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THE GREAT SOUTHWEST.

A writer to the Farm and Ranch in writing of the great Southwest and the Plains in particular, gives an interesting story of this great section. He says:

"When I was a youth, and a bright one I was, too, fighting crabgrass, smart weeds and that old lazy afternoon feeling, I had but little trouble in making up my mind to take Mr. Greeley's advice and go West. I am glad I came—morally, physically glad—I wish I could tell the people of the old states how good a place the great Panhandle is for poor men who are striving to get homes, and what a profitable field it is for investment. I sympathize with any good man who has to work poor land and buy fertilizers, and abundantly so if he has to pay rent. It is a mighty poor home that doesn't beat no home. However, it is beyond my understanding why intelligent people will remain longer where the soil out of which they expect a living has all washed into the creeks and rivers and gone out to sea.

If a man has a good home, all right. I'm as dumb as a clam. He should "scream" like a new shoe with happiness! But if he has no home and no visible prospect, how in the middle name of Wilhelm does he expect to escape the fool-killer while the great Southwest offers such inducements in the way of cheap, rich lands and healthfulness of climate? Thousands have come here with nothing but some bright idea in their heads and energy in their muscles, (and as the nigger says, a little enthusiasm.) They have bought pleasant homes and paid for them. They came under adverse circumstances that have since been obviated by the introduction of improved methods and machinery, and I may stand out as one by myself, but I claim that it is easier today to pay for homes in this sun-kissed land of ours than ever before. We have learned. We are still learning. We can do things in a minute that it used to take an hour to do.

The intelligent, progressive, up-to-the-minute farmer not only enjoys the choicest products of the soil, but the applause of the procession also. He is humming up the road with a rubber-tired idea in his head and money in his pocket.

It is no trouble to make money if we only know how. But some of us wouldn't give a man a dollar to teach us how to make \$1000. We are afraid. We are too stingy.

I know men who sit under their own vine and fig tree and wonder and wonder why men situated as they were at one time, do not grasp the situation. It is a national question as to why they don't accept what Nature and Nature's god has spread before them. I wish I could inspire in the hearts of every honest working man a desire to get a home for his loved ones now. The old thief of time is what has played the wild with us. May his shadow shrivel. If its cream and peaches, try East Texas. If your heart and eyes are set on vegetables the year round, and big rice plantations, have your carcasses labeled to the coast country. If nothing will do but corn, boys, alfalfa and wheat, I do not hesitate to recommend the black land

counties of the central and northern portion of the state. But a rambling letter, to even practically cover the empire of Texas, would be incomplete that did not treat of the school lands and the great western plains. But it will take a man more versatile than I am to tell of the school lands. Those who want to climb the altitude and get about a mile nearer the pure, blue sky ought to go to these vast western plains. Here's the country! A high country, a dry country! Some have come and bought healthy, happy homes, and some have become discouraged and left.

But here's a pointer. I have never known a good man to lose his home for nonpayment of an installment on his land notes. A good man is one of the greatest contrivances that has ever been invented, and he can generally contrive to bridge over in case of disaster or calamity.

Good men will hardly let a good man suffer. There are few bad men in the West today. Coming here from the forks of the creeks and malarial districts they may do some little dirty tricks for a while, but after they breathe the pure ozone and drink the clear, sparkling waters of the West, the malaria disappears and they become good citizens.

Now, men, right at the shank of these crooked remarks I want to say to you that the boundless prairies of the great Panhandle beckon you to come and get homes, and put out trees and shrubs, and flowers and things. These treeless plains will yield their choicest fruits to those who tickle the soil with the goose neck hoe.

And here's room to grow and spread and the most profitable field for the man with a desire for long rows and lots of them. If it were not for the trained ear of the man and the mule neither the one nor the other could scarcely hear the dinner horn the full length of these rows. No stumps, no grubs, no rocks, no grass, just singing and whistling and riding and plowing and sowing and reaping.

Here one can get up against Nature's warm side, take her by the hand and squeeze a living from the soil with perhaps less labor and capital than elsewhere in the sunshine. These clean, smooth, rich, level prairies make the true agriculturists' eyes stand and dance. They do mine. Get into an excursion, gentlemen, and come and see what we have found: Bring Mary. Bring the children. We need them to help the schools and Sunday-schools. We want you to lead in prayer and become a part and parcel of our sparsely settled pastures, and carry a light heart and heavy pocketbook and good bank accounts. A nigger in an old state put green goggles on a mule to make him eat dry sedge. You don't need any glasses to look at this pretty land—it's green.

