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THE FIRST RURAL FREE DELIVERY

CANYON CITY TO HAVE DISTINCTION OF FIRST ROUTE ON THE PLAINS.

Final Matters Adjusted and Report of Postmaster Hunt is Forwarded to the Postal Department.

To Canyon City and Randall county is to belong the distinction of having the first Rural Free Delivery route in the entire Panhandle. Some time ago a petition asking for the route was forwarded and an inspector was sent to look over the proposed line. In his recommendations he approved the route subject to the opening of two miles of road and a crossing on the railway this side of Umbarger.

During the past week all these matters have been attended to and Wednesday afternoon Postmaster Hunt went over the line and found that all the requirements had been met and therefore made the final recommendation that the line be established. It is expected that an examination for carrier will be held at an early date.

Sixty-seven families have sign the request for boxes along the route which is 29 and one-fourth miles long. The route begins at the postoffice in this city, running west along the upper Umbarger road to J. C. Cokers Northeast corner in the edge of Deaf Smith county. Thence South two miles to the Southwest corner of Mr. William's land. Thence East to Umbarger. Thence Northeasterly to the Service railway crossing, crossing the railway and running east to the Arney corner. Thence North one half mile to Edward's place on city corporation line. Thence East to the Post office.

The proposed line will serve a large number of people and it is thought that it will lead to the establishment of several other lines from this city and other places in this section of the Plains.

The greater portion of the labor in getting this mail route established was done by a very few people which only goes to show that when even a few people get together determined to accomplish a certain thing that great good will accrue.

Small Prairie Fire.

During the high wind last Monday afternoon a freight train set fire to the grass in Judge Word's pasture in the southwestern portion of this city and for a time it appeared that the fire might reach the residence portion of the city before it could be extinguished. Hard work on the part of the citizens confined the damage to the grass however, and none of the houses in that portion of town were burned though it is reported that the fire went entirely under the residence owned by John Turner.

Canyon City Dramatic Club.

The minstrel which the Canyon City Dramatic Club gave a couple of weeks ago was a success from a financial point of view as well as from the artistic, the club has about decided to put on a play in the near future. A meeting will be held at an early date for the purpose of deciding upon their work and program.

Miss Pearl Voiles of Guymon, Oklahoma, has arrived in this city and has accepted a position as one of the operators at the local exchange.

WILL BEGIN WORK SOON.

R. C. Megargel Says Equipment Has Been Purchased snd Work Will Start at Once.

Roy C. Megargel, representative of the Gulf, Texas and Western Railway, said yesterday that that concern has just purchased fifty miles of rails and 60,000 ties. The first work, he said, will be to build a track from Jacksboro west to the coal fields in Jack county, where his concern owns between 30,000 and 35,000 acres of coal land which has a coal vein five inches thick.

"As soon as the track is laid the intention is to open one of the largest if not the largest coal mines in the southwest."

Mr. Megargel declares that it is the intention of Megargel & Co., New York bankers, of which firm he is a member, to build this road further west, and that it is hoped to have fifty miles in operation and to be running trains into Fort Worth within six months. As to the trackage arrangements for reaching Fort Worth from Jacksboro, he declined to make a statement.

For the present, however, construction work, he said, is to be toward the west. The company will build from Jacksboro, where it has a connection with the Rock Island, at Olney, in Young county, where there will be connection with the Wichita and Southern, and from Olney to Seymour, in Baylor county, where a connection will be made with the Wichita Valley railroad. From Seymour it is intended to build to Benjamin, in Knox county, where the tracks will intersect those of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient.

Mr. Megargel says they have purchased thirty-five cars this month, besides a number of engines, and work in that section to extend to the coal field will begin as soon as possible. One of the members of the firm of Megargel & Co., is J. J. German, head of German & Co., independent anthracite coal operators at Scranton, Pa.

Asked if he intended to have this line built to Dallas or Fort Worth, Mr. Megargel said no conclusion had been reached regarding this matter, and no statement had been made which would justify anyone in the belief that such a conclusion had been reached.

He said, however, that it would be an easy matter to build to either of the cities mentioned, because his people have purchased and are now the sole owners of the old right-of-way of the Dallas and New Mexico, which is partly graded already. This right-of-way starts a few rods from where the the Denton branch of the Katy passes through Letot, and runs northwest, passing within twenty miles of Jack county.—Dallas News.

Band to Be Revived.

A call has been issued for a meeting of the people of this city who are interested in reviving the band for the coming season. All former members are requested to be present at the meeting which is to be held this (Friday) evening. W. E. Lair will announce the place of meeting to those interested.

Editor's Sister Dead.

Reports to this city this week state that Mrs. C. E. Reed, the sister of editor Frank W. Thomason of the Dimmitt Plainsman, had died at her home at McGregor during the week. We sympathise with Editor Thomason in his bereavement.

NEW BAPTIST CHURCH BUILDING.

Coagregation Decide to Erect New House of Worship at an Early Date—Cost at Least $15,000.00.

Last week we reported that the congregation of the Baptist faith in this city had been for some time, considering the erection of a new church building on the site of the present building.

Last Saturday there was a general meeting of the deacons and members of the church at their building and a discussion of the entire matter was entered into, after which it was unanimously decided that they should have a new building. In the discussion of the amount of cost there was a variance of opinion ranging from $15,000 to $25,000 and we understand that it was decided that the new building should cost no less than $15,000.

Of course a more expensive building may be erected should the subscription which is to be taken warrant the expenditure of a larger amount. Talking with one one of the prominent members of that church this week the reporter elicited from him the fact that the church desired a large, commodious building with Sunday School rooms so arranged that the entire building might be thrown into one large auditorium in case of necessity. The building is to be constructed of brick according to the present plans. Arrangements have been made for the solicitation of the funds necessary for the work.

Among the prominent men who were in the city during the last excursion was John Sheridan who came down from Sutton, Nebraska for the purpose of investigating Randall county lands with a view of investing some of his money in them. Mr. Sheridan is a farmer in his home state and to the News reporter stated that he was very favorably impressed with the outlook for this section of the United States He thinks that the general conditions point to a rapid development into the best farming section of the country and has therefore shown his faith by buying lands near this city.

John Maerhlin of Reinbeck, Iowa, was a caller at this office this week and to the News reporter stated that he had been investigating this country for a long time and that he had so thoroughly become satisfied that it was an ideal country that he decided to buy lands in Randall county which he did during his visit here. He thinks that it will only be a question of a very few years until the lands in this section of the state and will be as valuable as those of his state. He was somewhat surprised that lands as good as those in this country could be bought for anything like the present prices.

Peter E. Muhring of Grundy Ciiy, Iowa, was in the city this week for the purpose of investing in Randall county lands. He was more than pleased with what he had seen. In comparing the climate here with his northern home he stated that we had much to be thankful for on account of the extremely mild winters which we enjoy. It is possible that he may become a Randall county farmer soon.

R. B. Redfearn had the misfortune of having one of his good horses very badly cut on the wire last Monday night. No one was at home and he does not know how to account for the accident unless it be that soma one was trying to catch the horse in the pasture.

Books with cattle bills of sale.

COMMISSIONERS' HOLD COURT.

COUNTY OFFICIALS MEET FOR FEBRUARY TO ATTEND TO PUBLIC MATTERS.

Read Petitions, Official Reports and Tax Matters Occupy Most of Time—Very Busy Session.

The Commissioners and county judge of this county have been more than busy this week in looking after the matters of the county. There have been road petitions to look after, official reports of the road overseers and the various county officials to examine and approve, county depository to appoint, court house matters to be settled and then there has been a large retinue of agents to wait upon the court with a view of furnishing the inside furniture for the new court house when it is completed. In fact had a man desired an audience with the court he would almost have had to make an appointment for the time to talk with them.

Among the most important matters that the court has had under consideration was the petition from a very large number of citizens requesting the court to place a clock in the dome of the court house. The court as a whole, seem to view the matter in a favorable light provided the expense is not too great. No actual action has been taken on the petitions for the reason that the court desires to receive information from the factories as to the cost of installation of the time piece for the county. Measurements have been forwarded to the factories and price for the clock has been requested and as soon as the reply has been received the court will take final action on the matter.

Among other things the court received the bids for the county depository for the coming two years. The Canyon National Bank submitted a bid of 3½ per cent per annum upon daily balances while the First National Bank went them one better and bid 3 1-2 per cent. The Court therefore appointed the First National Bank as being the official financial institution for the coming two years and the bank will file their bond as such in a few days.

While the records do not show a large number of orders of the court as having been made, still they have been busy. They have had to hear all the arguments in favor of and against the road petitions, examine all kinds of reports, examine, check and approve accounts against the county and attend to complaints about taxes.

The following items were shown on the minutes of the court up to yesterday afternoon.

The First National Bank was appointed as county depository its bid having been 3 1-2 per cent on daily balance, the bid of the Canyon National having been 3 1-4 per cent.

In the matter of the road petition of R. Bohnenkamp, et al. a jury was appointed and consists of —. McCormick, John Heman, Irving Fulton and Wm. Heman.

The report of Frank Wurster as road overseer of Precinct No. 3 was examined and approved.

The Jury of view heretofore appointed upon the road petition of John H. Bell, et al., having reported unfavorably upon the proposed road the Court did not grant the road.

The sum of $1,000 was transferred from the Court House and Jail fund to the Road and Bridge

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NEW NOVELTY GOODS

At The Leader

We have just received a nice line of Novelty Goods that are strictly up-to-date and the best that the market affords at the prices. We have so many new things in this line that we can't mention all of them but hope to have you see for yourself. You can rest assured that the styles we show you are right.

Brooches

All the latest fads that fashion has decreed

50c to $1.00.

Don't miss seeing them.

Combs

We cannot describe the many different kinds of fancy combs but we believe we can please the most critical buyer.

Belt Buckles

This line surpasses any that we have ever shown and will have to be seen to be appreciated.

35c to $1.25.

Neckwear

The daintiest and best that we could find. A nice assortment to select from. Also a line of ladies' linen collars.

Barretts

It is useless to say very much about these, for every lady needs one or two, and can find just the thing here.

Belts

This is a very important item to any lady and an awfully easy thing to find if you come here to get it.

50c to $1.50.

Stick Pins

The newest things in this line in the GRAPE PIN but we have many other styles to select from.

