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# Colorado Record

Colorado, Texas, December 15, 1911.



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# Our Holiday Display



## THE STORE OF QUALITY

GREETs its multitude of friends and customers these joyous Holidays, wishing them all the happiest season and the most prosperous year of their lives, and takes occasion to assure them this store is better than ever prepared to serve them. The stock is larger and more varied than we have ever carried. We bought with the flattering prospects of a large cotton crop in mind, but the depression of the cotton market finds us with much of the stock on our hands we had expected to sell by the Holidays.

### In Casting About for a Suitable Present Christmas

#### Why Not Select Something Useful--Something to Wear?

Nothing would be more seasonable or more acceptable. . . . We are going to make extra efforts and offer special inducements from now until the end of the Holidays to reduce our immense stock of Dry Goods, Clothing and Gents' Furnishings.

This store has set the pace in what is correct and best for the past twenty-two years. If it's from Adams', that's the Hall Mark of all that goes to give perfect satisfaction.

It would be useless to undertake to give prices. Space is too limited and time too short for that. The price will be one of the most attractive features of this store—first class goods at the price of inferior.

#### In Clothing

We handle the celebrated Hart, Schaffner & Marx and Stein Bloch Makes, for men, and the Viking Brand for Boys. These goods are familiar to everybody. A suit of any of these brands means to be correctly dressed, no matter about the price you pay. They all have that distinctive set and shape, which stays as long as they can be worn. This is because they are thoroughly and honestly made of the very best stuff.

#### Wilson and Eagle Shirts

Are too well known to waste any space upon here. Thousands of satisfied wearers attest their merit.

THE BLUMENTHAL and SIMMONS GLOVES; ROYAL WORCESTER CORSET and McCALL PATTERNS, ARE ONLY A FEW OF OUR STANDARDS.



#### Our Shoe Lines

Have always been our hobby. Nothing so marks good taste in dress as the shoes one wears. We handle the following well-established and tested makes:

EDWIN CLAPP fine shoes for discriminating men—men who appreciate the best.

THE WALK-OVER SHOES for those who desire comfort and service above looks and style.

THE ROYAL BLUE SHOE for men who want lasting service above all else.

THE ULTRA SHOE for women who want the latest dictates of Dame Fashion.

THE ROCKPORT SHOE for both looks and service, and the

HAMILTON BROWN SHOE, with which the entire family can be outfitted, combining the good qualities of all other makes of shoes.

#### Men's Haberdashery

Is our strong line. Everything that correct and "latest out" will be found here. Hats, Caps, Hosiery, Collars, Fancy Vests, Scarfs, and every accessory and novelty of a gentleman's toilette here.

Come Examine Our Showing of This Season's Best Goods

# Chas. M. Adam

The Store of Quality



**COLORADO BUILT ON SUCCESS-FOR AGRICULTURE.**

The real economic history of Mitchell county and Colorado on an agricultural basis did not begin until the beginning of the present century. Prior to 1901 a farm was a rare occurrence in Mitchell county. One could ride over the prairies all day without seeing ploughed land. Practically all of the agricultural development has taken place since that time. When the first cotton gin was put in the promoters were regarded as catering to a demand that would have to be created. Now, despite the three short crops which occurred in succession, the country is spotted with cotton gins, while all the railroad towns have two and Colorado and Loraine have three each. This is an evidence of the growth and development of the cotton industry. Just a few years ago one or two cotton buyers took care of all that was marketed in this place, while now a dozen is not considered too many.

The town today is on a more solid and enduring foundation than ever before. Agriculture is the very mud-sill of our or any country's prosperity or greatness, and purely agricultural districts are the most independent, stable, safest and patriotic of any other. As a rule it is free from strikes and is not torn or disturbed by the violent economic and social

convulsions that so often occur in mining and manufacturing centers. The people are not herded and crowded into cheap or unsanitary houses, but live, largely, in their own homes and think and act for themselves. The conditions of living are better in agricultural districts, and although big cities are not built up in strictly farming districts, yet it is the safest and most permanent basis on which to build. Manufacturing sites may be thousands of miles from the place of production of the raw material and flourish, cities built on mining booms may pass away and be forgotten, lumber cities change as the forests are mowed down and cut by the mills; but a town builded on the everlasting foundation of successful agriculture is founded on a rock. No fluctuations of the market stop the wheels of its industry and throw men out of employment; no strike riots or frenzied politics disturb the stable quiet of its social conditions or make it a hotbed for all sorts of socialistic pipe dreams and treasonable propaganda. It is not burdened with the support of almshouses, asylums and other eleemosynary institutions, nor do the failures of a few banking houses in New York or London send terror to the hearts of its people. For the farmers are the creators of the wealth of the world. They are the only creators. The manufacturer multiplies the value of what the farmer has created, but would be

helpless and useless without the raw product. The miner creates no new wealth; he only finds what has existed for thousands of years and is never renewed. The lumberman only destroys the forests; he never replaces them. But the farmer, year after year on the same soil creates wealth that did not exist before.

**Other Crops.**

But the cotton crop of Mitchell county is by no means the only trump card. With the exception of Indian corn all other crops do better here than under the same conditions at a lower altitude and in a more humid climate. The milo maize and Kaffir Corn feed crops are coming to be recognized at their true worth. They have been proven to be superior, as a well balanced ration for work and all other stock, to corn, fodder or oats, and the stock greatly prefer it. So fast are these feed crops winning favor that the farmers of the corn growing sections of central Texas are shipping in great quantities of both milo maize and Kaffir corn to feed their stock. This crop is beginning to find a regular market in every little town, where regular buyers are to be found. The value of any crop depends upon the certainty of turning it into money. This fact prompts the farmer to take care of his cotton crop, even to the neglect of every other. He knows every pound he can take to market

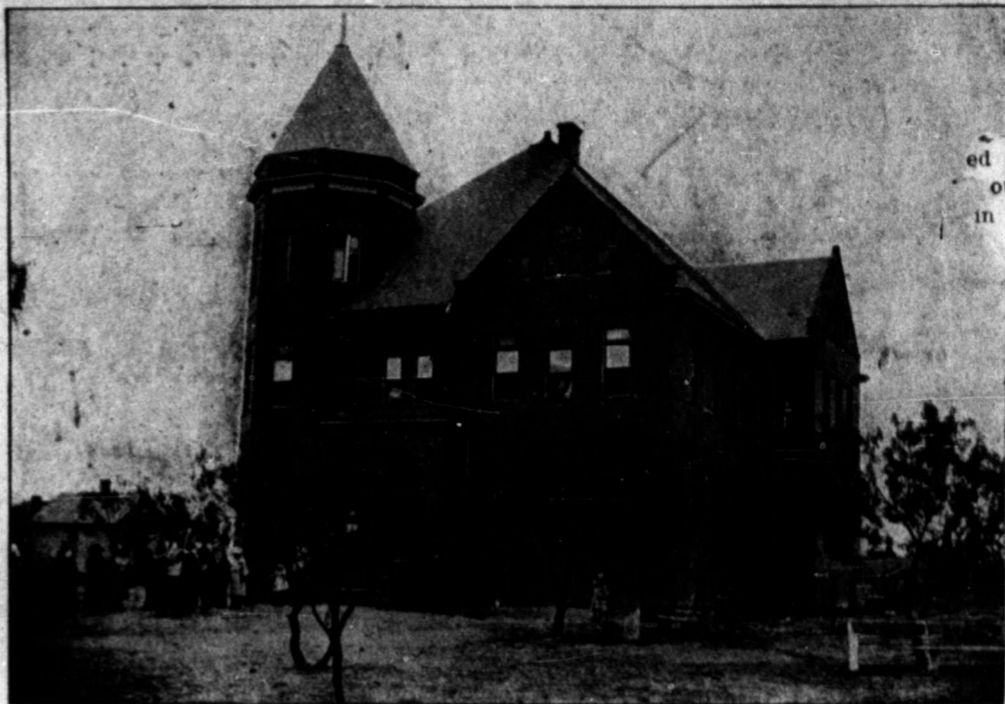
means so much money in hand. When as ready a market can be found for any other crop as the cotton crop commands, the farmer will turn to it readily, because no other crop costs him as much time and money as cotton.

With good roads, to the importance of which Mitchell county is speedily coming alive, and a general diversification of crops, Colorado will become the market for all the farm products in the territory tributary. The merchants will learn that the people send much money out of the country to mail order houses because they were ignorant of the fact that the goods they wanted were carried by the home merchants; while the farmer will learn that he can secure standard goods from the Colorado merchant just as cheaply as he can in Chicago and Kansas City. This publicity will bring about a condition of mutual understanding and spirit of helpfulness that will keep thousands of dollars at home and direct them in the channels of local trade.

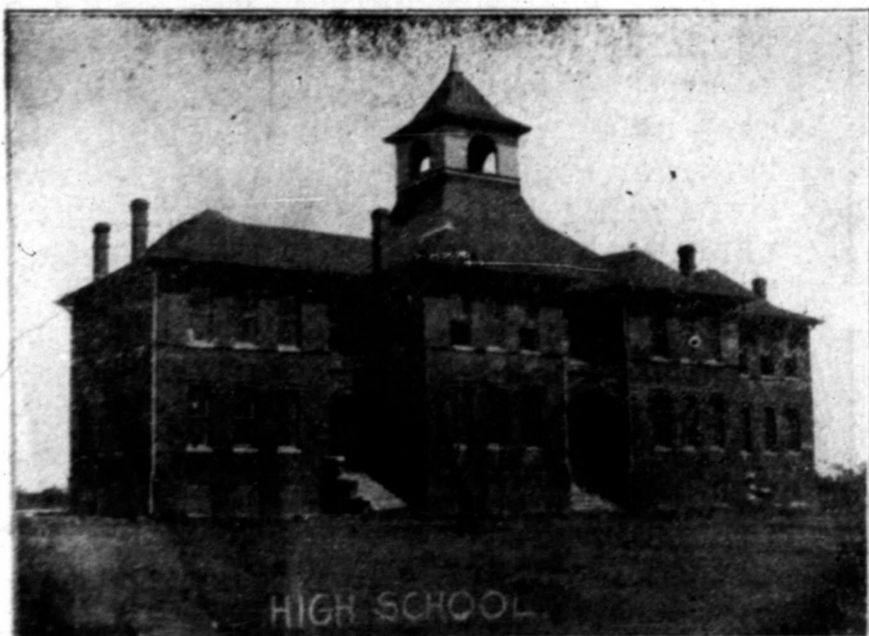
**Sought Other Fields for Investment.**

Colorado has contributed more men, in proportion to the size of the town, to the upbuilding of other cities, than any other in the state of Texas, without doubt. Half dozen of the leading men in banking and realty circles of the city of Fort Worth today, laid the foundations and accumulated much of their fortunes while in the city of Col-

orado. Among them may be mentioned: Winfield Scott, Geo. A. O'Keef, Ben J. Tiller, A. B. Robertson, Jake McCall, Geo. Colvin, C. S. Knott, and others, if less prominent, but all men of capital and energy, who build up wherever they go. Had these men, like



One of Colorado's Ward School Buildings.



The High School Building which was destroyed by fire a year ago, but is being replaced by a much finer and more extensive, three-story fire-proof structure, to cost \$25,000



A picturesque spot, nine miles north-east of New Mexico, top of this mountain is magnificent. The place equipped with niggers, outings and other pleasure excursions. Comanche chief.

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# Eating Is a Large Part of Life

And More Comfort Depends On It Than Any Other One Thing. Health and Happiness Go Hand-in-Hand With Wholesome Food

WE have always been headquarters in Colorado for the best to be had in the Staple and Fancy Groceries line. We keep standard lines of goods and always have them fresh.

## Provided for This Christmas More Generously Than for Any Before

Groceries has never been so complete, embracing everything that the market affords, prices as low as the best in the country.

A feature of good dining but it can be found in our store. We can cater to the taste of the most sumptuous repast. Make out your list and phone in for a few moments later.

begin an enumeration of the things we have to offer you; a personal inspection and variety of our stock.

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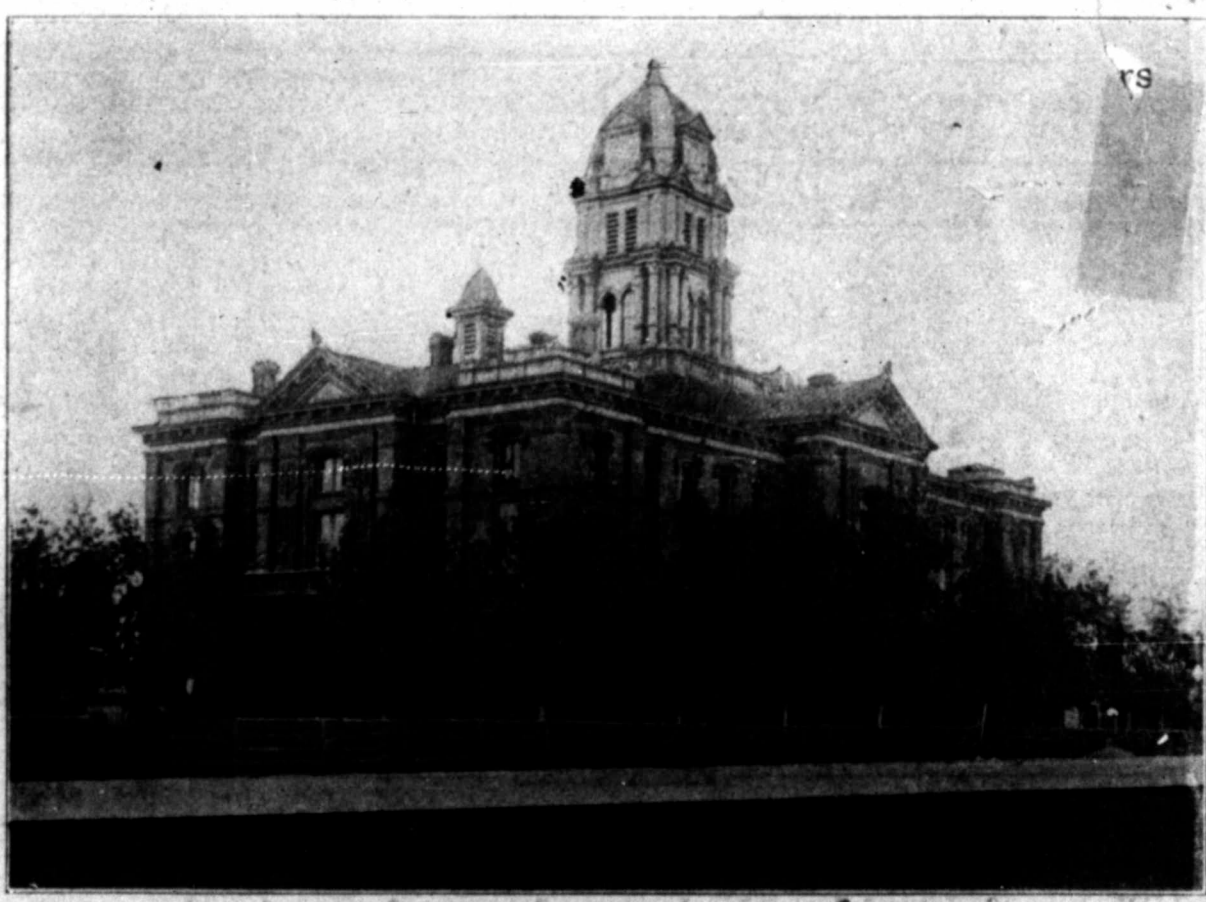
The Home of the Colorado Record.

INTO ITS OWN, AND BECOME ONE OF THE MOST  
ATTRACTIVE, PROFITABLE AND PLEASANT  
SECTIONS IN ALL THIS GREAT NATION. IT HAS  
SEEN ITS BELIEF COMING TRUE, AS EVERY  
YEAR BRINGS US NEARER TO THAT CONDITION.  
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COME BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH THE TRUE  
CONDITIONS IN THIS COUNTRY.

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Best agricultural county on  
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Prosperous and contented  
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Mitchell County Court House.

## City of Colorado

The happy medium of altitude and  
perfection of climate; the world's  
natural sanitarium. A city of mag  
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not increased during the past 25 years;  
the methods of culture have been  
adapted to the rainfall and climatic  
conditions. There is no better farm  
ing country than Mitchell county. It  
is matchless from the viewpoints of  
beauty, fertility, and productiveness.  
For more than ten years farming has  
been the chiefest industry, and where  
ten years ago one might ride half a  
day without seeing one furrow of  
ploughed ground, today, the landscape  
is dotted with well tilled farms and  
comfortable homes.  
Climate, soil and moisture—that  
trinity of factors which determine the  
value of any section as an agricultu  
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mate at \$1,000 per acre and throws in  
the land for a chromo. In Mitchell  
county, better land is sold for \$15 to  
\$20 per acre, and a far more glorious  
climate thrown in for health.  
Through endless ages the lush grass  
and other vegetation have grown un  
disturbed over the endless reaches of  
this high plateau, to wave in the wind,  
to lie down in autumn, to decompose,  
and in the economy of nature's evolu  
tion to create soil, rich beyond com

pare, and a more abiding source of  
wealth than mine or factory. Veritable  
beds of gold; for the richest gold mine  
of Colorado is soon depleted, while the  
wealth contained in the rich soil of  
Mitchell county is inherent and inex  
haustible.  
The progress in development the  
county has made during the past ten  
years will be negligible compared  
with what it will make the next ten  
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farming under systematic and intelli  
gent irrigation becomes more and  
more a certainty. All over the country  
farmers are putting in experimental  
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larged as conditions warrant. It is  
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can be made from ten acres well cul  
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amount of land worked under the old  
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all classes of farmers. The certainty  
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pense, are points that are opening the  
eyes of many to the advantages of ir  
rigation, even on a small scale.  
Better roads have also worked a

great advantage to the Mitchell coun  
ty farmer. This county voted on the  
issue of \$30,000 in bonds to improve  
and maintain good roads, and the  
work already done has been of the  
most permanent character. This les  
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the county from market, while the  
item of time saved in going to and fro  
is a considerable one. To be on a  
good road leading to market increas  
es the value of any farm at least one  
dollar per acre.  
Mitchell county is peculiarly a cot  
ton county, though admirably adapted  
to the raising of feed stuffs, all-vine  
products, and fruit. There are about  
as many head of cattle in the county  
now as during the boom days; they  
are in smaller holdings and are fed  
instead of allotted five to ten acres to  
one cow. Broom corn and peanuts  
are crops that do well and command a  
good price. The nation's supply of  
broom corn now comes from Oklaho  
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New Mexico. Much of the crop this  
season commanded as high as \$150 to  
\$200 per ton.  
There is here a variety of soils,  
from the red and black sandy loam,  
black waxy and stiff red, all of unsur  
passed fertility. There is a class of  
land known as salinery, which is of  
a deep, sandy nature, admirably fitted  
for fruit and truck raising; indeed,

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INDUSTRIES.

upon agriculture alone bases its prosperity. Potentialities have by no means been overlooked.

There was nothing between the railroads and the more valuable land in Mexico. The burning bright, attractive, wintery scene of the canals and gardens.

Today there are \$250,000 worth of manufacturing property, supporting a good part of the greater part of the town and affording a market for the raw material raised by the farmer. The cotton seed oil mill and compress, have been a great help to the town. The law requires that cotton must be compressed at the first compress on the route of shipment, and as this is the westernmost location of a compress, all cotton going to Galveston or other port, must be compressed at Colorado.

The Colorado Salt Works, up to its destruction by fire, was a valuable industrial asset of the town. It was a valuable property, worth conservatively \$275,000, and giving employment to 30 to 50 people night and day the year round.

It is unthinkable that such a valuable property will not be quickly rebuilt, especially when the most valuable part of the plant was uninjured by the fire.

The salt works of Carrington & Co., who own the Lone Star Salt Works, at Grand Saline, Texas, and still more extensive works at Hutchinson, Kansas, though shut down for the past several months, is a valuable asset and maintains a good pay roll when running. Only one grade of salt is manufactured by this plant, and when a surplus has been produced the plant is shut down until that grade is again needed.

One of the most successful of the industries of Colorado, and one which has not only brought profit to its owners, but attracted attention to the town, is the magnificent steam laundry, conducted by Davis & Avery.

When the question of locating a laundry here was first discussed, there were many who did not think it could be made to pay. "The work would be argued. Before this had been sent to Fort Collins. True, it was not that now is, but the fault of the industry, more of its management.

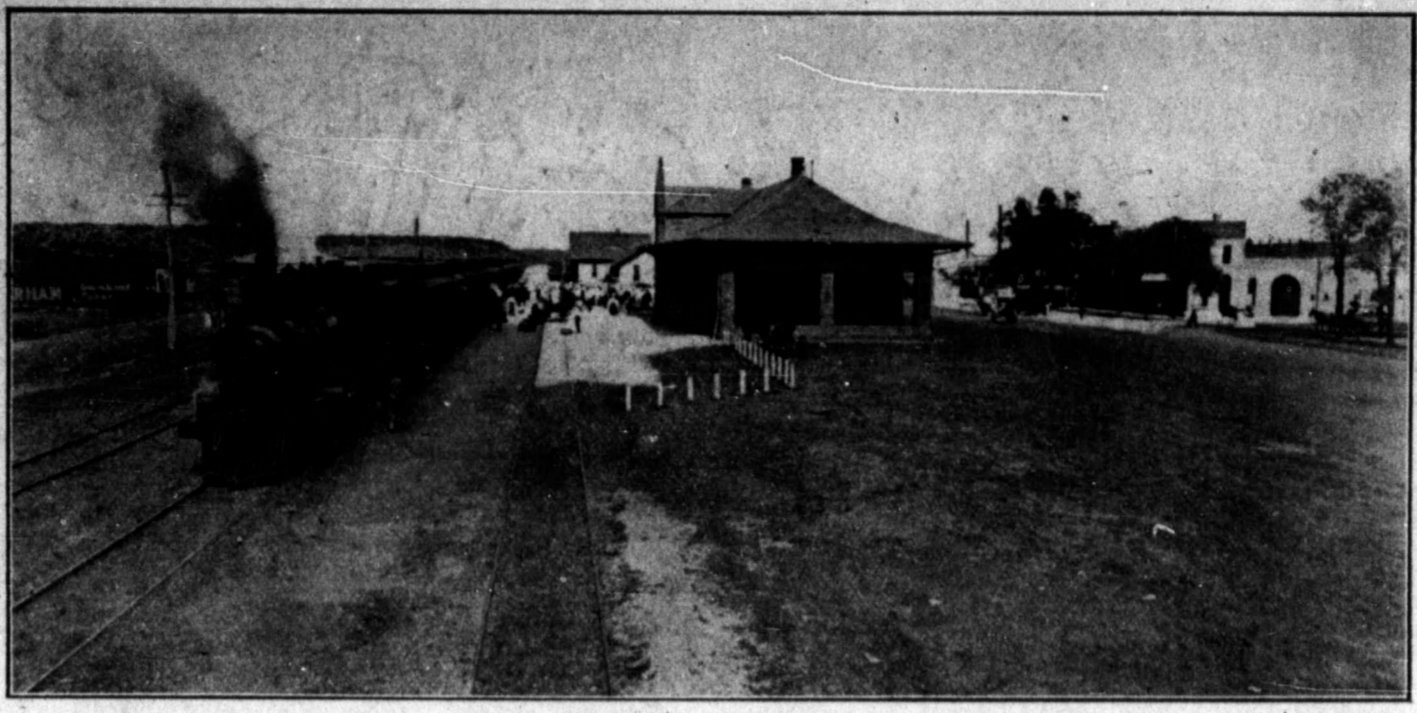
At the time the present proprietors charge there were a number of laundries along the Texas & Pacific road doing a strictly local business. Nearly all of these have been closed down and agents of the Colorado Steam Laundry have taken their places. Fifty to sixty baskets are regularly sent out every week to towns along the line of the T & P road. The capacity of the plant is taxed to its utmost, yet every piece of work that leaves the plant is done with scrupulous care. The laundry supports a pay roll of from fifteen to twenty men and women.

Besides the ice plant of the Colorado Salt Company, there is another owned by the citizens of the town, in connection with which there is a modern creamery. This utility was put in a year and a half ago, since that time conditions have not been such that a fair test has been made of the creamery. There is always a greater demand for milk and butter than the country around has been able to supply, and the demand for a creamery has always been patent. The past two years, however, have not been favorable to the dairy industry, owing to a lack of good pasture, and the consequent unwillingness of the farmers to invest in more and better cows, with the prospect of having to buy feed for them. This, manifestly, would not pay. But with good pasturage again, and an increased demand for the products of the creamery, together with greater transportation facilities, by reason of better roads, there is no doubt the creamery will hereafter prove a profitable proposition.

The Colorado Ice Company has a small ice plant costing \$16,000 which has been run but one season. The capacity of the plant is ten tons and effort has yet been made to supply the home market with ice.

Since the emergence of the town and its collapse with the cattle boom policy has been a conservative one in all economic matters. It has found salvation from its Lucifer-fall in 1885 by fruits meet for remembrance. Its prominence and prosperity as a cattle town was built upon theory and tradition; today it is based upon the eternal bedrock of an agriculture, which is the very foundation of a nation's greatness and stability.

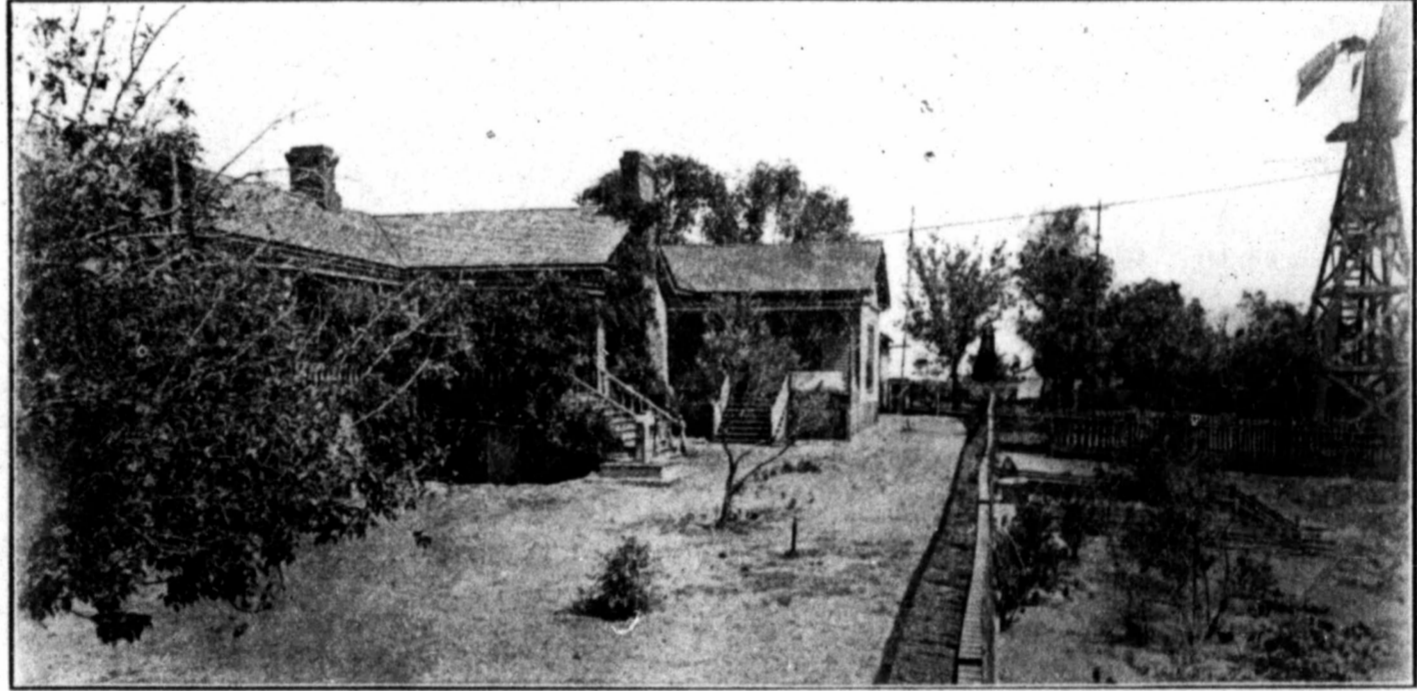
The cattle boom days of the town, made was drawn from a radius of miles, though the greater part of the trade territory was in the hands of rival towns.



