

PROMINENT MAN DISCUSSES CROP

SWEET CLOVER WHERE RED CLOVER AND ALFALFA FAIL.

The Hay Has Much the Same Feeding Value as Alfalfa and More Than Red Clover.

The following article was written by F. D. Coburn for the Farmers Mail and Breeze on the subject of sweet clover, articles regarding which have been published in the News for the past three weeks:

There has come much change in sentiment about Sweet clover. A few years ago it was legislated against as a "noxious weed." A Kansan in the southeastern part of the state, was the first to strongly advocate to the writer that Sweet clover held great possibilities as a useful field crop. His investigations revealed that it was being utilized in western Kansas and in other states, notably Iowa, with profit and satisfaction, and those who had experience with it were enthusiastic in praise of its qualities. This gentleman's thoughts were turned to it because it grew luxuriantly on soils that were inhospitable to alfalfa or Red clover. Said he:

"For three years we failed to secure a stand of alfalfa, on good sandy loam underlaid with red clay and hardpan, while a great abundance of Sweet clover grew naturally in all kinds of soils, among rocks, in coal banks, gumbo, slate, hardpan and so on, wet or dry, continuing to spread, in the roads, lanes and elsewhere."

It is possible that tile draining and lime might have corrected conditions there for alfalfa, and alfalfa is worth the outlay, but the point of this was that Sweet clover flourished under circumstances that seemed all against alfalfa. The writer is not disposed to suggest any general planting of Sweet clover except where it has been positively determined that alfalfa or Red clover will not prosper, although there are those who declare the Red Sweet clover is superior to the Red.

There is a trio of Sweet clovers, two of which are biennials, the white flowered (*Melilotus alba*), and the yellow flowered (*Melilotus officinalis*). The other (*Melilotus indica*) is a small, yellow annual, of little or no value. Of the other two, the *Melilotus alba* is preferred. Generally, when referring to Sweet clover, that is the one meant. It is also frequently called Bokhara, melilot, Honey clover, Bee clover and the like.

The hay has much the same feeding value as alfalfa, and more than that of Red clover. Animals show a marked fondness for the hay after having been accustomed to it—which by the way is usually a matter of education—and one well known Shawnee county dairyman says that given a mixture of alfalfa, prairie hay and other forage his cows nose over the whole and pick out the Sweet clover first. He reports excellent results with it as hay and pasture, and is earnest in his belief that it is a wonderfully valuable plant under certain conditions, especially on land where alfalfa does but indifferently or fails of a stand entirely. It is as excellent as a forerunner of alfalfa, having the same sort of roots, which are the basis for the prosperity of alfalfa.

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WILL SING TONIGHT.



ELLEN BEACH YAW

Help a Worthy Cause.

The Civic Improvement League is trying to raise funds to improve the condition of the cemetery. To this end they are going to hold a bake sale and bazaar on next Wednesday, December 18. They will have all kinds of good things to eat for sale and will have much fine embroidery work for sale. They will serve throughout the day hot chocolate and wafers bouillon and crackers and will have an abundance of home made candy. The ladies are working hard to make the bazaar a success and should receive contributions from every person in town. The bazaar will be held in the Johnson building.

Silo and Sweet Clover.

L. S. Carter said Saturday that he intends to put up, or rather down, a silo next year. Instead of building one he says that he can dig one and cement it much cheaper than he can hire it built. Then too he believes that it will be much more cheaper to fill when in the ground as he could get a feed chopper and fill it by himself. Mr. Carter has investigated the silo and believes it is the thing for maize and kafir. He says he is much interested in sweet clover and is going to plant some for pasture.

The Baptist Church.

At the morning service the pastor will discuss the old question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" and at the evening service the subject will be "Periods in Paul's Conversion."

All are cordially invited to worship with us. Strangers welcomed.

HOLMES NICHOLS, Pastor.

Cakes and Candies.

The young ladies who are known as the Constant Workers, of the Christian church, will sell cakes and all kinds of fresh homemade candies on December 21, the Saturday before Christmas, proceeds to be applied on piano for the church. It

First Snow.

The first snow of the season fell Friday morning. The weather has been threatening all week and more moisture is promised in the near future.

The young ladies of the Christian church have organized a Piano Club, the object of which is to raise funds to buy a piano for the church. They sold home made candy at the apron sale held by the ladies of the church last Saturday and cleared \$15.

Our Graham flour is the BEST on the market. The Leader. 1

MADAME YAW WILL APPEAR TONIGHT

ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST SINGERS VISITS CANYON.

Great Opportunity to Hear this World-Famed Prima Donna—Sings at Normal.

Ellen Beach Yaw will sing at the Normal auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock. The interest displayed among the music lovers of the city indicate that she will have a very large audience of appreciative hearers.

Miss Yaw is one of the most distinguished singers in the United States. Not only at home but also abroad has she gained a wonderful reputation as an artist of rare ability.

The program tonight will consist not only of some of the best classics but also of many old and familiar songs which never fail to charm her audiences. In "The Skylark" Miss Yaw sings the highest note a human voice has ever reached.

Hamlin Cannon, her pianist, is a wonderful musician and his part of the program is always most delightful.

It is very fortunate that Canyon has secured the services of such a great artist for one night. It will be the opportunity of a life time to hear so remarkable a singer at such a small price of admission.

Rev. Groves III.

Rev. J. S. Groves has been very ill for the past two weeks. An operation was performed on his hip last Wednesday which has relieved him, but left him very weak. He will probably be confined to his bed for several days. His many friends in the city are wishing for a speedy recovery.

Helping Farmers.

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 3, 1912. The Randall County News, Canyon, Texas.

Gentlemen:—Herewith please find Chicago exchange for \$1.50 for subscription during 1913 to your paper. If we had more papers like yours boosting in the way that you have boosted in the past year, I mean by publishing articles instructing the farmers how to do things, it would not be long until you would double your population. Yours very truly, H. D. BROWN.

N. B.—(The News is very grateful for words of thanks we have received especially from non-resident land owners for the articles we have published to help the farmers. The News is always open for any articles along this line and for helpful suggestions regarding the farmers of our county. Thank you, Mr. Brown for these kind words, and we trust all our readers appreciate the articles as you do.)—Editor's note.

A deal was made this week whereby W. H. Hicks bought all of the stock in the Canyon Coal & Elevator Co. Shares were owned by J. A. Wallace, C. T. Word, C. Eakman and R. W. O'Keefe, of Plainview.

Chas. Leverton has returned from Dalhart where he has been for several months.

Try a sack of our soft wheat flour. The Leader. It

How Far Is It to Christmas?

By Wilbur D. Nesbit

How far is it to Christmas? It's across the Land of Dreams, where are the laughing valleys and the ever-singing streams, and up the hill of doubting and along the road of smiles until you reach the border of the land of otherwiles.

It's far away, and nearby; it is there, and close at hand—oh, earnest little fellow, can't you make you understand? You lie awake and whisper, you count and count the days, and try to bring it nearer in a hundred varied ways!

Already you have seen it in a gleam of joy afar, have seen its joy approaching in the twinkle of a star; you hear the bells that jingle and the clatter of the hoofs that ring a song of gladness as they gallop on the roofs.

How far is it to Christmas? It's not so far away—for all I know, already you have and hold the day; it has no time nor season; it is not set apart, but sends its blessed sunshine to every little heart.

CANYON BOY IS FIRST TO JOIN

LESLIE KEY IS THE FIRST BOY IN KAFFIR CORN CLUB.

Other Boys Should Write to Mr. H. M. Bainer, Amarillo, at Once and Join.

Canyon claims the distinction of having the first applicant in the club of Randall and Potter county boys who will complete for \$675 in gold next year. Leslie Key is the boy to first write Mr. Bainer his intentions of getting into the game. Here is what he said to Mr. Bainer: Canyon, Texas, Nov. 22, 1912. Mr. H. M. Bainer, Amarillo, Texas. Dear Sir:—I desire to become a member of the Potter and Randall Counties Boys' Kaffir and Milo Maize Club, according to the Rules and Regulations governing the same. Leslie Key.

In the pamphlet regarding this club Mr. Bainer gives a form on the last page to be filled out. The following items must be filled out: Name, address, parents full name, crop or crops, date signed, remarks. In making application to Mr. Bainer all these items must be given. The News trusts that during the next few days every boy in Randall county will write to Mr. Bainer and tell him to enroll them in this club.

C. F. Rudolph, of Stratford, spent Tuesday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. K. Usery.

W. F. Miller, of Happy, was in the city last night and reports everything in good condition in his town.

Mrs. C. N. Harrison went to Hutto Wednesday where she will spend the holidays with her parents.

Regular services will be held morning and evening next Sunday at the Christian church.

R. B. Cousins went to Austin last Friday on matters of business.

Hear YAW Tonight.

Society Notes.

Class number two, of the music club entertained class number three at the home of Ola Ballard, Dec. 7. They gave the following program:

- With wind and tide, Blanche and Helen Croson.
- Angel voices ever near, Mattie Gentry.
- Enchanted movements, Gem Cowling.
- Ripping waves, Cecille Wagner.
- Little things, Corinne McReynolds.
- Two little shoes, Jewel Ballard.
- Twilight Reverie, Verna Moreland.
- Priscilla, Jonnie Rowan.
- May day, Groves Kilburn.
- Glide Waltz, Thelma McGee.
- Mazurka Op 7, No. 1, Chopin, Ruth Hussey.
- Lyröliemne, Charlie Lofton.
- Yellow Jonquils, Ola Ballard and Lottie Lofton.

After the program a large number of games were played and all had a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. C. E. Coss entertained the Priscilla club Wednesday afternoon. The members spent a very enjoyable afternoon making Christmas presents. Refreshments were served by the hostess consisting of banana salad, sandwiches and tea.

The Woman's Book Club was most delightfully entertained Wednesday afternoon at the Normal by Miss Rambo. The ladies were first taken to the art room where Miss Denman gave a most interesting and instructive talk on home decoration and Miss Winkelman a paper on the Economic Faction of Woman. Miss Rambo discussed some points to be considered in the Rational Diet, showing the relative values of foods and the combination of foods relative to the nourishment of the body. There was later illustrated luncheon in the Economics department. Tea, hot chocolate, olive oil wiches and cakes were served by the girls of this department.

Mrs. I. L. VanSant was taken to Amarillo Friday where an operation for appendicitis was performed. Mr. Van Sant was home Sunday and reported that she was doing nicely.

