one night only, Friday, September 25th.

What is more pleasing than an old fashioned minstrel show or a musical comedy? Such is the Mahara show.

Giving the two combined shows with a big chorus, well trained and beautifully costumed, makes this company one of the very best traveling today.

Mr. Mahara always makes a feature of his good singing and dancing, and has some of the best known minstrel stars, such as clever Billy Young, Tim Owsley, Geo. Taylor and Ed Wilson. In the olio of specialties will be seen the famous Curlye Banton, Miss Bessie La Belle and the great trick bicyclist, Count de Robeo. Don't fail to see this the biggest show of the year.

See the Canyon Coal Company for fresh maize chops.

**J. A. Mooney Dead.**

Last Tuesday afternoon J. A. Mooney died in this city after some two weeks intense suffering with Bright's disease. He was taken sick while in town about two weeks ago and had steadily grown worse despite the strenuous efforts of the physicians until the end came.

The deceased came to this county last winter from Marshalltown, Iowa, to which place the remains were shipped on Wednesday, the Odd Fellows of this city conducting the services. While he had not been a citizen of the county for a long time, still he had many friends and they sympathize and mourn with the family.

He leaves a large family comfortably well supplied with the goods of this world, who will miss the guiding attention of the husband and father, and we extend our sincerest condolence in this, their hour of distress.

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Eight hundred dollars buys a brand new 1908 Model No. 10 Buick Automobile. This is a four-cylinder car and sells for \$950. Write to Postoffice Box 22, Amarillo, Texas. 25-2t

**BAND CONCERT**

**OPERA HOUSE**

Friday Night, Sept. 18.

Everybody turn out and help the boys pull through the winter.

**PROGRAM.**

"Encore" Overture..... W. H. Keifer  
"Yankee Grit"..... Abe Holzmann  
"The Sweetest Story Ever Told"..... R. M. Stults  
Trombone Solo by Mr. Geo. Hutchings.  
"Dreadnaught March"..... C. W. Dalby  
"The Last Smile"..... Wallenhaupt  
Piano Solo by Miss Thompson.

**INTERMISSION.**

"Arabola"—March and Two Step..... Karl Hendrix  
"The Pivot" March..... Barrington  
"Impromptu" Overture..... C. W. Dalby  
March—Majestic..... F. A. Myers  
Overture, "Sincerity"..... Geo. D. Barnard

This is certainly the best program ever rendered in Canyon City and you cannot afford to miss it. Remember the date, Friday night, September 18, at 8:30 o'clock.

Admission 25c and 35c. Come Out.

**OPERA HOUSE.**

Thursday Evening,  
September 24, 1908.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist Church Have Secured the Engagement of

**LOIS HENTZ,**

And presents an evening of Impersonations, with interspersions of Music, instrumental and vocal.

Sonata, "Pathetique"..... Bethoven  
(a) "Allegro a con brio."  
(b) "Adagio."  
"Good Bye," vocal..... Tosti  
"As the Moon Rose," reading..... Defrossa  
Cradle song..... Defrossa  
"Carrissima"..... From Opera Erminie  
"Lullaby"..... Prof. Burdette  
"Temptation"..... Valse Chromatique..... Godard

Madame Hentz comes with high recommendation as to her ability and the evening will be well spent.

**ADMISSION:**

Children..... 25c  
Adults..... 35c

The program will begin at 8:30 o'clock.



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## OUR COUNTY PROSPERITY.

Some of the Reasons Why Our Section is Forging to the Front so Rapidly and is Becoming the Greatest Farming District of the West.

Those of our readers who have been reading closely the columns of this paper have noticed that a great many people of Randall county have been recently investing in our farm lands for homes, thereby expressing in a material way their confidence in our lands as a producing proposition. Their confidence is not misplaced.

So that our people may know what the farmers from the northern and eastern states have done we have secured letters from some of the settlers and will publish them from time to time, in order to give an idea of what they think of the country, and what they are able to do here.

Canyon City, Texas, August 13, 1908.—It is with pleasure I give my views and what I know of the Panhandle country. I can tell you my experience and observation since coming here in February, 1907.