Bags

A full line of the newest novelties and the prices are very reasonable, quality considered. If you need a new one we have what you want.

We want to call your eapecial attention to the GRAPE JEWELRY which is being advertised more than anything else. If you have a brooch, belt buckle or comb with this on it you know you are wearing the latest.

THE LEADER

Builders of Reliable Business With Reliable Goods.

DISTRICT COURT ABOUT THROUGH.

MANY CASES CONTINUED ON DOCKET UNTIL NEXT TERM OF COURT.

Fewer Cases Than Ever Before Disposed of—Transferred Criminal Cases the Cause of Trouble.

What appeared to be one of the largest and heaviest dockets in the district court of this county that has ever been known has proven to be almost a fiasco as regards the trials. In fact the number of cases tried was very small and attorneys of this city say that the failure to try many civil cases was caused by the fact that the two Williams murder cases were brought to this county from Parmer county. Attorneys in the civil cases thought that the entire two weeks of the term would be used in trying these two cases alone and therefore did not make extensive preparation for trial of civil business. When the continuance was had in the Williams cases were therefore not ready for trial and therefore a majority of the cases on the docket were continued.

The principal matters of interest in the court this week was the trial in the Johnson divorce case in which judgment was rendered by the Court in favor of Mrs. Johnson giving her a divorce with custody of the children, and the trial of the Frank Lester case. In the Lester case in which he was charged with maiming there was a hung jury for a long time, several of the jury wanting to render a verdict of simple assault, but a verdict was finally rendered of aggravated assault and a fine of $100.00 and costs imposed.

The greater portion of the remainder of the week's time was put in by the lawyers in arguing different motions and matters of like nature. Yesterday afternoon the Judge practically disposed of all these matters and went to his home in Amarillo. He will return Saturday and adjourn court for the term.

The minutes show the following transactions since our last issue.

Wm. Willard, No. 403, vs. Cedar Valley Land Co.; judgment for plaintiff for cancellation of vendor's lien and quieting of title upon defendant's disclaimer filed in the cause.

The State of Texas vs. John W. Williams, No. 406, witnesses enter recognizance for appearance at next term of court.

State of Texas vs. Doby Williams, No. 407; same entry.

Special veniremen in the Williams cases allowed per diem amounting to $39.

Jury for first week allowed per diem amounting to $172.

Jury for second week of term empaneled and consisted of J. H. Hall, Jim Foster, Ed Wesley, G. S. Ballard, S. B. Lofton, R. G. Oldham, J. L. Prichard, T. H. Rowan, J. Frank Smith, W. E. Laughery, R. E. Foster, O. R. Blankenship, J. M. Gibson, J. T. Campbell and J. W. McClain.

C. T. Degraftenreid No. 369, vs Silas Lake, et al, cause continued by agreement of parties and set for first day of next term at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Jury for first week allowed per diem amounting to $72.00.

N. A. Johnson No. 397, vs. L. C. Johnson, divorce; divorce granted and custody of minor children given to plaintiff, with costs adjudged against defendant.

E. D. Harrell, W. T. Moreland and W. C. Baird appointed jury commissioners to select jurors for next term of court which they did.

Fulton Lumber Co., No. 378, vs Canyon City Ice & Light Company, motion to correct judgment; Granted and order of sale allowed for Block 40 in Heller addition and Block 24 in Lair addition, with buildings and improvements.

The State of Texas vs. Frank Lester, maiming, defendant pleads not guilty; trial by jury and verdict of aggravated assault

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A LARGE MODERN BANK BUILDING.

FIRST NATIONAL WILL ERECT A BUILDING ON NORTHWEST CORNER.

Two Story Brick With Stone Trimmings—Modern in All Apponitments and a Great Ornament.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the First National Bank of this city this week the plans for their new banking house were adopted and the final drawings of the plans are now being made. After the plans are finally completed, the bids for the construction of the building will be invited at once and work will be rushed so that the bank may be installed in their new home as soon as possible.

The preliminary plans which were prepared by the R. G. Kirsh Architectural Company of St. Louis show a building that will be beautiful in outline and the inside arrangement is as near perfect as can be made. The entire building will cover an area of sixty feet on the square and will run back 120 feet on Houston street. The corner room is to be occupied by the bank as its home and will be 30 by 80 feet in outside measurement. Just back of this on Houston street is to be a rear stairway with handsome entrance going up to the second story, and back of the stairway is a large office room of about 28 by 40 feet. Underneath this rear portion of the building will be the boiler rooms and basement for the heating aparatus as the entire building will be heated by steam.

The inside building is to be the full width of one lot, 30 feet and is to extend back the full distance and is to be erected for a business house. We understand that there are several firms who desire to rent this very desirable house but up to this date no definite arrangements have been made.

The entire up stairs of the building will be devoted to offices there being nineteen suites of rooms every one of which has two rooms to the suite at least and each suite having good light and direct entrance from the rooms into the large hallway which runs through the center of the building. The front stairway is to be broad and has an entrance of imposing appearance.

The front of the banking portion of the building will have two immense columns, the entrance being set back into the building. The trimmings of the entire building are to be of Carthage marble and terra cotta, the outside walls being finished in enameled press brick. The inside building is to have plate glass show windows with large double door entrance.

As for the general finish of the building it is said that the specifications will call for the very best material that can be bought and that the finish will be in strictly city style. The architects have endeavored to make the building just the essence of modern style coupled with durability and convenience.

The Harrell Confectionery has this week received a large generator for the use in generating the water for their soda fountain It is said to be one of the largest and best in the state.

Bert Wilson of Amarillo was in the city Tuesday attending to some business matters.

C. R. Burrow is making a tour of the Rockwell Brothers lumber yards this week.

Phone 41 when you have an tem of local news.

Be a News subscriber.

Lame Shoulder.

This is a common form of muscular rheumatism. No internal treatment is needed. Apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely three times a day and a quick cure is certain. This liniment has proven especially valuable for muscular and chronic rheumatism. For sale by the City Pharmacy.

COMMISSIONERS' HOLD COURT.

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fund as was also a like amount from the General fund to the Road and Bridge fund.

The report of Ed Hoffman as road overseer of Precinct No. 2 was examined and approved, as was also the report of Chas. L. Cordon-Cumming overseer.

The proposition of R, G. Kirsh to furnish the plans, specifications and schedules for the furnishings in the new court house, making ten blue prints for the use of the court, for the sum of $200 was considered and accepted the amount to be paid upon acceptance of the plans.

The quarterly report of W. D. Scott, county attorney, was examined and approved.

The report of the jury of view appointed upon the petition of H. H. Gillham, et al. being favorable and having been examined, was approved and the road ordered opened.

A petition from I. Mantz, et al. was received asking for a public road running from Umbarger south to the county line and the court granted the petition appointing Ed Baird, C. Gordon-Cumming, I. W. McClure, I. C. Jenkins and C. T. Degraftenried as jury of view.

Upon the petition of I. N. Hicks et al. for a public road beginning at the east corner of Section 112, Block 6, running west to the intersection of the Tulia and Canyon road, was granted and a jury of view was appointed consisting of R. B. Redfearn, M. O. Slack, R. W. Bruce, I. W. McClure and —. Moore.

The report of J. W. Stoddard as road overseer was examined and approved.

The taxes on Survey No. 121, in Block No. 2, was corrected and reduction allowed and certified copy of order ordered to be sent to state comptroller.

The court appointed the road overseers for the various precincts as follows:

1. C. M. Meeks.
2. Jesse Pierce.
3. Frank Wurster.
4. I. W. Scott.
5. E. M. Cornell.
6. Thad Cobb.
7. J. B. Dick.
8. R. E. Fostor.
0. Joe Gamble.
10. M. O. Slack.
11. J. M. Craig.
12. J. E. Nunn.
13. Sam Wiggins.
14. ————.
15. W. E. Bennett.
16. Charles Atkison.

The officers selected to hold the school elections in the various precinct are as follows:

District 1. G. C. Wiseman, John Boulware, James E. Park.

2. J. H. Crawley, J. M. Emery, Tom Slack.

3. Louis Salzman, J. R. Skidmore, — Eckert.

4. R. W. Bruce, J. M. Craig, Henry Moore.

5. A. B. Cage, L. A. Pierce, — Easter.

6. Andy Costly, H. J. Webber, J. B. Dick.

7. J. A. Wilson, W. B. Campbell, — Martin.

8. Peter Meyers, H. F. Frary and I. W. Scott.

9. James Knox, Wm. McCann R. H. Cahler.

10. P. C. Buckner, H. James, Henry Wesley.

11. W. G. Ross, Frank Wurster, Thomas Lester.

12. O. R. Blankenship, Adam Walker, John Ladehoff.

13. F. M. Gruner, Irving Fulton, John Heman.

P. D. Casey made a hurried business trip to Amarillo Tuesday.

Judge A. N. Henson is having another windmill put up on his place that he may irrigate more extensively.

THOSE old Suits and Trousers of yours need cleaning and pressing.

We Know How. Let Us Do It.

CANYON TAILORING CO.

South Side of Square

HARRELL'S

CONFECTIONERY

Fresh Candies
All Kinds of Fruit
Nuts of Various Kinds
Finest Fountain in Town

An Entirely New Stock

Harrell's Confectionery
East Side Square in New Brick Block.

640 Acres For Sale

A fine section of land cornering with the city limits: 250 acres in cultivation; 100 acres of sub-irrigated alfalfa land. Living water in a running stream across the north end and plenty of fishing. Has a fine natural park with a beautiful grove of native trees.

This tract of land is finely located and will make an ideal home. It is close to school and is within the Canyon City Independent School district.

The soil is as good as any on the Plains and the price is attractive. See me if you want a fine tract of land for an ideal home.

ADJOINING TOWN

I am offering for sale 160 acres of land, the west portion of Section 30 in Block B5, adjoining the town plat of Canyon City on the north.

This property is finely located and has a runnine stream of water with fine fishing place with about 50 or 60 acres of very fine sub-irrigated alfalfa land about half of which is already planted and the remainder is plowed ready for planting.

The place is located convenient to town and good public schools and a bargain is offered to the man who wants a good home. Would subdivide tract to suit purchaser.