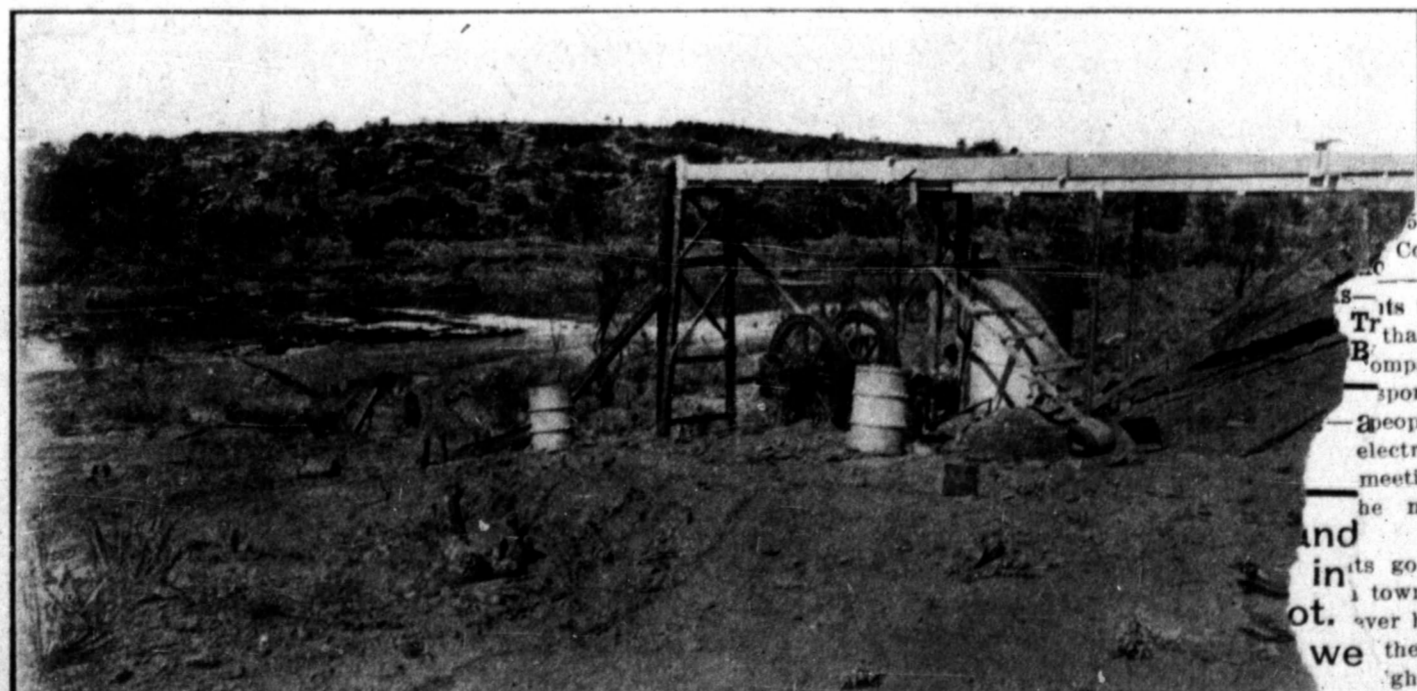
**TEXAS & PACIFIC PASSENGER STATION.**  
Colorado has a magnificent passenger station, of Pecos sand stone, costing \$15,000. There is no finer structure on the Texas & Pacific road West of Fort Worth.



**PROPOSED SITE OF LONE WOLF DAM.**  
Competent engineers have estimated that a dam at the above site would make a lake two miles long, affording ample water for all domestic and industrial purposes, at a cost not exceeding \$12,000.00.



**Residence of W. W. Watson.**  
The country home of Mr. Watson and the section and a half of fine farming land he owns, adjoins the corporate limits of the town.



**IRRIGATION PLANT.**  
Three miles from the Colorado river, Dr. N. J. Phenix has installed a 20-horse power gasoline engine, and with the water pumped from the river, irrigates about twenty acres of land. This plant is fast becoming a valuable property, and has proven that irrigation can be made profitable here.

which have been built up by the construction of railroads, yet the aggregate number of people who now buy their goods and supplies in Mitchell county is as great as when Colorado's trade covered an empire. But ten years ago there was scarcely a farm in the county that could be called a home; and what were here looked more like the camp of a squatter than a fixed abode. In this good year of 1911, outside the great body of land in the southern part of the county, which have resisted division and sale to the small farmer, nearly three-fourths of the area of the county has been brought under the plow, and the town enjoys a well-cultivated trade territory, fully able to sustain a town of three or four times its present size.

The re-incorporation of the town in 1907 was the longest step taken in advance since the "boom days." The town has kept fully abreast of the march of civic development. It has pursued an even course of conservatism; but in that time nearly \$1,000,000 have been added to the taxable values on the assessor's role.

The aggressiveness and progressive spirit of the business circles of Colorado find their most effective medium of activity through the Commercial Club. This organization is a revival of the older one with new members and an appreciative spirit. Doing the past four years the town has been instrumental in doing much for the town and county. Not least of its accomplishments is the beautiful and substantial Pecos sandstone passenger depot which graces the right of way on Front street. By the co-operation of the Commercial Club and a progressive city council, the streets have been graded and more miles of concrete sidewalk laid than in any town of the same size.

Bonds have recently been voted by a majority of three to one for the rebuilding of a \$20,000 high school building destroyed by fire. This, with a large and elegant central school building, an advanced school building, gives ample facilities for the younger people of Colorado to acquire a sound education.

In public utilities, the town is much above the average. Two of the soundest national banks in West Texas are here, two large salt works, ice factory, supplying many of the surrounding towns, one telephone system, a light and power plant, steam laundry, ice cream factory, concrete works, three up-to-the-minute gins, two large wholesale grocery concerns, with representatives covering the entire southwest Texas and New Mexico, a modern and fully equipped printing plant, with a machine, etc., besides a number of smaller industries.

Such are the general material features of the city of Colorado, but they can fully set forth the spirit of democratic hospitality and ingenious friendliness that prevades the people. Seven churches, well supported and largely attended, attest the religious and moral atmosphere of the place. An organization of Christian men, of all denominations, have built the most commodious tabernacle in West Texas, and have regular services every Sunday. The young man from home has every safeguard that religion and good morals can extend to him.

There are many beautiful homes, surrounded by well-kept lawns and ornamental trees, which latter grow to perfection in this soil and climate, while the sanitary conditions of the public streets if often remarked by a visitor to the town. The professor and business men of Colorado take easy rank with the ablest of the state affords, and no citizen of the town needs an apology for his part in any program.

There was a time when the imputation could be laid against the town that it was at the best, "dormant" but it is now galvanized into a force that is making the best of its position. It had so long been a "made to order" article, that it has roused itself into an order by wheel. Chicago tailors.

**Ed. V. Price & Co.**  
Come in and inspect our reliable Price woolens today, and select the most comfortable looking one in the lot for your Raincoat or Overcoat. Any of these fabrics can be water-proofed. Their service value is extraordinary but their cost is moderate.

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WILL PLANT FLAX.

C. E. Parks Will Plant Twenty Acres of This Crop as an Experiment.

In conversation this week with C. E. Parks, who, by the way, is one of the most progressive men in our town, and who owns a farm in the Canyon community, he stated that it was his intention to plant at least twenty acres of flax on his farm next year.

Mr. Parks stated that he was going to plant it as an experiment. It has never been tried in this section of the plains, but further north it was tried last year with a considerable degree of success. The farmer who planted it in that section will this year largely increase his acreage.

Mr. Parks is familiar with the production of this crop, having seen a great deal of it in Kansas, where it is proving a very profitable crop. He states that he will plant ten acres early and ten a few weeks later, so as to ascertain the best time to plant to get the best results. He believes that this will become one of the best crops of this country. It is quick to mature, and one good rain will grow it and mature it. He says the seed is the main source of revenue, and even at half the price the seed are bringing at the present time, the industry could be made profitable.

Mr. Parks has great faith in this country. He says that what we need is more farmers, and that in order to get them we must be able to show them that there is a living, and a good one, here for them. Therefore the more crops we can get to grow here the better. He is willing to spend a few dollars demonstrating, but fully believes at the same time that it will be a wedge that will be an eye-opener to the farmers of the states north, and even to farmers in parts of this state.

Few crops have been undertaken in this country that grow successfully in Kansas, Iowa and other states in that locality, that have not in a large measure proven very successful.

This crop of flax will be watched with a great deal of interest, and more will be heard of it in the columns of this paper later on. We believe that it will be a success. Watch the experiment.—Lubbock Avalanche.

Last week Hereford shipped out the first carload of sugar beets raised in Texas.

VICTIMS OF NEGLECT.

If You Ignore the Warnings up by Ailing Kidneys you are on the Straight Road to Bright's Disease.

When anything is wrong in the kidneys the symptoms are manifest from the top of your head to the sole of your feet.

The following are some of them: Headache, dizzy spells, sluggish brain, drowsiness, dark rings and floating specks before the eyes, sallow skin, bad breath, heartburn, palpitation of the heart, sour stomach, disorder in the urine, backache, weak pulse, constipated or irregular bowels, aching at the knees, feverishness in the feet.

Prickly Ash Bitters is the right medicine for such symptoms; pre-eminently kidney tonic, system cleanser and regulator. It contains all the necessary virtues of a successful kidney medicine in addition to its admirable influence in strengthening and regulating the stomach, liver and bowels.

Prickly Ash Bitters begins right by cleansing the bladder and bowels—thereby driving out the impurities which started all the trouble. After this has been accomplished the healing and restorative element of the medicine will

but the good work, building up the system, stimulating a solid and continuous purifying action surrounding the restorative element first to such an extent that the system is able to

maintain a permanent, self-sustaining condition. It is a necessity of commodities. It is much better than any other medicine that supports it; it holds its own in the West and country back of

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of a very \$20 per acre, and a far more glorious climate thrown in for health.

Through endless ages the lush grass and other vegetation have grown undisturbed over the endless reaches of this high plateau, to wave in the wind, to lie down in autumn, to decompose, and in the economy of nature's evolution to create soil, rich beyond com-

Must Be United.

Colorado is as good as any town in West Texas as regards natural advantages, location, an abundance of the best water, and it supporting territory. But we are not ignorant of the fact that these things of themselves cannot make a prosperous town, any more than the mere assembling of the different parts of a locomotive will make power. Behind it must be a spirit of unanimity and determination; a confidence in the town and a willingness on the part of those who have made money in it, to stay by it in the re-investment of their money in the place where they made it.

Colorado's Water Power Opportunity.

Water is capital and power, the two chief elements of all industrial enterprises. The fuel can be transported hundreds of miles to the place of manufacture, but the water must be at hand. Since the town was established the potentiality of Lone Wolf Creek as a source of water power has been considered and discussed.

At one time there was a tentative agreement between the town and the Texas & Pacific Railway, looking to the damming of the creek and making it a source of supply to both; but for some objection by those who live near the creek, the project fell through. Yet every dry season since that time, the matter has come up for consideration again. The opportunity is so great and patent that the question will not stay laid, until it is taken in hand by the town or some enterprising individuals, and put through.

Competent engineers have made surveys of the creek and surroundings with the conclusion that a dam about thirty feet high and costing about \$12,000 could be erected north of the bridge, on Second street, that would put the water into the engines on the T. & P. Railroad, and form a lake two miles long, impounding enough water for all purposes of domestic and industrial use.

Aside from the purely material advantages that such a lake would give the people of Colorado, there are other features that would be of benefit to the community. From the lake would be but a short step to a nice park where both old and young could repair for recreation and pleasure. It would be a valuable asset to the town and a more ways than one return to the community every dollar its construction cost in practical good and pleasure. No better site for such a public benefit exists than right here in Colorado.

A NEW INDUSTRY FOR WESTERN TEXAS.

Hitherto Useless Weed Found to be Very Valuable and Country Abounds in It.

W. L. Power, a former newspaper man of Crowell, Texas, was in the city yesterday afternoon and left for the north last night.

While in conversation with a reporter for this paper, Mr. Powers said: "It has just been discovered in western Texas that weed, hitherto useless, and which abounds further west, possesses an intrinsic value hard to compute in dollars and cents. I refer to the Candelilla weed, one of the greatest wax producing plants in the world today."

\$10,000,000 of Candelilla wax is the present demand, said Mr. Powers, and it is the best wax in existence; much harder than beeswax, and less brittle than Carnauba wax.

This wax is manufactured in Mexico extensively, and has a ready sale. In addition to the above mentioned use it is also used in the manufacture of phonograph records, for insulation of electrical wires, underground cables, candles, etc.

The prairies of the far west are full of this weed and the land can be bought for practically nothing in some instances.

The wax sells for from 20 to 50 cents per pound readily, and is made by a local process with a chemical.

There is no better wax than this in any other in the southwest. In California the real estate agent sells climate at \$1,000 per acre and throws in the land for a chrome. In Mitchell county, better land is sold for \$15 to \$20 per acre, and a far more glorious climate thrown in for health.

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Here's to Mother and- Cottolene

"The kind that Mother used to Make"

Modern mothers and wise-acre cooks use Cottolene, instead of butter or lard, for frying and shortening. The reason is plain as the nose on your face.

purity and freshness are absolutely guaranteed, and it makes food which is free from grease and indigestion.

Cottolene is a vegetable product, made from purest, refined cotton oil. It contains no hog fat or impurities, is made in a careful, cleanly manner, never sold in bulk, its

Imitations of Cottolene are thicker than blackberries in season, so be sure to ask for and take only Cottolene, the original pure food shortening. It is economical because it goes one-third farther.

Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY

Shortens Your Food—Lengthens Your Life

It was made in England at a cost of \$30,000. It is now at Galveston and will be here in a few days. The company has put a local man as foreman over thirty-six Mexicans, who will begin at once, two miles west of here, felling trees on the ground where the big plow is to be used.

Among other innovations for the assistance of farmers in this irrigated district, this company has planned to devote 1,000 acres of land for a permanent experiment station, where all branches of irrigation work will be taught. In this work it will be aided by both the state and national departments of agriculture.

TAKE IT IN TIME.

Just as Scores of Colorado People Have.

Waiting doesn't pay. If you neglect the aching back, Urinary troubles, dizziness, surety follow.

Doan's Kidney Pills relieve backache.

Strengthen the kidneys. Many people in this locality recommend Doan's Kidney Pills.

Here's one case: Mrs. G. M. Paul, 118 Seventh St. San Angelo, Texas, says: "My opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills is just as high today as it was three years ago, when I publicly recommended them. This remedy did me more good than all the other preparations I have ever tried. For several years I suffered almost constantly from kidney trouble. Pains in my back and sides, headaches and a weakness of the kidneys were the symptoms of my complaint, which caused me the greatest annoyance.

After taking a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills I improved, and before I had finished the contents of one box, I felt like a different woman. About six months ago I wrenched my back and became so lame that I could scarcely move. I knew what to do from past experience, and at once procured Doan's Kidney Pills. Taking them as directed, I was relieved, and have had no trouble since. Several of my neighbors have also tried Doan's Kidney Pills and think there is nothing like them."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Company, Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Lincoln on Farming.

No other human occupation opens so wide a field for the profitable and agreeable combination of labor with cultivated thought as agriculture.

I know nothing so pleasant to the mind as the discovery of anything that is at once new and valuable; nothing that so lightens and sweetens toil as the hopeful pursuit of such discovery.

How vast and how varied a field is agriculture!

The mind, already trained to thought in the country school or higher school, cannot fail to find an exhaustless source of enjoyment.

Every blade of grass is a study, and to produce two where there was but one, is both a profit and a pleasure.

Not grass alone, but soils, seeds and seasons—hedges, ditches and irrigation—plowing, hoeing and harrowing—reaping, mowing and threshing, saving crops, pests of crops, diseases of crops, and what will prevent or cure them—implements, utensils and machines, their relative merits and how to improve them—hogs, horses and cattle—sheep, goats and poultry—trees, shrubs, fruits, plants and flowers—the thousand things of which these are specimens—each a world of study within itself.

"I had been troubled with constipation for two years and tried all the best physicians in Bristol, Tenn., and they could do nothing for me," writes Thos. E. Williams, Middleboro, Ky. Two packages of Chamberlain's stomach and Liver Tablets cured me." For sale by all dealers.

If Texas is going to be the greatest state in the Union, as every Texan thinks she should be, we must place her in that proud position ourselves. By our efforts, and by ours alone, can this coveted place be secured. Then let's be up and doing. When there is something to be done for her development, let us not be lacking, but ready and willing to do all we can.

Now is the time to get busy and boost for the development of the state and community. Talk up the good roads movement, and say something about home industries and home trade. These things help everybody and put more money in our pockets than a lot of useless talk about politics and the weather.

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It would prove an endless task to attempt an enumeration of the seasonable things we are now offering and give prices. Just a few will, however, indicate the narrow margin of profit we are placing on these goods.



**Crowds of Satisfied Buyers**  
**At The Racket Store**

Join the crowds of satisfied buyers at THE RACKET STORE. Its no guess work on their part—they know as you will, once you've looked over our stock of holiday goods. Try it!



**RIGHT TO THE POINT**

- Dolls ..... 5c to \$5.00
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- Doll Beds ..... 25c to \$2.00
- Shaving Sets ..... 35c to \$2.50
- Wagons ..... 5c, 10, 25c up to \$3.00
- Mechanical Toys ..... 15c to \$1.50
- Doll Dishes ..... 5 10 15 25 35 85 cts
- Comb and Brush Sets ..... 35c up
- Banks ..... 10c to \$2.00
- Chairs ..... 35, 50, 65, 75, up to \$1.25 and \$2.25

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No possibility of a mistake in giving a beautiful piece of China to mother, wife, sister, sweetheart or friend. We have not only sets in English, Haviland and German ware, but a great variety of odd pieces in the most attractive designs at the most astonishingly low prices.



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Handkerchiefs	Vase	Jewel Case
Clothes Brush	Pitcher	Handkerchief Box
Tray Basket	Silver Spoons	Manicure Set
Gloves	Cake Plate	Beads
Comb and Brush	Tea Pot	Talcum Powder
Shaving Rack	Table Mats	Post Card Album
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Every Kind! Every Size!! Every Price!!! Character dolls, dressed dolls, baby dolls, clown dolls, boy dolls, girl dolls, unbreakable dolls, bisque dolls, china dolls, kid dolls—and doll heads of every description.



A hearty Christmas greeting awaits all who favor us with a visit. Our holiday goods are unsurpassed for quality, beauty and LOW PRICE.

You can come now, make your selections and are ready for them. You are welcome to inquire whether you buy one penny's worth or not. Acquainted with the line and quality of goods we

Yours for a Happy Christmas,

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lights go a long way to a town, and when once they never be dispensed with. The residence lights are lights, just the street lights about the depot, making of a town, and if be put through to the action of both parties, certainly like to see Lorraine lights.

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Come in and inspect our reliable Price woolens today, and select the most comfortable looking one in the lot for your Raincoat or Overcoat. Any of these fabrics can be waterproofed. Their service value is extraordinary but their cost



A Real Sermon.

In these latter days it is so seldom that one has opportunity to hear a real sermon preached, that when such opportunity is afforded no one should fail to avail himself of the privilege. Sunday at the First Baptist Church here Rev. Holmes Nichols, of Ballinger filled the pulpit, and the News regrets that his discourse was not heard by every man, woman and child in West, for no one can hear Holmes Nichols without being the better therefor. From the simple text, "I have made a good fight. I have kept the faith," etc., he preached a sermon that, simple though it was, brought tears to the eyes of many strong men. And why was this? Simply because no one can look into the face of Holmes Nichols without knowing that he speaks the truth; that his every utterance is from the heart. His life is an open book to the people of this community, where he was born and raised, and we all know that Holmes Nichols has "made a good fight and kept the faith." Others have filled the pulpit here, including such eminent divines as Carroll, Brooks and Truitt, whose reputations extend throughout the Union, but none have ever spoken words that touched the hearts of men and women here as the simple, unassuming words that fell from the lips of this man of God. Probably it will be said of us that it is none of our concern (being only a brother-in-law to the church) as to the manner and method used by ministers of the gospel in an effort to convert sinners, and thereby better the conditions of mankind, but be that as it may, we cannot refrain from saying that when a pastor insists on lecturing his congregation from time to time on their manner and method of living, rather than by example teach them the error of their way, he is a failure in his calling and falls short of the teachings of the Son of God. The prevailing thought of Holmes Nichols has ever been "get myself right, set a good example, fight a good fight, and keep the faith," and when he has done this he can appeal to those who are inclined to the frivolities of the world with reasonable hope of success. As a general proposition preachers themselves are to blame for the non-attendance of the people at their services, the lack of interest and loyalty of their own members. Men go to church with the hope of being benefitted thereby, but too of-

ten they are forced to listen to a severe denunciation of a majority of the community, who are probably as good, maybe better, than the man who is delivering the lecture, and that sort of preaching soon results in empty pews, which is a striking evidence of the necessity of calling another pastor, for what can a man accomplish if he has no congregation? Theoretical sermons read well in print, but what it takes to reach the average man or woman is plain everyday truths, illustrated by object lessons. Holmes Nichols knows this, and that may account for the fact that he never preaches to empty pews. The world needs many men like Holmes Nichols, but, we regret to say, they are hard to find.—West News.

Texas.

For six days he worked and upon the seventh he rested. The work that he did in those six days was for the comfort, the pleasure and the happiness of mankind. In those six days he made the world, and those of you who have read His inspiring words, those of you who have lived in prosperity and adversity upon His earth, know that He created a place for mankind to dwell in peace and happiness. His greatest work, and the editor of this paper says it in the spirit of humility, was His creation of that portion of His universe known as Texas; for here, where those of you more unfortunately situated are worrying over the coal man's bill, the sun shines, the flowers bloom, and birds sing, and those of us fortunate enough to have first seen the sunlight in His most favored state have just cause to believe ourselves God's chosen people.—Southwestern Farmer.

Farm For Sale.

213 1-3 acres of land adjoining the town of Westbrook, Mitchell county, on T. & P. R'y., 190 acres in cultivation, five-room box house, good barn, well of good water, all fenced, rented to good man for next year. House in 200 yards of high school, two gins in half a mile. No better farm in West Texas. A bargain and easy terms—if sold at once.

J. H. BOARD, Mansfield, Texas.

The upbuilding of Texas and the development of her resources should be the aim of all Texans, and is one subject upon which all citizens of the Southwest should be united.

Our Agricultural Possibilities.

The announcement recently made by the Federal Agricultural department that the rice production in Texas has increased twenty-six fold in the past decade, brings to mind that a few years ago this youthful and powerful industry was unknown in Texas and its discovery has given us a new world in agriculture. But there may be other planets of prosperity twinkling in the Panhandle, the Pecos Valley and the virgin prairies of the south and west, awaiting a discoverer. We are standing on the edge of the ocean of discovery in Texas and we need a Columbus to sail the high seas of our possibilities, to discover new continents in agriculture, to explore our mineral kingdom, to colonize our industrial opportunities and to give us a new world to live in. The work of discovering and developing our resources is the duty of the government, and those who seek to serve the public should first feel the thrill of progress that is coursing through the state.

BROWN WINS IN THE GEORGIA PRIMARY.

Local Option as Political Issue, Receives Setback in Vote On Governor.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 8.—Local option as a political issue in the state of Georgia received a setback in the gubernatorial primary in this state today, in the defeat of Judge R. B. Russell, the local option candidate.

Unofficial returns from the 146 counties of the state show that ex-Governor J. M. Brown swept the state in the gubernatorial primary today. The counties are apportioned as follows: J. M. Brown 84, Pope Brown 40, and R. B. Russell 20.

The remaining two counties, Macon, and Charlton, were tied between Pope Brown and Russell. The 84 counties gave ex-Governor Brown 206 of the 368 electoral votes.

New Auditor for T. & P.

The report that R. E. Williams is to become auditor for the Texas & Pacific Railroad was confirmed by President Thos. J. Freeman, of the International & Great Northern, and vice-president of the Texas & Pacific. Mr. Williams will succeed R. Penby, who will become consulting auditor, with offices in Dallas.

There's a Difference.

Once upon a time a prospector came to the plains in search of a home. The land agent took him to a farm a few miles out of town and showed him over the place. On this place was a nice country home, well improved, but the owner had failed to beautify this place with trees. The land agent next took the prospector to the farm adjoining the above. The improvements were about the same, but the last place was surrounded by beautiful shade trees, and off a little ways was a beautiful orchard of fine fruit. In the yard were beautiful flowers and vines; and, in fact, everything that would help beautify a place and help make it home-like. Now, both parties asked the same price for their land. The places were located the same distance from the local market. The land agent and prospector drove back to town, and one of those places was sold that day. Which farm do you suppose the prospector purchased? You would naturally conclude that he purchased the place that was beautified with trees, wouldn't you? Moral—Plant trees and beautify your home.—Exchange.

Socialist Ticket is Defeated.

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 8.—The Socialist ticket was defeated yesterday by about forty thousand. Alexander and the "Good Government" ticket was overwhelmingly victorious. The prohibition amendment lost by a large majority.

The Cook always feels confident of pure and wholesome food when using Dr. PRICE'S CREAM Baking Powder. A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Baking Powder Made from Grapes. No Alum No Lime Phosphate.



This picture was made on Wm. Green's farm, showing a crop that made nearly a bale to the acre.

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No Matter Whether it Be a Residence, a Barn, a Chimney or a Fence, WE ARE THE PEOPLE You Want to See



our estimate and let us show you in plain black and white just how ways the Cheapest, Building Material or better. The line of mill work stuff list of other building accessories was and become closely identified with ev-business has been a factor and a Mitchell County, and never have we been less more effectually and as extensively YOUR BILL, YOU MONEY LINGO CO.

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The past year I built the \$40,000 Baptist church at Big Springs, the Coahoma Public school and quite a number of out town jobs.



—This \$10,000 Residence of J. C. Prude of Colorado is a fair sample of my work.

—I have a Complete Shop of up-to-date machinery for turned, scroll and fancy work.

—This \$7,000 country home is my work.

—Am now employed on the \$4,000 home of R. P. Price.

—If you want to build a barn or fine home, get my plans and prices.

—See me. It will pay you.



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Send your Plans to be Routed via the Texas Railway.



MEDICINE WITHOUT ALCOHOL.

It is definitely proven by experiments on animals that alcohol paralyzes the white cord and renders them unable to take up and destroy disease germs.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate liver and bowels. It is entirely without alcohol, which is a pure glyceric extract.

Dr. R. G. Anderson, formerly of Colorado but more recently of Austin, has located here for the purpose of practicing dentistry.

That 4 1-2 pound bucket of best coffee won't last always; get some more from McMurry's.

Miss Alice Shuford, who taught in the public schools here last year and the year before, was here Sunday visiting friends.

J. A. Fore, formerly of Colorado, has purchased the Rustler, at Palmer, Ellis county, and taken charge.

You'd better hurry if you want to get that ver-a-best flour for \$2.80 at McMurry's.

Just now it is when all the kids get on their best behavior and dilatory members of the Sunday school class begin to straggle back again.

The Record has for sale or trade a nearly new 3-horse-power Fairbanks-Morse Gasoline Engine.

The way Record subscribers are coming in and paying their subscription one year in advance demonstrates that the premium is appreciated by those who have seen it.

Ben Morgan is doing business as if there had been no fire, in the sample room of the St. James Hotel.

Tom Morrison came down from Plainview last week and is loud in his praise of that country.

The Record offers absolutely free, a beautiful and useful Christmas present. Read the half page ad this week.

The rain was glorious. For two days it came down steadily, and all went into the ground. It will put the ground in first class condition for winter plowing.

Closing farming implements at cost at McMurry's.

FOR SALE—Five full-blood Duroc-Jersey pigs. Old enough to wean.

Mr. W. R. Hathcock has just finished remodeling his home in South Colorado, which approves its appearance very much.

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Judge W. P. Leslie, of Colorado, passed through here Thursday evening en route home from Snyder where he had been on legal business.

Doss has just received a lot of the latest copyrighted books—best selling novels. Come make your selection before others get it.

Mrs. Hass Wheeler, of Colorado City, was in the city Thursday, en route to points north.—Abilene Reporter.

Hot drinks of all kinds at Ben Morgan's; sample room St. James Hotel.

Fred B. Whipkey, of Colorado City, came in Tuesday morning to attend the Grand Masonic lodge.

That 4 1-2 pound bucket of best coffee at McMurry's for 95 cents.

Dr. P. C. Coleman made a business trip to Roby this week.

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We learn that Judge W. B. Crockett has let the contract for the erection of a brick business building on the lot now occupied by the shop of Fred Myer.

When your feet are wet and cold and your body chilled through and through from exposure, take a big dose of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

We asked Jack Smith this week if he would be a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor next year.

E. M. McCreless will soon be a full-fledged citizen of the city of Colorado.

The Hans Hanson Company has broken records for large business in more than two-thirds of the theatres played in during the past twelve years.

I will first deal with the ice and creamery plant, and call it a home industry, founded and completed principally by the citizens of Colorado.

Now comes the Farmers' Union Warehouse, founded and supported by a few who had the spirit of "doing more for someone else than for myself."

A great question is, What are Mitchell county's opportunities.

Get it from McMurry—that \$2.80 "Ver-a-best flour, 4 1-2 pound bucket of best coffee for 95 cents, and that 10 pound bucket of Cottolene for \$1.15.

Electric Lights for Loraine. We understand that The Colorado Electric Light Company, of this city, has been in correspondence with some of the Loraine people regarding the putting in of electric lights at Loraine.

Electric lights go a long way toward making a town, and when once enjoyed, will never be dispensed with.

As an instance of the lack of observation by a great majority of people, the removal of the telegraph office from the Record building is a striking case in point.