When we arrived at Happy with our car it makes me smile to think of it now. All that the town consisted of was a lumber yard and coal yard, one dwelling house and a vacant building. Quite a comparison with to-day. They have a fine hotel, bank, two general stores, a good supply of farm implements, livery stable, barber shop, good school house, church, elevator and as good a market for everything as there is in the United States. And why not? We have grown as good wheat this year as is grown

anywhere in the states, grading No. 1, testing sixty-two pounds to the bushel, bringing from 92 to 95 cents per bushel, and going all the way from twenty-five to thirty bushels per acre this year in this neighborhood; oats thirty to fifty bushels, and bringing 43 to 47 cents per bushel. At the present time maize and kafir corn have a prospect of making a big crop, which makes all the way from thirty-five to sixty-five bushels per acre according to cultivation and condition of season. As to feeding quality it is equal to corn, all stock and poultry prefer it to corn, do well and fatten on it, and as there is always a market for it in every shape and form, nobody need be afraid to raise too much. Last winter it sold as high as \$15.00 per acre in the shock, \$30.00 per ton in chops and \$1.30 per hundred. When threshed its fifty pounds to the bushel.

Millet and sorghum make big crops here for seed or feed. We got 75 cents per bushel for millet seed and \$12.00 per ton for millet hay; 95 cents per bushel for sorghum seed and it makes quite frequently fifty bushels per acre. A man can make more clear money to the acre here than in Iowa.

Where land is selling from \$80.00 to \$125.00 per acre; figure it out yourself; get southwestern market quotations, compare prices and the price of land, taxes and interest, and then

you have it in a nutshell, besides living in a fine climate, not so hot in summer nor so cold in winter as we had in Iowa, with the best of water and sufficient rain to keep everything in a growing condition.

Go where you please you will not find a better class of people than here. When we first came here it seemed a little lonely, but that has all changed. New houses going up all around us, all the indications of making this one of the best farming countries, and it is people what we need here, the more the merrier.

We have all the confidence in the world, that wherever crops are put in like we put them in, in Iowa, that they make just as good a showing as there. As to vegetables you can not beat us. Fruit of all kinds does fine, have never seen a tree, vine or bush grow quicker or easier than here. Poultry does better here than in Iowa.

It will be two years next month since I first came down here with Keiser Bros. & Phillips and bought one-half section for \$17.50 per acre, which I would not sell for less than \$30.00 per acre now. This firm has sold more land and brought more people down here than any other firm I know of.

I heartily and cheerfully recommend this country to any one in search of a home.

Respectfully yours,  
PETER MEYERS.

Try The Palo Duro Land Co.

See the Canyon Coal Company for fresh maize chops.

Miss Annie Buie returned home Saturday, after a pleasant visit with friends at Clarendon.

John L. Howell came in yesterday from Ft. Worth on his way to his home at Lake Arthur, N. M.

Rev. M. E. Hawkins of this city showed The News reporter this week a plate of tomatoes grown in his garden in this city. They are all fine, smooth and well developed and consisted of six different varieties, from the dwarf tree, the rambling kind, to the pear tomato. He stated that he had gathered within the past week one and a half bushels of tomatoes.

### Beecher's Fee.

On one occasion when Henry Ward Beecher was on a lecturing tour Major Pond, his manager, was sitting beside him in the railway car. Suddenly the preacher slapped his hand on the little watch pocket of his trousers and drew forth a small envelope. For a moment he looked at it in surprise, then opened it and smiled. Presently he turned to his companion.

"Major," said he, "I married a great railroad magnate a few months ago, and as I was taking leave of him he handed me an envelope, which I slipped in my pocket unopened. That was the last I thought of it until today. Just now I opened it, and this is what I found."

The major took the envelope. Within it were five \$1,000 bills.

### Test of an Egg.

Some folks who were going on a picnic once got one raw egg mixed up with the cold boiled ones and did not know how to detect it without breaking them all.

A visitor was equal to the emergency. According to St. Nicholas, he took an egg between his fingers and his thumb; he twirled it on the table, and it spun like a top.

"That egg," said he, "has been boiled." Another was tried, with the same result, and then he found one that he could not make spin.

"That," said he, "is the raw egg." And so the puzzle was solved.

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We guarantee our goods to be all that we claim for them and more. Let us show you.

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### A Post "Pome."

The Leavenworth Post has the following "pome:"

"A little green bug sat chafing his feet, on the windward side of a stalk of wheat, while fast and furious the snowflakes fell, and he said to his mate, "This is certainly hell!" "Your simile's poor and very bad taste," she said as she shook in her peek-a-booo waist. And the Frost King smiled when he found them there, and was glad they'd forgotten their underwear, and he pinched them and pricked them with all his might, while Coburn smiled in his sleep all night."