W. E. BATES,
Canyon City, Texas.

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Fire and Tornado
INSURANCE

Only the very best companies are represented through our agency. Here they are:

Aetna	New York Underwriters
American Central	National
Continental	North River
Commercial Union	National Union
Detroit Fire and Marine	Northern Assurance
Equitable	North British & Mercantile
Firemen's Fund	Providence of Washington
German American	Phoenix of Hartford
Hartford	Phoenix of Brooklyn
Home	Queen
Insurance Co. of North America	Royal
Liverpool, London & Globe	Springfield
Michigan Commercial	St. Paul Fire and Marine
Mechanics and Traders	Shawnee
	Westchester

Fire and Tornado Insurance

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THE BIRTHDAY OF LINCOLN.

A Century Has Passed Since the Great Statesman Was Born—Some Short Notes.

One hundred years ago today Abraham Lincoln, by many thought to be the greatest statesman who has ever risen from the ranks of the common people to the highest office that could be given by man, was born in an humble house. Whether or not we, as a people, agreed with this great man in some of his ideas, we are bound to acknowledge that he was a true man in every sense of the word. In commemoration of his memory we give today a couple of articles concerning his life which were written by people who knew him personally in the state of Illinois, articles that appeared in the home paper of the town in which the writer lived and which recite some very entertaining points in the life and character of the great Abe Lincoln.

My recollection of Abraham Lincoln dates back to 1837 or 8. We were living in DeWitt county at that time, now Atlanta township Logan county. My father was drawn as a juryman. Court was held in Clinton, a mere village, without hotel of other accommedation for strangers. Father in looking around for a place to sleep and eat, met one Charlie Maltby, who said he could accommodate him if he would occupy a bed with a young lawyer that he had with him, and he didn't think either had much the advantage in the way of looks. The friendship thus formed continued until Mr. Lincoln left Springfield for Washington after being elected president.

My father presented Mr. Lincoln with the cane which has been so much written and talked of, at the 4th of July celebration in 1859 at Turner's Grove. After the exercises of the Grove were over Mr. Lincoln walked with my father and mother to their home a quarter of a mile southeast and took supper with them. While there my father requested Mr. Lincoln to have his picture taken which Mr. Lincoln did as soon as he returned home. The picture was an ambrotype. Alfred Montgomery, of Bloomington, asked the loan of it to make some copies from. He took it to McClures magazine and they printed it in the magazine in March, 1896. I have one of the copies framed at my home. Mr. Montgomery returned the ambrotype, but after father's death some one carried it away.

My father and I attended the convention that nominated Mr. Lincoln in May, 1860. After his nomination we visited at his home in Springfield. We met Mrs. Lincoln and little Thad at that time.

In the fall of 1859 Mr. Lincoln invited my father to accompany him to Columbus, Ohio, where he had been invited by Gov. Chase and other republicans to make a speech, which invitation he accepted and met Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln and little Thad in Atlanta. On their arrival in Columbus they were received by Gov. Chase and other prominent republicans. This was the speech in which he declared the country must become either all free or all slave, and attracted so much attention throughout the country.

Last June I gave a short sketch of the above to the chairman of the republican committee, saying I had voted for John C. Fremont and every republican candidate (13 in all) since and a request for a ticket to the convention. My request was referred to Frank O. Lowden, chairman of the state delegation, who promptly sent me a ticket.

Very truly,
JOHN STRONG.

Miss Ella Boosinger, of Atlanta, has sent the following clipping which evidently was at some time in the past printed in the Bloomington Pahtagraph:

"Mr. J. B. Bates relates the following characteristic story of Abraham Lincoln which was told him some years ago by Mr. Gordon, a venerable and highly respected citizen of Logan county, since dead. It was back in the fifties, when Mr. Gordon was attending court at old Pottsville, then the county seat of Logan county. Mr. Lincoln, Judge Samuel H. Treat, Richard Yates and other prominent attorneys from Springfield and elsewhere in the circuit were present. It was late in the summer, or early autumn, and the weather was hot and the water at the Pottsville hotel was bad. Mr. Lincoln one morning at the hotel commented on the poor water and said he would not mind it so much if he could only get a watermelon to eat, but he had not been able to find one in town. He expressed surprise that some of the settlers in that community did not think to provide the people with a substitute for drinking water at such a season by raising a patch of melons. Mr. Gordon, who was present, told Mr. Lincoln that he had himself a fine patch of watermelons at home and if Mr. Lincoln would drive out with him he could have all he could eat and as many as he could bring back with him. The suggestion pleased Mr. Lincoln and he mentioned it to the other lawyers and the judge who were at the hotel. The idea took and as Mr. Gordon extended the invitation to all, they concluded to accept. There was an absent witness or a sick juror and the judge adjourned court for the day.

A few minutes later the judge and lawyers were loaded into four or five buggies and on the way to the Gordon homestead, some eighteen miles distant. The road led northeast, a good deal of the way across an open prairie. As they were driving merrily along they came to a pond through which the road led, and which was passable in dry weather, but around which there was a longer route for use in wet weather. On this occasion the pond was covered with water and mud and our company took the dry route around, but they discovered that some poor emigrant, going the other way, had been less discreet. Bound for the west with his wife and child and his earthly all in a wagon with one yoke of oxen, he had taken the short cut and was mired down midway of the pond. The poor fellow was out wading about in the mud and water trying to urge his team on. But belabor and coax and threaten as he would the oxen would not budge. The man's unfortunate predicament was commented on by our company, but, like the Levite, they were proceeding to pass by on the other side when Mr. Lincoln, whose buggy was somewhat in the rear, called out, "Why, men, you are not going to leave the poor fellow in that fix, are you?" "What can we do for him?" came back the answer. "We can not go in there." "Well, I will do something for him, said Mr. Lincoln as he stopped his buggy and alighted. He proceeded at once to take off his coat and vest and then his shoes and stockings. He then rolled up his pants above his knees and started into the slough of despond towards the object of his sympathy. His tall, lank, ungainly form, divested of hat, coat and vest, barefooted and with legs bare to the knees, presented a ludicrous spectacle, and shouts of laughter arose from the lawyers and court who were looking on. But Mr. Lincoln heeded it not, but waded on till he reached the wagon. He took the whip from the hand of the driver and told him to go around on the other side and when he gave the word to yell as he never did before. Mr. Lincoln then raised the gad and as he brought it down on the oxen uttered a whoop like a Comanche Indian, in unison with the yell of the owner. The affrighted animals sprang forward nor did they halt until they had landed the wagon and its precious cargo on firm ground.

After they were safely out Mr. Lincoln remarked to those present, "There is a poor mover on his way to the west to take up a home. If in the future I should ever happen his way in hunger and distress I have no doubt he would take me in and divide his last loaf with me." "Yes," said the wife who now poked her head out of the covered wagon, "God bless you, we would give it all to you." Mr. Lincoln washed the mud from his legs and feet, reinvested himself with his clothing and the party went their way. There was a great feast of watermelons at Farmer Gordon's that day, but the incident above all others that made the trip memorable was the human act of the man who was destined to undying fame as one of earth's greatest rulers toward a poor emigrant and his family.—JOHN STRONG in Atlanta (Ill.) Argus.

Wayside Items.

We are all up but confined to our rooms this week on account of the wind.

Rev. Laney, who is the Methodist minister for this charge, preached his second sermon here Sunday afternoon. He will be here on first and second Sundays.

Thursday night of each week has been set apart and will be given the discussion of educational matters. No competition will be set up with any other place for the location of a State Normal, but such questions as "Whether or not Rural School Buildings should be equal in appearance and comfort to average City Barns" will likely be taken up.

Ernest Rice of Tulia has returned home after visit his brother John of this place.

Emory Wesley has moved his house into the Ceta neighborhood, where he will likely live.

Mr. Gillham who lives a few miles south of here was in the community Tuesday.

Raymond Fisher living near Vigo was up last week.

"Grandma" Evans has returned from a visit in Canyon City.

No. 7961

The Canyon National Bank.

AT Canyon, in the State of Texas at the close of business, Feb. 5, 1909.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$137,131.03
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		8,123.80
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		50,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds		2,000.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		7,192.74
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)		25,139.37
Due from state and private banks and bankers, trust companies, and savings banks		6.35
Due from approved reserve agents		64,997 09
Checks & other cash items		1,995.92
Notes of other national banks		3,935.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		73.35
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:		
Specie	$4,371.70	
Legal-tender notes	6,810.00	11,181 70
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5% of circulation)		2,500.00
Total		$314,276.35

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	2,460 84
National bank notes outstanding	50,000.00
Due to other nat'l. banks	11,775.67
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	2,978.57
Individual deposits subject to check	170,453.79
Demand certificates of deposit	750.00
Time certificates of deposit	8,227.80
Certified Checks	200.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,429.68
Total	$314,276.35

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I, I. L. Hunt, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I. L. HUNT, Cashier.

Correct Attest:
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J. M. BLACK,
W. C. BAIRD,
} Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of Feb, 1909.

W. D. SCOTT,
Notary Public.

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Railway Time Table.

MAIN LINE, WEST BOUND.

No. 37 to Clovis	2:50 p. m.
No. 201, to Carlsbad	10:15 a. m.
No. 73, Local Freight	9:00 a. m.

MAIN LINE, EAST BOUND.

No. 38, from Clovis	10:00 a. m.
No. 202, to Kansas City	5:30 p. m.
No. 74, Local Freight	2:40 p. m.

PLAINVIEW BRANCH, NORTH B'ND

No. 28, to Amarillo	10:08 a. m.
No. 94, Local Freight	6:00 p. m.

PLAINVIEW BRANCH, SO. BOUND.

No. 27, to Plainview	2:40 p. m.
No. 93, Local Freight	8:10 a. m.

Trains No. 37 on the Main line leaving Canyon City at 2:50 p. m. is made up here, and Train No. 38, on the Main Line arriving from Clovis at 10 a. m. stops at this place.

Local freights and trains Nos. 37 and 35 don't run on Sunday.

Pouring Prosperity Through a Puncture.



Ever see a drunken man trying to fill a bottle with the bottom broken out? It's a great waste, and it looks mighty silly.

But it's no more foolish and no more wasteful than for a sober man to expect his town to fill up with people and bubble over with prosperity when he is continually pouring his dollars into the wide world outside THROUGH THE MAIL ORDER HOLE in the bottom of his home town.