As the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him to be a credit in all business transactions and able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALDEN, KINNEY & MARVIN, Wholesale Liquorists, 1000 1/2 and 1000 3/4 streets, Denver, Colo. Phone 1100. Free 75 cent bottles for constipation.

Hon. W. P. Leslie. In conversation with Hon. W. P. Leslie this week, we asked him about his candidacy for the office of district attorney, as we notice that there were others aspiring for the same office.

"Yes," he said, "I've fully determined to make the race. I think it a little early just at this time to make a regular announcement. I have signified my intentions to many of my friends over the district, and they give me much encouragement.

Mr. Leslie has been a citizen of Colorado and Mitchell county for about four years, and in that time has made many friends.

When Mr. Leslie gets fairly in the race, and the people over the district become fairly acquainted with the personality and merits of the man, he will make a formidable opponent.

My Pasture is Posted. My pasture, two miles west of Colorado, has been duly posted; and notice is hereby given that all trespassers, regardless of persons, will be dealt with as the law directs, to the limit.

False Economy. One day Simmons saw a pin, and, remembering the old adage, "see a pin, pick it up, and all day long you'll have good luck," he stooped to get the pin.

Now a problem: Suppose the people in the Colorado territory had put half the effort and energy to the support of this plant instead of raising cotton, what would have been the result.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO.—The active ingredients entering the most popular household remedy in the world have been made known to the public. This means a new era in the advertising of popular family medicines—Peruna leads.

Peruna contains among other things, golden seal, powerful in its effect upon the mucous membranes. Cedron seed, a rare medicine and unsurpassed tonic. Cubebs, valuable in nasal catarrh and affections of the kidneys and bladder. Stone root, valuable for the nerves, mucous membranes as well as in dropsy and indigestion.

Married.

Sunday afternoon at the home of J. O. McCreless, Miss Leona Richardson and Mr. Marvin Moore were quietly married by Rev. W. E. Lyon. The groom is a nephew of Mrs. McCreless, who resides in the Union neighborhood. The young people came in Sunday afternoon, were made husband and wife, and returned home immediately afterwards. The best wishes of all attend them in their new life.

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Why be Chilled on cold or wet days when the wind gets to your bones and the moisture to your body? Better be protected against the elements by a fashionable Ulster or Great Coat, made to individual order by our Chicago tailors, Ed. V. Price & Co.

Come in and inspect our reliable Price woollens today, and select the most comfortable looking one in the lot for your Raincoat or Overcoat. Any of these fabrics can be waterproofed. Their service value is extraordinary but their cost is moderate.

LOCAL NOTES

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Vera Costin of Plainview and Mr. Roden Pickens of Lome, which will occur Dec. 24, at the home of the bride.

Cheese, pickled pig's feet, brick ill, souse and pure hog lard, at BEAL BROS.

Garland, the little son of Judge and Mrs. Shepherd, was quite sick last week, but is now almost well.

Last week for \$2.80 ver-a-best flour McMurry's.

Mrs. Sam Wulfjen leaves next Monday to spend Christmas with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Henson at Anah.

Doss has just received his new books from 5c to \$1.00. The citizen will ages, purses and ing attend.

Order was operated upon and is getting along splendidly. A trained nurse from Denver is attending to her.

The best flour in the city is at McMurry's.

Strong comedy, "The Millionaire," will be seen when the Hans Hanson Company appears at the opera Monday night, December 18.

F. C. met Thursday with Mrs. Smith and the fingers of every were more busy than usual Christmas gifts not yet finished.

The young ladies have made up their minds to get their hair done at the hair salon.

The our was especially delightful. The best served the most delicious chicken and such a number of things to go with it that they will not be remembered. The program this week is with Miss Shuford.

SALE OR TRADE—House and good well and new wind mill; barn and barn. This is a bargain. See, W. W. ALLISON, at Laundry.

American Club met Friday with cards and enjoyed a good time. A good rain at the same time.

The roll call was the tie that after all had responded, and led in singing "Blest be the Name of the Lord."

Mrs. Ratliff, training of the Roman Catholic. Barcroft led the lesson.

See them at farm four and a half miles north of Colorado, on Snyder road. 12-29-p A. C. GIST, Colorado, Tex.

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# CHANGE OF BUSINESS

■ ■ **SALE** ■ ■

## Is Now In Full Blast

And Will Continue Until Saturday, December 23rd. The Colorado Dry Goods Company Has Placed Before the People of Colorado

### A BONA FIDE CHANGE OF BUSINESS SALE

Everything in the House for LESS THAN EVER OFFERED in Any Sale by ANYBODY, at Any Time Before in Colorado City

## We Mean Business--We Must Reduce the Stock

And that before Christmas. Profit swept before the mighty hand that wields the knife that do pruning. We've no time nor space to give prices. To make this change of business we must have money, so

Everything Goes Regardless of Profit, Price or

D. HUNTER.  
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DALLAS

# Colorado Dry Goods

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# Colorado Record

THE COLORADO RECORD.

DECEMBER 15, 1911



A scene on Lone Wolf Creek, which runs through the east side of the city, and which it is proposed to dam at the foot of fourth street, making a lake two miles long and from ten to forty feet deep.

**Texas come back!**

The opportunities for industry and honest men in all lines of activity, will never be as great in West Texas as they are today. Investments become safer every day. Farming moves every day further from the real and influences of mere chance and becomes more a scientific certainty. As the country develops more money will be required to handle these opportunities.

### Texas Potatoes.

The November issue of the Crop Reporter, a publication issued by the Bureau of Statistics under the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture, shows the potato crop for 1911 to be 3,420,000 bushels, against 2,660,000 in 1910. The market price for potatoes November 1, 1911, was compared with \$1.50 at the same time last year.

The decided increase in both the production and price makes the Texas potato grower much richer in 1911 than he was in 1910, an increase of \$1,037,600, or 28.9 per cent.

The Texas potato advanced in quality as well as in price and amount produced. Using 100 as a basis, the quality for 1911 is 81, compared with 76 in 1910.

Texas today produces one-fifth of the world's supply of cotton, yet Texans have to purchase practically all of their cotton goods from England. This is an economic error. If it is not righted, it may, in future, develop into a financial tragedy.

Schools and churches are well represented all over the county, schools running in the rural districts from five to eight months in the year, and in the towns and villages from eight to nine months in the year. Nearly all the different church denominations are well represented, thus affording the best of society in which to raise a family.

**TOWN.**

...only ... to ... word for the town and ... month, instead of ... and damning the ... of evil, the ... noticeable within the ...

... some people have of call ... of strangers to every ... feature of the country and ... the failures of the town ... quarter of a century, ... calculable harm. They give ... the impression that they ... all confidence in the coun ... town and are flying warn ... to the world to keep away. ... very people often have every ... they possess invested in the ... and county, but do all they can ... down the value of their own ... ments. They demonstrate al ... as much intelligence as the chap ... who stood on a limb and chopped it ... off between himself and the tree.

A man need not foam at the mouth and rant on the street corners to knock a town. He can as effectually "damn with faint praise." If one is not an active booster he is either a knocker or so much dead wood, which the boosters of the community must carry and as between the two latter classes, honors are about even. The inert element is never one of help or strength, but always of indecision and inactivity, which must be carried by the aggressive element.

The citizen who is continually calling attention to the decline of the ... great business ... conditions, etc., ... were perfect, who are ... ng, and his ... a very interesting ... To ... ity, is as great ... fellow who tells you ...

every time he sees you all about his bodily ailments, his "rheumatiz," his "old liver," lumbago, and every other misery to which flesh is heir. The people soon learn to flee him as a pestilence, and frankly tell him that they had as soon entertain the devil as to listen to his complaints.

Just so it is with the chronic knocker; people want to shun him. The best way to test the relation of yourself to the community in which you live, is to put this question: What sort of a town would this town be, if every one else was just like me?

The difference between a booster and a knocker is selfishness. The knocker wants the good things of life, much as the booster, but is too selfish to want other people to share them.

### CAN WEST TEXAS COME BACK?

No other section of the Union can recuperate from periods of depression more quickly and with more vigor, than West Texas. Two consecutive years of short crops and business depression, would effect the growth, prosperity and confidence of the eastern states for two or three years after the calamity had passed. But no matter how long and severe the drought; how hard the conditions of living—for both man and beast; how sear the prairies; scarce the water or copper the sky; one good, all-sufficient rain in West Texas smooths every wrinkle of care, dispels every doubt, restores confidence, white nature rejoices in the recurrence of life with a riot of color and abundant crops.

The history of the settlement and development of West Texas will be a

repetition of that of Kansas, which a quarter of a century ago was an "agricultural joke"—a butt for the small wit of every penny-a-liner in the country, yet in how many states today are really investments more stable or attractive than in Kansas?

The immigration to Texas is of gigantic proportions. Even during such a dry year as that ending June 30, 1910, it amounted to nearly 10,000 per month, and more than 40 per cent of the heads of families purchased land and became citizens of the state. But as many persons visit the state, purchase lands and make other investments and return north and east; these figures only approximately represent the total number of people who annually become financially interested in Texas.

**Where Do the Multitude Locate?**  
Which part of the state receives this

great army of farmers, artisans, business and professional men? The last census answered this question without the peradventure of a doubt. The 16th Congressional District of which Mitchell county is a part, is first in honor of per cent gain in population and development during the past ten years.

The law of immigration is that it settles along the lines of the newest railways through the undeveloped countries. With every dry year in West Texas the human tide ebbs to the east, and the flossam goes with its recession, only to flow back with every recurring good crop. But the jetsam stays, takes the good with the bad and wins out. At every time of drought—which are just as necessary for the renewal of the soil as the rains and freezes are for the soils of the east—the question of the Doubting Thomases has been: "Can West

**THE HOLIDAYS Will Soon Be Here**

**Very Low Excursion Fares**

Will be in effect to All Points in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and to the

**SOUTHEAST**

Also to St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago, Memphis, Mexico City, Denver and Colorado Springs, via "The Popular Way"—

We Wish You a Merry Christmas



New Year's Greetings

We will be very glad to quote you fares, give dates of sale and about our new improved through Pullman Cars electric lights, and Dining Cars, connections, and up itinerary for your trip.

**Visit the Folks Back Home**

**THE TEXAS & PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY**

**W. A. CROWDER, Ticket Agent**  
COLORADO, TEXAS



**Light For The Home**

is best secured by the use of the new Edison Mazda Lamp: Its clear white rays are particularly suited for residence lighting and the quantity of light is double that furnished by the ordinary electric lamp.

The drawn wire tungsten filament has ample strength to bear without damage any ordinary usage, thus making the new Edison Mazda especially adaptable for service in the home.

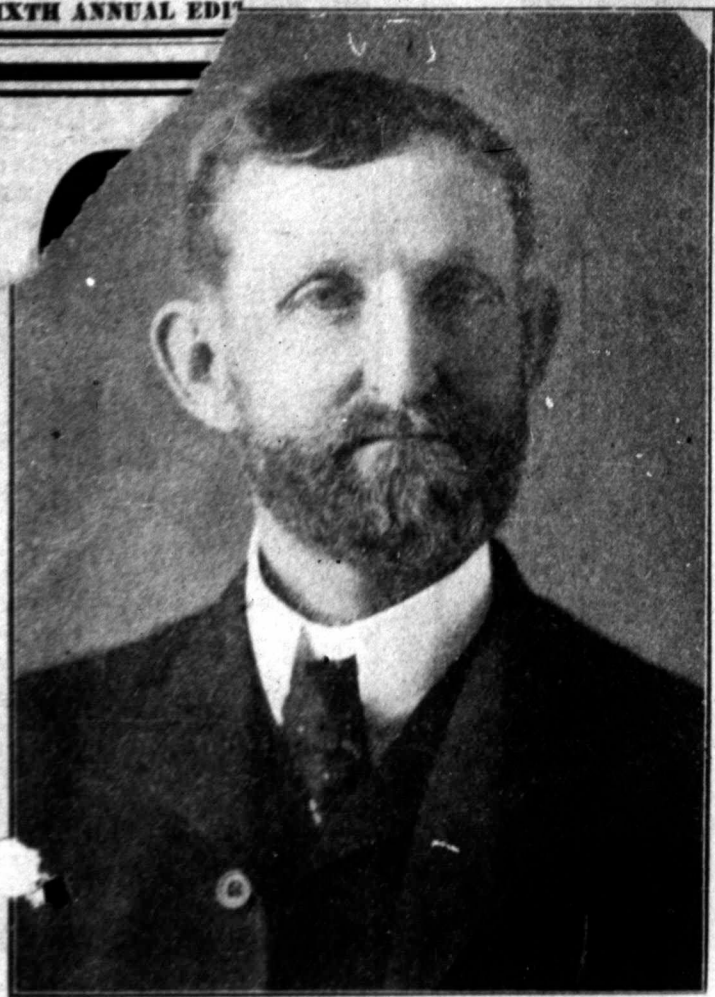
Pay us a call to-day and let us prove to you that the new Edison Mazda Lamp is all that we claim.

Colorado Electric Light & Water Company



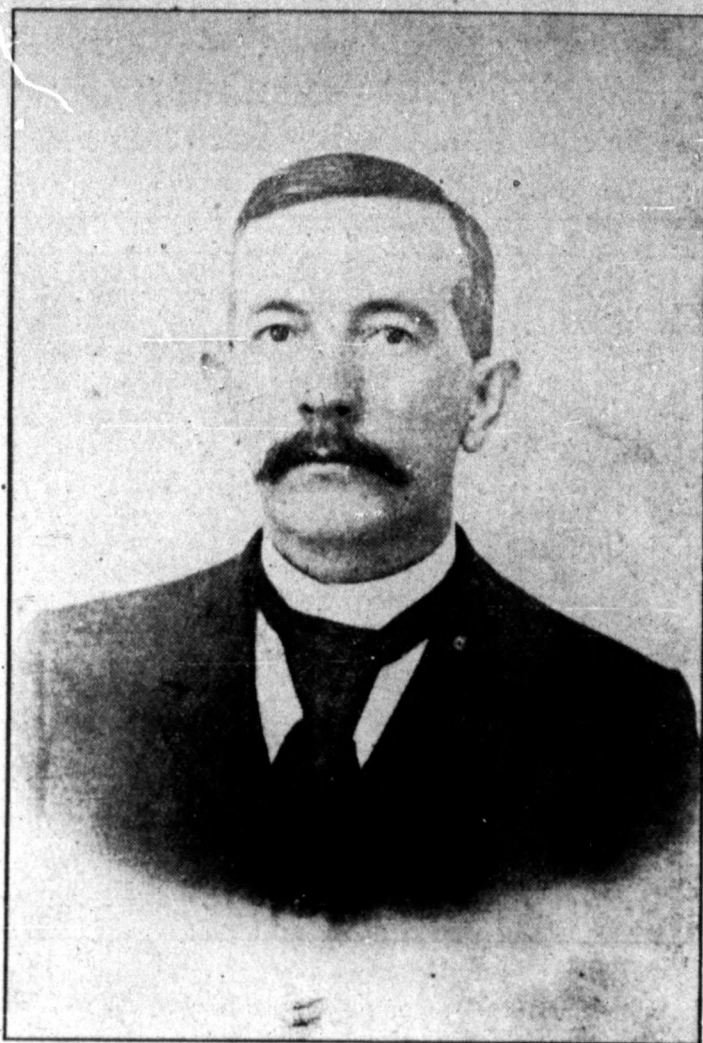
# Law of the Men Who Have Built Colorado

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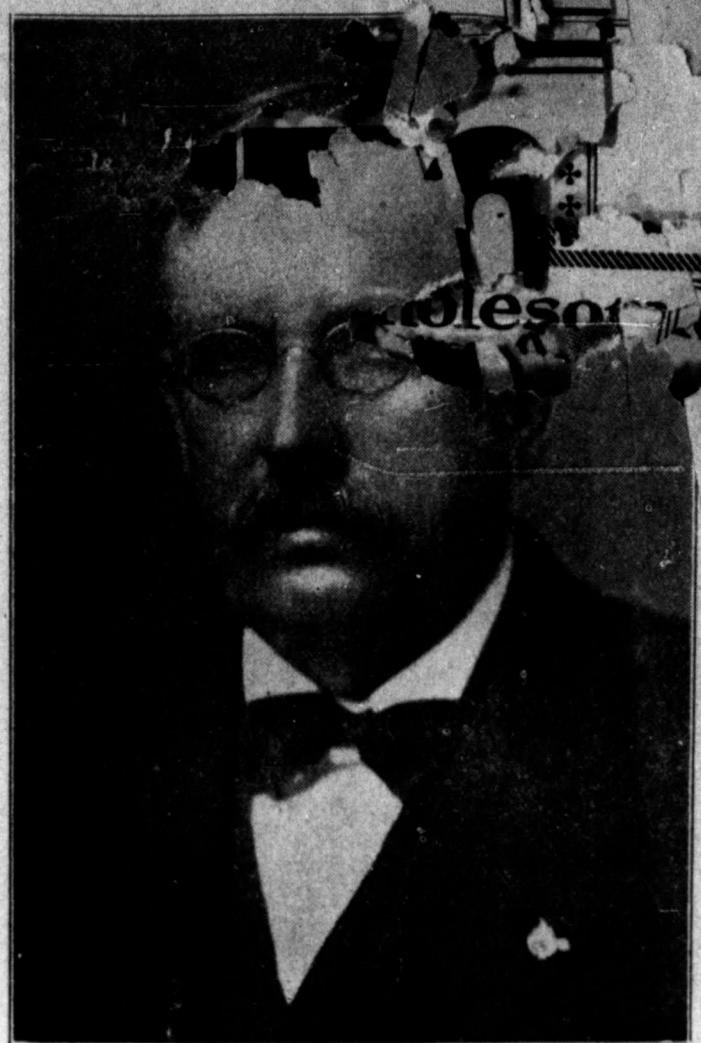
F. M. BURNS.

No citizen of the county is more closely identified with everything that has transpired in it for twenty-five years, than F. M. Burns. By his strict integrity, his business methods, and habit of treating everyone one alike, he has built up a business that competition effects very little. His advice is sought in everything that concerns the town, and no one is more liberal of means or time in fostering the best interests of the town. Mr. Burns is a member of almost every organization and is treasurer of them all. This speaks the confidence in which he is held.



DR. P. C. COLEMAN.

Among the men who have been factors in the development of Mitchell county, none have made a greater impress than Dr. P. C. Coleman. He has always been found at the front in every good work, either for the material betterment of the county and town, or the educational and moral advancement. He has always enjoyed a large medical practice, and has been singularly successful in other lines of business. Whenever a history of Mitchell county is written no name will appear oftener in its formative period, and to none will more credit attach, than that of Dr. P. C. Coleman.



JUDGE R. H. LOONEY

Came to Mitchell County in 1881 and was the first county judge of the county. He practiced law for years and showed his faith in the country by investing heavily in land when others were trying to turn it loose. He is one of the largest land owners in the county and one of the most successful landlords. He has been president of the Colorado National Bank for several years, than which no like institution stands higher for strength, in West Texas.



ROBERT M. WEBB.

Has always been considered the very busiest man in Colorado. When the strenuous duties of his own business do not absorb all his time, he is planning something of public interest. He is manager of the Colorado Light and Power Company, also of the Colorado Water Company, and up to its sale to the Southwestern, was general manager of the Texas & Pacific Telephone Co. He was secretary, then president of the Colorado Commercial Club during the club's most active period, and was instrumental in securing some valuable accessions to the assets of the town. He was one of the prime movers in getting the city incorporated; served on the school board for a number of years. Two years ago he was nominated for the office of Congressman from this district on the Republican ticket. He brought to the town on his personal guarantee, the singer, Ellen Beach Yaw, he secured a short stop of the Roosevelt special train, which other towns tried vainly to get, and through his activity in the matter, the aviator, Fowler, made one of his stops at Colorado. He has built up one of the largest and best organized Sunday schools in West Texas.



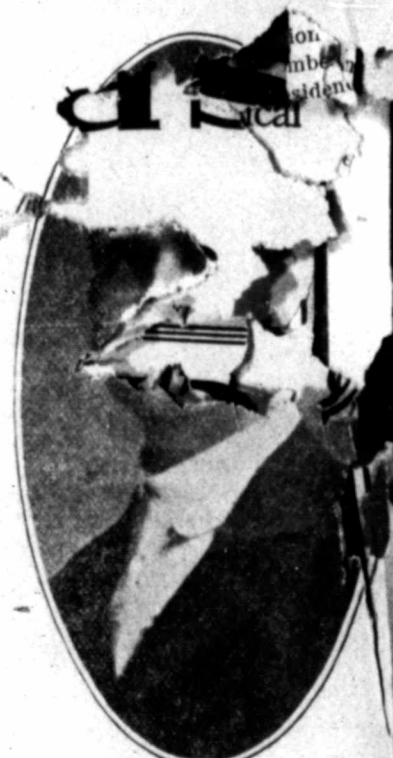
BEN S. VAN TUIJL.

Came to West Texas before the railroad and has never regretted his choice. He engaged first in the sheep business, and after disposing of that he engaged in the cattle business. Besides his cattle and landed interests, he is largely interested in the Colorado Light and Power Company, and the Colorado Water Company. He enjoys the confidence and respect of all who know him.

JOHN L. DOSS.

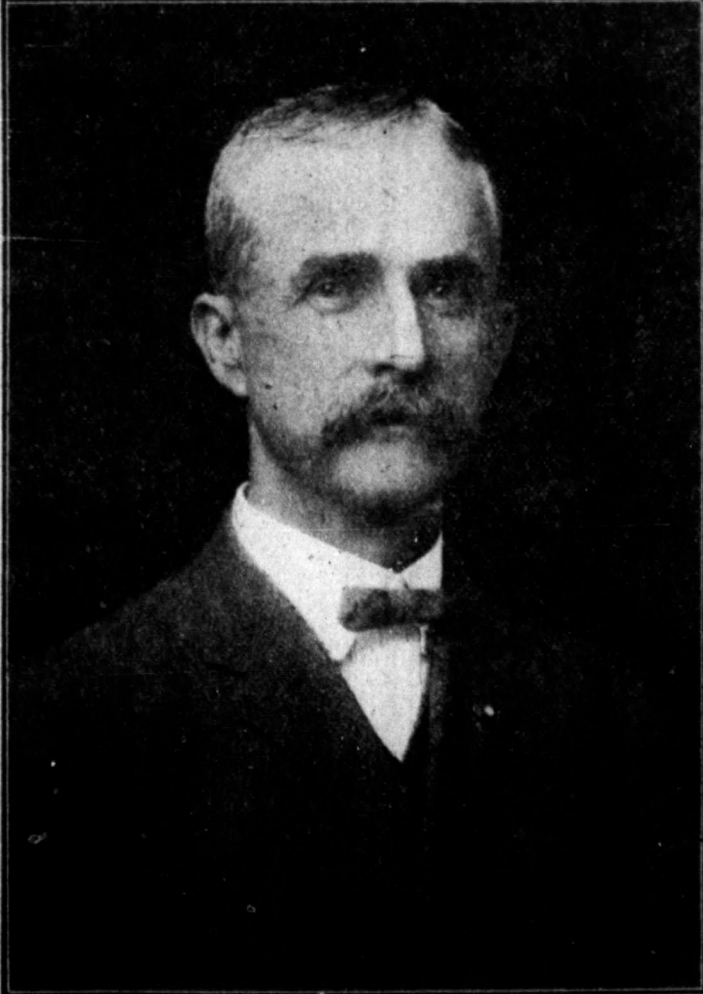
Has been a resident of Mitchell County since he was scarcely more than a boy; coming in the buffalo and indian days. He engaged in the drug business with his brother, for several years, and on the organization of the City National Bank, was elected president, which position of responsibility and honor he still holds. He is public spirited, and fosters every move that helps the town.

In an article written by Mr. John C. Jacobs for the World Work, on the passing of the buffalo, he referred to Mr. Doss in the following terms: "I don't know anything about John Doss as a banker, but if a man is wanted who is there with the goods in everything he undertakes, John Doss is the man." As president of the City National Bank, of this city, he has built that institution up to where it is among the most solid in West Texas. Public spirited in all things, of broad views on all questions, he is regarded as one of the most substantial and progressive citizens of Mitchell county, and stands for its best interests in everything.



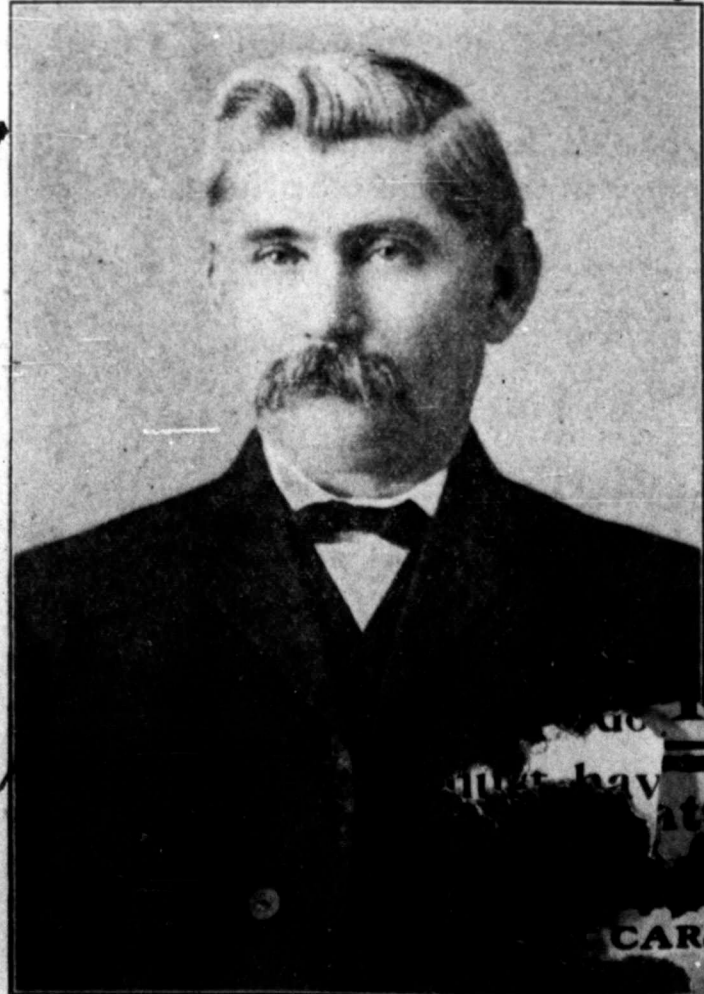
C. M. ADAMS, MAYOR.

Mr. Charles M. Adams enjoys not only the distinction of the mayoralty of the city, but that of a successful business man, as well. He has been a resident of Colorado many years and built up a large business in the dry goods line. He is in the fore front of every move to help the city. He is public spirited in all things.



JUDGE C. H. EARNEST.

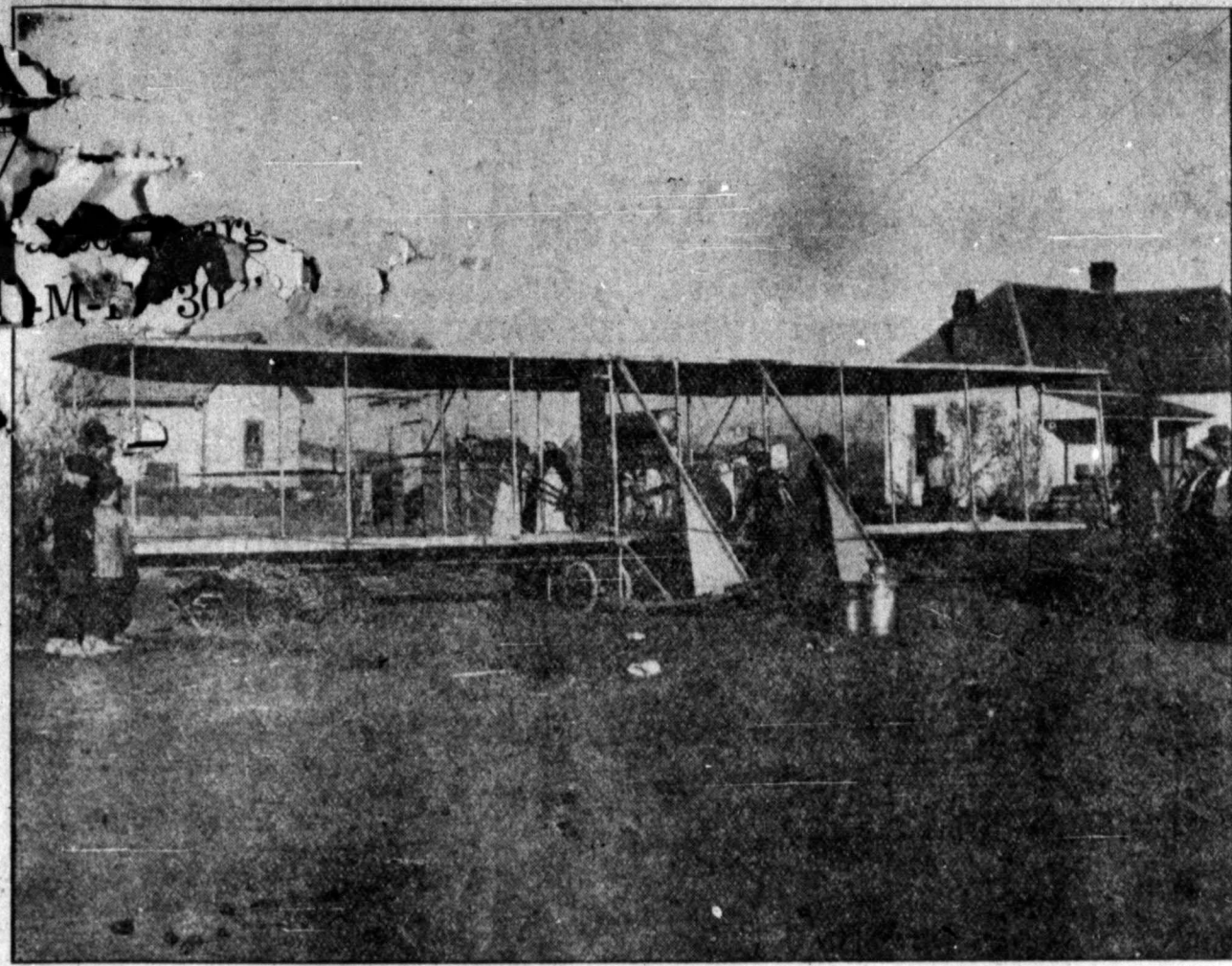
C. H. Earnest came to Colorado from west Texas, and is reaping the reward of his courage and judgment. Judge Earnest has been Mayor of the city of Colorado and is always to be found in the forefront of every forward move for the betterment and upbuilding of Colorado and Mitchell county. He enjoys a good law practice and the confidence and esteem of all who ever met him.