Miss Maggie Ballard of Killeen, has been visiting Miss Mamie Conner a few days. Both these young ladies will leave Friday for Waco, where they will attend Baylor University.

### Change in Agents.

After having been in the service of the local railway from the time it started to build from Amarillo, O. C. Davis has resigned his position as agent for the company at this place, and C. C. Miller, who has been agent for the Santa Fe at Canadian, has been checked in as the agent.

### A Small Fire.

Last Monday afternoon considerable excitement was had on the east side of the square caused by the explosion of a gasoline stove in a tailor establishment on the second floor of the Moreland building. For a few minutes it looked as if there would be a very serious fire, but the hard work of those present conquered the flames with the damage limited to some clothes that had been there for cleaning and pressing, and to the walls of the room.

H. James of Ceta, was in the city Monday.

James W. Pipkin, who was formerly a resident of this city, but who is now in the gents furnishing business at Plainview, was in the city the first of the week visiting his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pipkin.

### New Residence.

C. P. Hutchings has begun the erection of a neat four-room cottage on West Evelyn street, in the same block with the Presbyterian church. This will fill all the vacant space in that block, and will be an ornament to that street.

Try The Palo Duro Land Co.

### New Land Company.

The Palo Duro Land Company has opened offices in this city, in the Canyon National Bank building, and are fitting themselves out in a neat office. The firm is composed of O. C. Davis, formerly agent for the Santa Fe at this place, and U. S. Gober, who has been manager for the Star Mill and Elevator company for some time past. Both these gentlemen are old timers here and will no doubt do a good business.

Mose Wesley, who is a resident of the Ceta community, was in town Monday.

**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 93
Oats, best, bushel	43
Maize and Kaffir in heads, old crop, ton	12 00
Millet hay, per ton	9 00
Johnson grass hay, ton	10 00
Alfalfa, per ton	10 00
Corn, best	65
Maize, threshed, bushel	60
Kaffir corn, threshed, bu.	60
<b>Chickens and Eggs</b>	
Fryers, per dozen	\$3 25
Eggs, per dozen	20

**BUSINESS LOCALS**

Turnip seed in bulk at White Swan Grocery Co.

**For Rent.**—A furnished room. 24-2 MRS. C. A. HITCHCOCK.

For the finest groceries at the closest prices try the White Swan Grocery Co.

**Lost.**—On the square last Tuesday, a pair of ladies' gloves. Please return to The News office.

**For Sale.**—Four fine quarter sections of alfalfa land close to town. MANTZ & PEACOCK, Near Depot.

**Wanted.**—Land, for which we will trade all or half interest in a well established business worth \$10,000.00. Give best price in first letter. Address Box 67, McKinney, Tex. 25-4t

**For Sale.**

Nice home, well improved. Fine water, good location. Ask The News man. 24-tf

**For Sale.**

160 acres of land in Carney county, Kansas, in Arkansas Valley, for sale or trade for Plains land or Canyon City property.

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**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 \$12.30.

D. L. MEYERS, G. P. A., Amarillo, Texas.

O. C. DAVIS, Agent, Canyon City, Texas. 10-13

**Contributors Notice.**

The editor of this paper is anxious to receive, from time to time, communications from its readers but we request that all such communications be signed, not for publication, but that we may know the source from which the article comes.

**A FORMER CITIZEN DEAD.**

**J. E. Coleman Passes Away at Home of His Father in Denton County.**

Last Monday afternoon James Edward Coleman, who was for some time a resident of this county, passed away at the home of his father, E. J. Coleman, near Corinth in Denton county. He had been suffering for several months from tubercular troubles and his death was not unexpected to his friends and relatives.

The body was brought to this place for interment, the funeral having taken place on Wednesday, the Odd Fellows lodge of this city having the services in charge.

Mr. Coleman was born March 31, 1871, near Beaver Dam, Kentucky, and when about ten years old moved with his father to Stephens county, Texas, where they lived about a year, when they removed to Denton county, in which county he lived until about four years ago, when he came to our Plains country with a view of bettering his health.

The deceased leaves two children, a boy and a girl, to survive him, his wife having died in this city last year and is buried at the cemetery south of the city. Added to these are the members of his father's family and the many friends which he had, by his gentlemanly conduct and upright life, attached to himself, both in this county and his former home county. These all alike mourn the loss of this good man. When word was received in this city that Ed Coleman was dead, expressions of sympathy were to be heard on all sides. Among those who knew him here he had nothing but friends.

