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BETTER PAY YOUR POLL TAX BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 1905

NO GAS NOR BIG WINDIES BARGAINS! BARGAINS!! ALL BARGAINS!!!

Not at actual cost but what it will cost you to let your judgment be your guide. Our goods must go and we will from this date until January first meet all "windies" or present schemes to sell by others

D. R. GASS & SONS, Hereford Texas

Items From Dimmitt

John Droke made a business trip to Hereford last week.

Miss Bula and Jessie Head were visiting in town the past week.

There were but few at the singing Sunday night. It was too cold for some.

M. A. Kiser spent the night with his friend, Sheriff Press Burnam, Thursday night.

Harvey Cash is moving to his new home this week. Judge M. F. Barber is moving to the house which Mr. Cash vacated.

The carpenters, Mr. Feemster and Mr. Worley, began on the camp and grain house of A. P. Eaton and Mr. Jones, which completes their wagon yard.

There was no school Friday on account of Prof. Woodlee being sick, but he was able by Monday to perform his duty in the school room again.

LOIS EATON.

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BELL BROTHERS

CLEO COMMUNITY

Doings in Castro County as Reported by Our Correspondent.

J. H. Henderson visited his old friend, Bob Smith of New Mexico, last week.

Miss Hellen Turner of Dimmitt spent last Saturday and Sunday with Miss Etta Dixon of Cleo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith and father, W. M. Smith, of near Dimmitt visited W. S. Dixon and family Saturday and Sunday.

J. T. Gilbreath, on account of Toothache, was compelled to make a trip to Hereford through the snow last week to see the dentist.

Miss Lenna Greer, who is teaching our school, hasn't missed a day during this cold spell and the school is progressing nicely under her management. We have about thirty pupils in regular attendance.

Was glad to see the communication from Hart last week. Come again T. W. H. as we believe that is the only way to get the news from all over the country as this country is too large for the BRAND reporter to get all over it, unless he is a pretty good woodsman.

F. A. Henderson has the lumber on the ground to finish up his house with, but on account of the severe cold, work may be delayed for some time. Mr. Henderson contemplates putting drop siding all over his house and painting it sometime in the near future, and when finished he will have one of the prettiest homes in Cleo community.

Everything is white with snow at this writing and has been ever since last Tuesday morning. All anyone can do is to sit by the fire and feed his stock. We are feeding twice a day. All the grass we have is entirely wrapped up in ice. Stock don't get anything to eat except what we feed them. While it is hard on stock, we think the more snow and ice we have this winter the better it will be for the farming interests of the country, as we know from experience that farming without moisture doesn't pay and it seems from what I can learn that the people of this community haven't become discouraged on account of short crops last year as some of our neighbors are buying good farm implements.

Hereford Fuel Oil Co.
For best coal and Ice. Troy Womble, manager—phone 76. 9th

Items From Hart.

News is very scarce this week as every one is tied up at home feeding, building fires, etc.

Mrs. J. N. Bryant slipped and fell a few days ago and hurt her hand and elbow which is very painful.

W. W. Parker's mules and a young horse ran into the wire fence and was cut badly, not able to go to water.

G. B. Edwards, who raised a lot of feed for sale, has found more buyers this spell than he has feed. It is always up to the man that works. J. C. McLain, the foreman of the A. R. Biggs' ranch, was the lucky man.

C. F. Elkins passed through Hart Wednesday morning with a bunch of stock horses. Suppose he was taking them over to or near Tuhia. They seemed to be in good shape and he ought to be able to make lots of money raising mules as they are worth from \$40 to \$50 at yearlings.

D. E. Wise states that he has two bales of cotton on his wagons in the field and that the weather is too bad to even get it to the gin. He don't want to sell the lint but his seed is all promised and he must have it ginned to get the seed for his neighbors. If we all had a few bales on hand we would not think it unsafe to hold. We would surely not burn it. It will pay us to raise it for its feeding value. If the lint is a good price pick it, if not let the old cow have it and she will get fat and such weather as we are having will not hurt her.

T. W. H.

A Shop in Small Ranch.

540 acres patented land, 12 miles from Hereford. Well improved. Good house, well and windmill, small orchard, 100 acres in field, \$300 worth of baled millet and feed, 2 wagons, disk plow, new mower and rake and other farming implements. Owner has to sell and it all goes for \$3000—\$800 on long time, or \$5 per acre if land is sold separately.

B. W. MILLER,
Land Agent.

Other ranches for sale, large or small.

Duck Hunting.

Geo. W. Dale spent Wednesday afternoon and night at the ranch of Clarence Wheeler down the river, the primary purpose of the visit being a duck hunt with Mr. Wheeler.

COLLEGE ITEMS

Our motto: Ever advancing. School is doing nicely—everybody studying hard.

We are glad to welcome Earle Gough with us after a few days' sickness.

Miss Lura Jowell and Miss Prilla Stanley will matriculate in a few days, we are informed.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather the pupils are in their respective rooms every morning ready for the day's work.

The following have matriculated since the holidays: Mrs. Smith, Miss Merline Patton, Virgil Easley, Ezra Norton, Murphey Looney and Edgar Cox.

The University Board has been so good as to send us a first-class music and oratory teacher in the person of Miss Winans. The welfare of the town largely depends upon the prosperity of the college. We ask the friends of the school to patronize Miss Winans. In a letter to the principal upon this subject, Pres. Zollars says: "If the people of Hereford want a good strong school, they ought to patronize it rather than outside forces."

Reading Club.

The reading club met Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hawkins and was pronounced a decided success—much owing to the hospitality of the hostess together with the very interesting subject in hand, namely, Poe's "Raven." The poem was discussed from every point of view both literally and figuratively and many were the ideas expressed as to who Lenore was—also, the mystified Raven. Our teacher took the stand that Poe was suffering remorse of conscience (we wonder if Mr. Hawkins has experienced some such remorse coming in the form of a raven) while Miss Griffith ably met him with the argument that Poe was merely trying to grasp some over-powering thought that was gradually dawning upon his mind.

Installation of Officers.

At the regular meeting of the I. O. O. F. Thursday night, the following officers, who were recently elected, were installed:

W. H. Russell, Noble Grand; Robert Brazil, Vice Grand; J. H. Cardwell, Secretary; P. L. Johnson, Treasurer.

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T. R. REAGAN, Manager

T. M. Coulson & Co.

The New Corner Drug Store
HEREFORD, TEXAS

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We are now in possession of J. P. Harding's prescription file dating from the present time back five or six years and we can refill any prescription from this file

T. M. COULSON & CO.

..Druggists...

CANNERIES IN THE SOUTH.

Paper by John T. Garner Before
Fruit and Truck Exchange at
Jacksonville, Texas.

Canning and preserving fruits and vegetables is becoming of great interest and profit to the southern fruit growers. Ten years ago there were only a few large canning factories in the south. A great many have failed on account of unskilled labor and inadequate supply of fruits and vegetables. The investment ranging all the way from \$1,500 to \$20,000, running from one to three months, the result could only be failure.

