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THE NORMAL COLLEGE DEDICATED MARCH 4, 1911

APPROPRIATE EXERCISES USED IN DEDICATION OF FINEST NORMAL IN TEXAS

Ex-Governor Thomas M. Campbell Speaks--Two Full Programs--Many Visitors From All Over the Plains Visit the School and Pronounce it an Excellent Building--Good Music Furnished.

The dedication of the West Texas State Normal College was the greatest event that ever occurred in the little city of Canyon. The day for the dedication was ideal. The visitors were numerous. All the speakers were at their best, and enthusiasm reigned supreme. The only thing to mar the occasion was the fact that Hon. W. P. Lane, State Comptroller of Public Accounts of Texas, and Hon. F. M. Bralley, State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Texas, were both unable to attend the ceremonies and to give the addresses for which they were scheduled.

The program was opened at 11 o'clock, Rev. Chalmers Kilbourne giving the invocation.

The next number was the chorus, "Let Our Voices Be Glad," sung by the Normal chorus. The rendition of the chorus was very beautiful.

WELCOME.

President Cousins spoke a few words of welcome to the large number of visitors. "It is the ambition of Canyon that the other people of the Plains and the great Northwest will feel a direct and personal interest in this great state school which has been located on the Plains. I could occupy much more time than is becoming of me to make you feel that Canyon desires you to be stockholders in this great enterprise that the State of Texas located in this country through which we will be able to wield a great influence socially, materially and politically." Mr. Cousins paid a great tribute to the local board saying: "The local board has given this institution their daily, nightly, weekly and monthly attention. They have been awake day and awake night, and through their efforts it is possible for us to see today this beautiful building which has been completed in one short year. They have seen that every dollar donated by the state and by the citizens has been well expended in this structure."

R. A. Terrill was then introduced to the audience and spoke a few words of welcome in behalf of the citizens and local board. Mr. Terrill pointed out the fact that while the little city of Canyon had given \$75 for every man, woman and child in the city, that this was a state institution and that every citizen in the state, especially the Panhandle, should feel a great interest in the school.

Hon. W. A. Palmer.

Hon. W. A. Palmer, of Canadian was introduced to the audience as a great friend of the children of the state, a fighter for right and law. Mr. Palmer's

address will found on page five, section two of this issue.

Judge Browning.

In the absence of Hon. W. P. Lane, Judge Browning, of Amarillo, was called upon and responded with a few well chosen remarks. "We are all proud of this school. When the legislature passed the bill providing for the school to be located in Northwest Texas, we in the Panhandle trusted that the good judgment and common sense of the locating committee would give us the school. Our town entered the contest and we made our struggle, but went down before Canyon. They outbid us and seemed to have more influence with the locating committee. We all wanted it on the Plains first, and our town was the second consideration. Canyon won and I am proud of her. It was the best work Governor Campbell did when he signed the bill locating the school at Canyon and we want to show him what his work has become. This institution will develop students to live more prosperous lives. It will move on becoming better and better until there will be none better in the state. We have the climate and the healthful country and need only now good appropriations from the legislature. . . . The Panhandle is good enough for me."

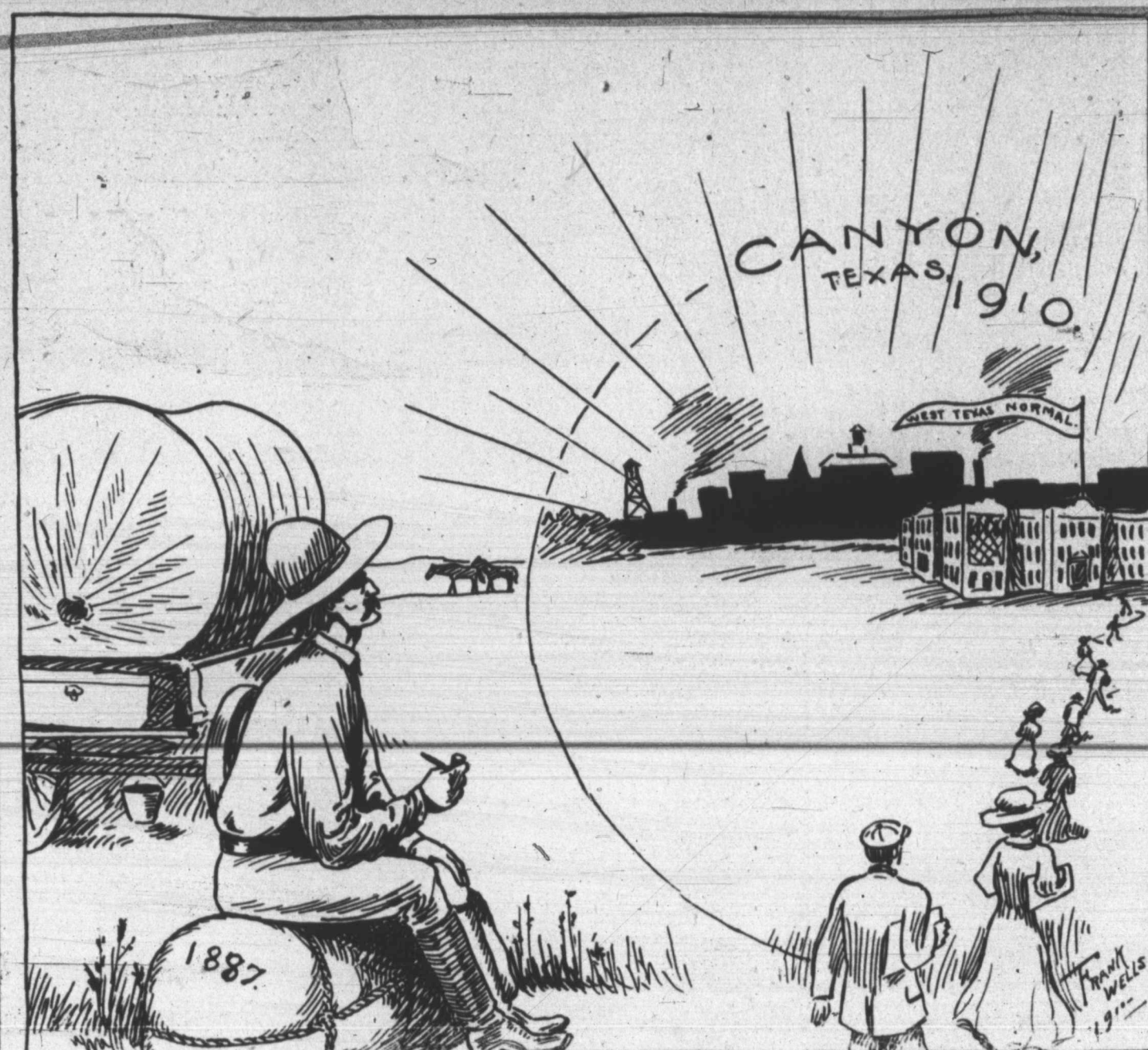
J. K. Wester.

Superintendent J. K. Wester, of the Lubbock public schools, was introduced to the audience, as one of the men who had done most for the education of the youths of the Plains.

Mr. Wester spoke as following: "In this time of trusts, monopolies, etc., the school teacher is called upon to educate the young to solve these problems. It has not been long since the teacher was looked upon as a necessary evil. Now the teacher is looked upon as the greatest factor in solving the public problems. They have lifted American citizenship and developed a civilization of influence which has gone everywhere. I do not believe a man in Texas has done more for education than Governor Campbell. For the schoolhouses we see all over the country, we owe it to the Governor and to the State Board of Education. They bought the school bonds in order that these buildings might be erected. I don't know whether legislation will stop this or not, but I don't believe it will.

"The schools of the Plains are well filled. The citizens are paying much money to make this the garden-spot of the world educationally.

"In the center of the Plains



THE OLD SETTLER'S VISION

stands the grandest State Normal building in the state. The faculty is unexcelled. President Cousins has labored all his life for education. The Panhandle welcomes such men and women as there are on the faculty.

"The young school boy of today will be the citizen of tomorrow. Are you ready to meet the problems of the times? All have a duty to perform. The tariff, trust and racial questions must be solved for the good of all concerned. Do you believe that the success of nations depends on the intelligence of the citizens? If so throw away cigarettes and pipes and work for your own development. Young men are destroying their minds so that young men are coming forward to take their places. The Plains must stand together in the fight for the further promotion of this great educational institution."

Tom Turner.

In the absence of Hon. F. M. Bralley, Tom Turner, of Amarillo, was called upon and spoke a few friendly words regarding Canyon. Mr. Turner was one of the organizers of the county and feels a deep interest in Canyon.

EVENING PROGRAM.

After a short reception, the program of the evening was begun at 8:30.

A vote on the representatives of the other three Normal schools of the state was taken and it was found that there were over fifty representatives here who are either teachers on the Plains, or students in our Normal.

Rev. J. M. Harder was called upon and responded with a short address of welcome to the many visitors.

Dr. W. S. Sutton, dean of the School of Education in the University of Texas, was introduced and responded with the following:

W. S. Sutton's Address.

Dr. A. Caswell Ellis, of the University of Texas, was detained from being here by sickness in his family and Dr. W. S. Sutton was here to speak in Mr. Ellis' stead.

Dr. Sutton discussed the fact

that the Normal school is a development of modern times. It was unknown in the days of ancient Greece, Rome and the middle ages. There were absolutely no schools for teachers, although universities were maintained at that time. The first people to make an effort to train teachers were the Catholic order of Society of Jesus in the 16th century. The laws of this order absolutely required all teachers to be well trained not only in academic, but also in professional lines. The Jesuits prepared a teacher's manual which was examined by the leading men of the order to make it so far as possible render the greatest service to the teachers. The first great trainer of teachers, Baker, studied the system of this order. Another Catholic order was established in France in 1665 called the Brothers of Church School, established to secure the betterment of the teachers of France.

The American Normal cannot trace its origin to either of these Catholic orders but to the German and Swiss schools. France formed an institution in France in 1697. Seven years later he established a seminary for teachers with observation as part of teachers training. Prussia founded in 1785 a school at Mom-



HON. T. M. CAMPBELL
Ex-Governor of Texas

T. M. CAMPBELL MAKES ADDRESS AT DEDICATION

FORMER GOVERNOR APPEARS BEFORE AUDIENCE FIRST TIME SINCE RETIREMENT.

Great Praise is Given President Cousins and the New Normal College. Lauds Educational Work of His Administration. Scores Enemies and Intimates He Will Again Enter Politics.

Ex-Governor T. M. Campbell gave the principal address at the dedication of the West Texas State Normal college in which he praised the work that was accomplished for education during his tenure of office; heavily scored his enemies, the trusts; and incidentally intimated that he might appear in politics once more, presumably in the senatorial fight.

Mr. Campbell paid a very beautiful tribute to President Cousins in which he explained the great work that the president had done for education.

The compliments I have received here today have well repaid me for my long trip. I am glad to come to a community of culture, refinement and courage that would go into its pockets and pay \$100,000 for such a great institution as this—an institution that will flourish, that will grow to bless your children and your children's children and the great state of Texas. You did not get the Normal on account of your splendid offer, but on account of the high citizenship of your little city. Among the achievements of my four years in office, I feel the greatest was the establishment of this institution in this city. In the center of the Plains stands the most attractive and the most substantial institution in the state, not excepting the great University of Texas. It is here not for political reasons, but because the Panhandle needed it.

Mr. Campbell paid his respects to the trusts that have been tax evaders, and to the corporation paid politicians who have been his greatest enemies. "I have never asked a favor of this crowd, and I never will." I have been the least understood and the most misquoted governor Texas has ever had because I have protected the masses. I left the governor's chair on the 7th of January, quite voluntarily, and this is the first time I have appeared before an audience. But the corporation guns have still been trained on me. This crowd must expect me to run for office again and I may do it. Mr. Campbell closed his remarks by saying that he expected this institution to have within five years over 750 students.

Hon. F. M. Bralley, State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Texas, was unable to attend the dedication on account of important business in the legislature.

The stores of Canyon were closed during the two programs. Every merchant has the interest of the Normal very much at heart.

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Social and Personal Notes

Phone 75 for fresh groceries. Sour kraut in bulk at the City Meat Market. 48tf

J. B. Knox, of Happy, was in the city Saturday and made the News office a pleasant call.

Bates The Tailor is showing the Scotch Woolen Mills line, \$5.00 for a two piece suit.

The Star Grocery will appreciate your business.

H. A. Howell returned from Canadian Thursday where he had been with his wife, who was with pneumonia.

Your garden will be plowed in excellent shape by J. M. Goran, an experienced gardener. Phone 142. 48t2

Mrs. E. H. Ackley went to Waxahachie last week where she will visit with friends and relatives for a month.

The Star Grocery for fresh groceries and prompt service.

L. C. Crowley, of Happy, was in the city Saturday and paid the News a pleasant call. Mr. Crowley is one of Randall county's most progressive teachers.

Rev. M. E. Hawkins, of Canadian, was in the city from Monday morning to Tuesday evening with his daughters and shaking hands with his many friends in Canyon.

The ladies can get style, quality and low prices on Tailored suits, dresses, skirts, evening gowns, etc., from Bates The Tailor.

Miss Hesse Nebor, arrived in the city Tuesday and will have charge of the millinery department at the Supply for the coming season.

Phone 39, "Bates The Tailor" you have something you want cleaned and pressed. He is experienced and guarantees you good work. Free delivery.

A. B. Dunsworth and B. H. Dennis, of Denver, have taken charge of the Groendycke Garage. These gentlemen are experts with automobiles and gasoline engines.

Miss Carrie Quirk arrived in the city Tuesday to resume her work in the millinery department of the Turk & Armstrong Dry Goods Co.

Mrs. H. A. Howell returned from Canadian Monday, where she has been ill for the past two weeks. She was accompanied home by her father, Rev. M. E. Hawkins.

Jesse Pierce, ten miles north of the city, made the News office a pleasant call Monday. Mr. Pierce has been in this country about twenty years. His savings look fine for a big crop this year.

Bates The Tailor can sell you a better suit of clothes for the money than anyone else in town. Several hundred patterns at \$15. Higher priced suits if you want to pay more. 14 years experience selling tailored suits. Give me a call. I will fit up correctly and guarantee the fit, style and workmanship.

Subscribe for the News.

If it is from the Star Grocery it is good.

Miss Anna Garrison spent Saturday and Sunday at Happy at the home of her uncle.

White serge is very stylish for spring and summer costumes, Bates, can supply you.

J. E. Rogers left Sunday for the Neuces valley in South Texas where he has large interests in land.

White Swan coffee is sold by the Star Grocery. There are few brands as good.

Alice Burr, of Waco, arrived in the city Sunday to make an extended visit with her friend, Miss Grace Winkelman.

T. C. Thompson, W. S. Keiser and Joe Garrison attended the Water Carnival at Plainview last Friday and Saturday.

W. L. Barnes, the live real estate man from Amarillo, was in the city Monday and made the News office a pleasant call.

The Star Grocery sells the famous Pride of the Plains flour. There is none better.

L. T. Lester, President of the First National bank, returned Sunday from Dallas, where he had been attending the bankers convention.

Snow and Sleet.

It began to snow in Canyon Monday night and continued through the whole of Tuesday. The snow was very wet and froze as it fell. The inch of snow was equal to an inch of rain. The sleet froze until the walks and ground were very slick. Sleds were running on the streets Wednesday. The sun came out Wednesday morning and the snow was melted very much. This moisture will add very much to the total moisture of February, making it by far the record breaking February in the history of the weather bureau at Amarillo. It will also assure a fine wheat crop this spring.

West Point Appointment.

Ralph Cousins, son of President R. B. Cousins of the Normal, has been appointed by Congressman Stephenson to take the examinations for entrance at West Point. Mr. Cousins will go to St. Louis in May for the examinations.

Notice.

We have taken charge of the of the Groendycke Garage and are prepared to do any kind of automobile and gasoline engine work. All work guaranteed.

A. B. DUNSWORTH,
B. H. DENNIS.

Band Organized.

A band was organized Thursday night at the Normal building. It will be composed largely of men from the city, but will have a few students. Regular rehearsals will be held on Monday and Thursday nights. G. G. Hutchings was elected director and Vinet Reeves secretary and treasurer.

AT THE CHURCHES

METHODIST

Sabbath school at 9:45 a. m. G. G. Foster, Superintendent. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m.

Pastor, Rev. L. A. Webb. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Evening services at 7:30.

Prayer meeting, Wednesday, evening at 7:30. All are invited to these services.

PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday services 10:00 a. m. Sunday school 11:00 a. m. Public worship. Rev. Chalmers Kilbourn, Pastor.

6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor. 7:30 p. m. Evening services 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening, Bible study and prayer meeting. 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Song practice.

You are cordially invited to any and all of these services.

BAPTIST

Sunday services 9:30 a. m. Sabbath School J. C. Hunt, supt. 11:00 a. m. Preaching J. M. Harder, Pastor 6:30 p. m., B. Y. P. U. George Hutchings, Pres.

7:30 p. m. Preaching, by pastor J. M. Harder. 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening Prayer meeting.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday services 10:00 a. m. Bible school 11:00 a. m. Public worship. J. J. Hutchison, Pastor. 6:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor. 7:30 p. m. Public worship 7:40 p. m. Wednesday prayer meeting.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Services are held at the Christian Science reading room (one block south of square) every Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and Wednesday at 7:30 o'clock. Everybody welcome at these services. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10:15. The pastor of this church is the Bible and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures.

ORDER OF CATHOLIC SERVICES.

Canyon:—Holy Mass and preaching at Mr. Wells' house on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 8:45 a. m.

Umbarger:—Holy Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 9:15 a. m., on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 11:00 a. m. Lecture on 3rd Sundays at 7:30 p. m.

Hereford:—Holy Mass on arrival of train, 11:19 a. m. on the 1st, 2nd, 4th Sundays of each month. Lecture, 8:00 p. m. on 1st and 4th Sundays. Services at Court House.

All the above arrangements are good only until further notice. J. A. CAMPBELL, Missionary Priest.

Business Change.

A business change was made in the firm of Holland & Rogers last week whereby Mr. Holland sold his interest in the business to T. H. Stewart. Mr. Stewart has been with the firm a few weeks as clerk. The new firm, Rogers & Stewart, is now doing business.

Dislocated Shoulder.

W. T. Garrett fell on the ice near the Normal building Monday night and sustained a dislocated shoulder. He will be confined to his home for some time with the injured member.

Bates The Tailor is the best place in town for the ladies to buy tailored suits, skirts, coats, capes etc. Also goods by the yard. Call and see the line and get prices.



Interior View of the Thompson Hardware Company's Store

BUSINESS LOCALS

Envelopes in bulk at the News office, 5c per package.

FOR RENT—The Downing place 1 mile east of the Normal. L. E. COWLING. 43tf

FOR SALE—Close in five room house with bath, excellent location water works and all modern conveniences. For particulars address, R. G. OLDHAM, Canyon, Texas. 45tf

FARM TO LEASE—2 years crop for fencing and breaking. Joining Jas. Vetesk's. Apply to Ed Shenefelt, Millerton, Neb., or Keiser Bros., Canyon, Tex. 46tf

White Wyandotts eggs for sale at \$1.50 per setting. Also 2 or 3 settings from the highest scoring White Leghorns at the Amarillo show at \$3.00 per set. H. E. MULBROW. 47t3

WANTED—Half dozen turkey hens. C. T. WORD. 48t2

FOR RENT—A good ware room 25x30 feet. Call at this office.

Home rendered lard at the City Meat Market. 43tf

FOR SALE—Philo incubator. DR. U. T. MILLER. 45tf

I will buy all kinds of scrap brass. CLARENCE THOMPSON. 47t2

FOR SALE—Shomack cane, kafir and maize seed. E. ELMONDS, nine miles east of Canyon. 48t4

FOR RENT—A good room on the square. Fine for a small business. Call at the News office.

NOTICE—I have taken possession of Keiser Bros. & Phillips' garage and am prepared to do all kinds of automobile repairing. GUY HOOVER. 47tf

FOR RENT—The Downing place 1 mile east of the Normal. L. E. Cowling. 48tf

WANTED—Quarter to a section of raw land to put into crop this spring. C. I. WAGNER, Canyon. 49t2

FOR SALE—At bargain, wagon and harness also some farming implements. See I. L. VAN SANT. 49tf

Scotch Woolen Mills \$15.00 line of suits for men and boys. Made to your measure. Fit and style guaranteed, 14 years experience. Call on Bates The Tailor, opp. post office.

Notice.

To whom it may concern. I will not be responsible for any debts of the L. C. Klein Land Co. of Happy, Texas. 48t2 MATH GRADY.

GROCERIES

In this department we comply with all requirements. Our stock of staple and fancy groceries is the most complete in town and a steady increase in our business is conclusive evidence that our prices are absolutely right. We sell cheaper because we have the volume of business that demands buying in such quantities as to own our goods cheaper than the smaller buyer. We guarantee every article that goes out of our grocery department, A No. 1, or money back. Try a sack of our Honey Bee Flour (Hard Wheat.) Below we quote you a few of our prices:

18 lbs. Cane Sugar	\$1.00	44 lbs. Plain Pickles	2.00
4 1-2 Pail Blanke's Coffee	1.00	Cal. Canned goods	16 2-3 to .30
3 lb. Pail Panther Coffee	1.00	Honey Bee Flour, per sack,	1.50
1 lb. can Golden Gate Coffee	.40	Panhandle Flour, per sack,	1.75
Swift's Premium Hams, per lb.,	.18	Pride of State Flour, per sack,	1.40
Swift's Premium Bacon, per lb.,	.28	Valley Cream Flour, per sack,	1.25
10 lbs. Premium Lard	1.60	Swiss Brand Salmon, per can,	.20
10 lbs. Jewell Compound	1.00	Columbian Milk, per case,	3.60
22 lbs. Mix Pickles	1.25	Greely Potatoes, per 100 lbs.,	2.00

Scudders Maple Syrup in quarts and half gallons. Full line of Penick & Ford's Ribbon Cane Syrup and Sorghum. Fresh Vegetables and Fruits of all kinds.

If you trade with us you don't have to change every 60 days. We've been here always and are here to stay. We are after your grocery business. Give it to us. We need it.

CANYON SUPPLY CO.



Randall County Alfalfa in the Shock

CANYON TEAM WINS CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

DEFEATS FAST DALHART TEAM BY SCORE OF 35 TO 12.

Undisputed Championship of the Panhandle was Won Friday Night on Home Floor.

In another case of "too much Lair," the Canyon basketball team won the championship of the Panhandle in a fast game against the undefeated Dalhart team. From the start of the game, the local boys showed their great superiority of the visiting team. From the time the first goal was thrown, until the final whistle blew, the visitors were at no time a very great menace to the local giants. The scoring started one minute after the toss up when one of the Lair boys tossed the ball into the basket from a difficult angle. During the first half Canyon threw 6 baskets and 3 foul goals, while Dalhart succeeded in getting 3 baskets and 3 on fouls. In this half there were very many fouls called by the referee, Dalhart getting fifteen free throws at the basket.

In the second half the scoring maching of the local bunch was turned loose, and with the excellent team work they have always displayed in their games, they made 10 more goals, bringing the score up to 35 points. Dalhart made two goals during the second half, and landed one free throw.

The baskets for the local team were thrown as follows: Tom Lair, 7; Thad Lair, 5; Cavett, 2; Hunt, 2; fouls, Tom Lair, 3. For Dalhart Dozier threw 3, Reeves 1 and Dozier, 4 foul goals.

The game was the closing of the season for the local teams. During the season they have met and defeated every strong team of the Panhandle, the last game being the final wind-up of a straight line of victories. All through the season the team has worked well together, and every victory was the result of excellent team work rather than individual efforts. While it has always been a case of "too much

Lair," yet the support given these two excellent forwards has never failed, and the guarding of the other members of the team has saved many a goal being registered for the opposing team. The success of the season is for a large part due to the excellent coaching of Captain Hunt, and the persistence with which he has labored for the betterment of the weak points in his team.

The following was the line-up:
Canyon Dalhart
Tom Lair F. Dozier
Thad Lair F. Anderson
Cavett C. Reeves
Reeves G. Kelly
Hunt G. Furr
Rowan
Referee, Maddox, Dalhart;
Umpire, N. Hicks, Canyon;
Score, Black, Canyon.

Announcement.

Canyon, Texas, Feb. 27, 1911.
TO THE VOTERS OF CANYON;
In announcing myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Marshal I wish to thank you for your kindness in electing me to this office at the last election and I also wish to assure you that if I am re-elected I will give you the best service possible. The most important part of the duties of your City Marshal is the assessing and collecting of the City Taxes. When I took charge of this office by appointment to fill out the term of J. W. Turner, resigned, there was then due the city something like \$3000 taxes. Of the taxes then due and those which have been assessed since that time I have collected all but about \$800 and had it not been for the death of one of our heaviest tax payers this would have been reduced to less than \$500. I have tried to keep your tax rolls in good shape and invite inspection of them. If re elected I will endeavor to look diligently after all of the duties of the office and to especially take care to always have the finances of the city in good shape. I will appreciate any support given me and will try to merit your confidence.

Yours,
J. H. JOWELL.

A. L. Roles, of Happy, was in the city Thursday and made the News office a pleasant call.

PROHIBITION MEETING SATURDAY.

County Will be Organized and Many Preparations for the July Election Made.

In response to a call by the petition signed last week by a large number of Canyon's citizens, a small crowd gathered at the court house last Saturday afternoon for the organization of the Prohibition forces of the county in order to do effective work for the election which will be held in July. The meeting chose Judge A. N. Henson president and W. J. Flesher secretary. Mr. Henson will oversee the organization of each precinct, and together with the chairman of each precinct, will form an executive committee to look after the prohibition forces in Randall county.

Cavett Left Sunday.

"Pug" Cavett, the only Panhandle baseball player in the major leagues at the present time, left Sunday for the spring training camp of the Detroit American league at Monroe, La. Cavett has wintered well and was in excellent condition when he left Sunday. His work with the basket ball team has kept him in fairly good training. Cavett is the only left handed pitcher in the Detroit bunch, and will no doubt be given a try-out early in the season.

Will Move Here Soon.

D. L. Hiechcox, of Erskine, Minn., has bought the C. B. Wallace place of 1100 acres four miles south of the city, and will move here the last of March. Mr. Hiechcox is planning to divide the ranch, and make two farms. He will begin work at once on two sets of buildings. On one farm he will build an eight room house and on the other will build a six room house.

Business Meeting Friday Night.

The Baraca and Philathea classes of the Methodist church met Friday night at the E. S. Fairbanks home for their regular monthly business session and for a social hour. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed by the classes. Refreshments were served.

Normal Grocery

The House of Quality. Phone 27

Let us give you a few of the items we are carrying in stock:

Bell of Wichita flour. Bakers Pride, hard wheat. Pearl meal and Graham, Van Camp canned goods. Curtice Blue Label canned goods, jellies, jams and preserves. Full line of Beach Nut goods. Full line of Great Western Coffees. Full line of Penick & Ford's Syrups. Full line of National Biscuits goods. Scudders and Log Cabin Maple Syrups, pure. Garden Seeds in bulk and packages. Bulk kraut, sour pickles, sweet pickles, dill pickles, stuffed peppers, mangoes, all in bulk. Royal Seal and Quaker Oats in cans. Dr. Price's Mother and Quaker Oats in packages. All kinds of Cereals and Breakfast Foods. Beans and Peas of all kinds in bulk and cans. Al Corn, Justice, World's Favorite, Dee Go and Uwanda. Family packed Tomatoes, Compass hand packed Niggerhead in 2 and 3 pound cans.

In fact we have the best line of Groceries in the Panhandle, when we say the best we mean the cleanest, the best assorted and the highest grades. Remember we handle nothing cheap, we are no cheap store when it comes to Quality. We guarantee every item that goes out of our store and guarantee our prices to be as low as the quality of our groceries will permit.

Normal Grocery

C. S. Hutson, of Marshalltown, Iowa, was in the city Saturday on business and made this office a pleasant call. Mr. Hutson has land here, and is pleased with the condition of the country. "This land will be selling for \$100 per acre within 10 years," said Mr. Hutson.

Mrs. Alexander, of Mexico City, arrived in the city last week to visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Reeves.

John Bratton, formerly of this city, but not of Lake Arthur, N. M., passed through the city Sunday.

Small Wreck Sunday.

There was a small wreck on the Santa Fe west of the city Sunday which tied up traffic for about two hours. One of the axles of a car loaded with 56 tons of copper burned in two, and smashed up the track considerably. The wrecker came from Amarillo and soon had a new truck placed under the car. The evening passenger was held here for two hours.

Ed Baird, of Umbarger, was in the city Monday, and made the News office a pleasant call.

RANDALL COUNTY DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT COURT.

J. N. Browning, Amarillo, Judge
Henry Bishop, Amarillo, Attorney
M. P. Garner, Canyon, Clerk
Court convenes on seventeenth Monday after the second Monday in January and July, and may continue in session four weeks.

COUNTY COURT.

W. D. Scott, Judge
W. J. Flesher, Attorney
M. P. Garner, Clerk
Court convenes on third Monday in February, April, June, August, October and December.

COMMISSIONER'S COURT.

Commissioners: Precinct No. 1, T. F. Reid; No. 2, E. W. Neece; No. 3, W. S. Cook; No. 4, M. S. Park.
Court convenes second Monday in February, May, August and November.

JUSTICE COURT.

Precinct No. 1, W. J. Redfearn, Justice of the Peace. Court convenes the first Monday of each month.
Precinct No. 2, J. W. Turner, Justice of the Peace.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.

