

MARK TWAIN WAS ONCE ASKED:

"Of all your books, which do you consider the best?"

To which he promptly replied:

"MY BANK BOOK"

How to Get One

Earn Some, Spend Less, and Place the Balance to Your Credit at

The Canyon National Bank
Canyon, Texas.

Who Will Furnish You with a Bank Book and Check Book Free of Charge.

Canyon Lumber Company

the place for first-class building material.

Announce that After May 15th their office will be at their new yards

North of the Square

where they will have the

Largest Stock of Good Building Material ever carried in this city.

Let Them Figure Your Bill.

Canyon Lumber Company

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

BRENT C. TAYLOR & HENRY BAILEY announce that they have purchased the City Meat Market and have moved it to the Lair Building on the west side of the square. They have fitted up their market in neat style and will handle only the best **MEATS** of all kinds; fresh beef and pork, cured meats, bologna and wienna sausage, and chickens, both dressed and alive. These men are experienced in business and know what the people want in the way of meats. They will deliver all orders at any time on short notice.

The City Meat Market

TAYLOR & BAILEY, Proprietors,
Lair Building West Side Square

OUR LEADER:

THE FAMOUS

Nigger Head Maitland Coal.

Globe Cattle Dip

Cottonseed Products,
Grain, Hay, Etc.

Crowdus Bros. & Hume Co.

COMMITTEE FOR REUNION MEETS.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION IS EFFECTED LAST SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Decision of Date Deferred Until This Afternoon When Another Mass Meeting is Called.

What is the beginning of the work for the annual reunion which is held in this city each year, was begun last Saturday afternoon when the committee appointed by the citizen's meeting last December, met at the court house with a number of other citizens for the purpose of perfecting their organization for this year's work.

The committee having in charge the matter consists of L. E. Cowling, Travis Shaw, O. C. Davis, C. N. Harrison, A. N. Henson, George A. Brandon and R. A. Terrill. The first matter taken up was the selection of officers of the board, Judge A. N. Henson having been elected as chairman, R. A. Terrill as secretary and Travis Shaw the treasurer.

The next matter considered was the date of holding the reunion and fair. A motion was made that the reunion be held on September 28, 29 and 30 in order that more agricultural exhibits might be prepared for this year as it was generally understood that the celebration has been held a little too early each year heretofore. After much discussion the motion prevailed but later on in the meeting, several other citizens having come in, the motion was reconsidered and the matter deferred until Friday, May 21, at 3 o'clock when the committee will meet again and will hear what the citizens have to say about the matter.

By motion the chairman was instructed to appoint the various committees necessary for the work as soon as convenient for him to do so.

According to the comments heard upon the streets it appears that more interest than usual is to be manifested in the forthcoming fair and reunion on account of the varied interests of the county. It is the desire of the people that more farm exhibits be had and that poultry and livestock be given greater consideration. The people generally desire to give the ex-Confederates as good a time as it is possible and in addition have as great a show of the various products of the county as may be possible.

The meeting this afternoon is to be held at 3 o'clock and every one is invited to come forth with expressions as to the best time to hold this reunion as the general committee desire to do the very best thing under all circumstances for the advancement of the interest in the work.

LOCAL SCHOOL AFFAIRS.

New School Board Meets and Selected Officers.—Four Teachers are now Selected.

The new school board has held a meeting and has elected their officers for the ensuing year and in addition have selected a part of their teachers. The officers of the board are, Dr. F. M. Wilson, President; Dr. J. M. Black, assessor and collector; and Judge Cyrus Eayman, Secretary and treasurer. At the meeting Tuesday afternoon quite a lot of routine business was transacted.

Prof. Redus was elected as superintendent and Miss Neal was re-elected as teacher in the primary department. Miss Bry-

nos was also re-elected and Miss Haggard was selected to teach in the school. No grade has been assigned to Miss Haggard or Miss Bryson and none will be assigned until the full complement of teachers shall have been selected.

No definite date has been set for the next meeting of the board as adjournment was had subject to the call of the president. Nothing could be ascertained about the time at which the remainder of the teachers would be selected.

GOOD TOWN IS GROWING RAPIDLY.

TRIP TO HAPPY REVEALS MANY NEW AND MODERN IMPROVEMENTS OF LATE.

Commercial Club to be Organized—Other Public Improvements are to be Had.

The editor of the News hiked himself away to the town of Happy last Monday for the purpose of getting better acquainted with the people of that place and community. He got acquainted alright for he has never met a more hospitable people than those in that thriving and hustling town.