MORAL: Patronize home industries.

HOW ABOUT IT?

We have in this town, the same as in many other cities and towns, a class of people who delight to sit and gossip about the faults and missteps of others not taking into consideration that they themselves have often greater sins on their own hands than those whom they are trying to break down in character. They gossip and when we say gossip we mean that in nine cases out of ten what they have to say about others is not correct. There may have been some basis for what they have to say but by the time they say it it has been greatly exagerated from the truth—in fact if the truth should meet what these gossips have to say, it would hide itself in shame. They tear down the character of the one assailed and they do it without any compunction of mind. Just so they can do a little sensational talking about the life or character of others they do not care what the result shall be. They do not care to "cover their short-comings with a mantle of sweet charity" but prefer to continue their slanderous talk to the lifelong detriment of themselves as well as the one assailed. It will pay these kind of people to take down the old family Bible, dust it well and read the Third Chapter of the Gospel according to Saint James. For fear that they might not have the Bible in their homes we quote the fourth and fifth verses which together read as follows: "Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity; so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell."

Some of you gossips better read the whole chapter. It will do you good if you will only think about it while you read.

RIGHT METHOD AT LAST.

Justice Harlan, in the Supreme Court of the United States, recently rendered a decision in which he refused to extend to trusts the powers of the courts of the country in the collection of amounts owing to a member of the trust, claiming that the trust, being an illegal organization, and the member of the trust being one of the illegal component parts. Justice Harlan was unwilling that the courts of the country should become an assistant to illegal contracts made. If this rule is adopted throughout the country which it ought to be, there will be a great revolution in business methods as the trusts cannot afford to sell on credit. If required to sell for the cash thereby depriving them of extending the long credit which they have heretofore been able to do, they will either have to lower their prices or the smaller dealers will be on an equal basis with them. In either event the results will be for the betterment of trade conditions.

NECESSITY KNOWS NO LAW.

That old saying has much to do with the enforcement of the best interests of the people of the country. On certain occasions all rights of property are set aside, and justly too. Just at present the city has a necessity which it seems is hard to overcome. At least we know of no law by which the city council or any other corporate body or person can be forced to install a system for the protection of our property—but the necessity remains just the same. How shall we overcome it? Shall we sit still until all our property goes up in smoke and there shall be no further necessity of this kind, or shall we get together and put in some kind of system that will in a measure protect and thereby save life and property?

FOR A COURT HOUSE CLOCK.

A petition was circulated in this city last Saturday and was signed by almost every person to whom it was presented, asking the Commissioner's court of this county to install a clock in the dome of the new court house. By all means let us have the town clock. Every town of any importance which has a public building of the kind has its town clock—a convenience which it would not dispense with at any price. It would be almost a shame to erect such an elegant building as this county is putting up for a court house and not have a good clock in the dome. They don't cost much either.

Had you thought about the fact that we are to elect a majority of the city council and also a mayor in April? Come forth, ye lambs, and let the voter slaughter you.

With increasing business that is coming to our city every week we are making a greater necessity for some internal improvements in this city.

Ever look at it this way? The state should be honest with its citizenship. When the taxpayer makes full rendition of his all, the state in return should make full rendition of just laws toward the opportunities of the citizen. Any measure that retards development, harrasses the investor, and blockades the courts with suits to prevent raids on the just income from legitimate progressive enterprise—that measure is not full rendition to the people. The full rendition taxpayer is entitled to his share of a full rendition of the square deal. Let Texas grow.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Lets have a little legislation of a conservative nature. The time for radical laws is in the past. We believe in full rendition if every one will render at the full value but in the past year West Texas has shouldred more than her share of the tax burden and the West Texan has paid his taxes and is now ready for the "square deal."

An Illinois preacher has declared that Adam was a loafer. Probably so, and that was the reason his wife, Eve, had to go so scantily dressed.—Gainesville Register.

You must remember that there were no millinery stores in those days and neither were there any saloons on the corners. What incentive did Adam have to hustle?—Denton County News.

How do you know they didn't have saloons? It is reported that Adam and Eve both saw snakes.

Some folks put over a lonely boost for their town—then close the civic pride account for the year. When this is the better plan: Little boosts make big cities. But the boosts must come in bunches and clusters. A live commercial club will help.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

You're right. A live Commercial Club will help, but a dead one—Oh, Lord. Deliver us from a dead commercial club like we have in Canyon City.

IT CAN BE DONE.

Recently a member of the legislature—a new member—wrote a leading hotel at Austin asking for rates during the session for himself and wife. The answer stated that $195.00 per month was the best rate which could be quoted and he wrote back, stating that he did not see how it would be possible for him to pay that rate when his salary would amount to only $150. To this the answer was prompt. His letter was returned and across the bottom was written in pencil and without signature. "It can be done."—Athens Review.

Maybe the hotel keeper was formerly a member of the legislature and is onto the ropes. Anyhow it appears that he is confident of his statement. Where is the grand jury?

Better have a little fire protection than no protection at all.

Oh, for a little agitation of the waterworks question!

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." We realize that you have seen the above quotation before, but how many of us ever think of it when dealing with others? Do you ever stop and take the other fellow's point of view when differences arise and see if there is not some ground for his contentions? If you will do this and then exercise a liberal amount of charity, which the Bible stresses as the greatest of all virtues, you will have little trouble in this world so far as differences of opinion are concerned. Always admit that you might do as the other fellow is doing under the same circumstances; that what he is doing or saying is no great crime anyway and it will not help him any for you to combat him, and soon everyone will be your friend; you will see the bright side of everything and sunshine will be found wherever you go. This old world is not bad if we don't make it so for ourselves.—Exchange.

The Canyon Tailoring Company.

What We Are or Are Not.

The longer we live the more we learn, and the more we learn, the less we think we know. Such is the inconsistency of man's ideas. The less one knows the greater his opinion of his abilities and wisdom. In the morning of life a conceited man prides himself on his greatness and wonders to what grand channel he will confine his talents. He looks upon his school district as the world's nature rests. He imagines that when he speaks, nations tremble, mountains totter and the sea becomes silent.

He imagines that a gaping and wondering populace are gazing on him with open-mouthed wonder and ironclad astonishment, and that he holds the world in the hollow of his hand with a grasp that is perpetual.

But as days and months and years pass in rapid succession, the young man finds out that he is possibly mistaken and if he would wander away and get lost some one or more of all the people on the earth would not miss him. By and by he begins to realize that he is only one of the many millions of people, and instead of standing forth as the center of attraction, he only fills a small niche of some obscure corner, and really attracts but little attention. The ignorant man who realizes his ignorance and who does not seek to pass himself off for more than he is worth, is pardonable; but the self-conceited man who tries to pass himself off at a premium is to be pitied. The best way is to hold one's self-esteem down and not rate himself too high. The man who climbs the highest has the fartherest to fall.

It is more pleasant to be invited to take a higher seat than to be deprived of it. It is more pleasant to be king of a cottage than the servant of a palace. It is better to be a good five cent piece than a bogus quarter; in other words, it is better to hold ourselves at what we are honestly worth. The world is full of people who never learn anything because they think they know enough to begin with. Thousands are teaching when they ought to be taught; thousands believe themselves wise when their ignorance is lamentable; thousands believe themselves clothed in gold when they are only thinly plated and the copper shows through in many places. The wisest are comparatively ignorant and thousands of men who have grand ideas of their own abilities will some day wake up to the realization that they have been laboring under a large sized delusion. Many a young man's life is guilded by bright dreams that come in the early stage of the game, but later on he finds that his dreams are only empty, and, O, how little is the change when it comes.—Estelline Herald.

Spring Poem.

I dread the coming of the spring when flowers bloom and robins sing, and lamkins gambol on the lea—the winter's good enough for me. I hate to think of planting seeds, and digging dirt and pulling weeds, and getting up at break of dawn, to chase the cattle off the lawn. Of course the birds are mighty sweet, and budding trees can not be beat, and growing things are nice enough, and vernal breezes are the stuff; but I have always found it true that there's so dog-goned much to do, a fellow has no time to note the charming things the poets quote. —Walt Mason in the Emporia Gazette.

Silas: "By heck! That was a good joke they played on old Sheriff Creely. Some one told him there was a man over in Evans selling something to brace you up. It took the sheriff two days to catch the man." Cyrus: "What was he selling?" Silas: "Suspenders."—Farm and Home

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CENTRAL WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT.

History's Rapidly Shifting Scenes Shows March of Progress.

Riding across the lower plains in a high-power automobile has the charm of novelty as well as a tinge of romance. Little more than fifty years ago this country was the habitat of the Comanche and the Kiowa. Many men are now living who engaged in sanguinary combats with these Indians in Western Texas. The plains were at a day which may properly be called recent, covered with immense herds of buffaloes. Herds of such great numbers that it was considered foolish to take measures to protect them by law. In less than a decade the Comanches were swept into a small reservation in the Indian Territory and the buffaloes were wiped out by hide hunters, and the white man was unmolested in his possession.

With equal rapidity came another change. The country was open and free. Immense herds of cattle replaced the buffalo and the early ranchman with his cowboy retainers dominated the plains. The railroads had not yet pierced the country with their bands of steel, and cattle were moved northward to market over the "trail." This was the "wild and wooly" period of West Texas development and was fated to pass as quickly, if not as quietly as the buffalo.

The ranchmen found it necessary, to insure grass for their great herds, to lease and buy all the land they could get. Following the invention of barbed wire came the period of great inclosed ranches and the application of close business methods to the business of cattle raising.

During these years of changes on the plains the tide of immigration had been creeping steadily westward. Railroads had brought remote sections close to centers of population. Long trains of cattle went to market by rail and the trail was abandoned. The tourist saw the country from the windows of palace cars. Not for a moment, not for a day has the steady tide of immigration ceased its pressure from the eastward. Unfavorable seasons have checked the advance at times, but only checked it. It has swept irresistibly westward. The primitive instinct of man to have an abiding place he can call his own is ever at work among those of the younger generation and he responded to the call of the opportunites in the west.