Unloading a mixed car of The Belle of Wichita, Bakers' Pride flour, Pearl Meal and Graham. The Leader. It

SANTA FE SPECIAL COMING ON TUESDAY

LIVE STOCK TRAIN OF INTEREST TO ALL PEOPLE.

Practical Live Stock Talks by Practical Men—Here From 11 to 1:30 a. m.

The Santa Fe Live Stock Special will reach Canyon on Tuesday, December 17th, remaining from 11:00 a. m. to 1:30 p. m., consisting of a seventy-foot baggage car being full on both sides with chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys and is considered the best poultry display ever assembled in the State. There will also be a car of hogs, fourteen in number, showing three of the representative breeds for Texas conditions. In addition there will be a car containing dairy cows together with model dairy equipment such as is used by successful dairymen throughout Texas.

Three well known speakers will make practical and interesting addresses. Press dispatches from south Texas points where the train has just passed through indicate that unusual interest is being manifested, the attendance in many places reaching over a thousand. The consensus of opinion is that the exhibit as a whole surpasses anything of its kind ever before attempted in the State.

Bankers, farmers and merchants come out, you will be interested. Remember the date, Tuesday, December 17th, from 11:00 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.

The train will be in happy Saturday afternoon of this week from 3 to 6 o'clock, in Umbarger from 9 to 10:30 on the morning of Dec. 17 and in Amarillo on the same day from 2:30 to 5.

Normal Notes.

President Cousins left Sunday for Austin where he attended a meeting of the State Board of Education this week.

Prof. Marquis has been on the sick list the past few days and was unable to hear any of his classes.

The game of basketball between the Normal girls and the Clarendon girls was not played Saturday night as the visiting team did not arrive. A game between the Normal boys team and the Canyon Champions was substituted and resulted in a score of 34 to 3 in favor of the Champions.

Another number of the Lyceum Course was rendered by Miss Kellogg Monday night. Madam Yaw will appear tonight at the auditorium.

Members of the faculty have been giving points in chapel recently received at the State Teachers' Association which met at Ft. Worth. Prof. Reid made a splendid talk Tuesday morning.

Four new students enrolled Tuesday and the enrollment number is steadily increasing.

The swimming pool is beginning to be quite a popular resort since the cooler weather has set in. The water will be kept warm in the pool as well as in the showers during the whole winter.

A new spirit in football has sprung up lately and an effort is being made to organize material from the second team to play the Canyon high school in the near future.

**SALE WILL
LAST UNTIL
NIGHT OF
DEC. 24**

Big Red Ticket and Removal Sale

\$25,000.00 worth of first-class merchandise to be slaughtered. Sale to begin Thursday morning at 9 o'clock sharp, and lasts until the night of Dec. 24.

**SALE OPENS
AT 9 O'CLOCK
THURSDAY
DECEMBER 12**

Ladies long 16
button kid gloves
\$2.75

40c Fav stockings
25 cents

All 25 cent
Dress Goods
19 cents

All 1.00 Silks at
82 cents
All 50c Silks at
43 cents
35c and 40c Silks
29 cents

Lot of 2.00 and
2.50 Men's Shirts
\$1.50

1.00 Table Linen
77 cents



Ladies two-buckle
Over Shoes
\$1.45

Ladies Queen
Quality Shoes
3.50 at **\$2.25**
4.00 at **2.50**

Good line of Furs
big saving

Ladies and Misses
Sweater Coats
5.00 coat **\$3.85**
4.00 coat **2.75**
2.50 coat **1.75**

Aviation Caps
1.00 cap **70c**
.75 cap **55c**
.65 cap **45c**
.35 cap **25c**

1.00 kimona **79c**
1.75, 1.50 at **\$1.21**

WE HAVE leased a store building in Hillsboro, Texas, where we will open a stock of goods about February 1st. We have sold stock to Mr. Roland Smith, of Hillsboro, an old dry goods man; he having been with our firm in Hillsboro for about twenty years. He in connection with Mr. Cleveland, who will go to Hillsboro in January, will have charge of that store. Our Mr. Turk will remain in charge here, unless we should decide to move our entire business to Hillsboro, but on this point we have not fully decided and will not before January 1st.

With the foregoing plans in mind we have decided to put on this great slaughter sale; a sale in which you will buy much merchandise at less than wholesale cost for should we move it will be much easier to move the cash than goods, and should we remain here, cash will be better than goods. At any rate you are going to have a chance to buy the biggest and best values that you have ever bought in Canyon. The saving will be so great that you can afford to buy what you need for the next twelve months. So wait for this sale; do not buy a dollars worth of goods before this sale opens, for if you do you will regret it for this is going to be a money saver. We never advertise a thing that we do not do and your money refunded for for any item that does not please. Its not our plan and has never been to force a customer to keep something that did not suit (if it has not been cut or damaged.)

Remember with every \$5.00 purchase you get a ticket worth \$1.00 on any item of silverware. In this way you can supply your needs with but little cost, or you can have a nice Xmas present for a friend; do not overlook this. The following are a few of the many low prices:

Men's Clothing

\$25.00 suits, red tag **\$17.50**
20.00 suits, red tag **14.90**
15.00 suits, red tag **11.90**
12.50 suits, red tag **9.90**

Men's Overcoats

\$20.00 O-coat, red tag **\$14.00**
16.50 O-coat, red tag **11.90**
15.00 O-coat, red tag **10.50**
10.00 O-coat, red tag **7.00**

Youth's Overcoats

Big lot of youths Overcoats from ten to eighteen years at **\$3.50 to \$6.00**



Ladies Department

\$20.00 ladies coat suit **\$13.90**
16.50 ladies coat suit **10.90**
15.00 ladies coat suit **10.50**
20.00 ladies coat **14.90**
15.00 ladies coat **10.50**
12.50 ladies coat **9.35**
15.50 silk dresses **9.90**
12.50 silk dresses **8.80**

Millinery

Everything in this department will be sold at just one half the regular price. That means a **\$10.00** hat for **\$5.00** and a **\$5.00** hat for **\$2.50**. All feathers and plumes the same rate just one half.

Blankets and Quilts
at Big Saving

Cotton Blankets
per pair **39c**

Boys 1.50 Hats
now **\$1.10**

Stetson 6.50 Big 4
Hats now **\$5.00**

Men's Hats
3.00 now **\$2.00**,
and **\$2.50**

Men's Sweater coats
2.50 at **\$1.85**
1.75 at **1.35**

Men's Shoes
4.50 and 5.00
shoes at 3.85



Edwin Clapp shoes
6.50 shoes 5.40

Men's heavy four
buckle overshoes
at 2.15

Men's heavy two
buckle overshoes
at 1.75

Men's one buckle
overshoes -95 cents

Men's Auto Gloves
4.00 gloves 2.50
3.00 gloves 2.20
2.50 gloves 1.65

Men's 75c shirts
at 50 cents

65c Cotton blanket
39 cents

1 pair 10.00 Fine
Wool Blanket
\$6.50

This sale is for cash and nothing will be charged at these prices.

Turk & Armstrong Dry Goods Company

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BANKS
OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION
—OF THE—
FIRST STATE BANK

at Canyon, state of Texas, at the close of business on the 26th day of Nov., 1912, published in the Randall County News, a newspaper printed and published at Canyon, State of Texas, on Thursday of each week.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$37,390.94
Loans, real estate	600.00
Overdrafts	2.71
Furniture and Fixtures	1,794.30
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net	\$31,905.53
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	855.58
Cash Items	2,406.95
Currency	5,815.00
Specie	1,415.67
Interest Depositors, Guarantee Fund	356.46
Assessment Guaranty Fund	61.48
Other Resources as follows:	
Expenses, less profits	142.70
Total	\$82,747.32
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock, paid in	\$15,000.00
Individual Deposits, subject to Checks	62,226.12
Time Certificates of Deposit	5,521.20
Total	\$82,747.32

STATE OF TEXAS,
 COUNTY OF RANDALL } We, J. T. Holland as president and J. P. Winder as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. T. HOLLAND, President.
 J. P. WINDER, Cashier.
 Sworn and subscribed to before me this 6th day of Dec., A. D. nineteen hundred and twelve. WITNESS my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.
 C. R. FLESHER, Notary Public.
 CORRECT—ATTEST:
 R. G. OLDHAM
 Directors.

No. 5238.
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
The First National Bank

At Canyon, in the State of Texas at the close of business, Nov. 26, 1912.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$224,195.02
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	999.38
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	2,500.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	8,772.71
Banking House Furniture and fixtures	34,530.00
Other real estate owned	7,774.00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	7,882.92
Due from approved reserve agents	39,023.10
Checks & other cash items	1,402.92
Notes of other national banks	360.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	206.52
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	5,339.25
Legal-tender notes	8,667.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)	4,700.00
Total	\$444,352.82

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	30,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	7,657.78
National bank notes outstanding	100,000.00
Due to other nat'l banks	670.63
Due to State and Private Banks & Bankers	10,773.91
Individual deposits subject to check	134,658.41
Time certificates of deposit	27,592.09
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	33,000.00
Total	\$444,352.82

State of Texas, County of Randall, ss: I, D. A. Park, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. A. PARK, Cashier.
 Correct Attest:
 L. T. LESTER }
 S. C. WHITMAN } Directors,
 I. L. HUNT }
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of Dec. 1912.
 C. N. HARRISON
 Notary Public.

Can you guess well?

Smile.

Smile—Every time you get the chance—its the chance smile that wins.
 Smile—If you're thin—laugh if you're fat—if you're neither—just grin.
 Smile—At hard luck—the fates may think you like it and quit.
 Smile—And never let the sun set on your troubles—set on them yourself.
 Smile—At the past and you can grin at the future.
 Smile—When you are awake and you will laugh in your sleep.
 Smile—When you fail and you'll die laughing at your success.
 Smile—When you're mad—and try to frown when you're happy.
 Smile—At a dime and it will look like a dollar.
 Smile—If it kills you and you'll die with a grin on your face.
 Smile—Every time you think of it and you'll soon get the habit.
 Smile—Don't worry about your work. Do what you can, let the rest go, and smile all the time.

Stands Ahead.

There is something about Hunt's Lightning Oil that no other liniment possesses. Others may be good, but it is surely the best. It does all you recommend it for, and more. For sprains, cuts, bruises, burns, aches and pains it has no equal on earth. It stands head on my medicine shelf. Very truly yours, T. J. Brownlow, Livingston, Tenn. 25c and 50c bottles.