We use the words "thriving and hustling" advisedly for these words aptly express the conditions which he found. The merchants were busy as could be although it was nearly four o'clock in the afternoon when the News man arrived there. Good stocks of goods of all kinds except booze and furniture are kept and the News man saw people there trading which rightfully should have been trading at Tulsa, Hereford or Canyon City unless the people of Happy had especially low prices to offer which attracted them to Happy.

As to the thrift of the town there are no less than eighteen new residence building or just completed, not to say anything of the large lumber sheds of a lumber company, a new store house recently completed for a large mercantile firm, new business improvements of various kinds which are being made.

A catholic church building is to be started at once and a movement is on foot for the establishing of a furniture store which seems to be badly needed judging from the amount of furniture shipped into the town.

A meeting was to have been held on Wednesday night of this week for the organization of a commercial club for the advancement of the general interests of the town.

Among other things which are contemplated for the town at once is a telephone exchange, arrangements for which are now being made and when consummated the company is to build a two story business house using the top floor for the exchange and the lower floor for business purposes.

The town of Happy is not booming nor do the people of that place desire a boom but the material advancements which have been made within the past few months at that place are the direct results of the very rapid improvement of the farming lands which surround the town. We doubt if there is another section of the entire Plains country which has been as rapidly and as well settled within the past two or three years as that which surrounds the town taking into consideration a scope of territory eight miles each way.

Furniture is Arriving.

Now that the new court house is nearing completion the furni-

ture which is to grace the various rooms is beginning to arrive. The first shipment came in this week and as soon as the rooms are finished on the inside this furniture will be installed. That which came this week consists of the steel furniture which is to be used and is mainly the filing cabinets and cases to be used in the various vaults. The contractors, Messrs. Gilcoat and Skinner think that they will be able to deliver the entire building within the next thirty days.

VOTE ON SCHOOL MATTERS IS LIGHT.

ELECTION HELD LAST MONDAY FINDS FEW PEOPLE INTERESTED IN MATTERS.

Small Opposition is Made to Proposals Submitted at the Election—Almost Unanimous.

There was exceedingly light interest taken in the election in this city held last Monday. In fact everyone seemed to be so sure that the matters submitted at the election would carry that the business people hardly took time to go up to the court house to vote.

There were two matters submitted for an expression from property tax paying voters of this independent school district. The first was the validation of the bonds which have heretofore been issued for the erection of the present school building and this measure carried by a vote of 57 to 1.

The other was the question of taxes and the rates. By the vote of 56 to 2 the present school board was authorized to levy and collect taxes to the amount of fifty cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable valuation for the maintenance fund and for the payment of interest and sinking fund on the bonds. The board is not of the opinion that so large an amount will be necessary but the matter provides that the board may assess and collect such an amount as they should see fit up to the fifty cents.

The people of Canyon City are more than pleased with the result as our town is essentially interested in its public schools and the amount of money collected last year was hardly sufficient for the full need of the board and the board was therefore compelled to be rather "skimpy" in their expenditures which feature the new board which has just been elected, will not have to consider. By this we mean that should it take an additional ten dollars per month to secure the right teacher for a certain grade, the board will feel at liberty to make the selection knowing that they shall be able to pay the amount if necessary.

Canyonites Rode the Goat.

Three men from Canyon City, Jesse Christian, C. T. DeGraff-enreid and Joe Service offered their services at the riding of the big goat in the Knights Templars at Amarillo last Monday night and it is said that those present had a great time. Three of the grand officers of the lodge in the state were present to give the work. W. O. Bennett and H. A. Howell of this city who are members of the lodge at Amarillo went up to see the work well done.

J. C. Pipkin and R. G. Oldham of the Mercantile company spent last Tuesday at Happy where they are interested in mercantile lines.

COMMISSIONERS ARE AGAIN AT WORK.

COUNTY OFFICIALS LABOR LONG AND HARD OVER REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS.

Superintendent Ordered to Begin Work on the Private Sewerage System for New Court House.

To write a history of what the commissioners court of this county has been having do this week would give you an insight into several days of almost drudgery. The court has been busy every minute of the time since Monday although the actual minutes of the court does not show so much.

The greater portion of the time has been devoted to the checking up of the Treasurer's report and the auditing of the finance ledger and if you ever had anything to do with such matters you know that they have been busy.

The court has decided that they will install at once their own private system of sewerage for the court house and has ordered the superintendent of the construction to begin work at once. This system contemplates a septic tank on the court house lot and a line of sewerage pipe running from the court house down east First street to or near the creek.

The contract was also let for the tinning of the walls of the new court house, the Burned Paint and Paper Company securing the job at \$175.00.

The following are extracts from the minutes up to yesterday at noon:

The petition of C. W. Smith and others for an election to be held in school district No. 17 to determine whether or not a special school tax of forty cents on the \$100 valuation of taxable property should be levied to supplement the state school apportionment was considered and granted, said election to be held at the residence of C. W. Smith on Saturday, June 26, and C. T. Hershberger was appointed presiding officer at said election.