The last great change in Wastern Texas is now in progress. Its development is no less rapid than those changes of the past. The man whose mission it is to make the land come up to its full productivity is taking possession. The farmer is putting his cottage, his barns, his plowed fields in the old haunts of the Comanche and the Kiowa and recently state officials interested in the agricultural development of the state visited him in fifty-horsepower touring cars.

They want to learn his needs and to offer what assistance they could, and also with an unvoiced resolution to find out if the country was developing as rapidly as the news from that section indicated. They found the development had not been exaggerated. The people are there and at work and seemed to look upon the big autos as some sort of herald of coming roilroads.

No man who will take such a trip can doubt that Texas imperatively needs more railroad building. It is not a fancy or more boom talk; it is a plain, cold business proposition. That part of the state is developing ahead of the railroads, and when they do come they will find the passengers and tonnage ready for them.

Politicians who provoke and nurse hostility between the railroads and the people and thereby retard the extension of these necessary concomitants of civilization are doing an amount of mischief that can only be fully realized when one visits the regions in Texas which clamor for railroads, but can not get them. —Dallas News.

Atchison Globe Reveals Secret.

A former chief of police of Atchison, the Globe says, had a wide reputation because he was not afraid of women. When a mad woman called on him and said, haughtily: "I called to see you about a little matter," he promptly replied: "I am glad you did. There is a good deal of complaint in your neighborhood about your temper, and I want to say that if I hear any more about it I will put a stop to it in a way you don't like," that the chief chewed the rag first, and kept at it without giving the woman a chance to say a word. Men should remember this when approached by a mad woman, the man should attack first, and keep quarreling until the woman cries.

Be a News subscriber.

FEEDING FOR PRIZE-WINNERS.

R. E. Gatewood Promises to Repeat His Performance of 1908.

R. E. Gatewood, the well-known Johnscn county cattle feeder, who took the highest honors of the 1908 fat stock show with his car load of fat beeves, was at the yards on Wednesday, looking after the sale of two loads of meal-fed steers of his feeding that average 1,002 pounds and sold at $4.95. Mr. Gatewood is in good spirits over the showing now being made by the several car loads of cattle and calves he is feeding for the coming exhibition. All are rapidly rounding into prize-winning form, and if all goes well during the next few weeks intervening between this date and the show, Mr. Gatewood's friends promises that his entries this year will cause even a greater sensation than his champions of the 1908 event.

While at the yards Wednesday Mr. Gatewood told a reporter that he had recently bought a car load of Kaffir corn, ground in the head, at $15 a ton, loaded loose on the car at Canyon City. This he is now using in connection with shelled corn, blackstrap molasses, alfalfa hay and cotton seed meal to help balance the ration he is feeding his calves for the March show. The Kaffir corn was added rather as an experiment, as it is the first Mr. Gatewood has ever used as a cattle feed, and it is proving its worth as a part of the ration, The Kaffir corn is valuable for the amount of starch it contains, helping to keep the calves from scouring.—Texas Stockman-Journal.

An acre of alfalfa will keep a a steer and two sheep and put all of them in condition for rapid fattening. Under the old methods ten acres of grass were not too much for the steer. Alfalfa will grow nearly anywhere in Texas. The day is coming when Texas will produce more cattle than it ever did, even in the days when there was not a strand of barb wire west of Fort Worth.—The Texas Stockman-Journal.

Thoughts on Advertising.

Advertising is not an adjunct to your business. It is a part—and a very important part of it. It has long since come to be reckoned with as one of the most potent factors in the commercial world. It can be employed by the largest and smallest corporations alike. It is a business builder and a business getter and the man who uses advertising space judiciously, whether a large or a small advertiser, will make a success.

Advertising is practically the only reliable source of information the farmer has on household articles, agricultural implements, etc., for all else is heresay. But when he reads an advertisement setting forth in an attractive style the merits of this or that implement over the name of a well-known or a reliable house; and appearing in a paper in which he has confidence, he is moved to buy if he has a need.—Dallas News.

Canyon Residence for Land.

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Panhandle Wheat Crop.

"Wheat looks well in this part of the Panhandle," declared W. S. Roberts, a well-known real estate man of Amarillo, who has just ended a trip covering a considerable portion of the country. "It seems astonishing to those who are not versed with the peculiarities of this country to see wheat thriving even under pasturage, following such an extended dry spell. All wheat put in under favorable conditions is showing a growth which promises a yield thoroughly worthy of the grower. Grain sown in the early portion of the season and on ground that had been well prepared is astonishingly good. That planted under less favorable conditions, that is upon grounds not well prepared, is not so good, but even that is far from a failure.

"Lands that have heretofore been farmed, are being plowed perfectly. Some ground not heretofore farmed is a little stiff from lack of moisture, but few farmers are hindered by reason of this condition that seems dry to the newcomer. Farming is going on, and the outlook for the breaking of many crop records seems fine for the incoming season. Small grain is more generally sown this season than ever before, and in addition to this there will be much of other crops adapted to this land and climatic conditions.

The weather has been so mild over the Panhandle for the past few weeks that the fruit crop is in danger of being cut short unless the weather turns a little colder to keep the trees from budding too soon.—Herald.

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Keiser Brothers & Phillips.

Letter From John H. Bell.

Mr. Editor: Enclosed please find money order for subscription for next year. I think this is about the forty-first year for me and I feel that I must still have the old reliable. While there are so many changes in the country and the people since we left Atlanta in 1886, that present news is much of it strange to me, yet in the Twenty-five years ago, and some of the present items, I find enough that I still want the old reliable once a week. I am going to write this morning just as things come to my mind and if I over burden you let it go to the waste basket. First I will tell you that I am pretty badly knocked out. On Saturday evening, the 26th, I was rather in a hurry to get things in readiness to go to church 15 miles away, on Sunday morning and had a little roundup with a cow and I finally got the cattle pony and "lit" out without my saddle and she understands her business so well that in making a quick turn she was too quick for me, and consequently I got a hard fall that while not serious is very paintul and will keep me down for sometime. The old time nerve still remains with me and I sometimes forget that I am not so young as I was thirty years ago and in playing boy I sometimes get left.

Now, I want to get down to business and tell you something about our wonderful new country namely the Panhandle of Texas. But to begin with, I want to ask a question of the old settlers of Illinois and their children. The question I wish to ask is, how many of the old settlers and their children are grand children are sorry that they came to Illinois when they did? I think the answer will be none.

Now it has been my lot to be pushed from one new country to another all my life; from Ohio to Illinois in 1847, from Illinois to Kansas in 1886, from Kansas to the Panhandle of Texas in 1907. I find the Almighty has created all of these countries for good and for His people, who will brave the little disappointments incident to new countries. I really think opportunities to settlers here on the plains of Texas are as good as they were in Illinois 60 years ago, with not one-tenth the hardships our fathers had to go through in the settling of Illinois and Kansas, and now see what great states they are. Of course it takes nerve and determination on your part. Don't fear for one moment about your neighbors and friends. If you try to do what is right and just, if you do fail in some instances, you will have friends anywhere, but particularly in this country where we are getting as settlers among the best classes of farmers from Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska and Kansas. Now if your readers think I am giving you taffy, ask your neighbors and friends who have been here and invested in lands here what they think of this country. I will refer you to some that I have met from home, J. L. Bevan William Dunham, James Hammitt and wife, John Potter, of Armington, and others that I might mention. Above all come and see for yourselves, for seeing is believing.

The church opportunities are good. In Canyon City we have five churches, in Amarillo they are quite numerous. The new Baptist church at Amarillo including grounds will cost $60,000 the Methodists just finished one last year at a cost of $50,000 and so almost every denomination is represented. And to my Catholic friends I will say while we have rather far to go to church yet, as we go to Amarillo 15 miles, we will in the near future have a new church at Umbarger ten miles from us and hope that in the not far distance future to be able to say that we will build a church in Canyon City. We have in father Dunn an excellent missionary priest, who is an untiring worker. His mission is about fifty miles square. Last year he built and had dedicated at Dalhart a new church. So you see we are not living in a heathen country by any means.

In conclusion I will say, in the language of the poet, look over on the other shore, there is still room for thousands more. I mean on the plains of Texas of course. But remember procrastination is the thief of time and these opportunities are passing away and I am sure that these plains will be settled more in five years than Illinois was from 1830 to 1860, a lapse of thirty years. Study these matters over and make haste to embrace the opportunity while it presents itself. From one who has a warm spot in his heart for Atlanta and her people.—JOHN H. BELL, in Atlanta, (Ill.) Argus.

"The Mansion of Aching Hearts" will be seen at the opera house, Monday night, February 15th, produced by a competent cast of home talent of Hereford. The cast includes Miss Estelle Horne who was seen here as "Dora Thorne," support by Edw. C. Horne, and the following Hereford home talent: Miss Jessie Dashler, Miss Coleman, Messrs. Glen Brunk, Eage Henderson, Walter Griggs, Orville Brunk, and little Louise Oberthayer as "The Little Mother."

Three big specialties. The proceeds will be given for the benefit of the Hereford band.

The gowns worn by the ladies will be the finest ever seen on your stage. Remember this is a guaranteed attraction. Don't fail to see it.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Most Popular Because it is the Best.

"I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the past eight years and find it to be one of the best selling medicines on the market. For babies and young children there is nothing better in the line of cough syrups," says Paul Allen, Plain Dealing, La. This remedy not only cures the coughs, colds and croup so common among young children, but is pleasant and safe for them to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic, and may be given to a baby as confidently as to an adult. For sale by the City Pharmacy.

Card of Thanks.

To H. E. Muldrow and family, and to friends (strangers to us) of Fannie Struthers. We thank them for their kind attention during her last sickness and death.

May Heaven's richest blessing be theirs is the prayer of her father and brothers.

W. H. and W. L. STRUTHERS.

Cash Carrier System.

The Canyon Mercantile Company have installed in their building a cash carrier system in order to save the time of clerks in going to and from the cash drawer for change. The business of this firm has so greatly increased that the modern method of work had to be installed for the use of their house.

Lame Shoulder.

This is a common form of muscular rheumatism. No internal treatment is needed. Apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely three times a day and a quick cure is certain. This liniment has proven especially valuable for muscular and chronic rheumatism. For sale by the City Pharmacy.

Henry Gamble, the brother of Messrs. Oscar and J. D. Gamble of this city, has arrived from his home at Cleveland, Tenn., and will be in the employ of the grocery department of the Canyon City Supply Company.