Won't you let us help you? It is nothing to us financially. But it does my old heart good to direct your eyes to the smoke of commerce and progress that is curling its way to the sky line and the church steeples that point to a land, one main trunk line which leads through the beautiful, boundless prairies of Texas.

Remuneration for sale of one-half cent each.

FROM COMMANDER BOBBITT.

Hillsboro, Texas, July 11, 1903. To the Members of "Stonewall" Camp, U. C. V. Dear Friends and Comrades. Another year will have soon passed since we met in our annual Re-union. It may be that some have answered to the last "Roll call," since then, but to such as may be still living let me ask earnestly that each and every one of you meet with us this year for we are now getting well up in years and this may be the last time many of us will be permitted to meet in camp, for the Harbinger may summon and we "Pass over the River" and be resting under the shade of the trees, before our next meeting. Besides we owe it to the citizenship of Canyon City to make the meeting a grand success, as they have always exerted themselves in our behalf to make our stay in their little city as enjoyable as possible.

Then we owe it to the cause in which we were actively engaged to keep these up and try to leave such an impression on the minds of our descendants and other citizens of the "Southland" (who have emigrated here since the late unpleasantness) that they will exert themselves to have a true history of the war written and adopted for the perusal not only of the people of the South and this Continent but also those of European countries who may desire to learn the cause of the strife.

It is my intention to be there—God willing—on time, and I expect several from this part of the State to attend also, and it is my desire to meet as many of the survivors of our cause as possible. So please do not let any trivial matter keep you away.

Hoping to meet you all, I am, Your Comrade,

J. T. BOBBITT, Com. of "Stonewall" Camp, U. C. V.

A noted minister had the following to say of the man who stays out of church because of hypocrites: The man who says that he is kept out of the church by hypocrites, is not influenced by them anywhere else. Business is full of them. If he sees a chance to make money he doesn't stop for that. The theater is full of them, and yet he will go there and pay to look at them. Society is crowded with them and yet he never thinks of becoming a hermit. Married life is full of them, but that doesn't make him remain a bachelor. Hell is full of them and he is not doing a thing to keep from there. He wants you to think he is avoiding the society of hypocrites and yet he takes not a single step towards the only place in God's universe where no hypocrites can go, and by his conduct proves that he himself is the biggest kind of a hypocrite.—Greenville Herald.

J. D. Cutsinger, one of The Brand's valued subscribers, brought in Wednesday from his ranch, situated ten miles south in Castro county, a sack of Irish potatoes of the Tennessee Triumph variety which were grown without irrigation and with but little cultivation, as he has been told by his neighbors that Irish potatoes would not do well here. Mr. Cutsinger has exploded that theory, however, as we took ten potatoes (as they came) from the sack and found that they weighed 3 pounds and 10 ounces. No country can beat that on that variety of potatoes, Hereford Brand.

The News office has on sale any quantity of envelopes with the Reunion advertisement on them, printed especially for private correspondence, which we sell in lots of 25 or more at 1/2¢ a piece. Every citizen in town should use these envelopes from now until Re-union time and as the above charge is only 10 cents more per hundred than the blank flying envelope generally sold by druggists, you are not paying enough in the difference to cover the cost of ink.

MIXED UP AND PESTERED.

I list wants to be religious, Along with all the rest; To join the church and be baptized And be forever blessed.

But I list claim to goodness, I've flustered so Dat I've all mixed up and pestered, And don't know where to go.

Trust de Presbyterians tell me Not to kick up any row, If de Lawd is guine to save me, He will do it any how.

Hits no use to make a racket Or to hallow or to cry, And when de ship ob littit Come a sailin granly by.

If I've been predestinated And is one of de elect, Dat dey'll reach down and grab me And list me on de deck.

And den when I gits started I see to keep strait on de way, Fur I'll neber cross de Ocean, If I see startin every day.

Den de Baptist next day gets me And dey takes me to de pool, And dey say to me: "Now, Judy! Don't you go to be a fool.

You list satisfy your conscience And be shore you do what's right, You go into de water—Chile, Clean under—out ob sight.

Den come along and mune with us And pence and comfort find, But I thought I'd see de Methodist Fore I made up my mind.

Den de Methodist dey take me To de new brush arbor tent And dey put me wid de moaners Fur to weep and groan—and pent.

Den dey tells me when I's happy Jist to let it pass right out, Not to be a-feard ob no one But to turn right loose and shout.

Den dey say when I feels nervous And climbs up into grace, I must stek dar like a turtle, Else I fall down from my place.