The petition of George M. Eckert for an election to be held in Green Valley school district No. 15, for a special tax of twenty cents on the One Hundred dollars valuation of taxable property, was likewise granted and said election will be held on June 19th, George M. Eckert being appointed presiding officer with polls at his residence.

A. N. Henson was allowed a commission of five per cent upon amounts collected upon the sale of cemetery lots, and as his report shows \$170 collected on April 30, 1909, the clerk is ordered to draw a warrant in his favor against said fund for \$8.50.

The report of A. N. Henson, county judge, as to money collected for cemetery fund for quarter ending April 30, 1909, was examined and approved.

The quarterly report of R. H. Sanford, sheriff, of judgments, trial fees, jury fees and commissions for the quarter ending April 30th, 1909,—(No special action shown on record yesterday afternoon).

Certain claims against the county were allowed. The court took into consideration and examination the treasurer's account.

The court reconsidered its action in deferring the work on the county's private sewerage system and the superintendent of the court house work is instructed to proceed with the work.

The court having examined the account of the collector of taxes on the rolls of 1906 and finding that there is a balance of \$190 due him on final settlement, it is ordered by the court that the clerk be instructed to draw a warrant on the sinking fund for the said amount in favor of the tax collector.

CATCHES BIG FISH.

Randall County Citizen Lands Probably the Largest Black Bass Ever Caught.

The fishing in the creek near this place has been exceptionally good this spring, many good strings of the finny tribe having been brought into town. So far as we know the largest black bass ever reported as having been caught was landed on Friday of last week when Lee McSpadden of this place, together with several others, went to the lake about a mile south east of town on a fishing jaunt.

The bass that Mr. McSpadden landed was brought to town and weighed, the weight being nine pounds and five ounces. The fish was a monster for his variety and it is reported that it furnished all the fish that nine persons could eat for supper, and then they had some left. A picture of the fish was taken.

Child Loses His Finger.

While playing about a washing machine last Friday afternoon the little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crawford, living about three miles north of this city, stuck one of his fingers of his right hand into a cog wheel. The finger was so badly lacerated that it became necessary to amputate it. The child is reported as getting along nicely.

Three Cars of Hogs Shipped.

What is probably the nicest bunch of hogs ever shipped from the Panhandle was shipped from Canyon City Tuesday afternoon by Judge C. T. Word who has a large hog ranch adjoining town. There were 238 head of the hogs and they were of uniform size and color, most all of them being full blooded stock and subject to registration. There was comparatively little difference in weight between the lightest and heaviest of them. They were fat and young, none of them being over a year in age and competent hog men state that they will weigh about 225 pounds each.

Judge Word is a hearty believer in the hog raising of this country and still has something like 500 head on hands. A visit to his hog and alfalfa ranch adjoining town is well worth the time and trouble.

He uses alfalfa and Kaffir corn and maize chops principally in his feeding, sometimes feeding the hogs Indian corn for about a week before going to market. Those who keep up with such matters think that this bunch of hogs is the prettiest they have ever seen go from the Panhandle and they will evidently top the Fort Worth market when offered for sale.

Be a News subscriber.

MAN IS FOUND DEAD.

Henry Bohlkin Dies Suddenly in House Alone East of This City Last Monday.

Last Monday report was brought to this city that a man had been found dead out east of this city and an official investigation of the matter was given. It was found that Henry Bohlkin, who resided in a small house about twelve miles east of this city had been found dead upon the floor of his house, his face turned down where he had evidently fallen when stricken. The position of the body did not indicate any struggle whatever and his death was evidently from heart trouble.

Emyle Rosche was the man who found the diseased. Rosche stated that he passed the house about ten o'clock that morning and that Bohlkin was alive and seemingly in good health at that time. As he returned from the canyon about noon he stepped and found the body prone upon the floor.

Mr. Bohlkin had been living in this portion of the country only about two months having come, it is stated, to this county for the benefit of his health. So far as is known here he was never married and the extent of relatives surviving is not known. A telegram to his home town, Lemars, Iowa, brought information that the body was to be

shipped there for interment which was done Tuesday afternoon.

Knights Templars at Plainview.

A lodge of the Knights Templars is being instituted at Plainview this week. A large number of the Knights from over the state together with three of the grand officers of the state are there to assist in the work. There were to have been about twenty candidates to initiate. Jessie Christian and C. T. DeGraffenreid of this city are in attendance upon the meeting.

Greatness of the Panhandle.