PREACHER BURNED TO DEATH.

Rev. Gregory Rescues Wife and Tries to Save Home and Money at Chico Resulting in His Death.

Chico, Texas, Feb. 7.—Rev. W. J. Gregory of the Presbyterian church was burned to death while trying to save his home from fire at 3 o'clock this morning.

His aged and crippled wife escaped with a few slight burns.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Presbyterian church.

Rev. Mr. Gregory and his wife were awakened about 3 a. m. by fire, which had caught the dresser and bed in which they slept. Rev. Gregory assisted his wife to safety in the yard and returned to the house to save a large sum of money and the building if possible. His wife waited for him in the yard, and when he did not return she hobbled to the home of her son-in-law, Rev. Noah Karnes, a quarter of a mile away, for assistance.

When Rev. Karnes reached the place the house had been consumed, and Rev. Gregory's corpse lay in the ruins.

Rev. Gregory kept $1,500 in a hiding place in his dining room. Of this amount $280 in gold was recovered. The balance of the money was missing or had been burned. The theory is advanced that robbers may have set the house on fire after robbing it.

Rev. Gregory was a pioneer Presbyterian preacher of Wise county, and had been prominently identified with religious work in this section for thirty-five years. He was 88 years old and well known in nearly every home in the county.

Rev. Gregory was the aged father of Mrs. C. T. Word of this city. She, together with Judge Word, left last Sunday afternoon for Chico in response to a telegram, in order to attend the funeral services.

The News man was fortunate enough to have known the deceased and his demise will be a great blow to the large number of friends that the Rev. Gregory had made wherever he had made his home. We deeply sympatise with the bereaved relatives.

A Clock in the New Court House.

Editor News:

So far, the County Commissioners have just reason to feel a commendable pride in the almost completion of the splendid brick court house, and the people are unanimous in their commendations. They are and will be practically a unit in this voice viz. "The magnificient structure will not be complete without a good hour striking clock in its tower," by which all who reside in or visit our city may be unifrom in knowing the time and prompt to meet engagements for business, pleasure or worship, whether men, women or school children. The clock will be a thing of beauty, a joy forever and useful to all. Many have petitioned for it, all want it and the building, its uses and conveniences will not be complete withont it. If anyone doubts this, let there be a mass meeting called for an expression on "Clock or no Clock."

CITIZEN.

Lincoln Postage Stamps.

Today being the hunredth anniversary of the birth of President Lincoln the government has issued a series of two cent stamps which will be placed on sale at all postoffices today for the first time. No others will be issued and as soon as the present supply is sold no more can be secured. The stamp is in commemoration of the natal day.

Things Theatrical.

The Pishney Musical Company was the attraction at the Opera House in this city last Monday night, playing to fair sized audience. Those who attended report quite an entertaining program consisting of musical numbers.

Phone 41 when you have an item of local news.

It is Our Business

to see that your dealing with our house is entirely satisfactory to you. In order to do this we must give you courteous attention, good prices and the best goods that money can buy.

It is Your Business

and you have the right to expect these three things when you are dealing with a drug store. We have never before been so well prepared to meet the requirements of the critical drug trade as at present. We are pleased to know that there is not a drug store in the state west of Fort Worth which has a more complete line of drugs than ours.

May We Serve You with courteous attention, good prices and the best goods that money can buy?

THE CITY PHARMACY,

West Side of the Square — Joe Foster, Proprietor

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET

The quotations here given are from the Canyon City grain dealers and show the market the day before the issue of this paper. The prices are for grain in sack unless otherwise stated.

Wheat, No. 2, bushel	$ 98
Oats, best, bushel	50
Maize and Kaffir in heads, new crop, ton	11 00
Millet hay, per ton	8 00
Johnson grass hay, ton	9 00
Alfalfa, per ton	11 00
Corn, best	60
Maize, threshed, bushel	52
Kaffir corn, threshed, bu.	52
Chickens and Eggs	
Fryers, per dozen	$3 50
Eggs, per dozen	20
Butter, country, pound	25

A Common Cold.

We claim that if catching cold could be avoided some of the most dangerous and fatal diseases would never be heard of. A cold often forms a culture bed for germs of infectious diseases. Consumption, pneumonia, diptheria, scarlet fever, four of the most dangerous and fatal diseases, are of this class. The culture bed formed by the cold favors the development of the germs of these diseases, that would not otherwise find lodgment. There is little danger, however of any of these diseases being contracted when a good expectorant cough medicine like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is used. It cleans out these culture beds that favor the development of the germs of these diseases. That is why this remedy has proved so universally successful in preventing pneumonia. It not only cures your cold quickly, but minimizes the risk of contracting these dangerous diseases. For sale by the City Pharmacy.

Horrible Disaster.

Willie had tried by various means to interest his father in conversation.

"Can't you see I'm trying to read?" said the exasperated parent. "Now don't bother me."

Willie was silent for almost a minute. Then reflectively:

"Awful accident in the subway today."

Father looked up with interest.

"What's that?" he asked. "What was the accident in the subway."

"Why" replied Willie, edging toward the door, "a woman had her eye on a seat and a man sat on it."—Everbody's.

Public Notice.

No hunting allowed in my pasture. I shall enforce the laws relatives to trespassing.

46-2tp W. E. BATES.

Good quality calling cards—100 25 cents.

Every Farmer

As well as every business man should have a bank account.

Why?

Because: Your money is safer in the bank than than anywhere else.

Paying your bills by check is the simplest and most convenient method. Your check becomes a voucher for the debt it pays.

It gives you a better standing with business men.

Money in the bank strengthens your credit.

A bank account teaches, helps and encourages you to save.

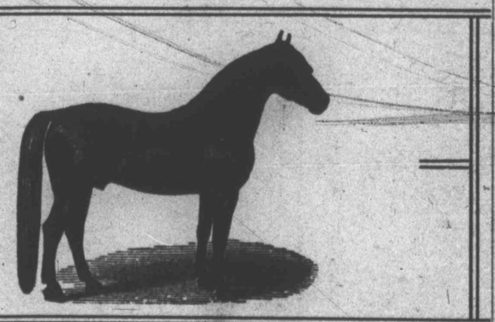
This bank does all the bookkeeping.

Your bank book is a record of your business.

To those desiring Banking Connections with an Old Established Bank, we extend our service.

The First National Bank of Canyon.

ATTENTION, HORSE RAISERS



Ranger R, 31428, Standard and Registered Rule 6, Vol. 15, American Trotting Registry; will make the season of 1909 at the

East Wagon Yard, Canyon City.

Ranger is a beautiful Mahogany Bay, 16 hands, weighs 1180 pounds. A1 saddler and driver.

Ranger was sired by Rabelias 11122; Rabelias by Belmont, 64. Ranger R, dam Mattie Mont. by Norwood Star 1395, dam Daisy H.

For size, style and action his progeny are just right. As saddlers and drivers they are unequaled.

Care will be taken to prevent accidents but will not be responsible for any.

TERMS:—$15 to insure live colt. Mare parted with or removed from county, services will become due and payable at once.

C. S. DUNCAN

East Wagon Yard — Canyon City, Texas

Burnsed Paint & Paper Co.

Contractors for painting and decorating new Randall County Court House.

PAINTING
PAPERING

All classes of interior decorating. Elegant paper in the different grades While in Canyon City our headquarters are at the St. James Hotel. - - -

MAIN OFFICE
AMARILLO, - TEXAS

NEW BARBER SHOP

I HAVE opened a new barber shop on the south side of the square and will serve you to the best of my ability and assure you that your patronage will be appreciated. -:- -:- -:-

WILL BAILEY

Canyon City Professional Cards

H. Holte,
Watchmaker, Jeweler.
In City Pharmacy, West Side Square.
PHONE 32.

D. M. Stewart,
Physician and Surgeon
Office in Wallace building over A. H. Thompson's drug store. Calls answered night or day.

F. M. Wilson,
Physician and Surgeon
Office, City Pharmacy. Calls answered day or night. Residence phone No. 46.

S. L. Ingham,
Dentist
Canyon National Bank building. All work warranted.

Geo. A. Brandon,
Lawyer
Twenty-three years' practice and experience in Texas courts. Office in court house.

W. D. Scott,
Lawyer
Office in court house. Notary in office.

Buie, Rollins & Woolley,
Lawyers
B. Frank Buie A. S. Rollins
C. V. Woolley
Court practice solicited. Will attend to cases in all courts of the state. Examination of land titles a specialty. Notary in office. Office in Smith building. Phone 92.

J. C. Hunt,
Lawyer
Does both criminal and civil practice. Twelve years' experience. Land titles passed upon. Write all kinds of contracts and instruments. Notary in office. Office northeast corner public square, up stairs, Canyon, Texas.

R. A. Sowder,
Attorney-at-Law
and Notary.
Complete abstracts of Randall county lands. Office over Canyon Supply Co. Phone 214.

Bryan's Commoner and The News, both one year $1.80.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Cowart's for candies.

Harrell's bouillion is good.

Let Cowart sell you some candies.

Onion sets cheap at the White Swan Grocery.

Harrell's Confectionery for hot drinks of all kinds.

Fruits and nuts at Cowart's confectionary store. East side.

Onion sets cheap at the White Swan Grocery.

Hot drinks of all kinds at Harrell's confectionery.

Cowart's candies are all good.

For Sale—Good, smooth, patented section land for less than $15 per acre. Good terms. Box 367.

Get hot chocolate at Harrell's confectionery.

Oliver Typewriter—An Oliver Typewriter, second hand, in good repair for sale. Apply at this office. 39tf

Lost—A Ladies' hunting case gold watch last Friday afternoon. Return to Mrs. D. M. Stewart for reward.

For Sale—South west quarter of section eleven, block 2Z, price $21 per acre. W. D. STOUT,
45-2t Lipscomb, Iowa.

For Sale—Residence with three-fourths of a block of land near school building. Well and other improvements.
46-tfp C. P. SHELNUT.

Shoats for Sale—Twenty-five head of Poland China Shoats. See H. J. Webber five miles north of town on Amarillo road. Phone connections. 46tf

Seed Catalog—A postal will bring it. ROSWELL SEED CO.
45-tf Roswell, N. M.