Pioneers in the canning business may have experienced some doubt as to the stability of the business, but fruit and vegetable canning is now as firmly established as any industry of this country, and the most sanguine enthusiast can hardly overrate the possibilities of its still further development. With increasing civilization, as we are pleased to call it, the demand for prepared food grows steadily. The individual becomes more and more dependent on his fellow man, and the vocation of each tends toward a limited and special line of occupation, in which the individual serves his fellow men, with nearly all his own demands met and sustained through the facilities furnished by the activity of others in various occupations. His demands constantly grow more and more exacting as his so-called civilization increases, tending toward a general demand that his time, devoted to his pleasure and the service

The Commoner

Mr. Bryan's Paper

Now is the time to secure Mr. Bryan's paper. All democrats need the paper and Mr. Bryan needs the support and co-operation of all true friends of reform. The Commoner has commenced to organize the democratic hosts for 1908. Mr. Bryan's advocacy through The Commoner of public ownership of railroad and telegraph systems, the election of U. S. judges and U. S. Senators by popular vote, direct legislation, the overthrow of private monopolies, tariff reform and other issues, insures interesting and instructive reading as well as new life to the party. The Commoner and The Brand both one year for the low price of \$1.75.

of his fellows, be economized, and that his necessities and luxuries be furnished to his hand ready for his use and enjoyment in such form as to require the minimum amount of effort on his part in partaking of them. Given a constantly increasing population, carried by necessity into this system of life, the possibilities of the development of the business of preparing food cooked and hermetically sealed ready for immediate use, stands without an equal in the certainty of permanency, and the limit of its development can with difficulty be estimated. Owing to the rapid improvement in methods and appliances for reducing cost, the selling prices of canned products have been reduced to figures which now bring canned goods within the reach of all classes of consumers.

The question naturally arises: Can the business be established and successfully conducted as a permanent and profitable business at a given point? On this point we will say that many failures in the canning business, can be cited, but in the great majority of cases such failures have been brought about by natural causes which conduce to failure in any line of business; but properly started, with all requisites of success taken into consideration, the business can be established and conducted as permanently and as profitably as the manufacture of any other staple goods.

The best varieties of tomatoes to grow for canning are the New Stone, Favorite, Livingston Beauty, Acme, Trophy and Champion. The New Stone is the favorite and is grown for nearly all of the canners in the central states and the east. In selecting a tomato for canning purposes you should select the one that ripens evenly, with little core, good bright red color, and one that has a good tough skin that will not crack from handling, and one that is perfectly round and smooth.

The seed should be grown in hot beds and as soon as the weather will permit and all danger of frost is past, transferred to the field. The plants are usually set out by hand, selecting a day when the soil is moist. Better results have been obtained by using a machine made for this purpose, which not only sets the plants in the hill, but waters and fertilizes them at the same time.

The yield per acre depends largely on the condition of soil and weather. Too much wet weather or too much dry weather will sometimes shorten the crop one-half. Good loamy soil produces the largest crops when plants are properly set. Where the ground is very rich plants should be

set from four and one-half to five feet apart. If you do not do this the tomatoes will not ripen on account of not having sufficient sun. Good loamy soil has been known to produce as high as twenty tons to the acre, while some very poor soil has not produced over three tons. Canners should not figure on an average of more than six tons (200 bushels) in selling futures, figuring 500 cans to the ton.

When the tomatoes are ripe they should be brought to the factory in slatted crates, not more than 8 inches deep, and it is advisable to have the ends of crates project about one inch above the sides, so that when the crates are set on top of each other they will not mash the tomatoes.

The average price paid to growers in central and eastern states is \$6.00 per ton, or 18 cents per bushel; while a few factories are only paying \$5.00 and \$5.50 per ton, and a few in Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey are paying \$6.50 and \$7.00 per ton. The latter prices are only paid where the growers have been unfortunate in not being blessed with good crops.

The most successful canning that has come under my observation is by small canneries, conducted by small companies and individual farmers who plant a few acres in tomatoes, beans and other stuff. As a canner the farmer, taking his own hands and local help, becomes more independent year by year. When the people do the canning and preserving, the trusts are knocked out. Hand packed stuff put up by these small canners is the cleanest, is of much higher grade, and has a better sale than the machine packed stuff, which is bruised and mashed.

One of the best routes out of the boll weevil problem, in my opinion, is to invade their territory with these small canneries—put one or two in every neighborhood. I hear some one say that you would glut the market. You must remember that the world has to be fed, and the people are eating canned goods.

By our method of canning we retain the flavor of the ripe stuff. Then these small canners are a protection to the truck farmer. When prices run low he can save his stuff by canning it, thereby saving his crop, when it would otherwise rot in the field.

Dissolution Notice.

Hereford, Texas, Jan. 11, 1905.

The partnership heretofore existing between the firm of Witherspoon & Gough, and S. J. Dodson has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Witherspoon & Gough will continue as formerly, while Mr. Dodson will still have his offices with them and will devote his time exclusively to law and collections.

We assure the public that the most friendly relations exist among us, and that as far as consistent our efforts will be united. Appreciating your generous patronage in the past, we are,

Yours very truly,
WITHERSPOON & GOUGH,
S. J. DODSON. 48-4f

Christian Church Services.

From this date there will be preaching by the undersigned at the Hereford Christian church the first, second and fourth Sundays in each month. The Presbyterians use the house on the third Sunday. Sunday school at 10 a. m. each Lord's day, Judge Gough, Supt. Christian Endeavor at 4 p. m., Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Singing practice Friday evening. You are cordially invited to worship with our congregation. JESSE B. HASTON, Pastor.

See Miss Day Dayso and her troupe of trained pigeons.



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You have been worrying along with that old worn-out machine long enough. Let me send you out a first-class "White" or "New Home" machine and take your old one part pay. Cheap for cash or on easy payments.

A life-time guaranteed Machine for
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WHEN THE KIDNEYS ARE AILING.

The Urgent Need of Prompt Restorative Measures is Something That Every One Should Understand.

"A Stitch in Time Saves Nine."

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Accept no substitute. Insist on having the genuine Prickly Ash Bitters with the large figure 8 in red on the front label.

Sold at Drug Stores. \$1.00 Per bottle.
T. M. Coulson & Co., Special Agents

Matrimonial Commandments.

Madam Rumor continues to whisper in our ears the very great probability that several of our Hereford young people, who have long been voyaging in courtship crafts with Cupid as an ever-present pilot, will soon cast anchor in the alluring and safe-seeming harbor of matrimony; so, as we ever want to gallantly render aid to the fair sex—especially to brides-to-be—we give for the improvement of their intended benedicts these matrimonial commandments which were studied out by Theodore Parker shortly before the day of his wedding. They took the form of ten beautiful resolutions, which he inscribed in his journal and which every married or engaged man should heartily indorse and strive to adhere to. They are as follows:

1. Never, except for the best reasons, to oppose my wife's will.
2. To discharge all duties for her sake freely.
3. Never to scold.
4. Never to look cross at her.
5. Never to worry her with commandments.
6. To promote her piety.
7. To bear her burdens.
8. To overlook her foibles.
9. To save, cherish and forever defend her.
10. To remember her always in my prayers. Thus, God willing, we shall be blessed.