According to our own commissioner of agriculture, "the Panhandle country, properly cultivated, can produce enough food-stuffs to feed the people of the entire United States." Well, why not undertake the job? Give that section more railroads, more development dollars, good roads and liberal government, and the surplus shipper will do the rest. With the Panhandle filling Uncle Sam's market basket, Texas could start a heavy export business on its own hook and through its own ports. Let Texas grow.—Ft. Worth Telegram.

O. B. Cotton of Happy was in town last Friday.

TO ORGANIZE BAILEY COUNTY.

Order for Election for That Purpose Passed by Commissioner Court of Castro County.

Last week a petition from the people in Bailey county was presented to the Commissioners court of Castro county to which Bailey county has been attached for judicial purposes, asking for an election to determine whether or not Bailey county should be organized as an independent county. The commissioners court granted the petition and has ordered an election to be held in Bailey county on June 19 for that purpose.

At the same time a petition was presented to the court asking for an election in school district, No. 1 in Castro county in which the town of Dimmitt is situated, for the issuance of \$15,000 of bonds for a new public school building.

Lem Scoggins, who is connected with the Happy Hardware Company, at Happy, was "seen" the sights" in this town last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Redfearn and their little daughter, of Plainview, after several days visit with Mr. Redfearn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Redfearn, returned to their home on Monday.

Books with cattle bills of sale.

R. L. Stringfellow Dead.

In our last week's paper we reported the serious illness of R. L. Stringfellow, a citizen of Amarillo, who had gone to Dallas for surgical attention. Death came to relieve his sufferings last Friday and the remains were sent to Amarillo for interment the funeral having been held on Sunday afternoon in Amarillo.

Mr. Stringfellow was, at the time of his death, president of one of the leading banks in his town of Amarillo, and was accounted as being one of the leading business men of the state. He has been identified with the up-building of the entire Panhandle having been a resident of it for many years. He was formerly connected with business concerns of this city and still has property interests in this town. He was well known here and those who were fortunate enough to be known as his friends are grieved to hear of his death.

H. H. Cassles arrived last Sunday from Marshall and has assumed the management of the City Pharmacy which was recently purchased by A. S. Rollins.

A. S. Rollins left Wednesday afternoon for Farwell where he went to attend district court.

**Sometime
Somewhere
Somehow**

you may find as good values as we are offering but

**No time
Nowhere
Nobody**

will give you better values than the waists and dresses mentioned below. No old stock, all clean, new, up-to-date goods.

Net Waists and Messaline worth \$10.00 at - \$5.00	<p>THIS COUPON WITH 90C IS Good For \$1 in Merchandise -- AT -- <i>The Leader</i> CANTON, TEXAS DRY GOODS & CLOTHING If presented before June 1st.</p>	Net Waists, original price \$5.00, at - - \$3.00
Net Waists, original price \$8.00, at - - 4.75		Net Waists, original price 4.50, at - - 2.75
Net Waists, original price 6.00, at - - 3.75		Net Waists, original price 3.50, at - - 2.25
		Net Waists, original price 3.00, at - - 1.75

Lingerie Dresses

We have a nice line of dresses made in the popular Princess and Short Waist Styles that are shown in every fashion book and in larger places are the reigning style. We will also make some attractive prices on them.

Lingerie dresses elegantly trimmed with lace and embroidery, good material worth \$10 at \$6.75	Lingerie dresses in light blue, lavender and white, lace and embroidery trimming, worth \$8.50, \$5.75	Lingerie dresses made like the above with material not quite so good, white only, \$6.00 at - \$3.75
---	--	--

Don't fail to take advantage of these prices and come early for we have't a great many and they won't stay here long. Save the attached coupon, it is worth money to you.

**A Step Ahead
in Quality**



**A Step Behind
in Price**

Harrell's Bonton CONFECTIONERY

Gold Drinks
Candies
Cigars
Tobaccos
Mineral Water

Harrell's Bonton CONFECTIONERY

East Side of Square, Canyon City

WAYSIDE IS A-COMING

Armstrong County Community Developing Rapidly—Will Vote of School House Bonds.

According to reports reaching this city this week the little town of Wayside, situated in Armstrong county, but whose trade naturally comes to Canyon City on account of its location on this side of the Palo Duro canyon, is getting a hustle on itself. The people in that community have organized what is known as the Wayside Educational Club, a club on the order of a commercial club having for its purpose the advancement of all the interests of that section of Armstrong county.

This club is getting busy and is engendering great interest in all kinds of educational matters. There is now being circulated a petition for signatures requesting an election to determine whether or not \$5,000 worth of bonds shall be issued for the erection of a school house for that district. According to esti-

mated plans the community desire to erect a frame school building having a large assembly hall on the second floor and three or four recitation rooms on the first floor.