W. D. Scott, Judge
W. J. Flesher, Attorney
M. P. Garner, Clerk
R. H. Sanford, Sheriff-Tax Collector
P. H. Young, Treasurer
Cyrus Eakman, Tax Assessor
W. D. Scott, Ex-Officio Supt. Schools
G. G. Foster, Surveyor
J. V. Young, Hide-Animal Inspector

The Canyon Basketball Team, the Champions of the Panhandle.



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By CHAS. K. NEEDHAM
C. W. Warwick, Managing Editor.

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Six months......75

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The News is authorized to announce the following candidates for the city election in April:
FOR CITY MARSHAL:
H. R. GERHARDT
FOR CITY MARSHAL:
J. H. JOWELL

COMPARATIVE FIGURES

A few weeks ago the attention of the News was called to an editorial in the Abilene News in which that paper stated that if the Normal college had been located in their city the attendance the first year would have been 400. Through the kindness of Mr. Lowry, of the Normal faculty, we have at hand figures from the Normal colleges of the state giving their attendance for the first year.

The Sam Houston Normal was established in 1879. The students enrolled the first year were 10 in number, of which 60 were males and 50 females. The school opened in the old Austin college building, the course being two years. The first year there were 40 graduates. The enrollment the second year was only 119.

The North Texas Normal College, located at Denton, was established in 1901. The school was not created new, but took over a private school which Mr. F. B. Terrill had been running for a number of years. Mr. Terrill was always popular with the students, and even with this advantage the number of students the first year was only 450, 200 males and 250 females. The number of graduates the first year was only 27, 5 males and 22 females.

The San Marcos Normal was established in 1903. This school unfortunately has never made a report of its attendance to the United States bureau. The authorities, however, reported an attendance of 301. San Marcos is the seat of Coronado institute, is well known as a school town and at that time scholarships were given which counts for a large number of students in this Normal as well as in the Denton school.

The West Texas State Normal College, located at this city, does not have quite so good a record so far as attendance is concerned, but conditions will easily account for that. In the first place, the school is absolutely new, not taking over another school as did the Denton Normal. Second, this has never been a college town as San Marcos. Third, the building was not complete when the regular session opened, and faults reports all over the Panhandle and extending even into Lower Texas kept many students away who had been making arrangements to enter the school. Fourth, there are absolutely no scholarships given out by the Normal to create a large attendance this year.

There is yet another term to the regular session of the local Normal together with the summer session which will begin the latter part of May. The Manual Training and Domestic Training departments will start in the Normal the next term, and with these started, the Normal authorities expect at least another 50 students. The summer session alone will bring not less than 300 teachers who wish to do summer work.

Another thing is noted in the reports of the other Normals. There were only 27 graduates in the Denton Normal out of 450

students. In the local school there will be 35 graduates this year out of 227 students so far enrolled.

That the West Texas State Normal college has before it the greatest future of any Normal in the state cannot be denied. With the wonderful climate of the Panhandle, with a splendidly equipped building and with the very best educators of the state on her faculty, she is sure to increase very rapidly.

A JOKER RESOLUTION.

In the lower house of the Oklahoma legislature, a resolution was introduced last week providing for the annexation of the Panhandle to the State of Oklahoma. The resolution was introduced by O. W. Patchell. Whether Mr. Patchell is a practical joker, or whether he really thinks his resolution will be put into execution, we do not know. At any rate his resolution is taken as a joke by every resident of the Panhandle. The citizens of Shamrock responded to the resolution, by writing to Representative J. C. Hunt of this district, asking him to present a resolution in the legislature of Texas to annex Oklahoma to the Panhandle. This would be a wiser step than the one proposed by the Oklahoma representative.

But taking the resolution of Mr. Patchell seriously, the citizens of the Panhandle would never consent to being annexed to Oklahoma. If the Panhandle is ever separated from the mother state, which is very improbable, it will be to form a separate state. So far as the News is concerned, we would not want to be attached to that experimental station of freak legislation located just to our east. Haskell and his bunch may be good fellows, but let them play in their back yard. While the Panhandle has been very much overlooked by the solons at Austin, yet within the past two years, the people up here have made themselves heard, and in the future we will be better looked after.

WORKING UNDER DIFFICULTY.

This issue of the News was gotten out under all kinds of difficulties. In the first place, sickness in our force has been a source of inconvenience. In the second place, we were not able to get from the speakers a copy of their addresses for the dedication exercises until a late hour. But the most aggravating thing we had to contend with was the fact that our paper did not arrive in Canyon until Thursday noon. We had all our type tied up by Wednesday, and consequently were able to do no work on the edition until the first run had been made Thursday afternoon. We have done our best under the circumstances and if this issue is not up to the reader's expectation you can easily think of other business enterprises where there are sorrows and disappointments as well as in the newspaper work. As it is, we feel that we have had all there is coming to us for one week at least.

In these moments of rejoicing over the dedication of the finest Normal school in the great state of Texas, let us not forget to give honor and thanks to the ones who have been so fundamentally concerned with the construction of the building. Every citizen in Canyon who contributed to the building of this great school deserves great credit for their contribution. The greatest honor is due to the three members of the local board who began the fight for obtaining the school, and who have watched over and superintended the construction of the building. These three members, Mr. L. T. Lester, Mr. L. E. Cowling and Mr. R. A. Terrill—have expended of their

time and energy very freely, neglecting personal business for the welfare of the school. To them every Canyon citizen turns at this hour and returns heartfelt thanks for such public spirited men as these three gentlemen have shown themselves to be.

The coat of whitewash, which was given Lorimer by the investigating committee, was plastered over Wednesday by a vote of the senate by which the move to unseat Lorimer failed. It is quite probable that some of the senators who voted for Lorimer are in a little too precarious position themselves to say anything about such a small thing as bribery in the highest law making body in our land.

Friday, March 10th, has been set aside as cleaning up day in the whole of Texas. Canyon will join in the movement and make a good clean up before spring sets in for good.

Colquitt will make a good governor. He has learned to declare anything which he does not favor as unconstitutional. That big word "unconstitutional" covers a multitude of sins.

THE PARAGRAPHER.

Canyon is an ideal place to live.

There are a few more copies of this issue for sale at 5 cents per copy.

Four inches of moisture for February assure a record-breaking wheat crop.

There will be more residences built in Canyon this year than there were last year.

There is talk of a number of nice business houses being built in Canyon this year.

The Panhandle is the best home in America for the dairy cow, the hog and the sheep.

If you like this issue of the News tell your neighbor about it; if there is any kick coming, make it to us.

Canyon has demonstrated the fact that she can raise good basketball players as well as good crops and stock.

The winter in the Panhandle has been very moderate. At only two times has there been any cold weather to speak of.

The Panhandle is able "to come back" good and strong regarding the amount of February moisture. This year the four inches of rain and snow far surpassed all records.


This is the last day for republican control in the house of representatives in the congress of the United States. Uncle Joe will hereafter take a back seat and deliver the gavel over to Champ.

The many visitors in Canyon at the dedication were greatly surprised and pleased to find Canyon to be such a fine little city, and to find the finest Normal college in the State of Texas.

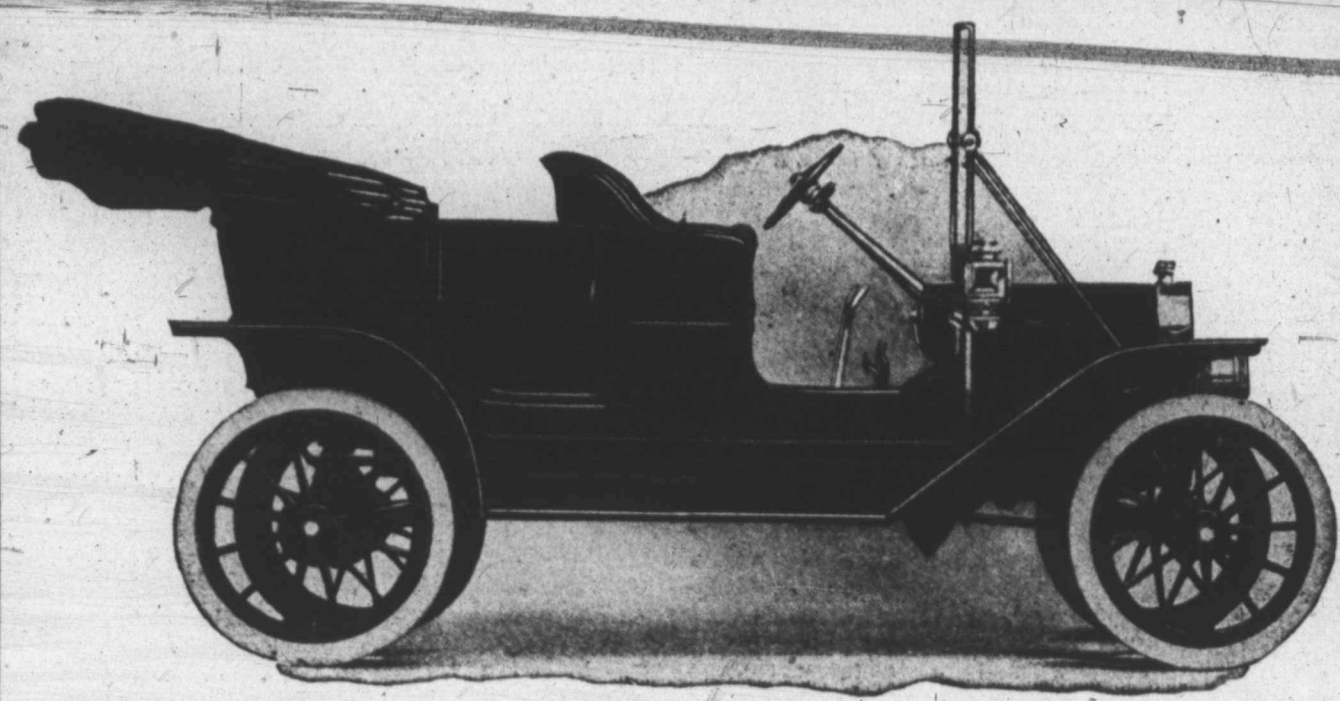
Wheat has sprouted and is almost through the ground. A few more warm days and the Panhandle will be spread with a covering of rich-green. The Panhandle is the greatest wheat country in the United States.

This is a Bully Old World.

Oh, life is a wonder and death is a blunder! It's good to be living and strong. It's fine to



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be chaffing and joking and laughing, and chortling a tra-la-la song! It's great to be working like blitzen and jerking your living from out of the soil! It's gay to be earning real money and spurning the thought of life without toil. Most all the repining and grunting and whining is done by the loafers, you'll note; the toilers and tillers, old industry's pillars, no time to complaining devote; they skirmish and rustle; they hump and they hustle and put up their hay in the sun; they mow and they garner and don't give a darn or a whoop for the indolent one. Such fellows are useful. They're worth a caboose full of men who have nothing to do but grunt all together concerning the weather, the crops and the government, too. I tell you, dear chappie, if you would be happy, you'll have to get busy and work; there isn't much pleasure for people of leisure, there isn't much use for a shirk. The man is lazy drives busy men crazy, and over the transom he's hurled; but things keep a-coming to folks who are humming, and this is a bully old world.—Walt Mason.

City Pharmacy Changes.
As was announced two weeks ago in the News, the City Pharmacy has been sold, and the transfer of stock took place this week. The purchaser of this fine stock is D. R. Gass, of Hereford, one of the leading merchants of Hereford. Mr. Gass will place in charge of the store his son-in-law, N. E. McIntire, of Graham. Mr. McIntire is an experienced druggist. He will soon move his family to this city.
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DEDICATION EXERCISES.

(Continued from page one.)

presented themselves for admission. Soon two more schools were opened. All three grew slowly in face the strong opposition which was finally overcome by the subsequent labors of Horace Mann. It was he that with tongue and pen established the Normal school on its firm basis, and from then until this good hour the progress has been steady and rapid.

By 1909 the Normal schools had increased in numbers to 257 including the three schools established in Texas. The teaching staff had increased from one in 1839 to 1350 in 1909. The students had increased from 3 lonesome young women to 73,000, there being a large number of young men to keep the young women company. In 1900 there were 13,000 graduates. There was a maintenance fund of \$6,000,000, while for a permanent improvement fund there were \$3,000,000. The total valuation of the property was \$40,000,000.

Texas has shown a desire to accelerate the progress of this movement. When the location of the West Texas State Normal College was sought, there was strife among 40 or 50 enterprising towns of the state and Canyon won by making a gift of the finest 40 acres in the Panhandle for a campus and over \$100,000 in cold cash. In view of this fact and the desire of other places for Normal schools, we came to the conclusion that Texas is beginning to feel the need of places for training their teach-

ers if we continue in the way of enlightenment.

In the further progress of education in Texas, the university and the whole state expect the West Texas State Normal College to contribute its share. That it will be true to the highest wisdom in the selection of its materials, giving appropriate recognition to the old and new subjects which are sequel to a proud but democratic people. Instead of attempting to conduct an ordinary high school, or aspiring to be a university, may this Normal confine its efforts to training teachers for the public schools. Finally, in as much as the United States mails and the telegraph wires come to Canyon, we hope that this Normal will be in the vine of education that belongs to this state, against which there is no law. Every lover of liberty throughout this commonwealth rejoices over the auspicious foundation of this institution, is proud of the farsightedness of Canyon, and has much faith in the services of your earnest president and devoted faculty for the promulgation of human learning, professional wisdom and civic virtue in this great state of Texas.

Dedication Notes.

Saturday was an ideal day. The sun was warm and bright.

The mud caused by the recent rains and snow was dried in good shape around the building.

Hon. W. A. Palmer, of Canadian, made the News office a

short call Saturday morning. Mr. Palmer used to be in the newspaper business and knows some of the troubles connected therewith.

Superintendent J. K. Webster, of Lubbock, is a very pleasant man to meet. Mr. Webster is one of the best school men on the Plains, and is doing a great work for education in Lubbock.

Dr. Sutton is a very accommodating man. He didn't have his address prepared when he arrived in the city, but dictated it to the News man while standing in the middle of the race track on the campus.

Of course the trains were late Saturday morning. The program was somewhat delayed.

The teachers of Tulia came up en force.

The music furnished by the Normal students was very fine. The choruses and the numbers of the ladies quartette was especially appreciated.

Mr. Campbell said that of the 4,000 people he met in Canyon, there was not a single scrub.

Farewell had a delegation of seventeen at the exercises.

Nearly a hundred Amarillo people attended the exercises.

All kinds of bouquets were thrown by the various speakers.

Every speaker had many kind words for President Cousins and the faculty.

Great credit is due Miss Kelly for the splendid music.

The ladies quartette made a great hit.

Tom Turner said that Amarillo had a bunch of the concert knocked out of her when Canyon landed the Normal.

Judge Browning adjourned district court at Amarillo in order to be at the program.

President Cousins did himself proud as master of ceremonies.

NORMAL NOTES

Miss Mamie Conner has not been in school this week being kept at home with a sore throat.

Professor Stafford gave two lectures to the Senior class this week which were instructive as well as enjoyable.

The students were given regular seats at the auditorium Friday. The Freshman class at the front, the Juniors next and the Senior class in the back.

Professor Marquis gave lectures on school Hygiene to the Senior class this week.

Miss Cora Shipe was ill Thursday and Friday.

Miss Zollie Garrison spent the latter part of the week with her parents in Hereford.

Our Oratorical contest will be given at the Normal auditorium April fourth by the students.

A business meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was called Friday for the purpose of electing new officers.

The Sesame society ordered a fine banner some time ago which arrived this week. The banner is made up of the society colors and is 8x4 feet. The banner has been hung in the society hall.

A very unique Martha and George Washington party was given at the Normal building last Saturday night by the Sesames and Barrett-Brownings. The various guests were dressed in costumes representing different characters of colonial days. The old Virginia reel was one of the enjoyable events of the evening. Punch was served by the hostesses.

WIRE TILE FOR SUB-IRRIGATION.

YOUNG CANYON INVENTOR PATENTS NEW SYSTEM OF IRRIGATION BY MEANS OF COIL WIRE.

Probably no question has occupied the minds of those who have undertaken to build homes in those parts of the west where the rainfall is insufficient, as the question of irrigation. The protracted drouth of 1909 and '10 has awakened them to a realization that something must be done. Beneath the surface at various depths is an abundance of pure water, waiting only for the ingenuity of man to raise it to the surface and properly apply it.

The old system of surface irrigation is not practical even if it were preferable, for the simple reason that few are able to equip a pumping plant of sufficient capacity to accomplish much, and the present systems employed in sub-irrigation are laborious to install, to say the least and especially to the man that lives far from the station or the sand bank.

We are living in a fast age, time is valuable, and in irrigation as in any other industry, a method must be adopted whereby better results can be accomplished with a greater saving of time and labor.

With this object in view, a young inventor, Wm. N. Robinson, of Canyon, Texas, has invented what he has pleased to call Success Ideal Wire Tile to be used for subirrigation. His claims for it are worthy of consideration. Practical, economical and durable; practical in that it can be made very rapidly with little expense and at any time of the year. It can be laid very easily, 2500 to 3000 feet being a days

work for one man. If properly constructed and thoroughly galvanized there is no reason why it would not last equally as well if not better than when exposed to the elements. Its distribution of water is perfect and its capacity for carrying the same is sufficient. From 75 to 80 barrels of water will pass through the coil in 24 hours, which in most soils would supply all the earth would absorb in 1320 feet or 80 rods. It is believed to be a root resistor for the reasons that the openings are too small for roots to enter and the tile itself being only 3-4 of an inch in diameter renders it quite likely that roots would never penetrate it. Metal itself is repulsive to roots. Freezing does not affect it and there is no loss by breakage.

It is thought that by properly preparing the soil by deep plowing or better yet by subsoiling every 3 or 4 feet and laying the tile across the subsoil rows that the tile can be laid from 20 to 30 ft. and possibly farther with good results. Subsoil 10 or 12 inches and lay the tile from 12 to 15 inches deep. This applies to heavy soils which do not absorb moisture as readily as loose or sandy land. When the water from the tile rises up to a level of where it has been loosened it assists the water to spread more rapidly and evenly.

Since wire has been invented, more has been accomplished to further the interests of human kind than centuries before had done without it. If it were strick-

en out of existence what a calamity would befall the nations. Cities would be in darkness, commerce crippled, business paralyzed and social relations demoralized. Neyer has it failed to do masters bidding. It guards the herds and flocks by night while the weary husbandman rests from the toils of the day, it carries its masters messages hundreds of miles over trackless deserts through babel and tunnel, storm and tempest and delivers it safely without the loss of a word.

When the Atlantic cable was completed, instantly the earth became smaller by the breadth of the Atlantic. A new volume in the history of the world was opened. The tomorrow of Europe flashed across the yesterday of America, bringing together the whole human race as one household.

Stop and think. Is it reasonable to suppose that its mission is ended, or will it continue to be that good and faithful servant, sending life and vigor to the parched and thirsty desert into an oasis? Then will the vision of the poll wire be fulfilled.

"Then shall in the desert rise Fruits of more than Paradise."

This mode of irrigation is fast gaining favor, as the company whose headquarters are now at Hereford, have placed over 18,000 feet of this tile on and near Hereford, over the South Plain and N. M. in the last 30 days.

POWER PLANT INCORPORATED.

Capital Stock \$25,000—C. R. McAfee is President and Manager of the New Company.

The articles of incorporation of the Canyon Power Company arrived in the city this week, the charter being granted by the State of Texas. The Canyon Power Company will run an ice, light and power plant, the ice plant to be added to the light plant sometime this spring. The capital stock of the new company is \$25,000. The following are the officers:

C. R. McAfee, president and manager.
D. A. Park, vice president.
C. N. Harrison, sec'y-treas.

"Bob" Seeds Coming.

One of the greatest humorous lecturers on the lecture platform today will appear at the Normal auditorium Monday night. This man is the well known "Bob" Seeds. Every where Mr. Seeds has appeared, the audience has been delighted with the exceptional way in which they have been entertained. Mr. Seeds has been heard by a number of Canyon people, all of whom will vouch for the splendid lecture that will be heard next Monday night. This is the second number of the lecture course.

Restuarant Moved.

Mrs. Berry moved her restaurant on Tuesday from East Evelyn street to Houston street to the building formerly occupied by the Canyon Cafe.

All is Concerned.

March 10th is Cleanup Day all over this great state of Texas. I have a new and uptodate wagon for hauling away all your rubbish, that you put it all in boxes and sacks and place it all in a convenient place in the alley where it can be gotten at and I will do the rest without any expense to you at all. Repst. FRIZ GRUNER, City Scavenger.

The six o'clock closing agreement expired on March 1st and from now on all the stores of the city will remain open until seven o'clock in the evening.

J. A. Rorex, of Panhandle, has moved to Canyon in order to take advantage of the splendid schools. Mr. Rorex has leased a ranch from C. R. McAfee southwest of the city and will run the same while his family will reside in the city.

Pigs for sale. C. T. WORD. 49tf
For photos that will satisfy. The Lusby Studio.

The State of Texas.

By virtue of the power vested in me by law and by virtue of the order of the City Council of Canyon City, here tofor duly passed, as Mayor of Canyon City I hereby order an election to be held at the Court House in Canyon City, Texas, on the first Tuesday of April 1911, the same being the 4th day of April 1911, for the purpose of electing the following officers: A Mayor, A City Marshal; A City Secretary; A City Attorney and one Alderman for each ward in the City for regular term and one Alderman for short term. Ward No. 3, to fill the unexpired term of S. L. Ingham who has moved out of the city limits.

Mr. E. A. Upfold has been appointed as presiding officer of said election. Witness my hand officially this 11 day of March 1911.

C. V. WOOLLEY,
Mayor of Canyon City.

W. R. Hudnall, of Amarillo was in the city Thursday to spend the day with friends. The New enjoyed a short visit from Mr. Hudnall.

WANTED—Four good milk cows will pay the price for good cows. Write W. S. Melroy, Canyon, F. D. 49t

Farms and City Property

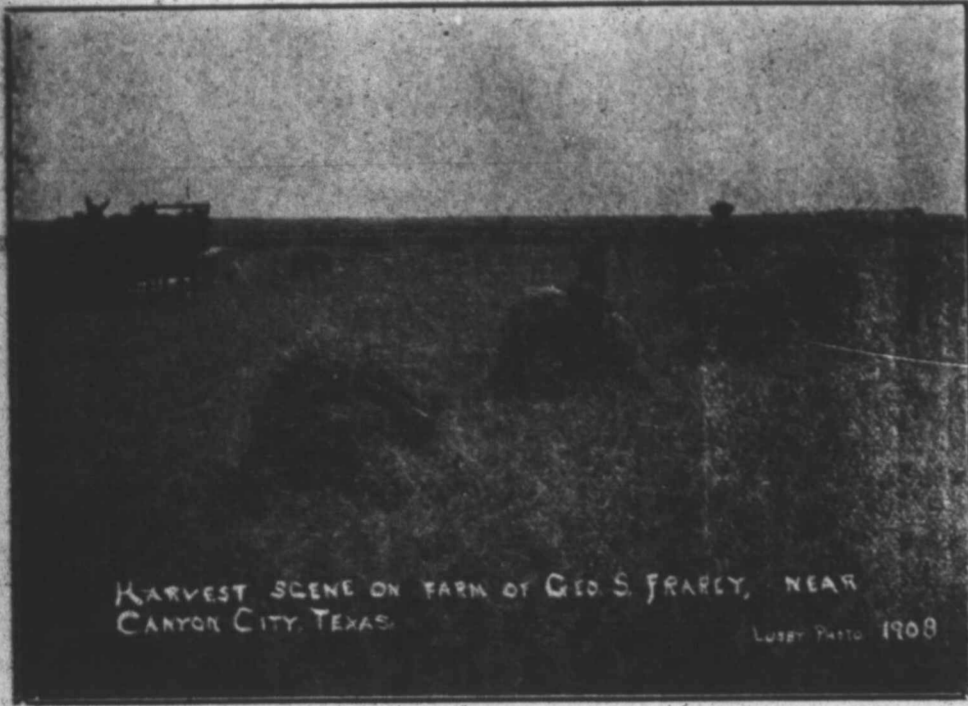
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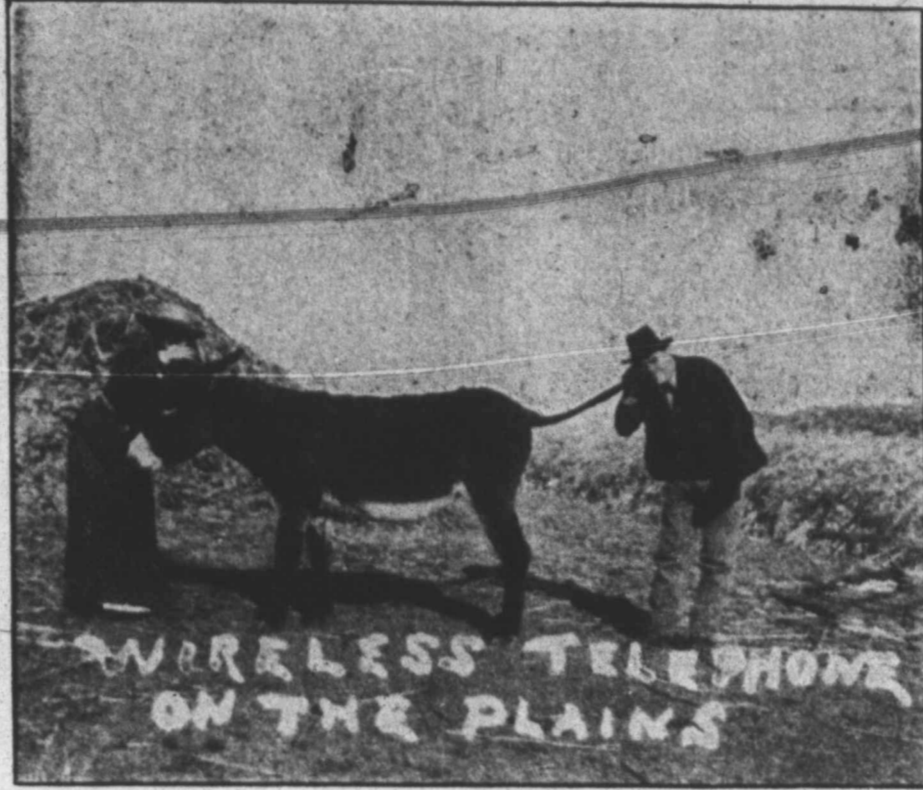