Den comes a tony preacher Christian, 'eiple, chile, so called And he say to me: "Annt Judy, We knows more dan dem all.

Jist you less de name of Jesus And say dat you repent, Den I dip you in de water And to heaben you'll be sent.

Dis we say to every son And de same to every dawter, De only way to heben is Down through de pool of water.

Some tell me dat dey wouldn't sin, Nup even if dey could And odgers say dey couldn't, Not eben if dey would.

But I guess I've done de washin Fur a man dat's sanctified, While his wife makes all de fires And splits de wood besides.

So I goes home to my cabin And falls down on my knees, And I raise my hands to Heaben And asks de Master—please.

To forgive me fer de many And de wicked things I've done, And to overlook my meanness Fur de sake ob his dear son.

And I tells the Heavens Farther, Dat I don't know nothing bout De leckions and de mersions And de fallings—ins and outs.

Den it seemed all in a minute Dat de load was took away, And I felt all good and easy, And a voice seemed to say.

Now, Judy, poor ole critter Don't yin bother your old head, Bout all dese spited scriptures But look to me instead.

And don your sins be scarlet, And your skin as black as coal, De savor who redeemed you Will take care of your soul.

Den trust de Lord wid all your might, Do all de good you can, And you hab as good a showin' As any in dis land.

Now, I understaud dat preachin And I've learned wid all de rest, Dat religious talkin's awful good, But living it's de best.

—Burnet Bulletin files.

My Bakery is headquarters for ice cream and all kinds of cold drinks. A favorite resort for "cooling off." Also well baked bread, pies and cakes. W. B. Jones.

Why Send Away?

When your local Furniture Dealer can supply you with anything in our line, from the midget carpet tack to the most elegant Piano? A great many people in this country have been lured on by the pleasure of the bait set by such firms as Montgomery Ward & Co. and Sears, Roebuck & Co., and have given no thought to what your local dealer could do.

Here's A Proposition!

Where the cash accompanies the order for Furniture, we will meet the prices of all legitimate competition, Montgomery Ward & Co. and Sears, Roebuck & Co. included.

This Is No Idle Boast

Just bring in your old worn catalogue of these mail order firms and we will supply value for value for the SPOT CASH. More sales and a less margin of profit is our business.

THOMAS BROS.

Central Texas Corn Crop.

The following two excerpts from our old home tell the tale of crop conditions in central Texas:

The farmers are beginning to bring in samples of their corn for exhibition to their town friends, and some of the ears are simply enormous in size. The rule seems to be two good ears to the stalk, and sometimes a sucker contains a small nubbin in addition.

Ely Moore has made the greatest grain crop of the season on the old Mitchell place on the Lampasas river, 19 miles from Lampasas. He had 160 acres in wheat which averaged 20 bushels to the acre, which he sold in Lampasas at 67¢ per bushel. His oat crop averaged 75 bushels per acre, which turned out 3600 bushels, and he sold it at the farm for 35¢ per bushel. —Lampasas Leader.

FOR SALE.

Some good head of stock cattle. Will sell for cash with good hots some houses to rent. Rates. If you want house see me.

Wichita Falls Times: The best all round for a wheat crop so far to this paper was that of Fleming and sons of O.

They harvested and thrashed 500 acres, and dumped in their granaries 15,000 bushels of good wheat, an average yield of 30 bushels to the acre.

H. S. Duke wishes to inform the public that he still serves short orders at the same old place and besides makes as fine candy as can be bought at a candy factory.

When in need of Leaf Yellow Pine go to the Canyon Lumber Co.

SPECIAL CASH SALE FOR THIRTY DAYS.

While our stock is a little broken still we have some good values in Men's and Boy's suits which we are now offering at half regular price.

We also have a nice line of Summer Dress Goods which we are offering at reduced prices as follows:

A nice line of Dimities, 15c, now	10c
A nice line of Batiste, 12c, now	8c
Jackard Swiss, 35c, now	25c
A nice Papillon, 25c, now	16c
A nice Canvas Madras, 15c, now	10c
Oxford Cloth, 25c, now	16c
Crinoline, 50c, now	35c
Liberty Crepe, 10c, now	8c
Mercerized Gingham, 25c, now	20c
1 piece Fancy Zephyr's Gingham, 50c, now	34c
A nice figured Swiss, 20c, now	15c
A nice Scrim Tidy, 15c, now	10c
Fancy Foulards, 60c, now	40c
Fancy Swiss, 50c, now	35c
3 dozen Ladies' Wrappers, \$1.25 and \$1.50, now	\$1.00
1 Lot of Ladies' Petticoats, \$2.00, now	\$1.25
1 Lot of Ladies' Petticoats, \$1.50, now	\$1.00

A few Shirt Waists at One-half of regular price. Remember that we always carry a nice line of Groceries.