Burglary Attempted.

Sunday night a would-be burglar broke in one of the front windows at Cardwell Bro's. grocery store and was preparing to make his entrance, when Thos. Witherspoon, who is acting as night watchman for the present, happened on the scene and demanded the culprit to surrender, whereupon the latter took to his heels and was soon lost in the darkness of the night. Tom fired two shots at him, aiming at his lower extremities, but failed to hit his mark.

The attempt at burglary was a bold one and showed that the subject had not had any great degree of experience at his profession.

For Lease

One and one-half sections of land near Arney, Texas, 175 acres in fine state of cultivation. Apply to 49-8t E. RENFRO.

Trespass Notice.

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LETTER FROM MR. ATEN.

His Friendship for the Plains is Greatly Strengthened by Contrast With California.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 10, 1905.
Mr. L. Gough,
Hereford, Texas.

Dear Judge:—As I said in my letter of November 25th would give you my opinion of San Diego and country after looking around, I hardly know where to commence; but will say I have been all around San Diego for twenty-five or thirty miles, even out on the Pacific ocean, and can truthfully say I have not seen what looked to me a paying farm and many of the owners even said all they wanted to do was to sell out and let some one else try it awhile. There are some nice orange and lemon groves here but the water is so scarce to irrigate with, all having to be pumped out of the ground with engines and it is not profitable. Understand there is no wind here that would run a windmill, also understand not a tree, bush, weed or a sprig of grass grows without irrigation. The hills and valleys are bare alike. Some nice little vegetable gardens here that are making money, as vegetables of all kinds grow in winter the same as in summer. You can get any kind of vegetable, berries or fruit in the market all winter and fairly cheap. If you have got the money you can have everything you want here.

About this country being a cow country is a great mistake. Why, a cow could not live in this country without feed about six months out of the year and that in summer and fall. It only rains here about five or six inches a year and that in the winter time. It never rains in summer. There is not a cow this side of the mountain, sixty miles to the east, unless she is in the milk pen bunch and gets her feed regularly. I used to think it was a sorry country that could not raise corn enough to feed the teams that were necessary to farm it. But what do you think of a country that fails to raise corn, alfalfa hay, sorghum or anything whatever without irrigation, and such crops don't pay to irrigate as water is too costly. Such is the country around San Diego. All corn, hay, etc. are shipped in from the north. The coal comes from South America by steamer and is \$16.00 per ton; wood comes by wagon fifty miles up in the mountains and is only \$18.00 per cord. So you see the plains are fairly good to live on after all. The city of San Diego is a nice town of about 25,000 people, about one-half of them here like myself, for the health of some member of their family and the other half live upon their misfortune. No one that lives here calls this place anything but a health resort and in fact don't want for anything else for if it rained here like up about San Francisco it would be like the tropics and would be sickly. The soil here is of the very best and where irrigated, rose bushes and flowers grow all over a house and out in full bloom in winter the same as summer. Trees never shed their leaves and grass always stays green. What a fine country this would be if it would only rain as much as on the plains. The climate is fine, it can't be beat, but when that is said, all is said. If a person was only able to spend his winters here and summers on the plains he would be in Paradise all the time on this earth. The schools here are the very best. They have a negro school and very nearly all the negroes go there, although they don't have to, but as you know "birds of the feather will flock together." Not so many negroes or chinamen here and what are keep their place—servants of the people.

The city, people and climate are

alright and if a person can live on that, tell him to come on. Mrs. Aten is improving every day, having gained thirteen pounds and I tell her when she gets to weighing 150 pounds, we will start back for Texas. The children have all improved and want to go back to Hereford. Remember us kindly to your family and our friends.

Yours very truly;

IRA ATEN.

Free Scholarship.

We will teach any one with an ordinary common school education, to write legibly 150 words of shorthand (unfamiliar matter) to the minute in three months or make no charge for the course. We will make any one a present of a scholarship who will find any other school using any other system of shorthand that will do this. We offer a free scholarship to any one who will find a student that ever finished the Byrne Simplified Shorthand and then laid it aside and became a successful writer of any other system in preference to the Byrne.

The author of this famous system is at the head of the shorthand department in Tyler College. During the past seven years this system has found its way into the best business colleges of America, and it is now used by the most successful stenographers and reporters of the Southwest. The system has also found its way into seven foreign countries where it is meeting with great favor.

We also teach the Byrne Practical Bookkeeping, a system of actual business from start to finish, one in which you learn to do by doing. It was greatly due to these excellent systems that we enrolled 959 students last year, and are now matriculating the largest enrollment in the history of the school. New students are coming in daily from all parts of the Southwest. If you desire to attend a school with a national reputation, one which can do you the most good in the least possible time at the smallest expense, address Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, for large free catalogue.

A Great Revival at the Methodist Church.

On Friday night, February 10th, we expect to begin the great revival at the Methodist church. Rev. R. J. Birdwell, of Ft. Worth, will be with us and lead in the meeting. Brother Birdwell is a young man with great gifts. His power over men is phenomenal. For several years he has been a pastor in the Northwest Texas Conference, but is now devoting his entire time to evangelistic work.

We solicit the aid and co-operation of every Christian man and woman in Hereford. We extend a most cordial invitation to all of every faith and order, to be with us and work in this meeting. The meeting is for Hereford and is your meeting.

We most respectfully invite every unsaved man and woman of Hereford to come and hear Brother Birdwell. There is nothing sensational about him. He presents the plain Gospel in a most forceful manner.

Will you not now begin to pray for the success of the meeting? Be ready for the first service. Ask great things of God; expect great things from God.

Yours for the salvation of Hereford,

THOS. S. BARCUS.

Salt.

I am headquarters for Stock Salt in No. 1 evaporated, lump rock and No. 4 crushed rock. Also packers' fine salt for curing meats. Special prices on large quantities.

J. M. GARNER, Groceryman.

BARGAINS

The Cash Store is offering the following bargains in odds left from their clean sweep sale

Ladies' \$10 Jackets	\$5.00
Ladies' \$7.00 Jackets	\$3.50
Ladies' \$6.00 Jackets	\$3.00
Ladies' \$5.00 Jackets	\$2.50
Ladies' \$3.00 Jackets	\$1.50
Ladies' \$11 Tailor-made Suits	\$6.00
Ladies' \$10 Tailor-made Suits	\$5.00
Ladies' \$7.50 Tailor-made Suits	\$3.75
Ladies' \$5.50 Shirt Waists	\$1.50
Ladies' \$5.00 Shirt Waists	\$1.00
Ladies' \$1.50 Wrappers	\$1.10
Ladies' \$1.10 Wrappers	.70
Ladies' 85-cent Wrappers	.55
Men's, Ladies' and Children's Shoes to close out regardless of profit	
Men's Hats (in broken sizes) to close out at a very low figure	

Men's Wool Underwear

\$1.50 garment	\$1.00
\$1.25 garment	.85
\$1.00 garment	.65
85-cent garment	.55

The Cash Store

The Hereford Mercantile Co.
Hereford, Texas

GARRISON BROS.