JUDGE J. E. HOOPER

Is another pioneer of Mitchell county. For years he served the various official capacities. He was County and District Clerk for several terms and afterwards served as County Judge. He was admitted to the bar several years ago, but has never actively practiced. He has been a member of the City National Bank for several years. He is an all round business citizen.





**MR. FOWLER AND HIS CURTIS BIPLANE.**

In his trans-continental flight from San Francisco to New York, Colorado, in common with many other West Texas towns on the route of his flight, arranged to have Aviator Fowler stop and give a demonstration for the benefit of those who had never seen a flying machine. His coming was eagerly awaited by a large crowd who gathered at the ball grounds in South City. His arrival was quite late but the Record was able to secure a photograph of the machine just as it came to a dead halt on earth. The conditions for flying the day he was perfect, not a breath of air, and his descent and landing was a very interesting show for old and young. To see a man sailing through the air with all the ease and grace of a bird, was an event in the lives of all, who saw the machine for the first time. His flight was no less interesting than his arrival the day before, though it was made against a

gusty wind which came near sweeping his machine into a clump of trees before he had risen above them. But he was soon above all possible obstacles when he laid his course directly to the east, and was soon but a dot upon the background of the sky, and then—only a memory.

Children have been known to cry for the razor or the strychnine bottle. What would we think of parents who would give them either? Everybody would say, "What fools." Many farmers are actually weeping for guns with which to kill the American cotton bull without even thinking about the consequences, and what such slaughter would mean for the European bear. What must we think of the caliber of the statesmen who will humor them?

Seeing is believing. An old-fashioned Southern welcome awaits you. Come whether you come to buy or merely to look.

Read the Record's Premium offer.

**Early Christmas Shopping.**

(From the San Antonio Express.)

It is somewhat early to start the campaign for Christmas shopping before the holiday novelties are as attractively displayed as they may be a little later. Nevertheless, already the newspapers quite generally are advising early Christmas shopping and setting forth the reasons which should prompt this taking of time by the forelock, so to speak.

In a neighboring city the proprietors of a department store have appealed to shoppers to make their holiday purchases at the earliest possible moment to avoid the annual Christmas rush at Christmas time when the clerks and employers generally are overworked and are deprived of their proper share of Christmas cheer that might have been expedited if patrons had shown them the consideration that should be their due.

It may be assumed that everybody sympathizes with the people who are kept in the shops until a late hour on Christmas eve and with those who

spend a considerable part of the night and a part of the next day delivering belated purchases; but the general idea of business is that they are paid to do this, and that the purchaser of holiday goods is under no obligation to consider business convenience more than his own.

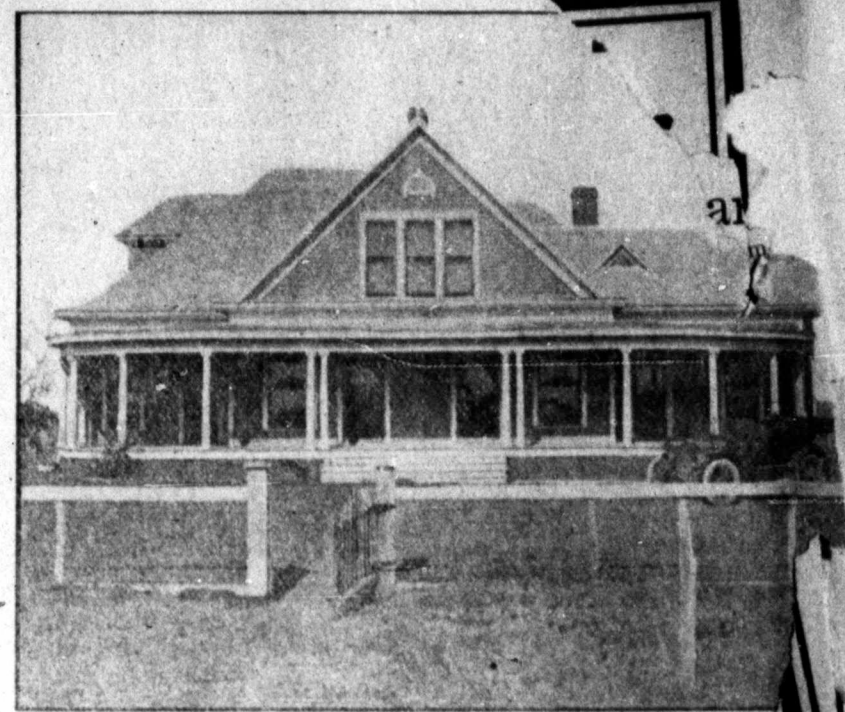
But there is another sort of argument in behalf of early Christmas shopping that appeals to the taste and to the purse of the discreet shopper. First come, first served, applies to the shopping counter as to practically every thing else. It is self evident that the shopper who comes late, after the stock has been picked over, will not have the same choice of selection as the early shopper. It is an assured fact that the shopper who goes into a store to be waited on when there is a rush and when all the clerks and salesmen are engaged with other customers, will not receive the same diligent and courteous attention that might be expected at another time when the customer is most welcome. When a purchase is made during a rush that taxes all the employees to the full extent of their capabilities, it is not unusual for the purchaser to be informed that his package cannot be delivered at once, because the delivery wagons are all out; or else to find that a promised delivery has been exasperatingly delayed.

Looking at the matter from this point of view there seems to be ample reason for early Christmas shopping even though the shopper's only consideration is for himself.

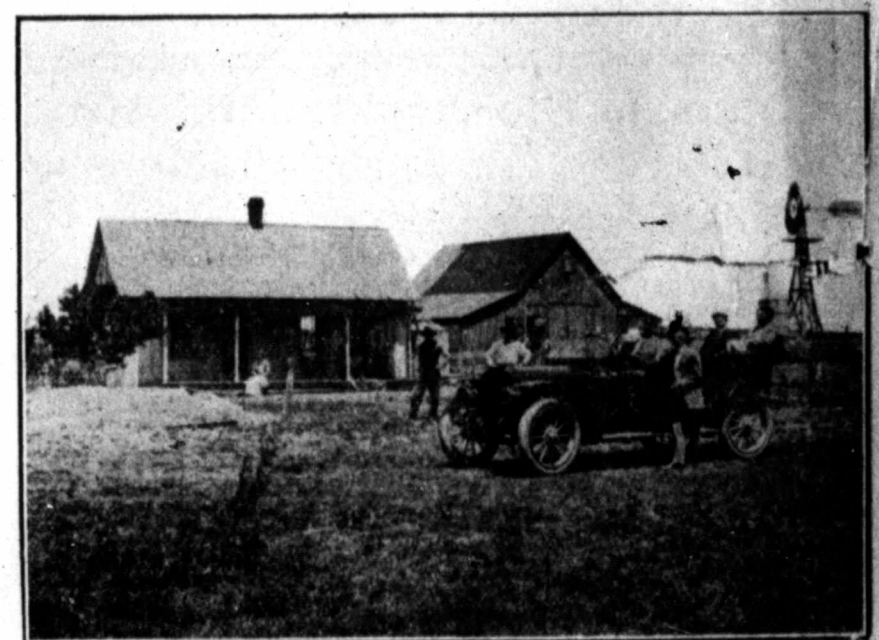
However there is a point that never may be covered by "Do your shopping early." It applies to a great mass of the people depending upon their meager wage earnings. So meagre are these earnings that not until the cheer of Christmas has been seen in the lighted streets and felt in the brisk cheerfulness of the crowds in front of the brilliant shop windows, do these poor families awake to the fact that a little Christmas "extravagance" in their own homes may be worth the cost. And to many of these—tens of thousands of them in some of the great cities of the country—comes the knowledge that buying at the figurative last minute offers them the best bargains within their means.

To these, late shopping is a dire necessity. Will not even the worn-out salesman give them a cheerful cloak of charity?

If you want to keep posted about West Texas, subscribe for the Record.



There are many very attractive and convenient ranch homes in this County. The class of houses built on the ranches, is as good as found in towns. The beautiful place shown above is located about a mile south of town, and was built by Geo. B. Root several years ago. It is piped for steam heat, gas, hot and cold water, and wired for electric lights. It has all the conveniences of a modern city home.



JUDGE EARNEST'S FARM.

Judge C. H. Earnest owns one of the most productive and best paying farms in the county. He provides for the comfort and convenience of his tenants and always has the most reliable and profitable tenants.

**When You Become a Depositor WITH THIS BANK**

**You Will Begin at Once to Realize Benefits**



Your money will be absolutely safe.

Paying it by check will be a great convenience in many ways.

An acquaintance will be established between us which will

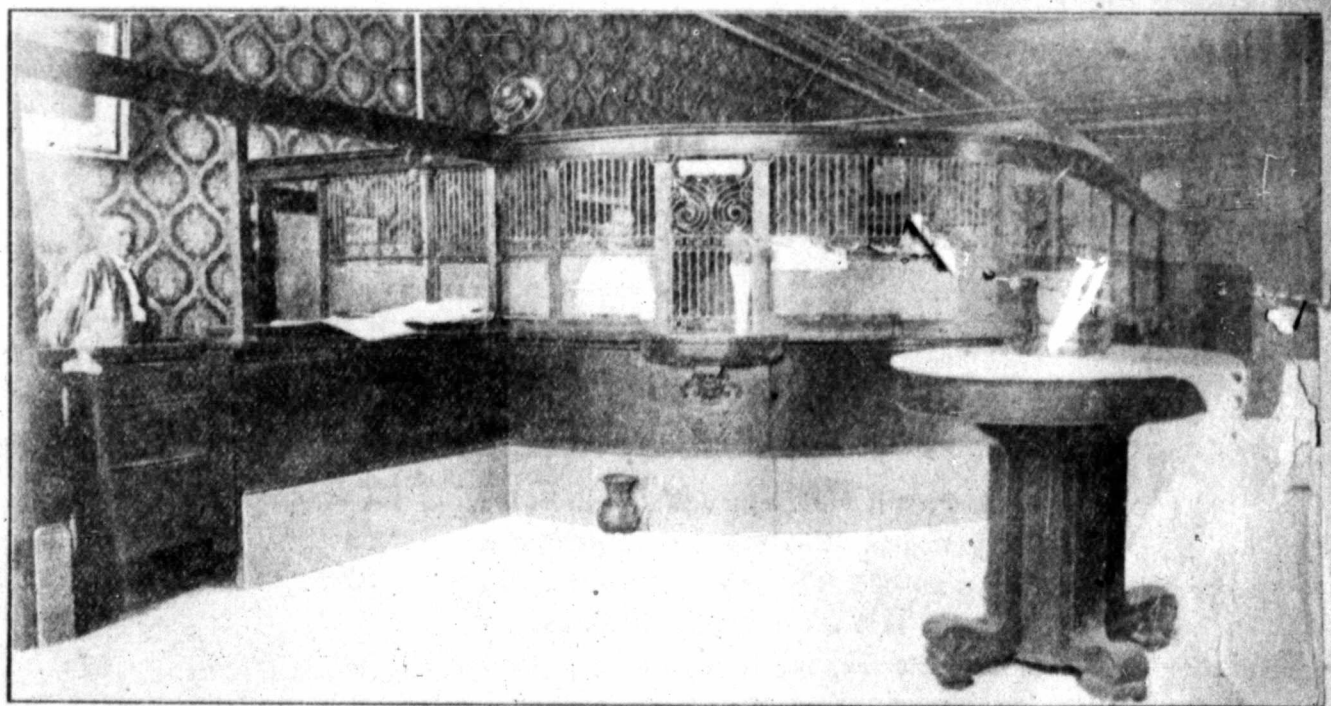
**Promote and Safeguard Your Interests**

Don't wait until the pinch comes before seeking co-operation of a good bank.

**BEGIN NOW, and be ready FOR EMERGEN-**

**Colorado National Bank**

**WHY DO WE ADVERTISE?**



Interior View Colorado National Bank

TO tell you about ourselves. We are not ashamed of the business we do—we are proud of it. We do believe the more you know of us the better you will like to do business with us.

We advertise to tell you how much money our stockholders have invested in the business; the amount of our surplus and how it stands as additional guarantee to our depositors for the safety of deposits; that we do not want overdrafts, because they are not good banking; how we loan our money—always on good security, and even if we did make an occasional bad loan that no depositor would ever lose a cent because of it; that the cheapest and best way of sending money by mail to any place in the world is by a Bank draft; that the easiest and safest way to pay bills is with check.

There is another reason why we advertise: To get more business, just the same as a merchant advertises.

We have a certain fixed expense account, and all the business we do, which more than pays this fixed expense, adds to our profits, and we are just as anxious to make a profit in our business as is any merchant or manufacturer.

**Colorado National Bank**



SIXTH ANNUAL EDI

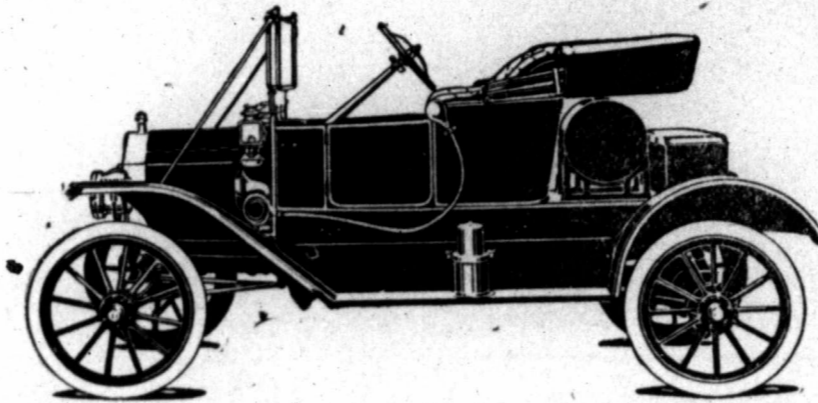
# THIRD OF ALL CARS Made in America in 1912 WILL BE FORDS

## What a Valuable Message to the World

THAT old, reliable 4-cylinder, 5-passenger Model T touring car, unchanged during its four years before the public, except for a few refinements, put on the market now for \$690—equipped to the last detail. The Model T Commercial Roadster for \$590. The Model T Town Car for \$900. And a new Delivery Wagon on the same Model T Chassis for \$700. These prices include full equipment: Extension Top, Automatic Brass Windshield, Gas Lamps, Generator and Speedometer. Is there any wonder that "When Ford Speaks the World listens?"

If this were the announcement of a new model you might be skeptical of the car's merits, but Ford Model T is the best known car on earth. More of them are on the highways of the world than there are of any other motor car.

This is the fifth season of the Model T and its absolute reliability has been proven by 80,000 satisfied Model T owners. Think how that car has been tried and tested in four years of hard service. Ford owners in every corner of the globe will tell you today that their Model T cars are reliable



in every emergency and of surprising efficiency and utility under any and all conditions. After all of the millions of miles these cars have traveled, everybody knows the Ford Model T is right.

And that's the same sterling car that is being built for 1912—75,000 of them—with added features which go to make it even more convenient and valuable for users. By reason of the largely increased production, with consequent economy in buying and making, the price for 1912 has been largely reduced.

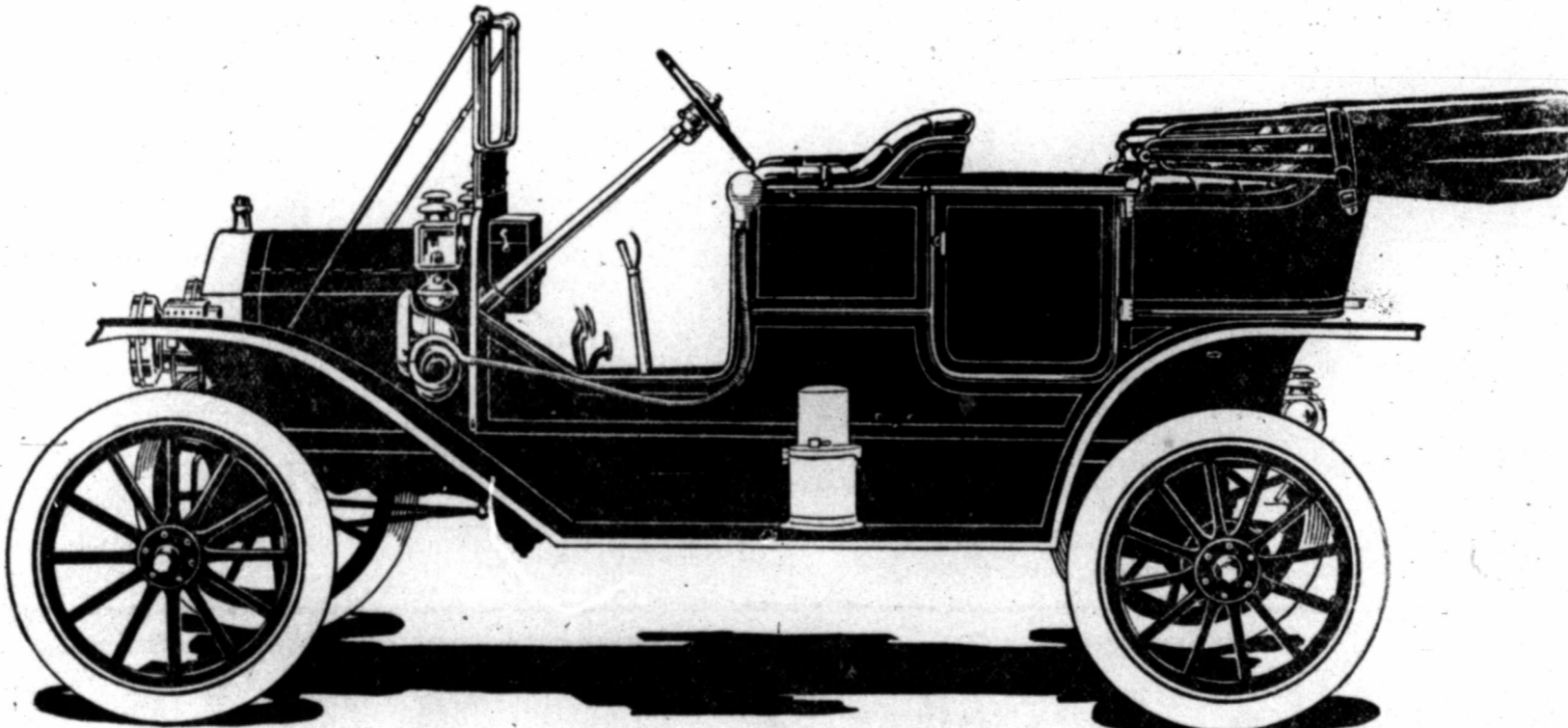
### Some of the Original and Exclusive Features which have Made the Ford Model T the Most Popular, the Most Widely Bought and Most Serviceable Car in the World, are as Follows:

**MARVELOUS SIMPLICITY IN DESIGN**—Few parts, but every part in harmony with scientific principle. There is nothing superfluous in Ford design, every part has its specific place and purpose and is especially prepared to care for the demand made upon it, making a chassis compact, clean-cut, neat, with great strength and exceeding lightness in weight.

**A CAR OF VANADIUM STEEL**, intelligently and scientifically heat-treated. Mark the fact that there is a great distinction between heat-treated steel and steel which is simply heat-hardened. Heat-treated steel combines strength with flexibility, giving a wonderful resistance against crystallization and breaking. Heat-hardened steel lacks flexibility and is susceptible to breakage through severe vibration or shock. Vanadium steel is the strongest of all steels under tensile stress, against vibration and shock. **FORD MODEL T** is the only motor car in all the world in which the entire chassis or car is constructed of heat-treated Vanadium Steel.

**FORD MAGNETO**. A triumph of inventive genius, one of the greatest inventions of the age, because of its unlimited utility as applied to motor cars. Ford magneto is built into and becomes a part of the fly-wheel. There are no wearing surface, no moving wires, no ignition troubles. The simplest, safest and least liable to trouble of all magnetos.

**FORD SPUR PLANETARY TRANSMISSION**, through which the driver has complete control of



the car instantly, by which the motor is always connected with the car, no time lost in shifting speeds, no crunching or stripping of gears. **FORD MODEL T** starts on the instant and picks up speed with the fleetness of a deer. Mr. Ford has demonstrated the correctness of his genius in this device. It is scientifically right and is one of the elementary features in the increasing demand for Ford cars.

**FORD MODEL T** rides easier, smoother, and goes over obstructions or ruts in the road with less damage to the tires or the car than any other motor car in the world. The flexibility of the

springs coupled with the extreme light weight of the car fairly lifts it over road obstructions. This is why one set of tires on a Ford Model T will make from eight to ten thousand miles. Another reason why your upkeep is kept down if you buy a Ford.

**THERE IS NO WEIGHT** on the moving parts or vital mechanism of Ford Model T.

**THE SPRING SUSPENSION** is unique and in perfect accord with scientific principles—perfectly balanced—riding free from jolts, jars and other discomforts so common to most motor cars.

**THE REAR AXLE** of the Ford Model T is in a class by itself, it

is not lumbered up with burdens or weight. It is free to do its duty, and it does it. Simple as can be—strong as can be—useful as can be. It passes entirely through the hub of the wheel, another exclusive element of safety, steadiness and durability. You know the wheels of the Ford run straight. They never bow in at the top of bottom, but carry the load on an even-keel. This is also a tire economy.

**FORD MODEL T** is the lightest weight car in the world, size power and capacity considered. It has the most horsepower per pound of car weight and this is a mighty important feature, not only from

a standpoint of hill climbing and traveling through sand and snow, mud and sleet, but it is immensely economical on tire wear and consumption of gasoline—the heavier the car the sooner the tires wear out, and the more fuel is required to run it. If weight in a motor car is necessary, why do not the makers of heavy cars advertise the big weight?

**FORD MODEL T** is the only 4-cylinder car in the world, size power and capacity considered, selling at the same low price. This is made possible by producing large quantities, buying material for spot cash and having a organization that is efficient in all departments.

**FORD MODEL T** is the cheapest car in the world to buy and maintain, and simplest to operate. This is because of the heat-treated Vanadium Steel construction—the simple and accurately scientific design, both in motor and chassis, and its general all-round stability.

**FORD MODEL T** is the highest priced quality car in the world. No exceptions, because it is made of the highest priced material used in the construction of motor cars.

**WE ARE NOT BOASTING** in any sense, but simply stating justice to the prospective buyer. The facts as they exist, that in all these things clearly of mind, the prospective buyer readily understand that, from standpoint of design, construction and operation of the **FORD MODEL T** car, our price is made possible without in any manner of ening the product.

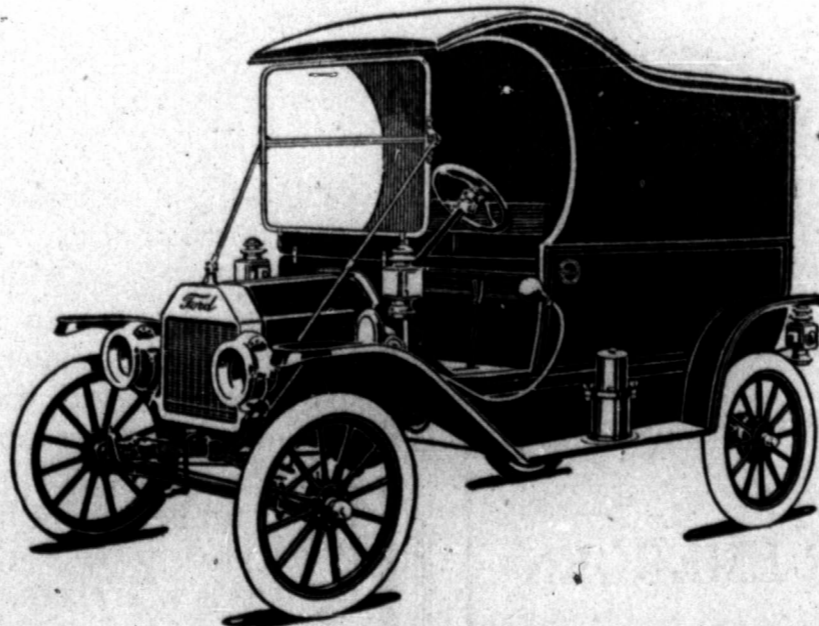
The feature of the Ford line to many dealers will be the Model T light delivery wagon. The prospect of getting a light delivery wagon on a Model T chassis will delight thousands. We knew long ago that the demand existed, but we were never able to fill our orders for pleasure cars, without considering delivery wagons.

But we are going to put the light delivery wagon out this season because the increased production will permit it.

The Model T delivery wagon will be the lightest, most powerful and most economical wagon ever sold. Lighter even than the Model T touring car, whose efficiency and economy have made it world-famous.

The utility of this delivery wagon that can turn around in a 28-foot circle and deliver goods every day in the year for less than one-half the expense of a team of horses—and cover ten times as much territory—will make it wanted by every class of tradesmen, merchants, manufacturers, express companies and whoever have goods to haul, whether they be flowers, millinery, groceries or otherwise.

#### NEW MODEL T DELIVERY WAGON. —Built on Same Model T Chassis—



Wanamaker's stores in New York and Philadelphia have 60 of these delivery wagons and they have proved a great saving in the delivery of goods for these famous stores. Every street in New York and Philadelphia has seen a Ford Model T delivery wagon hurrying goods to the homes of Wanamaker's customers.

The great thing about the Model T delivery wagon is its marvelous simplicity of operation and absolute control. Any body can learn to drive it in half an hour and its hill-climbing ability is too well known to need further comment.

Delivery Wagon, 4-Cylinder, capacity 750 pounds.  
Touring Car, 4-Cylinder, 5-passenger  
Commercial Roadster, 4-Cylinder, 3-passenger  
Town Car, 4-Cylinder

Fully equipped, including top, windshield, gas lamp, generator and speedometer at no extra charge. No Ford car is unequipped. All F. O. B. Detroit. Get in touch with the nearest Ford dealer or Ford Motor Co. or write us direct at Detroit for literature.

**Ford Motor Co.**  
Detroit, Mich., U. S. A.

**W. L. Petty, Agent**  
LORLAINE, TEXAS



# Studebaker Corporation E-M-F "30" and Flanders

largest, in the world. Will in 1912 manufacture 50,000 Automobiles--30,000 Flanders "20" and 20,000 E-M-F "30." In 1911 The Studebaker manufactured 30,000 cars, the most that were manufactured in one year by any factory.

## Clipping From Detroit Free Press

The following is a clipping from the Detroit Free Press of September 16, 1911: "The E-M-F '30' factory bought the Old Ford Plant, making the largest deal in the automobile plant for the year, acquiring 50,000 square feet of floor space, or one solid block of buildings. An interesting sidelight of the purchase of the plant is the fact that Mr. Flanders began his meteoric career in the automobile industry as manufacturing manager of the Ford Company; leaving it to become an independent manufacturer. He has a genius for production, and by leaps and bounds he has built up the largest automobile plant in the world. The E-M-F '30' and Flanders '20' now have factories to manufacture 250 cars a day."

## Studebaker People Do Big Things

They have gone from nothing in 1908 to now the largest automobile factory in the world.

They guarantee their cars for one full year.

They have taken all of their dealers to Detroit, and through their factory to show them how the E-M-F "30" and Flanders "20" cars are made.

They have put the moving pictures before the public to show how the E-M-F "30" and Flanders "20" cars are made.

They have no green thing in them.

## To Prospective Buyers

Is it cheaper to buy a \$600 to a \$1,000 car with a 90 day guarantee and pay from \$100 to \$500 per year for repair and garage work?