H. J. Coleman, the father of deceased, and W. N. Yearby, the father of Mr. Coleman's deceased wife, accompanied the remains from Coriuth to this place.

Those wishing to take up the study of voice may have the voice tested free of charge by Prof. Peterson at the residence of Rev. Hawkins, Monday and Thursday afternoons of each week.

The new peanut roaster and popcorn popper at Cowart & Phillips' confectionery supplies the finest that is. Try some. 21-tf.

Mrs. W. P. Blackburn, after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. C. P. Hutchings, in this city, has returned to her home at Amarillo.

Rev. T. F. Robeson and wife returned last Monday from Kirkland, where they had been on a visit to their daughter who makes her home at that place.

H. E. Wesley, one of the hustlers of the southeastern portion of the county, was among those here the first of the week.

Prof. Eugene W. Peterson, connected with the Amarillo conservatory of music, was in the city yesterday.

Canyon City! Change cars for the Palo Duro National Park. L. G. CONNER.

The latest magazines and periodicals may be found at Cowart & Phillips' news stand.

Try The Palo Duro Land Co.

**CORNERSTONE LAYING.**

**Tablet in Our Magnificent Court House to Be Laid Saturday—General Picnic and Celebration.**

The epoch in the history of county, marking the period between the time of cowboy and the large ranch and the farmer and the farm, will be celebrated in this city Saturday when the Masonic lodge of this city will lay the cornerstone of the new court house building.

Arrangements for quite a program have been made. It is desired that every person in the county, if possible, come and help, bring baskets and be on the ground by ten o'clock so that we may have an all day celebration. Music will be furnished by the Canyon City band, and other amusements will be had for the people.

Judge J. N. Browning will officiate at the ceremonies of laying the stone, which ceremony is to be held at 1:30 p. m. Dinner is to be had on the ground at noon, and the Masonic lodge will furnish the meat, bread, pickles and coffee.

**Notice—Sheriff's Sale.**

The State of Texas, County of Randall.

By virtue of an order of sale (and levy made) issued out of the honorable district court of Randall county, on the 6th day of September, A. D. 1908, by the clerk thereof, in the case of the Fulton Lumber Company (a corporation) versus the Canyon City Ice & Light Company (a corporation) in case No. 378, on a judgment dated 4th day of August, 1908, No. 378, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in October, A. D. 1908, it being the 6th day of said month, before the court house door of said Randall county, in the city of Canyon City, the following described property, to wit: Block of land number (40) forty in Heller addition to Canyon City (Randall county, Texas,) as shown by the plat and map of said city and addition, levied on as the property of the said Canyon City Ice & Light Company (a corporation), defendant, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$625.00 in favor of the said Fulton Lumber Company and 6 per cent interest from the 6th day of February, 1908, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of September, A. D. 1908. M. F. SLOVER, Sheriff.



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and at the same time send your orders for job printing out of town. Your home printer can do your work just as good, and in nine cases out of ten he can beat the city man's prices, because he pays much less for running expenses. By sending your next printing order to this office you'll be better satisfied all around, and you'll be keeping the money at home.

**WITH THE CITY CHURCHES.**

**Regular Church Services.**

The churches of the city invite all persons to attend the services at their various places of worship. The times of the regular meetings are given below.

**BAPTIST CHURCH.**

Rev. J. M. Harder, Pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunday. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:30. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. J. C. Hunt, Supt., Miss Columbia Redfearn Sec. Ladies' Aid Society at church Tuesday afternoon 3 p. m. Mrs. R. A. Terrill Pres., Mrs. J. A. Harbison Sec.

**METHODIST CHURCH.**

Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunday. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, 8:30. Sunday school 10 a. m. D. A. Park Supt., Miss Angie Meyers Sec. Senior League Sunday 4 p. m. Dr. F. M. Wilson, Leader. Junior League Sunday 3 p. m. Mrs. John Hibdon, Leader. Home Mission Society Tuesday afternoon at church, Mrs. John Hibdon, President.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH.**

Rev. J. B. White, Pastor. Services Sunday morning 11 o'clock and evening at 8:30. Sunday School—9:45 a. m. Lee Vansant, Supt., Travis Shaw, Secretary. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:30. Choir practice Friday 8:30 p. m.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**

Rev. J. S. Groves, Pastor. Regular services at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:30 o'clock. Sunday School 10 a. m. H. J. Cavet, Supt., Miss Frankie Gober, Sec. Junior Endeavor Society, 4:15 Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Nixon, Leader. Senior Endeavor Society, 7:30 Sunday evening, Miss Bessie Groves, Pres.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.**

Services Sunday a. m., 11 o'clock and Sunday p. m., 8 o'clock. Wednesday evening testimonial service at 8 p. m. V. Edna Henson, C. S., first reader. Sunday school 10:15 a. m. All children under 20, welcome. Only teachers, officers and children present. Mrs. Ava R. Hall, superintendent.