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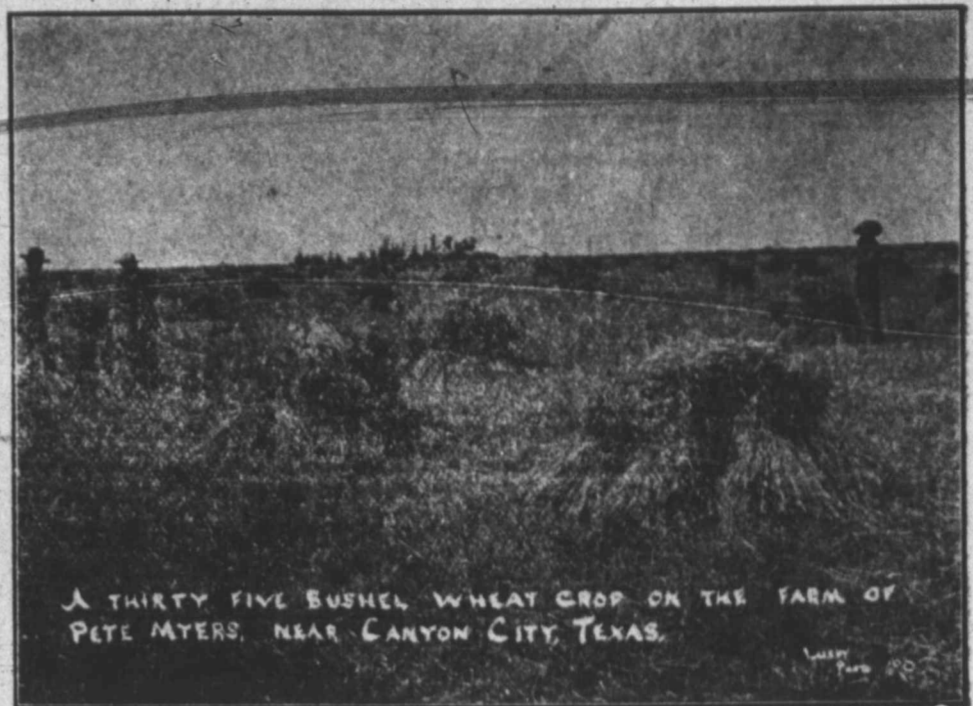
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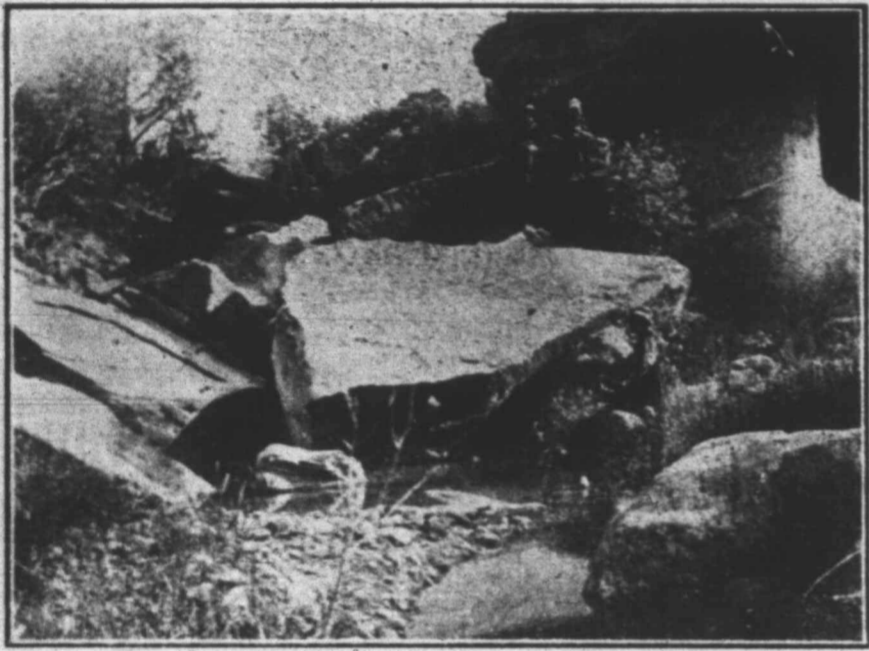
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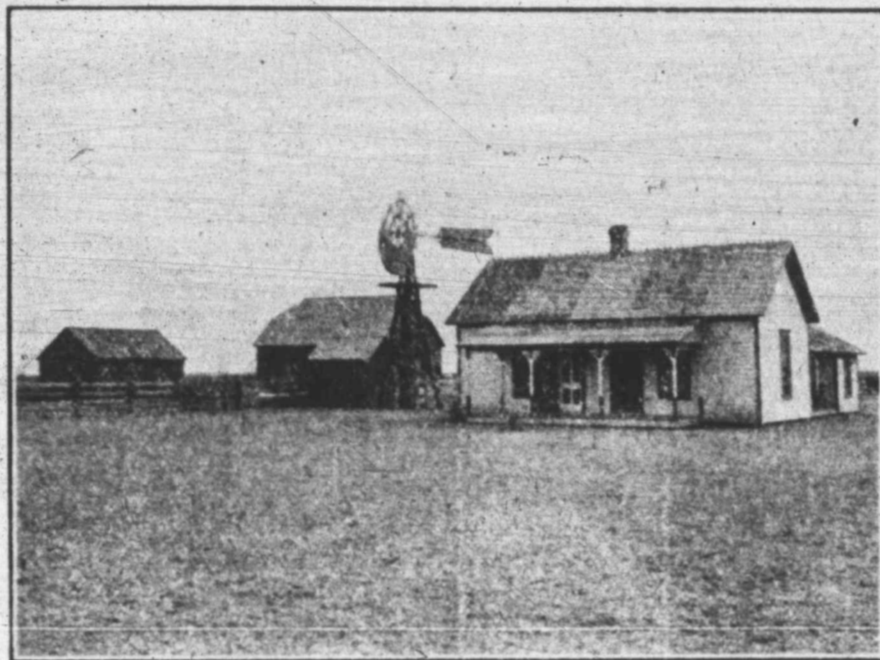
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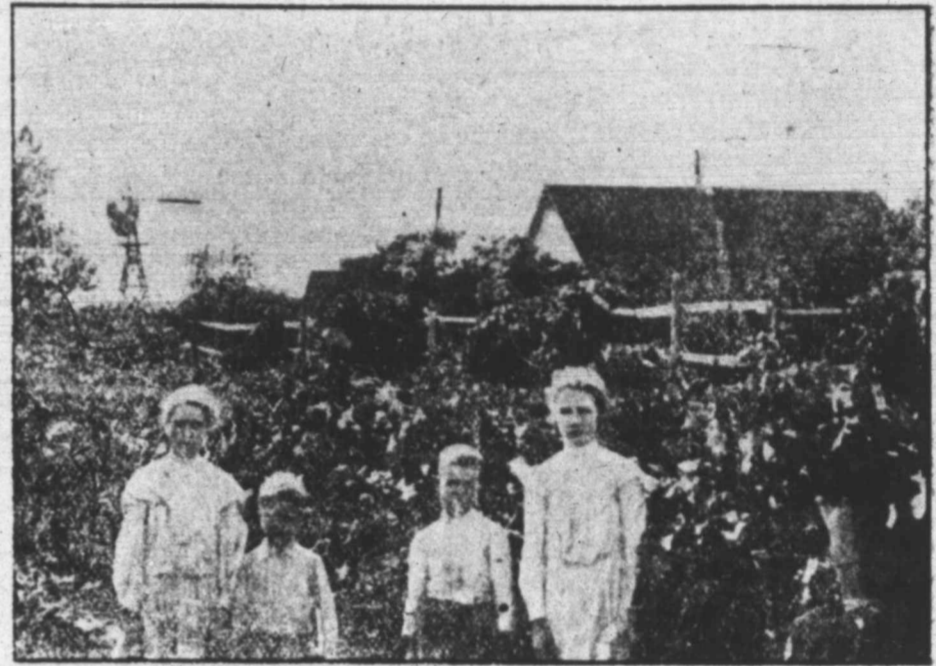
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Scene in the canyons, near Canyon, Texas



Home of T. C. Simms



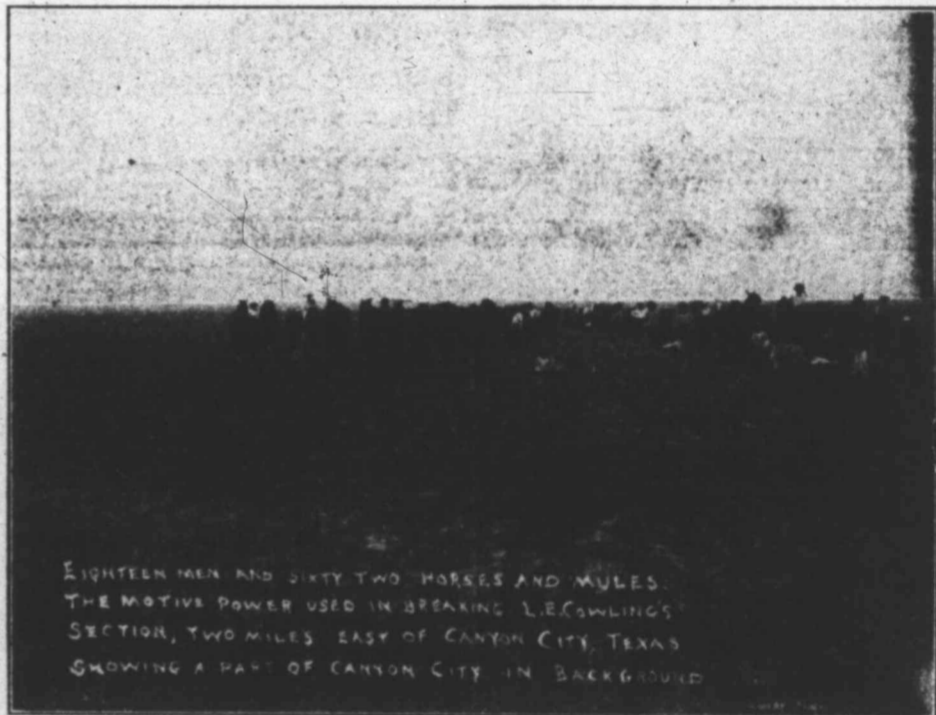
Bountiful gardens grow in Randall County



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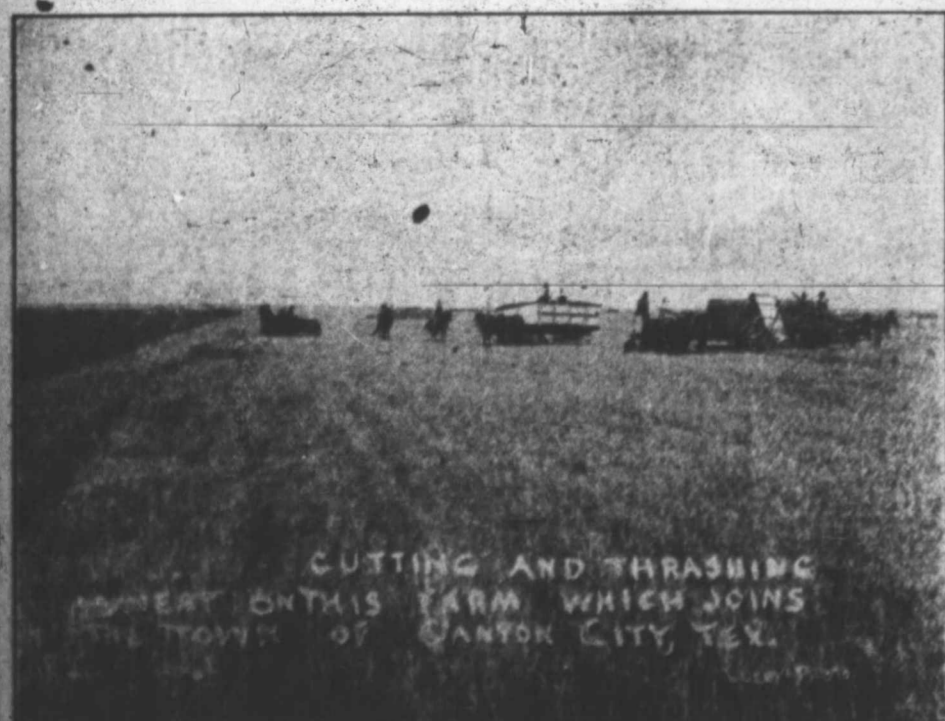
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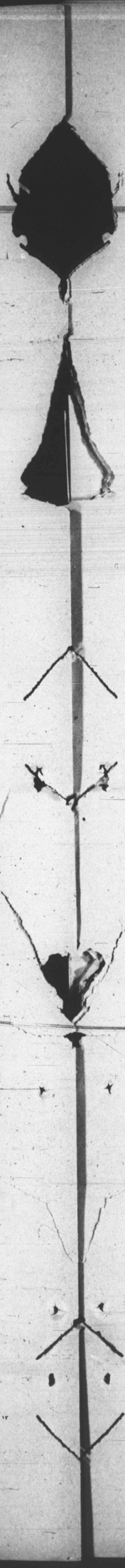
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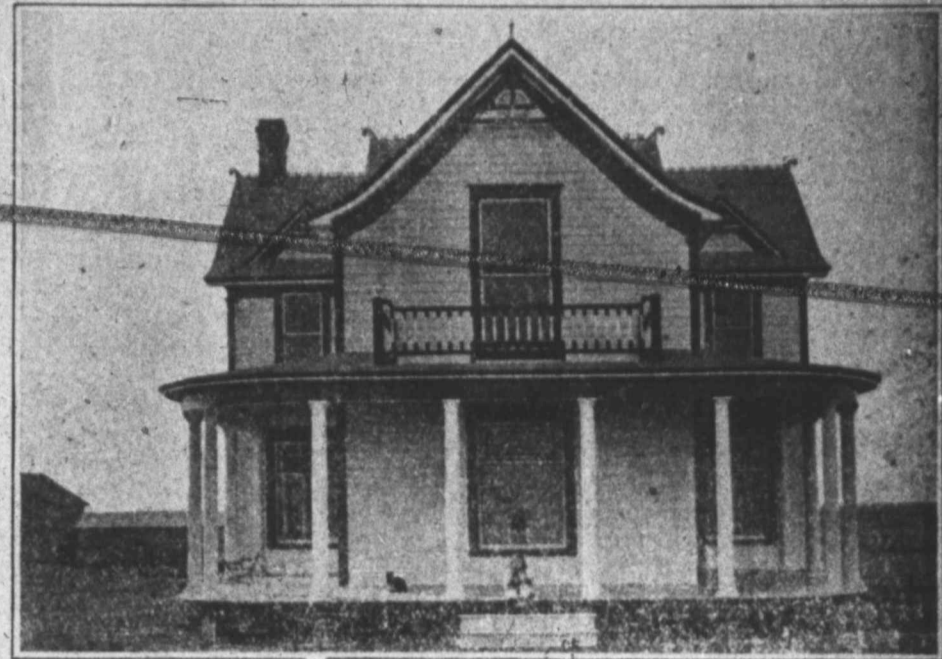
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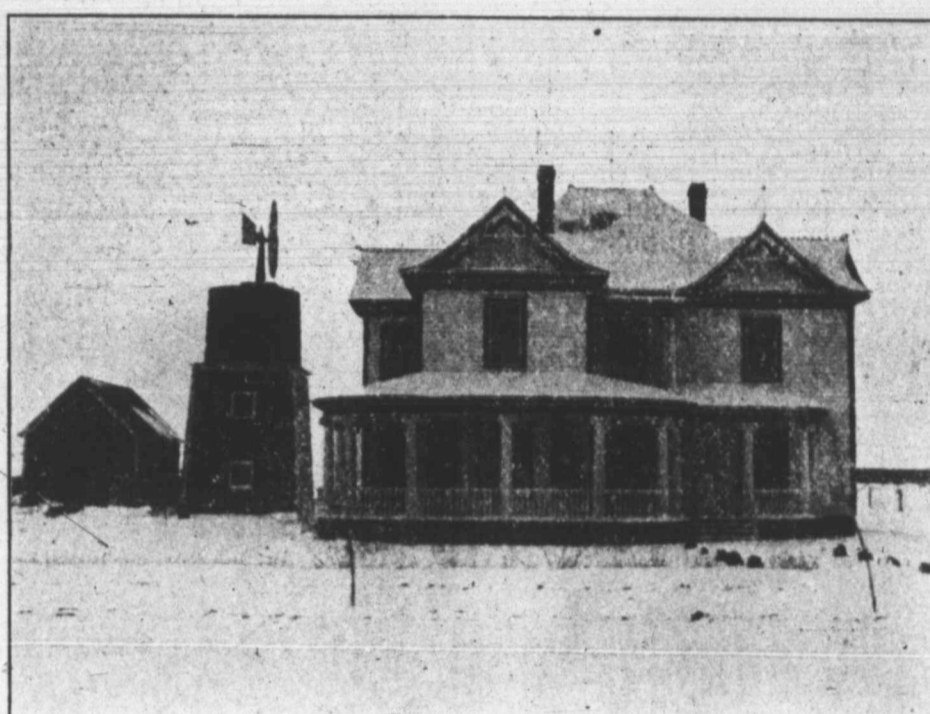
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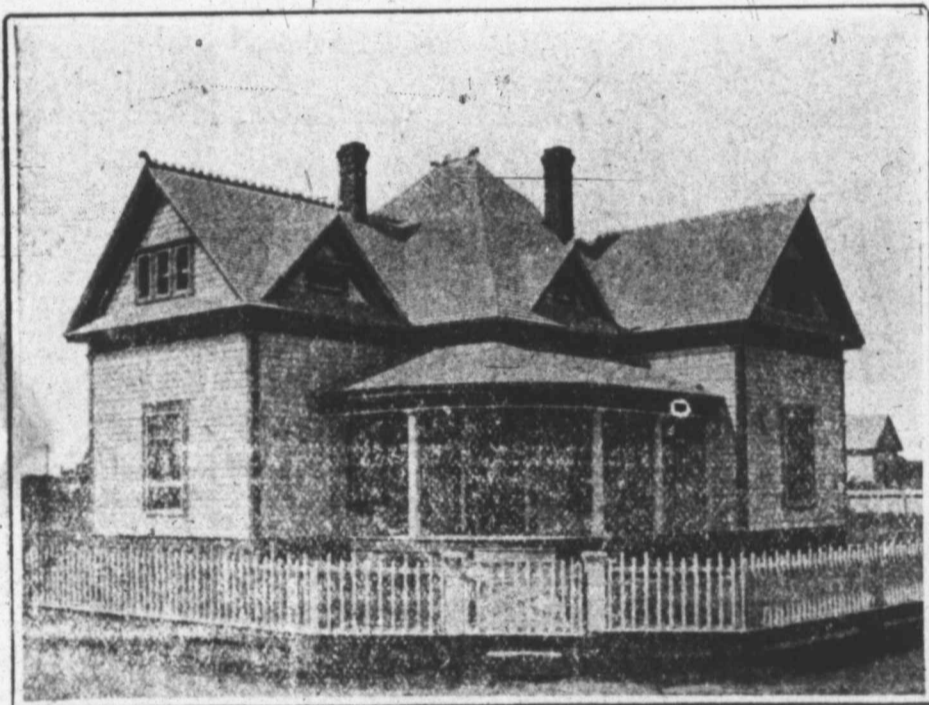
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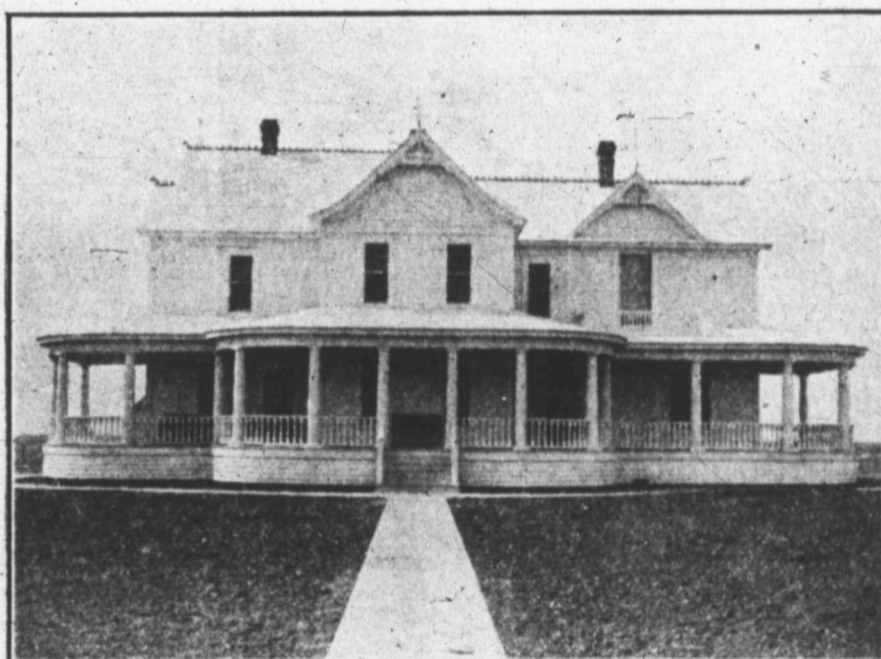
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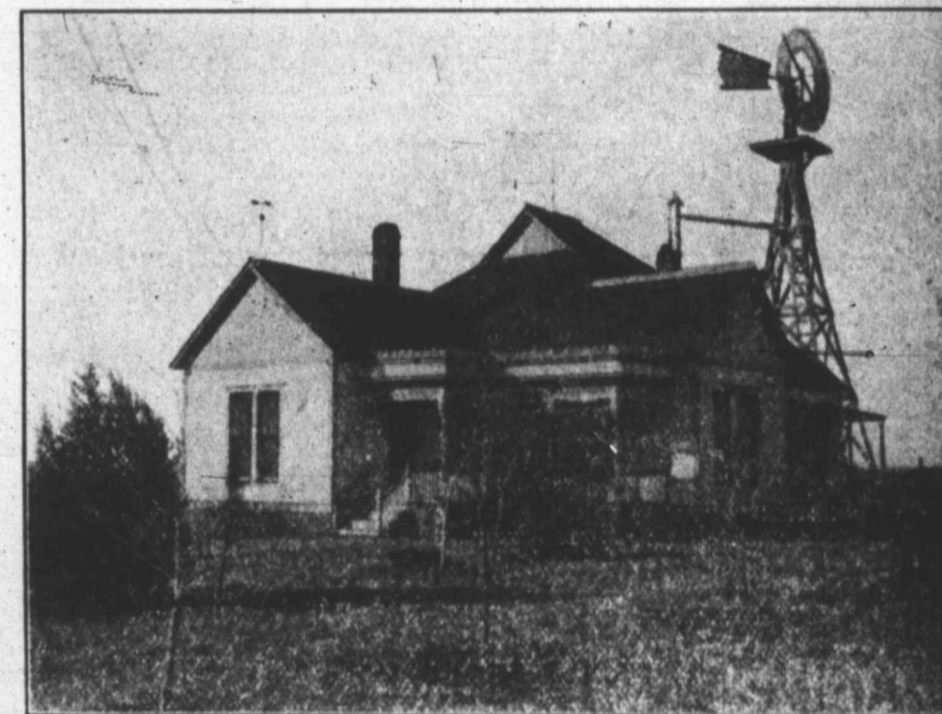
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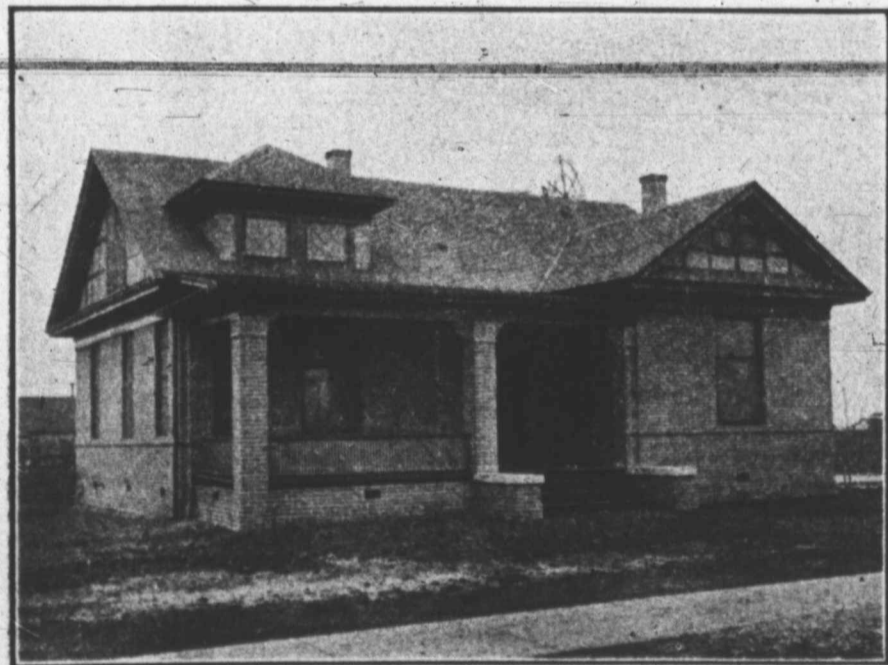
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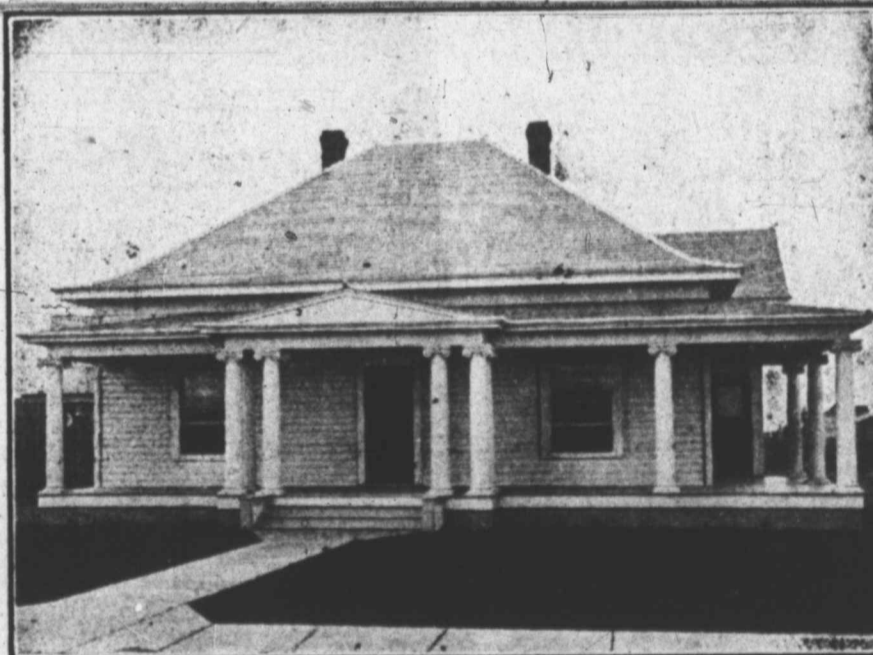
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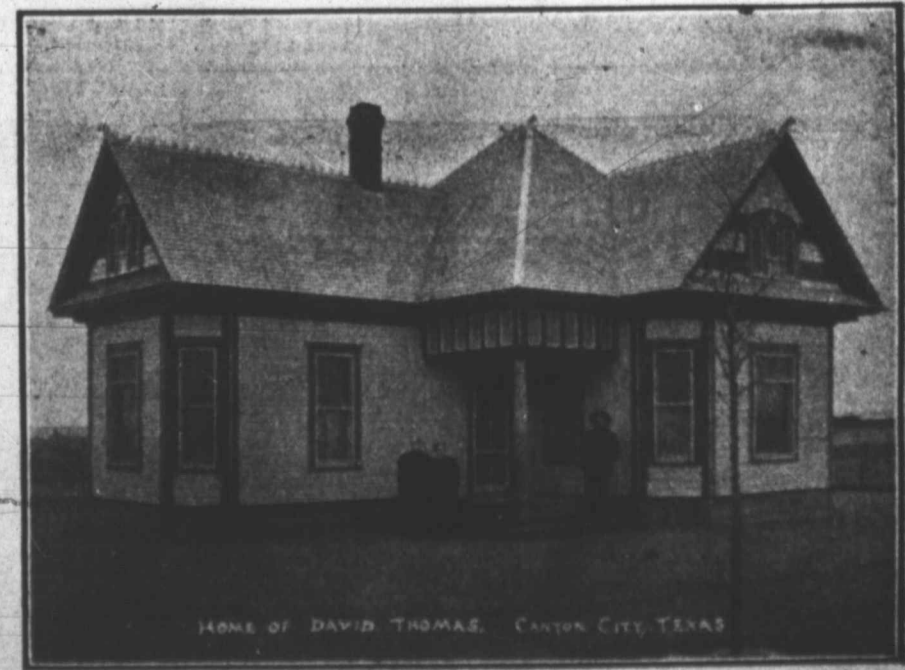
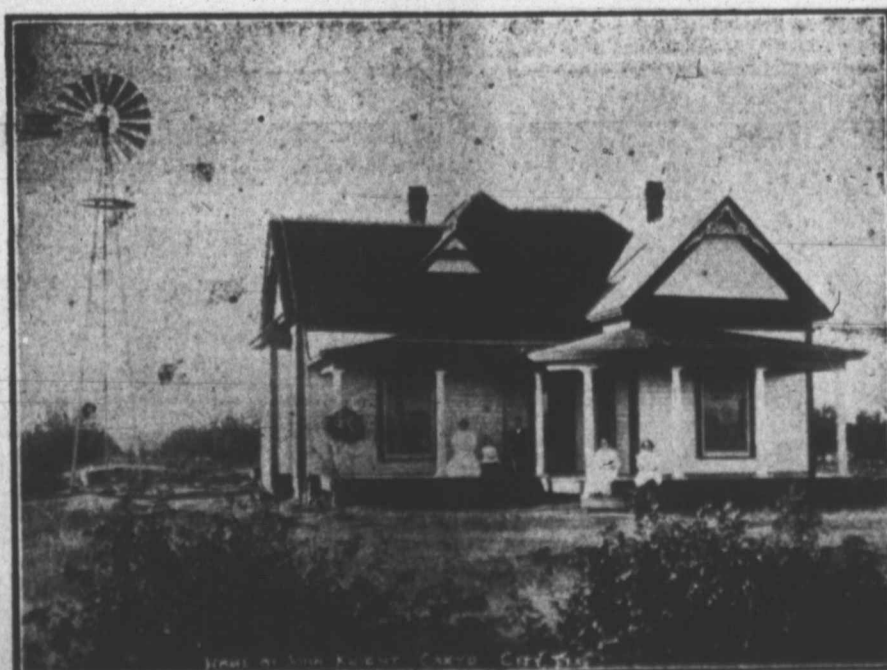
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THE WEST TEXAS STATE NORMAL COLLEGE

R. A. TERRILL.

Austin, Texas, Sept. 2, 1909.
 —Canyon City has been selected as site for West Texas State Normal College. Official letter follows. A. B. Davidson, chairman.

When the above message was delivered in Canyon City about 1:30 o'clock on the afternoon of Thursday, September 2, 1909, there was joy in the hearts of the people of Canyon City. The unexpected—or expected, according to how you look at the matter—had happened and Canyon City had begun to take its place among the towns of the state of Texas to which it was and is entitled for various reasons. It was the culmination of days, weeks and months of work, work that was exacting and called for the untiring energies of the entire population of the town almost.

The purpose of this article is to give a small resume of the history of the West Texas State Normal College. This article could not, in the least extent, go into the thousands of minor details which were encountered on all sides in the locating of the school by the board appointed by the bill establishing the school, the work of the local citizens in advancing the claims of the town for the location of the school, or the work in securing the bonus which was offered by the citizens. There were many things to be done—and they were done.

There was a great state-wide demand for a new state normal on account of the crowded condition of the other normal schools of the state, and the growing demands for more and better teachers to direct the educational work in the schools of the state. The demand for the new school was clearly shown in the fact that on the final vote for the passage of the bill, every senator in the state senate, with one exception, voted for the bill by which the school was established.

The bill by which the new school was created, was known as House Bill No. 5 in the Thirty-first Legislature and to the Hon. T. J. Barrett of the One Hundred and Third District belongs the honor of introducing the bill. In the House of Representatives Hon. J. R. Bowman of the One Hundred and Sixth District to which Randall county belongs, was the chief champion of the measure though he was ably assisted by many of the members who sought to advance the educational interest of the state. The bill passed the House on February 17, 1909, by a very large majority, the largest that any of the state normal bills has ever received. The bill was then introduced in the Senate by Senator W. J. Bryan of the Twenty-eighth Senatorial District to whom should go the honor of real drafting of the bill. It was amended in some minor details and passed finally by the Senate of March 3 and returned to the house for concurrence in the amendments and the House concurred therein on March 4, the Speaker signing the bill on March 6, the President of the Senate signing the bill on March 8, and the Governor signing it on March 31, when it finally be-



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came a law. Such was the legal procedure in the Legislature.