For Rent—My farm one mile east of the Normal. 700 acres in cultivation, will rent part or all. Good improvements. L. E. Cowling. 36tf

For Rent—A neat suburban cottage. W. J. Flesher. 35tf

Recalls Big Crops.

N. M. Gallagher was in the News office Saturday and incidentally recalled some of the big crops he used to make on his farm south of town when there was normal rainfall. Mr. Gallagher is a booster for the Plains country and says although the past five years have been very abnormal that he has seen it when the farmers raised enormous crops and he believes those times are returning within a very short time.

Sprained Back.

Sprained back and sore muscles through of their soreness when Hunt's Lightning Oil is applied. For relieving pain of any kind there is nothing better, and those people who have tried it for neuralgia and rheumatism are loud in its praise. For wire cuts Hunt's Lightning Oil is especially fine as it takes away the inflammation and causes rapid healing. 25c and 50c bottles. (Advertisement)

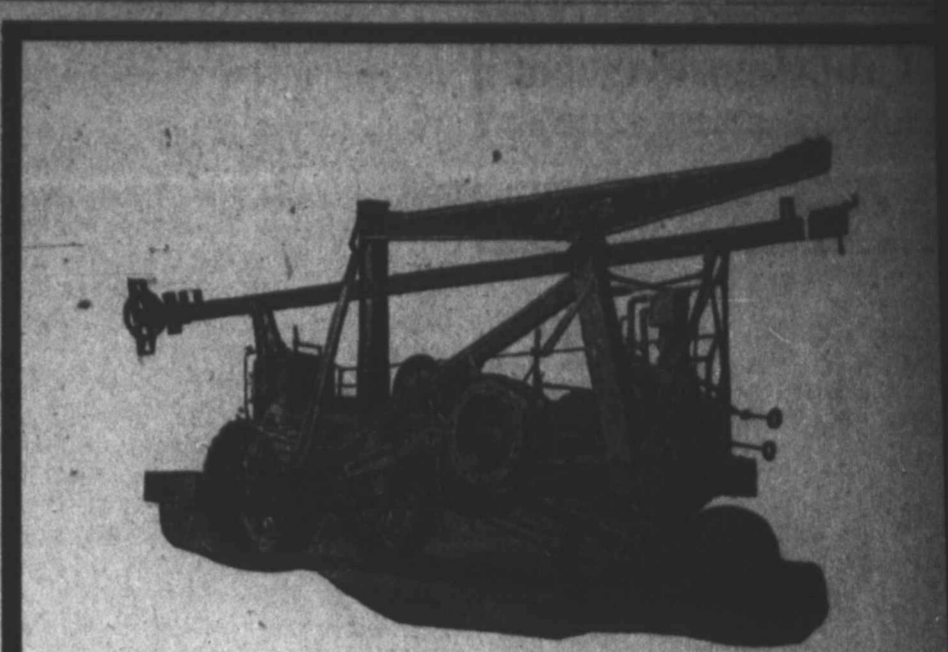
Banquet Postponed.

On account of the recital at the Normal tonight, the Commercial Club banquet has been postponed until after Christmas. Announcement of the date will probably be made next week.

Itching Piles.

I want you to know how much good your Hunt's Cure has done me. I had suffered with itching piles fifteen years, and when I was traveling through Texas a man told me of your Hunt's Cure. I got a 50c box and it cured me. John Bradley, Caney, Kansas. (Advertisement)

For Sale—The large frame house southeast of depot. Cheap. Address Box 426, Canyon. 37p3



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— SAVE MONEY —
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Remember we give a ticket on Silverware for every 25 cent cash purchase.

Holland-Jarrett Drug Company



Crop Improvement

Agricultural development by
Uniting all interests to assist.

SOIL DOCTORS.

Many Are Qualifying to Take Up
Work of Farm Demonstrators—
\$1,000 for Each County—Busi-
ness Men Must Assist.

By Bert Ball.

[National Crop Improvement Service.]
If your soil is sick get a soil doctor.
Thousands of men are qualifying for
this profession. Soil doctors are gen-
erally able to diagnose and cure any
case of "bad farming." Many coun-
ties are combining business men,
bankers, land owners and farmers into
a single organization and raising a
fund among themselves sufficient to
pay the salary of soil doctors, or, in
other words, county farm demon-
strators, who shall be hired from year
to year to help farmers and show espe-
cially the poor ones where they fall,
and how they can do better.

"For every county which shows
initiative and energy enough to sit up
and spit over its chin, we will assist
by giving \$1,000 to help pay the salary
of the soil doctor. This is not all.
The Government Bureau of Farm Man-
agement also has a fund, and offers to
bear from one-third to one-half of
the expense of this farm demonstrator
in certain counties whose plans are ac-
ceptable as soon as its funds become
available for this year. This will add
approximately another \$1,000 to each
county ready to raise its own fund.
The government estimates that 40 or
50 counties may receive aid from this
source within the year.

A national fund has been provided
in every state which will raise a
fund locally, sufficient to em-
ploy a permanent county agricultur-
ist and farm demonstrator. A num-
ber of counties are raising local funds
which may be trebled by the time the
funds from the other sources become
available.

The Crop improvement committee
will furnish the plan to any
county desiring to receive a share of
this fund. We will do more than that
—we will help any county organize
where it is possible for us to do so.

DRILLING GRAIN BEST.

Many Advantages in Favor of the Use
of Good Drill or Seeder.

By W. F. Brown.

[National Crop Improvement Service.]
Whether to sow our grain broadcast
or with a drill is hardly a debatable
question in recent years, the advan-
tages in favor of the use of a good
drill are now so well recognized. By
means of the drill the seed is put in
evenly, at a uniform depth; the fer-
tilizer is placed just where it will be
soonest available for the growth of
the plant; and the ground is left in
small ridges between the rows.

Ridges Hold Snow.
These ridges hold the snow so
that often a light covering will pro-
tect the plant in the furrows. Another
advantage from these ridges comes
when the freezing and thawing of
mild days causes the earth to crum-
ble on the ridges and fall into the fur-
rows around the roots of the wheat.
Farmers who drag or roll their fields
after drilling the wheat lose these ad-
vantages. All work of that kind
should be done before seeding.

DITCHING WITH DYNAMITE.

[National Crop Improvement Service.]
If you could dig 500 feet of ditch
or even 50 feet in one hour, would
you let your fertile swamps remain
idle and profitless? They are many
farms which contain low swamp
lands which might seem to the farm-
er too much of an expense to drain
by the ordinary methods of ditch-
ing. This is true, but the question is,
how can it be done? One of the best
jobs of ditching that has come be-
fore the writer's attention is at
Diehlstadt, Mo., done with Dupont
blasting powder. This ditch is 1,720
feet long, 500 feet of which were
blown out in a few seconds. One
man exploded dynamite cartridges in
a row of bore holes. After the explo-
sion the ditch was soon put into
excellent shape.

To construct the same ditch with
a dredging or ditching machine would
require much time and expense. The
use of dynamite on the farm is fast
coming in use, since all of the powder
manufacturers stand ready to fur-
nish an expert in the use of ex-
plosives to show how the work may
be done.

FARMING A BUSINESS.

[National Crop Improvement Service.]
The trouble with all of us has been
that we have considered farming ex-
clusively the farmer's business. There
is not a man, woman or child in any
community who is not just as vitally
interested in a larger yield of better
grain as the man who actually grows
it.

It is a business proposition. A half
million dollars can be added to every
county in the United States by bet-
ter farm management.

CROPS AND SOIL.

[National Crop Improvement Service.]
Work for quality first, then quan-
tity. Know the soil and crops to fit
the soil, else low yields bring ruin.
All the farming cannot be done in
the open months. A good deal of it
should be done in the winter by the
help of the lamp and the book.

Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Ran-
dall.
By virtue of a certain Order of Sale
issued out of the Honorable District
Court of Randall County, on the 26th
day of November, 1912, by The Clerk
of said Court against C. D. Griffin for
the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-
Six Dollars (\$376.00) and costs of
suit, in cause No. 652 in said Court,
styled C. D. Keiser versus C. D. Grif-
fin and placed in my hands for ser-
vice, I, Worth A. Jennings as Sheriff
of Randall County, Texas, did, on the
27th day of November, 1912, levy on
certain Real Estate, situated in Ran-
dall County, described as follows to-
wit:

The west half of the North West
Quarter of Survey No. 117; Block 6, L.
& G. N. R. R. Co.; lands in Randall
County, Texas, and levied upon as the
property of said C. D. Griffin, and on
the first Tuesday in January, the same
being the 7th day of said month, at the
Court House door of Randall County,
in the town of Canyon, Texas, between
the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M.
I will sell said property at public ven-
due, for cash, to the highest bidder, as
the property of said C. D. Griffin by
virtue of said levy and said Order of
Sale.

And in compliance with law, I give
this notice by publication, in the Eng-
lish language, once a week for three
consecutive weeks immediately preced-
ing said day of sale, in the Randall
County News, a newspaper published
in Randall County.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of
November, 1912.

WORTH A. JENNINGS,
3813 Sheriff Randall County, Texas.

Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Ran-
dall.

By virtue of a certain order of sale
issued out of the Honorable District
Court of Randall County, on the 3rd
day of December, 1912, by The Clerk
of Said Court against J. C. Rowbothan
for the sum of Ten thousand four
hundred and no-100 (\$10400.00) Dol-
lars and costs of suit, in cause No.
679 in said Court, styled H. M. Schu-
lenburg versus J. C. Rowbothan and
placed in my hands for service, I,
Worth A. Jennings as Sheriff of Ran-
dall County, Texas, did, on the 3rd
day of December, 1912, levy on certain
Real Estate, situated in Randall Coun-
ty, described as follows, to-wit:

The north one half (N. 1-2) of Sur-
vey number 99 in Block B-5, Certifi-
cate number 15-3589 in Randall Coun-
ty, Texas, and levied upon as the
property of said J. C. Rowbothan, and
will on the first Tuesday in January,
same being the 7th day of said month,
at the Court House door of Randall
County, in the town of Canyon, Texas,
between the hours of ten A. M. and
four P. M. I will sell said Real Estate
at public vendue, for cash, to the
highest bidder, as the property of said
J. C. Rowbothan by virtue of said levy
and said Order of Sale.