For Sale—Twenty-seven cows, good quality and size.
Twelve miles north of Hereford.
46-3tp J. B. GAMBLE.

Cow For Sale—Good milk cow, giving at least two gallons per day. Part Jersey. Fresh, about June 1st, next.
J. M. REVEN,
46-2t At section house.

Wanted—An experienced man to get timber out of the canyon east of the city.
Keiser Brothers & Phillips.

For everything in popular and standard song, piano, violin and vocal studies, address
45-4t CHAS. V. KIRKPATRICK,
Amarillo Conservatory of Music.

The White Swan Grocery Company is selling gasoline at 20 cents per gallon and kerosine at 15 cents per gallon during their special sale.

Lost—A small black fur, between J. T. Holland's residence and the Methodist chuch, last Sunday night. Finder please leave at the News office.

The White Swan Grocery Company is selling gasoline at 20 cents per gallon and kerosine at 15 cents per gallon during their special sale

For Sale—One section of land six miles from Canyon City: also one-half section, mostly alfalfa land, one mile from town. Address "Land Owner No. 2" care of this office.

For Sale—Twenty head of good work stock, horses and mules. Also 27 head of good cows, and some farm machinery. Enquire at Younger place, southwest of town. 46-3tp

For Rent—80 acres nine miles south of Canyon City, the north half of S. E. quarter of section 40 block M6. Will rent for 3 years and give first crop for breaking. JULIA FENLON,
44 3tp David City, Neb.

Lost—In front of First National bank, a diamond ring. The ring has been recovered but the 2-karat diamond was gone. Return to First National bank and receive a handsome reward.

Be a News subscriber.

Isn't This Going Some.

Mantz & Peacock, the well-known land firm of Canyon City claim the proud distinction of being the most rapid developer of farming land propositions in the state.

Tuesday afternoon I. Mantz, of this company met Firm Saunders in Amarillo, took him out Wednesday and sold him a half section of land near Umbarger. Thursday, before leaving Canyon City the purchaser bought implements, mules and other livestock and poultry needed on the farm, together with lumber for a new house and barn and moved onto the land and is now busy farming. The family of the investor came with him from the north and today they present a scene of contented Panhandle dwellers under their own roof with bright hopes of the future.

Nina Items.

This writer has been examining rural wheat crops around Nina and he fails to find one crop that is badly damaged and the prospects are good for a big wheat crop yet.

Clay Ross who has been on a two weeks visit with his parents in Central Texas, returned the first of the week.

Professor Randall was in Canyon Saturday.

Will Rober and E. Stythe came back from New Mexico the last of the week.

The dance given by Mr. and Mrs. Charlie King on last Friday night was well attended, and a good time reported by all.

H. Waller and wife were in Canyon Saturday.

Joe Gamble and Dillman Thomas attended lodge at Happy last Saturday night for the first time. Gee, wasn't it fine.

Mr. Crawford and son came down from Iowa last week, bringing with them a gasoline plow outfit. We welcome them. There is room for others, so let them come.

Tom Wiggins of Bethel, was in Nina, Tuesday.

The Nina Sunday school meets every Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, also the Junior endeaver at 7:30 in the evening. Everybody invited. GUESS WHO.

To Entertain Book Club.

Mrs. David A. Park and Mrs. Sylvester L. Ingham will be the hostesses in an entertainment to be held next Monday evening at the Park home on West Evelyn street in this city at which time the members of the Ladies Book Club of this city will be the guests. Of course the "Dear Hubbies" of these ladies will have to go along in order to protect the ladies from the ghosts after night and not because they will be of any interest in the success of the entertainment. Invitations in the shape of hearts with arrows through them representing the valentine occasion, have been issued and in addition each person will wear some designation or badge which will represent the title of some book of note.

Civic Improvement Club.

The Civic Improvement Club did not meet last Monday afternoon as had been contemplated on account of the fact that every available room in the court house in which they could meet was occupied with people concerned with the court. The club will meet next Monday afternoon at three o'clock and a full attendance of the members is requested.

For Sale—A few young mules and two or three mares and horses. The prices are alright and you can see me at L. G. Conner's office on north side of the square.
46-tf JOHN KNIGHT.

Frank Lester made a business trip to Amarillo on Wednesday.

DISTRICT COURT ABOUT THROUGH

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with fine of $100 and costs.

The grand jury reports eight bills of indictment, four of which were transferred to the county court for trial.

Grand Jury files final report and are allowed their per diem, eight days each, a total of $192.

Bailiffs for grand jury allowed fees. Bob Steen, walking bailiff, 5 days, $7.50; T. D. Coffee, door bailiff, 9 days, $13.50; J. H. Jowell, walking bailiff, 9 days, $13.50 J. A. Tate, riding bailiff, 9 days, $22.50, A. James, riding baliff, 6 says, $15, W. N. Wesley, riding baliff 6, days, $15.

N. Thompson, No. 380, vs. Standard Trust Co.; defendant's general demurrer and special exceptions Nos. 2, 5, 8 and 12 of defendant's supplemental demurrers are overruled to which defendants excepts and defendant's special exceptions Nos. 1, 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12 are sustained and plaintiff excepts to ruling of court. Plaintiff ordered to file second amended petition within ten days after adjournment of court or cause will be dismissed.

General Electric Co., No. 300, vs. Canyon City Ice & Light Co., et al. All demurrers overruled and receiver is directed to pay C. P. Casey $35.40 for services as engineer at plant during portion of month of November, 1908. Cause continued on application of First National Bank of Canyon, one of defendants.

W. B. Banning, No. 380, vs. J. D. Bybee, et al. Plaintiff's motion to dismiss as to defendants Johnson and Webb sustained and cause continued until next term.

Sallie Barnard, No. 371, vs. R. A. Dobbs, damages, dismissed for want of prosecution.

Good quality calling cards—100 25 cents.

Wealth and Marbles.

"Why get together any more money?" asked a friend of the late Russell Sage. "You can't eat it. You can't drink it. What good will it do you?"

"Ever play marbles?" Uncle Russell asked.

"Yes, when I was a boy."

"Couldn't eat 'em, could you? Couldn't drink 'em, could you? No use to you, were they? What did you play marbles for?"

He Kept the Secret.

When the teacher was absent from the schoolroom Willie Jones wrote on the blackboard:

"Willie Jones can hug the girls better than any boy in school."

"William, did you write that?" asked the teacher upon her return.

"Yes, ma'am."

"Well, you may stay after school as punishment."

"Got a licking, didn't you?" asked one boy when Willie came out.

"Nope."

"Got jawed?" asked another.

"Nope."

"What did she do?"

"Shan't tell, but it pays to advertise."

Good Little Girl.

A Christian mother was once showing her little girl, about five years old, a picture representing Jesus holding an infant in his arms, while the mothers were pushing their children toward him.

"There, Carrie," said her mother, "this is what I would have done with you if I had been there."

"I wouldn't be pushed to Jesus; I'd go to him without pushing."

Malicious Adiposity.

"Fat men are no account for soldiering," said the late General Shafter. "They pant, they wheeze, they snort, they choke, they grunt, they groan, they waddle, they slouch through the world. Not a particle of good on earth, fat soldiers. Would not have one of 'em around if I could help it."

"Er—but—er—you would not exactly—er—call yourself slight, would you, general?" a venturesome major asked.

"Hell, no! I've been a fat, blobby old nuisance ever since the day I tipped the beam at over 200 pounds, and right then I ought to've been court martialed and cashiered for outrageous and malicious adiposity, sir, for scandalous corpulence to the prejudice of military discipline!"

Bottled.

"Everything was fine," said the farmer when he got back home from his first visit to the city—"everything was fine except the light. They kept the light burning in my room all night long, a thing I ain't used to, and I couldn't sleep on account of it."

"Why didn't you blow it out?" asked his wife.

"Blow it out? How could I? The blame thing was inside a bottle!"

The first prisoner who has been in our county jail for many months was placed in there yesterday afternoon by the sheriff's department having arrested a Mexican who got hold of some "bug juice" some where and became much intoxicated. From reports the "aqua caliente" made the Mexican "mucho baracheo" and he will have to donate to the county exchequer this morning or continue to board with the sheriff.

J. M. Rockwell of Houston was in this city the first of this week looking after some of his lumber interests here. He was accompanied by Messrs. Cloud of Albany and Broadley of Cisco.

Mrs. Thomas H. Rowan was among those who attended the performance of the play of "The Lion and the Mouse" at the Grand Opera house in Amarillo this week.

Rev. J. M. Harder left Monday afternoon for Cooke county where he went for the purpose of attending a pastors reunion. He was formerly the pastor of a Baptist church in that county.

Burette Burrow, the brother of C. R. Burrow, has arrived in this city from Quanah and will be with the Canyon Lumber Company in the future.

Joe H. Garrison is at home and will spend the next few weeks here before again taking up the immigration business.

Mrs. John Rowan, Jr., who has been very sick, is reported as being much improved during the past few days.

W. W. Syfert of Happy was on our streets looking after business interests this week.

Mrs. John Travis passed through Canyon last Tuesday from Plainview to Amarillo, her home.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear Oles, the violinist last night at the opera house speak most enthusiastically of the programme. His rendition of the Classics and the home melodies easily place him foremost as a thorough musican and artist. The vocal selections of Miss Donald and the readings of Mrs. Shaw were very happily received, and entertaining.

J. B. Greenfield of Umbarger was in the city Wednesday and was a caller at this office. To the News man he stated that he was very busy on his place plowing for spring crops which he expects to sow.

Mr. Carter of Ashford, Illinois, has been in this city this week the guest of F. C. Coyle.

Cotton Rags Wanted.

This office will pay five cents per pound for clean cotton rags delivered at this office.

Stallion for Sale.

Imported English Coach Stallion, dark bay in color, weighs about 1250 pounds. Inquire at this office. 46-3tp

Notice to Automobilists.

The law prohibits a greater speed than eight miles per hour within the city limits. This law will be enforced.
44-4t B. H. SANFORD, Sheriff.

Neckwear, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs

Canyon Tailoring Co.
CLEANING AND PRESSING ETC., ETC.
South Side of Square.

Belts, Cuff Buttons, Post Cards

THE PEOPLE

of our city always want the best and that is why they use
Chase & Sanborn's Teas and Coffees.