The bill provided for the establishing of the West Texas State Normal College in West Texas, west of the Ninety-eighth meridian and appointed the Governor, Thomas M. Campbell, the Lieutenant Governor, A. B. Davidson, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction, R. B. Cousins, as a board to locate the school. The Governor, not being able to serve on account of press of other official duties, appointed, under the terms of the bill, the Hon. John Marshall, Speaker of the House, to serve in his place.

Then the real fun began. All over the district the towns which were in anywise eligible began to clamor and raise money. The locating committee met at Fort Worth on Monday, August 9, and the gathering there in size reminded the writer of state political conventions which he has attended. Twenty-eight towns had representatives to present their claims and judging from what could be gathered on the streets, there were more "centers of population," "healthy and moral towns," "railway facilities," and "natural advantages" than would ordinarily have been thought to have existed in half the states of the republic, not to speak of the section of the state in which the school was to be located. The proceedings were

good natured and everybody had a fair show to present their claims. The committee, after hearing the claims of all the places represented, reduced the number to be visited to seventeen. The locating committee then started on their journey over the western portion of the state to view the towns and sites offered. It is not necessary to give much data relative to this very trying trip, but the committee were received by the Citizens Committee of Canyon from the hands of the Amarillo people on Sunday afternoon, August 15. The committee was entertained and remained over a portion of Monday, during which time they were shown the various advantages of Canyon and given some idea of the country, the town and its people and had explained to them the fact that the people wanted the educational institution and to that end had raised \$100,100 to be expended in various improvements, together with either of seven tracts of land that the committee might select. The committee journeyed on and were as "mum" as the traditional oyster.

After visiting the seventeen towns mentioned, adjournment was had until the latter part of the month when the committee met at Austin to decide the matter. Then came the telegram cited above. And there was joy in the place of apprehension and "Canyon City had been discovered."

This is a brief outline of the work of the committee having in charge the location of the school.

The citizens of Canyon City also had much to do. The bill was signed on March 31. Prior to that time a deal of discussion had been heard upon the streets relative to the advisability of entering the race for the location of the school. The first real steps were taken on April 14, 1909, when a mass meeting was called to take preliminary steps for the securing of the school. Judge Cyrus Eakman was elected chairman of the meeting and R. A. Terrill was made secretary. There were

speeches and resolutions as is customary and finally a resolution was passed authorizing the chairman to appoint five citizens who, together with the chairman and the secretary, would have entire charge of all matters pertaining to the work.

Committees were sent to the various towns in the Panhandle to arouse the interest of the people of the Panhandle toward getting the location of the school somewhere in the Panhandle. It was the idea of the citizens' committee that if the board would only decide that the Panhandle should have the school, then Canyon City would "scrap" the matter out with its competitors. It was a matter of securing recognition by the state of the needs and rights of the Panhandle first, and then the best town to win. The leaders of the movement in Canyon City never had any doubt about the location of the school at Canyon City if it came to the Panhandle. According to the general principle, the Panhandle did join hands and go to work for the securing of the school at some point within its boundaries and it came about that the united effort succeeded. Citizens from all over the district interested themselves in the matter and petitions with something like forty thousand signatures from the Panhandle were presented to the committee requesting the location of the school somewhere in this great country. This shows something of the interest manifested. Teachers Institute, Commercial Clubs, Newspapermen's Organizations, and all sorts of institutions belonging to the section of the state unanimously passed resolutions requesting the desired location.

The local citizens committee consisted of: L. T. Lester, Dr. J. M. Black, Oscar Hunt, Judge Cyrus Eakman, L. E. Cowling, R. A. Terrill and A. S. Rollins, and this committee did not let a chance slip to do something which would secure the results desired. The money needed was raised and through its efforts much publicity of the ad-



HON. JOHN MARSHALL
 Member of Locating Committee

vantages of the location at Canyon City was distributed abroad in the state.

After the announcement of the selection of this place as the location of the school a monster celebration was arranged for the night of Friday, September 3, at which time people from all the neighboring towns visited here and rejoiced with us in our happiness, the sentiment being paramount that the school was not one for the town alone but a victory for the "best portion of the state." Anvils were fired, fireworks galore were exploded and eloquent speeches were made, many people from Amarillo and surrounding country shouting as loudly as the citizens of Canyon and a feeling of unity prevailed. And everybody was happy!

The exact location as to campus was announced on October 15, and the title approved on November 6 by the Attorney General of the state. On December 4, Waller, Shaw and Field, architects of Fort Worth were selected to draw plans and prepare specifications for the main building of the new state institution, and on February 1, 1910, the contract for the construction of the building, without heating, electric light wiring and plumbing, was awarded to Holderness, Oates & Lee, builders, of Stamford, Texas, to build the house at a cost of \$89,000.00. On February 1, 1910, the dirt was broken for the con-

struction of the building, L. E. Cowling driving the team and R. A. Terrill holding the plow. On May 24 the cornerstone of the building was laid with Masonic ceremonies in the presence of the largest crowd of people ever assembled on the plains of Texas. The building was entirely completed a few days before Christmas in 1910.

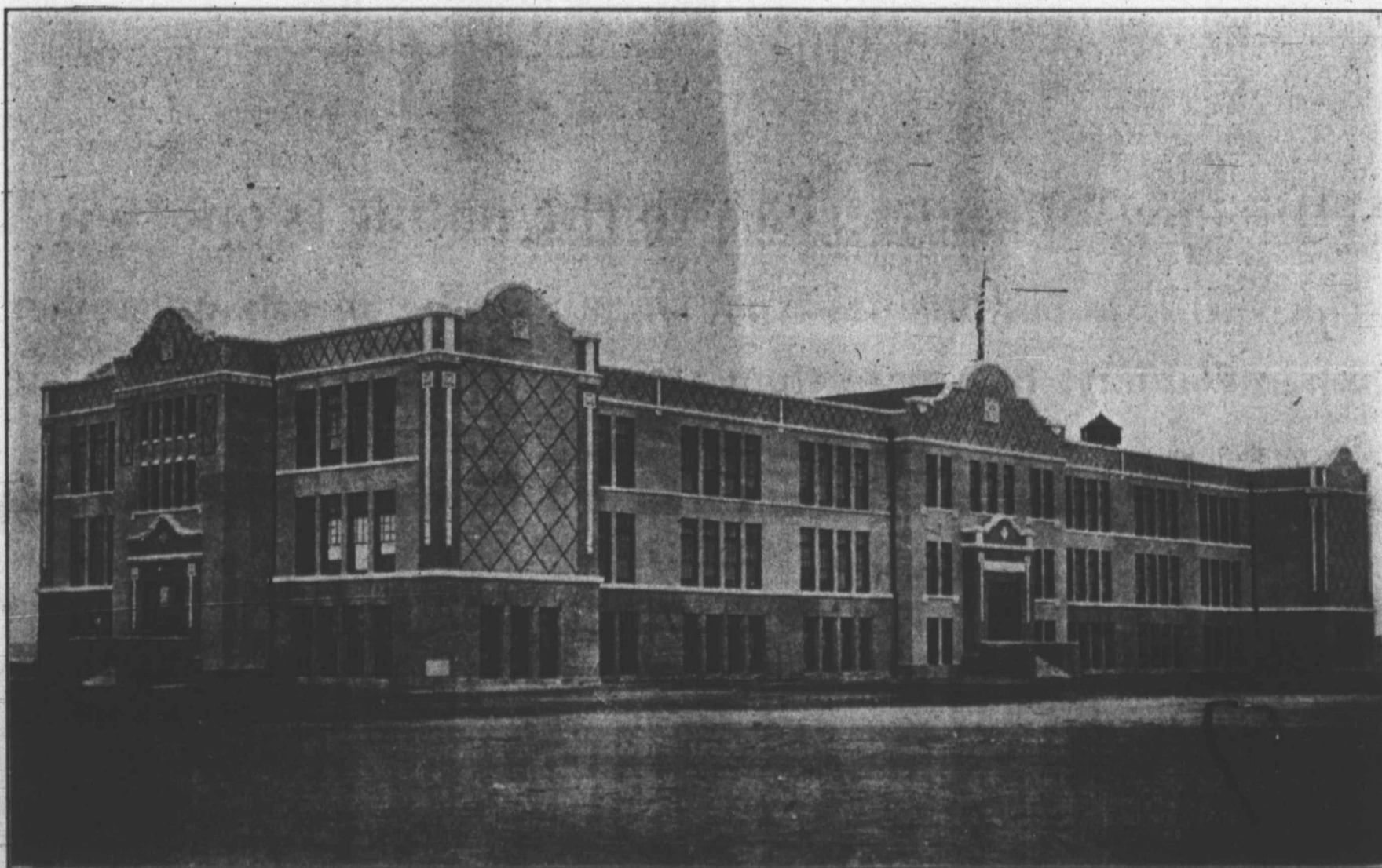
School began on September 20, 1910, with a larger enrollment than had been expected by the people of the town, but the discussion of the inside workings of the school will be left to people who are better posted, as the purpose of this article is merely historical of the movement to secure the school. Much more could be said but the foregoing is sufficient to outline.

The securing of the school at Canyon City marks an epoch in the history of the Plains country as well as the town. It is a great beginning and is great for a number of reasons: It was a victory of great proportions for a united effort of the people of a long neglected portion of the state, and the efforts of a people of a town who were united upon the proposition; great because it tended toward strengthening the bonds which join the sister cities of the entire Plains and Panhandle country into a sympathetic union for the advancement of the interest of the Panhandle, educationally and otherwise; great because it marked the beginning of state recognition of the greatness of the country; great because it was the beginning of an educational awakening such as has never before been seen in the history of the state of Texas.

The West Texas State Normal College is not a Canyon City enterprise. It belongs to the great state of Texas, and is the one great state educational institution of the Northwest portion of the state. The words of one of the speakers on the night of the celebration occurs to the writer: "I see in the near future the realization of my dreams. The Panhandle country's fertile fields ripe with rich harvests unto the gardener; its broad acres cut into farms upon which are situated ample homes, made musical with the voices of happy children, presided over by pure mothers, whose stay and support is the sturdy and patriotic husbands of the country. All this and more I see in the near future of this country."

Another speaker on that occasion said: "We are not a divided people, but on the contrary stand as a man for the interests of the whole grand division of the state known as the Plains country. We will countenance no division except upon local issues, and only in those sufficient diversion to furnish a touch of spice. Blood is thicker than water—illustrated in the fact that every delegation from the Panhandle presenting claims of representative towns before the locating board urged the Panhandle first, and then their own locality. In this fight we stood shoulder to shoulder—the fruits are at the feet of the victors with Canyon City nearest the prize. But it's ours—won by united effort, and we should with gladness."

And even so, 'tis so.



MAIN BUILDING OF THE WEST TEXAS STATE NORMAL COLLEGE, CANYON, TEXAS

A HISTORY OF THE NORMAL

Chronological History of the West Texas State Normal College, Canyon, Texas.—R. B. Cousins, President.

February 17, 1910, was one of those peculiarly bright days on the Plains of Texas when the sun was largely without heat, glimmering and gleaming from a thin covering of ice which was resting lightly on the short winter days. The thirsty wind drank moisture from the surface of the earth as rapidly as the guggling sun melted the ice. The keen penetrating air, the thermometer at 7 degrees Fahrenheit, filled men and beasts with the vigor which comes from a consciousness of physical well-being, under conditions that cause the tide of animal life to reach its greatest height. On that day, under such conditions, a group of men, including the architect of the building, M. L. Waller, and the builder, Mr. Ben D. Lee, followed R. A. Terrill with compass and chain to the plat of ground aside for the building, and that day a peg was driven at the southeast corner of the use and the chords were stretched marking the outside walls of the house. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, men, tools, and implements were assembled on the college grounds in the presence of a large concourse of citizens, to begin the erecting of the building. Mr. E. Cowling started the team and Mr. R. A. Terrill held the plow that turned the sod in beginning the excavation for the foundation and basement of the house.

The bill providing for the West Texas State Normal College was drawn by State Superintendent R. B. Cousins at the request of Senator W. F. Bryan and was introduced into the House of Representatives by Hon. J. Barrett, of the One Hundred and Third District. Its champion and manager on the floor of the House was Hon. J. Bowman, of the One Hundred and Sixth District. The bill passed the House on February 17, 1909, and was then introduced in the Senate by Hon. J. J. Bryan, of the Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, who as the real legislative author of the bill. It received Governor Campbell's signature on March 31, 1909.

The locating committee was organized by Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson, Hon. John Marshall, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-first Legislature (appointed by the Governor to act in his stead), and R. B. Cousins, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The locating committee met at the Siebold Hotel in Fort Worth, Texas, on August 9, 1909, and organized by electing Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson, chairman, R. B. Cousins, secretary, and Richard Valdeck, stenographer to the committee. The meeting of the committee having been previously advertised through the newspapers, it was found that about five hundred citizens of the state, representing twenty-seven towns and cities in the territory designated in the law, had assembled to lay before the committee the desirability of their respective places as suitable locations for the proposed school. Through the courtesy of the mayor and city council of Fort Worth the city hall and its offices were placed at the service of the committee. After a public meeting in the auditorium of the city hall the committee began its sittings in the mayor's office on the afternoon of the 9th day of August and continued for the next three

days hearing committees from the competing towns in the alphabetical order of their names, to-wit: Abilene, Amarillo, Ballinger, Big Springs, Brownwood, Canyon, Cherokee, Cisco, Clarendon, Coleman, Colorado City, Dublin, Hamlin, Haskell, Iowa Park, Lubbock, Merkel, Midland, San Angelo, Seymour, Snyder, Stamford, Stanton, Sweetwater, Tulia, Vernon, Wichita Falls.

On the 13th day of August the locating committee began a tour of inspection of the bidding towns, which tour lasted nearly three weeks, ending in Austin on August 31.

In the office of the Lieutenant Governor in the State Capitol the committee began its deliberations on September 1 and continued there for three days, thoroughly studying the map of the state and its educational needs and on the third day of September, 1909, reached the conclusion that Canyon should be the seat of the West Texas State Normal College. Lieutenant Governor Davidson was the first man to see the advantages offered by Canyon and he was the chief friend and champion of this city as a suitable location for the school.

Private business, neglected, requiring the attention of a ma-

majority of the committee, it adjourned to meet when called by the chairman, which meeting was finally called for October 4, two members, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Cousins having visited Canyon again for the purpose of inspecting more carefully the nine sites offered. On November 4, the committee, again in session in Fort Worth, decided

by a majority vote to select what was known as the Conner tract No. 2, the one on which the buildings are now located. **Canyon's Proposition.** Canyon City, Texas, August 9, 1909. Hon. A. B. Davidson, Lieutenant Governor, Hon. John Marshall, Speaker, Hon. R. B. Cousins, State Su-

perintendent, West Texas State Normal Locating Board, Fort Worth, Texas. Gentlemen:

As a proposition from Canyon City, Randall County, Texas, for the location of the West Texas State Normal College to be located West of the Ninety-eighth meridian by your board, we beg to submit for your consideration:

That the citizens of said town will donate a location for said school, free of charge, to the board, as hereinafter mentioned.

That the citizens of said town will expend upon the grounds selected as the site for said school, if located at that city, the sum of at least One Hundred Thousand, One Hundred Dollars (\$100,100), as follows:

a. For a home for the President of said school, including servants' house, barns, and fencing, the sum of Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars, (\$7500).

b. For the purpose of erecting and equipping a gymnasium and natatorium, the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000).

c. For the purpose of erecting a dormitory on said grounds the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000).

d. For the purpose of building sidewalks and landscape gardening upon the grounds,

the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000).

e. For the erection of a waterworks system including tower, tank, well, etc., the sum of Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars, (\$2500).

f. For cement to be used in whatever buildings may be desired upon the grounds, independent of the buildings above designated, said cement to be delivered f. o. b. the cars at Canyon City, the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000).

g. For gravel and sand to be used in whatever buildings may be desired upon the grounds, independent of the buildings above designated, f. o. b. Canyon City, the sum of Four Thousand Dollars, (\$4000).

h. For brick to be used in whatever buildings may be desired upon the grounds, independent of the buildings above designated, delivered f. o. b. Canyon City, the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars, (\$15,000).

i. For lime to be used in whatever buildings may be desired upon the grounds, independent of the buildings above designated, f. o. b. Canyon City, the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, (\$1500).

j. For stone or terra cotta or both together, to be used in whatever buildings that may be desired upon the grounds, independent of the buildings above

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designated, the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, (\$10,000).

k. For fees for employing architects, plans, etc., for buildings that may be desired upon said grounds independent of the buildings above designated, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, (\$5000).

l. For the purpose of paying drayage, freight, express charges and incidental expenses in connection with such buildings that may be desired upon said grounds independent of the buildings above mentioned, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, (\$5000).

m. For the purpose of installing a sewerage system and disposal plant for the use in buildings upon said grounds, the sum of Five Thousand, Six Hundred Dollars, (\$6500).

n. Should any money herein appropriated for any particular purpose prove to be more than sufficient for the purpose named then said surplus is to be used, according to the discretion of the State Board of Education, in any other item herein provided, and if, after all buildings are completed there should be any appropriated funds not used for the item for which it is herein appropriated, then such remaining funds shall be used for the purposes as mentioned under article d. herein, viz: For the purpose of building sidewalks and landscape gardening upon the grounds.

In addition to the sums of money herein specified to be spent upon the grounds the citizens of Canyon City agree to donate to the use of the state and make good and satisfactory title in fee simple to the same in the state, either of the tracts of land hereinafter mentioned. The tracts are herein described and designated by letter, and correspondingly shown upon the plat which accompanies this proposal, viz:

Tract A.—Forty (40) acres of land out of Section Number Thirty-three (33) in Block B5, in Randall County, Texas, known in this bid as the Conner Tract Number One, which said forty acres is described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning on the West Boundary line of said Survey 33, at a point 2627.5 feet south of the northwest corner of same. Thence east 1320 feet for corner. Thence south 1320 feet for corner. Thence west 1320 feet for corner on the west boundary line of said survey. Thence north with said line 1320 feet to the place of beginning.

Tract B.—Forty (40) acres of land out of Section Number Thirty-three (33) in Block B5, in Randall County, Texas, known in this bid as the Conner Tract No. Two, which said forty acres is described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point 1787 feet south and 387 feet east of the northwest corner of said survey and at the southeast corner of the ten acre tract now owned by G. S. Ballard out of said survey which he purchased from G. F. Ames and wife. Thence east 1348 feet. Thence north 1291.5 feet. Thence west 1348 feet to northeast corner of said Ballard tract. Thence south 1291.5 feet to the place of beginning.

Tract C.—Forty (40) acres of land out of section Number Thirty-three (33) in Block B5, in Randall County, Texas, known in this bid as the Conner Tract No. Three, which said forty acres is described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point in the center of Houston street extended and on the east line of said survey 1787 feet from the northeast corner of said survey. Thence south with the east line of said survey 1320 feet for corner. Thence west 1320 feet for corner. Thence north 1320 feet for

corner in center of said street. Thence east 1320 feet to the place of beginning.

Tract D.—Twenty-six acres, known as the John Hutson tract No. One, said twenty-six acres to be taken from either end of the tract marked on the plat herewith as tract "D."

Tract E.—Thirty-five acres of land out of the southeast corner of Section No. 34, Block B5, in Randall county, Texas, marked on accompanying plat as Tract "E." John Hutson Tract No. Two.

Tract F.—Forty acres of land out of Section No. Thirty-five (35), in Block B5, Randall county, Texas, known as the Word-Heller-Knight tract and marked on plat as Tract No. "F."

Tract G.—Twenty-four acres of land out of Survey No. Thirty-five (35) in Block B5, in Randall county, Texas, known as the Lester-Howell tract and marked on the plat as Tract No. "G."

Tract H.—Twenty-one and 9-11 acres of land out of survey No. ----- in Block B5, in Randall county, Texas, and described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of said survey. Thence east with S. B. line of same, 1320 feet for corner. Thence north 720 feet for corner. Thence west 1320 feet for corner on the W. B. line of said survey. Thence south with said line 720 feet to the place of beginning. Known as the Bates Tract No. One.

Tract I.—Forty acres of land out of Survey No. ----- in Block B5, in Randall county, Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point on the east boundary line of said survey 1320 feet north of the southeast corner of said survey. Thence north with said line 1320 feet for corner in same. Thence west 1320 feet for corner. Thence south 1320 feet for corner in the said survey. Thence east 1320 feet to the place of beginning, known as the Bates Tract No. Two.

In the event this city is decided upon as a location, abstract of title to tract selected will be furnished showing good and merchantable title in the present owner and we will afterwards supplement the title showing the title into the state authorities, or if wanted will show title in the state before presenting abstract.

This proposition is guaranteed by thirty-six of the most substantial men of Randall county.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed)
L. T. LESTER,
Chairman,
R. A. TERRILL,
L. E. COWLING,
Citizens' Committee.

Report of the Locating Committee to the State Board of Education.

Canyon City Finally Chosen.
After personally inspecting the sites offered by twenty-one cities and towns, and after weighing very fully and carefully the conditions of health of each place, taking into account the quantity and quality of the water, the climatic conditions, and habits of the people which affect the health; the social and religious conditions of the inhabitants; the accessibility of the places, by railroad; the present and future conditions of the section to be served and the good of the state as a whole, we have unanimously agreed to locate the West Texas Normal College at Canyon City. Enclosed with this we are handing you a copy of the contract which we have made with the local committee of Canyon City, together with a bond worth at a conservative estimate one and a half million dollars, to secure the faithful performance of the contract.

The tract of land selected in Canyon City as the site of the building, contains forty acres, is beautifully located eight blocks east of the courthouse square, and was donated by L. G. Conner. The deed to this land will be submitted to the Attorney General's Department for examination and approval. When this shall have been done, our duties under the law will have been discharged.

We deem it appropriate to say here and now that the task has been an exceedingly difficult one. The territory is so large and the conditions are so varied that it has been very difficult to reach a conclusion that is satisfactory to ourselves. We ask permission to say that politics and personal interests have been ignored entirely and completely from the first step to this point in the proceedings. We are confident that we have made a good choice. There are other good places in Texas west of the Ninety-eighth meridian, for the location of such a school, but we confidently expect developments of the future to prove the wisdom of our selection.

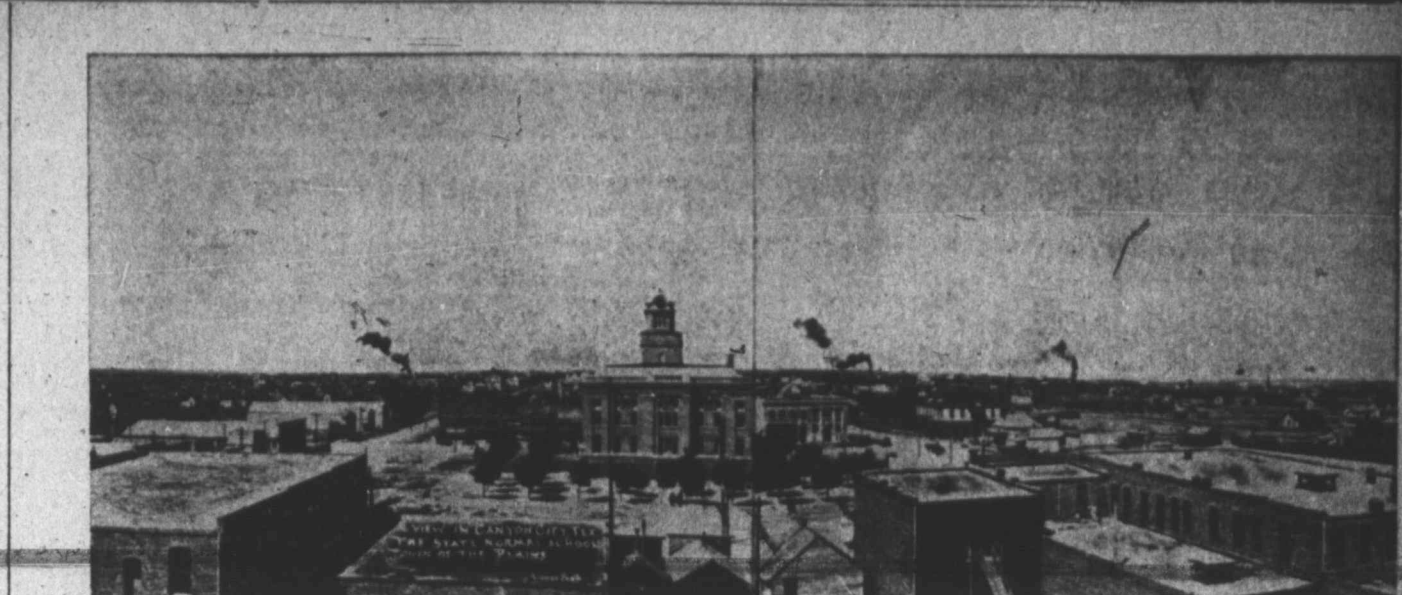
The deep interest which we feel in the success of this enterprise which has been fostered by the patient study that we have given it, we trust will plead pardon if we appear to trespass upon the prerogatives of the State Board of Education in the following suggestions:

It is our opinion that the school should open as early as possible in the fall, not later than the 10th day of September, 1910, because of the ideal weather for work which usually prevails on the plains in that month. A delay of one month from September 1 will cost the institution many students during its first year. Therefore, we beg leave to suggest that your honorable body proceed at once to securing plans and specifications for the erection of the necessary building or buildings.

It is our opinion that one large building should be erected that shall contain the necessary class rooms, offices, laboratories, library room and auditorium. This should be constructed of good building brick, faced with a high grade of pressed brick of ----- color and trimmed with Texas granite, brown or gray, if this can be obtained in time to complete the building by the time it is needed. The building should be made practically fire proof.

We beg leave to suggest further that care be taken in the location of the building or buildings upon the tract selected, so that future buildings may be appropriately placed to preserve order and symmetry in the collection of buildings which will perhaps be constructed in the future to increase the plant of an institution that can be and doubtless will be made to meet the demands of the plains for both practical and higher education as well as for the training of teachers for many years to come.

We are thoroughly convinced that the most essential part of a good school is a teacher who is well trained in his profession, and who is in love with his calling, because of its great possibilities for usefulness to the people. One of the greatest factors in the building up of a strong state system of schools must be found in its adequate provisions for the training of the teachers for the schools. That "The West" believes thoroughly in this doctrine is shown by the fact that the total amount offered for the location of the West Texas Normal College approaches the princely sum of three million dollars. This contrasts sharply with the offer of the old and abandoned Austin College buildings at Huntsville,



Canyon is a beautiful city, and has the largest and best equipped State Normal in Texas. Here too is located a first-class photo house, putting out high grade pictures, and is known as The Lusby Studio. Nearly every view in this issue of The News was made there.

worth perhaps five thousand dollars, which secured the location of our first state normal school. The state has replaced this old building with modern structures. No man can measure the worth of the Sam Houston Normal Institute in the service it has rendered this state. Other normal colleges are performing a very great service.

It is our opinion that as early as possible the state should establish two more normal schools in the territory designated by the law under which we are acting, to assist in preparing the great army of teachers that is necessary to train properly the nine hundred and fifty thousand children in Texas. Statistics show that the public free schools employ about four thousand new or additional teachers each year to take the place of those who quit teaching and to meet the increasing demand for teachers, and that the normals and the university together graduate annually less than one thousand teachers.

We confidently expect the normal at Canyon City to be a great success from the first day. The climate is superb, the people of the great western plains will sustain it with an ample patronage, and will love the institution according to its deserts. The school will exercise a potent and beneficent influence in the development of the great West in all of its departments and interests, and will add to the civic strength and imperial glory of our matchless state.

The report of the locating committee, accompanied by the contract and bond furnished by the citizens of Canyon, was handed to the State Board of Education on November 10, 1909. The report was approved by the State Board of Education and that Board then began work on building the house and organizing the school according to the law and the contract.

On November 10, 1909, Mr. R. B. Cousins, who was then State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Texas, was invited by the State Board of Education to become president of the West Texas State Normal College, to begin his active duties on January 1, 1910. He accepted the invitation after the salary and preliminaries were satisfactorily arranged. The salary was to be \$2000 per year, to be paid in nine monthly installments, with a house, water and lights furnished.

The State Board of Education then appointed L. T. Lester, L. E. Cowling and R. A. Terrill to be a local board to look after the physical properties of the college and perform such other duties as might be necessary or assigned. This board later organized by electing L. T. Lester president, L. E. Cowling vice president, and R. A. Terrill secretary.

Progress of the Building.
On May 24, 1910, the corner stone of the new building was laid was Masonic forms.

In June the contract was let with Petete-Eichler Heating

Co. of St. Louis for \$9900 for a heating plant for the building and in August a contract was made with Fosdick & Greenway for the plumbing at \$7500.

On December 30 the local board had a settlement with the builders, Holderness, Oates & Lee, paying them \$90,328.25, making the total cost of the building complete, without furniture or supplies, \$107,728. This does not include the water and sewerage disposal, which will cost about \$6000.

Opened for Students September 20, 1910.

The public would not believe that the building could be used by September 20, the date fixed for opening the school; but owing of the building was practically complete and usable by that time. Owing to the annoyance incident to occupying an incomplete building it was decided to begin work in the county courthouse, the use of which was kindly allowed by the county judge and commissioners' court. This arrangement continued for the first four weeks of the school, at the end of which time the building was comfortably heated and supplied with desks, and other necessary appliances.

One hundred and sixty students entered the first week and two hundred and fifteen entered the first quarter.

Thus tediously and in chronological order I have traced the steps in the inception and growth of this school. Today we celebrate our first anniversary of the breaking of dirt for the foundation and basement. Our house is modern, commodious, comfortable and practically complete. Everything that is modern in school architecture we have in the place here. It is substantial and quietly beautiful inside and out. It is a marvel in the quickness of its rising out of the ground. The grounds will be beautified in a year or so to match our delightful house.