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Dimmitt, Texas

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and Castro Counties

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STRICTLY IN ADVANCE

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The latest farce which is trying to be forced upon the American people is in the form of a congressional bill, presented to the U. S. House of Representatives by Representative Maynard of Virginia, the purpose of which is to increase the salaries of the president and vice-president to \$75,000 and \$15,000 per annum respectively and to give the president after his retirement from office an annual pension of \$25,000 for life. Such a move may meet with favor from a few individuals, who look forward with a longing eye to catch a glimpse of the shadow of a chance which awaits them far down the Future's broad highway to be elevated to the chief place in our great nation; but we predict that the worthy representative from Virginia has lessened his influence with the American people by thus proposing to divert their nation's funds in a direction where it is so little needed. Thus far in the career of our country, history fails to record a single instance in which the chief executive did not retire from the executive mansion fully prepared to take care of his family and in many instances they have retired millionaires with nothing left for them to do but fish and hunt and engage in other menial affairs of life. There is a tendency on the part of many of the leaders of our country in both state and nation to run things on such a grand scale that it is severely taxing our great financial resources to meet and satisfy the increased and abnormal obligations. This is supposed to be a government of the people and for the people, and it is only a matter of time when those for whom the government was instituted will rise up in their indignation and put such reckless enthusiasts as Mr. Maynard to political death.

We call the attention of our readers to the statement of the condition of the Western National Bank at the close of business, January 11th, which appears in this issue of the BRAND. It is claimed by those who are in a position to know that the banks of a community are a true index to the financial condition of that community; hence, judging from the splendid showing made in this report, we naturally conclude that the country is enjoying a season of prosperity.

THE BRAND can now boast of the best list of correspondents of any paper this side of Fort Worth in Texas. We have regular contributions from Arney, Hart, Dimmitt, Cleo, and Boom will again be represented as soon as J. B. Roberson returns from Oklahoma. A distinct feature of the paper, hereafter, will be communications from both the college and public school. The items from the public school will be of especial interest to the patrons and should be read by all.

Salt.

I am headquarters for Stock Salt in No. 1 evaporated, lump rock and No. 4 crushed rock. Also packers' fine salt for curing meats. Special prices on large quantities.

44tf J. M. GARNER, Groceryman.

Y. M. C. A.

While Hereford has made splendid progress in many respects during the past year, yet there is still opportunity for advancement. With our excellent public and private schools, our churches and the many other influences for good in the town, much of the evil which finds a safe retreat in other towns has failed to maintain an existence here, for which our town has established a good name abroad. At the same time there is a work in Hereford which is being sadly neglected—that of looking after the morals of those over whom the church has practically no influence. That such people exist in every town cannot be questioned and the one organization which has done more for the betterment of this class of people than all other enterprises combined, is the Y. M. C. A.—an organization whose purpose it is to maintain a place where young men can go at their pleasure and engage in innocent amusement and have access to libraries of good books. Such a place is maintained in other towns to the great improvement of their young people and such a place should be maintained in Hereford.

Few people realize the importance of such an institution for a town and especially the influence for good which it has. Each denomination in a town will make strenuous efforts to erect a creditable house in which to hold services once or twice a week, which, of course, is all right and proper, but they overlook the fact that places which have a demoralizing influence are open for business six and sometimes seven days in the week, while the church is open but one. Can they hope to counteract the influence of six day's work on the part of the worldly places by one day's work on the part of the church? Most emphatically no! What course, then, must they pursue? The BRAND knows of but one and that is for the churches to join together and maintain a place of amusement and recreation for those who, without such a place, would be induced to frequent places not necessary for the upbuilding of character. But, many will say, we are all strained to the utmost in maintaining our different church organizations and societies. This is true, too, but what are we going to do to bring those over whom the church, as a church, has no influence? Are we going to point with pride at our fine church buildings, and at the same time point with shame at other institutions which could be obliterated by the establishing of a free reading room tastily arranged? There is one thing certain: A place of amusement and recreation is as necessary to a town as any other business enterprise and it remains with the people whether or not that place shall have a moral or a demoralizing influence upon its frequenters.

ELSEWHERE in this issue of the BRAND will be found a statement of the condition of the Hereford National Bank at the close of business on January 11th. This report shows a prosperous condition of that institution and the steady increase of its business, since the last report was made, goes to show that the financial condition of the country is fast becoming easier, which means an increased volume of business not only for the banks but for every other line as well.

For Sale or Trade.

Good four-room dwelling house, located two blocks east of court house. For further information call on OSCAR WITHERSPOON, 46tf Hereford, Texas.

For Sale—A good Jersey cow and calf. Apply to Stambaugh & Lipscomb. 32tf

JNO. E. FERGUSON, President

C. W. DODSON, Cashier

The Hereford National Bank

HEREFORD, TEXAS

CAPITAL \$25,000.00

SURPLUS \$18,000.00

A BETTER RECEIPT.....

Than a check cannot be found. Besides that, it is the most convenient method of handling money. It does away with carrying so much in your pockets where you are liable to lose it, or even worse—to be held up while driving through the country. If you have never carried a bank account come to us and we will explain all the methods.

Bank Statement.

Report of the Condition of The Hereford National Bank at Hereford, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Jan. 11, 1905:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$104,802.17
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	10,587.73
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	6,250.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	250.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	4,261.14
Other real estate owned	16,350.87
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	12.04
Due from approved reserve agents	1,688.23
Live Stock Account	2,313.09
Checks and other cash items	1,404.32
Notes of other National Banks	530.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	129.56
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$6,273.00
Legal-tender notes	1,209.00
	7,482.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	312.50
Total	\$156,373.65
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	5,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	12,826.16
National Bank notes outstanding	6,250.00
Due to other National Banks	21,240.10
Due to approved reserve agents	1,138.16
Individual deposits subject to check	73,792.73
Time certificates of deposit	3,683.50
Cashier's checks outstanding	3.00
Notes and bills rediscounted	7,440.00
Total	\$156,373.65

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF DEAF SMITH: ss.
I, C. W. DODSON, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. W. DODSON, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of January, 1905.
[SEAL] C. G. WITHERSPOON,
Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
JNO. E. FERGUSON,
L. GOUGH,
W. A. HIGGINS, } Directors.

New Grocery.

I have installed a brand new stock of groceries in my brick building—everything fresh and as good as money can buy in this market. I do not expect or ask a lion's share of your trade but would very much appreciate whatever you may see fit to give me. My purpose and aim is to try to please and merit your patronage by honest and fair dealing and by giving you as low prices as can be had at any store in town.

Yours to please,
B. BARNARD.

For Sale

440 head good grade stock cattle. One-half cash, balance in twelve months time.
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EUREKA!