And in compliance with law, I give
this notice by publication, in the Eng-
lish language, once a week for three
consecutive weeks immediately preced-
ing said day of sale, in the Randall
County News, a newspaper published
in Randall County.

Witness my hand, this 3rd day of
December, 1912.

WORTH A. JENNINGS,
Sheriff Randall County, Texas.
By T. V. Reeves, Deputy. 3813

Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Ran-
dall.

By virtue of a certain order of sale
issued out of the Honorable District
Court of Randall County, on the 20th
day of November, 1912, by Clerk of
said Court against G. L. Abbott for
the sum of Fourteen Hundred and
Twenty Eight Dollars (\$1428.00) and
costs of suit, in cause No. 666 in said
Court, styled S. B. Lofton versus G.
L. Abbott, and placed in my hands
for service, I, Worth A. Jennings as
Sheriff of Randall County, Texas, did,
on the 27th day of November, 1912,
levy on certain Real Estate, situated
in Randall County, described as fol-
lows, to-wit:

Lots numbered one, two and three
(1, 2, & 3) in Block number forty-five
(45) in the original town of Canyon
City, Randall County, Texas, and
levied upon as the property of said G.
L. Abbott, and on the first Tuesday
in January the same being the 7th day
of said month, at the Court House
door of Randall County, in the town
of Canyon, Texas, between the hours
of ten A. M. and four P. M., I will
sell said property at public vendue, for
cash, to the highest bidder, as the
property of said G. L. Abbott by vir-
tue of said levy and said order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give
this notice by publication, in the Eng-
lish language, once a week for three
consecutive weeks immediately preced-
ing said day of sale, in the Randall
County News, a newspaper published
in Randall County.

Witness my hand, this 27th day of
November, 1912.

WORTH A. JENNINGS,
3813 Sheriff Randall County, Texas.

**\$2500 STOCK OF
GROCERIES AND FIXTURES**

will be sold at auction
Thursday, December 26

Sale Will Begin at 10:30 a. m.

The entire stock of goods at the
Market-Grocery will be closed
out at public auction on Thurs-
day, Dec. 26. This stock consists
of a good line of groceries, gro-
cery fixtures and meat fixtures.
Every article in the stock is fresh
and clean and the fixtures are all
in fine condition. Don't fail to
attend this sale and get a big line
of bargains.

Terms--Strictly Cash.

W. E. LAIR, Trustee
MARKET-GROCERY
A. A. McNEIL, Auctioneer

Notice Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Ran-
dall.

By virtue of an Order of Sale, issued
out of the Honorable District Court of
Randall County, on 30th day of Novem-
ber, A. D., 1912, by the Clerk there-
of, in the case of The Cedar Valley
Land & Cattle Company Limited, The
First National Bank of Canyon, Texas
and B. E. J. Peacock, versus Isadore
Maniz and John Streng, No. 658, and
to me, as Sheriff, directed and deliver-
ed, I this day levied upon and will
proceed to sell for cash, within the
hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's
Sales, on the first Tuesday in January
A. D., 1913, it being the 7th day of
said month, before the Court House
door of said Randall County, in the
town of Canyon, Texas, the following
described property, to-wit:

North half of Survey 61, Block K-
14, Certificate 80, G. B. & C. N. G.
Ry. Co., land, containing 320 acres
more or less. Situated 7 miles south
of the town of Umbarger and in Ran-
dall County, Texas, levied on as the
property of John Streng to satisfy a
judgment amounting to \$3437.09 in
favor of The Cedar Valley Land &
Cattle Company, Limited, The First
National Bank of Canyon, Texas, and
B. E. J. Peacock and costs of suit.
Given under my hand, this 30th day

of November, A. D., 1912.
WORTH A. JENNINGS,
3813 Sheriff Randall County, Texas.

Sheriff's Sale.

State of Texas, County of Randall.
By virtue of an Order of Sale issued
out of the Honorable District Court of
Randall County, on the 30th day of
November, 1912, by the Clerk thereof,
in the case of L. T. Lester versus Geo.
M. Eckert, C. R. McAfee and J. M.
Connor No. 661, and to me, as Sheriff,
directed and delivered, I this day
levied upon and will proceed to sell,
within the hours prescribed by law for
Sheriff's Sales, on the first Tuesday in
January, A. D., 1913, it being the 7th
day of said month, before the Court
House door of said Randall County,
in the town of Canyon, the following
described property, to-wit:

All of Survey No. 57, Block K-14,
Certificate 78, G. B. & C. N. G. Ry.
Co., land, containing 640 acres more
or less situated 5 miles south of the
town of Umbarger and in Randall
County, Texas, levied on as the prop-
erty of C. R. McAfee and J. M. Con-
ner to satisfy a Judgment amounting
to \$3491.00 in favor of L. T. Lester and
costs of suit.
Given under my hand, this 30th day
of November, A. D., 1912.
WORTH A. JENNINGS,
Sheriff Randall County, Texas.
By T. V. Reeves, Deputy. 3813

CANYON LUMBER CO.

Everything in the way of
building material.....

The House Of High Quality.

HOLIDAY BARGAINS



-:- CHRISTMAS TOYS -:-

What is Christmas to a child when it gets no toys? Nothing. There will be no excuse for overlooking the youngster this year. A visit to Toyland, displayed at The City Pharmacy will convince you. We are showing every kind of toy known to the toymaker's art. They are good, inexpensive, and will gladden the hearts of the little folks.

CHILDREN'S PARADISE SHOWN AT THE CITY PHARMACY!

Dolls, doll buggies, drums, autos that run themselves, toy pianos, trains, sets of little dishes; and in fact everything to please the fancy of the child. We also have a big line Cut Glass, Silverware and Jewelry for the larger children. Fire Works galore. Tickets in Piano contest given for all cash purchases.

CITY PHARMACY

OUR CUSTOMERS

Always get the best meats on the market because we do not handle anything but the very best.

Our customers are satisfied customers, because they receive the very best treatment every day they trade with us. And our delivery services are most prompt of any in town.

We want you to become one of our satisfied customers.

CITY MEAT MARKET

N. B.—Our terms are strictly cash and if you owe us a bill please call and settle at once thus saving us a great amount of trouble. The most convenient method of trading is to have a coupon book. Get one today.

Protect the Children's Eyes

School has opened now and the children will be required to study at night. If you want to protect their eyes use Electric Light. Don't hamper them in their work with poor light. Besides, the housewife hasn't time now to be cleaning and filling oil lamps. We especially recommend the MAZDA ELECTRIC LAMP for an ideal student's light.

Let us wire your house.

Canyon Power Company
Office in First National Bank

Read the ads in this issue.

Didn't Show Up.

The Clarendon college girls basketball team failed to show up Saturday night for their game with the Normal. They stopped in Amarillo for a game and were beaten by the same team which were twice defeated by the Normal girls. Evidently they were badly frightened as they promised to phone Saturday morning whether they would come or not but failed to do so.

Canyon Beats Normal.

The championship team defeated the Normal team Saturday night 34 to 3. The Normal scored three fouls but were unable to land a field goal. Coach Miller put in an entirely new team during the second half. Coach Hunt, of the champions, has not recovered from his recent fall and was not in the game. Shotwell played in Hunt's place the first half and Gamble the second. Prichard played for Tom Lair in the first half.

FOR BALD HEADS.

A Treatment That Costs Nothing if It Fails.

We want you to try three large bottles of Rexall "E" Hair Tonic on our personal guarantee that the trial will not cost you a penny if it does not give you absolute satisfaction. That's proof of our faith in this remedy, and it should indisputably demonstrate that we know what we are talking about when we say that Rexall "E" Hair Tonic will retard baldness, overcome scalp and hair ailments, and if any human agency can accomplish this result, it may also be relied upon to promote a new growth of hair.

Remember we are basing our statements upon what has already been accomplished by the use of Rexall "E" Hair Tonic, and we have the right to assume that what it has done for thousands of others it will do for you. In any event you cannot lose anything by giving it a trial on our liberal guarantee. Two sizes, 50c. and \$1.00. Remember, you can obtain Rexall Remedies in this community only at our store—The Rexall Store.

City Pharmacy
(Advertisement)

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Did it ever occur to you why all good business men keep a checking account with a bank? We'll tell you. It enables them to keep their funds in a more secure place than the office safe. It gives them a better standing in the business world. It enables them to pay their bills by check, the returned check being an undisputed receipt.

Individuals find a checking account very convenient and a source of saving. Money in one's pocket is often spent on the spur of the moment, while one is disposed to think twice before drawing on his balance in the bank. "Get the Savings Habit." Lay up for a rainy day. Start a bank account with

"THE OLD RELIABLE"

The First National Bank
of Canyon

Capital \$100,000

Surplus and Profits \$50,000

Try It on the Most Difficult Things You Ever Bake

Double Value and Greater Strength



And Only One Cent an Ounce

In 10, 15 & 25 Cans At All Good Grocers



MONEY TO LOAN

ON WELL SECURED CATTLE PAPER AT

The First State Bank
A Guaranty Fund Bank

J. M. Van Sant returned this week from Hot Springs, Ark., where he has been spending the summer. He reports that he had an excellent trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Kleinschmidt left Wednesday morning for Los Angeles, Calif., where they will spend the winter visiting with many friends.



Live Stock Special

The Santa Fe Live Stock Demonstration Train will be in Canyon, Tuesday, December 17th, from 11:00 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. It will be in Umparger the same day from 9:00 a. m. to 10:30 a. m. and in Amarillo same day from 2:30 p. m. to 5:00 p. m. Live Stock Demonstration. The train will carry Dairy Cows, Dairy Equipment, Model Silo, Hogs, Poultry and Poultry Equipment. In addition to the demonstration practical talks will be given on dairy cows, silos, hogs and poultry. Good exhibits. No charges. Every farmer, farmer's wife, banker, merchant and business man should be there. Nothing of interest to school children below the sixth grade.

TRAIN WILL COME RAIN OR SHINE

HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT.

(Edited by Mrs. C. W. Warwick.)

BOSTON COOKIES.
By Mrs. Guenther.

3 eggs.
1 1/2 cup sugar.
1 cup butter.
1 cup rasins.
1 cup nuts.
1 tablespoonful cinnamon.
1 tablespoonful chocolate.
1 teaspoonful soda dissolved in 1 1/2 tablespoonful hot water, add enough flour to make a real stiff dough, drop in pan with teaspoon and bake in a moderate oven.

SCALLOPED OYSTERS.
By Mrs. Shaw.