This history would be incomplete and unworthy of the time and the place if it were not said that the locating committee acted in perfect patriotism, free from the hope of reward or the fear of punishment, in locating the school in Canyon. The State Board of Education, com-

posed of Governor T. M. Campbell, Hon. W. D. Townsend, Secretary of State, and Hon. W. Stephens, Comptroller, acted with greatest wisdom in organizing the school. Those actions taken by the State Board recently elected, composed of Governor O. B. Colquitt, Hon. C. C. McDonald, Secretary of State, and Hon. W. P. Land Comptroller, give promise of wise and aggressive policy toward our school.

Every contract has been let as honestly and as free from personal consideration or graft as ever characterized public business. Every man and every woman has been placed in the faculty on merit alone with absolute disregard of personal, political, social, or sectarian influence. I thank God that I am an eye witness to the full truth of this statement Ben D. Lee who personally looked after the building, is as honest a man as breathes the good air of Texas. John King the superintendent of construction, representing Walker, Shaw & Field, rendered distinct service to Texas by his intelligent and firmness in the state's business. The local board, composed of Mr. L. T. Lester, Mr. L. E. Cowling, and Mr. R. A. Terrill, deserve their personal gratitude of every man in Canyon who loves the school and of every man and woman in Texas who loves intelligence and integrity for their unselfish constant and persistent attention to the interests of those who placed this commission in their hands. Our present achievements would have been impossible in the hands of mereless intelligent, and less attentive to public business, which they have made their own with out the least element of self interest in it.

Such is the glorious history of the auspicious year. With every motive that has resulted in action as pure as those that stir in angels' breasts and ever action as honest as an open day, our school is to this good hour a suitable place for the nurture of young men and women who are soon to go out over Texas to take care of our dearest interests. In such a place is now assembled a body of the young life of the state, worthy of the best we have done or can do.

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THE DEDICATION OF THE FACULTY TREE

The following was the address of Miss Margaret Cofer, the History Department, at the First Anniversary Celebration when the faculty tree on campus was dedicated:

Because of my robust growth have been commissioned to counsel this tree how to grow. My vocation previous to this has been to teach young ideas to shoot, not trees. If I were down in Texas, my theme would be, "Woodman, spare the tree." But "Out here in Texas," all I can say to you, the tree, is, "Stay with 'em, for they are up against it"—using the language of the streets.

Branch of the Burbank Wall! We have heard much of you and your work. Mr. Minter has told us of the wonderful possibilities of your kin. He told us that you have put the genie of the Arabian knights to shame; that Aladdin's wonderful lamp fades into insignificance, when compared to you; that a man's enthusiasm for you surpasses the gold craze of the "49ers." Therefore we are glad to welcome you; we hope you are well located, that you like the climate. We shall do our power to stimulate your growth and encourage your work. But if you feel that there is something in this state that is injurious to your health, if you feel that you cannot send your little tendrils broadcast throughout this state and firmly grab hold, if you cannot so trim your branches as to withstand the merciful attacks of these mere zephyrs; in other words, if you cannot put your heart into your

work, then I want to say, "the state of Texas does not want you;" that is I mean to say or at least I am trying to say "if you cannot get in the game, get out."

The Faculty's Tree! We are proud of you. We have the greatest expectations for you. We wish you to become a most beautiful tree, rivaling the canyon in its fame. We also expect you to be a teacher of trees; in co-operation with the tree of the board, you are to develop these other trees into such as will be worthy of the classes they represent. Therefore our ideal for you is high and the requisites of that ideal you will find in the different members of this faculty.

I would recommend, first, to you the height of Mr. Minter. I do not know how he grew so tall. He may have been grafted on an old stump; he may be a sport. I do not know. But this I do know, he has been budded and rebudded until he has fairly bloomed into the most beautiful bouquet of integrity, originality, and interesting things of any man I know.

Next strive for the rotundity of Mr. Stafford, the measure of whose girth is exceeded only by the measure of his great spirit. His versatility, his incomparability, his veracity, his ferocity, his inferential, differential consequentialness, in fact rob the English language of its six syllable words and you but fail in your description of this wonderful man and to resort to words of meaner length were more than treason.

Miss Razor will furnish your artistic temperament. She not only knows how to teach you to make yourself beautiful, but she will teach you to do well everything you undertake; more than that, she can teach you to be true and staunch in your friendship.

After a short while you will doubtless notice a man apparently with one idea. Do not fear him. He is harmless. Although the legislature has frequently classed us with the epileptics, they have not yet mixed us with the insane. This man is only speaking of the Annual. He is a composite of periods, commas, semi-colons and question marks. With these you will have very little to do. The period belongs entirely to the Freshmen, whose compositions run on like Tennyson's Brook, with never a stop. Perhaps occasionally Mr. Minter may permit you to rest. I recommend the comma for a short pause. During one of these zephyrs you may need a semi-colon for a still. As to the question mark it is not yours to question why, its only use is to live or die. Notwithstanding these weapons of torture, only such graciousness, and open-heartedness as Mr. Morelock possesses, made it possible for him to enter our midst so late and become so readily our friend.

Cultivate Mr. Hill. He alone can show you how to avoid amassing the historical data he has acquired, for really, little tree, I fear that the "historical setting of the Book of Daniel" would stunt your growth. Avoid history. It is full of pitfalls and snares. The poor little assistant of that department lives in mortal dread that any day she will be called upon to give the historical setting of "Jonah while in exile." From Mr. Hill you will learn to live content with small means; to seek refinement, rather than luxury; to be worthy than to be wealthy; to study hard, to think quietly, to talk gently; to act frankly; in other words, to live in harmony with your environment.

You will need energy. Miss Ritchie is the very embodiment

of energy. She reminds me of the iron man of Crete who, while his people slept, strode round and round the shores, guarding their every interest, and warding off their dangers. In some such capacity does Miss Ritchie serve this institution but I have heard that some monster from Mineral Wells is trying to allure our "iron man into the sea of matrimony."

If you would be many things, be Mr. Lowry. He is the most versatile man I know. He not only can, but is willing to do anything from feeding a pup to painting the lockers with a red sable brush.

If you wish your branches to be adorned with divers and peculiar things, there is a man in this faculty, who can tell you how to make 100101 different things in one minute; each one with a different size and shape; each with a different purpose; each absolutely necessary to the running of this institution. For mechanical genius, I bow to Mr. Crawford.

But do not, little tree, be as slow in taking a mate as the two previously mentioned gentlemen. I am ignorant of Mr. Lowry's affairs, but there is no hope for Mr. Crawford. Just the other day I heard him accost a young maiden on the street.

"Will you not marry me, my pretty maid?"

What is your fortune, sir, oh sir?"

"My horse is my fortune, my pretty maid."

"Oh, but he kicks so bad," she said.

For capability I recommend Miss Evans, a woman who knows when she is right and knows how to go ahead. With the co-operation of Mr. Lowry, she has made the "Model school" not a small representation of the real thing, but a great big representation of a big thing.

If you would be free of all bugs, snakes, and all crawling things, seek Mr. Marquis, the immaculate man of our faculty. You will know him by his countersign, the twins.

There is one man among us whose sap never runs down. His heart is larger than ours, his voice is louder; Mr. Read will "lead thou on."

In the Spring when the young men's fancies turn—you know where, they will sit under your branches and implore you to sing of "Love, Love, Love." Miss Kelly will furnish you with "a little bit of music" for the students say: "Miss Kelly is 'love set to music.'"

After you have learned to sing, you must then begin to bow and scrape. Mr. Guenther is the Chesterfield of this institution, a man with the kindest and most perfect manners in the world.

But this college harbors one can determine your height by your shadow. He will watch eagerly the increase in your diameter; he will always know your slant height; furthermore he can tell at a glance whether the school, from which you came, is affiliated with the state university. Mr. Allen, the most difficult member of the faculty to fudge upon.

For absolute satisfaction, Miss Hudspeth is an excellent example of the perfect. I quote a compliment of yesterday: "Miss Hudspeth, the most womanly and queenliest of characters, whose influence was ever shed on a student body."

Now the members of this faculty are awfully hard to find.

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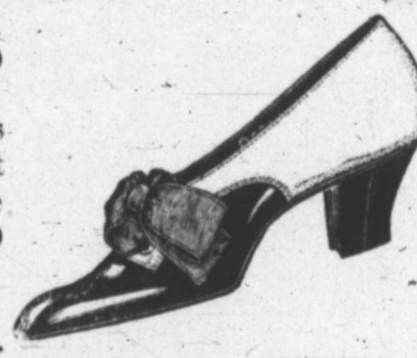
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But as to any member of this faculty, you never know where they are "at."

Therefore I am glad to tell you, little tree, that all of our good traits and none of our faults have been amassed in one of the broadest-minded, one of the truest; one of the kindest; and one of the purest of men, our president, Mr. Cousins.

We are glad to welcome you, for only yesterday, We came from north and south and east and west,

To Canyon City, then to us a name,

And every town we passed was called the best, Each to us, indeed, was much the same.

But once we entered Canyon City's walls

And passed within the shadow of her door,

Here we found both love and kindness

In this city of the canyon, It's Canyon City now forever more.

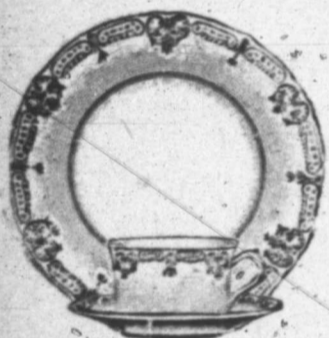
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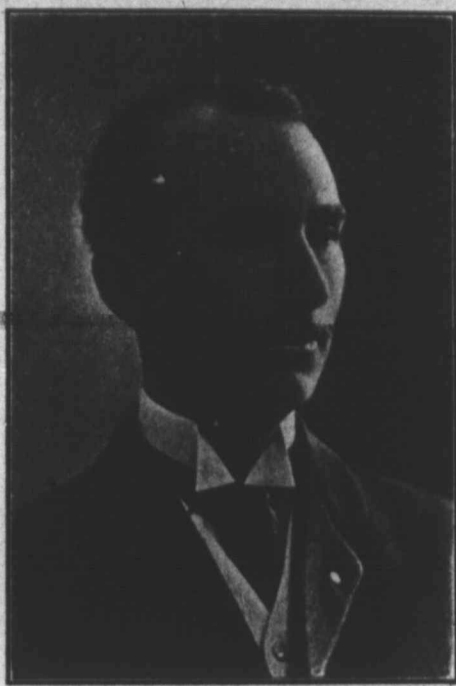
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ADDRESS OF HON. W. A. PALMER

Mr. Master of Ceremonies, Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is one of the proudest moments in my life. I have taken part in many public ceremonies but I am happier today than I have ever been before. Being a native Texan and the son of a southern man who lost all in the wreck of the Confederacy, I naturally hold a deep interest in everything pertaining to the development of my beloved Lone Star State. I am peculiarly interested in educational affairs because I taught in the public schools and in one of our state normal schools altogether for thirteen years, and I have a personal interest in this institution for many reasons.

I remember the forenoon in March when I was ploughing the old yellow mule down the hill side on the farm when I was suddenly seized with a desire to go to school. I was then sixteen years of age with only a smattering of an education because my father was a very poor man and my mother died when I was twelve years of age, having six children, four younger than myself. I told my father at the dinner hour that I wanted to go to school. He said, "You can go and I will hire some one to take your place in the crop." That afternoon I rode old Pete across the country to "Spunkie Ridge" school house and made arrangements with the good man who taught that little one-room country school to enter there and he agreed to wait till vacation for his tuition. So I entered and when vacation came I went to his farm and worked out my tuition bill. It was in this little school under the instruction of that good man that



HON. W. A. PALMER
Canadian, Texas.

I caught the educational inspiration that has guided me ever since. I attended the school the next winter, and paid my board by doing the odd jobs about the place night and morning.

Later I took an examination, secured an appointment to the State Normal at Huntsville and entered there. After two years in that school which was presided over by the venerable Dr. Baldwin from Missouri, I looked at a map of the state and picked out a county where I proposed to try my hand teaching the young idea how to shoot. On account of the charity and forbearance of the faculty, I held a first grade certificate. On the 19th day of June, at 3:05 p. m. in the year of Our Lord, 1889, I landed in Limestone county, and in that good county is where I met and came

under the benign influence of the scholarly, the valiant, the knightly man who has honored the state three times, every time the state has honored him once. I soon learned that Mr. Cousins was the moving spirit and the moulder of educational sentiment in that county and today there are laws on our statute books which are there because of the insistence and persistency of this gallant leader in public thought. Through all the years I have known him, to know him has been to love him and to honor him.

In addition to my most intimate acquaintance with Mr. Cousins, I have been in a good many battles with the puissant Stafford and several other members of this splendid faculty. And while I have never taught a member of this faculty, I have

come mighty close to it for I have taught the wife of one member of this faculty, and while she was a very bright girl in many respects, in one, she was very dull—she never learned the first lesson!

When I saw the names of this faculty, I said to myself that the Canyon Normal is already a success.

I am proud to be a Texan and am peculiarly proud of the educational progress that has been made in this state during the last six years, since the day that

Mr. Cousins became State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The work that was done was due in large part to the skill and the devotion of the chief clerk whom the wise foresight of Mr. Cousins selected—the Hon. F. M. Barly, who is carrying out the plans inaugurated heretofore and who today fills with distinction the office of State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

I am proud to be a resident of the Panhandle. It is the land of realities—not the land of promises. The Panhandle is another word for courage, faith and a never-ending optimism! Its every breeze inspires us and every look upon its broad expanse fills us with joy.

I must not fail to express my admiration for the plucky citizenship of Canyon City in her fight for this institution. The zeal of your people was tempered with a far-seeing wisdom for this school will go down the ages with its financial, social and literary returns carrying unnumbered blessings in its wake.

A suggestive index to present educational thought is to be found in the fact that the politician of today is careful to let it be known that he favors public education and liberal support therefor. Heretofore the case

was different. Twenty years ago, it was unpopular to speak encouragingly of popular education. A great change has taken place during the last ten years and especially during the last four or five, since the birth of the Conference for Education which had for its executive officer our present State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The weekly and daily press of the state has been a strong factor in the creation of the present healthy educational policy of the state.

The state normal schools of Texas have and are doing mighty things for the people of its commonwealth. Beginning with the old mother normal at Huntsville in 1879, and following with the Denton Normal in 1901, the San Marcos Normal in 1903, and this robust youngster in 1910, we have four of the very best state normals to be found in the country, where all things are considered. The principals of these schools, the classical Estill, the scientific Bruce, the militant Harris, and the diamond-in-the-rough, the modest and democratic Cousins, are great successes in their respective fields of labor. The normal schools are close to the great heart of the common people and political doom will befall him who interferes with their great usefulness. The normal schools are the schools for the masses. They are the schools where the poor young man and the poor young woman may secure the preparation which will enable them to go into the rural sections and give wholesome instruction to the sons and daughters of the farmers and the stockmen. My confidence in the future of the Panhandle and all of West Texas is complete. No one can foresee the conditions in this country ten years hence; Millions of these broad acres

will be in farms; towns, and cities will be built, fine school buildings and stately churches will show themselves, all over the land. As a graduate of the Sam Houston Normal, and later as an instructor in one of our state normals, I greet you this morning as a co-laborer in the great field of education and I shall always take an active part in this noble cause. I bring you greetings this day from one of the finest little cities in the West, Canadian-on-the-hill-sides. I bring you greetings

from the town that has a unique distinction—namely, that of being the first town in Texas that ever voted bonds for a city high school by a unanimous vote!

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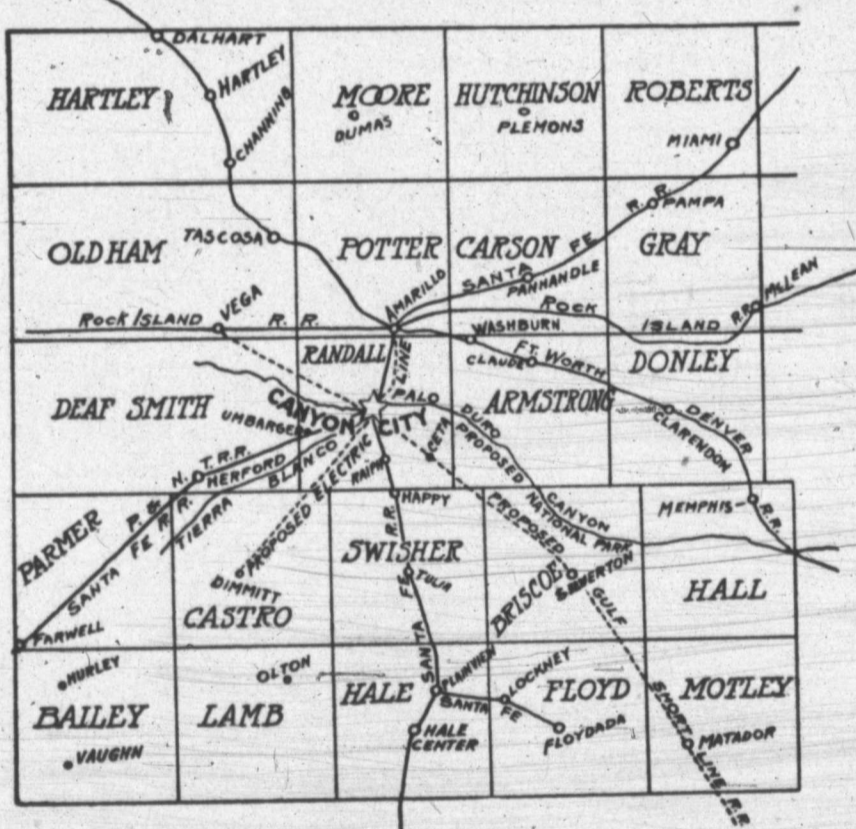
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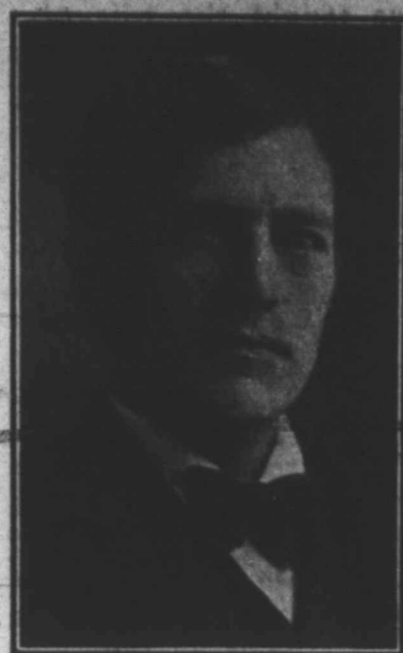
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The following affidavit was made before Stuart Millar, a notary public:

State of Texas, County of Potter.

Before me, a notary public in and for the county and state above named, appeared A. J. Lundegreen, to me personally known, who, after being duly sworn, deposed and stated that he had raised on his farm, three miles from Amarillo, Potter Co. Tex., seven successive crops of broomcorn from the year 1903 to 1910; that his broom corn crop covering the entire period above mentioned, has netted him \$30 per acre annually, except 1910 crop which has not been sold; that his first crop of broom corn in the Panhandle consisted of one-half acre, which acreage has steadily increased until the year of 1910, in which year he raised 1365 acres; that at least 50 per cent of his crops from which he made the profits above stated has been grown on sod land; that all of his crop has been made without fertilization or irrigation; that the above crop was made on land bought at an average price of \$8 per acre.

A. J. Lundegreen.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 23rd day of November, 1910.
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"The auditorium will have a seating capacity of 1,800 people, two hundred more than the federal census gives as the population of Canyon, and more people than can be seated in the famous Garrick theatre at St. Louis. The swimming pool, which has been provided for the students holds 90,000 gallons of water, and a gymnasium second to none in the state, and a balcony for spectators has been provided."

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- Pres.—Ellsworth Lowry.
- Vice Pres.—F. P. Guenther.
- Sec'y.—J. A. Crawford.
- Librarian—I. C. Baucom.
- Director—Miss Kelly.

The Commercial Club.

Canyon has as live a commercial club as can be found in any city its size in the country. The fact that the club was identified with, and able to successfully carry through such a big proposition as the Normal college speaks well of the ability of the business men of the city as hustlers and pushers. Only recently the club held an informal banquet at which eighty business men were present to participate in a meeting overflowing with enthusiasm. The officers of the club are:

- President—A. S. Rollins.
- V. President—L. E. Cowling.
- Secretary—Travis Shaw.
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John W. Sickel Smith, Greensboro, Pa., has three children, and like most children they frequently take cold. "We have tried several kinds of cough medicine," he says, "but have never found any yet that did them as much good as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." For sale by all dealers.

1910 WAS A BIG YEAR IN COUNTY

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS VERY LARGE IN NUMBERS.

County Officials Have had a Busy Year—505 Warranty Deeds, 33 Marriages.

The year 1910 was very successful from the standpoint of the business transacted by the county officials at the courthouse. The number of documents filed in the clerk's office was exceptionally large, among them 505 warranty deeds. This is a very good record surpassing by far the record of any other year.

The birth record for the year 1910 reached in numbers to 93, 41 females and 52 males. All but one was reported born alive and all were legitimate. All but three or four were reported of American parentage.

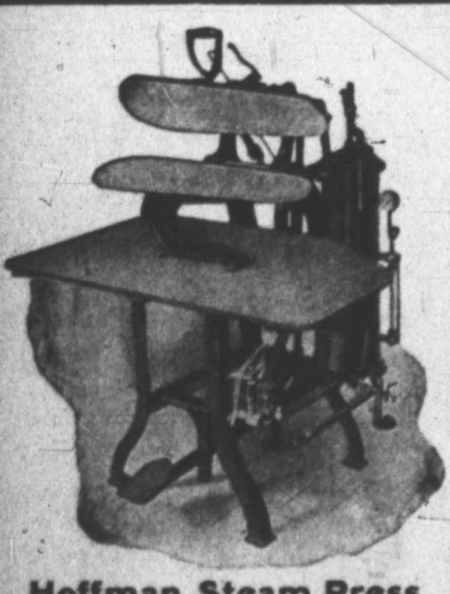
There were 33 marriages in the county during the year. In the courts two divorces were given.

The number of deaths for the year was 27, 16 male and 11 female.

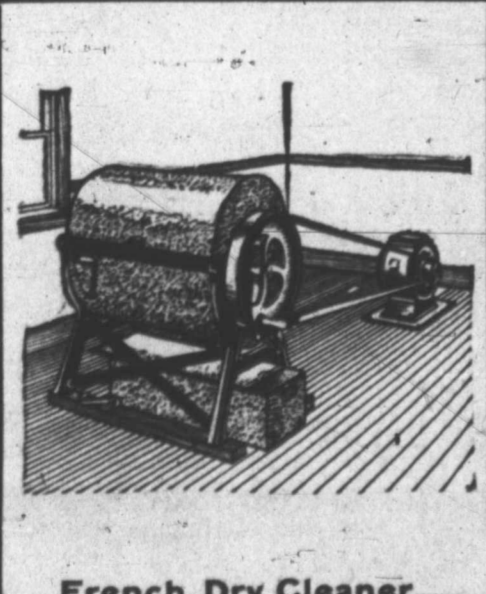
Alfalfa Was Good.

Judge L. C. Lair raised a crop of alfalfa during 1910 which is a good example of the profitability of Panhandle land. The first two cuttings of alfalfa from his 43 acre field he sold for \$12.50 per ton. The third cutting was threshed for seed, making 10 bushels to the acre, for which he received \$8.10 per bushel, and sold the straw for \$8 per ton.

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CANYON'S SCHOOLS IN GOOD CONDITION

VERY INTERESTING PLACE TO
SPEND A FEW HOURS.

Work of Pupils is Very Satisfactory—
Instructional Staff of Schools
is Excellent.

A visit to the public school building in Canyon will disclose the fact that we have as good schools as can be found on the Plains. The work that the pupils are doing is very satisfactory and the instructional staff is the very best. Supt. Redus reports that the interest taken in the work is very good and that the school attendance has been exceptionally good this year. During the year a large number has entered and there are now nearly four hundred in attendance.

The library at the school building is good, but Principal Price reports that steps will be taken before spring to increase the number of books. Reference books are most needed and Mr. Price hopes to be able to add a large number of good books soon. The history books are quite numerous and are very well selected as are also the books on literature. A large number of good works in fiction are to be found on the shelves. The library consists in all of about 400 volumes.

The greatest defect to be found at the building is the absolute lack of a laboratory. None has ever been established for phys-

THE NORMAL ATHLETIC GROUNDS.

Have the Best Grounds on the Plains
—Will be Meeting Place of High
Schools.

That the Normal Athletic grounds are the best in this section of the state is very certain. The location on the northwest part of the campus could not be better, and the fixtures that have been and will be provided by the board are the best obtainable.

It is the plan to make Canyon the meeting place of all the high schools and colleges of the Plains in athletic events. In addition to the excellent grounds, the Normal will have the best equipped gymnasium in this part of the state when all of the material arrives. \$1100 has been expended on the athletic grounds alone.

The athletic field has been provided with the following:

- Quarter mile circular track, 20 feet wide.
- Baseball ground.
- Football ground.
- Grandstand for 800 people.
- 120 yard straight-away cinder track, 30 feet wide.
- 12 tennis courts, with twelve foot backstops.
- Two outdoor basketball courts.

There are a number of fine Catholic families living in Canyon. There is no church here, but services are held regularly, conducted by Rev. J. A. Campbell, of Umbarger.

There are a number of Christian Science families in Canyon. They maintain a good reading room where regular services are held.

There are yet a few copies of this issue to be obtained for 5c.

RANDALL COUNTY IS PROUD OF SCHOOLS

SPLENDID CORPS OF TEACHERS
AND GOOD ATTENDANCE.

Twenty Schools are Maintained by
The County, with an Average of
17 Attendance.

Randall county has as good country schools as can be found in any state. The officials have established schools as the population has increased until now there is no part of the county that is not within easy reach of a good school. During the past year much money has been expended in the way of improvement. Three new buildings have been erected and several of the buildings remodeled.

The average pay for Randall county teachers is \$56.25 per month. The average days taught during the year is 160. There is not a single 3rd certificate teacher in the county schools.

The following is a list of the districts, the teachers and the number of pupils attending the schools:

1. Bernice Russell—9.
2. F. A. Crowley—28.
3. Gertrude Butler—9.
4. Pearl Dennis—11.
5. Elmer Crowley—10.
6. J. W. Randall—12.
8. Minnie Frary—15.
9. Julia Patterson and Elizabeth Allen—30.
10. Jessie E. Kreger—34.
11. Malissa Thompson—30.



ics, chemistry or botany and one is needed very badly. The instructors hope that by next year one may be placed in the building.

Since two grades have been removed to the Normal building, the question of sufficient room has been practically solved. As will be remembered bonds have been voted for an addition of several rooms to the building, but Supt. Redus reports that they can complete the year very well under present conditions. The addition will probably be built next summer and be ready for the fall opening.

The school system in Canyon should be the pride of every citizen and should be visited by every parent having a child in attendance. The building will soon be too small to accommodate the town and a campaign had as well be started now leading to the erection of a large modern school building.

The following is the number in each grade together with the teachers in charge:

- High school—95
- 11th grade—10
- 10th grade—14
- 9th grade—38
- 8th grade—23
- Supt. J. L. Redus, Principal
- O. L. Price and Mrs. Ada Wray, teachers.
- Lower grades—283
- 7th—35, C. E. Coss.
- 6th—40, Miss Clara Edwards
- 5th—22, Miss Emma Bryson
- 4th—32, Miss Ruth Stafford
- 3rd—36, Mrs. Orton
- 2nd—42, Miss Maud Cund
- 1st—31, Miss Emma Neal

STUDENTS COME ALL OVER STATE

PLAINS LEAD WITH A BIG MAJORITY—NUMBER 117.

West Texas Comes in Second With
24 and Central Texas Has
21 in Attendance.

Statistics regarding the geographical distribution of the student body of the Normal was made last week with a result that the Plains was given by far the majority in attendance. This was expected, but it was gratifying to note that from other sections of the state there was a very liberal attendance considering the fact that the school just opened this year.

Another fact was brought out by these statistics, namely, that only one student from outside the state is in attendance. When it was suggested that the school be located on the Plains much opposition arose among the southern sections of the state in view of the fact that it was thought the student body would be composed too largely of New Mexico and Oklahoma students. The fallacy of this proposition is now clearly seen.

The following is the result of the compilation:

- The Plains—117
- West Texas (Not Plains)—24
- Central Texas—21
- North Texas—14

12. Daisy Bell—16.
13. Zina Henson—9.
14. Estella Parish—16.
15. Ruby Boyle—7.
16. L. C. Crowley—23.
17. Lucile Grady—16.
18. Fannie Johnson—14.
19. Edna O'Bryan—17.
20. Mayme Lynch—11.
- TOTAL—317.

Literary Societies.

The Normal College has four very strong literary societies, every one of which is doing excellent work. The boys' societies are called the Cousins and the Palo Duro societies. True to literary spirit, the societies had a debate this year, which will hereafter be an annual affair. The debate this year was won by the Cousins society by a decision of two to one.

The girls have organized themselves into two societies called the Sesame and the Barrett-Browning. Both societies are doing excellent work. At the contest of the boys' societies, two girls from each society appeared on the program, and well represented the organizations with which they were affiliated.

The water supply of Canyon is wonderful. The water is mighty good, too. Even from the deepest wells, the water in Canyon is very soft. There is not a better drinking water under the sun.