For a long time we have been trying to find a good Steel Range, one that we could **GUARANTEE** and yet sell for a moderate price. * *

AT LAST

we have found one, "The Bakefast" is the name of our new Six Hole Steel Range and the price is only

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"The Bakefast" has a warming oven a large fire-box, Duplex grate, extra heavy fire walls, 18x20 square oven and is a stove we will * *

Guarantee all the time

Come in and let us show you "The Bakefast" and **DO IT NOW**

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HEREFORD, TEXAS



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During the year 1904, The Pecos Valley Lines and Southern Kansas Railway of Texas have been making Railroad History in the Southwest.

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We have brought to the Panhandle of Texas and Pecos Valley more than our share of the great army of homeseekers now attracted to this part of the world where there still remains opportunity to acquire cheap and productive lands.

GOING!

We have maintained the record of the "Cattle Trail Route" in handling the one great export product of this region. Requests for information should be addressed to

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SHORT LOCALS

News of Interest Boiled Down for Rapid Reading—Facts Concerning People You Know.

Witherspoon & Gough. 48tf

G. R. Ward of Arney was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

F. G. Edmonds sells the Singer, and repairs any old machine. 1t

A. H. Morris was numbered among the business visitors Tuesday.

Tom Franklyn Nye and his company of 14 stars, Black's Opera House all next week.

Our nimrods have been making it exceedingly interesting for Panhandle rabbits the past two weeks.

Maple Daniel has resigned his position with C. E. Edwards. Mr. Edwards will try to do all his work alone.

J. M. Johnson, who works for W. E. Hicks, called in today and ordered the BRAND sent to his brother, H. M. Johnson of Tennessee.

I am offering my entire herd of High Grade Hereford cattle in numbers to suit purchaser on one and two year's time. R. H. Norton. 4t

Dr. R. W. Bounds has rented offices up-stairs over T. M. Coulson & Co's. drug store where he will be at home to practice his profession.

Miss Sydna Rogers went up to Canyon City Wednesday afternoon to visit her sister, Mrs. Fletcher Rogers. They both returned to Hereford Thursday.

W. A. Higgins and Lee Gilliland came in from the former's ranch Tuesday on business. Mr. Higgins has been staying at the ranch during the recent bad weather.

Despite the fact that the thermometer ranged about zero Sunday morning, all the churches and Sunday schools held their usual services, with fairly good attendance.

J. J. Anderson and sons of Boom offered apologies for coming to town Monday but the former, stated that his coming was made necessary by the continued cold weather's causing his supplies to run low.

J. T. Gilbreath and W. S. Dixon, both of Cleo community in Castro county, were purchasing supplies in Hereford Wednesday and Thursday. The latter favored this office with an appreciated visit, informing us that his people are busy preparing for this year's crop.

Tom Franklyn Nye Co. all next week.

J. E. McEntire of Dimmitt had business in Hereford Thursday.

Headquarters for Roswell cider, celery and apples at Barnard's. 4t

George Cloyd returned Wednesday from a business trip to Kansas City.

J. P. Snyder went down to the New Mexico oil fields with the Tallmudge crowd Thursday.

Geo. Lynch, a prosperous Castro county ranchman, was transacting business in the city Wednesday.

We are now the agent for Lowney's fine candies. When you want the best come to Callens' Bargain Store. 44tf

Geo. M. Day, who has ranch interests in the north part of the county, took out his wagon well loaded with supplies Tuesday.

L. A. Simpson has been confined to his room for two weeks with a severe attack of rheumatism, but is now much improved and will soon be out again.

B. Heilemann, Louis Huseman and Stephen Thier came in from Nazareth Tuesday after the household goods of Joseph Doerr who recently moved here from Cleburne.

W. S. Haston of Holdenville, Indian Territory, arrived Wednesday, the guest of his brother, Elder Jesse B. Haston. Mr. Haston is engaged in the banking business in Holdenville.

John Armstrong, manager of the Bovina division of the XII ranch, was here to attend the directors' meeting of the Channing Mercantile & Banking Company last Monday.—Channing Courier.

J. A. McIntosh and his father, W. D. McIntosh, of the North Draw were in the city Wednesday and the former made this office a pleasant visit, rehashing for the BRAND and Dallas News. The latter left on the afternoon train Wednesday for Cameron where he will spend several weeks visiting relatives.

G. W. Green and Miss Biggs, both of Illinois, were married at the Hereford House Saturday night, Rev. Brendell performing the ceremony. The contracting parties were on their way to Portales where they intended to each file on a claim and then get married; but on learning that they could hold only one claim, they decided to postpone the event no longer, so a preacher was called and the contract sealed.

Wall Paper—E. B. Black. 44

Wanted—A doctor at once, but have no 'phone. See W. G. Ross.

E. F. Connell and son, D. H., visited relatives in Artesia this week.

O. Fallwell came in Thursday from a business trip down in Texas.

J. E. Rhea, the well-known Bovina ranchman, passed up the road to Canyon City Thursday.

Judge C. G. Witherspoon left Thursday afternoon on a prospecting trip to Old Mexico.

If you want High Grade Hereford cows or heifers on one and two year's time. See R. H. Norton. 4t

J. P. Burch of the North Draw community was negotiating with Hereford's merchants Saturday.

Miss Jessie Winans, the music teacher in the College, visited in Canyon City Thursday and Friday.

C. D. Steele, a substantial business man of Texico, passed north Tuesday afternoon on business to Amarillo.

The south-bound passenger train was six hours late Thursday on account of bringing the Tallmudge immigration cars.

Mrs. E. Tonkin of Minneapolis, Minnesota, is here this week looking after her landed interests in this county, six miles southeast of town.

The balance of the car of bulk apples have been stored at the Racket Store of W. M. Cogdell and will be on sale there until sold. Geo. W. Eagle. 46tf

We are under obligations to the large number of those who have been around the past two weeks and moved their subscriptions a year in advance.

One of our metropolitan dailies, in speaking of Panhandle cattle this week, stated that they are so fat they cannot hump up their backs to shed the snow and sleet.

Mr. Simmons, representing the traffic department of the Denver Road with headquarters at Amarillo, spent Wednesday in Hereford in the interest of his company. He stated to a BRAND representative that the weather gauge of the bureau at Amarillo registered nine inches of snow last week. According to this there was a fall in Hereford of at least six inches, but owing to the fact that the snow was damp and compact, it did not measure that deep. At any rate, it produced an about the same effect in melting.

J. D. Curtsinger and son, of Castro county were pleasant callers at this office Wednesday, the former renewing for the BRAND and News. Mr. Curtsinger is numbered with those of our citizens who are making farming in the Panhandle a success. He is now engaged in preparing his land for the 1905 crop just as if he were in Central Texas where such preparation is absolutely necessary to successful farming. It is such as Mr. Curtsinger who are contributing most to the development of agricultural resources of the country.