The petition now being circulated is being generously signed, in fact we understand that every citizen approached has signed the article, which goes to show the interest manifested.

Recently there has been erected a church building at this place and there is also a movement on foot for the laying out of a townsite. This is made necessary on account of the educational interests for nearly every man owning land in that section will want a home near to the school and church. There are said to be several persons and firms who desire to enter mercantile lines there and some steps are being taken looking to a daily line of communication from Canyon City to that place.

The Educational club has also under consideration the holding of a rural life convention during the summer at which time anyone interested may meet and camp with these people for a week's outing and in addition have the benefit of the experiences of farmers and others who are interested in the agricultural development, not only of the Plains, but of the entire United States. The club proposes that if the convention is held, to have several noted people to address the assembled farmers and others, possibly H. W. Campbell, the father of the Campbell farming system, and other men of like note.

Opposes City Bond Issue.

Editor News:

The writer, as he sees it, has ever been in favor of necessary and substantial public improvements. If not the first he was one of the foremost to advocate the incorporation of the town, the issue of bonds for the erection of the brick school buildings; also for our magnificent court house now nearing completion. He has stood by and been an active and contributory member of the commercial club of the town from its very first being, some five years ago, until its membership dwindled down to less than a "baker's dozen" and its calls were answered by less than the scriptural "two or three." This past individual account is cited only for the purpose of showing that, if a knocker now against public enterprises as some charge, 'tis a recent birth in his case. He has always "spoken in meatin'" when present in the flesh, and he now, thru the columns of the News, with the best of feeling toward those who see fit to differ with him rises to question the wisdom and justice, under present conditions, of bonding Canyon City in the sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of securing a waterworks and sewerage system for the use of a part of the town only—when all must foot the bill.

The proposition, still embryo, however, contemplates, with reference to the waterworks, only two mains running east and west, presumably down Houston or the street north of Houston or, maybe Evelyn street; these mains, (only two) to be crossed by three other lines or mains, one at either end or near there and the center one about the public square. From this it will readily be seen that only a portion of the town can be anything like conveniently served with waterworks. All, however, must assist in paying the price. But it is argued by those who favor the proposition that "this is only a start" and "that after awhile the mains will be extended so as to serve all." This is, indeed, an excellent solace as far as it goes, but when we come to consider that to obtain this good beginning the town must of necessity be bonded to the limit allowed by the state constitution

it looks, to say the least of it, rather dark for the majority who are left out at the start. They, the tax payers, who are left out at the start, must, perforce, wait until the town grows and then, perhaps, the new growth won't stand for it. Who knows?

On the sewerage part of the proposition the Mayor informs the writer that 6 or 7 mains running east and west are contemplated. The same objections may apply here—the few get the service, the many pay for it.

The present city taxes the writer is informed, are forty cents on each one hundred dollars valuation. Assuming that this levy is necessary for the present current expenses of our city government and it is, beyond reasonable question, or it would not have been called for a still further levy will be required to pay interest and provide a sinking fund for the bonds in question. This one item alone will require some twenty-six hundred dollars additional, or say twenty-five cents more tax—in all some sixty-five cents. And then to all this must be added the running expenses of the plants. This one thing alone the running expenses, to say nothing of the first cost, has placed several good Texas towns fully as big as Canyon City, in the hands of a receiver.

Then again, it doth appear to the writer, that the citizens are, asked to take a "pig in the poke." "Nothing definite," so His Honor the Mayor, admits, is yet known where the well or standpipe, or the mains or crosslines will be, or the cost of the same complete and ready for service, and notwithstanding all this an election is ordered for June 3rd to vote for or against this bond issue. True the Mayor says that "definite plans and figures are expected prior to June 3rd" but why not have them before so that our citizens might know when they come to vote, just what they might expect for their money.

In concluding this chapter out of this think shop the writer desires to be understood as impugning no man's motives in connection with the propositions at bar. He feels, satisfied, beyond a reasonable doubt, that those who differ with him on this matter, do so rather from lack of experience and observation than from error of judgment; that their intentions are good, as good as his own he here now submits. The writer's only motive, if he correctly gauges himself, may well be likened unto that of the "lookout" on the fore-top who, when he perceives dangerous reefs in the course of his good ship, gives utterance to the cry "Breakers ahead!" Summed up: The town is not strong enough, under present circumstances, to successfully battle with the obstacles in the way and to attempt it will only bring disaster. Such is the conscientious opinion of your fellow-citizen.

GEO. A. BRANDON.

BORN—Last Monday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Pipkin, a bouncing girl. Mother and babe are doing nicely and Ed will be able to attend to business within the next three weeks.