Or is it cheaper to pay \$975 or \$1,280 for a car with one full year guarantee, including all repair work.

I know of one man in Mitchell county who owns a car that cost him \$150 to keep running order for two months. Now he is sorry he did not buy a Studebaker. Ask yourself this question from a business standpoint.

Do we have the strength and quality in E-M-F "30" and Flanders "20" cars to guarantee them for one full year, when other manufacturers only give a 90-day guarantee?

Do E-M-F "30" and Flanders "20" cars have the sliding gear transmission, the same as all \$5,000 and \$8,000 cars, three forward and reverse.

Do the transmission and motor are the two important parts of any car. Our mission will hold our motor and our transmission will hold our motor and our car is not too strong for our transmission. That is the secret of why the Studebaker cars can stand the severe tests that they have been put.

Do you know that part of these cars is made in our factory. How do I know? Because I have seen them and seen them made. See; ask us any question and put test.

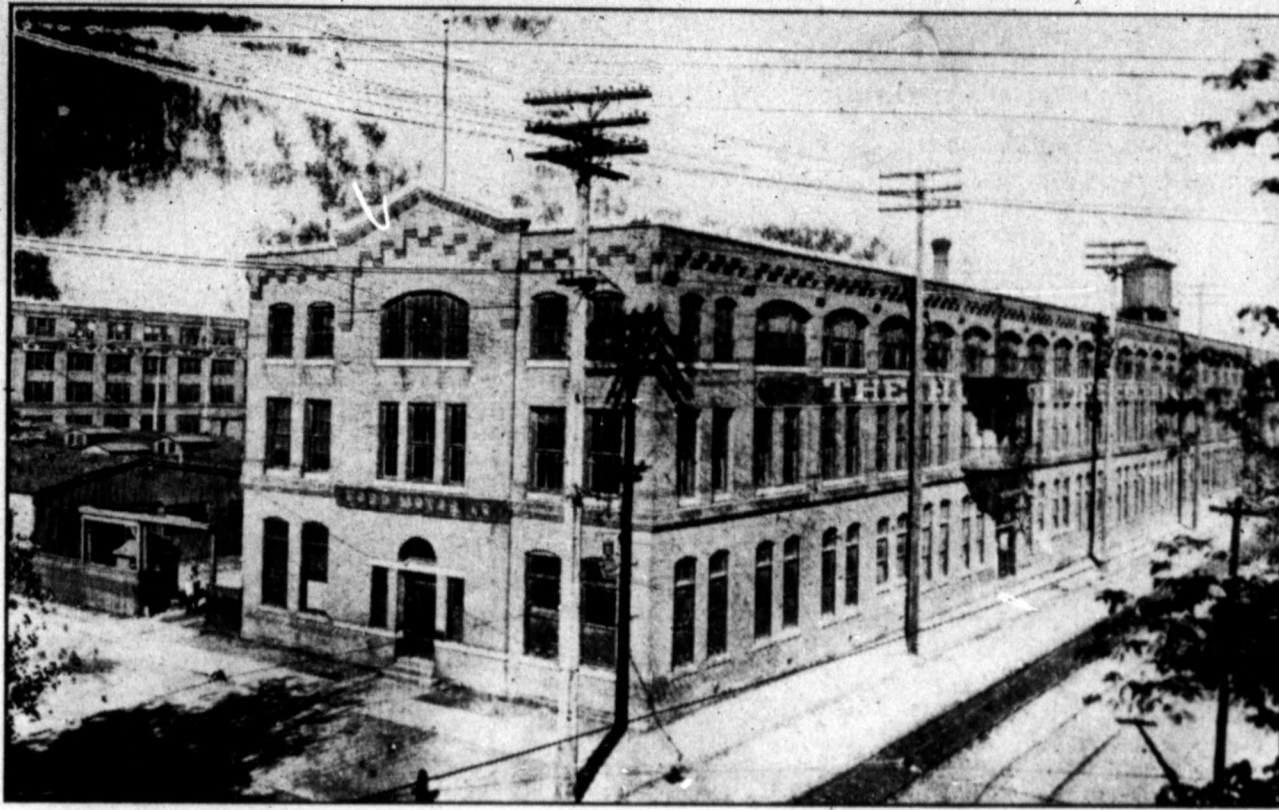
Do you know that our Mr. Flanders wrote a letter to all Studebaker-E-M-F dealers for suggestions as to how Flanders E-M-F "30" models could be improved. The 2,500 replies could be epitomized in the following, which we quote

\$6.00

\$5.00  
\$4.00



Fore-Door Touring Car \$1280  
4-Door - \$1280  
5-Door - \$1280



Former home of the Ford Motor Company, Detroit, which with entire square block surrounding, has been purchased by The Studebaker Corporation, E-M-F Factories. This will mean the employment of 1,000 more men by the E-M-F people and a considerable increase in the huge E-M-F production.

## The E-M-F Company

Certificate No. .... MANUFACTURERS OF AUTOMOBILES Motor No. ....  
Detroit, Michigan.  
Model ..... U. S. A. Car No. ....

## GUARANTY

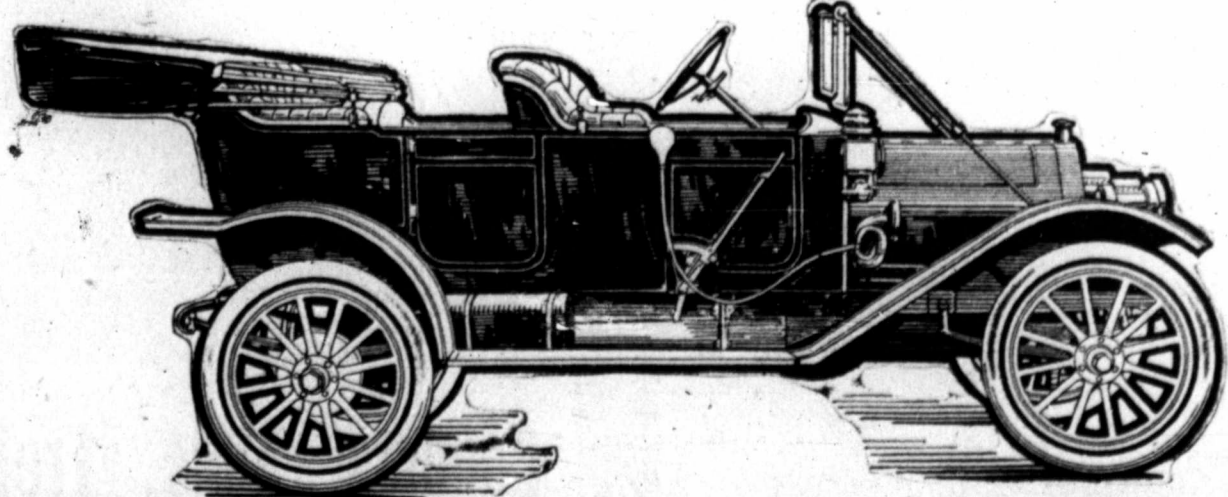
THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the E-M-F COMPANY fully warrants and guarantees the automobile covered by this certificate FOR A PERIOD OF ONE FULL YEAR from the date of original sale by dealer. This guarantee includes all material and all equipment (tires excepted) used in connection or with the construction of such automobiles. Tops and windshields not guaranteed unless bearing the E-M-F name plate.

If any part or parts of this car break or prove defective within one year FROM ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER and the dealer or shall forthwith communicate the facts to the E-M-F Company, or one of its authorized dealers, giving the number of the car and the name of the dealer from whom the car was bought, and the date of purchase, and if it shall appear that such breakage was not in fact due to misuse, negligence, or accident, the E-M-F Company will furnish such new part, either at a branch house or at its factory in Detroit, Michigan, FREE OF CHARGE TO THE OWNER.

This guaranty does not apply either directly or indirectly to consequential damage of any nature whatsoever, or to the replacement of tires, which are guaranteed by the manufacturer thereof.

THE E-M-F COMPANY.

Attest: **WALTER E. FLANDERS,**  
Robert W. Bowman, Secretary. President and General Manager.



from one letter. "Only defect in either model is lack of cars to supply the demand. There are three customers for every car that comes from the factory. Please don't try to make them any more—just make more!"

Nevertheless, "The world do not said Galileo with his last gasp—is our only excuse for announcing changes. Note, we do not say improvements in either of our models for 1912."

Just at this time when other makers are tearing the air with declamations of their new and radically different models—condemning their product of the past by just so much as they proclaim the superiority of their forthcoming effort, we can say, "Our 1912 model is just as good as that we sold in 1911—or 1910, 1909 or 1908."

Can you appreciate with what pride we make that statement—can you enjoy with us the exultation which comes from knowing that if in the future we can only give every buyer as great value for his dollar—as much satisfaction and pleasure in his purchase as in the past—we will have achieved the highest ambition of any honest business house.

Take for example our E-M-F "30" model. Never was there such a record of service and of satisfaction as the car has given its 45,000 owners. So flawless has been the record that we have today 45,000 salesmen—all working for love.

Do you know that the Studebaker E-M-F "30" is the oldest car in the world in its present form—this is its fourth year—and the few changes that have been made from time to time were in external appearance only—we have kept up with the styles in body design.

No other plant has ever been able to equal this in performance—"Old Bull," the ninth car we built, holds several world's records for speed—84 miles an hour on Atlanta Speedway, and she and the others of that first famous litter, hold all world's records for endurance. Every one of them is in service today, and many of the first five hundred have over 100,000 miles of rough road toured to their credit.

Take car No. 2, for example. It is in New Mexico. Owner writes: "Friends who have purchased your later models on my recommendation tell me that their cars are great, but after four years of driving over western trails, I tell you I don't believe you ever built another car quite as good as my No. 2."

Isn't it splendid to get letters like that? Car No. 1? Why that car, our first, was used for two years at the factory as a demonstrator and was then put in the hardest kind of service as a "pick-up wagon" at the factory, doing heavy truck work. Can't kill her—looks as if she was good for twenty years or more of the same kind of work.

When our dealers come to the factory it is a favorite stunt to take a ride in Old No. 1—on top of a load of castings, perhaps. And each time they marvel at the durability of the old car—knowing though they do the quality of all the E-M-F "30" cars.

That is why we hesitate to claim any real improvement in 1912 model E-M-F "30" cars, over any previous model—persons who know will doubt our ability to improve on perfection—or what they consider the nearest approach to perfection that has ever been attained in a motor car.

—THESE PRICES F. O. B. COLORADO, FULLY EQUIPPED—

Full one year guarantee goes with every car. ONLY car on the market that can be bought piece by piece at the same price of the car.

# F. S. KEIPER

Studebaker Garage  
Colorado, - Texas



Five Passenger Fore-Door Touring Car \$975  
4-Passenger Suburban - \$975  
Roadster - \$925

## Toline, Oils, Supplies and Repair Work





Residence of Mayor Chas. W. Adams. This splendid home is one of the most comfortable and most elegantly furnished homes in the city and commands a splendid view, as it is situated on the highest point of the town.

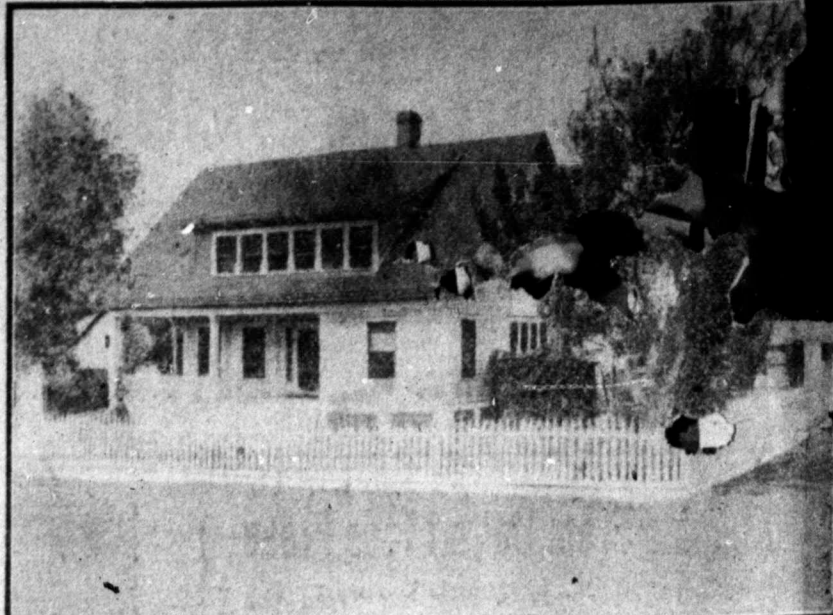
8,000 CATTLE BRANDS IN STATE OF TEXAS.

Some of the Strangest Designs Carried Are Found in the Cornbeland. The big Texas ranches, often stretching for miles and miles and miles, and including under their wire fences more acreage than European kingdoms and principalities, have their heralds as well established as that familiar to the knights of old. The heralds are the brands, and there are more than 8,000 on record in Texas, as shown by the records of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas. These brands are often known better than the owners, and many stand for honesty in weight, honesty in breeding and honesty in dealing. Just as the heralds of knighthood stood for honor, for bravery and for noble deeds and accomplishments. The announcement that a certain brand is for sale is often a guarantee that no precautions against fraud or dishonesty of any kind need be taken. In the record of brands, every letter of the alphabet is represented, and most letters are found in three or four positions. An exception is "O," which has but one shape, in any position, and therefore can be used only once. True, there is the "O" fattened at the sides, but then it is called

a mottled "O," a hilt or a goose egg. "N" is another letter, that is not susceptible of many positions, for horizontally it is "Z." "J" is another letter with a limited use. It is seldom seen except in combination with other characters, and is usually called a bar. "C" and "K" are examples of letters that are used in four positions. For example, an ordinary K makes one position. Turn it to an angle of 45 degrees and you have the "tumbling K." on its back, horizontally, the "lazy K," and reversed, a fourth position. There are lazy and tumbling brands in all letters except O and I. The letter "A," perhaps, the oldest brand known in any cattle country, usually having its beginning in the inside of the owner. Finally all the letters but one are eliminated. But when the cattle business became general and instead of 300 ranches there are thousands, new brands must be devised. The seeker of a brand naturally wants to get an insignia different from that of other ranchmen, or else the brand would fail of its purpose. So in latter days the letters were finally all taken up and the necessity of individual and unique brands has led to many a strange device. It is worth mentioning that ranches often take their names from their principal brand rather than from their

owner. For example we hear of the "Spur Ranch," the "Turkey Track Ranch," the "Tumbling K" or the "Lazy K." Every ranch has its principal brand, and some have many others. Ranch owners who trade extensively and are constantly acquiring cattle with different brands, have a number of insignias on record. Ofttimes the ranchman's sons and daughters have their special brands, and the dedication of a new brand is not an unusual form of celebrating a new birth on the range. But back to peculiar brands. One owner has a pig pen, which just means a square with its sides extended to form the angles. Crescents are common. Only one ranchman has a hutchet for a brand. A bow and arrow gives a name to one big Texas ranch. I. J. Kimberlin's ranch has a crutch on the hip and a coffee pot on the side. The coffee pot design is not so intricate as one might imagine, consisting of only eight lines. Wine glasses are not so uncommon as a brand, and the J. W. Friend Cattle Company, in Crockett county, has a gourd. A rocking chair is the brand of H. B. Opp in Sutton and Menard counties. Lee Bros. have for their brand the graceful fleur de lis. Anchors are common, but only the John W. Franks ranch, in the Osage reservation, boasts of the Swastika.

A hash knife, a hat, the Masonic square, a key, a turkey track, a bell, crossed walking sticks, an hour-glass, a tree, a boot, a slipper, a flag, an apple, a flower, ladders, rakes, a spade, a fence, a doll baby, a door key, a cotton hook, a fish-hook, a bottle, bridle bits, a frying pan, a pitchfork, and even a comet, may be seen among the long list of brands. A "scruple" indicates that the ranch owner was a druggist before becoming a cattleman. Hearts, diamonds and clubs are found among the record of brands, but the spades are those of agricultural design. The tendency is toward smaller brands. Branding causes cattle to lose in weight, and the larger the brand the greater the suffering of the cattle and the greater the loss of weight, so the old-time custom of great brands, covering the whole side of a cow, is passing away. Hides are more valuable today, also, and the big brands injure the leather. The earliest brands to read are those made with the stamp iron, that is, an iron forged into the figure or character. Sometimes the cowboys encounter a maverick far from headquarters, and in the exigency of the occasion an iron rod is heated and a "running" brand is executed. Read about the splendid free gift we are making to subscribers of the Record. Act accordingly.

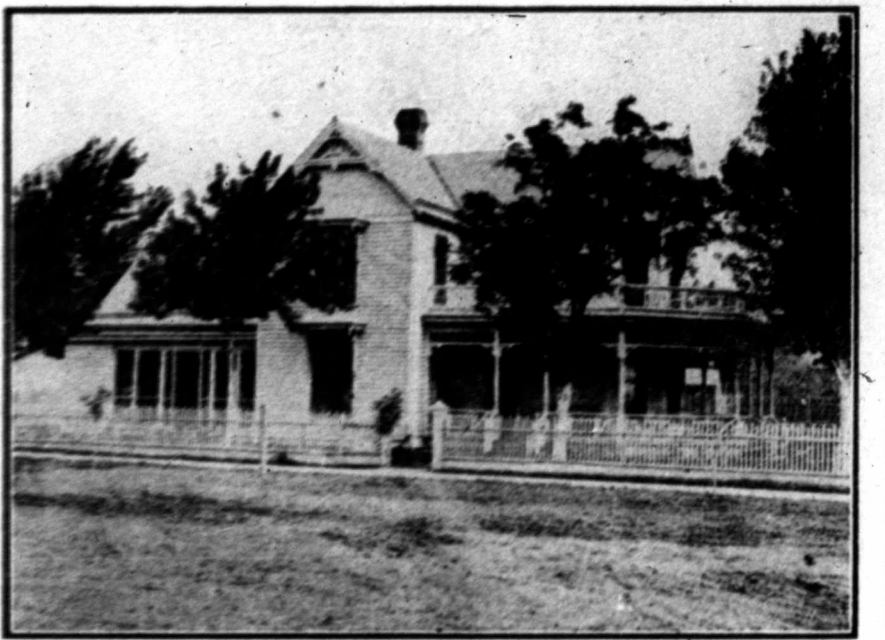


Residence of R. H. Waldo. Mr. Waldo built the first bungalow residence in the town, which, as the picture shows, is a handsome one.

Coming Into Its Own.

Here is an article showing that the people of the eastern half of the state are getting convincing proof that in West Texas tarantulas, rattlesnakes, polecats, coyotes and cactus are not the only products. For thirty-nine years the News editor has heard west Texas referred to as a country of short feed crops and usually the bountiful oat and corn yield here has caused us to smile at the man who claimed that maize and Kaffir corn were suitable substitutes for corn and oats. But this year we have had the experience of shipping this stuff, which has been laughed at so much, in from the west to feed with. And like the boy who got the licking that he deserved, it isn't half as bad as it was pictured.—Garland News. It never pays to get too self-satisfied or to underrate the other party. West Texas has suffered in the three years of drouth; suffered severely; but West Texas has not been alone in her misery. It has had company, very good company. The whole state has suffered. West Texas has been settled largely by persons in poor circumstances; brave and ambitious men and women have ventured in hope of gain; have pioneered as their fathers did, in search of homes that they could call their own. Hard times naturally affect these people earlier than their wealthy cousins are affected,

and much of the poverty one has seen teaming east from the west is due not to the country from which they come, but to their own lack of means to see them through temporary depressions. West Texas will finally win. The maize crops are comparatively sure here, and these crops are not despised as they were. In many respects Kaffir corn is superior to Indian corn as a stock food. It produces heavily and is relished by all manner of 4-footed beasts. Cotton thrives in the greater part of west Texas, as with the head crops for grain supply with the cotton patch for ready money and with the cows and hogs for milk and meat, farm life may be as prosperous in many of the plains counties as on the proud and haughty blue lands.—State Press in Dallas News. A healthful climate knowing neither extreme of heat or cold to which northern neighbors are subjected, rich, fertile soil at from \$5 to \$25 acre—according to improvement—the actual growing on the same two prolific crops in one year; cheapness of building material; of life's necessities, and a quiet lighter cost of living for live stock operations, a moderate rate, an excellent school rate, among the inducements West offers.



A. J. Herrington's Residence. This beautiful home was built by J. F. Clayton, and recently sold to Mr. Herrington, proprietor of the Rambler Garage.

# 240 Presents Of \$100.00 Each For 240 Months

or for 20 years for wife and children is what you get in a

Monthly Income Policy with the Missouri State Life

Be a thoughtful and prudent husband, a kind and loving father, and provide for each Coming Christmas by getting a policy with the...

For Missouri State Life M. K. JACKSON, Agt.

# MY 29TH ANNIVERSARY In Business

THIS is the twenty-ninth Christmas I have seen Colorado since beginning business here, and during these years have handled the very best lines



Candies, Nuts, Fruits and Fancy Groceries the wholesale markets could afford. I AM CARRYING THIS CHRISTMAS A LARGER and more varied stock of all these things than ever before want you to come and inspect them before your purchases.

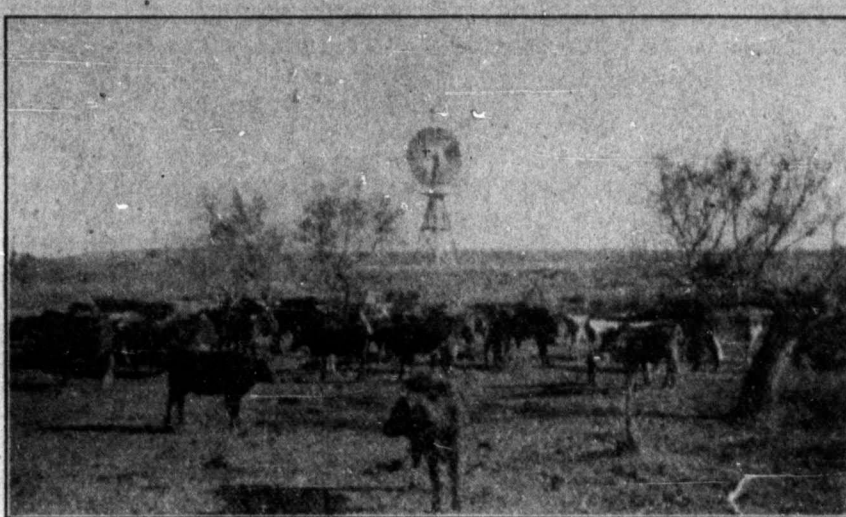
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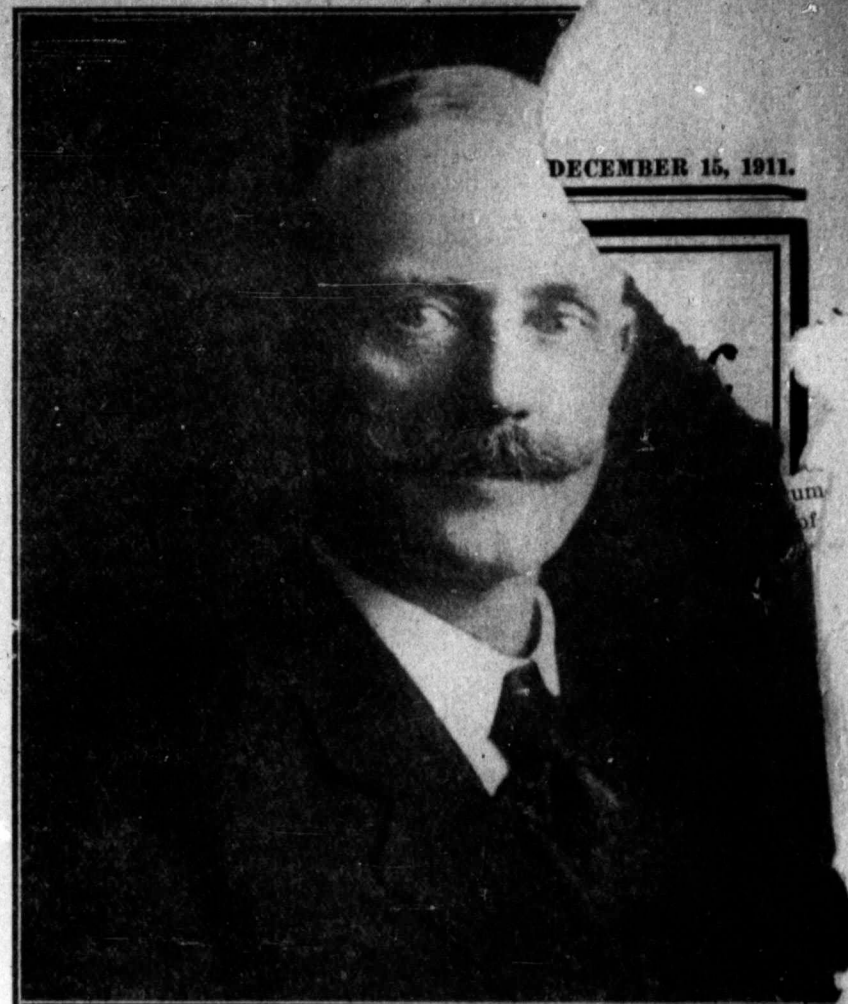
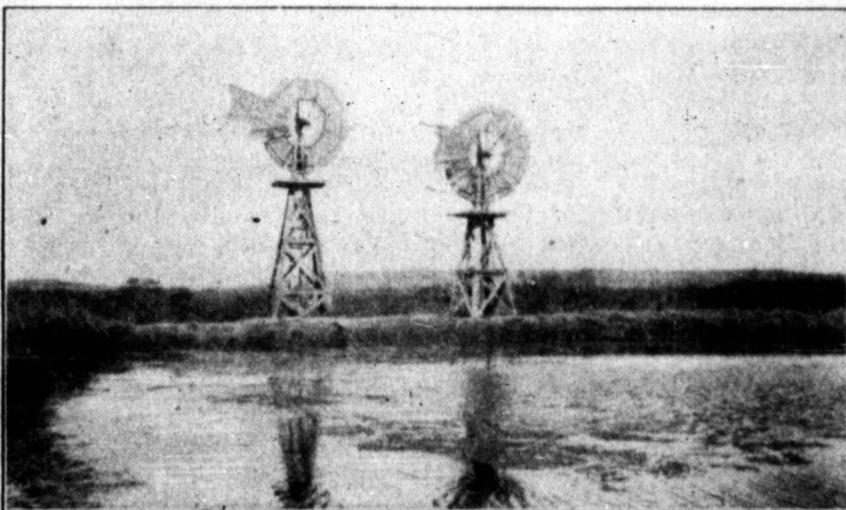


HON. W. R. SMITH.

The subject of this sketch is an east Texas product, hailing from that section, which has been so prolific in the production of governors, congressmen and others prominent in the affairs of Texas—Smith county. Judge Smith came to Mitchell county when its jurisprudence and government were in the trying-out stage, and early made his impress on everything that made for the betterment of conditions. He made a success of the practice of law; was district judge for several terms from which office he was elected to congress from the 16th congressional district, which honorable position he has filled for several terms, with eminent satisfaction to his constituency. Judge Smith stands for re-election for the sixth time—this time without opposition.



Ranch Scenes.



JUDGE W. B. CROCKETT.

Is a native of Mississippi, and is a demonstration of the fact that those who "stay by the stuff." He has built a large, and lucrative practice by close attention to business and bed-rock honesty. He has served the county as its judge for several terms, and represented the 101st district in the legislature with credit to himself and satisfaction to his constituents. He takes high rank as a lawyer in West Texas.

IRRIGATION THE PALLADIUM.

Intelligent irrigation was, up to a few years ago, regarded as a paradox. The farmer under the old, superficial and hap-hazard methods, snorted with contempt whenever he heard it mentioned. But when he saw demonstrated, right under his nose, that five acres could be made to produce more than ten acres of alfalfa, and all other crops, he had been able to produce on five acres of land the most favorable far less work and to take notice, and to do something.

of alfalfa, which produced, the first year under irrigation four harvests, he begins to think of what irrigation is worth to the semi-arid lands of the southwest. He begins to wonder why farmers will scratch over 80 acres of land and depend entirely upon the chances of an uncertain rainfall for an uncertain crop, when twenty acres, put under irrigation will produce a better crop of everything he plants with less than half the work, and with but a small part of the expense; to say nothing of the feeling of confidence to which he can look forward to the time of harvest.

hand struggle, and kept only at the price of eternal vigilance and work; the dairy industry flourishes as nowhere else in the world. It would be impossible without irrigation for such industry to continue on such high priced land. But it is no uncommon feat in Holland to support a family of five on two and three acres of land. Even in California and Colorado, an instance has been reported from each state, where only one acre of land, intensely cultivated, has supported four persons for one year.

The principles of irrigation and methods of intense cultivation have passed the experimental stage; both have come to abide. They are one and inseparable: Irrigation without intensive cultural methods would be as great a failure as intensive cultivation

without the aid of irrigation would be impossible.