THE HUSTLERS FOR BUSINESS. CANYON MERCANTILE COMPANY.

RU COMING TO THE REUNION? If Not Why Not!!

You Will Want to go Somewhere;

WHY NOT COMBINE PLEASURE WITH PROFIT ???

Come enjoy our pleasant breezes,

Mingle with the good old Veterans; see the Cowboy Sports and look out for yourself a home in the best Stock Farming country in the West. Remember that the Railroads offer One-Fare for the Round Trip, with 15 days' limit.

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GEO. A. BRANDON, Prop.
WALTER R. BRANDON, Editor.

"The 'Four Hundred' of New York society want a jester to make them laugh. If they could see themselves as others see them they would not need a jester—it would tickle them to death."—Ft. Worth Register.

Last year the "Four Hundred" society accepted a monkey as its equal; this year it has declared in favor of a negro. It may be argued to educated, but unprincipled, white folks after a while.

CLEAN UP THE CITY.

There is nothing that Canyon City could do at the same expenditure of labor or cost that would be conducive of as much good as to clean up the city. This one thing, perhaps, would do more to create a favorable and lasting impression on our visitors at the coming Reunion than anything else. The county physician has sent up his appeal to clean up and no one should indulge in a little game of spite work by trying to "stink" his neighbor out of his hole.

Acting on the suggestion made by our County Judge, many have prosecuted this crusade most vigorously, but there are others yet lagging behind. From a material standpoint it is the best thing to do. The warmest part of our season is at hand and those that have not attended to this matter already are urgently requested to do so at once.

On the ranches, pastures and meadows, the grass is magnificent and the mowers, rakes and presses are busy on some of the latter, converting the grass into hay.

When the wind picks up the microbes in a long neglected germ-breeding spot and hurls them through the air, then the doctors get busy and people wonder how they got sick. A general cleaning up will make the people feel better to say the least of it.

A Summer in the Panhandle

One who was a visitor here last year from Anna, Ill., writes a friend here and says:

"A full realization of the delightful summer spent with you last year cannot be properly appreciated until after partaking of the balmy breezes you have down there. Why, I never knew until this summer how far short my own dear Illinois home was in being perfect in climate. But just to think of the vast difference in temperature! You are no doubt sleeping sweetly at night in your beloved homes at Canyon City and I am miserably tumbling to and fro wondering if I have not at last reached the center of Withemina."

For our superb climate here on the Plains we should indeed feel grateful. Six deaths and a score of prostrations bore witness to the severity of warmth in Chicago July 9. The temperature during the afternoon of this day reached 92 degrees in the Weather Bureau. And all this happens, too, every year in the Lake City.

Well, I think we will stay on the Plains.

Permanent Fair Grounds.

"I can't see why the business people of Randall county don't unite together with means and spirit on the proposition of a permanent plot of ground for Reunion celebrations, etc., and beautify and equip same with trees and shrubbery of all kinds together with suitable structures," remarked a prominent business man to The News man this week. Continuing in this strain of thought the worthy citizen said: "Each year we are hampered more or less by not having our own grounds, grand stands and water appliances and it would be a profitable investment for the town to negotiate with parties holding land close in and then improve the grounds with the end in view of making a park feature of the investment. Mr. News man you can put me down as the one to head the list with a subscription for this purpose." That this business man was but voicing the long-felt need of our town is unquestionable

and we should not fail to act on the suggestion. Canyon City is moving out in the direction of beautifying herself and this tendency should be strengthened by every public spirited citizen. With our unsurpassed health resort as a basis for such improvements, we should not fall short in our effort to bring Canyon City to the front. 20 acres of ground desirably located, with the proper attention to water, can be made a park with winding walks, grass, trees and shrubbery, and can be made the wonder and admiration of all who visit us. The fact that water in inexhaustible quantities can be secured at a small cost removes all exaggeration of our possibilities.

It will require effort and some little expenditure of capital. But nothing valuable comes without effort and cost.

In this aesthetic age beauty is often a determining factor in the growth of a town or city. Beautiful streets, houses and parks induce persons of wealth to become residents.

We have natural advantages, citizens, 'tis true, but it will take a little effort along tried and true methods to bring these natural advantages into prominence.

Tulia vs Canyon City.