**Notice—Sheriff's Sale.**

The State of Texas, County of Randall.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the honorable district court of Randall county, on 2d day of September, A. D. 1908, by the clerk thereof, in the case of The Fulton Lumber Company (a corporation) plaintiff, versus John Begrin, defendant, No. 359, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales, on the first Tuesday in October, A. D. 1908, it being the 6th day of said month, before the court house door of said Randall county, in the city of Canyon City, Texas, the following described property, to wit:

The lot of land known and described as the east half of block number four (e4 bl'k 4) in Heller addition to Canyon City, Texas, as shown by the plat and map of said city and addition, levied on as the property of John Begrin, defendant, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$1114.85 in favor of said Fulton Lumber Company, plaintiff, (less a credit of \$205.00) against said defendant John Begrin, with interest at 6 per cent, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of September, A. D. 1908. M. F. SLOVER, sheriff.

B. C. Taylor. J. Frank Smith.

**Rowan Land Co.**

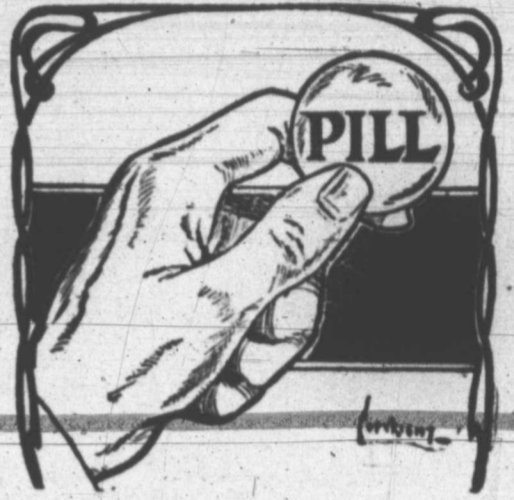
Dealers in

**Panhandle Farm and Ranch**

LANDS AND

**Canyon City Property**

CANYON CITY, TEXAS



**A SINGLE PILL**

taken at night time may ward off an attack of illness. You should always have a box in the house. We carry a full line of

**RELIABLE HOUSEHOLD REMEDIES.**

They include cures for all simple complaints and may be taken safely according to directions. Better renew your stock or secure one if you have none in the house. Our low price system prevails here as in all other departments.

**A. H. THOMPSON, LEADING DRUGGIST.**

East Side Square, Canyon City.

**WILL BUY Wheat & Oats AND PAY BEST MONEY**  
Star Mill and Elevator Co.  
Depot, Canyon City, Tex.

**Northwestern Title Co.**

Complete Abstract of All Randall County Property  
R. A. TERRILL, - MANAGER



**This is the Day of Folding Go-Carts**

Let us show you the model cart for your baby—the ALLWIN Folding Go-Cart. It is rapidly taking the place of the old-fashioned, cumbersome baby carriage everywhere. It is better, cheaper, more stylish and more convenient. Can be folded and carried with one hand—on the street car or anywhere. Comfortable for the finest baby. Roomy enough for pillows and wraps. Has extra sensitive springs which prevent injurious jarring. The ALLWIN is the most stylish, most attractive folding cart made. No other cart gives you a choice of twelve beautiful enamel finishes with nickel trimming. Built to last—best materials only are used. Come in and let us prove to you that the ALLWIN is the best go-cart for your baby, at any age.

(Dealer's Name)

**THOMAS BROS. The Quality House.**



# UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Having purchased the building and stock of the City Pharmacy it is my purpose to make the drug business the best in the northwestern portion of the state. To our already large stock of goods we are adding daily such articles as will make our stock the most complete.

## CAREFUL ATTENTION ALWAYS

will be given to every detail of the business, so that you may become a satisfied, permanent customer. We want the drug trade and will merit it. A child will receive as fair treatment as a "grown-up."

## OUR PRESCRIPTION DEPARTMENT

is in charge of W. O. and C. T. Bennett, who are registered pharmacists and have had many years' experience. The drugs used are the purest that money can buy and our promptness in this department is excelled by none. Prescriptions Filled Day or Night.