Judge B. Frank Buie left Monday for Farwell where he is engaged in cases in the District Court this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hilburn and their family, of Hinton, Oklahoma, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hawley in this city this week.

E. H. Ackley, otherwise known as Alderman Ackley, left last Monday for a trip to Plainview and other points at which he is interested in lumber yards.

We are receiving a nice variety of fresh vegetables, three shipments a week. Fine potatoes, beans, tomatoes. White Swan Grocery Company.

PLAINVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Bond Issue is Given Almost Unanimous Vote—Maltreatment Tax Also Curious.

In a recent election held in Plainview for the purpose of determining whether or not bonds in the amount of \$30,000 should be issued for the purpose of erecting a new high school building, there was polled against the bonds the total number of three, the proposition carrying by an immense majority. It was also decided that the trustees should have the power of levying and collecting a maximum tax of fifty cents on the \$100. valuation of taxable property for the support and maintenance of the public schools there.

Speaking of the matter the Plainview News has the following to say:

"Already the board has plans from a number of architects either of which if properly carried out would give us a high school building that would be a credit to any city. Also the Board of trustees has option on some lots that are in the very heart of the city. No time will be lost in securing the location and floating the bonds so that excavations can be made at the earliest possible date. It is the purpose of the Board to push the work as fast as possible.

"The second proposition was a very important one. Heavy expenses will of necessity be incurred next year. The faculty must be increased, in fact disbursements along all lines will be much greater in the future. To meet these expenses the funds must be increased and to increase the funds it was absolutely compulsory on our part to increase the taxes for the district.

"The News wishes in this connection to place its stamp of approval upon the action of those who went to the ballot box Saturday and voted in favor of better schools for our town. This is the enterprising spirit that makes towns and cities. Such enterprise will make Plainview a city noted for her educational facilities. It will pay any town to look well to her schools."

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Pipkin have been spending several days of this week on a visit with relatives at Hereford, Friona and other points.

City Taxes.

All city taxes are due before June 1. After that date a penalty of ten per cent will be added.

J. H. JOWELL,
7-3tc City Marshal.

Your Supplies

are matters that interest you very much just at this time. We are in a position to offer you some exceedingly low prices in the lines of goods which we handle. Our expenses at Umbarger are small and we can therefore sell on a closer margin than other people.

Dry Goods

Particular attention is called to the prices on our dry goods, shoes, hats and all kinds of wearing apparel. They are well worth investigating.

Groceries

Our good stock of things to eat, bought at the right time and at low prices, gives us an opportunity to save you money which you mustn't miss.

Hardware

If you are in need of anything in this line let us show you our line and name the price. You will buy.

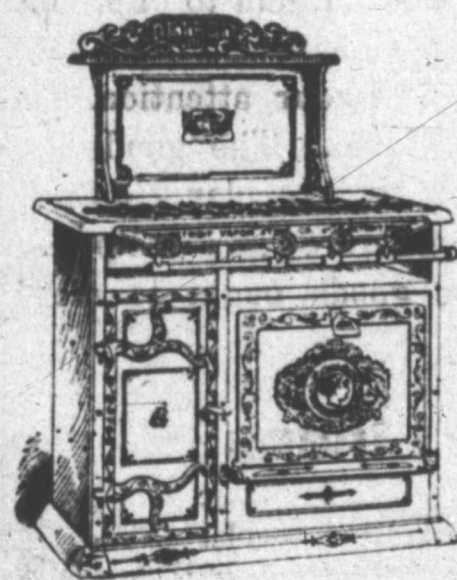
It is our intention to keep what you need and sell it at a low price. Come to see us.

Paul M. Will
Umbarger, Texas.

Yours For Cash

Just as a sort of Leader for the Hardware Department of our store we are offering a special reduction of **Ten Per Cent** for cash upon two very seasonable articles—things that everybody is almost compelled to have during the warm season of the year. These two articles are our Detroit Vapor Burner Stoves and our Screen Doors.

DETROIT VAPOR BURNER STOVES



No use to have the woman of the house kill herself during the spring and summer by sweltering over the hot stove when our Vapor Burners will do as good or better work and not heat up the house. We have these excellent stoves in the two and three hole burners, with or without the oven, and then we have the regular range. Styles and prices to suit every customer, and they go during this sale

At a Discount of Ten Per Cent For Cash.

Some Reasons Why the Detroit Vapor Burners Are The Best:

- First. Because it is absolutely SAFE.
- Second. It requires NO generating.
- Third. It is ready for use as soon as lighted.
- Fourth. It burns the gas DIRECT from the supply pipe, therefore no chance for an explosion.
- Fifth. It burns MORE AIR and less gasoline than others.
- Sixth. It will burn ANY GRADE of gasoline without smoke.
- Seventh. It burns a PURE BLUE FLAME from start to finish.
- Eighth. It is FREE from soot and smoke.
- Ninth. It is the MOST DESIRABLE burner made.
- Tenth. It is VERY SIMPLE—no bolts or nuts, no screws are used. Can be taken apart and put together without a tool.