The Amarillo Star representative attended the anniversary of Swisher county on the 17th inst., and gives the following account of the baseball game:

"The great match game between Tulia and Canyon was pulled off under the disadvantage of a heavy wind and lasted for nearly four hours with varying success, first one side and then the other being in the ascendency. Finally Tulia was declared the winner after what seemed to us an undue amount of wrangling and unseemly yelling and hooting by the Tulia people. But, as we said before, what we don't know about ball games is quite a lot, and perhaps it was the proper thing to jeer their guests as they did."

C. M. Thomas, of the firm of Thomas Bros., of Canyon City, was with us Tuesday, working in the interest of his house—Lubbock Avalanche.

ALTITUDE AND DRY AIR.

The benefits to be derived from the climate of the Rocky Mountain region by those suffering from diseases of the lungs are due to two causes, mainly; first, the dry air; second, the altitude. I am not writing from the standpoint of a physician, but of an observer who has had a residence in New Mexico, Colorado and Texas. From observations made I arrive at the conclusion that dry air is the principal thing. The drier the better. I limit this remark to the places mentioned above. There may be localities in Arizona or Nevada where there is not enough humidity. I do not know. But in Colorado, West Texas and Mexico it holds good. The drier the better.

But the same rule does not work with reference to the altitude. Altitude is an important factor in the cure, or arrest of the disease. But it cannot be said, the higher, the better. High altitudes are good for some patients—a few; but death to others. I have known persons to meet death within a few hours by going to an altitude of 7,000 or 8,000 feet. Persons affected with tuberculosis should not venture above the altitude of 5,000 feet without carefully experimenting. The great majority will find altitudes of less than 5,000 feet to be more beneficial.

To physicians of the Mississippi valley and of the eastern states who send patients westward these facts are, we presume, unknown.

When they can do nothing more for a consumptive, they say to him, "Go to Colorado," or "Go to New Mexico." Whether his patient will go to an altitude of 3,000 or 10,000 feet he does not know, and, perhaps, does not care, for he thinks he will die anyway.

All this will be better understood after a while. Physicians will instruct their patients to try the lower altitudes in the arid region first. Then gradually go a little higher. On this plan the patient himself can decide better than the physician the altitude that suits his case.

When that time comes—and it will come—then the Panhandle

may expect a great influx of sick people. Most parts of the mountain region of Colorado and New Mexico are above the altitude of 5,000 feet. Hence, the Panhandle is the most available place for sick people who are unused to high altitude.

They will come and come by the thousands. Some will say "we do not want them." Others will say "pass laws to keep them out." But this is inhumane and criminal.

They must be allowed to come. If they come in large numbers there must be sanitariums provided for them.

Some will say, "this is impossible."

It is not impossible. When the American people see that a thing ought to be done they can do it. Canyon City cannot do it, nor the Panhandle. It is a matter of so vital a nature and so largely national in importance that the whole people of the United States will take a hand in it.

Jim Franklyn is here from Canyon for a few days visit. He is assisting in the music at the tabernacle.—Star Daily.

The immigration department of the C. R. I. & M. Road has been successful in securing five hundred Boer families to locate in Dallam county and along the line of that road in this territory. It is expected the first contingent will reach Dalhart within the next few weeks and select their lands.—Dalhart Sun.

Helpful Reading. Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of The Semi-Weekly News to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department Has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer. If you are not taking The Stayer you should. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you The Stayer and The Outpost or Dallas Semi-Weekly News for 12 months. The News stops when your time is out.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.

Preaching first and third Sundays morning and night, by Rev. Chalmers Kilbourne, C. P. pastor.

Second Sundays morning and night, Rev. A. W. Crawford Presbyterian pastor.

Fourth Sundays morning and night, Rev. Randolph Clark, Christian pastor.

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Christian Endeavor 3 p. m.

Choir practice every Friday night

BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday, morning and evening, Rev. J. D. Ballard, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday morning, J. W. St. Clair, Superintendent.

B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 3 p. m. A. H. Thompson, President.

Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. H. Thompson, President.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Choir practice and teachers' meeting every Friday evening.

CHRISTIAN.

All members and friends of the Christian church are requested to meet at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m. every Lord's Day.

METHODIST.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. A. Ernberger, Supt.

Junior and Senior Epworth Leagues every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and 3:30 p. m., respectively.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8:00.

J. E. Stephens, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.

First Church of Christ, Scientist services at the court house every Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Sunday school every Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Testimonial services every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Everybody cordially invited to attend these services.