- East Texas—10
- South Texas—8
- Southwest Texas—5
- New Mexico—1

THIS WEEK closes our first year's business in Canyon and while we commenced business when the conditions were anything but favorable, we must say that we have had a satisfactory year, and now enter into another determined to make it better. With this in view, our buyer, has just returned from St. Louis, where he spent some days in buying one of the largest and best selected stocks of goods that has ever been in Canyon. We earnestly ask every man, woman and child to come and see what we have. We want you for a customer and shall try to give you such values and courteous treatment that you will feel that our store is your store.

Our stock is now complete in most all lines; full lines of silks, both for fine dresses and waists, good range of colors and prices are as low as can be found in any store in Texas, quality considered.

About 100 Ladies' dress skirts in all the latest styles, colors and sizes up to 32 waist. Silk petticoats in blacks and colors, \$3.50 to \$6.00. Ladies' long silk gloves, silk hose, good line of collars, ties, belts, barretts and hand bags. 50 pieces of new ginghams just in.

In Men's clothing we will have the well known brands of Kuppenheimer, Kirshbaum and the Schwab, all good makes and styles.

Our shoe stock is one line we take a pride in and handle Edwin Clapp, Crawford, Roberts, Johnson & Rand, Star Brand shoes, and if you get a pair that is faulty bring it back to us and it will be made right.

Our millinery department will be under the management of Miss Quirk again this season. She has just returned from St. Louis and will soon be ready to show the latest and best styles of the season. In conclusion let us thank all for their liberal trade the past year and ask you to come to see us when shopping and make our store your stopping place.

New line of premium goods just received, bring in your tickets.

We have a splendid line of samples for Ladies' suits and silk dresses—measures taken and fit guaranteed. Come to us for this line.

Yours truly

Turk & Armstrong Dry Goods Company.

The Great Palo Duro canyon just east of Canyon has the most wonderful scenery of any canyon in the world. Before many years the glories of this canyon will be as widely known as those of the Colorado river canyon.

The business men of Canyon are a very courteous bunch of men. They are wide-awake and energetic.

The schools of Randall county are first class. The buildings are all practically new, and the teachers are all well trained. There is not a third grade teacher in the county.

There is quite a congregation of German Lutheran people in Canyon. They have no church building, but services are held monthly at one of the homes.

There were 93 births in Randall county during 1910. Of these, 41 were females and 52 were males. There were only 27 deaths in the county during the year, 16 males and 11 females.

Randall county roads have received little work during the past year, but they are in excellent condition.

BISHOP'S PLACE

N. C. BISHOP, Prop.

Only exclusive line of high grade cigars and confectations in town. Largest soda fountain in the Panhandle. Best and coldest sodas, not once but all the time. Private ice cream parlor for ladies. The place they all go when they want the best. Complete line of Havana and domestic cigars and pipes.



SENATOR W. A. JOHNSON

Senator W. A. Johnson, of this district, is one of the live wires at Austin during the present session of the legislature. Mr. Johnson is an up-to-date newspaper man and has at heart the good of the people of his district. Mr. Johnson is showing the Austin bunch that there is such a place as the Panhandle on the map.

THE ROLL OF HONOR.

The following were the contributors to the construction of the West Texas State Normal College:

John Hutson	\$ 5,000	W. O. Bennett	300
L. T. Lester	8,000	Geo. A. Brandon	250
C. T. Word	10,000	A. N. Henson	250
J. A. Edwards	3,000	G. G. Foster	500
R. W. O'Keef	2,000	W. E. Bates	1,500
J. M. Black	2,000	W. W. Allison	500
L. G. Conner	2,000	B. T. Johnson	350
L. E. Cowling	2,000	M. F. Slover	750
L. C. Lair	2,000	J. M. Harder	500
A. S. Rollins	1,000	R. G. Oldham	1,000
Jasper N. Haney	1,000	C. R. Burrow	200
W. C. Baird	1,000	Thompson Drug Co.	300
Thos. H. Rowan	2,500	I. W. McClure	500
Henry Shinnelbarger	2,000	F. M. Wilson	500
R. M. Peeler	1,500	J. C. Pipkin	500
J. N. Hicks	1,250	C. N. Harrison	500
J. E. Rogers	1,000	W. J. Flesher	100
J. L. Prichard	1,000	J. L. Redgas	100
Jno. A. Wallace	1,250	J. C. Hunt	50
W. H. Younger	1,000	R. H. Sanford	100
H. F. McNeill	1,000	R. H. Wright	100
D. M. Stewart	1,250	H. V. Reeves	150
G. S. Ballard	2,000	R. E. Foster	250
N. Thompson	1,000	S. A. Shotwell	500
J. W. Ballard	1,000	O. C. Davis	100
J. T. Service	1,000	S. H. Heyser	125
Canyon Lumber Co.	1,000	Jno. Rowan	750
Fulton Lumber Co.	1,000	Travis Shaw	650
W. F. Heller	2,500	D. A. Park	500
H. A. Howell	2,000	A. E. Brown	750
John Knight	2,000	J. D. Bybee	100
J. F. Smith	1,500	T. J. Cochran	100
Cyrus Eakman	500	Thomas Bros.	600
D. Thomas	750	R. E. Baird	50
T. F. Reid	750	S. V. Wirt	300
S. B. Lofton	200	M. P. Garner	125
W. T. Moreland	750	J. M. Myers	500
Jno. T. Holland	500	C. P. Money	50
J. H. Garrison	500	R. W. Foster	250
J. L. McReynolds	500	Joe Foster	500
E. W. Reynolds	1,500	B. C. Taylor	250
C. R. McAfee	500	W. B. Campbell	500
J. D. Gamble	600	R. S. Pipkin	100
Oscar Hunt	500	Keiser Bros. & Phillips	500
S. L. Ingham	500	J. H. Dunbar	750
		L. L. Monroe	500
		Newt Reeves	250
		Nath Schee	100
		L. A. Pierce	200

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W. D. Scott	200	
Ed Pipkin	100	
T. C. Thompson	100	
Thompson Hdw. Co.	50	
P. H. Young	200	
The Leader	250	
Geo. Reynolds	100	
D. Carson Fleming	100	
N. H. North Estate	10	
J. W. Cowart	250	
D. N. Redfern	25	
T. E. Money	25	
W. E. Law	100	
R. D. Harrell	50	
J. F. Beaver	20	
G. M. Brock	25	
E. Yates	25	
M. S. Lusby	50	
J. B. Rowan	100	
E. G. Brown	10	
James Dawson	25	
O. N. Gamble	25	
W. M. Ran	10	
I. F. Hood	100	
Vetesk & Ditto	25	
S. R. Griffin	50	
Chas. Huifhine	10	
W. B. Bailey	25	
H. F. Upshaw	25	
W. J. Redfern	5	
D. B. Hitchcock	250	
A. W. Hancock	30	
A. B. Haynes	35	
Robt. Dawson	15	
King & Hampton	25	
G. N. Yates	25	
E. W. Myers	15	
C. Brooks	100	
Geo. R. Turner	10	
J. M. Burkhalter	125	
O. I. Smith	10	
R. L. Wagner	10	
R. E. Heilman	5	
C. C. Doniphan	5	
Nixon Bros.	20	
Hill Aldridge	5	
C. S. Dison	50	
C. P. Shelnuitt	5	
F. L. Gano	20	
W. M. Steen	25	
C. D. Cleveland	50	
M. N. Gallagher	50	
I. L. Vansant	500	
Merry Bros.	100	
E. W. Neece	100	
R. L. Faulkner	50	
G. S. Frary	25	
J. E. Hawley	50	
T. A. Foster	250	
H. Holt	5	
W. H. Hicks	150	
H. E. Hume	500	
B. T. Ware	100	
W. H. Fuqua	100	
Earl Cobb	25	
C. P. Hutchings	50	

Class Enrollment.
According to class standing, the students are divided as follows:

Seniors	35
Juniors	56
Freshmen	54
Irregular	82

Out-of-Town Students.

The plains furnish nearly half of the students as shown by another article in this issue. Of this number, Canyon furnishes 54 students out of the 117 from the Plains.

There are nineteen country schools in Randall county, with a total attendance of 317 pupils.

STUDENT STATISTICS.

There are at present 227 students enrolled in the West Texas State Normal College. On the enrollment cards certain questions were asked which relative to the students, a compilation of which has been made by the News:

Of the 227 students, 82 are males and 145 are females.

Church Affiliation.

According to the church affiliation there are:	
Methodist	69
Baptist	67
Christian	39
Presbyterian	28
Catholic	5
Episcopal	5
Lutheran	1
Universalist	1
Dutch Reform	1
No church preference	4

Occupation of Father.

A question on the blanks given the students was "your father's occupation." The result was as follows:

Farmer	57
Real estate	21
Merchant	17
Teacher	17
Stockman	14
Ranchman	7
Hotel keeper	6
Lawyer	5
Banker	4
Barber	3
Minister	2
Doctor	2

One each for the following: liveryman, contractor, civil en-

ANNOUNCEMENT

T. H. Stewart has bought the interest of J. T. Holland in the Grocery store of Holland & Rogers on the east side. The new firm name will be Rogers & Stewart. The new firm wishes to thank the many patrons of the store for their liberal patronage in the past and to invite those who have not traded with us to give us a trial. Our stock of groceries is new and clean. We keep only the best that is procurable on the market. Our prices are right.

We buy all kinds of country produce, paying the highest market prices.

ROGERS & STEWART

"Mildred" Production Coming.

Mary J. Holmes' popular novel transferred to the stage, "Mildred," has been a book for many thousands. Its romance is bewitching and its comedy scenes irresistible. Its power grows as the story progresses until the most casual listener finds his attention enchained and himself wrapped in the lives of the folk who move in and out of its action. The only dramatization of this delightful story will

be seen here soon with the dramatic authoress, Ida Weston Rae, in the title role. The play has aroused considerable interest not only among regular theatre goers, but equally so among those who may be inclined through mistaken but honest belief, to look askance at the stage. Do not miss this event of the season at the Opera House one night only, Wednesday, March 6th.

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We carry the new Moline wagon and the Velie buggy both of which are made of the best material and will give the best satisfaction. We also carry a full line of Pipe and Pipe fittings, together with the Star Windmill, which is the lightest running mill and will last the longest.

We solicit the continued patronage of all our old customers as well as the new ones, and we will endeavor at all times to give you our best prices and courteous treatment, and we wish to thank all our friends for their past favors and ask a continuance of the same. When in Canyon make our store your headquarters.

Very respectfully,

Canyon Mercantile Co.

J. E. Rogers, President and Manager.

IMPROVEMENT AND NORMAL DEDICATION EDITION--PART ONE

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IMPROVEMENTS IN RANDALL COUNTY 1910 WERE \$464,958

THE IMPROVEMENT LIST

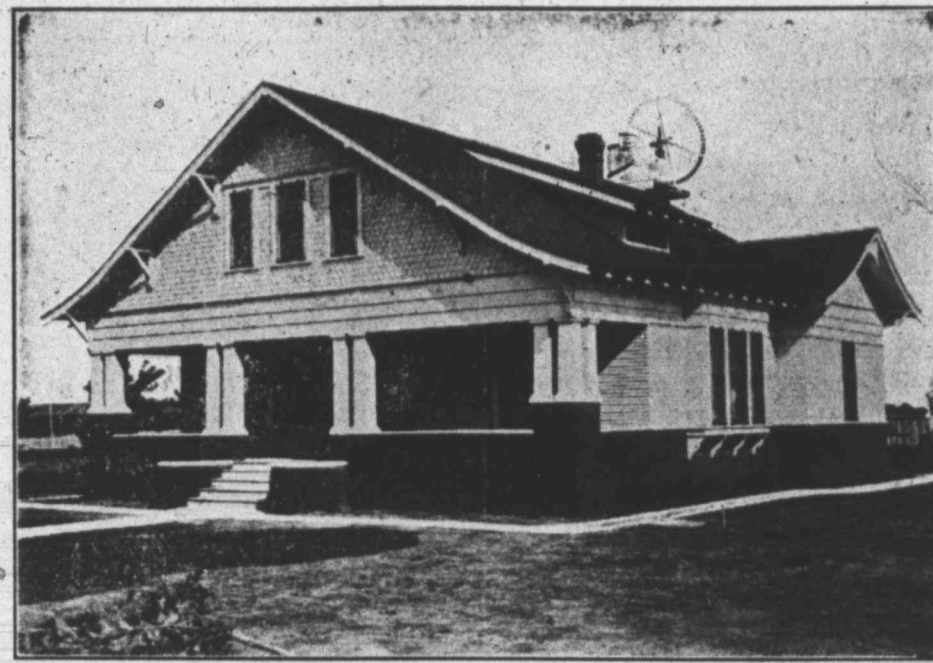
After a very careful canvass of Canyon and Randall county, the News has compiled an improvement list for the past year, which is correct so far as reported, and which we believe is quite as complete as such a list can be made. As the list stands, however there are probably \$30,000 improvements in the county as yet unreported.

The list is a very creditable one indeed, far surpassing the lists published by counties in this section of the country which have a much larger population than does Randall county. The work of Canyon is indeed very flattering. There are few towns of 1800 population in the United States which can boast of improvements aggregating \$405,013 for the year 1910, nor for any other year so far as that is concerned. The following is the list compiled by the News:

Canyon.

E. H. Ackley, new residence, \$4500.
 J. P. Anderson, addition to residence, \$710.
 J. E. Anderson, barn, \$500.
 J. W. Aylor, Kansas City, on land east of city, fencing 27 1/4 miles, four wire, \$2500.
 W. C. Bair, water works, \$250.
 Baptist Church addition, \$1200.
 G. S. Ballard, cement block house, \$7,500.
 John Begin, residence, \$1500.
 J. F. Berry, dining room to Canyon hotel, \$300.
 M. A. Bingham, barn, \$225.
 Jack Brock, residence, \$1250.
 A. A. Brooks, house, \$5,500.
 Cass Brooks, farm, \$250.
 Fulton Brown, residence, \$27-63.
 J. D. Bybee, fence, \$300.
 Canyon City street work \$500.
 City of Canyon, improvements, \$220.
 Canyon City water works, \$25,000.
 Canyon City club down on creek and other improvements, \$925.
 Canyon Cement Block, \$1000.
 Canyon Lumber Co., water works, \$1000.
 Canyon Lumber Co., house moved from Umberger, \$500.
 Canyon National bank, awning, \$165.
 Canyon Public Schools, repair, \$200.
 H. H. Cassles, new house, \$25-00.
 I. J. Cochran, residence, \$2500.
 T. H. Cochran, house and improvements, \$4250.
 S. S. Coffee, new residence, \$3000.
 Carl Coffee, addition to residence, \$350.
 L. G. Conner, sidewalks, \$13-51.

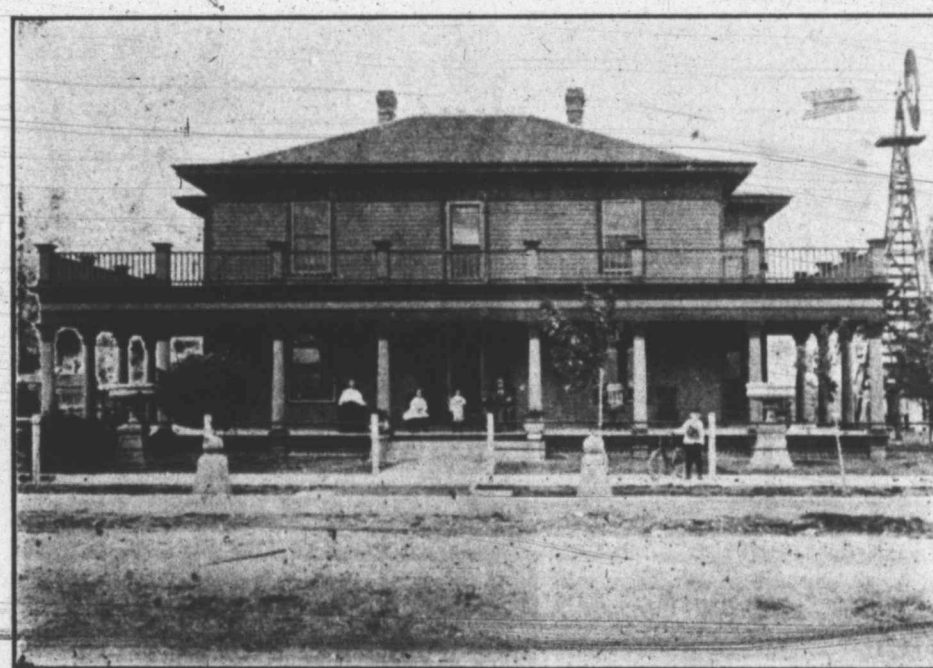
Craven Milling Co., new mill, \$25,000.
 G. L. Ditto, residence, \$2300.
 R. A. Dobbs, nine room house, barn, deep well, improvements, \$3000.
 Tom Domlens, farm improvements, \$2500.
 C. Eakman, barn, \$175.
 E. S. Fairbanks, repairing house, \$200.
 First National bank new building, \$35,000.
 Jim Foster, improvements, \$300.
 R. W. Foster, farm, \$150.
 Dan Garrison, repair on residence, \$75.
 Rev. J. S. Groves, residence, \$700.
 P. F. Guenther, residence, \$2500.
 J. A. Harbison, farm and fence, \$200.
 J. N. Haney, residence repair, \$365.
 J. T. Holland, repairing residence, \$125.
 C. C. Hughes, residence, \$1000.
 I. L. Hunt, residence, barn, deep well, \$4250.
 Oscar Hunt, house and improvements, \$4000.
 C. P. Hutchings, barn \$150.
 Dr. S. L. Ingham, house remodeled, \$300.
 T. W. Jeanes & Son, lumber yard buildings, \$1200.
 I. C. Jenkins, residence, \$3000.
 Keiser Bros. & Phillips, two residences, \$5000.
 J. B. Kleinschmidt, fencing, well and windmill, farm improvements, \$400.
 J. B. Kleinschmidt, two new houses, waterworks, \$2400.
 Geo. W. Leaverton, addition to residence, \$550.
 Jas. Leavitt, farm, \$450.
 L. B. Lofton, addition to home, \$300.
 Chas. Long, residence, \$1250.
 Chas. McAfee, barn, \$700.
 H. F. McNeil, residence, \$800.
 Miss Sallie McGehee, new residence, \$1800.
 I. W. McClure, new barn, \$750.
 H. P. Mightman, house, barn, well, \$1500.
 C. C. Miller, residence, \$3250.
 H. Miteman, farm improvements, \$2500.
 H. E. Muldrow, improvements on home, \$150.
 Normal College building and grounds \$125,000.
 Normal President's home, \$7-512.
 M. M. Olin, Davenport, Iowa, fencing and improvement east of Canyon, \$257.
 E. A. Oberst, barn, \$170.
 S. B. Orton, residence, \$600.
 S. B. Orton, new store, \$500.
 Palo Duro club grounds, \$2000.
 Ed Pipkin, barn, \$135.



THE NEW BUNGALOW OF S. S. COFFEE.

RECORD FOR 1910.

Items of improvement	141
New residences	44
Residence additions	13
Residences repaired	16
New barns	18
New public buildings	8
Public Improvements	\$233,500
Water works	25,000
Side walks	2,500
Educational buildings	130,000
Club grounds	3,000
Railway improvements	35,000
Normal College and President's home	133,000
Business improvements	60,000
Improvements in Canyon	408,013
Improvements in Randall county	464,958
Unreported in the county	30,000



THE LARGE HOME OF JOE SERVICE ON HOUSTON ST.

Randall County Schools, district No. 12, \$900.
 Randall County Schools, No. 6, school addition, \$250.
 Randall County Schools, District No. 19, new building, \$2000.
 Randall County Schools, District No. 18, new building, \$1500.
 Randall County Schools, District No. 20, \$800.
 Randall County jail and wood-work, \$350.
 H. J. Ringler, fencing; windmill, shed and granary, \$1800.
 A. S. Rollins, fencing and sheds, \$170.
 A. S. Rollins, water works, \$200.
 John Rowan, deep well, water works, \$500.
 Thos. H. Rowan, four room addition, \$700.
 R. H. Sanford, two houses, \$3500.
 Santa Fe Railway Co., depot, water works, tracks, etc, \$35,000.
 Henry Schroeder, granery, well, windmill and new house, \$1650.
 W. D. Scott, new residence, \$1200.
 Joe Service residence, \$5500.
 H. T. Shelnett, addition to residence, \$350.
 R. E. Shenan, improvements, \$50.
 Henry Shinebarger, residence, \$2000.
 Shadowland Theatre, improvements, \$100.
 T. V. Slack, fencing, \$38.
 T. B. Slaughter, barn, fence, \$400.
 W. B. Skinner, residence, \$12-00.
 J. F. Smith, plumbing, \$400.
 J. F. Smith, residence improvements, \$250.
 B. A. Stafford, residence, \$32-50.
 J. H. Stephenson, house, barn, well, windmill and fencing, \$16-50.
 D. M. Stewart, auto barn and improvements, \$100.
 D. M. Stewart, cement block house, \$5,600.
 Mrs. C. Thomas, improvements, \$400.

CANYON'S NEW RESIDENCES

The residences built in Canyon during the past year have varied in construction and size but a better lot of residences cannot be found anywhere. Those built in the east part of the city have generally been large, varying in size from ten to fourteen rooms. The attraction of the Normal with its large number of students has tended to cause large rooming houses to be constructed in this section of the city. In fact east of Second street, there were few houses at all until the Normal was located in the east end. Immediately a large number began making plans for residences in this part of town, and even since the opening of the Normal in September, an even dozen houses have received their finishing touches. Those of the Normal faculty who have constructed residences in Canyon

have all chosen the east part. In the west end, while there have been a number of large houses constructed, yet for the most part, the construction has been along the bungalow order. A prettier lot of residences cannot be found in any city than have been built in the west part of the city.

Canyon has also grown in "width" during the past year as well as in "length." While the railway has always been more or less of a barrier on the north, and the natural inclination was to go either east or west rather than south, yet during the past year the town has spread both north and south to a very great extent. While the east end has been built up more decidedly during 1910, the other parts of the city have received a goodly number of fine improvement.

Thomas Bros. opera house repairs \$500.
 R. A. Terrill, new house, \$1950.
 C. M. Thomas, improvements, \$400.
 A. C. Thompson, 4 room house, well and barn, \$900.
 N. Thompson, old court house repairs, \$250.
 N. Thompson, business house improvements, \$1000.
 T. P. Turk, residence and barn, \$5200.
 T. P. Turk, fencing and farm buildings, \$400.
 John A. Wallace, 2 wells, water works, house, \$3000.
 H. J. Weber, 2 miles fencing, \$200.
 R. Wightman, residence, \$2000.
 S. C. Whitman, two room addition and porch, \$350.
 C. S. Whittier, poultry plant, with poultry incubator, houses, brooder, dugout, fences etc., \$500.
 C. T. Word, improvements, \$500.
 E. H. Wray, repair on residence, \$250.
 P. H. Young, improvements, \$200.

Wm. Schmitz, water works, \$200.
 Bert Shone, house and barn, \$2000.
 J. H. Walker, fencing, \$75.

Umberger.

Henry Embress, house remodeled, \$500.
 Mantz & Peacock, hotel, \$3250.
 Santa Fe stock yards, \$9000.
 Umberger church, new building \$1600.
 Z. M. Will, new store, \$2000.

The Panhandle needs more farmers. The land is yet very cheap, and now is the time to buy. A large proportion of the land in Randall county has never been broken, and the opportunities offered to the farmers are very great.

Randall county has a fine \$53,500 court house completed only last year. It is one of the finest buildings in this part of the state.

Cupid was a busy boy in Randall county during the past year. There were 66 victims of his mighty bow and arrow—33 males, and 33 females.

Randall county is a wonderful place for hog and sheep raising. The native feeds cannot be surpassed for raising and fattening stock.

The Panhandle is the natural home of the dairy cow. The climate is always fine, and the native feeds are great milk producers.

Canyon citizens are law loving and law abiding people.

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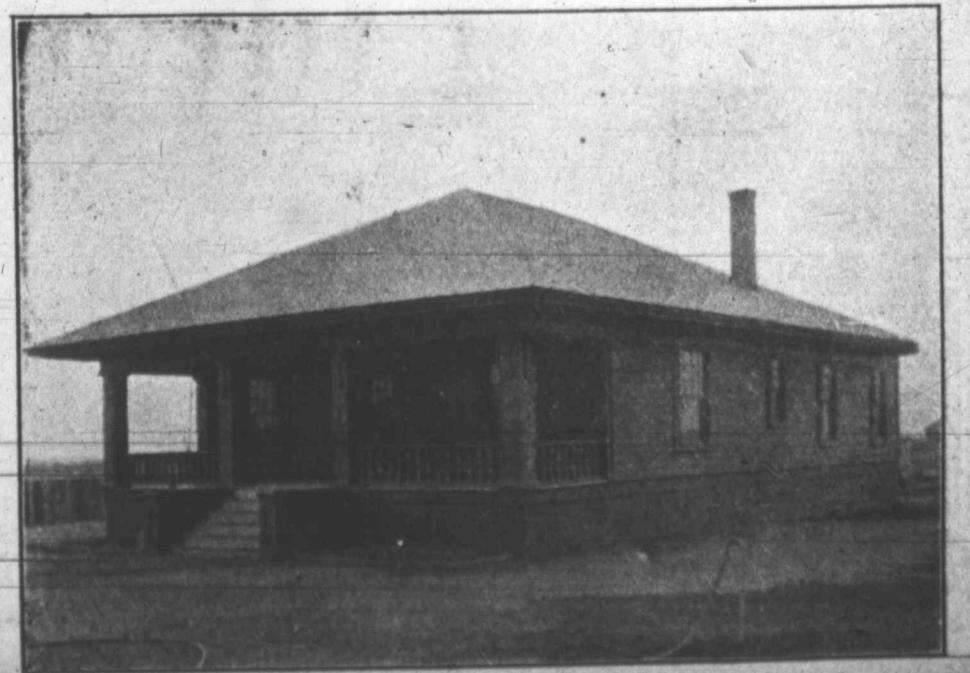
B. H. Coler, house, \$1000.
 H. Currie, barn, \$1500.
 Chas. Long, barn, \$400.
 J. M. McNoughton, granery, \$350.
 Randall County, bridge, \$150.
 G. O. Kenner, barn, \$150.

Ralph.

Joe Beckman, residence, \$2000.
 J. M. Bellos, barn and granery, \$850.
 J. M. Craig, fence, well and outfit, new home, \$1400.
 J. D. Knicely, barn, \$125.
 C. E. Ross, residence, \$780.



THE NEW RESIDENCE OF J. L. HUNT



THE NEW BUNGALOW OF H. H. GARRISON

THE GREAT PANHANDLE OF TEXAS.

Lying in the extreme north-west of the Lone Star State, bounded on the east and north by Oklahoma and on the west by New Mexico, the Panhandle of Texas presents opportunities to the home-seeking colonist and the home-staying investor which cannot be duplicated. Its future is all the more bright because of the fact that the land is being largely bought by actual settlers who are breaking the sod, building neat and permanent homes and making the fertile acres produce splendid crops, thus adding to the value of their own acres and of adjacent land.

The visitor to the Panhandle of Texas is immediately struck with three things. The first is the adaptability of the soil to diversified farming and the quick returns which come from intelligent cultivation. The second is the ideal location for homes, the climate being mild all the year around and the water supply being excellent. The third is the high type of colonists who are peopling the Texas plains.

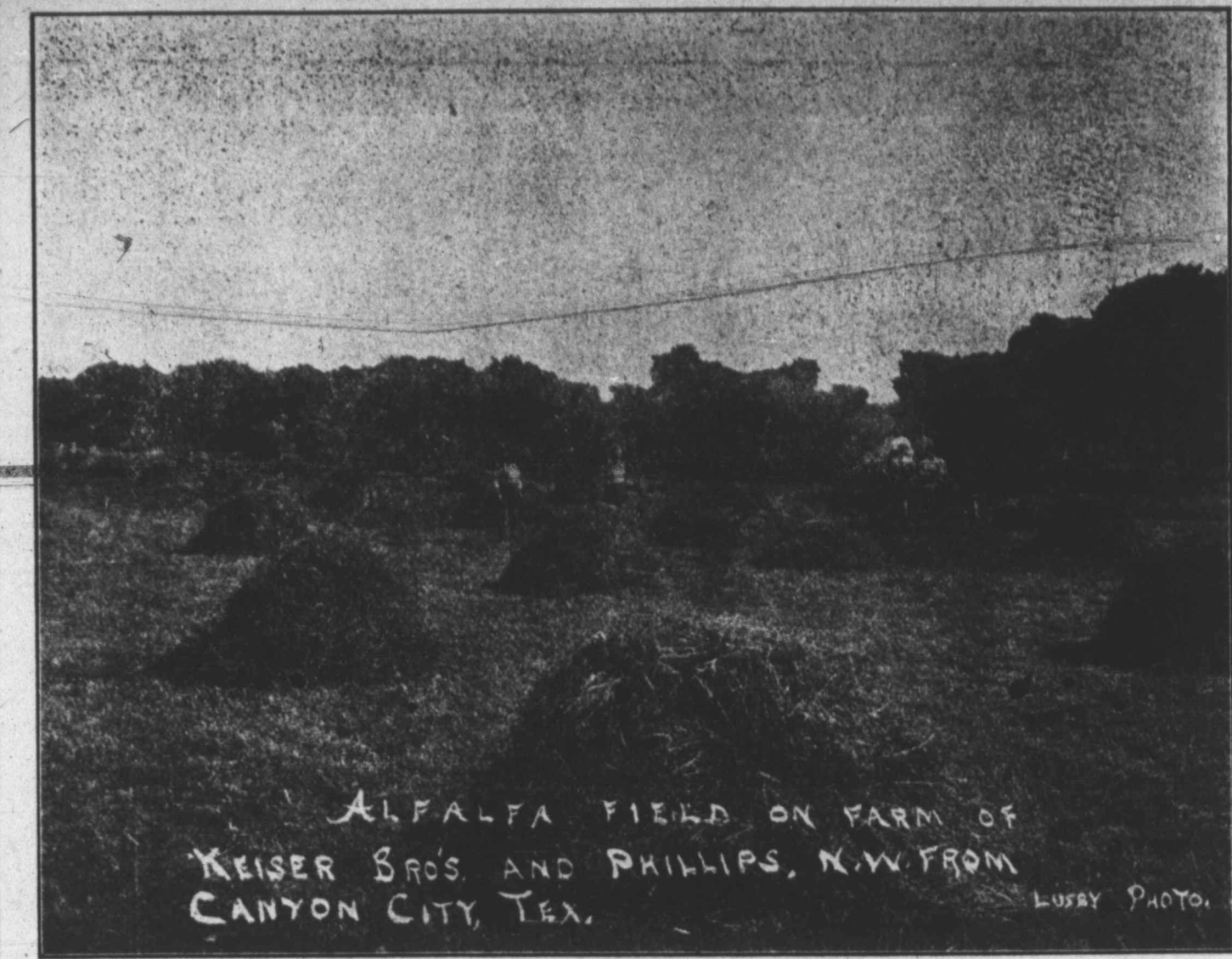
The surface soil of the Panhan-

dle is a rich chocolate loam, of a depth ranging from four to ten feet, underlaid by a white clay subsoil. It is arable for mile after mile, to the very borders of the two famous canyons which cut through the west central part of the Panhandle and give the bustling county seat of Randall county its name, Canyon. It is doubtful if there is another tract of land in America of equal size, which has so many tillable acres. Section after section, mile after mile the Panhandle stretches away with not an inch of waste land. The soil responds to every demand made upon it. Especially adapted to milo maize, alfalfa, kaffir corn, sorghum, broom corn, millet, rye and barley, it yields, in addition, excellent crops of wheat, oats and Indian corn and is rapidly coming to be recognized as one of the orchard possibilities of the Southwest. Fruit trees which have been planted for two or three years show a steady, healthy growth, while those of four to six years planting yield lavishly of a delicate flavored

fruit which is rapidly coming to be preferred to the coarser grained and not so delicately flavored fruits of California.