For Summer Use we call your particular attention to the largest and best line of Refrigerators ever brought to Canyon City. Having bought a large quantity we got a low price and are offering you the results—the lowest price ever quoted you on the high quality of REFRIGERATORS which we sell.

The Canyon Mercantile Co.
DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, HARDWARE
CANYON, TEXAS

"The Place for Everything in the Hardware Line."

Don' Forget the Reduction of Ten Per Cent for Cash for Our Screen Doors.

Wayside Items

Rev. Cope, formerly a well known preacher of this county, preached at the church Sunday night.

Messrs W. D. and Marvin McGehee visited Canyon last week. Misses Lizzie and Texie Evans returned from Singleville last week where they have been attending school during the past session.

The infant child of J. T. McGehee is still quite sick.

Hester Gillham went to Canyon Saturday.

Several of the enterprising citizens of this part of the country have stood up and said that they were tired of trotting so far to town. Now they did not seem to have anything against these towns now in existence, but it takes up so much of their valuable time to visit them. Their plan is to build a village of their own. Liberal donations have been made and it is expected that almost everyone in the community will take stock in the enterprise. There are many indications and reasons for success and it seems the town would be an excellent terminus of interurban lines from our neighboring cities to the pleasure resorts of the Palo Duro canyon.

Miss Kate Collum, who was formerly in the employ of Garrison-Harrison Co. of this city, arrived here last Sunday and will be the stenographer for Harrison, McAfee & Co.

Thoughts of Texas.

Every city should have an ample supply of water for use in case of fire; but that is not all.

Denver and El Paso have long since extended the fire limit until no house other than non-combustible structures can be built within the city boundaries.

Brick houses are not costly when the matter of durability and comfort are considered. A brick house is cooler in summer and warmer in winter than a wooden structure. The continual expense of painting is practically eliminated, and much is saved in continual repairs after the house becomes a few years old while the insurance rate is materially lessened. In short, it is a most comfortable and more durable structure, and in the end less expensive.

The time has come to leave off the box-of-tinder habit and to encourage a movement for a more permanent and less dangerous sort of houses.—Dallas News.

Chase & Sanborn's
HIGH GRADE
COFFEE
Black Coffee
After Dinner
Chase & Sanborn's
High Grade Coffee
brings the climax of the sensation of having dined well. The clear color and delicate aroma are unequalled. This is from the care taken in selection and blending.

White Swan Grocery Co.

Hogs from the Panhandle.

Shipping hogs over 600 miles from a point in Texas to these yards, speaks well for the Kansas City market, says the Drover's Telegram. Yesterday C. W. Hays of Hereford, Texas, was on the market with a carload of hogs. From points all over the Panhandle country hogs are being shipped to this market. Mr. Hays is an Iowan. He went to Texas from a point near Grinnell about two years ago. He is farming 800 acres, raising all kinds of grain and forage crops. The hogs he marketed yesterday were fattened on a ration of kafir corn, maize and tankage, a mixture which Mr. Hays thinks is very hard to beat.

"If farmed right," said Mr. Hays, "Texas is capable of producing as regular crops, and as great a variety of products, as any state in the Union. I think a good deal of farming done there has been of a poor kind, which in many instances was responsible for failures. Whenever we do the work right we will get good results. This year I have over 300 acres in kafir corn. That is a great crop of that country. It never fails. Kafir corn is intended for a dry climate. And when ground and fed to stock, there is little difference between kafir corn and Indian corn. Then I have about 300 acres in wheat, and about 100 acres in oats. The wheat looks well, and the other crops look promising. Hog raising is bound to increase here. I know of no country that is better provided for raising hogs than Texas. And cattle feeding will increase right along as farmers get into raising more corn and feed. I was surprised and very much pleased to find there such a cordial class of people. The inhabitants of that part of the state are made up of persons of many states. They are a progressive class, who have gone there to make a success of their change. We will have dry spells, no doubt, the same as they have in Iowa and other states, and will have some drawbacks, but we have so many good features that we will lose sight of the few minor drawbacks.—Texas Stockman's Journal.

It Actually Can Be Done.