<p><b>Stationery Department</b></p> <p>We have a very large assortment and heavy stock of tablets and stationery of all kinds and your wants can readily be supplied at prices much below the usual.</p>	<p><b>Soda Fountain</b></p> <p>Pure sugar syrups made in our own house, pure fruits put up by the best firms in the world and the best ice cream that money can buy are served from our fountain. A trial will convince.</p>	<p><b>Jewelry Department</b></p> <p>Is under the supervision of J. W. Howell who is an expert watchmaker, thoroly schooled in his line. We are adding to the stock and it will be the most complete west of Fort Worth.</p>
<p><b>Paints and Oils</b></p> <p>Our stock of paints and oils is too large and we must reduce them, and we are therefore making a price that will interest any purchaser in this department.</p>	<p><b>School Books</b></p> <p>Complete line of all the new state adopted books have arrived and we shall be able to furnish the school child with everything from the school pencil to the highest graded books.</p>	<p><b>Window Glasses</b></p> <p>How often have you been annoyed at not being able to get the right size glass to refill your window sash? Don't worry now. Come here and get what you want.</p>

WE SELL THE CELEBRATED ALLEGRETTO CANDIES

To our friends from the country we ask that you make our store the place to meet your friends, a place to leave your bundles and a place to rest. Whether you make a purchase or not you are always welcome at our store.

<p>West Side of Square Canyon City</p>	<h1>The City Pharmacy</h1>	<p>JOE FOSTER Proprietor</p>
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### A FEW SCHOOL STATISTICS.

#### Items of Interest Concerning the School Finances of the County.

I have just finished making the apportionment of the state and county funds appropriated for the different districts and find that the two combined, after deducting commissions and county superintendent's salary, amount to \$8.02 per capita for each scholastic in the county.

The gross state appropriation is \$3975.75.

Of the above amount Canyon City Independent District gets \$1923.25.

Amarillo Independent District gets \$121.50.

And the rural districts of the county, \$1980.50.

The gross amount appropriated from county funds is \$1003.00, which is apportioned among the rural districts and the independent districts in the same ratio as the state appropriation.

Canyon City Independent District has 285 scholastics, Amarillo Independent District has, in Randall county, 18 scholastics, and the rest of the common school districts 286 scholastics.

This shows a decrease in Canyon City Independent District since last year of 18, and a gain in the rural districts of 56, and in Amarillo Independent District of 5, making a gain of 43 in the whole county. The year before last there was a net increase of 53, of which Canyon City showed an increase of 35. Last year in the common school districts alone there was collected \$3461.00 as local taxes. This year they should reach at least \$6000.00, which with the \$1911.00 appropriated by the state and the \$384.00 apportioned from the county funds will give the com-

mon school districts alone, \$8295. This will average about \$590.00 to each district, or enough to pay a teacher \$50 for eight months and have \$192 left for expenses, or seven months and have \$242 left. The latter term would probably be the best, as our school houses are in woeful need of repairs, furniture and apparatus.

The strongest rural district in the county is Shotwell No. 2, with 34 children of scholastic age. Then follows Umbarger, with 32, and Rowan, with 26, and on down Hutson No. 3 and Zita No. 13, being the lowest with 10 each.

Last year Sunny Hill No. 9 led as to length of term, the teacher's report showing 180 days (nine months). Rowan and Jowell each had eight months, Umbarger seven months, and Lair, Shotwell and Holton each six months. The shortest term was Connelly No. 1, with 70 days.

The average term last year for the twelve districts taught was about was about 125 days, or a little over six months.

When we have made our school houses respectable and comfortable, furnished them with patent desks, blackboards, charts, globes and other necessary equipment, we will have a school system in Randall county to be proud of. Let us all work together to this end.

A. N. HENSON.

Bob Wesley and family, of Memphis, were in the city Monday on their way home. They had been visiting their relatives in the Ceta community.

Mr. and Mrs. Press Roberts of Amarillo, spent Sunday in this city, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hutchings.