J. D. Thompson, while in town Thursday, was a pleasant caller at this office. He informed us that he killed ninety-five jack rabbits during the recent snow. This proved Mr. Thompson's ability as a sportsman; but when he told us that he recently killed five hogs, the largest of which weighed 414 pounds and all of which weighed 1490 pounds; we were made to realize that Mr. Thompson has also arrived at a degree of proficiency in stock raising. Mr. Thompson informed us that cattle stood the severe weather well.

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Panhandle News

The Amarillo sewerage bonds have been sold and the contract for the sewers let to the McQuarters Plumbing and Machinery Company of Hillsboro to install the system, work to begin at once.

Elder Randolph Clark will preach here on the fifth Sunday in this month and it will perhaps be his last sermon in Memphis, as he will return to Thorp Springs very soon.—Hall County Herald.

The snow and sleet extended down the road as far as Quanah, beyond which point it was a mist of rain and a freeze. At Wichita Falls it is believed a fair season was put in the ground. Going the other way the snow is considerably deeper at Clarendon, and about five inches on the ground at Amarillo.—Hall County Herald.

There was organized here this week the Canyon City Telephone Company, with R. W. O'Keefe president, J. N. Donohoo secretary and L. T. Lester treasurer. A charter has been applied for. The capital stock is put at \$12,000, \$10,000 of which is already taken and subject to call as available funds. The News is informed that another local system will be put in and metallic circuit connections made with other towns. Work is to begin at once.—Canyon City News.

Wilbarger county, of which Vernon is the county seat, held another local option election last Saturday, and by the large majority by which the pros carried the county it seems the people up there are well satisfied with the workings of the local option, law, which has been in effect for two years. This leaves Wichita Falls the best beer town in all Northwest Texas. This expression, however, is not original with the Times. We should have stuck up our ears for quotation marks.—Wichita Falls Times.

Tom Waggoner is putting twenty thousand acres of his land near Electra on the market. The average price being asked is twenty dollars per acre. This land is no better than that being sold in this county by the railroad company for one-half that amount, yet Mr. Waggoner will sell his land much faster than the railroad company because he has published a neat little booklet setting forth the advantages of that section in a manner calculated to attract the homeseeker.—Quanah Observer.

J. M. Shafer of the Plainview Herald passed through town last Friday with the corpse of his little grandchild, George Hall, who was killed while with his mother on a visit to relatives at Altus, by being thrown out of a buggy. He was a pretty child and an unusually bright one. His mother, Mrs. Hall, and grandparents are almost prostrated with grief over the untimely loss. Earthly ties are strong to be sure, and in the very nature of things should be, but 'tis written of just such little boys as George—"Of such is the kingdom of Heaven."—Canyon City News.

It has transpired that Luther Harman, formerly employed by the Maddrey-Kenyon Furniture Co., who left the city on Christmas Eve, forged two checks for \$60 each on the manager of the company, J. I. Kendrick, on the National Bank of Commerce. Harman was formerly of Palestine, and advices from that point state that he has left a trail of victims wherever he has stopped. He posed here as a single man, but it is learned that he has been married. Officers are on the watch for him, and should he be found it is

easy to guess where he will land.—Amarillo Herald.

A report is prevalent that the R O ranch, owned by Alfred Rowe, has been sold. While only a rumor, still it is a well-defined one, and is the talk of this section just now. We are unable to give facts as to price or terms, but we learn that Mr. Rowe has sold his entire land holdings in Donley, Gray, Wheeler and Collingsworth counties to the Rock Island Immigration Agency who will partition the land and sell to farmers. The Rowe ranch comprises something like 190,000 acres of land, and is one of the oldest ranches in the Panhandle. By the terms of sale we understand that Mr. Rowe is given four years to wind up his cattle business, turning over to the purchasers a certain amount of the land each year until final delivery is made at the end of the fourth year.—Banner-Stockman.

Publicity Makes Popularity.

Tell the people about it. It will set them to thinking.

Familiarity with a thing is likely to cause desire for it. The poet has said this of vice even. By how much more is it referable to what is good for man.

Forty years ago the eating of oatmeal was confined to certain foreign born residents and their immediate descendants. Now it is a table food of almost universal use in this country. There can be no question but that if the Southern growers of corn meal were to use advertising space, they could make their superior corn meal as popular as the various brands of oats that are upon the market.

An hundred years ago scarcely a dozen businesses or trades used newspapers as a means to publicity. It was practically an untried experiment. Patent medicine men were pioneers. For a long time shipping interests, hotels, restaurants and stage lines divided space with the medicine advertisers. The success of these led others to follow. Now the public expects information as to what to buy and where to buy it, from the newspapers. It leans upon them for knowledge in these matters just as strongly as it relies upon them for news.

When one has something in his line which sells poorly, let him try upon it the virtue of publicity. It will have to be a very sorry thing and a very undesirable thing if it does not grow into favor through being talked about.—Western Advertiser.

Canyon Benedict Promoted.

Superintendent Garwood of the Pecos Valley System notified Fletcher Rogers, son of Dr. W. J. Rogers, who has been working as operator at Canyon City for sometime, that he had been appointed operator and station agent at Bovina to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of C. O. Brown who has accepted a similar position further down the line.

Mr. Rogers, or better known in Hereford as Fletcher, is a deserving young man and his promotion shows that he has the confidence of his company. He passed down the line to Bovina Wednesday and will be followed by his bride in a few days.

Methodist Church.

Preaching at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject: "Preparation for service." Evening hour: "Strive to enter." Sunday school and League as usual. A welcome for all.

THOS. S. BARCUS.

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Bank Statement.

Report of the Condition of the Western National Bank, at Hereford in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Jan. 11th, 1905:

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$112,652.60
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,961.34
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,300.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	5,300.00
Other real estate owned	None
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	7,108.35
Due from State Banks and Bankers	480.89
Due from approved reserve agents	12,262.76
Checks and other cash items	26.25
Notes of other National Banks	200.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	30.02
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$5,026.60
Legal-tender notes	700.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	1,250.00
Total	\$177,298.81
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	1,500.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	5,218.25
National Bank notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due to other National Banks	1,437.41
Dividends unpaid	60.00
Individual deposits subject to check	71,970.95
Time certificates of deposit	16,695.85
Notes and bills rediscounted	5,416.35
Total	\$177,298.81

STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF DEAF SMITH, } ss.
I, F. B. FULLER, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. B. FULLER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of January, 1905.

[SEAL] JNO. P. SLATON, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:

G. A. F. PARKER,
ROSS W. DAVIS, } Directors.
G. R. HAY

Free! A Ton of Coal Free!

We will give a ton of best coal to the one guessing nearest the number of mixed shot in an ink bottle which is sealed and on exhibition at our office. One guess for each 500 pounds or five guesses for each ton of coal bought of us in January for cash or to be paid for on the first day of February. Shot will be counted February 2nd. Phone 76.

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DENTAL WORK

We call the attention of our read-
ers to the announcement of the com-
ing of Rev. Russell J. Birdwell
found elsewhere in this issue.