During the past twenty years I have annually cultivated from 50 to 300 acres of land in Cascade county, depending wholly on the natural moisture, and from my different methods of farming I have learned that the possibilities of farming on the rich, mellow lands of northern Montana are almost without limit. During this time I have never failed to grow on summer-fallowed land in the driest years we have had in all this time, a crop of wheat considerably larger than the average wheat crop of Minnesota or North Dakota. I regret that I did not sooner ascertain by practical tests the advantages that can be derived from growing alfalfa without irrigation. For, while this wonderful plant possesses a value unequalled for forage purposes, thus opening the broadest field for the dairy interest here, it will, in my opinion, through its fertilizing properties, place the agriculture of the west on a more profitable and enduring basis than it could otherwise occupy. Farming without an irrigation ditch, in Montana, would have been much farther advanced but for the determined efforts of many persons to decry it, thus turning immigration to other parts of the far west. These persons, for the time, have also done much to retard an advance in land values, and especially the value of productive but non-irrigated farms. But the tide of western immigration is ceaseless and, in spite of opposition where the hand of welcome should be given it will cover all the west.—BARRIS GIBSON, U. S. SENATOR, MONT.

How Tillage Affects Everyone.

Thorough tillage of the soil is something worth while. The scientific tillage of the soil brings rich returns for the labor. As an investment there is nothing quite its equal.

On an average township in the arable area there are probably 20,000 acres of land subject to tillage. It is entirely possible, indeed quite probable, that by scientific tillage of the soil the average crop value in either the semi-arid or the humid regions, can be raised \$10 an acre.

Do you realize what this means? It means that the actual value of the land of the average township will be increased three or four million dollars. It will be worth that much more than where the farm methods are of the old slipshod variety.

It has been demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt that in the dry country especially—and elsewhere the results are just as good—the average production of wheat, for instance, be increased from 12 to 15 bushels now recorded, to 50 or 60 bushels an acre.

This doesn't mean an occasional large yield, but it means a regular thing. What if it does cost \$2 or \$3 an acre more to farm this way? The difference between 15 bushels an acre and even 30 bushels an acre is worth having.

But all this means a great deal to the farmer, and it means a great deal also to the community in which he lives, to his county and state, to the towns and cities and their merchants and professional men, to the railroads, the shoppers, the dealers, to everybody.—H. W. CAMPBELL, LINCOLN, NEB.

We have a large assortment of the Lee Brooms, best made, call and see them, you will buy no other. White Swan Grocery Company.

Phone 41 when you have an item of local news.

POULTRY WANTED

I will open a market at Canyon City about June 1 for the purpose of buying Eggs and Poultry of all kinds. Will pay the highest possible market price.

C. W. PATTERSON

For the very best of material Used see us. Long leaf yellow pine our specialty. The best is none too good for Our customers. Now it's up to you.

Lots of material on hand and Under sheds— More satisfaction and Better results. Every time you trade with us you Receive a bargain.

Come and get in On the ground floor.

The "OUTDOOR" Herd

OF REGISTERED
HEREFORD CATTLE

BULLS IN SERVICE

Strike Twenty No. 183,865 (Anxiety-Hesoid)
Winsome Prince No. 172,425 (Rose Stock-Post Obit) Imp.
Armour Dale No. 156,843 (Anxiety-Dale)

FOR SALE

One car load two and three year old bulls.
One car load yearling bulls.
Ten head two year old heifers with suitable bull.
Ten head yearling heifers with suitable bull.
One hundred head cows with calves on foot.

—ADDRESS—

John Hutson, Canyon City, Texas

We Still Grow!
Why?

Because:

This is a strong, careful, safe and successful institution. It is a growing, active, up-to-date bank in every particular.

Your account will be appreciated by the bank and your interests will always be carefully considered.

Our funds are guarded by a modern burglar proof safe in an electrical protected vault.

Our officers are experienced bankers. Our directors are all well known business men: They are directors who DIRECT.

If you are not a customer of this Bank, let this be your invitation to become one.

The First National Bank
of Canyon

REAL ESTATE
and INSURANCE

Our firm is located in the Smith Building and is amply prepared to take care of all real estate and insurance business which you may entrust to us. Our long experience in business matters makes us capable of careful and prompt attention.

LET US SELL YOUR LAND.
LET US SELL YOU SOME LAND.
LET US INSURE YOUR PROPERTY.

Our connection with northern and eastern land buyers gives us opportunity to sell your land. Our long residence in the Panhandle gives us knowledge of the land to sell you.

GARRISON, DAVIS & CO.,
Smith Building Canyon City, Texas

Keiser Bros. & Phillips

Canyon City, Texas,

Buy and Sell Panhandle Lands

THE COUNTRY OF good crops, fine climate, plenty of water, moral, prosperous and happy people, great advantages, cheap and productive lands. Lands are cheaper now than they will ever be again.

Investigate Panhandle Lands.

Keiser Bros. & Phillips