### The Trials of an Editor.

The editor of a local paper is often unjustly censured for his mistakes. The wonder is that he does not make more of them. On the average paper he must deal with all kinds of subjects, give the names, dates, etc. One hour he may be engaged in reporting a religious meeting, and the next drawing a picture of a fight. He must condense and fill with items several columns, whether events are transpiring to throw up materials for his use or not. Count the local items in a newspaper and imagine how many steps they have required; how much mental anxiety, worry and work they have cost, and some idea of the editor's work may be gathered. The smallest may have cost him a long walk and much effort to reach. When one paper goes to press he turns his attention to the next one. He makes the round in search of news and may get a line. From some he must get the news without their knowing it, drawing them into conversation and obtaining what he wants in sections. He may labor for hours in chasing down a rumor only to find there is nothing in it. His local columns stare him in the face and demand to be filled, not with skim milk but with cream of the news events and matters of interest. His bounds are limited, and yet he must find each day and all through the week, month and year something of interest to the public. No more perfect treadmill could be devised. With such a constant strain, producing weariness of the body and mind and an almost endless variety of subjects to be touched upon, is it surprising that he should make an occasional mistake? Other peo-

ple do, why shouldn't an editor? —Graphic.

Do we give sympathy? Do we sympathize and speak words of cheer to those who are starving for perhaps one draught of the milk of human kindness? How often do we find ourselves standing with folded arms looking with scarcely human interest on scenes of human misery and despondency upon the part of our fellowman when we should be lending a helping hand. Do you know that the most miserable specimen of humanity once had hopes and aspirations to be better than he or she is. Perhaps what was needed was a little sympathy and a little help at the right time. Out there in the disreputable portion of a big city may be found a fallen woman whose life was pure and clean as the dewdrop on the mountain floweret. A little sympathy—a little help at the right time might have saved her to home, to friends and to happiness. Through prison bars may be seen the glaring eyes and haggard face of a once proud young man who might have been an ornament to his country if he had been the recipient of a little sympathy—a little help—at the right time. The timid, the sensitive, the irresolute are those who more readily fall in life's stern conflict. And a little sympathy, a little help, at the right time would save so many of them. Then why is not this help given at the right time? There is so much good in the human heart that we wonder why it is so. But God's word to them is better understood as the world grows older and, in his own good time, sympathy and help will be freely given to the faltering brother and sister at the right time. God hasten the day when all men will be brothers! —Ex.

### Wheat Sowing Will be Very Extensive.

The development of this section of the country as a whole depends largely upon the farming interests. That there are vast possibilities for the growers of small grain in the Panhandle of Texas, there cannot be the least doubt. The fact is intensified and brought to immediate attention through the fact that the sowing of wheat this year will surpass by far, anything that has heretofore been undertaken.

In one instance it is noted that wheat in the Panhandle in more than one place raised as much as twenty-three bushels to the acre. By comparison it is noted that in some of the older and so-called more favored portions of the state, only five bushels per acre were harvested.

There is now a very general demand for seed wheat and the sowing has been in progress for the past several weeks. In some instances the farmers are planting for winter pasture. It is noted that many fields have been turned under and from the waste grain in the stubble a fine crop of wheat has sprung. This grain is looked upon with much favor, as it is said to yield more abundantly in the harvest, than that sown later in the regular way. Oats, too, are present in the same manner. The agricultural possibilities of the country are becoming more and more generally known and it is considered altogether likely that the day is not far distant when this portion of the state will be referred to as the leading wheat belt. —Daily Panhandle.

Just Received—Shipment of fruit jar caps and rubbers.

THOMPSON HARDWARE CO.

**VERY RAPID DEVELOPMENT.**

**Improvements Being Made on Lands in This County Are Many. More Land in Cultivation.**

The News reporter has, from time to time, been trying to get accurate reports of the various improvements being made on the farming lands in this county. This he tried to do in connection with his work in the Commercial Club before he became connected with The News.

To any person not acquainted with facts, a full statement of the rapid development of the country would seem fabulous. Last Wednesday this reporter had occasion to make a trip just north of town and his attention was called to a tract of land containing six sections which was last year a pasture. For the information of the readers of The News the reporter talked with some of the people now living and farming on that land in order to draw out from them the length of time they had been in the county and the amount of land which they have in cultivation, together with other items of interest.

M. B. Hogle owns 160 acres of these sections, has ninety acres in cultivation which he has tended himself, a six room house, well, good barn and sheds, with an orchard of about 125 trees and this has been done since he moved to the county in January last. He will break more of his land this year. Speaking of his impressions Mr. Hogle, who hails from Iowa, stated: "I think this is the finest country there is. I certainly have no kick coming on the crops raised here this year. They are better than I expected. I am well satisfied and think our lands ought to be and will be worth as much as those in Iowa where I came from."