It is no dream that in the future the greater part of the farming of the southwest will be done wholly or partly under some system of irrigation. Farmers are already supplementing the old methods with small irrigation plants that care for only a few acres, and as they learn how to handle the water, study the nature of the soil and learn the fundamental requirements of scientific irrigation, their irrigated acreage will be increased.

For untold centuries, the disintegration of the rocks upon the hills has fed lime, potash, and other elements of plant growth; they have been washed down upon the plains by the freshets, and under the influence of the

secret chemistry of the sun, have recharged the semi-arid lands with fertility like a leyden jar. The land has been made a storehouse of fertility, and it requires but little moisture to liberate it and give it expression in a riot of vegetable life. Frequent, hard or continuous rains would soon leach out the fertility of the land faster than it could be supplied, by natural processes. Hence irrigation is better adapted than uncertain and varying rainfall for bringing the stored up fertility to the support of vegetable life. The land is not weakened beyond just what the growth of the plant takes from it, and fully as much is given to the soil by the water and the plant itself.

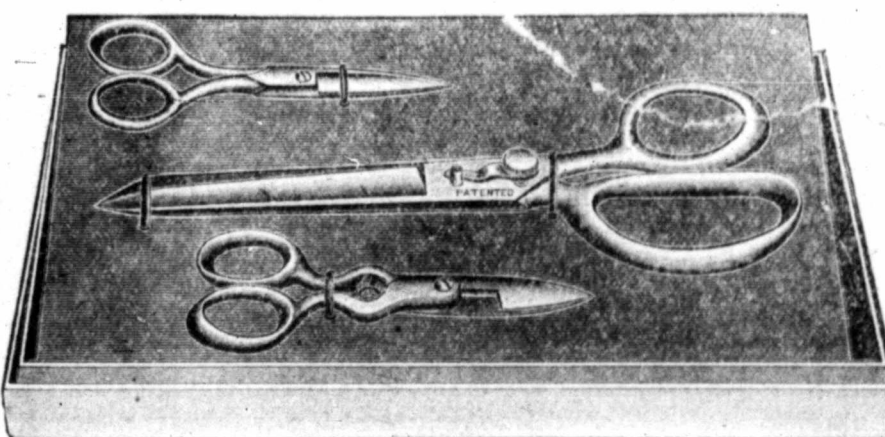
Its so if you saw it in the Record

Perchance a look will suffice to clear the cloud from a neighbor's face, And the press of a hand in sympathy A sorrowful tear efface. One walks in sunlight; another goes All weary in the shade. One treads a path that is fair and smooth, Another must pray for aid, It costs so little, I wonder why We give it so little thought; A smile—kind word—a glance—a touch— What magic with them is wrought!

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instan- value of problem- no bought ay usually the appreciation is as sure as as. It will grow money at ten per cent There never was a more time to invest money in than now. For the sake of let us say that these pe- riod will occur—say two or three fat years—land at its price in West Texas, ease of climate and a good crop year, is a better invest- ment than in Central Texas times the team and hired it, with an average crop

bits on the fence holding thinking that he will take the depreciation of West really "during the next drouth" be as badly disappointed as the y who waited for the core of the another boy was eating. There is going to be any more deprecia- tion any more than there was any left of the apple. West Texas estate will never be as cheap as it is now. The signs are writ so large that he who runs may read them.

The spectre of Drouth no longer ob- trudes upon every feast; the prepon- derating element of chance that en- tered into every calculation for a crop, no longer hangs, like the sword of Daemones, suspended by a hair over our heads. The recent abundant rains all over West Texas have silenced the jibes and the thread-bare jokes of the ignorant and malicious. West Texas today is holding its own against the most vaunted section of the South- west as a field for investment and as an agricultural proposition as well.

Panhandle Grows Flax.

Canyon City, Tex., That the Pan- handle is adapted to the production of flax has been clearly demonstrated by D. L. Hickox near this city. Mr. Hickox had about two hundred acres of flax under cultivation this year and reports an average yield of fif- teen bushels to the acre which has sold at three dollars per bushel. Mr. Hickox is from Minnesota, where flax is

grown extensively. He came here last year and thoroughly investigated the condition with a view to the grow- ing of flax. His investigations sat- isfied him that he could raise just as good a product as he had grown on his Minnesota farm. He accordingly put two hundred acres under cultiva- tion, and is so well pleased with his venture that next year he will plant two thousand acres. He made enough from his crop this year to pay for the land on which it was planted. Farmers in this vicinity have been much interested in Mr. Hickox's crop and many have stated that they would devote a small acreage to flax next year.

Three Million Matches a Minute.

It has been estimated that for each minute of time the civilized nations of the world strike three million matches. This is said to be the average for every minute of the twenty- four hours of the day. Fifteen hun- dred billion is the number for the entire year, and those people who live under the American flag are charged with the consumption of one-half the amount.

The importance of the industry which turns out the little splinters tipped with sulphur or some other material, that ignites by friction, is only recognized when the average smoker tries to contemplate his predicament if he had to go back to the time when he had to coax a spark from a tinder box. Small and insignificant as it is, the match demands as much attention in the choice of wood involved in its manufacture as any other forest product. Only the choicest portions of the best trees are suitable. Sap-wood, cross-grained or knotty timber will not do. Instead of being a by-product the little match is turned out at hundreds of mills over the country, where the by-products are bulky objects like doors, sash, shingles, sidings, posts, and cord- woods. The pines, linden, aspen, white cedar, poplar, birch and willow are the most suitable match timbers. —Scientific American.

Texas is a mass of wonderful possi- bilities that the master hand of in- dustry is rapidly moulding into per- fect prosperity.

Last week for \$2.80 ver-a-best flour at McMurry's.

Irrigation in the Fort Stockton Country.

Port Stockton, Tex., Dec. 4.—W. L. Rockwell, irrigation manager for Tex- as, of the Agricultural Department of the United States, is here looking after matters connected with his work in this section. He says that development in irrigation has been greater in this part of the state than in any other section, and that when the immense volume of water that it is possible to conserve near here is impounded, it will be sufficient to ir- rigate from forty to fifty thousand acres abundantly. Although Mr. Rockwell has not thoroughly inspec- ted the development of irrigation in the Leon Valley, he is favorably impres- sed with the valley and its possibili- ties for irrigated farming.

Potash Better than Gold.

There have been persistent rumors of late of the discovery of another great gold area in Alaska. But if the public realizes the full importance of another current rumor, it would com- pletely overshadow the hint of another Golconda.

This greater report is that exten- sive potash deposits have been found in the United States.

To most of us potash is only the old- fashioned gergle or perhaps the un- accountable excuse for unaccountable wranglings between the German gov- ernment and ours.

But the truth is, potash is one of the most valuable things on earth. Science declares that it is one of the substances indispensable to plant growth. An official for one of the largest manufacturers of the world says that if we had potash in America the cost of fertilizer would be cut in half.

If the future belongs to intensive agriculture, if we must feed our soil or find our greatest source of wealth decreasing as our needs for it in- creases, then the discovery of potash is better than the discovery of gold from the standpoint of natural wel- fare and the prosperity of futuer gen- erations.

May this report be true.

It is just as much a form of patrio- tism to build up the wealth of a state as it is to raise armies. Industrial wealth is a bulwark of peace, and he who honorably increases a state's wealth adds substantial glory to her name.

What Mitchell County Needs.

Hallettsville, Tex., Dec. 6.—J. O. Berryman, representing the United States Department, of Agriculture, was here recently from Quero for the purpose of presenting to the commissioner's court a proposition to establish a dem- onstration farm near here. The De- partment of Agriculture, through Mr. Berryman, proposes to incur half the expense of the demonstration work and furnish one of its expert, practi- cal farmers to conduct the demon- stration, if the county will pay the other half. The last session of the legis- lature enacted a law permitting the commissioners court of each county to make apportionments of not ex- ceeding one thousand dollars for this work. Mr. Berryman only wants three hundred and seventy-five dollars from the county.

While the commissioners have not yet acted on the proposition, it is un- derstood that they will accept it and thus get in line with other progressive counties maintaining these demonstra- tions.

We consider ourselves a progress- ive people, but when it comes to pos- sessing the things that make primarily for our comfort and wealth, we might learn a few lessons from the ancients.

The Romans had the greatest sys- tems of public highways the world has ever known. If old Appius Claudius had been present at the National Good Roads Convention recently held at Richmond, no doubt he would have been accorded a liberal share of ap- plause when he had finished his speech, as he was such an authority on highway construction that his roads are still being used after hav- ing been used more than two thou- sand years.

Did you ever think of it! Suppose every business man in the town took as much interest in the upbuilding of a city as the newspaper man. He works for better roads, streets, fac- tories and a hundred other things for the general good; he urges, pleads, scolds, badgers and cavorts around generally until he gets what he sets out for. Imagine his feel- ings, then, when some lame, string- halted kind of a fellow reproaches him because he don't boom things enough and nine times out of ten that same fellow has never paid a cent toward supporting the paper.—Bur- lington Times.

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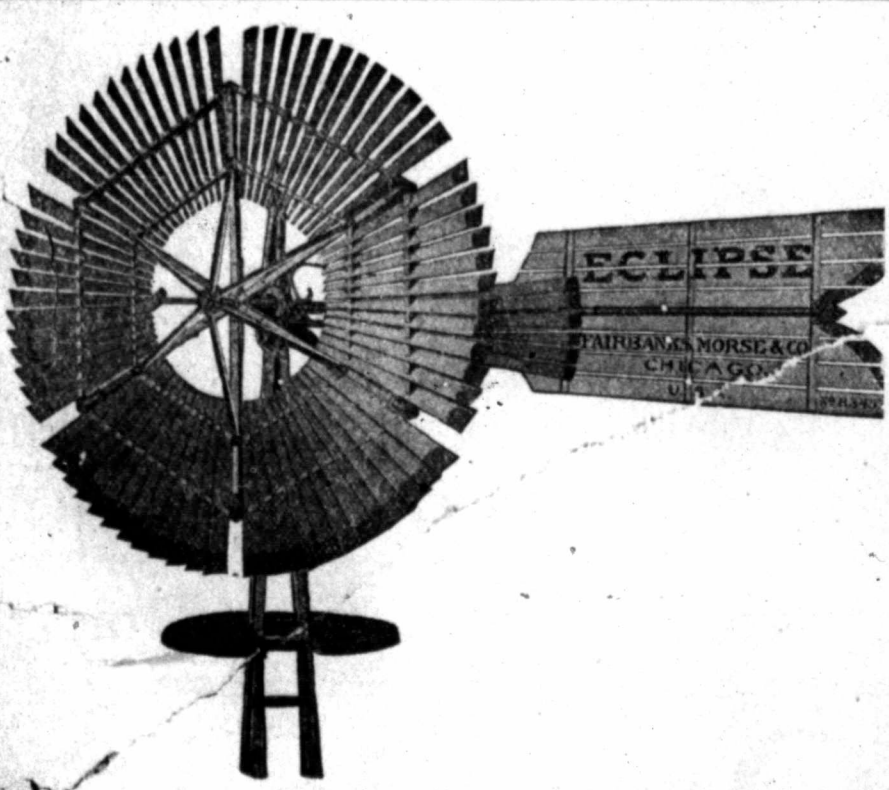
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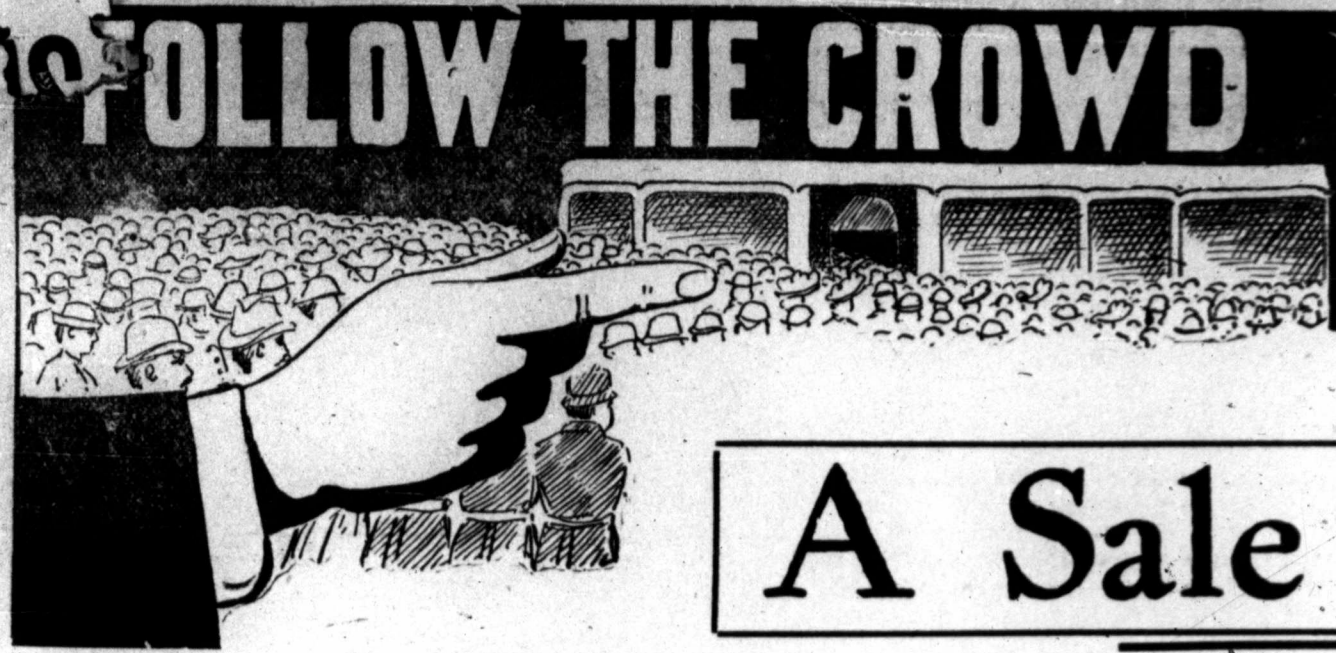
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#### 25 PER CENT DISCOUNT

Ladies' strictly tailored and fancy trimmed suits on sale for one-fourth off our regular price. This sale includes the entire stock and now is your opportunity of the season to make a big saving on your suit purchases. If interested read on---

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\$35.00 Suits this sale only.....	\$26.25
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\$20.00 Suits this sale only.....	\$15.00
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Ladies' Home Journal Patterns Nos. 5028-5015

#### 25 PER CENT DISCOUNT

Ladies' and Misses' long coats---our stock is full of the new and up-to-date styles and we are offering the entire stock right here in the middle of the season at ONE FOURTH OFF of our REGULAR PRICE. Not a garment reserved, everything goes. If interested read on---

#### The Prices Run Down Hill Like This

\$25.00 Coats this sale only.....	\$18.75
\$20.00 Coats this sale only.....	\$15.00
\$15.00 Coats this sale only.....	\$11.25
\$12.00 Coats this sale only.....	\$9.00
\$10.00 Coats this sale only.....	\$7.50
\$5.00 Coats this sale only.....	\$3.75

#### 1/2 Price 1/2

In addition to this cut price sale on this new merchandise we offer one lot of ladies' skirts (last season's styles) at one-half price:

\$10.00 Skirts for	\$5.00
\$6.00 " for	\$3.00
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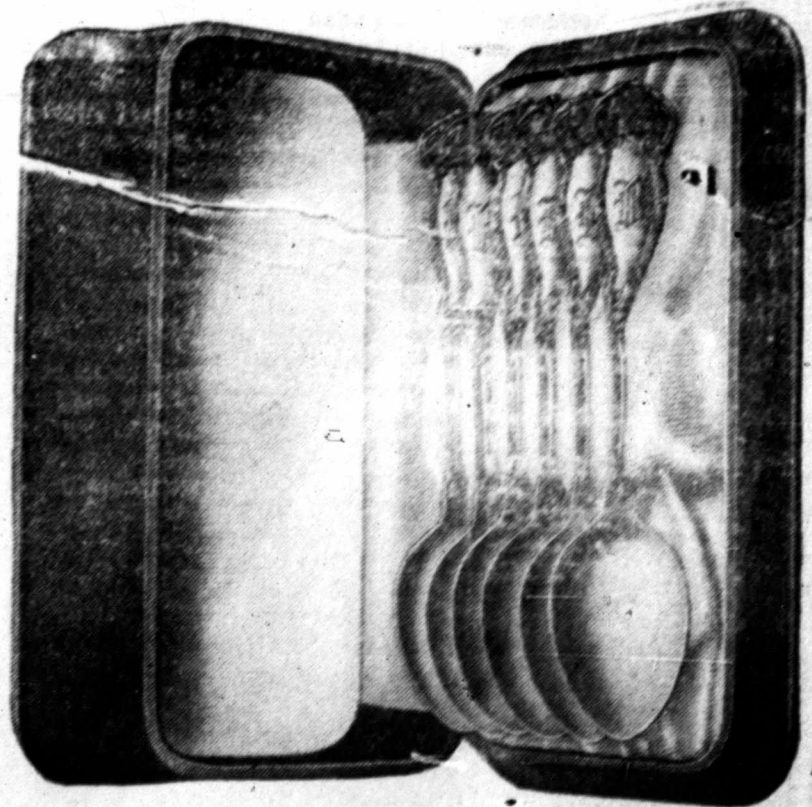
On our entire stock of ladies' silk dresses. In this collection you will find many handsome garments appropriate for both evening and street wear, on sale at a liberal reduction of

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A set of 6 Rogers A A silver teaspoons, full size, with your own or any initial engraved in Old English letters on each spoon, each set in lined display case as shown.

Buy \$10.00 worth and you can have the set for \$1.00, or buy \$25.00 worth and get the set free.



The time, the place, the merchandise, the sweeping reductions which we are offering in this department should interest you. Come early, when you can find your size, your color and your price.

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# Germ's Spread in Skin

Except scabies and other skin troubles are caused by myriads of germs at work in the skin. Unless these germs are promptly destroyed they rapidly multiply, gnawing their way deep into the sensitive tissue. This is what causes that awful itching and what seemed a mere rash may grow worse and develop into a foul-smelling and torturing skin disease with its results of misery.

Don't take any chances! Destroy germs at the beginning of the trouble by that soothing and cleansing wash, D. D. D. Prescription for Eczema. A 25c bottle will prove this to you.

We have had experience with many remedies for skin trouble but have never seen such remarkable cures as those from D. D. D. Prescription. Instant relief from the very first application.

We are so confident that D. D. D. will reach your case that it will cost you nothing if the very first full size bottle fails to make good every claim. If you have skin trouble of any kind, we certainly advise you to try it and investigate the merits of D. D. D. anyway. We know that D. D. D. will help you.

## LYON READS RIOT ACT TO GOVERNOR OF MISSOURI.

"Goes Double, Then," Says Texan, on Learning Identity of Man Who Had Roused His Ire.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—Governor Hadley, of Missouri, came east a few days ago with a decided aversion to cigars, cigarettes and tobacco in any form. When he goes back this will be merged with a similar feeling for Col. Cecil Lyon, national committeeman, and Col. Lyon may have an influence on forty votes in the national convention.

Governor Hadley was sitting in the smoking apartment of a Pullman car. A friend offered a cigar. He declined it. The friend suggested a cigarette. The governor is an abstainer from all forms of the weed. He made this known in positive language, and then launched into a dissertation on cigarettes and their effect, as well as his views on the type of man who will smoke a cigarette.

A rangy-looking man sitting near the window got nervous. He was smoking a cigarette. He unwound himself, took off his slouch hat and addressed a few well-chosen remarks to the governor. The cigarette smoker was possessed of considerable language. It included English, Mexican and Texan, and expressive versions of each. He concluded his brief remarks by offering to drop the cigarette hater out of the window into the Juanita river. Governor Hadley squirmed during the lecture. When it was over he left the compartment.

"Do you know who you were talking to?" asked an innocent bystander. "That was Governor Hadley of Missouri."

"The hell it was!" ejaculated Colonel Lyon, "then she goes double."

## Texas' Slice of Pork.

In the appropriation for rivers and harbors next year, Texas fares pretty well:

Galveston harbor, \$75,000; Galveston channel, \$100,000; channel, Galveston to Texas City, \$50,000; ship to Port Bolivar, \$25,000; Houston ship channel, \$100,000; West Galveston Bay channel, Turtle Bayou, Trinity River, Anahuac channel, Oyster Creek, Chocolate, and Bastrop Bayous and adjacent streams, \$25,000; West Galveston Bay and Brazos River canal, \$10,000; Brazos River Matagorda Bay channel, \$50,000; Guadalupe River, bay section, \$40,000; deep water harbor at Harbor Island, Aransas Pass, \$250,000; Sabine Canal, including Sabine River to Orange, Neches River to Beaumont, \$50,000; Sabine Pass Harbor, \$150,000; Brazos River from Old Washington to Waco, \$100,000; Valasco to Old Washington, \$15,000; Trinity River, open channel work, \$15,000; section 1, \$25,000; Lock and Dam at Hurricane Shoals, \$100,000; Lock and Dam No. 7, \$100,000; Lock and Dam, White Rock Shoals, \$100,000; Cypress Bayou, \$5,000; Red River, Fulton, Ark., to Denison, \$25,000.

There has been quite an epidemic of sore throat and bilious attacks among the children lately. Mr. Price's two little ones were quite sick last week, as were two of Mr. Cooksey's. Mary Broadus, Roddy Merritt and Miss Neppie Branch were among those ailing the first of the week.

With the church societies and clubs filling stockings and packing boxes for the children, that Santa Claus doesn't know or hasn't found, it is believed that every little one will be remembered on this great occasion.

## TEXAS WELFARE COMMISSION

### Commercial Secretaries Appoint Commission to Investigate Industrial Conditions.

The Welfare Commission which the Commercial Secretaries and Business Men's Association of Texas has organized will hold sessions in Dallas, Ft. Worth, San Antonio, Houston and other cities in Texas and hear the views of men of affairs on the needs of Texas. The following are a few of the questions which the Commission will undertake to answer:

Sixty-eight per cent of the farmers of Texas do not own their farms. WHY?

We need 50,000 miles more of railroads in Texas and there is not a mile of road under construction in the State today. WHY?

We have 140,000 miles of unimproved public highways and during the past ten years we have permanently improved only 2,900. WHY?

We have 1200 miles of navigable rivers but no steamboat lines ply our waters. WHY?

We buy from other States \$75,000,000 worth of feed stuff annually. WHY?

According to estimates of the Farmers' Union, it costs 12 1/2 cents per pound to raise cotton and it sells for a less price. WHY?

We owe \$1,100,000,000 to parties outside the State and will have to borrow ten billion more to develop our resources and yet large insurance companies and other sources of cheap money are not doing business in Texas. WHY?

The Farmers' Union report that they are paying 8 and 10 per cent for money loaned on cotton in their warehouses, although cotton is the best security in the world. WHY?

Texas cattle are rated by the Federal Agricultural Department at \$14.79 per head and Illinois cattle at \$28.02 per head. WHY?

There is shipped into Texas 100 car loads of cured meats per week. WHY?

The Texas farmers haul \$1,200,000 of raw material per day to the foreign factory. WHY?

We raise between three and four million bales of cotton annually and manufacture only 40,000 bales. WHY?

The Railroad Commission of Texas values the railroad property at \$290,000,000, the Tax Commission at \$1,000,000,000 and the Tax Assessor at \$340,132,572. WHY?

## IMMIGRANTS NEAR MIDLAND.

German Farmers Soon to be Colonized in the Midland Country. Deal is Closed.

By the first of January between two and three hundred German farmers will have settled with their families on farms near Midland.

A deal was closed Wednesday between Chris and Phil Scharbauer, of Midland, and W. H. Lembke, a colonization man from Illinois, by the terms of which 20,000 acres will be occupied by Lembke, who is himself a German, and party.

Mr. Lembke has his farmers already prepared to move, the only thing left being the final decision regarding location.

Lembke makes a specialty of colonizing German farmers. The present homeseekers will come from Southern Illinois and Western Pennsylvania.

The recent discovery of abundant underground water near Midland was the decisive factor which caused the German farmers to decide on that section for location. W. G. Kline, from Cleveland, is also here making arrangements to colonize a large party.

## Country Life Training.

It is an easy matter for financial matters to become paramount and for the love for the beautiful to become dull. Not that we as a people do not place importance upon the higher and better things of life, but because we are too easily led astray when an opportunity for wealth presents itself.

This is why the farm is the best place to rear a family. Here nature beautifies and embellishes for man. Here boys and girls may live in a wholesome environment, surrounded with the best of God's creations. Here they learn to appreciate the blessings of country life and to discriminate between the false and the true.

Those who are rearing children should strive to make the home the most important consideration in the farm operations. Comfortable homes encourage good citizenship and good citizenship is necessary for a good government and a powerful nation.

Already the cotton shipments from Snyder and other points in Scurry county have been enough to insure...

## Date Muffins

(Recipe by Mrs. Helen Armstrong)  
This recipe has met with considerable favor at Mrs. Helen Armstrong's cooking lectures. Taste these muffins once and you will want more:

Cream three tablespoons of Cottolene with four of sugar and add two beaten eggs, also two-thirds of a cup of milk. Sift two cups of flour with two teaspoons of baking powder, a little salt and nutmeg, and add three-fourths of a cup of dates cut small. Pour first mixture over this, beat thoroughly and bake in greased muffin pans.

Cottolene makes pastry that is light, delicious and digestible.

## Scaffold Falls at Dermott.

Three bricklayers were hurt by a falling scaffold at Dermott Saturday evening. They were all Sweetwater men and were putting up a building for the Townsite Company.

The scaffold on which they stood gave way under a heavy load of brick and fell thirteen feet.

One of the men was quite badly hurt and was taken to the train on a stretcher and carried to Sweetwater.

The other two men were bruised up considerably, but were not disabled. —Snyder Signal.

After much difficulty the manager of the opera house has succeeded in booking the Hans Hanson Company, which is just completing a tour of the large cities of the South. The people of this city should appreciate the efforts of Manager Majors in securing this high class attraction, and reward his efforts with a crowded house. Monday night, December 18.

It is estimated by manufacturers that a bale of cotton triples in value in process of manufacture. Hence, if only 25 per cent of our cotton were manufactured in the state, the value of the Texas cotton crop would be increased 50 per cent, or \$100,000,000.

When you have a cold, get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will soon fix you up all right, and will ward off any tendency toward pneumonia. This remedy contains no opium or other narcotics, and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. Sold by all dealers.

There are no greater fields of promise for manufacturers than Texas. We can bring this fact to the notice of outside capital by patronizing home industries and thus induce it, by the success of our own factories, to invest in Texas.

There are abuses to good roads, but they cannot outweigh the benefits derived from good roads.

Every good road in a community is a silent, mighty power, working for progress, peace and prosperity.

4 1-2 pound bucket of best coffee at McMurry's for 95 cents.

For the man who would build a home where the conditions of life are most nearly ideal and where nature works with man and not against him, Texas gives a radiant welcome.

Patronage of home industries acts as a boomerang. As the wealth of home industries increases so increases the wealth of the state, the county and community—our own wealth.

## "Hans Hanson"



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Best of Specialties. Fine Special Scenery. Once Seen, Never...



Residence of Ben S. Van Tuyl.

Mr. Van Tuyl has been in West Texas since 1878, and has shown his faith in its permanent prosperity by his comfortable and substantial home.

## Texas Industrial Notes.

A Saratoga chip factory will be erected at Greenville.

Galveston is the world's greatest cotton exporting port.

An experimental station will be established in Nolan county.

Contracts have been let for building about five new steel bridges in Fannin county.

Contract has been let for the building of a branch plant of Armour & Co. at Stamford.

A carload of snap beans was shipped from Wharton station last week to Eastern markets.

A franchise has been granted in Brownsville for the construction of a street railway system.

La Salle county farmers are planning an irrigation system that will irrigate 50,000 acres.

Victoria contemplates a \$200,000 bond issue for road improvements in the vicinity of the city.

Limestone county, precinct No. 4, will vote on a bond issue for road improvements, December 16th.

A vegetable packing house will be established at Harlingen and ready for operation by January 1st.

Arrangements have recently been made for the settlement of between 200 and 300 families near Midland.

The Santa Maria extension of the San Benito interurban will be started at once and completed by January 1.

The war department has temporarily removed the irrigation restrictions upon the waters of the Rio Grande.

Survey has been made for the extension of the Brownwood North and South Railroad from May to Rising Star.

The Burnet county commissioner's court last week appropriated a sum for the establishment of a demonstration farm.

The Southern Pacific is reported contemplating building a branch from Alpine to Pecos, a distance of about 100 miles.

J. O. Berryman, of the United States Department of Agriculture, is planning to establish a demonstration farm at Hallettsville.

Director Youngblood, of the State Department of Agriculture, has recently located a new demonstration farm near Nacogdoches.

The L. X. ranch, near Amarillo, has purchased from the Turkey Track ranch, in New Mexico, 8,000 head of cattle at a cost of \$250,000.

The Oklahoma-Pecos Oil Co. has shipped machinery to the Pecos-Toyah Oil Field and will commence development work within a few days.

Wilson county will vote on \$30,000 bond issue for purchase of two complete road building machines for building, including scrapers, etc.