Mrs. V. Edna Henson, First Reader.

18 sections of the Block land holdings just east of the town have been placed on the market, Judge L. C. Lair being local agent. The Judge says the price has not yet been established on the land, though he expects it to be fixed and ready for sale at once.

U. S. Guber, formerly of Canyon, has opened up a drug business near the depot.—Amarillo Star.

Local.

Cata is to have a picnic tomorrow.

J. P. Crawford went to Amarillo yesterday on business.

Jay Halcomb left yesterday for his old home at Comanche.

Vince Reeves left Monday for Amarillo where he will resume work.

Judge Bule paid Umbarger a "pop" call Monday.

Miss Purcell is up from Hereford for a few days' visit. She is stopping at the St. James.

The Re-union program covering the four days will be gotten out by the News office Saturday.

Miss Clara Moore of Amarillo, visited Miss La Rose Bratton, Monday of this week.

The Hereford Band has been engaged to furnish music for the Re-union.

Miss Mary Burrow left for Amarillo yesterday evening, where she will spend a few days with relatives and friends.

Judge A. N. Henson and Sheriff Upfold went to Amarillo yesterday and said they may possibly decide to go from there to Clarendon.

Mrs. J. N. Donahoo and daughter, Miss Minnie, are in Plainview this week visiting Mrs. Ware, their daughter and sister.

J. C. Pipkin, the hustling member of the Canyon Mercantile Co., was in Amarillo the first of the week attending to business matters.

The Base Ball privilege has been sold to the Canyon City team and it promises an interesting program for the Re-union.

We failed to make mention last week of the departure of Miss Ethel Robinson, for California. She has spent some three months quite pleasantly with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brown.

Wm. Willard enjoys the distinction of having the only underground cistern in town. It is five feet in diameter, sixteen feet deep, cemented on the natural earth bottom and sides and finished on top with brick and will cost when completed about sixty dollars.

Bishop E. R. Hendricks will conduct the dedicatory solemnities of the Methodist church at this place next Monday night, July 27th. Everybody cordially invited and in obedience to the occasion we should all attend.

Messrs. Dunlap and Frank Lester and Arthur and Ora Cox composed a party of young nimrods who stalked their tent in the Canyon last week and went in pursuit of the game. They returned the first of this week and report the bagging of a goodly quantity of small game—no bear.

Ray Price of Tulla, passed through here Monday en route to Amarillo. Mr. Price informs us that Swisher county was very enthusiastic in celebrating their annual anniversary on the 17th, its only mourning feature being occasioned by the broadest gloom subsequent to the death of Dr. Barnes, who was highly esteemed by all of Swisher citizens.

Those who left here Wednesday evening for Clarendon to represent Canyon City's claim for the Baptist College before the Baptist Association which convened there yesterday were: Rev. J. D. Ballard, L. C. Lair, Dr. Howell, L. T. Lester, J. L. Prichard, J. W. St. Clare and L. G. Conner. Messdames J. L. Howell and L. T. Lester accompanied the delegation as far as Amarillo, returning on yesterday morning's train.

Dr. Wm. Gray, of Caddo Mills, Hunt county, has bought Chas. Eyer's place, price \$4,000.—Clarendon Chronicle.

Dr. Gray is an old friend of our worthy townsman, R. G. Oldham. It will be remembered by many of our citizens that he and family spent some time here a month or so ago visiting Mr. Oldham and family.

Wednesday, two of The Newsforce in company with Judge Henson visited the Hoffman school and found everything progressing nicely. Miss Lizzie Eppler, the teacher, has the work well in hand and is giving satisfaction. The Judge made an excellent talk to the pupils after which we enjoyed dinner at the hospitable home of F. Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman was hauling in rye to stack and says he will make some fifteen hundred bushels of it.

We are indebted to G. C. Long for information of the shipment of the following cars of cattle, from this place tomorrow to Kansas City: White & Haynes, Petersburg, 5 cars; J. W. French, Tulla, 5 cars; A. A. Hoaglin, Tulla, 2 cars; W. F. Flores, Tulla, 4 cars; G. A. Stratton, Canyon City, 2 cars; —Eckleberger, Running Water, 1 car; L. L. Edwards, Happy, 4 cars.

Bob Stratton is improving the appearance of his residence by applying the paint and brush this week.

J. M. Craig is a recent addition to our subscription list. Mr. Craig came here sometime ago from Hunt Co., and located in town but will soon move in the country some eight miles.