Place a layer of cracker crumbs in a basin, then a layer of oysters, salt and pepper, another of crackers and so on until the dish is filled, cover with Columbia condensed milk and let soak until all is well soaked with the milk, place in a slow oven and bake until well browned, serve hot.

BANANA PIE.

Bake a rich crust, when cool slice into it 2 large bananas. Boil 1 cup of milk, stir into it 1/2 cup of sugar, 2 table spoonfuls of flour and the yolks of 2 eggs, cook until thick, let cool and then pour over bananas, beat whites of eggs for meringue and brown in a hot oven. Do not let pie get heated through.

CREAMED OYSTERS.
By Mrs. Luke.

Take 1-2 cup flour, two table spoonfuls butter, cream together, add two cups of sweet milk and cook to a thick cream, add raw oysters, heat thoroughly and serve on toast, salt to taste.

PINEAPPLE MOUSSE.
By Mrs. Briar.

Dissolve 1 ounce gelatine into 3-4 cup cold water. After one hour add 1 cup boiling water, 3-4 pound sugar, the juice of a lemon and 1 can shredded pineapple. Stir until it begins to thicken, then add 1 cup of whipped cream. Put in mold and bury in ice and salt two hours. Serve with whipped cream.

YAW--Tonight.

If you are going to build those corrals that you have been needing all this while, you will do well to get your Rough Heart fencing from us. The Citizens Lumber Co. tf

"Our Competitors are Wild"

BUT WE CAN'T HELP IT FOR WE ARE HERE TO STAY AND WE WON'T BE UNDERSOLD

We are determined to continue for time immemorial giving our customers the exceptional "Low Bargains" that we have in the past and we attribute our increase of more than 25 per cent for the present month over that of last month, to the high "Quality" of the goods, the unexcelled "Bargains" that accompany every purchase, together with the courteous treatment at the hands of our employees.

You pay no more for your goods than your neighbor. Small orders receive the same attention as larger ones.

XMAS GREETINGS

There is not a time in the entire year when you can thoroughly enjoy something "Really good to eat" as you can during the Xmas holidays, and then too, has it ever occurred to you that there is no better mark of prosperity for the husband and no greater praise for the housewife than to treat your visiting friends and relatives to a well prepared table.

Space will not permit the listing of all the many good things we have but the following is evidence that we can supply the wants of all lovers of the highest class groceries: Cranberries, Citron, Orange Peel, Lemon Peel, Currants, Seeded Raisins, Dates, Brick Figs and Fruits of all kinds. We are also distributors for H. J. Heinz's pure food products, you all know what they are. If you want quality, we have it; there is nothing to cheap food products. While in town you are cordially invited to make our store your headquarters. All packages left in our care will receive our personal attention.

YOU CAN'T HUMBUG THE PEOPLE WE GUARANTEE OUR WEIGHTS

THE LEADER

JOE AND JIM'S QUALITY EXCELLS

PHONE 183

PHONE 201



"THE HOFFMAN SANITARY WAY" "Pressing while you wait"



"THE OTHER WAY" "Pressing while you press (pire)"

The people of Canyon are cordially invited to have their clothes pressed the HOFFMAN WAY.

By this system we inject hot dry steam into every garment pressed, thereby disinfecting same, cleaning it of impurities, reviving the color, raising the nap and injecting into the garment a freshness and new finish desired by all dressers. Ladies skirts and suits a specialty. Charges range from 75c to \$1.25 on skirts and from \$1.25 to \$1.75 on suits for cleaning and pressing.

Charges for Cleaning and Pressing Men's Clothing.

Pressing 3-piece suit 75 cents; cleaning and pressing 3-piece suit \$1.50; pressing 2-piece suit 75 cents; cleaning and pressing 2-piece suit \$1.25; pressing coat 50 cents; cleaning and pressing coat 75 cents; pressing vest 25 cents; cleaning and pressing vest 50 cents; pressing trousers 25 cents; cleaning and pressing trousers 50 cents; pressing overcoat 75 cents; cleaning and pressing overcoat \$1.50.



HOFFMAN STEAM PRESS

CANYON TAILOR SHOP PHONE 12
GOODS CALLED FOR AND DELIVERED

The Official Tests show Dr. Price's Baking Powder to be most efficient in strength, of highest purity and healthfulness

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

No Alum, No Phosphate of Lime

Social and Personal Notes

NUTS! NUTS!! All kinds at The Leader. It

W. A. Bacon, of Lubbock, spent Sunday in the city at the I. L. Hunt home.

Did you know you could get Rice Pop Corn at The Leader? It

Mrs. Leslie Moreman, of Hereford, spent Sunday with Mrs. Tucker.

Cranberries and fresh oysters at the Leader. It

Mrs. Leo McDade and Mrs. Chas. McDade, of Hereford, went to Ft. Worth Sunday where they will visit with relatives.

Mrs. Slack was at the News office Saturday and says that the bazaar the ladies held at Ralph last week was very successful. They cleared about \$28 in all.

Get prices at The Leader and compare quality they offer. It

Leo McDade went to Wildorado Monday where he will drill a deep well.

Have you tried the celery The Leader handles? It will bring smiles. It

It is the Leader's aim to please. If we don't, let us know about it. It

One of the section houses of the Santa Fe burned last Thursday morning.

For Sale—Household goods, good buggy and harness. Jas. Vetesk. 3843

J. A. Grundy went to McLean Monday on matters of business.

Give the Leader your order for Christmas oranges and apples. It

For Sale—Good saddle at the livery barn. It

Attend the Civic Improvement League bazaar next Wednesday. Rev. J. M. Harder, of Plainview, was in the city Monday on business.

None better than Belle of Wichita. Sold and backed up by The Leader. It

Owing to the show last week the girls high school team was unable to go to Tulla. Weather permitting they will go Saturday.

For Sale—5 work mules and 1 horse. See Joe Eoster at The Leader. It

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Guttery, of Center, Mo., are visiting at the H. E. Maldrow home. They are on their way to Galveston.

If you want a bargain don't fail to see the saddle at the livery barn. It

Rev. M. E. Hawkins, of Canadian, visited the first of the week with his daughter, Mrs. D. A. Park.

A full line of men's, ladies and children's overshoes. The Leader. It

J. D. Gamble and W. L. Garner killed a wolf Monday afternoon southwest of the city. They had four hounds and chased the animal for considerable time before catching him.

For Sale—Good Jersey cow 6 years old giving milk. Henry Blazer, 2 miles east of town. 3843

J. A. Harbison is going around on crutches as the result of having a piano fall on his right knee last Saturday. As he was moving a new piano into the W. T. Garrett home and the snow was so slick on the wagon that the piano got away from those helping him and came down full force on his knee.

15 new overcoats \$17.50 to \$20 values, your choice for \$10. The Leader. It

Reports have come to Canyon during the week that Madame Yaw and her pianist have been very badly treated by boys in her audiences. In Amarillo the pianist was forced several times to stop during a rendition and speak to the offending parties. It is certainly too bad that people with too little brains to enjoy good music will persist in going to concerts for no other purpose than causing a disturbance. Canyon has been troubled on one or two occasions in this manner. Artists of ability do not need to come to towns of this size and when they are once disrespectfully treated they soon pass the word to others of their profession and the town is cut entirely. The News is giving notice of this fact not because we believe any person will openly insult Madam Yaw or the pianist, but simply to show what other towns have done and that when Miss Yaw leaves our city she may feel that she has never found a more appreciative or attentive audience than in Canyon.

HOME ENDORSEMENT.

Hundreds of Canyon Citizens Can Tell You All About It.

Home endorsement, the public expression of Canyon people, should be evidence beyond dispute for every Canyon reader. Surely the experience of friends and neighbors, cheerfully given by them, will carry more weight than the utterances of strangers residing in faraway places. Read the following:

J. D. Bailey, carpenter, Canyon, Texas, says: "I used only one box of Doan's Kidney Pills but they did me so much good that I did not think I needed any more. I had pains across my back and sides. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills so highly recommended by people I knew, I got a box and used them as directed with the result told above. I can highly recommend Doan's Kidney Pills, for they do just as advertised."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, Sole Agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. 37-2

(Advertisement)

Mr. and Mrs. James Vetesk have returned from Amarillo where they have been making their home for a few months. They are living at the parental Coffee home at present.

Your choice of 30 all wool suits all new fall goods, \$17.50 values for only \$10.00. The Leader. 1

LEADER SPECIAL FOR SATURDAY AND MONDAY

PECANS

A NEW SHIPMENT

15c per pound

WATCH THIS CORNER. Something doing here every week.

Boys clothing, Hercules and Widow Jones makes, all wool and new stuff at cost and less. The Leader. It

The Normal girls basketball team will go to Amarillo Saturday night to play the high school team whom they have twice defeated here.

All the ladies making contributions to the Civic Improvement bazaar should send them to the B. T. Johnson building early Wednesday morning.

H. E. Muldrow, J. C. Black and T. H. Stewart have chickens in Amarillo this week for the poultry show.



A Savings Account is the foundation of prosperity and every nickle saved in your household helps to build up your bank account.

Rub-No-More

Carbo-Naptho Soap and Washing Powder will save you money, because it will save your clothes. It saves your clothes, because it does away with the washboard—it saves your time, because it acts like magic in making dirt fly—it saves your health, because it disinfects your wash. No other soap has the combined qualities of Carbo and Naptho, the sanitary and quick cleaning fluids. Use both according to directions.

'Carbo' Disinfects Notifies the Odor

'Naptho' Cleans Watch Results

5¢ Per Package at your Grocers, try it and be convinced

RUB-NO-MORE COMPANY Fort Wayne - Indiana

A FEW FACTS

We now have the largest stock of groceries in Canyon. A peep into our store will convince you. We have received more canned goods this fall than any other house in town. The people at the freight depot will tell you this. The rapid Growth of our trade is the best proof that could be given in the way we treat our customers. Give us a trial. If we don't treat you right; if we don't save you money; if we don't sell you better goods than the other fellow for the same money, we don't ask for your trade.—Orton.

MADAME YAW



World-Famed Prima Donna Soprano will sing at the Normal auditorium

TONIGHT

This will be a rare opportunity to hear one of the greatest singers in the world for a very small price of admission.

The program starts promptly at 8 o'clock and no one will be admitted to the auditorium during the rendition of any number. Be prompt in order to hear all the program.

General admission 75 cents. Normal and Public School students 50 cents.