A large number of Wilbarger County farmers have declared their intention of attending the farm demonstrations to be conducted in that county.

The Tioga Traction Company, of Sherman, composed of business men of Tioga, Sherman and McKinney, will

build a line from Tioga to McKinney. Mission Valley district of Victoria county will vote on \$40,000 bond issue for road improvements in the near future.

It is reported that the Southwestern Telephone and Telegraph Company will enter Slaton in the immediate future.

A company is being organized in Corpus Christi to establish a plant for manufacturing paper bottles in that city.

The Gulf Refining Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., will build a 6-inch branch line from Saltillo to Fort Worth, where a refinery will be built at once.

The Medina Irrigation Company has planned to devote one thousand acres of land for a permanent experiment station near Lytle. All branches of irrigation will be taught.

The business and professional men of Laredo have organized a Latin-American Club. The purpose of it is to promote business relations between the United States and Mexico.

Articles of incorporation for Texas, Kansas & Omaha R.R. have been approved by the State General. The proposed line will run from Amarillo to Texahoma.

On January 19, 1912, precincts Nos. 1 and 4, including the city of Pecos, will vote on a \$100,000 good roads bond issue. Reeves county has organized a Good Roads Association.

At an election recently held in Matagorda county, it was overwhelmingly voted to issue bonds for the purpose of reclaiming a large tract of land between Trespalacios and Carancahua rivers.

The commercial club of Rockport has taken charge of the construction of an automobile drive which will run along Redfish Bay and Aransas Bay to Nine Mile Point, thence across to Capaho Bay, and back along shell roads to Rockport.

The Pecos Commercial Club has a movement under way to secure a railroad from that city to Texico, New Mexico. The proposed line will be 182 miles in length, and will have its general offices, round house and machine shops in Pecos.

## Will Place New Ties.

The Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific recently purchased 10,000 oak and cypress ties to be used along their line in replacing defective ones. The track of this line has always been kept in good shape, and as a result there has not been a wreck of any consequence since the line was placed in operation.

## Bailey Buys Horses.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 8.—It was announced today that United States Senator Joseph Weldon Bailey, who is to retire from Congress on March 4, 1912, has re-entered the racing game and has bought a string of light harness horses with which he will campaign next season.



Residence of J. Allen.

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This is my last season in the Christmas Goods business, and I want to clean up the stock entirely, and will do it if PRICES are any inducement.

My present stock is the result of twenty-five years of buying and a knowledge of what the people of Mitchell county usually buy, and the most varied and attractive assortment of goods the wholesale market has ever offered. Is it any wonder, then, that our present Christmas stock is the best ever brought to Colorado?



Interior View of the Doss Drug Store

The stock was bought in anticipation of a large crop and a good price for it, but the depression of the price of cotton leaves a big stock of Christmas goods to be disposed of, and this I am determined to do if prices will move them. The stock being the best, the price will appeal to you at once.

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### Fine Cut Glass and China

Our line of fine Cut Glass and China was never so large or varied as this season, covering everything of use or ornament.

Dolls of all sizes, prices, types and materials, dressed and undressed. Manicure Sets. Fine gift Perfumes and Extracts, Toilet Waters and all other accessories to the toilet.

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**\$745,000,000 TO RUN GOVERNMENT IN 1912.**

Estimates to Congress Show Saving of Over Twenty-One Millions.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—Estimates of the treasury department for the next fiscal year were submitted to Congress today. The government contemplates the saving of a little over twenty-one million dollars compared with last year. The total amount estimated for all expenses is \$745,834,563. It admitted that the saving must be materially cut by almost unavoidable additions to the estimates.

**Political Candidates.**

Now that the candidates are floating around like snowflakes in winter and many cliques are being formed to give us a new constellation in the political heavens, it is well for those who place the public welfare above partisan pride and factional greed to fairly face the situation and be up and doing.

We must place in positions of power who know Texas as the thrifty life knows her kitchen. We know what we have, where it is, and what we need. The great trouble is that many of our politicians know Texas about as a hog knows the pasture; they can find the feeding trough, the wallow and the shade, but the unbounded possibilities of our soil and minerals and the industrial opportunities constitute a strange and vague and incomprehensible world as beyond, and we await the great day to develop our resources as patiently as we await the morning of the resurrection.

Let us send to Austin men who can see the world forces of progress marshalling in the dim horizon of the future, and who can swing civilization around Texas like planets around a central sun.

Paraphrasing the language of the vaudeville poet, "we have the time and the place, but it's dog-goned hard to find the men."

We have millions and millions of acres of fresh land, but there is no economic reason why we should rob the soil. This sort of agricultural vandalism sooner or later reacts on the mills of the gods grind slowly, but when nature is sinned against her penalty extends to the third and fourth generations, and our worn-out farm lands will become a sort of agricultural ward to the state. Willful waste always makes woeful want.

The stability of a government is not reckoned by the number of discontented soldiers it contains in its regular army, but by the industrial prosperity of its people.

**Know Your City.**

How many people of a city or even a village know their town, its attainments, its resources and its possibilities? We may know all about our neighbors but do we know the output of our factories; the volume of trade our agricultural and industrial needs and are we sufficiently versed in public affairs to feel the pulse of city life? Knowledge is said to be the fount that makes all brooks flow and certainly no man can hope to contribute towards the progress of his city until he knows his town and can recite its advantages, hopes and possibilities. City building is a science and it is necessary that we study it if we are to master it.

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**Will Make Rain Again.**

Post City, Tex., Nov. 23.—The results obtained from the rain-getting operations of C. W. Post, the breakfast food king, were so satisfactory that it has been decided to follow the same plan next year, if it is found necessary. Several times during the past summer, when there was danger of crops being ruined by the drouth, Mr. Post had large amounts of dynamite exploded and each time a good rain followed. The cost of each rain was about \$800 but this was inconceivable when compared to the good resulting.

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Life imprisonment is a poor retribution for the crimes committed by James B. McNamara, unless one can hope that full sense of the enormity of the crime will awake in his breast. But the supreme punishment countenanced by civilized society would itself be inadequate as an atonement for such a crime as his, and so the acceptance of his confession on the condition that the gallows be cheated is a bargain which society may sanction with but a modicum of regret. The prospect that the other McNamara will escape even more lightly, is one which should occasion an even more bitter regret. His crime is no less

than that of his brother. That he had a guilty cognizance of the crime that his brother confesses, is too manifest to leave any need of legal proof. But even if his only crime was that of having ordered the dynamiting of the iron works, he would deserve a far severer punishment than is likely to be inflicted, for the enormity of such acts, is not to be measured by a count of the corpses.—Dallas News.

Notices have been received at Brownsville that irrigation companies and farmers will be allowed to draw upon the waters of the Rio Grande for agricultural purposes without any restrictions for the present. A short time ago the war department, at the request of the Department of State, decided to prohibit any additional irrigation undertakings on the American side until the respective rights of the two sides could be determined by treaty. This order was the occasion of so much opposition that the Secretary of War has given his consent to the temporary removal of the restrictions. At this season of the year the diversion of water will not materially effect the navigability of the river.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Carriage and Surrey. Will trade for anything I can use. See or write 12-14-p. W. A. COCREHAM. J. D. Wulfjen's farm, east Colorado.

The L X ranch, which is located near Amarillo, is receiving many train loads of cattle from the Turkey Track ranch in New Mexico. Lee Bivins, the owner of the L X, has purchased the entire herd from the Turkey Track outfit, who, it is stated, will go out of the cattle business. The Turkey Track is one of the oldest ranches in the Southwest, having been established in 1882. The total number of cattle Mr. Bivins will receive from the Turkey Track ranch will approximate 8,000 and the purchase price \$250,000.

**Experiment Station for Nolan County.**

Under the authority of an enactment of the thirty-second legislature the commissioners court of Nolan county have just appropriated \$500 for the purpose of establishing an experiment station in that county. This amount will be supplemented by an equal amount from the United States Department of Agriculture.

Great interest has been shown in securing this experiment station, and it was through the activity of a number of Nolan county farmers and the Sweetwater Commercial Club that the appropriation was obtained.

Mississippi raised 9,200,000 bushels more corn in 1910 than ever before since it has been a state. Notwithstanding her cotton crop has been reduced nearly one-third by boll weevil, the great majority of her people are far more prosperous than in former years. A cotton crop one-third less bringing as much money as a normal crop, is diversification forced, and diversification that is a blessing, though arriving in disguise.

Manufacturing increases intrinsic value Texas' crying need today is for factories to transmute her raw material into the finished product. If the vast amount of material produced annually in the Lone Star State were manufactured here, Texas would be not only the richest state in the Union, but the wealthiest section in the world.

The wooster "bulls" the market of success, while the "knocker" is a "bear" on his own prosperity. Boost your town and state and your own business will profit accordingly.

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As self-preservation is the first law of nature, so is the patronage of home industries the first law of a state's financial development. Purchase Texas made goods whenever possible and thereby increase the wealth of the state, the community, the town—in fact our own prosperity.

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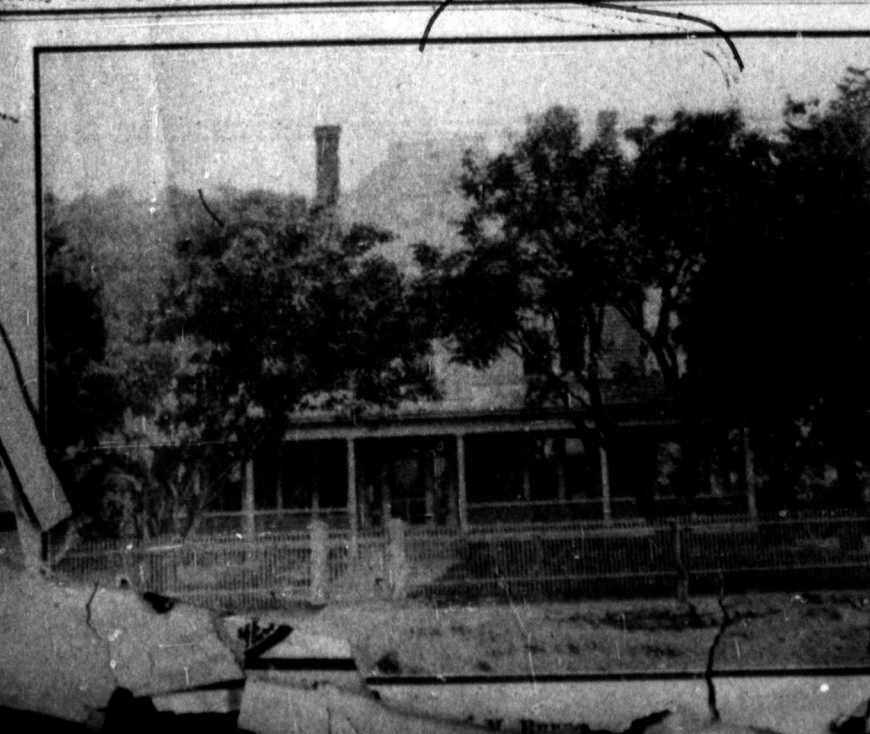
## A Hot Message From Santa Claus

My Dear McCreless:—I will leave for Colorado with the biggest and best selection of Christmas groceries I have ever carried. Make room for me in your store and tell all your customers that I have considered the wants of each and will have it with me. I have good things to eat I have never before carried, which will delight young and old. Look for me next Monday morning. I will stay with you one week. In the meantime my phone is number 108.

Your friend,  
SAINT NICHOLAS.

You hear what Santa Claus says. Come to my store for anything you may need for your holiday eating; I have it all.

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# Colorado Record

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THE COLORADO RECORD.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO. A RETROSPECT

### Conditions in Mitchell County and Colorado in 1882, Have They Made Good?

October 15, 1880, was an epochal day in the history of the young town of Colorado, which lusty infant, anticipating the coming of the great Texas & Pacific Railway, had already begun to shed its swaddling clothes, and to consider the habiliments of sturdy manhood. The grading forces of the railroad reached the Colorado river on that day, when the growth of the town began. During the preceding August the first business house had been established. The town of Colorado was not regularly laid out, however, until the spring of 1881—to be exact, as every truthful record should aim to be—May 20th. There were not in the entire county, at this time, exceeding 75 people. About one year after the advent of the railroad and the beginning of the town, probably the first attempt was made at a write-up of the town and county, which was taken from the Colorado Courant of January 1st, 1882, which was edited by A. H. Tolar, and was regarded as one of the best weekly papers published in Texas, a distinction shared now by every crossroads paper in the state. The write-up was republished in the Great South-

30 miles square and contains about 900,000 acres. It is the last organized county going west on the Texas & Pacific Railroad. The land in this county has been sectionized, one-half belonging to the railroad companies, the other half is school land, the title to this land is perfect. It is for sale at low prices and on long credit.

Mitchell county was organized in January, 1881. In June, 1880, when the census was taken, the county contained 70 inhabitants; now it has 3,000 or more. It is regarded as one of the most fertile, well-watered, best grazing and healthiest portions of Texas. The surface of this county is generally undulating and rolling. The soil is black sandy and chocolate loam. A portion of the county consists of table lands. Along the numerous streams are beautiful rich valleys. There are some mountains in various parts of the county, which, though rough and broken, are covered with fine grass.

Mitchell county, in the main, is a prairie country. The prevailing timber is mesquite, hackberry and wild china. There is enough timber for practical purposes. There is also pe-

formed during the winter months with entire comfort and freedom from cold. The mild climate, sufficiency of water and luxurious native grasses, render this one of the finest stock raising counties in the state. The prairies are covered with grass of the mesquite, gramma and buffalo varieties upon which cattle, sheep and

cattle, worth on an average of \$7 per head, making \$23,275. During the year 1877 I sold 173 head of beefs, which netted \$1,140. In 1878 I branded 562 calves, worth about \$5 per head, making \$7,225; also during the year Mr. Blyer bought 909 head at an average of about \$7.50 per head, making \$6,750. In 1880 I branded 1,528 calves, worth

about 700 people is driving the wheels of its fortune to success. Among the late recent improvements is the erection of a fine court house and jail, built from fine stone found in the immediate vicinity. Good schools and churches are already established, the people are law abiding, and the society is among the best to be found on any frontier. The Colorado river flows by the city; the site of the town is high and healthy, and the inducements for immigrants to locate in Colorado and Mitchell county are many. The immigrant who precedes to the new counties with the proper pluck, almost invariably acquires riches.

#### Mitchell County Mineral Springs.

This country in Texas lying along the Texas & Pacific railway has a most excellent climate, a high altitude which insures light and pure air for weak lungs, and abounds in mineral springs and wells. In the December issue of this journal we published an account of the Edenville Mineral Wells, in Palo Pinto county, and gave an account of their wondrous improvement. Mitchell county now comes in for her share of glory in medicinal waters. At the junction of Champion creek are seven wells with undoubted chemical constituents in the water of highly medicinal character. These wells seem to have been formed by nature for the benefit of the human family, securely guarded by walls of lasting rock, and shaded all the time by the surrounding bluffs. The weary and afflicted may sit and quaff sparkling waters in perfect comfort, and bathe in them without other covering than that supplied by nature.

A full description of these wells and their surroundings would take too much space. Let it suffice for this paper to say that they are seven in number, all well defined, separate and distinct, varying in depth from fifteen to sixty feet, some oblong in shape, while others are perfect as art could ever have made them.

The scenery around the spot is such as to inspire the stranger with the belief that nature intended this place for something above the common purpose of an accidental spring or lake. That it is a place of very great antiquity, one has but to heed the signs around him and look at the footprints of time to tell. Here may be seen the footprints of man with sandals on, worn out many inches in depth in solid sandstone. So as to the buffalo, the mustang, etc.

The result is that a town site has been staked off, an analysis of the water will be made, which is already known to be beneficial for many ills, and a "boom" will set in.

Western Texas, mineral wells and western Texas pure air for weak lungs will soon be words of joy to thousands.

#### Texas Cattle.

Chicago, Ill., not only leads the in the number of the matter of quatranted at the Intern Show just held here. Land and Cattle Co. Burnet had exhibits o Lone Star state ente tion.

In the carlot feeder avador Company was Lon grand championship ovettors from all parts of with a carload of yearling championship by age class, dor Company also won first with a carload of yearling. T. Burnet animals were awarded second, and third prizes with a load of one year olds. In the Hereford special class the Matador Company took first prize and Burnet received second honors.

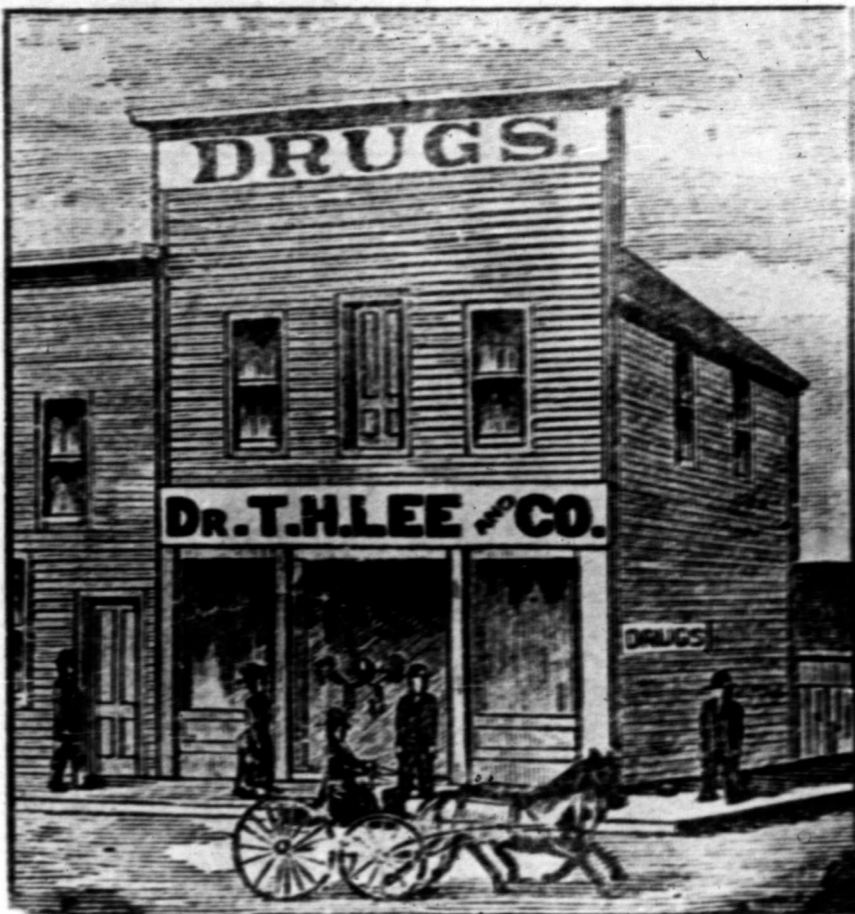
#### Orient Plans Big Irrigation Project.

San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 12.—It is reported here that the land department of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railroad has made arrangements for the conversion of approximately twenty thousand acres of land between Fort Stockton and Alpine into irrigable tracts. It will then be placed on the market in small farms and sold to settlers. Practically all of the land known as the Pecos Palisades has been disposed of. Many settlers from the east and north are locating in this section of the state.

#### Egyptian Cotton for Texas.

In order to give the much-talked-of Egyptian cotton a thorough test, Director R. Youngblood, of the state department of agriculture, has secured about sixty-five pounds of seed of a number of rare varieties of the Egyptian staple. This will be distributed to the various experiment stations throughout the state. Mr. Youngblood has been much interested in the production of this variety of cotton and has had a great deal of correspondence relative to this subject. He has been in communication with A. McLochlan of Bard California, agent of the bureau of plant industry, western extension of the federal department of agriculture, and with the American Consul at Alexandria, Egypt.

Evidence of the spirit of good road building that is sweeping the country from coast to coast and from Canada to the Gulf are being offered in various forms. One indication of this is the fact that the attention of the brilliant inventive minds are being turned to the problem of devising the most effective road-building machinery possible.



One of the first business houses in Colorado, which stood on the corner now occupied by the Record building.

horses feed and keep in good condition all the year. The buffalo grass makes a superior article of hay; large quantities of it being cut and sold in Colorado, and all along the line of the railroad. Stock raising in this country requires none of the care and labor that has to be undergone in the northern and western states.

No attempt has been made to cultivate the soil in this county. The land is rich and with necessary rainfall, this would be a fine agricultural country.

The Texas & Pacific railroad supplies this country with first-class transportation and market facilities.

There are four railroad stations in this county. Lorraine, Colorado, Westbrook and Iatan. Lorraine is ten miles east of Colorado, is beautifully situated near Champion creek, and is surrounded by a fine country.

Westbrook is a prettily located depot eight miles west of Colorado.

Iatan is situated in Paradise Valley. This valley contains about 50,000 acres of arable land and is one of the loveliest spots in the west. Iatan is 20 miles west of Colorado.

Until the advent of the T. & P. railroad this county was completely isolated from the outer world. One year ago there was nothing in this county but a few stock ranches, but the completion of the railroad into this country westward opened this country up for settlement.

Those acquainted with the resources and capabilities of this county, predict for it a bright future.

Mitchell county, with her rich land, pure water and salubrious climate offers superior advantages to the immigrant in search of a new home. Honest and industrious people meet with a warm welcome.

The success of stock raising in Mitchell county is given in the history of G. W. Waddell, who, in 1877, moved from Callahan county to Mitchell, with about 2,000 head of cattle. He writes: "During the year 1877 I branded 225 calves, worth about \$5 per head, mak-

ing \$9,546; and during the year of 1880 we bought, as near as I can make from my books, 2,147, nearly half of which were steer cattle, and worth on an average of \$10 per head, making \$21,470. And during the year of 1879 we sold 514 head of beefs, which netted \$10,588. And during the year of 1881 up to the time we sold out, about the first of August, I had branded 2,432 calves, worth \$5 per head, making \$12,160. And during that year, up to the time we sold out, we had sold 921 head of beefs, which netted \$13,180, making a grand total of 12,842 head of cattle, at a cost of \$92,851, and out of that number we sold 2,541 head of beefs for the round sum of \$50,291. And in August, 1881, Blyer sold out, including his ranch and about 60 head of horses for the sum of \$120,000.

Mr. Waddell is now engaged in sheep raising in Mitchell, and says he is satisfied he will make even more money as sheep raiser in that vicinity made in 1881 over 85 per cent on their investment.

Colorado was in the wild frontier of Texas until the recent arrival of the Texas & Pacific Railway on its westward course to El Paso. The first business house was established in Colorado, the county seat of Mitchell county, in August, 1880. October 15, 1880, the grading forces of the Texas & Pacific railway arrived in Colorado, and this was the first start of the town. It may be added here that there was not over 75 people in the county at that date. The town of Colorado was not regularly laid out until the spring of 1881, May 20. Since that date the town, and also the county, has progressed rapidly, until from the nucleus of 75 it has increased to 2,500, and is now rapidly increasing. It is needless to describe the upward shooting of a young city like Colorado, as its progress is characteristic of the great southwestern towns. Less than one year ago it was a wild prairie where wild game roamed at will, to-day a flourishing young city with



First Court House of Mitchell County which was torn down to give place to the present structure. See picture on first page.

West, of St. Louis, a magazine devoted to the exploiting and sale of the Texas & Pacific lands situated in Texas and the Southwest. At that time it is likely that a plow had never been stuck into the soil of Mitchell county. In order that the readers of the Record may compare conditions now with those which obtained then, and judge to what great extent the hopes and prophecies of that time have been realized, we reproduce the extract from the columns of the "Great South-West" The article was liberally illustrated with cuts of the first frame

can, live oak, and cedar timber, but it is scarce.

This is one of the best watered counties in the state. The Colorado river, a bold running stream, runs through the center of the county. It has for its tributaries; Willow, Wild Horse, Lone Wolf, Morgan, Silver, Red Bluff, Hackberry and Champion creeks, and numerous fine springs abound, the principal ones being Randerbrook, Hackberry and Abrahams Springs. Good water can be obtained anywhere at a depth of from 20 to 60 feet.

On account of its high altitude above the sea level and the entire absence of swamps or anything that would create malaria, this is one of the healthiest sections of Texas. Chills and fever are almost unknown; pneumonia, sometimes, though seldom occurs, and is not so fatal as in the old settled states. Persons afflicted with lung diseases are often benefited by residing in this country.

Stone of an excellent quality can be procured in any part of the county at very little expense. The lime and sand-stone formations predominate. This stone is finely adapted for building houses and fences.

The climate of this country is delightful. The summer heat is tempered by cool and refreshing breezes from the south, the nights are cool and pleasant; sun-stroke is unknown. The winters are short and equable, stock graze all the year on the prairies, and out-door work can be per-



The First Hotel in Colorado.

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## Germ's

Eczema, Psoriasis and troubles are caused by germs at work in the skin. These germs are prompt and they multiply rapidly. They creep into the skin and what seemed to be a harmless rash may grow worse and become a torment with its itching and burning. Don't let it run at the beginning. Use the Germ's. It is the best remedy for all such troubles. D. D. Preser. Two fat 3 25c bottle will cure you in 14 days. Climate year, \$1.00.



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Therefore the use of soap and water should be a means of grace.

It has been said that the civilization of a nation or community was in ratio to its consumption of soap, or that the population divided by its soap bill equalled its refinement.

This is our mission—to keep you clean and self-respecting. No man can do a real small or dirty trick to his neighbor if he wears a clean shirt. There is psychology in good laundering that affects the whole community, and every man's condition de-



pends somewhat on how often his neighbor puts on a clean shirt or takes a bath.

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# Colorado Steam Laundry

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**Waco will have a corn show** January 12-20. The prizes range from \$1 to \$100 and will be implements of farm work, such as plows and sulkies.

**Seven steel bridges**, ordered by the commissioners court of Lamar county last summer, have arrived and will be placed at crossings over streams over different parts of the county.

**A farm of 875 acres** near San Angelo has been bought for \$18,000, and will be converted into a hog ranch.

**The Texas & Pacific** has let the contract for \$110,000 worth of buildings at Marshall. The improvements consist of new station, office buildings, a 36-stall roundhouse and a large oil-house.

**A number of prominent business men** of Fort Worth will organize a Mercantile Club. A plan is proposed to erect an eight-story building; lower floor for the board of trade, second for the Mercantile Club, other floors for offices.

**A school of business administration or commerce**, and a school of domestic economy will be opened at the University of Texas January 1st.

**Work will begin at once** on the construction of the big Pearson industrial plant at El Paso. The cost will approximately \$3,000,000.

**The Fort Worth Light & Power Co.** boasts the highest smokestack in the Southwest. It is 256 feet high, 40 feet at the base and cost \$20,000.

**Actual construction of lock and dam No. 8** on the Brazos River, seven miles below Waco, will begin by January 1. The lock and dam will cost \$325,000.

**Arrangements have been made** by the Brazilian government for the almost exclusive planting of Texas Cotton seed in that country next year.

**An automobile highway**, is being considered from Savannah, Ga., to San Antonio, the plan being to follow the Gulf Coast as closely as possible.

**The Southwestern Poultry Show** will have its annual show in Dallas January 18-23.

**\$100,000 bonds** have been voted on at Big Springs for good road improvements.

**Arrangements have been made** for converting approximately twenty thousand acres of land between Fort Stockton and Alpine into irrigable tracts.

**The machinery** has been installed in the new disposal plant in Washington Park at El Paso and the plant will be in operation by the first of the



A Day's Kill on E. B. Game's Ranch, North of Iatan.

**A farmer near Baird** this fall sold \$1,500 worth of peanuts and hay from forty acres of land.

**There is a movement on foot** in Refugio to secure two railroads, the Quangh, Seymour, Dublin & Rockport from San Marcos and the San Antonio, Mexico & Rockport road.

**Three cars of pecans**, aggregating 90,000 pounds were shipped this week from Marble Falls and Burnett to St. Louis and New York.

**San Angelo wool growers** have shipped approximately 130,000,000 pounds of wool this season.

**The display of a 4-year-old orange tree** from Alvin is one of the most attractive exhibits of the United States Land and Immigration Exposition now on in Chicago.

**Rockport's Commercial Club** is financing the building of a large cotton gin in that city.

**The oil wells in the Electra fields** are producing an average of about 600 barrels per day.

**The Galveston Commercial Association** has submitted a proposition to the national government for the establishment of a fish hatchery on the Gulf Coast.

**Lufkin will call an election** for a bond issue of \$200,000 for good roads in the near future.

**Fuller's earth** has been found in Ellis, Burleson, Smith, Fayette and Shelby counties.

**It is reported that the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railway Company** has filed application with the Public Utility Corporation of Kansas to secure authority to issue \$20,000,000 in

**gold bonds to continue railroad building** in Southwest Texas.

**It is believed that within three months** actual work on the improvement of the Houston ship channel, under a \$2,500,000 bond will be under way.

**On December 16th**, Precinct No. 4, Limestone county, will vote on the issuance of bonds for road improvement.

**The Southwestern Telephone Exchanges** at Pampa, Miami, Canadian, Glazier and Higgins.

**The State Bank at Temple** has increased its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$500,000.

**The Gulf Fish Company** has been organized in Corpus Christi for the purpose of catching and packing fish. Work will begin on the plant at once.