The Randall County Land and Abstract Co. made a beautiful map of the county with the inscription "Canyon City, Texas, a claimant for the Baptist College with its living streams of water and picturesque scenery; the future summer resort of the Panhandle," neatly displayed at the top of the map, for L. G. Conner, who took it to Clarendon with him to assist the Baptist Association in getting the correct "bearings" of Randall county.

Sheriff E. A. Upfold returned Sunday from San Antonio, where he has been attending the Sheriff's Convention. He says he had a royal good time. The boys are telling all kinds of tales on him and some of them even accused him of trying to extinguish an incandescent light in his room upon retiring by applying his blowing apparatus. At any rate Mr. Upfold has put on city airs since his return, so say his many friends. Fort Worth was designated as the next place of meeting.

The patrons of our local telephone exchange are enjoying the best of service under the present management of Jno. A. Wallace. Headways answers the thousand and one questions which are continually fired in at Central, in a cool, courteous manner that would make a "no trouble to answer questions" agency ashamed of themselves. This position is about as difficult to fill satisfactorily to its patrons as an umpire in a baseball game but Mr. Wallace has demonstrated that his patience is equal to the emergency.

Strong "Anti-Rounder" measures were passed upon by the Young Men's Social Club, at their last business meeting and will be enforced. To be more explicit, article 19 of the constitution and by-laws which reads "The club rooms are for the use of the members and their invited friends and not for the promiscuous use of the public," will receive more attention as to enforcement in the future.

Hereford's base ball team has covered the town they represent with glory, having lost but two games during their absence and these two games to a nine acknowledged to be the best amateur team in the state.—Hereford Brand.

Two of the players of this team passed through here Wednesday, en route home and reported that the Hereford boys, for some reason or other, disbanded at Cisco.

Notice.

The members of the Young Men's Social Club are requested one and all to be present at the called meeting next Tuesday night, July 28th, in order to dispose of some important matters now pending the attendance of the entire membership.

WALTER R. BRANDON,
President.

Miss Rhonda Dellashaw, in company with Mrs. J. A. Wommack took Wednesday morning's train for Hereford, where Miss Dellashaw hopes that the change and a loving host of friends will be beneficial to her health. Miss Dellashaw came from Whitesboro here a month ago and began teaching a private school but the mental and physical strain of teaching the regular term in the Whitesboro school with no rest and recreation taxed her strength to such an extent that she was compelled to suspend school last Monday. Miss Dellashaw has made a number of warm friends here who deeply regret that her health would not permit the continuation of the good work which she has so earnestly espoused, and all wish for her a complete return of perfect health. Mrs. Wommack returned Wednesday evening.

Rev. Stephens is having a good meeting at Hick's school house, so we are informed. Fair attendance is reported and sufficient interest is manifested in the services to warrant its success. Among other experiences, Rev. Stephens is having some of his own with that biped, the bicycle. He has been riding his wheel, which he has only recently learned to ride, to town each morning, returning in time for the morning service. But this biped of a bicycle doesn't seem to thrive on the green grassy fields of the Plains like the quadruped, hence this animal of so many wheels and bearings turned up with a sore shin about the time Bro. Stephens wanted to come to town Wednesday morning. After a hasty diagnosis of the complaint, Bro. Stephens pronounced the case "Puncture," and got into a wagon with a friendly samaritan and came to town.

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Amarillo, Texas. Traffic Man.

TAKE THE NEWS.

The present out-look for a big corn crop is the most promising in the history of the plains country. One reason for this is the fact that nearly all the ground planted in corn was broke during the fall or winter, took the frosts, snows and rains of early spring before planting, and has never suffered from dry weather. A little shower or two this month with the same in August will make more corn this year than has been raised in any three years of the past. Preparation and cultivation of the soil is responsible for the present grand out-look.—Hale County Herald.

COUNTY COURT

Convened Monday—the following cases have been passed upon to date, to-wit:

G. C. Wolforch vs. The Pecos Valley. Damages—continued by agreement to next term.

Lair & Long vs. J. M. Simmons. Commission on land sales; continued to next term.

Faulkner vs. Pecos Valley Ry., Co. damages; a jury and verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$95.70.

J. D. Mallard vs. C. M. Thomas; for value of a horse; a jury and judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$80.

J. M. Cooper and G. C. Long vs. Brent C. Taylor; suit on account for \$530; trial by jury and verdict for plaintiffs.

It Is Appreciated.

We note with pleasure the increased advertising patronage the News of Canyon City is justly receiving. The value of a good newspaper in a town cannot be overestimated and we believe our friend Brandon is both capable and willing to do the square thing for those good people if they will give him a ghost of a show—and it now appears that they are.—Hereford Searchlight.