The Randall County News.
C. W. Warwick, Managing Editor.

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One year, in county	\$1.50
Six months	.75
Three months	.50
Two months	.40
One month	.25

Did you notice in last week's issue of the News what the commissioners court of Dallas county said about awarding contracts for county printing? They said that **ONLY DALLAS COUNTY PRINTERS** would be **CONSIDERED** in this matter. In other words they vehemently placed the toe of their boots against the seat of the any mail order concern's pants who has heretofore been getting all the printing of Dallas county. It is customary for every business man to fight every kind of a mail order concern excepting the printing mail order concern. County officials are especially prone to send every line of printing they want out of town without even giving the home man a chance to see what it is. The Dallas commissioners are up-to-date business

Calomel! Dangerous!

Is a warning that should be placed on every package of that drug. Any reputable physician will tell you that mercury should not be taken into the system and that it is only used by Doctors in extreme cases and then great care is used to eliminate it as soon as possible on account of the danger, both of salivation and the bad after effects of the drug. The frequent use of calomel, or mercury in any form, generally causes Rheumatism and other ills as an old age heritage.

Don't take Calomel, Salts, Castor Oil or nasty tasting Mineral Waters. When you are sick tongue coated, your head aches, and you feel bad generally, your Liver is out of order. You need **PODOLAX**. **PODOLAX** does not gripe nor sicken, tastes good and every bottle guaranteed to give entire satisfaction or you get your money back. 36m6.

(Advertisement)

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"Both, perhaps. Captain Grant's family and mine are neighbors—or were before war intervened—and between our fathers exists a life-long friendship. I could never consent to be the cause of his quarrelling with anyone, and I have reason to know how quick tempered he is."

"I have little use for any man who swaggers about seeking trouble," I returned, as she hesitated. "It has been my experience that there is usually cowardice back of such a disposition."

"Not in this case," earnestly. "Captain Grant's courage has been sufficiently tested already. I warn you not to presume on your theory so far as he is concerned. I advise the safer course."

"What is that?"

Her eyes met mine, smiling slightly, and yet grave enough in their depths. "To let this one dance prove sufficient reward for your act of rescue."

"You request this?"

"Oh, you must not place the entire burden of decision on me, sir. I can only suggest."

"Has Captain Grant any authority to dictate who shall be your partner?"

Her lashes lifted, and then fell before my gaze.

"He at least assumes the power, and generally with fair success. I must ask to be excused from discussing this matter further now, but—but," her voice trembled to a whisper, "I am sure your safety depends upon your leaving me."

Astonished by these words, suddenly wondering if she suspected me, scarcely comprehending what she meant, I stared into her face, as we circled the room. Grant stood stiffly against the wall where we left him, his eyes fastened moodily on the crowd; I realized his presence, yet my whole thought was concentrated on the girl, the strands of her hair brushing my lips, her steps lightly following the music, her eye downcast. Into the cheeks there came a flush of pink, and she glanced up to read the surprise in my face.

"Do I need to say more?"

"Yes, you must," I insisted, "you can never believe I would leave you because of personal fear."

"I did not know—at first. Now I realize it will require a higher motive to influence you; not love of life, but love of country."

I felt the closer clasp of her fingers on my guiding hand, and knew I took a deep breath of surprise.

"Lean your head just a little closer," she whispered. "I know you, Major Lawrence, and—and I wish you well."

How I kept to the measure I cannot imagine, for, in an instant, all my house of cards crumbled into nothingness. She knew me, this blue-eyed girl; knew me, and sought to aid my mission, this daughter of a loyalist, this lady of the Blended Rose. It was inconceivable, and yet a fact—my name had been whispered by her lips.

Suddenly she looked up laughing, as though to make others feel that we conversed lightly. We passed Grant, even as I held my breath, almost afraid to venture with words. Yet they would not be restrained.

"You certainly startled me; how do you know this? Surely we have never met before?"

"I refuse to be questioned, sir; it means nothing how I know—the fact that I do should be sufficient."

"Must Mistress Claire—"

"Rather Mistress Mortimer."

"Yet the captain called you Claire."

"And we were children together—you can scarcely claim such familiarity."

"I warrant you can name me."

"Allen, is it not, sir?"

"What was it the witch did not know! This was no guess work, surely, and yet how could her strange knowledge be accounted for? Sweet as the face was, greatly as it had attracted me, there was nothing to awaken a throb of memory. Surely I could never have seen her before, and forgotten; that would have been impossible. The music ceased, leaving us at the farther extremity of the hall.

"And now you will go?" she questioned eagerly.

"You mean, leave here?"

"Yes; you said once tonight, that but for me you would be riding yonder. I realized all you meant, and you must not remain. The guard lines are slack tonight, and you can get through, but if you wait until tomorrow it may be too late. Believe me, I am your friend, a friend of your cause."

"I do believe you; I could not connect you with deceit, but I am bewildered at this sudden exposure. Does Captain Grant also suspect my identity?"

"I think not—not yet, at least, for if he did you would be under arrest. But there are others here who would recognize you just as I have. There is no mystery about it. I was in Philadelphia when the Continental troops were here, and you were pointed out

to me then. No, we have never met, yet I was sure I recognized you this afternoon."

"I was pointed out to you by whom?"

"My brother—my twin brother on the staff of General Lee."

"Did you not inform me your family were loyalists?"

"Yes; it is true," earnestly, her foot tapping the floor, as though annoyed at such persistent questioning. "I have a father and brother in the king's service—but one is a renegade, and I—I—"

"You are what?"

"I am merely a woman, sir, unable to determine whether to finally become a loyalist or rebel."

"I looked gravely into her eyes until they fell, veiling their revelation of truth behind long lashes.

"Mistress Mortimer," I murmured, bending so close to her pink ear, I felt the soft touch of her hair on my lips, "you dissemble so charmingly as to even puzzle me. But if I leave you now, as you request, I must first have promise of welcome again."

"Then you mean to return—a prisoner? I am always merciful to the suffering."

"No; we are coming back to Philadelphia victors, and soon. I am not afraid to tell you. I have learned much today, and go back to report to Washington that the exchange of British commanders means the early evacuation of the city. When we meet again you will not be a lady of the Blended Rose, nor will I be wearing this uniform."

Her eyes sparkled brightly into mine, then dropped demurely.

"I—I rather like the colors you are wearing now, and am sure this dress is most becoming. I—I have a passion for masquerade."

"I recognize that, but have already discovered where I can read the truth beyond the masque—what is occurring now?"

She turned to look, attracted as I had been by the change and bustle about us. A few feet from where we stood conversing, large folding doors, previously concealed by draperies, were suddenly flung wide open, revealing a magnificent dining hall. Dazzled by the magnificent spectacle, I turned to my companion, unable to resist temptation. She must have instantly read the purpose in my face, for she grasped my arm.

"No; you must not think of remaining a moment longer. There will be a seat reserved for me, and Captain Grant is coming this way now. Something is wrong, I am sure; I have no time to explain, but promise me you will leave here at once—at once."

Her eyes, her words, were so insistent I could not refuse, although as I glanced about I felt convinced there was no danger in this assemblage, not a familiar face meeting mine. At the instant Grant came up, elbowing his way through the press, and staring insolently into my eyes, even as he bowed politely to the lady beside me.

"At least this is my privilege," he insisted, "unless there be another previous engagement of which I am ignorant."

"Oh, no," and she rested her hands on the green sleeve, smiling from his face into mine. "We were waiting for you to come. Goodnight, Lieutenant Fortesque."

They had taken a step or two, when Grant halted, holding her arm tightly as he glanced back to where I stood.

"Would Lieutenant Fortesque spare me a moment after I have found the lady a seat?" he questioned politely.

"Gladly, if you do not keep me waiting too long."

"Then there will be no delay. Shall we say the parlor below?"

I mowed, conscious of the mute appeal in the lady's face, yet with no excuse for refusal.

"As well there as anywhere, sir."

Once again we bowed with all the punctilious ceremony of mutual dislike, and he whispered something into her ear as they disappeared in the stream of people. My cheeks burned with indignation at his cool insolence. What could it mean? Was he merely seeking a quarrel? or was there something else concealed behind this request? In either case I knew not how to act, and yet felt no inclination to avoid the meeting. Studying over the situation I pushed my way through the crowd across the floor of the ball-room. There were a few people still lingering on the stairs, but, except for the servants, the parlors below were deserted. I walked the length of one of the great rooms, and halted in front of a fireplace to await Grant's coming. I was eager to have this affair settled, and be off. I comprehended now the risk I had assumed by remaining so long, and began to feel the cords of entanglement drawing about me. There was a door opposite where I stood, and, staring toward it, I saw it open slightly, and, back in the darkness, the beckoning of a hand. Startled, yet realizing that

it must mean me, I stepped closer, gripping the hilt of my sword, half suspecting treachery.

"Quick," and I recognized the deep contralto of the voice. "Don't stop to question; there is not a moment to lose."

CHAPTER V.

The Threat of Swords.

Stepping from the glare of those gleaming parlor lights into the gloom of that narrow passage, blinded me for the instant, yet a moment later, I became aware of the distant glimmer of a candle, the faint reflection revealing the girl's face.

"Please do not talk; do not ask anything—yet," she urged hurriedly, noiselessly closing the door at my back, and as instantly gripping my sleeve. Her breath came quickly; her voice trembled from suppressed excitement. "Come with me, beyond the light yonder."

I followed her guidance, bewildered, yet having every confidence the reason for this mysterious occurrence must be fully justified. The passage curved slightly, terminating at a closed door. Scarce a reflection of the candle reached us here, yet my eyes were by now sufficiently accustomed to the gloom so that I could trace the outlines of her face. A vague doubt took possession of me.

"You are causing me to run away from Grant," I protested blindly. "You are making me appear afraid to meet him."

"No, it is not that," swiftly. "He was not coming to you personally at all—you were to be arrested!"

"What! He knew me then?"

"I am not sure—some one did, and mentioned his suspicions. Captain Grant was glad enough of an excuse, no doubt, but he," the soft voice faltering, "he made a mistake in twitting me for being friendly toward you."

"And you came to warn, to save me!" I exclaimed, pressing her hand.

"That was nothing; I could do no less. I am only glad I knew the way."

"You mean how you might reach me first?"

"Yes; it came to me in a flash when he first left me alone, only I was not certain in which parlor you would be waiting. I ran through the kitchen and down the back stairs; I helped the officers plan their decorations, and in that way learned of this private passage beneath the stairs. It was easy, but—oh, listen! they are in there now!"