The adaptability of the soil is shown by the statements of numerous Panhandle colonists that they produced good crops the same year as breaking the sod. A return of \$25 to the acre the first year, even when breaking was done in the spring, is by no means unusual. It is not necessary to allow the sod to lie and rot and thus waste a year, for kaffir corn, maize, sorghum and other crops do well at once and start the settlers on the royal road to prosperity and plenty. Broom corn is one of the most largely grown and most profitable crops; gross returns of \$50 to \$75 an acre being the frequent report. Returns aggregating \$80 to \$90 an acre from alfalfa are reported this year, one farmer receiving \$60 an acre from a single cutting for seed purposes, the three other cuttings of the year bringing his total up to the \$90 mark.

The home possibilities of the Panhandle are just coming to be realized. Being a level plateau, at an elevation of from 3,000 to 3,600 feet above sea level, it stretches 150 miles from east to west and 175 miles from north to south, making about 27,000 square miles of arable land, barring the two canyons (Palo Duro and Tierra Blanco) which add a picturesqueness to the district and bid fair soon to make it a popular resort for tourists. The scorching summer heat of the grain belt states is unknown in the Panhandle, while the withering wintry blasts of the North are conspicuous by their absence. Without exception the settlers from the grain-belt states of the Mississippi valley declare that the Panhandle climate is milder,



ALFALFA FIELD ON FARM OF KEISER BROS AND PHILLIPS, N.W. FROM CANYON CITY, TEX. LUSBY PHOTO.

both summer and winter, than in their old home, while the dry air of the latitude is an almost certain cure for bronchial and pulmonary troubles. Moreover, a remarkably clear and pure water supply is available throughout the entire Panhandle. In the neighborhood of Canyon water is secured by drilling from fifty to 200 feet, the water being entirely free from alkali or other injurious substances, healthful alike to human beings and to live stock.

The people who are flocking in large numbers to the Panhandle come for the most part from the north or grain-belt states. They are men who have been driven by the high price of land to look for locations in newer sections; men who are willing to work hard when the reward is inevitable and not long delayed; men

who aspire to build up new homes which shall be of the same high standard of excellence and comfort as the old ones. They find in the Panhandle the opportunity which they have long craved. Lumber is available near at hand and cheaper than in the northern states. Homes are quickly put up. Churches and schools promptly follow. Texas has the largest school fund, per capita, of any state in the Union. Its public school system is unexcelled. Moreover, it is building institutions of higher learning which educate the Texas youths at home, so that it is no longer necessary to leave the state either for classical or technical instruction. The churches are sightly and well attended. Every Protestant denomination is represented, while the Roman Catholic churches flourish gener-

ally.

If the Panhandle needed to be tried out the opportunity was given this summer. While other sections of the country were finding the stream of plenty dammed by the widespread drouth, the Panhandle went its prosperous way. The United States Weather Bureau at Amarillo reports that the rainfall for the summer of 1910 was less than two-thirds of the normal rainfall, yet the crop yield was far superior to that of other sections where similar conditions prevailed. The soil is adapted to the conservation of the moisture and the rainfall seasons coincide with the growing seasons. According to the reports of the United States Weather Bureau at Amarillo, the monthly average precipitation in

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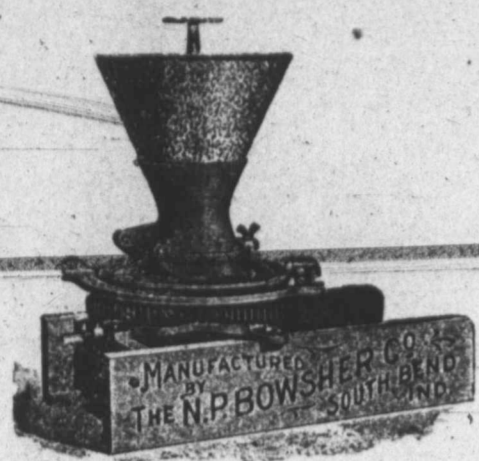
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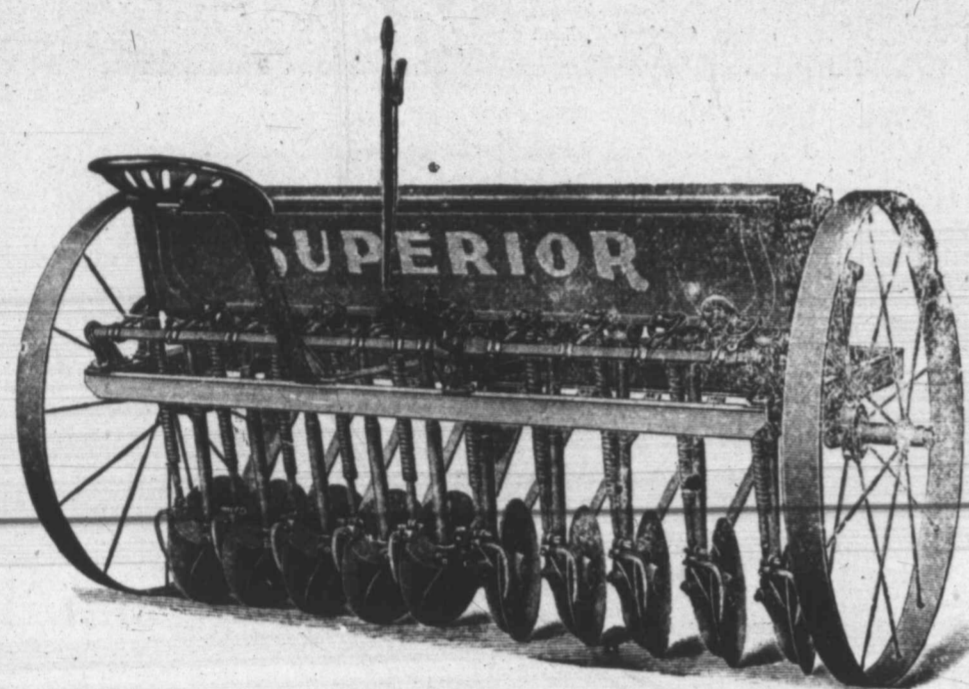
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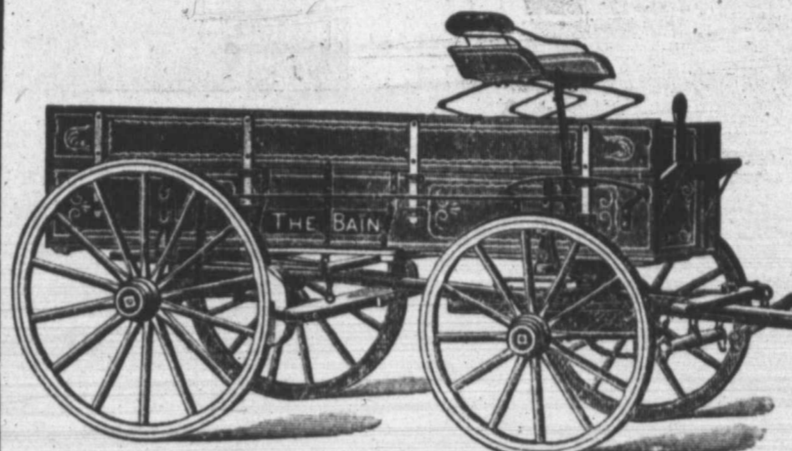
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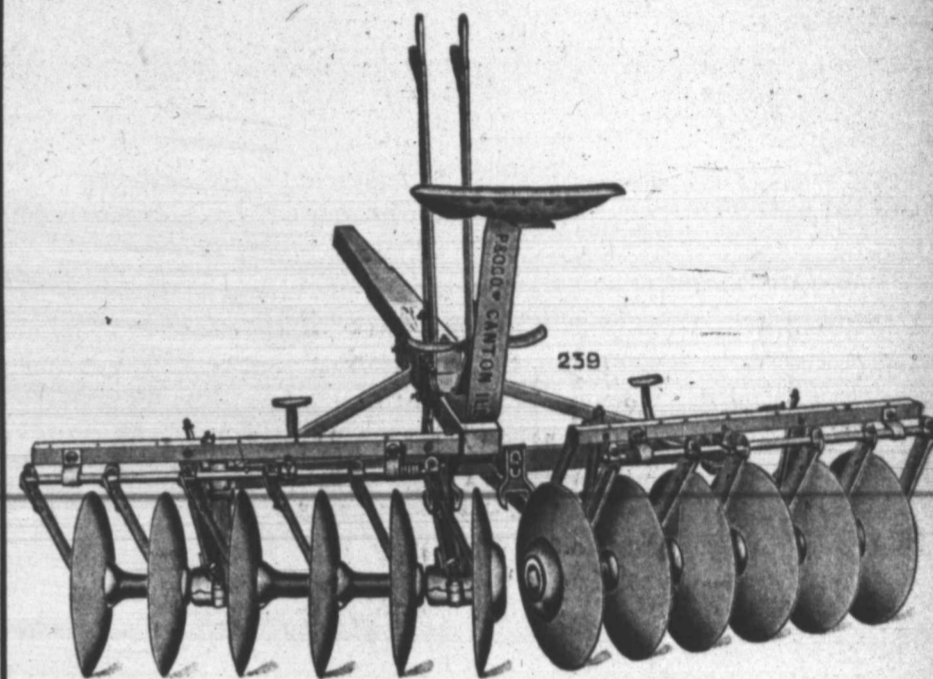
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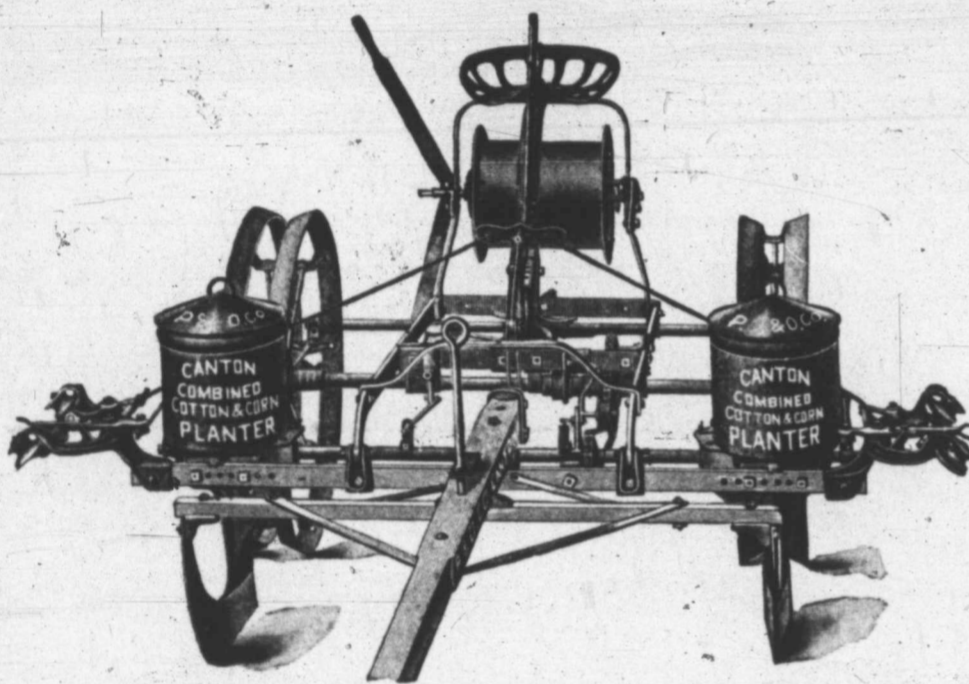
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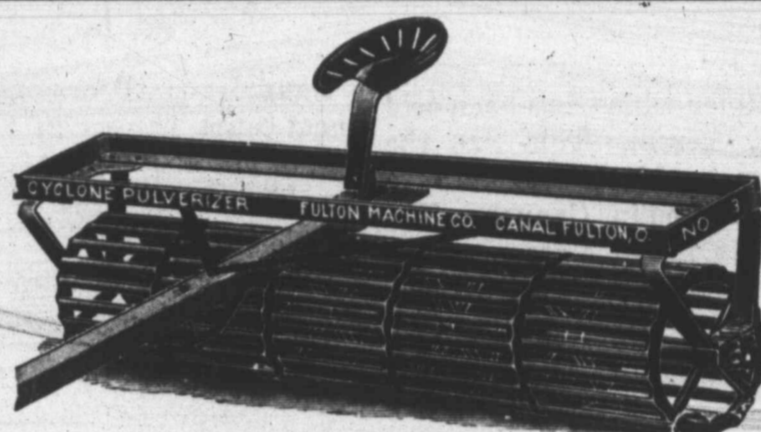
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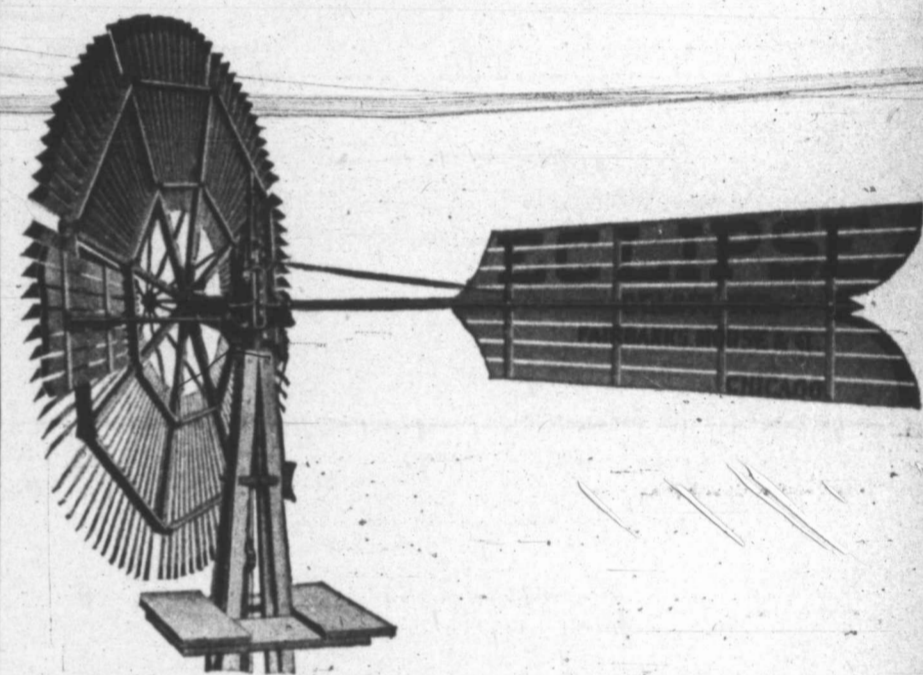
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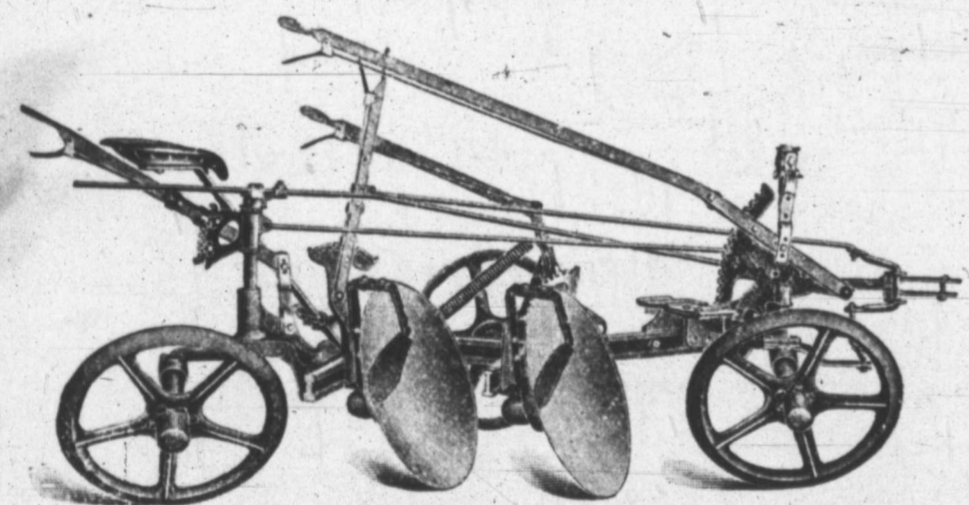
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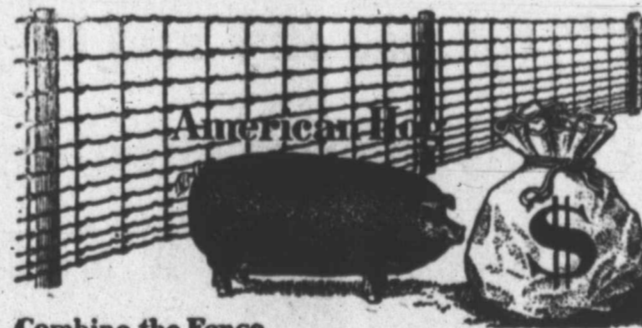
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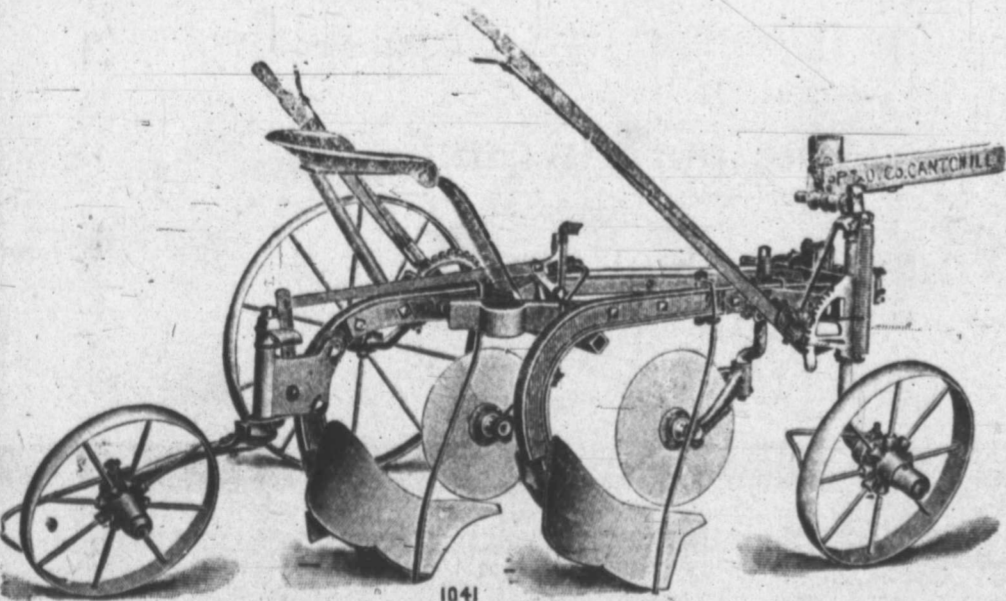
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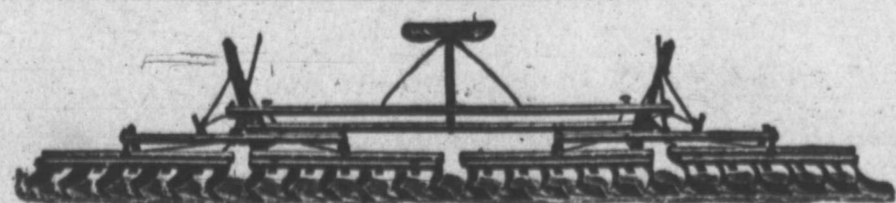


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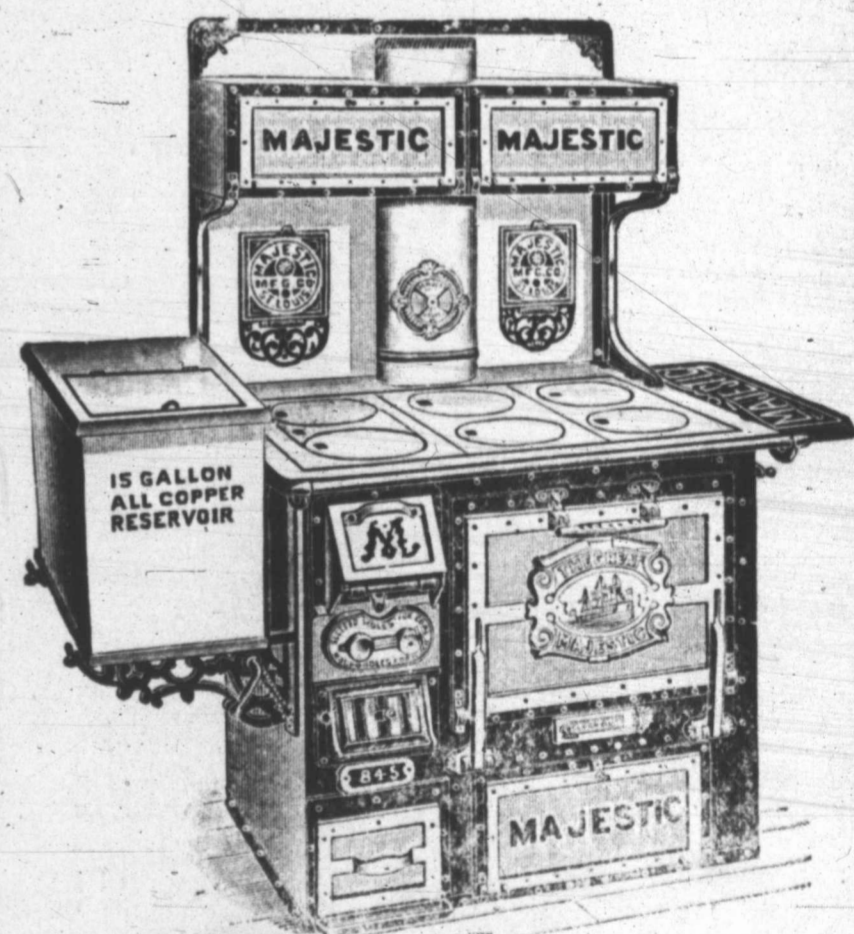
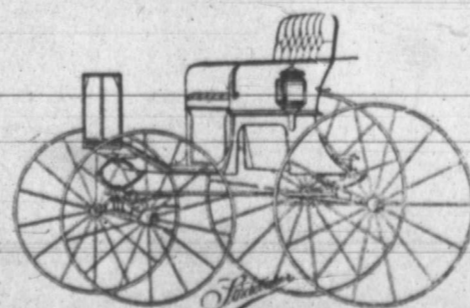
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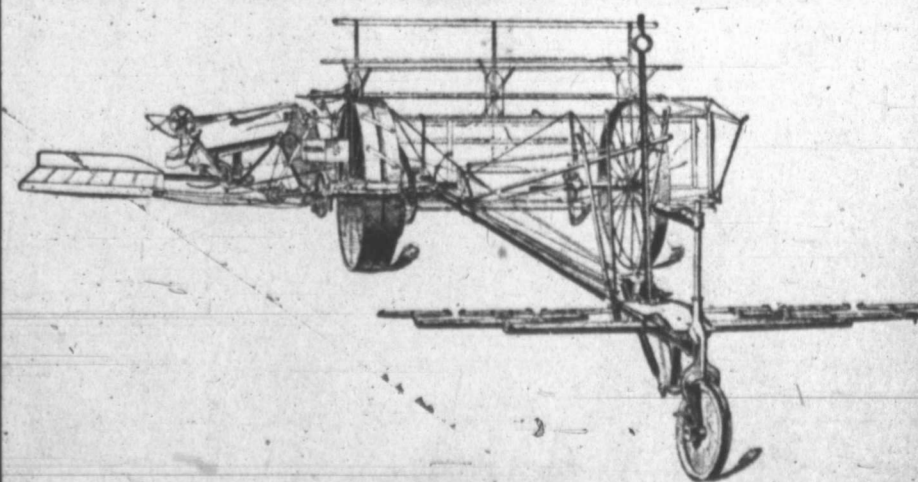
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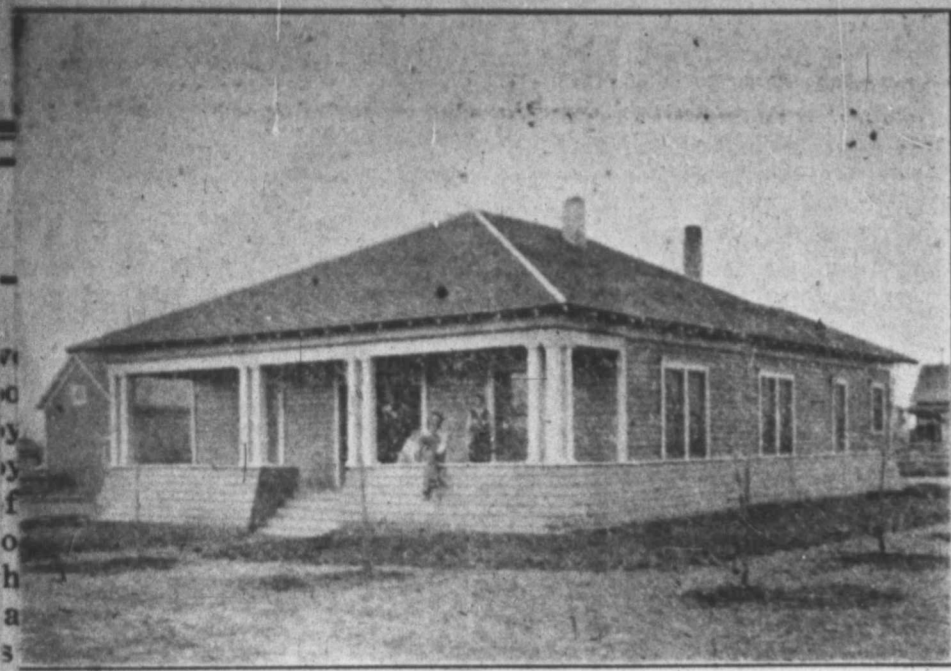
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SHERIFF R. H. SANFORD'S NEW RESIDENCE.

SOME OF THE NEW BUILDINGS

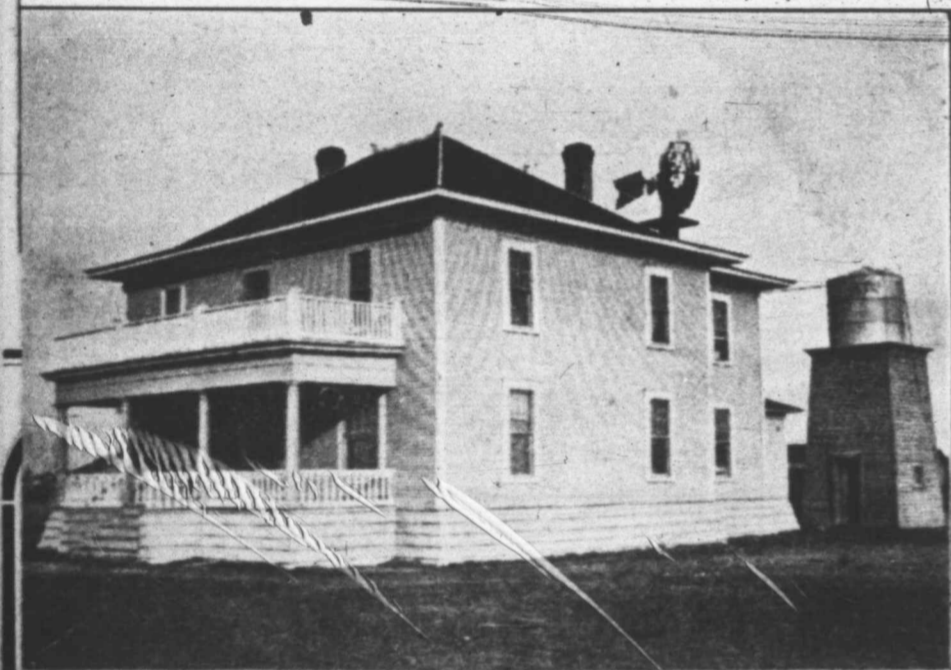
The homes constructed in Canyon during the past year are all the most modern types, characterized for their beauty and comfort. In the whole forty-four houses built this year you cannot find a poor house. It would be impossible to characterize all of the new homes and buildings, but the following descriptions will serve to show the end of residence building in the normal city of the Plains.