One trial will convince you that these goods are what you want and that you will have to other.

WE WANT YOUR TRADE

Remember Our Aim: Prompt delivery, courteous treatment and satisfaction guaranteed.

OUR PRICES ARE REASONABLE

as we only expect a living profit. In fact, we ought to charge more than we do.

The White Swan Grocery Co.
DAWSON BROS. PROPRIETORS

OPERA HOUSE

Special

Miss Estelle Horne

who appeared as "Dora" in Dora Thorne,
WILL BE SEEN HERE ON
Monday Night, the 15th
IN THE GREAT PLAY

"The Mansion of Aching Hearts"

supported by Edward C. Horne and the best local talent of Hereford.

GET YOUR SEATS EARLY.

Specialties Between Acts.

GENERAL ADMISSION:

Children 25c
Adults 35c
Reserved Seats 50c

AT THE CITY PHARMACY.

WILL BREAK LARGE TRACT.

Nebraska Farmers Will Use Gasoline Plow in Putting Two Sections of Land in Cultivation.

People in this country do not do things by small means. When they do anything at all they want it to be on a large scale. Gus Isenberg, Henry Jenson and Henry Hemstreet of Emerson, Nebraska, are on their way to this county for the purpose of making their homes among us.

They have ordered and now have on the way to this place a gasoline plow outfit for the purpose of breaking up and putting into cultivation two sections of land which they own about ten miles east from Happy. They are successful farmers and have made a study of the proper methods of farming in districts such as ours is and no doubt they will make a great success of their venture. They propose to raise feed crops during the first year.

Ceta Rustlings.

Mrs. Edd Wesley is entertaining her aunt, Mrs. Clara Smith and daughter, from Georgia.

Mr. Pairton and family spent Sunday with E. M. Beasley and family.

Ison Hollibaugh, Jr., and wife spent Sunday with J. A. Currie and wife.

R. Dobbs and wife spent several days of last week at Canyon City.

William Zick has been on the sick list.

P. C. Buckner and William Lemons attended the horse sale at Canyon Saturday.

Glen Marquess and wife are entertaining the formers mother, Mrs. Marquess from Carrington, Indiana.

Sunday school was organized at the school house with the following officers elected: Mr. Breithaupt, superintendent; Mr. I. Hushaw, assistant; Mrs. Adda Donaly, secretary; Miss Minnie Walter, organist; Mrs. Hushaw, as treasurer. Mr. Breithaupt, teacher for the seinor class; Mrs. I. Hushaw boys class; Mrs. Buckner, the infant class. Several classes are yet without teachers. We hope all will consider this their school and come out and lend a hand. The school will meet at half past two, each Sunday.

Mr. I. Hushaw and Mr. Hammond were callers at Happy, Monday.

Mr. Taylor, from Swisher county, spent several days this week at Ceta.

Quite a crowd of young people gathered at the home of Mr. Hushaw and enjoyed themselves singing Sunday evening.

Mrs. W. B. Walters and daughter, Miss Minnie spent last Friday with Mrs. Mark Wesley.

A Trip to Emma.

Leaving Canyon Monday evening in company with Mr. Winder, of Leonard, we landed in Plainview on time. The next morning by 8 o'clock we were properly packed in the mail hack, but it was mostly a "male" load.

On we went the full length of the day, changing mules—that is they were called mules, four times. So at last finding ourselves in the beautiful little town of Emma, the county site of Crosby county. Emma is, and will be hindered in growth by two things, which has hindered many of our western towns:

First, Men owning large tracts of land adjacent to town and will not sell it out.

Second, The town itself is laid off big enough for a Dallas, or a Fort Worth, that is the business part imaginarilly. They have moved the residence part back so far that it is like living in different towns from one side to another. And a business man told me that most all these hundreds of lots were off the market, waiting for higher prices. That is the way to kill the town or move it to some other place.

High price lots, or no price at all is hindering the growth of many of our towns. Every lot that is sold increases the price of the other lot beyond it. Because you can buy a lot in Tulia, is one reason she is growing faster than any other town on the plains today.

So we spent the night in the leading hotel—but one there, and caught the mail hack as she came sweeping through from the growing little town of Crosbyton, the end of the mail line. It took us all day to make Plainview, stopping at Petersburg for dinner. There is a railroad excitement, and we got there just in time to see the old town moved to the new one. The last stubborn signature was placed on the agreement to move the town about five minutes after our arrival, hence joy in the town.

BY BYE.

Bayless Rector came down from Kansas City this week and is shipping his household goods to that place having decided to locate in Kansas City on account of business reasons. He still likes Canyon City, however, and it is possible that he may return here at some future date.

G. L. Rhodes, editor of the Dahlgren Echo of Dahlgren, Ill., a brother of Mrs. A. N. Henson of this city gives our paper quite a "blow up" in a recent letter in which he says: "It is certainly an improvement over the old one." He has been getting the News for several years.

With The City Churches.

The churches of the city invite all persons to attend the services at their various places of worship. The times of the regular meetings are given below.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, 7:00. Sunday school 10 a. m. D. A. Park Supt., Miss Angie Meyers Sec. Senior League Sunday 4 p. m., Dr. F. M. Wilson, Leader. Junior League Sunday 3 p. m, Mrs. John Hibdon, Leader. Home Mission Society Tuesday afternoon at church, Mrs. John Hibdon, President.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Rev. J. B. White, Pastor. Services Sunday morning 11 o'clock and evening at 7:00. Sunday School—9:45 a. m. Lee Vansant, Supt., Travis Shaw, Secretary. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:00. Choir practice Friday 7:00 p. m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. J. S. Groves, Pastor. Regular services at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and 7:00 o'clock Sunday evening. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 8:00 o'clock. Sunday School 10 a. m. H. J. Cavet, Supt., Miss Frankie Gober, Sec. Junior Endeavor Society, 4:15 Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Nixon, Leader. Senior Endeavor Society, 6:30 Sunday evening, Miss Bessie Groves, Pres.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

Services Sunday a. m., 11 o'clock and Sunday p. m., 7 o'clock. Wednesday evening testimonial service at 7 p. m. V. Edna Henson, C. S., first reader. Sunday school 10:15 a. m. All children under 20, welcome. Only teachers, officers and children present. Mrs. Ava R. Hall, superintendent.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. J. M. Harder, Pastor. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:00. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. J. C. Hunt, Supt., Miss Columbia Redfearn Sec. Ladies' Aid Society meets at pastor's home every first and third Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. J. A. Harbison, president, Mrs. Carl Coffee, secretary.

"Lincoln Day" will be observed today at the Christain Science Reading room subject, "Freedom" The program will consist of prayer, music, vocal and instrumental, readings from the Bible and correlative passages from Science and Health, the commentary of Christian Scientists.

Ed Wicker, formerly the host at the Victoria Hotel in this city but now a resident of Waxahachie, was in this city this week in attendance upon the District Court, he being a witness in one of the cases before Hizzonner.

Sheriff R. H. Sanford is entertaining Wilbur H. Young of Austin this week, not in an official capacity however.

Fred Sheehy of Sutton, Nebraska, was one of the well pleased visitors in this city during the past week. He purchased lands east of this city and expects to improve it as soon as possible.

"The Mansion of Aching Hearts" at the opera house Monday night. See Michael and Lavina. They will make you laugh.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

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Bryan's Commoner and The News, both one year $1.80.

Miss Vivian Howard of Clinton, Illinois, is in the city the guest of her sister, Mrs. Botkin.

"Soul" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon at the Christian Science Reading Room, Sunday, Feb. 14.

Judge J. L. Penry and his partner L. B. Mitchell of Amarillo were in the city the first of the week.

G. A. Gosser of Amarillo was in Canyon City last week on business. He thinks that Canyon is certainly growing substantially.

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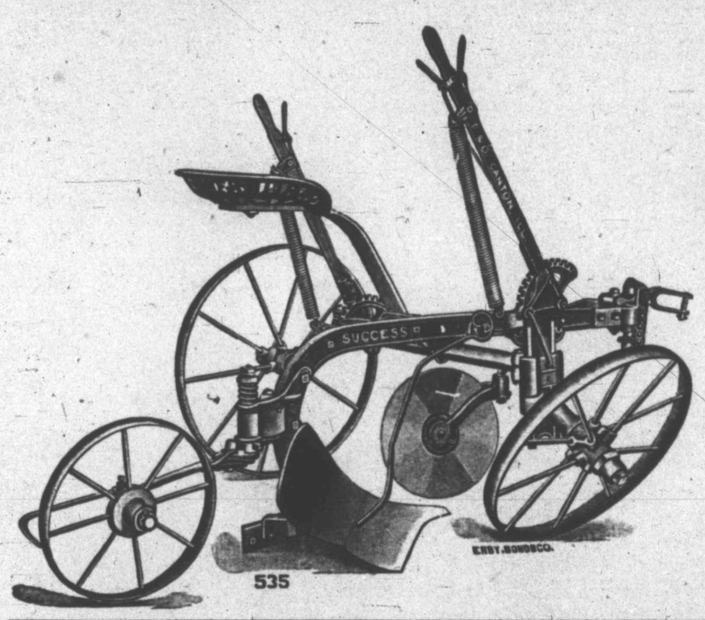
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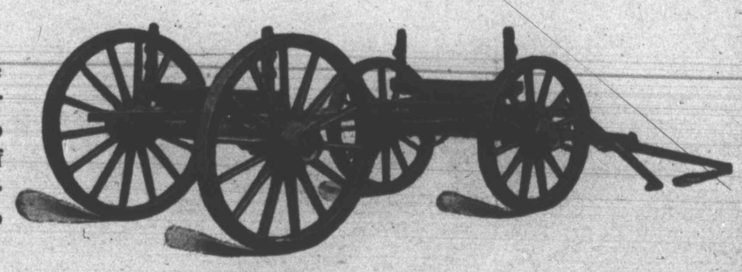
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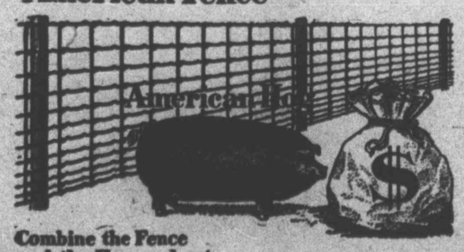
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