For fire insurance in the best old-
line companies, see T. J. Graves &
Company. They have had twenty
years experience and will appreciate
your business. 47tf

Uncle F. D. Williamson and son,
Fred, of the north part of the
county came in Saturday after sup-
plies and spent the night in the city
rather than face the cold blizzard.
They report cattle standing the
winter in good shape.

Witherspoon & Gough. 48tf
C. L. Davis is on the sick list
this week.
Long guarantee, short machine.
Buy the BEST—Singer. 1t

J. D. Burkett was transacting
business in the city Tuesday.

A Yankee from the West, Monday
night at Black's Opera House.

W. B. Mersfelder of Bovina had
business in Amarillo the first of the
week.

Dr. R. W. Bounds returned Fri-
day from a business trip to Pan-
handle.

If you wish your cattle and hogs
butchered in first class shape, see C.
P. Arthur. 48tf

Geo. W. Eagle has accepted a
position as salesman in the grocery
store of B. Barnard.

Clifford Slayton, who ranches
north of town, was among our busi-
ness visitors Tuesday.

W. A. Hubbard, the well-known
Castro county ranchman, spent
Tuesday in the city on business.

G. T. Higgins, one of the county's
substantial ranchmen living north of
town, was a business visitor Satur-
day.

Geo. W. Orr of Summerfield came
up Monday after supplies and
favored this office with a pleasant
call.

Rev. Jesse B. Haston filled his
regular appointment at Canyon City
Sunday, returning home Monday
morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Irwin
came in Tuesday from their Castro
county ranch and spent several days
in the city.

Buy your sewing machines from
the man that knows machines and
can and will keep your machine in
repair—Singer. 1t

B. J. Park and son braved the
snow storm Saturday and trans-
acted business in the city from their
ranch east of town.

The farmers are all rejoicing over
the four-inch snow which melted
away and went into the soil in the
form of moisture this week.

H. L. Goats, a well-known North
Draw ranchman, spent Monday, and
Tuesday in the city purchasing
farming implements and other ranch
supplies.

J. J. Portwood of Dawn had busi-
ness in the city Saturday and spent
the night here on account of the
severity of the weather late in the
afternoon.

E. Renfro, one of Arney's Miss-
ouri stock-farmers, was a pleasant
caller at this office while in town
Saturday. Mr. Renfro reports but
little damage to cattle from the
recent snow storms.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Stambaugh
left Tuesday afternoon for Corpus
Christi where they will spend the
winter for the benefit of Mr. Stam-
baugh's health. They will return
to Hereford early in the spring.

J. F. Wetzel, son of C. H. Wetzel
who purchased the meat market last
week, arrived Tuesday to aid his
father in the business. The latter's
brother will arrive in a few days,
who, with young Mr. Wetzel, will
run the market.

Judge W. H. Russell returned
Sunday from Paris where he had
been visiting his mother for two
weeks. On being asked by a BRAND
representative concerning the pros-
pects in that part of the state, the
judge spoke favorably of the coun-
try, but could not refrain from ex-
pressing his preference for the life
on the plains.

Witherspoon & Gough. 48tf
E. M. Vanderburgh visited in
Amarillo this week.

Exchange old machine for new
Singer and be happy. 1t

W. L. Sain of Summerfield came
up Monday after supplies.

White Pine and Tar is the thing
for your cough, at Smith & Orr's...

Three illustrated songs at night.
Black's Opera House all next week.

Chas. Roberson of Boom was
transacting business in Hereford
Monday.

FOR RENT—25x80 brick building,
centrally located. Address Box 255,
Hereford, Texas. 1t

Commissioner O. M. Daniel was
in Tuesday from his ranch east of
town on business.

Found—A lady's cape. Owner
call at this office and pay for ad
and take the cape. 49tf

N. E. Hord, a progressive North
Draw ranchman, was in town Tues-
day purchasing supplies.

B. Barnard went up to Amarillo
on business Monday afternoon, re-
turning Wednesday morning.

Robert Higgins, while in town
Tuesday, called around and re-
membered us in a substantial way.

W. H. Sanders, representing the
Chamberlain Medicine Company,
had business with this office Satur-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Keliehor
were in Tuesday from their ranch
east of town on a shopping excu-
sion.

If you want a monument of any
description, see S. B. Feemster.
He can supply your wants at reason-
able prices. 1t

Miss Mae Gamble returned Sun-
day from a two week's visit with
relatives and friends at different
North Texas points.

Chas. E. Smith called at this
office Tuesday and ordered the
BRAND sent to W. C. Cathey of Ft.
Worth for one year.

F. E. Comer, who has been visit-
ing relatives in Hereford for the
past two weeks, left Tuesday after-
noon for his Missouri home.

Prof. J. F. Eddleman of Summer-
field paid this office a social visit
while in town Monday. Mr. Eddle-
man says he is strictly in the farm-
ing business now.

Rev. Thos. J. Barcus requests us
to announce that he will preach at
Vega school house just across the
line in Oldham county on the fifth
Sunday in January.

Black's Opera House will be oc-
cupied by Tom Franklyn Nye and
his company all next week. The
stage will be fitted up with special
scenery carried by the company.
Don't fail to see "A Yankee from
the West" Monday night.

W. L. Batson who ranches in the
north part of the county was a busi-
ness visitor to the city Tuesday and
while here moved his subscription to
the BRAND a year in advance. Mr.
Batson informed us that he and his
brother have purchased a seven
section ranch near Endee, New
Mexico, and will move their cattle
there early in the spring.

Dr. W. J. Rogers received a let-
ter from his son, Fletcher, of Can-
yon City, this week stating that he
succeeded in getting married on last
Sunday to Miss Nellie Holland, one
of Randall county's fair young
ladies. Fletcher has many warm
friends in Hereford whom the BRAND
joins in wishing him and his bride
long lives of peace and prosperity.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Irene Williams is on the sick list this week.

Ray Riseder entered the fourth grade on Monday.

Laura Keeler, who has been absent a number of weeks, is with us again.

Three new pupils have been enrolled in the third grade the past few days.

Neva Kelley, after a week's absence on account of illness, is in school again.

After a few days' absence, we are glad to have Jack and Jimmie Jones with us again.

Carmine Coston is back again at her post of duty in the sixth grade after several days absence on account of sickness.

Miss Mina Dameron will entertain the "reading club" at her home on next Monday evening in a social way.

Arnett Bynum, Blanch Carl, Ryan Armstrong and Cicero Landrum have recently been enrolled in primary grades.

Arthur Thompson and sister, Carrie, are now attending school. They are staying at the Earnest place north of town.

Oran Tucker is not with us now on account of being ill-disposed. We hope for his speedy recovery and presence again at school.

We have missed the bright and sunny smile of Pattie Estes from school this week. We hope that she may be with us again by Monday.

The literary society of the fourth and fifth grades has gone to work with renewed energy and determination to make its program both interesting and instructive.

We are sorry to state that Frankie Britain has not been able to be with us for a number of days. When Miss Frankie is away, a ray of sunshine is eliminated from our school.