T. H. Cochran's New Home.

During the past year T. H. Cochran built a fine new home on East Houston street. The house is 36x48, two stories high, has fifteen rooms and two large porches. There is a porch across the front, and the building is painted white.

The Sanford Home.

Sheriff R. A. Sanford built a

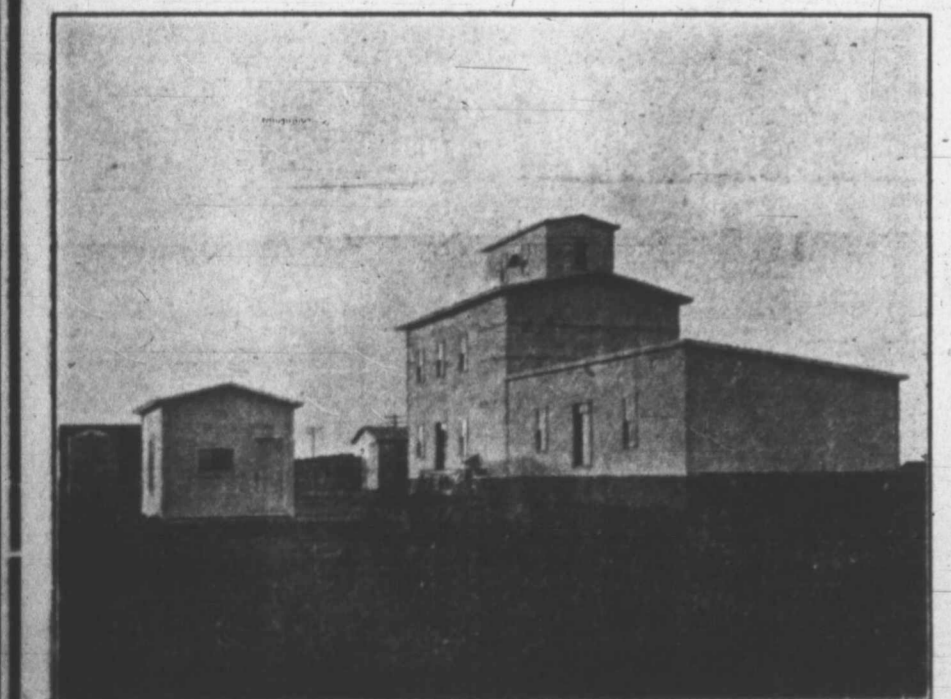


THE T. H. COCHRAN HOME ON HOUSTON ST

very pretty bungalow on North West street during the autumn. The bungalow is 36x44, has a porch across the entire front and one to the rear of the house. The house has eight rooms and is modern in all respects. It is painted brown trimmed in white. Mr. Sanford so built a good barn and has it in much work on his lawn.

Oscar Hunt's House.

Oscar Hunt built a fine large residence on East Houston street which is now occupied by A. E. Carp. The house is full two stories, and has twelve rooms. It is a strictly modern residence. The building has a porch across the front and is painted brown.



THE EAGLE MILL.

machine has caused them to shut down for the present. It is to be hoped, however, that the trouble will soon be adjusted and then the mill will be one of the greatest industries in the city.

First National Bank.

The First National bank building is the pride of all Canyon. The building is full two stories, built of white stone. The north part of the building is occupied by the bank office while the south section is occupied by the Turk & Armstrong Dry Goods Company. The fixtures in the bank are the finest of any banking establishment in this section of the country. The room is finished in marble, with red wood fixtures. At the rear of the offices there is a good set of safety boxes for patrons of the bank.

Joe Service's Home.

One of the finest residences to be constructed during the past year is to be found on East Houston street, two blocks from the square. Mr. Service's residence has fourteen rooms, is two full stories high, has a wide porch running along the entire front of the building, and extending to the L on both sides. The porch is also finished for use on the second floor, extending the same distance. Mr. Service has his own water works and has the house equipped modern in all ways. The residence is painted brown.

The Cassles Residence.

Early in the autumn the new home of H. H. Cassles on Chestnut street was completed and now Mr. and Mrs. Cassles have one of the finest little homes in the city. The house is a bungalow

Cement Block House.

The Canyon-Cement Block company built a large rooming house near the Normal during the summer which has been sold to R. A. Terrill. This was the first cement block residence to be constructed in Canyon. The house has in all sixteen rooms and was built especially for a student's home.

G. S. Ballard Home.

The second cement block house to be constructed in Canyon was



RANDALL COUNTY'S NEW \$53,500 COURT HOUSE.

that built by G. S. Ballard, which was finished only a short time ago. The residence is two full stories is 48x54 feet and has fourteen large rooms. The residence has all modern convenience. The new building stands on West Evelyn street where formerly stood Mr. Ballard's old residence.

The Court House.

Randall county has one of the finest court houses in this section of the country, or in any of the older countries so far as that is concerned. The building is three stories high. The principal county offices are to be found on the second floor where the sheriff, tax collector, surveyor, clerk, county judge, treasurer and attorney hold forth. On the third floor, are the county and

district court rooms. The fixtures of the building are very creditable. The building was dedicated in August, 1909. Its cost was \$53,500.

S. S. Coffee's Home.

S. S. Coffee completed a new home in the west end of the city during the past year, which is very up-to-date in all respects. The new home is a bungalow, 38x42 containing seven rooms. It has a porch on the south, and is painted white trimmed in black.

I. L. Hunt's Residence.

I. L. Hunt, cashier of the Canyon National bank, completed a very fine bungalow in the north-west part of the city during the

past year. The residence is 46x52, has a porch on the southeast and one to the rear. There are eight rooms in the building, and it is completed with all modern conveniences. The building is painted brown, trimmed in white.

Baptist Church Addition.

On account of the large increase in their congregation when the Normal opened this fall, the Baptist church was forced to build an addition to their building. Two large class rooms were added and curtains so arranged that when the whole building is thrown open the seating capacity of the building is very much increased.

Canyon is a good place to live.

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A VISITOR'S VIEW OF CANYON

The following is a letter written by Dr. F. Stryker, a dentist from Galena, Ill., and published in the Galena Gazette on December 30, 1910.

Canyon, Tex., Dec. 21st, 1910. Editor Gazette: Possibly some observations I have made in a two weeks sojourn in Texas, may be of interest to some of your readers, who may be looking either for investment or a change of location. Perhaps some who are satisfied in leaving well enough alone, or think "Illinois

is good enough for me" may be pleased to hear something of the country to which some of their friends or neighbors may have gone. There have been a good many Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa people located in Texas. I shall try to be impartial or as near so as I may be able. I do not write in the interest of any real estate dealer, but to speak of things as I think them to be. My observations have been confined to the Panhandle region. What seems to me the best

reason for giving this name to this portion of Texas I give your readers: If you look at the map of Texas and are blessed with a sufficient imagination, you will observe that it has something of the outline of an immense pan with the handle projecting towards the North. This handle consists, I think, of five or six counties in width from East to West and six or seven from North to South. These constitute what is known as the Panhandle country.

Canyon, the county seat of Randall county, is near the center of the Panhandle and located on the Santa Fe Railroad. A population of about two thousand is claimed. Like Zion of old, it is "beautiful for situation," having an elevation of about 3500 feet, the heat of the summer is greatly modified over the lower lying parts of the state, making it a very enjoyable summer home. It is situated on nearly the same parallel as Southern Tennessee. This gives the Panhandle a very much less rigorous winter than we are subjected to. This is shown in the character of many of the homes. They are little more than big boxes, are called box houses. There are two by four sills and plates, three fourths inch siding, covered on inside with canvass and this covered with wall paper. Window and door casing stand out on an inside about four inches.

Stock needs little more than what they can forage for much of the winter and are raised very profitably. Hogs do well, especially in alfalfa regions. One drove of nearly 1500 is owned near Canyon. Canyon is near the junction of the Tierra Blanco and Palo Duro canyons. The latter of these I visited yesterday. It is certainly a place of wild rugged beauty, difficult to excell this side of the Rockies.

I drank freely of water taken from springs in the Devil's Kitchen and I liked the water.

My first impression of Texas was not all favorable. Daylight came as we were nearing Canadian on Candian river. The country was cut up by high, rough and rocky ridges, separated by equally uninviting draws or ravines. Soon after leaving Amarillo, these ridges and draws began to leave us and the country took much the appearance of a great plain. I was told there was some excellent land near Amarillo but as seen from the railroad, it appears to be considerably broken. The soil seems in the main to be excellent, a chocolate loam of good depth. One of the strongest impressions made on my mind on this trip, was the bigness of the country. I could not help thinking of the old song: "Uncle Sam has land enough to give us each a farm."

The value of land has been advancing rapidly during the past five or six years. Land that could then be bought for three dollars per acre is now selling for from twenty to forty and what is known as alfalfa land, brings as high as two hundred dollars. Wheat, rye, barley, milo maize, kaffir corn, millet, broom corn, sorghum, melons and almost all kinds of garden truck are profitably grown.

Fruit raising is now receiving attention, with prospect of good success. I saw several good sized young orchards.

Let no one think that there are no drawbacks here. Like every new country, and some older ones, this has disadvantages. I think the greatest need is moisture. For a number of years they had about twenty-two and a half inches rainfall. I believe Northeast Illinois has about twenty-nine inches. For the past two years this country has



THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

This has told on crops and disheartened some settlers. Nature made, to quite an extent, provision for the shortage of rainfall. The whole country seems to be filled with a good supply of water for the homes and for stock raising, at a depth of from twenty to sixty feet. Wells are sunk to a depth of from 250 to 400 feet, where what seems an inexhaustible supply is reached. I do not enjoy in fact could not drink the water from the shallower wells, but enjoyed that from the greater depths. Then too, as in some other countries the wind blows here sometimes and when the wind blows with the present dry condition the dust flies "to beat the band." It is interesting to watch the tumble weeds go flying over prairies, sometimes they appear like a great drove of antelope or other animals, while single ones may, as I have reason to know, be mistaken, even by experienced hunters, for coyotes or jack rabbits.

Canyon has educational advantages over many older and larger towns. They have a good public school, with high school grades. This by a majority of about nine to one, it has been decided to enlarge. About a year and a half ago, the State located here what is known as the West Texas

Normal school, which has recently opened with a good patronage. In their teaching they take the fifth and sixth grades from the public school, thus mutually helping teachers and pupils. Canyon, by its citizens, subscribed and paid over one hundred thousand dollars toward this school, thus proving their interest in the cause of education.

In conclusion let me say: Let no one go to Texas with the idea that all is going to be smooth sailing. With such views they are doomed to disappointment. Take time to select your home and go over every foot of the land you think of purchasing. Even in the best locations, you are liable to find some undesirable spots. With pluck or grit and industry and a fair supply of cash, they will succeed, and to such, Texas offers a welcome to success and citizenship. Respectfully,

F. STRYKER.

There are four good churches in Canyon—the Presbyterian, Christian, Baptist and Methodist.

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THE CANYON WATERWORKS

Canyon can boast of as fine a water plant and system as can any town on the plains. The plant was begun early last spring and was completed ready for use by May 1st. The well and tanks are located in the northwest part of the city, just west of the Santa Fe depot.

The well which furnishes the city water is 402 feet in depths and 6 inches in diameter. The water procured at this depth is exceedingly soft. Those who have traveled through many parts of the United States claim that they have never found a better or softer water than is to be found here in Canyon. Many who have used all kinds of bottled water are convinced that this second strata water is far superior to any they have ever obtained.

The capacity of the water plant is 200,000 gallons. The large elevated tank, 100 feet high, will hold 50,000 gallons and the reservoir near the tank will hold 150,000 gallons. At present the plant has but one pump with a capacity of 2,000 gallons per hour. The water pressure of the system is 50 pounds.

The plant was completed in May, 1910, and up to the present time there have been laid about three miles of mains. The lines are rapidly being extended, and in spite of the fact that there is an unlimited supply of good shallow water, many people are connecting up with the city water. At the present time there are 52 patrons on the plant's books.

The plant has but the one well and outfit at present, but plans are being made by the city council whereby they hope to put down a larger well and to put in a larger pump. This would

make one of the finest water systems in the state.

The 50 pound pressure of the plant makes very good fire protection for the city. The city has an excellent equipment for fighting fire, and with the larger pump the system will be greatly improved.

No where will you find a more moral town than Canyon.

THE SEWER SYSTEM.

At the time bonds were issued for the construction of a water system in Canyon, provision was also made for putting in a system of sewers. Work on the sewer system was started on April 1st, 1910, and was finished June 26, one month after the water works were completed.

There are six miles of mains at the present time. All the lines run from west to east, emptying into the large main on Fourth street, which carries the sewer-

age south to a large ceptic tank located on the old reunion grounds. There are seven lines in all running on the principal alleys of the city.

The mains are laid from 2 1-2 to 6 1-2 feet in depths. The tile used are regular sewer tile ranging in diameter from 6 to 12 inches.

There are many good German families living east of Canyon, while the little town of Umbarger west of Canyon is composed largely of German people.

SANTA FE IMPROVEMENTS.

The Santa Fe railway company has expended about \$30,000 during the past year in the city of Canyon. The improvements consist of a new depot, a very complete water works and track improvement.

The depot erected at this point is a wooden structure, and is of a very good size. There has been trouble between the railway and the railway commission over the structure and at the present time there is pending a suit in court filed by the railway commission against the Santa Fe for contempt and for not filing plans of the building with the commis-

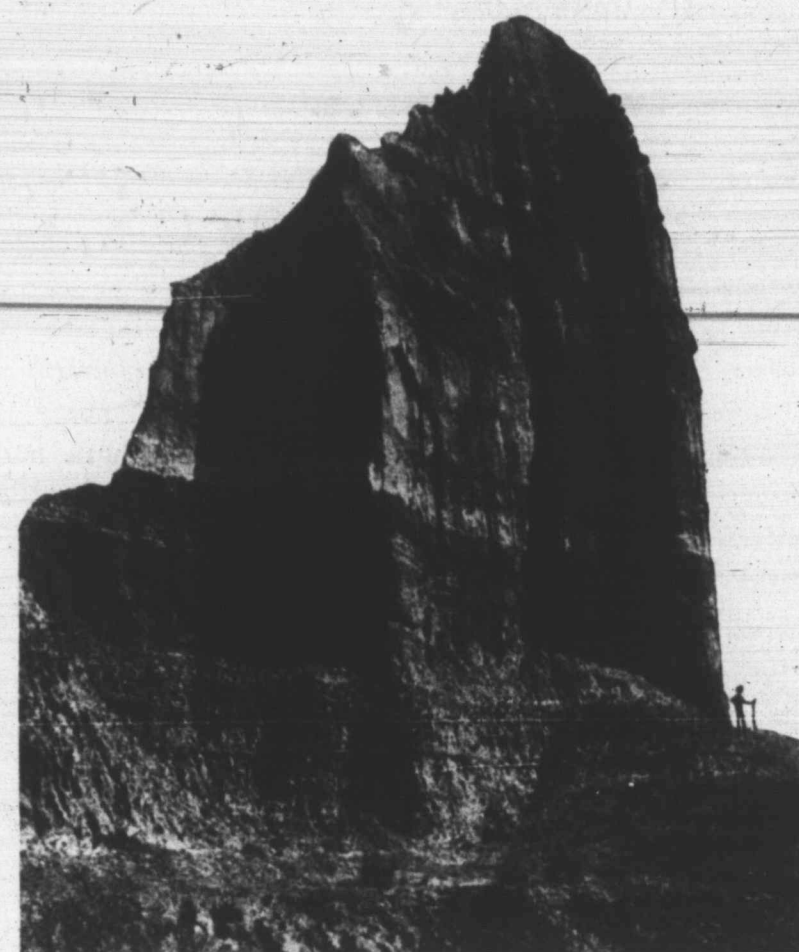
sion. The present building, while not of stone or brick, is still a very good frame building and is a great improvement over the old building.

The water works installed by the Santa Fe at this point are very fine, indeed. The company has put down two deep wells and have two large pumps working night and day. They have a first class reservoir together with a good sized standpipe.

A good brick platform has been put in front of the depot, extending over the second track. The tracks themselves have been rearranged and improved to a great extent.



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The Great Panhandle of Texas.
 (Continued from page two.)

inches and hundredths of an inch
 is as follows: January, 0.60;
 February, 0.71; March, 0.57;
 April, 1.14; May, 3.77; June,
 3.12; July, 2.85; August, 2.96;
 September, 2.14; October, 2.00;
 November, 0.89; December, 0.83.
 The average rainfall for twenty-
 seven years is 22.55 inches.
 From this data it can be seen
 that the seasonal value of this
 element is: winter, 2.13 inches;
 spring, 6.48; summer, 8.91; autumn,
 5.03. In other words, the rain
 comes when it is most needed and
 the situation is invariably saved.
 The Panhandle has never yet had
 a crop complete failure.

Thanks largely to the fact that
 the Panhandle settlers are ex-
 periented farmers from the
 North, diversified farming quick-
 ly became the practice. The
 farmer found that alfalfa, broom
 corn, sorghum and kaffir corn
 grow better than Indian corn and
 yield greater returns to the acre,
 with less cultivation. He was
 quick to avail himself of the
 possibilities. "I simply looked
 around and saw what the other
 fellows were doing and it didn't
 take me long to catch on," re-
 marked a transplanted Iowa
 farmer who had paid for his half
 section farm and has a snug
 balance in the bank, all in a little
 over two years. "I wouldn't go
 back; this is home now," he con-
 cluded, and the smiling wife and
 the brood of happy children testi-
 fied that it was home indeed.

That it will pay to stick by the
 new land is already well proved.
 In the neighborhood of Canyon
 a farm of 140 acres sold this sum-
 mer for \$125 an acre, the owner
 having bought it for \$35 an acre
 two years before. The value is
 not inflated, for no more fertile
 soil, with absolutely no waste
 land, can be found anywhere in
 the country. Another instance
 is reported from Canyon a farm
 of 500 acres selling for \$100 an
 acre which cost but \$25 an acre
 three years before. These are
 record prices, however, the
 ordinary range being from \$20 to
 \$40 an acre. There are no free
 homesteading lands available.
 All land must be bought, a fact
 which makes itself felt in the
 general values and keep the
 standard of newcomers up to a
 high level.

Stock raising is being carried
 on extensively, with good re-
 sults. Cattle bred and fattened
 in this latitude and altitude are
 healthier and hardier and more
 quickly brought to the beef stage
 than in other sections. The
 Panhandle lies north of the
 quarantine line and ticks and
 other cattle pests and diseases
 are unknown. No country has
 proved healthier and better
 adapted to raising hogs. Cholera
 is unknown and alfalfa and kaffir
 corn are ideal hog fatteners.
 The Swift Packing Company has
 published a statement that kaffir
 corn excels all other grains in
 imparting superior quality to the
 finished product of the hog. In-
 asmuch as kaffir corn contains
 approximately 93 per cent of the
 nutriment of Indian corn and
 the soil is peculiarly adapted to
 its generous production, the Pan-
 handle as a hog-raising center is
 already well known. Enterpris-
 ing citizens of Amarillo have
 now under construction a pack-
 ing plant which will cost \$250,-
 000 and will convert the raw
 material into the finished product
 in competition with the products
 of the East and North.

The rainfall, even when dimin-
 ished materially, has invariably
 been sufficient to produce good
 crops, even when other sections
 were being devastated by drouth.
 Mr. H. W. Campbell, the "father
 of dry farming," is quoted as
 declaring, after a careful study
 of the amount and distribution
 of the rainfall for the last fifteen
 years as reported by the United
 States Weather Bureau Station
 at Amarillo, and a thorough ex-
 amination of the soil and other
 conditions bearing upon the sub-

ject, the Panhandle of Texas is
 destined to become one of the
 leading wheat-producing sections
 of the world. Professor Camp-
 bell states that with a system of
 culture that conserves the mois-
 ture, conditions are as perfect in
 the Panhandle for a profitable
 wheat yield as any extensive
 region he has ever examined.

Where Nature has scattered
 her blessings so lavishly, it is
 inevitable that prosperous towns
 and cities should spring up. The
 Panhandle of Texas comprises
 thirty-two counties. The com-
 mercial metropolis is Amarillo,
 the county seat of Potter county;
 a bustling city of 10,000, with all
 modern conveniences, as well as
 located and as promising a little
 city as there is anywhere in the
 Southwest. One of the nearby
 towns which has made the
 steadiest and best founded
 growth is Canyon. With a popu-
 lation of 1800, boasting three
 banks (one of which would be a
 credit to any city of 100,000 popu-
 lation), numerous churches and
 public schools, Canyon came to
 the front this year by adding a
 splendidly equipped flouring mill
 and a new \$150,000 state institu-
 tion; the West Texas Normal
 College. The main building is a
 handsome structure of brick,
 sandstone and reinforced con-
 crete, of Moorish style of archi-
 tecture. Already many families
 have moved to Canyon in order
 to take advantage of the new
 educational facilities. The court
 house is a handsome building,
 while the private houses are of a
 well-sustained type, the bunga-
 low and the cottage prevailing.
 Canyon is growing at a steady
 rate, thanks largely to the well-
 directed efforts and honest work
 of the men who are devoting
 themselves to making it take its
 rightful place among the home
 possibilities of the nation.

Canyon Has

- Eighteen hundred population,
- Three banks,
- Three dry goods stores,
- One general store,
- Five grocery stores,
- Three drug stores,
- One furniture store,
- Three clothing stores,
- Three hotels,
- Two hardware companies,
- Two implement stores,
- Three barber shops,
- Three abstract companies,
- Three lumber yards,
- One bakery,
- Two fruit stores,
- Three restaurants,
- Two coal and grain companies,
- Three blacksmith shops,
- Three plumbing shops,
- One Chinese laundry,
- Cement block factory,
- Tile factory,
- One livery barn,
- One flour mill,
- One feed mill,
- One garage,
- One newspaper,
- One photograph studio,
- Ten real estate firms,
- Telephone exchange,
- Electric lights,
- Water works,
- Sewer system,
- Good schools,
- Four churches,
- State Normal college.

If the farmers of Illinois, Iowa
 and Missouri knew of the great
 possibilities of the Panhandle,
 they would not tarry long on
 their \$100 and \$150 per acre
 lands, but come to these wide
 and fertile prairies, where land is
 cheap and as great crops raised
 as are on the richest lands of the
 older states.

Climate is one of the most
 essential qualities of any coun-
 try. The climate of the Pan-
 handle is exceptionally fine.
 There are no long cold winter,
 nor excessive heat in the sum-
 mer. It is a climate that makes
 California jealous.

In Canyon you can buy every-
 thing there is to be bought and
 sell anything there is to be sold.

THE LAND OF VARIETY



IN NO OTHER agricultural district between the Great Lakes and
 the Gulf, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, can a farmer have a
 greater variety of crops from which to choose, than here in the
 Panhandle! Winter wheat, spring wheat, oats, millet, cane, Kaffir
 corn, Milo maize, and even King Cotton, are proven successful producers
 in this region where altitude and latitude, soil and rainfall are combin-
 ed to make a gigantic farm, the possibilities of which have only been
 partially revealed. "Diversification," the slogan of the modern farmer,
 can nowhere be practiced to a greater extent, nowhere will it yield
 greater benefits than in Randall and adjoining counties.

Apples, peaches, plums, pears, every variety of berry, any kind of
 vegetable, melons of the most delicious flavor, are easily produced here,
 and yield in wonderful quantities.

For stock raising there is no better country or climate. Horses,
 cattle, hogs and sheep are
 brought to maturity at much
 less expense, than they can be
 raised in the East or North,
 where the severity of the win-
 ters entails a heavy feed bill
 and much confinement---while
 here our mild winters require
 only occasional shelter. The
 young can come at any month
 in the year without danger of

loss. Poultry and dairying are sure to become great revenue producers,
 for we have here all the natural advantages which the hen and the cow
 require in order to give best results.

Pure, sparkling, water, obtained in inexhaustible quantity at a rea-
 sonable depth is another of our big assets. Our rich soil, capable of
 enormous production, of a depth which insures its wearing quality,
 needs only the plow and planter to convert it into a vast factory of
 food products which can be kept in operation the year round.

Our people here are from the best classes of citizenship---they are
 coming from every section of the Union, and "Old-timer" and "New-
 comer" alike are imbued with that spirit of progress which is fast push-
 ing the Panhandle into the front rank of agriculture.

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 by a faculty graduated from the best colleges and universities of the
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HOG RAISING IN THE PANHANDLE

THE PLAINS COUNTRY IS CLASSED AS PANHANDLE, TOO.

Fort Worth Market Places Panhandle Hogs at the Top of Texas List.

The Panhandle is rapidly forging to the front as the leading hog-raising section of the State. Both in the quantity and quality of hogs being grown in this section, the Panhandle is rapidly becoming recognized as a banner hog country. The following dispatch to the Dallas News, of recent date, from Fort Worth, indicates the standing of the Panhandle in "hog circles:"

"During the week a total of 229 car loads of hogs arrived for this market. Of that number, 154 were from Texas, 69 from Oklahoma and six from Louisiana. East and Central Texas were represented by 61 shipments; North Texas and the Panhandle country by 43 car loads, and West Texas closed up the gap with 16 consignments. A detailed statement gives these figures: Panhandle, 15 car loads; North Texas, 17; Northeast Texas, 6; Northwest Texas, 5; East Texas, 29; Central Texas, 32; South Texas, 17; Southeast Texas, 10; Southwest Texas, 8; and West Texas, 16.

"The packing house people regard this as a gratifying answer to the request to 'plant hogs' addressed to the farmers of the State, urged by the press of the State, and evidently heeded by the farmers of the State.

"Another new field in hog raising that has grown to be one of most importance is the Texas Panhandle. The idea of raising hogs there six or eight years ago was not entertained. Now the shipments are fair in volume, and it is a most common thing for the Panhandle hogs to top the market. In fact, the Panhandle hogs are in a class by themselves and sell at the top or right around the highest prices paid on the yard, and class up with the Oklahoma hog, and sometimes exceed them in value."

Rural Route 1.

Mr. Tepkin left for his new home in Neb. Mr. Finck will move in where Mr. Tepkin lived. Mr. Beader from Iowa arrived Sunday with his car and is moving in the A. E. Hunt place, which he recently purchased. This makes three families from Iowa and one from Neb. who have lately come into the Umbarger vicinity.

G. W. Conrad and H. G. Breckenridge returned Thursday from ten days trip thru Iowa and Neb.

C. S. Huts on from Marshalltown was in Umbarger Saturday on business and says prospects look splendid in the Panhandle.

Edgar Money, T. E. Myers and H. G. Breckenridge were in Amarillo on business Monday.

I. D. Page was a business caller in Canyon Friday.

Frank Erdman was in Canyon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Enghbers are the proud parents of a son born the 20th.

The rain that begun yesterday morning has turned into a sleet and still continues this Tuesday a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder left Sunday eve for Neb. where they will make their home.

The old school house will be repaired and an addition built on. BRYAN.

The public schools of Canyon are of the very best. This year there are about four hundred en-

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Wayside News.

A goodly crowd assembled at Fairview Sunday 25 expecting a sermon by Rev. W. M. Younger, but were disappointed. No Sunday School services on that day either.

Work on the new school building at Fairview has been retarded on account of bad weather. M. S. Gleason has the job of overseeing the work.

DIED—Vera Lillian, infant of Isom and Cora Hollabough on 22 Feb. 7 a. m. with pneumonia. Little Vera was sick only a few days, aged 3 months and 3 days.

A large crowd gathered at Beulah cemetery where funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ira A. Smith from near Tulla, after which the beautiful white casket was tenderly laid to rest. Bishop Candler said, "little graves cast long shadows." We extend to the heart broken mother and sorrowing father and relatives our heartfelt sympathy in this sad bereavement.

MARRIED—White seated in

their buggy before M. S. McGehee's residence, Elmer Knight and Miss Ola Mayo, the groom from Swisher the bride from Armstrong county. M. S. McGehee officiating.

Fair crowd out at Beulah Literary Saturday night, new officers were elected: Dan Adams, Pres., Miss Ethel Helms, Sec., Mrs. Bessie Lane, Editor. Some of the members were in favor of using the auditorium for next meeting, we wish them success in getting it ready as that is the proper place for it.

The weather is disagreeably cold today 27, misting and freezing as it falls. TEDDIE

Ceta Items.

G. Marquess and family took dinner with F. S. Chaffers Sunday.

P. Bryan butchered 5 hogs Friday evening.

Quite a large crowd gathered at Fairview Sunday to attend preaching.

The singing at Gus Lawson's

Sunday evening was well attended.

Literary at Fairview next Friday night. "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" will not be played until two weeks from Friday night.

Benjamin and Earl Wesley visited with F. Schaeffers Sunday evening. BILLIE.

Umbarger Notes.

A good snow fell Tuesday.

The masquerade ball Thursday night was enjoyed by a good crowd.

Henry Conrad loaded a car of alfalfa hay Thursday.

Henry Beckman was a business caller in Canyon Saturday.

Leo Stocker received his tire shrinker Friday.

Tom Meyers was in Umbarger trading Monday.

Lecture next Sunday at 7:30 p. m. in St. Mary's Church at Umbarger.

Geo. M. Conrad returned Friday from Iowa where he has been looking at some land. DICK.



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