We could hear voices through the intervening wall clearly enough to even distinguish words, as the speakers exercised little restraint. I felt the girl's slender figure press against me in the narrow space where we stood, and I clung to her hand, both remaining motionless and silent.

"That fellow has run, Grant," boomed some one hoarsely, "either afraid, or else what you say he is. See here, boy, did you see anyone in here lately in scarlet jacket?"

"I don't just remember, sah," answered a negro, hesitatingly. "I was busy over dar' cleanin' de sideboard."

"Well, he's not here now, that's certain," broke in Grant impatiently, "and we've been in all the parlors? What next, MacHugh?"

"Try to head him off before he can get out of the city, of course. That's his game, probably. Osborne, have Carter come here at once. Why didn't you nab the fellow upstairs, Captain? Fool play that, sending him down here."

"I didn't wish to create a row in the ball-room; he was with Claire Mortimer—"

"Oh, I see," laughing coarsely. "Something besides military duty involved, eh?"

"Till trouble you to be a trifle more careful, MacHugh," Grant said stiffly. "The fellow did her a small service in the afternoon, and she couldn't refuse dancing with him, as he was in uniform, and apparently all right. I advise you to drop that part of the affair. Here's Carter now."

I could hear the click of the newcomer's spurs as he crossed the room. MacHugh chuckled.

"Touchy about it just the same, I see; however, we'll pass up the lady. Carter, there has been a spy in here tonight, calling himself Lieutenant Fortesque, of the 42nd Regiment. He came through the lines this morning with despatches for Howe, I understand. Did you meet him?"

"No, sir, but one of my men was riding about with him all day—Watts; I heard him telling about it an hour ago."

"Is that so? Where'd they go?"

"Covered everything, I judge, from Callowhill to the Lower Battery. Watts said he asked questions of everybody they met, but he didn't take any notes. He liked the fellow, but thought he was mighty inquisitive. Where is he now, sir?"

"The devil knows, I don't, and you'll have to find out. He'll head north-west likely; he'll never try to cross the river here. How many men have you?"

"Twenty."

"Scatter them to every north post. The fellow had no horse, and your troopers can easily get ahead of him. Hurry up now." Carter departed with click of steel, and MacHugh evidently turned to his companion.

"We'll catch the lad all right, Grant. Some of those outposts will nab him before daylight. No use our waiting around here; let's go back upstairs."

The girl's nervous grasp on my arm tightened, her lips pressed close to my ear.

"I must get back to my place at the table," she whispered. "Surely you know what to do; this is a rear door; there are stables a hundred feet away; you must get a horse, and ride fast—

you—your will do this!"

"Yes, of course—but how can I thank you?"

"Don't try; don't ever even think of it again. I hardly know what mad impulse sent me here. Now I have but one thought—to hurry you away, and get safely back myself—you will go?"

"Yes—but—"

"Not now! there is no time for explanation, promises, anything. You heard what they said; every avenue of escape will be blocked within an hour. If you go at once you can outride them—please, please go!"

She held out her hand, and I grasped it warmly, unable longer to



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war against the pitiful appeal in her voice.

"Yes, I'll go, at once. But I take away with me a memory which will never permit me to be satisfied until we meet again. We have been together so short a time—"

"Had it been longer," she interrupted, "you would know me better, and care less, perhaps. I am a sham; a cheat," a trifle of bitterness in the tone. "You will learn all that some day, and laugh at yourself. Oh, I know you will; so not another word, sir. I am going; then, perhaps, you will."

There was a slight pressure of her fingers, and she had vanished so quickly I could only stare blindly along the deserted passage. Yet, an instant later, the peril of my predicament flashed back upon my mind, and I faced the immediate necessity for action.

What her strange words might mean could not be interpreted; I made no attempt to comprehend. Now I must find means of escape, and learn the truth later. I opened the door cautiously, and stepped without, every nerve taut, every muscle braced for action. It was a starlit night, and the numerous rear windows of the mansion cast a glare of light for some distance. The dark shadow of a high fence alone promised concealment, and, holding my sword tightly, I crept in that direction, breathing again more freely as I reached its protection unobserved. There was a guard stationed before the stable door—a Grenadier, from the outline of his hat—and others, a little group, were sitting on the grass a dozen feet away. If they had not been already warned I might gain a horse by boldness, but the probability was that here was where Carter had mounted his squad, and I would merely walk forward into a trap. I had better chance the possibility that some visitor had left a horse tied in front, or to one of the stables. With this possibility in mind I turned, and skirted the house, making myself as inconspicuous as possible. There were soldiers on the outside steps; I heard their voices without seeing them, and was thus driven to run swiftly across an open space, memory guiding me toward the opposite pavilion. Breathless, with heart beating fast, I crouched low in the shadow, endeavor-

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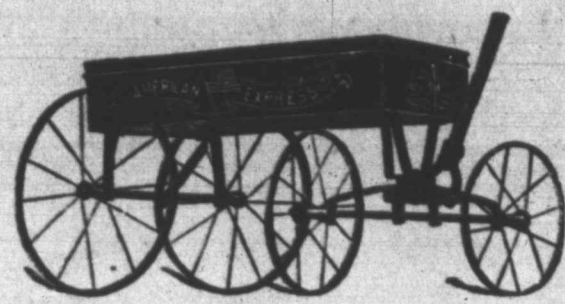
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either. It is probable that a field previously unsuited to alfalfa may be found favorable for it after Sweet clover has grown there.

Its ability to improve soils lies not only in gathering nitrogen from the air and storing it in the earth where grown, as do other legumes, but also in its uncommonly large roots, penetrating to considerable depths, perforating and sub-dividing the subsoil. Decaying they contribute humus, and the innumerable openings they cause admit air, light and moisture. Used for green manuring its value as a soil im-

prover is still greater. The Illinois station finding that an acre of Sweet clover yielding 6½ tons of dry matter would furnish as much humus-forming material as 25 tons of barnyard manure. This action of its roots is especially beneficial to land that is sandy or too stiff and tenacious, as gumbo and hardpan. It thrives where humid conditions prevail, yet is notably drouth resisting.

Those who have had experience with it are praiseful of Sweet clover for pasture and hay. It provides early and late grazing about equal to alfalfa and Red clover, but without their tendency to bloat ruminants. Mixed with timothy and bluegrass or in native pastures it is well spoken of by its advocates. In its second year it is ready to graze upon as early as April. It may be thus used the first year until after killing frosts, and if not kept eaten too short a cutting of hay may be secured also. It requires no aftermath for protection through the winter.

Oats, for pasture or grain, are not uncommonly sown with it, and some seed in winter wheat with it in the spring, as with Red clover. It will probably do better, however, sown alone, and particularly if the season be dry, in which case it would need all the moisture. When seeded with a nurse, as oats or barley, using about three-fourths the seed commonly sown of either of the latter, a grain crop may be harvested unless rains are insufficient, when it should be cut for

hay, in either case setting the sickle bar high. When the grain is harvested, a good crop of excellent hay may be had in the fall, preferably after light frosts. It may be cut as close to the ground as desired at this season of the year without injury as the crown sprouts have developed beneath the surface soil, and successfully weather the severest winter. When cut early, though, say in June or July, 4 to 6 inches of stubble should be left, for cutting too close then will kill the clover, as its sprouts have not yet started. It is important that in its second year it be cut high. Cases are known where cutting in June, 10 inches high resulted in killing the clover in spots.

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Sweet clover may also follow either early oats or barley, but should be put in promptly after harvesting, for if sown late, say in August, it may not survive the winter in northern latitudes. Early spring sowing is best, as a rule, and the seedbed should not be freshly prepared. Sown on native or tame grass sod which has been plowed and disked, and worked down, a stand is practically certain.

It does not seed the first season, and is usually cut when attaining its maximum growth in autumn. The second year it is sturdier and more vigorous, growing coarser and higher, and produces a heavy tonnage in two or three cuttings of hay, according to location, or one to two of hay and one of seed. It seeds and dies the second year. When pasture, if not carrying too many animals, it will reseed itself, thus furnishing permanent grazing.

The second year's hay is cut at various stages. The preferable time is just before blooming, perhaps in June, and a seed or other hay crop will come later. Of course, if pastured until June, then the hay crop would mature in weather ordinarily much better for curing. Excellent hay has been secured by harvesting when in full bloom or a little later, with a self-binder, the bundles being placed in small shocks, and later stacked. This saves a large percentage of the leaves, which approximate in value those of alfalfa, pound for pound, and are practically the equivalent of bran in the feeding

ration. Ordinarily, however, it is cut with a mower, and handled much the same as in curing alfalfa or Red clover. It should be put in the cock green enough so there will be a minimum of loss from shattering. A rain falling on the freshly bunched clover does little if any damage, as the stems being smooth shed water better than either alfalfa or the true clovers but it takes longer to cure, as the larger stalks contain more moisture.

It demands a firm seed bed as does alfalfa. This is suggested by its natural habits of growth in abundantly reseeding itself along highways, for instance, where no cultivation or preparation is made. It may be broadcasted, covering lightly with a harrow.

Those situated where Red clover and alfalfa seem unreliable or out of the question might do well to experiment with a patch of Sweet clover. If not liked it is easily eradicated. There is doubtless a great deal to learn about this plant that experience and experiment will reveal.