Wanted—Every girl and boy of school age in our town who are not attending the College, to enroll in the Hereford Public School at once. Young people, we give large returns for your investments.

One of our young men does not agree with the immortal Shakespeare when he said, "All things that are, are with more spirit chased, than enjoyed;" for when the teacher placed this quotation on the board in her rhetoric class, the young man shook his head.

Some of the pupils in the seventh grade literary class are wondering why Miles Standish didn't verify his own adage, "If you would have anything well done, do it yourself, and not leave it to others," instead of sending John Alden to win the

heart and hand of Priscilla for the brave Captain of Plymouth.

Last Monday morning the pupils in the second grade spent the period for reading lesson in much excitement and laughter while dramatizing one of Uncle Remus' stories, "The Tar Baby." Little Edith Munger played very nicely the part of Brer Rabbit, while Olive Buster and Edna Stimson acted the Tar Baby and the farmer. Since the holidays "The Three Bears" and "Little Red Riding Hood" have been dramatized by little folks in first grade.

The teacher! Who is the teacher? She is a very important personage; next to father and mother. She is the most potent factor in the whole social fabric. Who can estimate her worth? who can value her services? She is God-given. The good Father has made her co-partner with the mother in developing the tender buds that have been given us from the great flower garden above. Daily she comes in contact with the young life. She knows its every heart-beat; feels its every sorrow; rejoices in its every aspiration, and looks with your child into the bright future when it has reached manhood or womanhood. With her upright life, her gentle tones of reproof, and the touch of her staying hand, she "allures to the brighter worlds, and leads the way." Fathers, take off your hats when you meet the teacher for it is the teacher in her quiet unobtrusive way that is helping to guide the frail life-boat of your boy on life's great ocean. Mother, do not fail to give her your smile of approbation; invite her into your homes. Scatter roses in her pathway, for it is she that helps bring sunshine into your homes.

League Program.

Following is the Epworth League program for Sunday, January 22:

Topic—With Jesus in the city—The reformer.

Leader—Miss Margaret Syms.

Scripture lesson—John 2:13-17.

Prayer.

Song.

How may the League assist in the social reform in our own town.—Miss Griffith.

Quartet—Seeking the Lost—Messrs. Edwards and Jacobsen, Misses Turrentine and Eagle.

The need of a revival in our own church—J. F. Perry.

Song.

Scripture references.

Closing exercises.

All Leaguers and young people of the Methodist church especially, are urged to attend the Sunday afternoon services. It will not only help you but be a benefit to the League as well. Strangers and visitors to town cordially invited. Every Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church at 4:00 p. m. Come and we will do you good.

MARGARET SYMS, Pres.

Finish Product in Panhandle.

J. O. Lindsey, while in town Thursday came in and renewed the subscription of W. R. Hamilton. Mr. Lindsey informed us that he will ship a car of fat cows to the Kansas City market Saturday. This shipment of cows was finished for the market at Mr. Lindsey's Castro county ranch and goes to prove that Panhandle feeding will not only finally be a great success but will be a very popular occupation. Mr. Lindsey expects to engage in the feeding business rather extensively but will hereafter handle steers exclusively.

Sweet Potatoes for Sale.

If you like fine sweet potatoes, call on D. E. Weaver. Leave your orders with Cardwell Bros. or J. A. Johnson.

Mission Rally Work

Following is the program for Mission Rally to be held with the Hereford Baptist church, beginning Friday before the Fifth Sunday in January, 1905 at 2 p. m.:

3 p. m.—Meeting opened by devotional services conducted by Bro. J. D. Ballard.

Our surrounding mission field and how to develop it. Discussion opened by Rev. J. T. Burnett.

4 p. m.—Relation of the churches to the mission work. Discussion opened by Missionary J. C. Brendel.

Friday night, 7 p. m.—Preaching by J. D. Ballard.

Saturday 9:30 a. m.—Devotional meeting led by Bro. H. J. Johnson.

10 a. m.—The sympathy and cooperation that should exist between town, churches and mission stations, and how to bring about the same—led by Rev. B. Hatcher.

2 p. m.—Would a subdivision of our Association be helpful or detrimental to the mission work—led by Rev. J. D. Ballard.

3:30 p. m.—Woman's work and relation of pastor to the same—led by Rev. H. B. McGee.

Night services—Preaching by Bro. Burnett.

Sunday, 11 a. m.—Baylor Endowment by Dr. Carroll.

2:30 p. m.—Sunday school mass meeting led by Bro. J. G. Brendel.

The aboved named speakers are those to open the discussion and all present will be expected to take part.

PASTOR E. A. WESSON,

For the Committee.

Hymeneal.

As has been the custom in Hereford for several months, another surprise wedding occurred Wednesday evening, the contracting parties this time being Ralph H. Barnett and Miss Ethel Wright. The ceremony was performed at 9 o'clock sharp by Elder Jesse B. Haston at the home of the bride's brother in West Hereford.

Both young people are well known to our citizens, the groom being the popular dry goods salesman at the Hereford Mercantile Company, in which Company he recently purchased an interest.

The bride is one of Hereford's charming and popular young ladies whose friends are limited only by her acquaintances, she being a leader in both church and society.

Their intentions were not made known even to their immediate relatives and only the bride's brothers and sisters were present to witness the ceremony.

The BRAND joins in extending congratulations and best wishes.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Following is the B. Y. P. U. program for Sunday, January 27:

Subject—The believer's hopes contrasted with the unbeliever's.

Leader—O. F. Smith.

Scripture lesson—Luke 16:19-31.

Short talk by leader on scripture lesson.

Prayer.

Song.

The frailty of the unbeliever's hope—Sister Brendel.

The comfort and joys of Christianity in this life—W. A. Park.

Solo—Bro. Wm. McClain.

The contrast of the two, both in this life and the life to come—A. J. Oliver.

Scripture reading—Jno. 14:1-2—Myrtle Harris.

Scripture reading—Rev. 21; Rev. 22:1-6—W. B. Beach.

Solo—Bro. R. S. Coward of Waco.

What have you to cheer your heart—Voluntary remarks.

Closing exercises.

The Institute.

We are requested to remind our local readers that tomorrow is the farmer's institute meeting.

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School Postponed.

Miss Zula Vanderburgh received word from the trustees of her school in Potter county this week to the effect that they would allow her to wait till March to teach the latter part of the season.

Wanted.

150 to 200 head of cattle to pasture. Plenty of grass and water. 28 miles northwest of Hereford. Write or call on

E. L. MANGUM,
Vega, Texas.

Hello Central

Put me in a phone at once. Wife is sick.

New Stock of Groceries Arriving.

B. Barnard returned from Amarillo this week where he had been to purchase his stock of groceries. Mr. Barnard informs us that he selected a complete assortment and the goods are now arriving and being placed in his brick store on North Dewey Avenue.

He will be assisted in the work by Geo. W. Eagle.

Hereford Bulls.

Our shipment of Registered Bulls are now offered for sale. Can be seen at C. C. Ferguson's wagon yard. Call and see them.

48-3t BRADLY & NORTON