E. H. Griggs came to this county from his former home at Genoa, Illinois, leaving there April 15 of this year. He owns 160 acres and now has forty acres in cultivation planted this year in kaffir corn, milo maize, sorghum and millet. Has a nice house and good barn with plenty of other improvements. All this he has done since he came. To the reporter he said: "I have had much better health than I had in Illinois, and I think the country is fine. A little experience will enable us to make the very best crops of everything. For instance I found that the millet which we planted on a small tract of land that had been cultivated at some time, and we thoroughly disked the ground, raised better millet. My kaffir corn and milo maize will be fine."

Charles Springer and his mother live on a half section that is owned by Messrs. Spellman and Metz. They have a neat residence and a good barn. He has himself broken and planted ninety five acres of land this year and the products seem to be doing well. All this since January 1. When asked if he were going to farm in this section of the country this year Mr. Springer said, "Certainly. If I do not stay on this place I will hunt another."

H. J. Weber moved to his 320 acres from Jofferson, Iowa, arriving here about February 1, this year. He has built a neat house, large barn and large implement house besides the other work in fencing, etc. He has

also placed in cultivation 190 acres of land all of which is making good crops. He said: "If the present prices for milo maize and kaffir corn hold up I will get enough from my land this year to pay back what I have paid for the land. This country is better than Illinois or Iowa. My horses which I brought with me are doing fine and the way my Poland China hogs are doing is enough to make any one glad he lives here. I have done all my plowing myself except for a few days when I had a boy employed to run a plow while I was at work at my house. Have been extremely well and I enjoy living here." The reporter met Mrs. Weber and when asked if she would like to move back to Iowa she said: "No, sir, they can't send me back to Iowa."

Claude Crawford and Robert J. Griffith have been handling the lands owned by John Crawford and M. M. Olin. They came to this county this year, leaving their home at Hoopston, Illinois, in January. They have done their own work and have

285 acres in cultivation and good crops this year. The reporter did not see Mr. Crawford but Mr. Griffith stated that he expected to put in enough on Mr. Olin's section of land this year to make 520 acres. If he does this he will have to break 470 acres of land between this time and time to plant next spring. Mr. Crawford will operate the Crawford place with about 220 acres in cultivation. Of the 285 acres that these men have in cultivation this year they have as fine a body of kaffir corn and maize as one would wish to see. Mr. Griffith said: "Of course I am pleased. Who would not be?" The reporter asked Mrs. Griffith if she did not want to go back to Illinois to which she replied: "I should say not."

There are already seven farms in cultivation on these six sections, each of the farms having improvements that are far beyond the average in any country. On his farm Mr. Olin is just completing a residence of six rooms that is neat enough for any town. This is a report of what these

people said and of what they are doing. The same may be done by anyone who is not afraid of the plow handle if he will only move to Randall county.

**Cattle Auction.**

The cattle auction which was scheduled to take place at the stock yards last Saturday was well attended and the sales as reported by J. H. Bell seemed to have been very satisfactory to him, as it yielded a larger amount than he had been offered for the whole bunch by a cattle buyer.

There were sixteen cows, seven one and two-year old steers and one bull sold. Mr. Bell has been active in his efforts to establish a general sales day in this city and this reporter would be glad to see his efforts terminate in such an event monthly.

Will Bucy, a former resident of this city but who has been located at Plainview for some months, has returned to this place and is with A. H. Thompson in the drug store.

**COURT HOUSE GOING UP.**

**Rapid Work Being Done on the New Temple.**

From the looks of things now the predictions of the contractors, Messrs Gilcoat and Skinner, the roof will be on the new Court house by December first. This week they have placed all the stone base and have backed the same up with the brick, and as we go to press most of the inside walls are up high enough to have to begin the scaffolding.

Material is now in shape so that there will not be much delay, if any, in the future work of the construction as a large amount of the lumber to be used in the roofing of the building is on the ground and the terra cotta trimmings are shipped and will be here before it is needed.

Mrs. B. C. McCaleb of Tennessee, and Mrs. C. O. Kight of Claude, were guests of Rev. W. H. Younger and Mrs. B. T. Johnson Thursday and Friday.

Cowart & Phillips handle all the latest magazines.

# FURS

We have just received on consignment about \$600.00 worth of choice furs from one of the best fur houses in the country.

We have the privilege of putting them on sale for ten days and returning those left at the end of that time.

We have them open now and invite your inspection.

**Sale Begins Thursday, September 17**

**and Ends Saturday, September 26**

Now is your chance to get a fur at a very reasonable price.

**CANYON CITY SUPPLY CO.**