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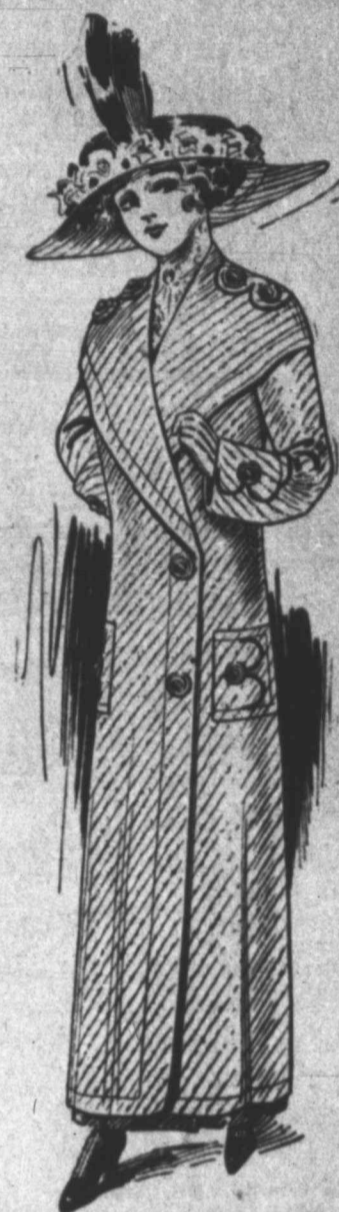
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Fancy evaporated apricots per lb	12-12
Fancy evaporated peaches per lb	.10
Fancy evaporated raisins per lb	.08
Fancy evaporated prunes per lb	.10
1 gal White Swan syrup	.65
1 gal Scudders Maple syrup	1.25

My Lady of Doubt

BY RANDALL PARRISH
 Author of "Lion Under Fire," "My Lady of the North" and other stories
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ing to make out my more immediate surroundings. There were no horses there, but I could clearly distinguish the stomping of restless hoofs somewhere to the right. As I straightened up, determined upon discovering an empty saddle if possible, the figure of a man suddenly loomed directly in front, advancing toward me. In startled surprise I took one step backward, but was too late. Already the eyes of the newcomer had perceived my presence, and he sprang forward, tugging at his sword.

"Hold on there! hold on!" he commanded shortly. "Who are you? What the devil are you skulking about out here for?"

It was Grant beyond a doubt; I would recognize the peculiar snarl of that voice in a thousand. He had not gone upstairs then; had not rejoined the lady in the dining-room. What would she think of his absence? What would she do when she realized its probable meaning? Someway I was not frightened, at this meeting him, but glad—if those others would only keep away, and let us settle the affair between us. Here was his test—a coward would cry out an alarm; summon the guard to his assistance, but, if the fellow's nerve only held, or if he hated me badly enough, he'd fight it out alone. All this came to me in a flash, and the words of challenge spoken before he even grasped the thought of who I was.

"So I have discovered you, have I? Why did you fail to keep our appointment within?"

He drew up sharply with an oath, peering at me through the dark, bewildered by my speech.

"The spy! Ye gods, what luck! Do you mean to insinuate I ran away, sir?"

"How else could I interpret it?" I questioned coolly, determined to taunt him to action. "I waited where you told me till I was tired. Perhaps you will oblige me by explaining your purpose."

He muttered something, but without comprehending its purport I went on threateningly:

"And I think you made use of the word spy just now. Did you mistake me for another?"

"Mistake you? No; I'd know you in hell," he burst forth, anger making his voice tremble. "I called you a spy, and you are one, you sneaking night rat. You never waited for me in the parlor; if you had you'd now be under arrest."

"Oh, so that was the plan?"

"Yes, that was it, Mister Lieutenant Fortesque."

"Well, Grant," I said sternly, "I've got just one answer to make you. You can call your guard, or you can fight it out with me here. Whichever you choose will depend upon whether you are a man, or a cur." I took a step nearer, watching him as best I could in the dark. "You are an unmitigated liar, sir," and with sudden sweep of the arm I struck him with open hand. "Probably you will realize what that means."

For an instant he remained so still I doubted him, even held him cheap; then the breath surged through his clenched teeth in a mad oath. He surged toward me, but my sword was out, the steel blocking his advance.

"You—you actually mean fight?"

"Why not? Isn't that cause enough? If not I will furnish more."

"I do not fight spies—"

"Stop! That silly charge is merely an excuse. You do not believe it yourself. You wanted a quarrel yonder in the ball-room. The expression of your eyes was an insult. Don't evade now. I am here, wearing the uniform of the British army. I have every right of a gentleman, and you will cross swords, or I'll brand you coward wherever there is an English garrison."

I saw the sudden flash of his drawn blade, and lunged up my own in guard.

"Wait; not here, Captain," I insisted quickly. "We're far too near your watchful friends yonder; besides the light is poor. Let's try our fortunes beyond the pavilion, where it can be simply man to man."

He turned without a word, and I followed, eager enough to have done with the business. The stars gleamed on the naked weapons held in our hands, but we exchanged no words until we had rounded the corner and come forth into the open space beyond.

CHAPTER VI

The One Hope.

As he stopped and faced about, I was instantly halted.

"Perhaps this spot may satisfy your requirements," he said sarcastically. "Tis far enough away at least, and the light is not so bad."

"It will do," I replied, and threw my

scarlet jacket on the grass. "Strip to the whites, sir, and then we can see fairly well where to strike. That's better. On guard!"

He came at me fiercely enough, confident of his mastery of the weapon, and, no doubt, expecting me to prove an easy victim of his skill. His first onslaught, a trick thrust under my guard, caused me to give back a step or two, and this small success yielded him the over-confidence I always prefer that an opponent have. I was young, agile, cool-headed, instructed since early boyhood by my father, a rather famous swordsman, in the mysteries of the game, yet I preferred that Grant should deem me a novice. With this in mind, and in order that I might better study the man's style, I remained strictly on defense, giving way slightly before the confident play of his steel, content with barely turning aside the gleaming point before it pricked me. At first he mistook this for weakness, sneering at my parries, as he bore in with increasing recklessness.

"A club would be more in your line, I take it, Mr. Lieutenant Fortesque," he commented sarcastically, "but I'll play with you a while for practice—ah! that was a lucky turn of the wrist! So you do know a trick or two? Perhaps you have a parry for that thrust as well! Ah! an inch more and I'd have pricked you—your defense is not bad for a boy! By all the gods, I tasted blood then—now I'll give you a harder nut to crack!"

I was fighting silently, with lips closed husbanding my breath, scarcely hearing his comments. Every stroke, every thrust, gave me insight of his school, and instinctively my blade leaped forth to turn aside his point. He was a swordsman, stronger than I, and of longer reach, yet his tricks were old, and he relied more on strength than subtlety of fence. He countered with skill, laughing and taunting me, until his jeers made me fight grimly, with fresh determination to end the affair.

"By God! you have a right pretty thrust from the shoulder," he exclaimed. "Been out before, I take it. But I'll show you something you never learned. Odds, I'll call your boy's play!"

"Better hold your breath, for you'll need it now," I replied shortly. "The boy's play is over with."

Step by step I began sternly to force the fighting, driving my point against him so relentlessly as to hush his speech. Twice we circled, striking, countering, fighting, our blades glittering ominously in the starlight, our breathing labored with the fierceness of the fighting. Both our swords tasted blood, he slicing my forearm, I piercing his shoulder, yet neither wound sufficed to bring any cessation of effort. We were mad now with the fever of it, and struggling to kill, panting fiercely, our faces flushed, the perspiration dripping from our bodies, our swords darting swiftly back and forth. He was my match, and more, and had we been permitted to go on to the end, would have worn me down by sheer strength. Suddenly, above the clash of steel, came the sound of voices; our blades were struck up, and the dark forms of men pressed in between us.

"Stop it, you heathens!" some one commanded gruffly. "Hold your man, Tolston, until I get at the reason for this fighting. Who are you? Oh, Grant! What's the trouble now? The old thing, eh?"

I had no desire to wait his answer, confident that Grant was sufficiently

angry to blurt out everything he knew. They were all facing his way, actuated by the recognition. Breathless still, yet quick to seize the one and only chance left, I grabbed up my jacket from the grass, and sprang into the darkness. I had gained a hundred feet before those behind grasped the meaning of my unexpected flight, and then the tumult of voices only sent me flying faster, realizing the pursuit. The only open passage led directly toward the river, and I raced through the black night down the slope as though all the fiends of hell were after me. I heard shouts, oaths, but there was no firing, and was far enough ahead to be invisible by the time I attained the bank. An open barge lay there, a mere black smudge, and I stumbled blindly across this,

dropping silently over its side into the water. It was not thought, but breathless inability to attempt more, which kept me there, clinging to a slat on the side of the barge, so completely submerged in the river, as to be invisible from above. Swearing fiercely, my pursuers stormed over the barge, swinging their swords along the edges to be sure I was not there.

One blade pricked me slightly, but I held on, sinking yet deeper into the stream. I could see the dim outline of heads peering over, but was not discovered. The same gruff voice which had interrupted the duel broke through the noise:

"I tell you be turned to the left; I saw him plainly enough. What did you say the fellow's name was, Grant?"

"How do I know? He called himself Fortesque."

"Sure; the same one Carter was sent out hunting after. Well, he dodged down there among those coal sheds. This is the only way he could have disappeared so suddenly. Come on, all of you, except Moore and Cartaret, and we'll beat the shore."

I heard them scramble across to the bank, but there were sounds also proving the guards left behind were still on the deck above me. Then one of the fellows sat down on the edge of the barge, his feet dangling within a few inches of my head.

"Might as well take it easy, Bill," he said lazily. "They're like to be an hour layin' hands on the lad, an' all we got to do is see he don't fox back this way. Got any tobacco, mate?"

The other must have produced the necessary weed, for there was a scraping of flint and steel, a gleam of fire glinting on the water, and then the pungent odor wafted to me in puff of smoke. With one hand, I unbuckled my sword belt, letting it, sword and all, sink silently into the river. I must cross to the opposite bank somehow, and would have to dispense with the weapon. Inch by inch, my fingers gripping the narrow slat to which I clung, I worked slowly toward the stern of the barge, making not so much as a ripple in the water, and keeping well hidden below the bulge of the side. The voices above droned along in conversation, of which I caught a few words.

"Who was he? You mean the lad they're after down yonder? Oh, I mind now, you came up later after we'd started the chase. Holy Mother, I don't know much myself, now I come to think of it. He looked like a Britisher, what I saw of him, an' he was fightin' with a Captain of Rangers—Grant was the name; maybe you know the man?—behind one of the stands."

(Continued Next Week)

Mrs. Travis Shaw spent Monday in Amarillo.

Ellen Beach Yaw, Normal auditorium tonight.

Wayside Items.

Rev. B. T. Sharp delivered a very interesting lecture at Beula Sunday morning.

W. C. Butler, mother and her family moved to the Wilson place last week.

W. R. Franklin and family have moved to the Saal place which he has rented for the coming year.

Quite a number of farmers have killed bees lately.

J. W. McCreery returned from a trip to Kansas last week.

Mrs. Emma Jackson and daughter, Miss Annie, have returned from a month's visit to Oklahoma.

We understand Mrs. M. B. Furr, formerly of this county, lost her property in Oklahoma by fire, no insurance.

Marvin Sluder fell at school last Tuesday striking his right knee on the cement rained hurtling him very seriously.

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