Thanks, Bro. Stocks. Compliments of congratulation are always kindly taken. We consider them as draughts upon good breeding, where the exchange is always greatly in favor of the drawer.

Though we have had a difficult path to pursue, we have also kept in mind that "he deserves not the sweet who will not taste of the sour."

Mrs. Hall, the efficient assistant editor of the Hale County Herald, paid the News office an appreciated call Monday evening. She had accompanied two of her visiting cousins, of Erath county, as far as Amarillo, on their return home. Mrs. Hall is one of the few effeminate who succeed in this particular line of business.

Remember that the dedication services at the Methodist church will be Monday night.

Rev. J. E. Stephens.

Travis Shaw returned last Saturday from a two weeks' vacation, spent at his old home, Taylor. Mr. Shaw says old Williamson county is assured of abundant crops this year.

silverian. Editor. F. M. Paica has bought about a dozen steer yearlings for the parties here this week. He says Canyon City is making a great effort for the Baptist college and have already a bona fide subscription of over \$16,000 in cash. They are certainly going to be in the fight when the show down comes.

Clarendon Herald.

George Reynolds and wife of Canyon City visited the family of Robt. Reynolds here this week. He says Canyon City is making a great effort for the Baptist college and have already a bona fide subscription of over \$16,000 in cash. They are certainly going to be in the fight when the show down comes.

Prof. W. J. Lackey, who was formerly principal in Clarendon and who has been at Nevada, Tex., for the past two years, will teach the coming year at Canyon City. He was visiting friends here this week and naturally took in the normal.

Meals served at all hours at Price's restaurant.

The News office has on sale any quantity of envelopes with the Re-union advertisement on them, printed especially for private correspondence, which we sell in lots of 25 or more at 4¢ a piece. Every citizen in town should use these envelopes from now until Re-union time and as the above charge is only 10 cents more per hundred than the blank flimsy envelope generally sold by druggists, you are not paying enough in the difference to cover the cost of ink.

Go to REDFEARN & Co for Gent's and Ladies' shoes.

Gaudma Lester enjoyed her first privilege of being able to be up last Monday since she was bitten some three weeks ago by a vicious dog.

You should see the display window at G. H. PRICE's bakery and restaurant.

Dr. S. B. Tadlock returned last Sunday from an extended professional visit south and reports a profitable trip. He has opened his office in the Lair & Long real estate office where he will continue to serve the public. The Doctor is anxiously awaiting his wife's return from Hico and expects her arrival today or tomorrow.

Young Man Censured

Because he would not take his best girl to G. H. PRICE's and get some of those cold drinks.

For Sale at this Office—One Oak bedstead and springs, \$5.00 1 Poplar bedstead and springs for \$2.50

1 Walnut Writing Desk, cost \$14.00, for \$5.00

Some chairs, string bottoms at .25; rawhide bottoms at .50

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The farmer who has managed his acres in a conservative way, studied the best methods for preparing his soil for planting, the best kinds of crops and varieties for his character of soil and facilities for cultivating, and marketing what he makes, avoiding waste and extravagance and content to do reasonably well, ~~and~~ ^{and} using faith in himself or God, is always a good citizen, good neighbor and is not the kind that fills the asylums of the country.

Enterprise, thrift and industry are ever to be commended, but these should all minister to the betterment of the individual and the world at large, but when made ministers of greed and rapacity make of a man a machine of oppression and simply a dangerous intellectual animal, growing more and more avaricious and selfish as he increases his wealth and influence, until too often every finer feeling is absorbed in the one selfish and depraved purpose of accumulating the treasures of this world.

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THESE FIGURES SPEAK

FOR THEMSELVES.

For 30 days, beginning Monday, July 6, we will run a clearance sale. The goods were marked right at first but as a special inducement we have put the knife to work and have made prices so low that you can't afford not to avail yourself of the opportunity to buy seasonable merchandise. We have not the space to mention every article but if you will examine the following prices, or better still, if you will come in and let us show you the goods, it will be time well spent. **EVERYTHING WILL BE MARKED IN RED FIGURES.**

One Lot Infant's Tan Oxfords, carried from
Smith, Walker & Co's stock, former price
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One lot Misses' Tan Oxfords size 5-9, former
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One lot Misses' Oxfords, sizes 10-11-12, former
price \$1.25, sale price 85c

**25 per cent off on all Men's Coats
and Vests.**

1 lot Men's Mercerized Lisle Thread Underwear
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