**The Commercial Club of Rockport** is negotiating with northern capitalists relative to the establishment of a tourists' hotel to cost about \$150,000.

**In addition to the \$60,000 bonds** for paving purposes and \$30,000 for sewer improvements, Beaumont will vote on \$60,000 for park building, December 20.

**The chamber of commerce of Wichita Falls** has launched a movement for the erection of an auditorium having a seating capacity of about 3,000.

**College Building Burned.**  
The building in which Draughon's Fort Worth Business College was located recently burned, and that college has been consolidated with Draughon's Dallas College.

**Cultivators at cost—McMurry's.**

**Our Two-Banks.**  
The showing made by the two banks of Colorado is a most pleasing one, and should be very gratifying to the officers and directors of these institutions. The total deposits as shown by the official statements of the banks, is \$335,196.11, a most creditable sum for a city the size of Colorado, especially when the extremely low price of cotton is considered. The statements show the banks to be in sound financial condition; the loans are well in hand and the cash reserve is high. Colorado has great cause to be proud of her banking interests. Handled by able financiers, who feel a keen interest in the city and country tributary to Colorado, men who are entitled to consideration are never turned down when it is possible to extend help. The Record does not hesitate to say that it believes that Colorado has two of the best banks in the state of Texas.

**From Cuthbert.**  
The Fairview school started last Monday. Eleven pupils attended the first day.

**W. R. Burrows** and family are going to move to Ira in a few weeks.

**T. H. McGregor** is going to move back to Fluvanna, his former home.

**S. G. Tomlinson** will return to Ira sometime in the future.

**Last Friday night** the people of Cuthbert and surrounding country were gladdened by a steady rain, which lasted through the night and part of the next day.

**The old rock building** of the Elland sheep ranch burned last Friday night. This was one of the landmarks of Mitchell county.

**SI SLOCUM.**

**Peanuts a Paying Proposition.**  
What is considered one of the largest yields of peanuts per acre in that section has just been reported at Baird. Sam Strahan, of near Cottonwood, has threshed 1,900 bushels of peanuts and made 519 bales of hay from forty acres of land. Mr. Strahan has refused seventy cents per bushel for the nuts. Figuring the crop on a basis of seventy cents for the nuts and forty cents for the hay, the total gross value of the yield from the forty acres is \$1,537.50.

**Texas is a good place to do business** in. Here every social advantage can reap the pecuniary rewards to which they are entitled.

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# CHRISTMAS FURNITURE!



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for a Christmas gift is becoming more general. We have made special efforts this season to have in stock a large variety of articles which, aside from being useful, would be specially appropriate as gift pieces and which could be sold at prices to suit all purses.

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### Church Meetings.

The C. W. B. M. met Thursday with Mrs. Smith, who entertained the first meeting after her return. The program was upon Jamaica, Mrs. Porter being leader. Joy to the World was sung, the scripture lesson being the story of the wise men. Roll call was Christmas wishes. Mrs. Goodwin read a good paper upon Jamaica, the Country and People. Mrs. Cushner had a fine paper upon Christmas in Jamaica. Mrs. Pond told most interestingly of the work of the C. W. B. M. there. Mrs. Harness read a beautiful story, which, together with the beautiful paper read by Mrs. Porter after the scripture story of the Wise Men, filled all with the real spirit of Christmas. Mrs. Smith served a lovely salad course during the social hour.

The Christian Aid meets this week with Mrs. Coe when all the bazaar articles will be marked and otherwise gotten ready for the sale.

The Christian Sunday school children will all take a Christmas stocking Sunday for their orphan's home, while the Aid will pack a Christmas box for the orphans, which will contain clothes and all kinds of good things.

The organized Sunday school class of the Methodist Sunday school, the Daughters of the King, will meet with Mrs. Arnett, at the home of Mrs. Floyd Beal, when final arrangements will be made for the meals to be served at the bazaar.

The Central Circle of the Methodist Church met Monday with Mrs. Cooksey. During the business hour it was decided to have an open meeting New Year's night with Mrs. Jim Smith. This will be a leap year party, and the ladies will invite their escorts. A pleasant social hour was spent with work and Christmas plans. During this time the ladies served a lovely salad course, with tempting accompaniments. Several visitors enjoyed the occasion with the members. Mrs. Arnett is the hostess next month.

Sunday morning and evening at the Episcopal church. Bishop Temple will give two sermons. Mrs. Arnett is the hostess next month.

### Club Meetings.

Monday the Daughters of the Confederacy met with Miss Eleanor Dupree, and greatly enjoyed the report of the delegate, Mrs. Gustine, who left here last Monday morning and returned Sunday night from Houston, where the annual meeting of the state division occurred. She gave glowing reports of the presiding officer, her grace and dignity, the amount of work done, the beautiful speeches and papers, and the delightful entertainments provided by the daughters of Houston. The report was splendid and will be continued in the January meeting.

Mrs. G. W. Smith read a beautiful article upon the Valley of Virginia and Miss Jo Dry read a lovely poem upon the women of the South. During the social hour, the social affairs of the Houston meeting and the folks that every one knew there were discussed. Miss Dupree served sandwiches, pickles and "war-time" tea. The guests of the occasion were Mrs. Donaldson, Mrs. Payne and Mrs. Earnest. The next meeting is with Mrs. Hooper, the second Monday in January at three o'clock.

The Junior Standard Club met Friday with Miss Eleanor Coleman, with a full attendance present. Miss Anna Roe heard the lesson, which was upon Ancient Rome. Miss Coleman read a very fine paper upon her trip through Italy, which was greatly enjoyed. Misses Byrd Adams, Juanita Shropshire, Caludia Rogers, and Frankie Riordan were visitors for the social hour. During this time delicious refreshments were served. Miss Mamie Riordan is hostess this week, and her mother will entertain the young ladies, who will enjoy the social hour with their mothers.

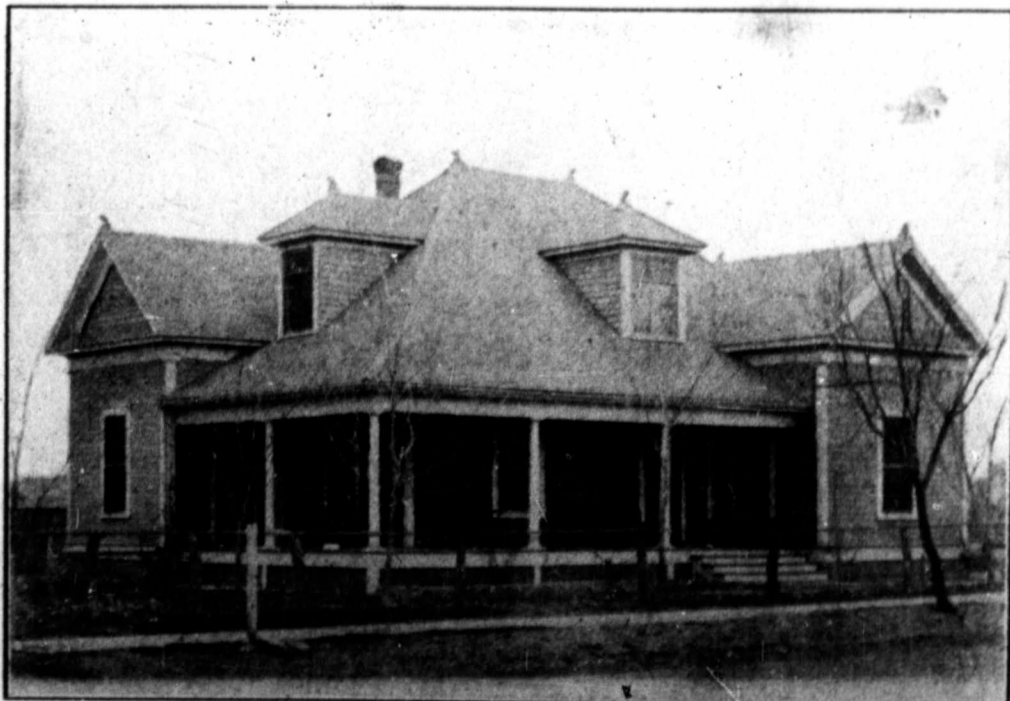
The Standards met Friday with Mrs. Prude and enjoyed a pleasant meeting. Roll call was Today's happenings in China. Mrs. Prude led the Shakespeare lesson, Mrs. Looney the magazine. Mrs. Coleman contrasted Lareteg and Othello in a most interesting paper. Mrs. Riordan read a beautiful Moorish ballad.

The inner man was refreshed in a most tempting manner during the social hour.

Mrs. Riordan is hostess Friday, and the club will have the Junior Standards as their guests during the social hour.

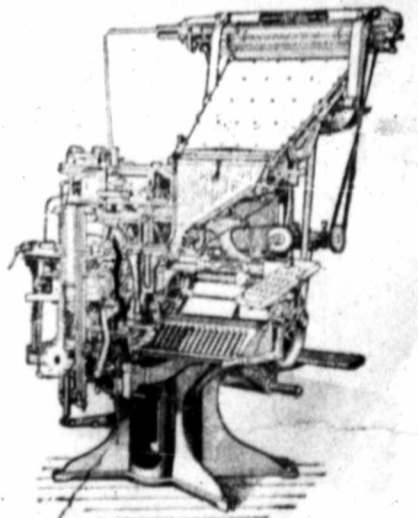


A Beautiful Scene on Champion Creek, a Few Miles from Town.



Residence of Q. D. Hall.

Mr. Hall is a prominent farmer and in the old cattle days, was an extensive cattle dealer. His handsome country home attests. One of the many comfortable and attractive country homes near Colorado. This place was built by Geo. B. Root, and is beautifully situated about a mile south of the city.



This above is a picture of the Mercantiler Linotype machine on which the composition on the Record is done. The matrices are assembled in a line by means of a lettered and figured key board, and cast in a solid slug with the raised characters on the edge. The metal is used over and over again, giving a new type face every day. This machine in the hands of an expert operator will do the work of several hand compositors. More than a dozen different faces and sizes of type are handled by this machine; the change being made in a minute. The capacity of the machine is limited only by the speed of the operator, and to give some idea of what it can do, will say that since last Friday (6 days) this office has turned out this paper, 32 pages; a fifty page brief for Sweetwater; 2,000 four-page Journals, shipped to Palestine; 5,000 two-page circulars, to Hermleigh, and 1,250 four-page papers for Midland, and also set up the Loraine News, besides taking care of the local home work. This work was all done on the machine except the display part of the Record and a few lines in the Hermleigh job. We claim the machine can do the work of five men, and saves the investment of \$1,000 in type, etc.

### Only One in the World.

Alpine, Tex., Dec. 12.—Ground has been broken for the site of the only combined wax, paper and soap factory in the world. The promoters were given five acres for a site by the Alpine people. The wax is to be made from the candleilla plant and the soap and paper from the by-products. There will be smaller plants of a portable nature scattered throughout this tier of counties, but Alpine has been selected as general headquarters for the operations.



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COLORADO, TEXAS, DECEMBER 15, 1911.

### The Spirit of Christmas.

"Good will toward men" is the spirit that pervades the human heart on each return of this joyous occasion. Since the glad tidings of great joy were spoken to the trembling Galilean shepherds nearly two thousand years ago, it has grown with the spread of Christianity, till the utmost parts of the earth are filled, and all men who love their kind, of every creed, today make humble obeisance to the Samaritan spirit of Yule tide. Indeed, many of our ethical thinkers believe that the dawn of the day is near at hand when the world will realize the command of the Master to "love one another," and the brotherhood of man shall be a living, controlling principle, and the earth will be full of His knowledge and glory as waters that cover the seas.

Christmas is the culminating expression of this spirit of fraternity and beneficence—of good will to all. Brain and muscle are relaxed, a trace is called in our daily battle for bread, and we open our souls to the memories and influences of the day, and become, as He who is the inspiration of the day, said we must, as a child again, in order to appreciate the true spirit.

And what of the spirit of the child at Christmas? Its hopes, its faith, and the charity with which it dispenses all that makes it happy, is a fit emblem of the child-likeness of Christ. How naturally, then, the occasion lends itself to beneficence. No matter how poor in worldly goods you may be, with its spirit in your heart you have withal as much as He possessed, and from the inexhaustible store-houses of your heart, you can make hundreds better; wipe away the tears of sorrow, lift up the heart bowed down and give a hand of sympathetic cheer to the discouraged. Could all the gold of Golconda purchase any more acceptable gift?

It costs so little to make some one happy, it seems a sin not to do so. The spirit of the act is its value, and the less the expense the wider circle of happiness you can create. The life of Christ was filled with little things, and he magnified their value and breathed upon them a double portion of His own humility.

"And he looked up and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury. And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites. And he said: Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all. For all these of their abundance cast in unto the offering of God. But she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had."

Because you are not able to give much, do not hesitate to cast in your two mites to swell the sum of human happiness and speed the coming of peace on earth and good will toward men.

The gift of Mary to the Master was a small and menial service outwardly, but wherever the gospel is preached today it is told as a memorial of her. It is the most beautiful story ever written, and it contains but six words; but as long as time shall last this world will never contain a richer alabaster box than that which Mary broke to anoint her Master's feet, the odor of which filled the unclean leper's house, and the fragrance of which will linger around and thrill Christian hearts forever.

"She hath done what she could."  
—A. H. W.

It is the conviction now of the naval board of experts, that the battleship Maine was blown up from the outside. Of course, the war settled that.

### Honor to Whom it is Due.

For thirty years the literary world has given credit to Chas. Dana, editor of the New York Sun, for the beautiful letter written a little girl who inquired of that paper if there was really a Santa Claus. The late Mr. Frank Church was at that time one of the chief editorial writers on the Sun, and he it was who wrote the answer, and not Chas. Dana himself. His reply has immortalized his name; for the English language boasts no prose composition in which the romance of childhood is so beautifully and fittingly expressed. The letter that suggested the article was worded as follows:

"Dear Editor:—I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says 'If you see it in the Sun, its so.' Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?—Virginia O'Hanlon."

We regret that we cannot print the entire article as written by Mr. Church; but in the second and fourth paragraphs of his tender response, the reader may find a beauty of thought and expression that characterizes but few of our present day prose compositions. We quote the paragraphs mentioned:

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound, and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We would have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only fancy, poetry, love and romance, can push aside that curtain and view the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world, there is nothing else real and abiding."

To those who have not read the complete editorial, there is but one bit of advice to give: read it; ponder over it; digest it. If you have reached that station in life where love and youth and poetry and romance grate upon your nerves, read the words of Mr. Church; not once, but twice—many times, until you have emerged from that state of lethargy in which all men sometimes find themselves.

### Lead Turkey Dressing.

Talk about beating our Yankee friends; it can't be done. We no longer get used to wooden nutmegs, hams, etc., before they spring something new upon us and tell us to take it—and we do. The latest wrinkle is lead stuffing for our Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys, and since the turkeys are weighed to fix the price before they are delivered the preliminary stuffing becomes a costly though not palatable part of the trimmings. The calculation is simple and the profit is evident when it is known that lead sells for five cents per pound and turkey from thirty to forty cents. It is estimated that \$1,000,000 worth of lead was sold as turkey in this way last year in this country.

Talk about the "robber tariff," when one's own neighbor merchant will swindle him with lead for turkey. It seems childish to undertake a fight with any hopes of winning in the face of such things at home.



DR. A. H. WESTON.

Dr. A. H. Weston, our veteran editor, is the peer of any man in Texas in his chosen field of labor. Of ripe scholarship, and broad culture; he wields a most facile pen. His writings have attracted the attention of the press from all parts of our great state. As a citizen he has at all times stood for all that is uplifting in our community. As a churchman he is charitable, diligent, and his example worthy of imitation. We are proud of our editor and long may our people have the help of his pen, which is used only in teaching that which is just, pure, and righteous.

### Kiss or Cup of Gold.

When King Cyrus gave to Artabazus a cup of gold, while to Chrysanthis, his favorite, he gave only a kiss, Artabazus complained: "Sire, the cup you give me is not so good gold as the kiss you gave Chrysanthis."

This was in the days of old, but human nature has not changed much, and many an Artabazus still longs for some simple token of love and is mocked with a costly bauble that means nothing; with the golden, but empty cup, in her hand, her soul still goes athirst.

If there is any day in the year when the greed of gold should be stifled and shut out and place made in the heart for better, dearer, sweeter things, that day is Christmas; and there are many people in the world who can derive more real happiness on that morning from a simple spray of holy than from a glittering spray of diamonds.

Down at the secret well-spring of human nature is a longing to have our friends study us thoroughly and think of our tastes; and if a Christmas gift can carry gratification in this it will be a complete success. No other kind can be.

Indeed, the gifts that bring most pleasure are often the simple work of one's own hands or some trifle worth little except that it is especially eloquent of the sentiment it is intended to express.

But what violence do we do these simple truths?

The buying of Christmas gifts has become the great financial strain of the year.

In the jumble and scramble of the shops we forget all the real, sweet, sacred meaning of the season.

It is a common idea that a Christmas gift, to express proper feeling, must be "respectable," and that is regarded as synonymous with costly. The average purchase for Christmas involves an expenditure that the giver cannot well afford for the sake of something the recipient does not want. So, Christmas gifts, the tender tokens of affection saved to us from Paradise, have come to be without meaning, except as cold barter and exchange, in which both parties lose much and gain little.

Like Cyrus, we give the golden bauble instead of the coveted kiss.

The two friends who regularly exchange gold articles every Christmas as presents, have all the sentiment without the worries and disappointment of the silly and sacrilegious custom of barter and exchange.—News-Scimitar.

Never was the time more propitious for investment in land in West Texas than now. For the past five years everybody has been expecting the price of land to greatly depreciate, but the expected depreciation has not come. Nor will it come, but go higher. West Texas lands have proven their worth and productive qualities. If you ever expect to own land in West Texas now is the time to buy it. It will never be cheaper.

The mechanic always follows a definite plan. The lawyer analyzes the evidence and builds his argument according to established rules of logic. In short, every one who "does things" works by system. Why should not the farmer work by system? His system should be rotation, diversification and fertilization as a basis, with approved cultural methods and improved farm implements.

### Don't forget to pay your poll tax.

Riches are a wise man's servant, but a fool's master.

Conditions now are a prophesy of unusually good crops next year.

Don't give a one-legged man a pair of slippers for a Christmas present—one is enough.

For the first time since 1883 the report of the Postmaster General shows a surplus for the year instead of a deficit.

From all reports over this section of West Texas there has been good rains. Winter plowing will now begin in earnest.

The corpus, the modus and the locus of General Bernardo Reyes seem about as uncertain as those of the proverbial flea.

Since the adoption of local option in Amarillo some weeks ago, the principal industry there seems to be the suppression of bootlegging.

Begin now to think about paying your poll tax. All the time seems too short a time for some people to make the necessary arrangements. If you neglect it you will likely regret it a hundred times during the campaign next year.

The Orient road has arranged for a new \$4,000,000 bond issue, which will be used for the completion of the main line without delay, from San Angelo to Del Rio. The recent French loan of \$20,000,000 will become available in January and will be used in finishing up the gap east of Chihuahua.

As a place of permanent residence, Colorado is easily chief among the West Texas towns. The factors of fine water, well-kept streets, beautiful homes, first-class public utilities, church, school and social advantages, with a low rate of taxation, all combine to give the town a prestige possessed by but few towns of its size in the state.

"Christmas," wrote Dickens, "is the only holiday of the year that brings the whole human family into common communion. We are scattered in many lands, yet the bond of union that in long held us together seems to strengthen with years. Many Christmas anniversaries have come and gone since we first assembled, in spirit if not in presence, to hang the holy and pledge our faith and friendship; and each recurring Christmas time has found us more closely united. Let us hope and believe that when even the toddlers of our family shall have seen their heads grow gray, the spirit of Christmas shall still make young their hearts."

### A Great Prayer.

Grant to thy misgiving servants such humility that it may be safe for them to be successful.—Newman Smythe.

That's a great prayer. Scarcely anything in the sacred volume superior thereto. Many a man is cursed by success. Pride rules his will and too often passion shapes his course. From real manhood he drops to a poor, pitiful specimen of humanity, unfit for association with the saints in glory. It isn't a long prayer, brother, and you, too, sister; get it by heart and repeat it each day and so escape being confounded.—Waco Times-Herald.

The Record greatly appreciates the promptness with which its subscribers have come in and renewed. The dollar is, of course, appreciated, but more than any number of dollars do we appreciate the attitude of its readers to the paper. Little words of praise—how the family enjoys reading it in the evenings—how they miss it when delayed—all these little things are legal tender at this office. We shall strive harder during the coming year to give you a better paper than we were able to do last year. In the meantime send us the country news and help to this end.

### Dead and Forgotten.

There is a grave, neglected, bare,  
To which no pilgrim ever goes;  
No stone has been erected there,  
And there no blossom ever grows.

Yet he who lies within that grave  
Was worthy of all good men's praise;  
He was high-minded, famous, brave,  
A man who walked in wisdom's ways.

He was a man who dared to stand  
With one or two for what was right,  
He lent new glory to his land,  
He prized his honor more than might.

'Tis long since he through darkness groped;  
Long since his proud lips have been dumb.  
He was the man that once I hoped  
I should have courage to become.

—E. Kiser.



Residence of Mrs. A. A. Bailey. One of the handsomest residences and most hospitable homes in Mitchell County.

### Insist on the Clock.

By all means we ought to have a clock in the dome of the court house. We haven't heard anything lately on that score, but it looks like we ought that score, but it looks like it would be a great addition to the looks of things.

Snyder Signal.

Right you are, Brother Hardy; insist on a clock for that fine court house, by all means. However, it would be better to have no clock than to have one and allow it to rust out.

The Mitchell county court house has a four-dial clock—a fine one, too—that has had no more attention paid to it than is given an old tomato can in a back alley. We have never heard its kindly voice, calling to work, to refreshment, to sleep and to prayer, the years we have lived almost under the shadow of the court house. Every rain beats in on it, and the cupola in which it is housed, is fast falling to wreck.

We have often inquired why this was so; why the clock was not kept in repair and running, but have never received any more definite answer than that it did not seem anybody's particular business to look after the clock. Some have said that we have not had a board of commissioners that thought the clock worth its upkeep. They were trying to run the county's business as economically as possible, and the clock wasn't necessary. However it may be; whosoever fault it may be, the mortifying fact remains that both clock and courthouse have been sadly neglected, much to the surprise and greatly to the comment of strangers and prospectors.

Insist on a clock, Brother Hardy, and then insist that it be taken care of, or your last estate will be worse than your first.

What more natural than for the American Federation of Labor to condemn the deed of the McNamaras and express public satisfaction that the "culprits have been commensurately punished for their crimes." Nothing more natural than for them to say that "they will welcome any investigation which either federal or state authorities may undertake." We wonder if the American Federation of Labor believes that a life sentence is punishment "commensurate" with the crime of murdering 19 human beings, to say nothing of the attempt on other lives at the same time, and the destruction of a half million dollars worth of property? If ever there was a travesty of justice that will have an encouraging effect upon every criminal in the country, it is this. No wonder money was poured into the defense fund from all over the country by those who have continually fought capital. If the McNamaras could escape the consequences of their crime, what could not be done in every strike where the employers had the out, or where likely to win? The farce of the McNamara sentence was a staggering blow at organized society, the effects of which will be seen for years to come.

The legislator who has the full prosperity of the state in mind is more likely to help. News of the statute books that will help aid in the development of Texas' magnificent resources than one whose thoughts are confined solely to keeping his political fences in repair.

John D. Rockefeller has resigned the presidency of the Standard Oil, and will retire from the business world.



Electric Light and Power Plant, Showing Double Equipment.

County after county is falling into line and appropriating money to collaborate with the federal government in farm demonstration work. Many of them are West Texas counties, and in some places the commercial clubs will offer cash prizes for the best farm products as a stimulus to the farmers to take an interest in the work. There can be no doubt as to the value and importance of this demonstration work. The Record hopes to see Mitchell county in this list of

progressive West Texas counties. Farming is the very life blood of the prosperity of this country, and no expense is too great and no method is impracticable that will promote successful farming.

The tide of immigration has turned from the north, northwest and southwest to West Texas. There's a reason. Read all the ads in this paper.



A Berry Patch in the Wolf Valley. One of our holiday spots.

J. O. McCREE





# Furniture a Lasting Christmas Gift

WHY not select something that will give pleasure not only on Christmas Day but all the rest of the year as well? There is hardly any one who does not desire some certain piece of furniture.

A young girl, for instance, would like a dainty dressing table, a pretty writing desk, a handsome bookcase or a nice rug for her room.

Mother wants a china cabinet, a buffet or a comfortable sewing rocker.

The father of the family will appreciate nothing so much as a big easy chair.

This Christmas instead of giving something that will afford only passing pleasure, select a piece of furniture that will be a satisfaction and a delight all the year and for many years to come.

## Our Christmas Service

Especially for the Christmas season, we have received big shipments of rugs, library tables and other furniture suitable for gifts. These new shipments in addition to our already big stock give you the widest possible range of choice.

**SPECIAL NOTE.**—FURNITURE INTENDED FOR CHRISTMAS will be stored and delivered when wanted. There is no extra charge for storing.



### For Your Baby's Sake

buy a WAGNER Quick Folding Go-Cart.

We have in stock a full line of new models. Come in and examine them. The WAGNER opens or closes automatically with one movement of the handle.

It is roomy and comfortable for the child in any position. Soft, flexible springs under the seat.

The WAGNER is safe. Seat so placed that it can't tip backward. Safety brake holds cart anywhere when left alone.

The WAGNER is the handsomest cart made. Built on graceful lines, beautifully finished in nickel and enamel, upholstered in best quality leatherette.

To insure durability, construction, style and strength.

Look for the name Wagner on the front of the cart.



We would call special attention to our line of floor coverings, rugs and matting. An inspection will convince you that we have the correct idea for a Christmas present.

# J. H. GREENE

Second Street

Colorado, Texas

### Conditions of Living.

The climate is so equable and the range of the thermometer so small there are but few days, even in winter when out door work of all kinds cannot be carried on with comfort. As a rule the grass grows right along throughout the winter, particularly after the fall rains.

The grass may be killed by the rare sudden freeze, but after a few days of warm sunshine it comes forth again. This condition, compared with the long, severe winters of the northern states, gives West Texas a great advantage as a place for a permanent home, as well as a location for all kinds of manufacturing enterprises working a number of employees. The conditions of living are better, requiring less clothing, fuel, and less expensive buildings to house them.

The debt of the county is small. Indeed, should the same rate of decrease be kept up the next two years that has been effected the past four years, the county will be entirely free of debt.

The rate of taxation is low compared with other counties. The business affairs of the county are in the hands of careful, conservative men, who have put the finances of the county on a solid basis. The scrip of the county is not hawked around, seeking a buyer at great discount, but paid face value on presentation. The present rate of taxation per \$100 state and county, is 95 cents, including school and road tax. The total assessment of the county, as shown by the 1911 roll, is \$6,717,890. The total poll tax receipts issued last year, exclusive of about 160 exemptions, was 1,481.

An abundance of road-making material is to be found all over the county, and many miles of road have been made during the past year. When the money from the sale of the \$30,000 of bonds becomes available, Mitchell county will lead all West Texas miles of good roads, which are the most potent factors in the development of any section. Good roads decrease the cost of production and marketing of everything farmer sells and buys. Bad roads add their toll from everything hauled over them.

weighing 1,580 pounds, a Dalhart breeder, sold to the Kansas City market for \$100.00.

### LORAIN LOCALS

#### Brief Mention of the Week's Happenings at Busy Town of Loraine.

J. W. Scott, from Kermit, was here this week on a prospecting trip.

Dr. W. R. Shook has received the final proofs of his book, and he expects to have the first edition ready for delivery by January 1st.

J. P. Barrett, of Garden City, was here last Saturday on a business trip. Mrs. E. V. Johnson returned to her home in Colorado last Monday after a month's visit with her nephew, W. T. Mullin.

Col. Thos. Q. Mullin, of Colorado, passed through here Monday en route to Galveston, where he goes to confer with the Lasker Real Estate Association of that city, regarding the rebuilding of the burned block.

J. R. Bradford is relieving Watson Crumby at the pumping station, while the latter is on his honeymoon.

Dr. I. E. Smith, of Big Springs, spent the day here last Monday.

Rev. G. C. Farris preached at Champion last Sunday morning and at Silver in the evening. His morning subject was "The Church and Our Relation to It"; in the evening, "Pure and Unfeigned Religion." He states that the Champion people are contemplating a Christmas tree.

O. M. Mitchell was here from Colorado last Monday.

W. T. Mullin spent last Monday in Roscoe, the guest of Editor Pickle in that city.

Mrs. Malcolm Blakely, of Terrell, is here to spend the holidays, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Pratt.

Mrs. C. M. Thompson is spending the week on the ranch.

Archie Thompson was in from the ranch last Monday.

Miss Beatrice Seay is visiting the homefolks in Erath county this week.

Our teachers are all preparing for the county institute which convenes in Colorado, beginning next Monday.

J. E. Stowe has purchased the old Pridgen building on the east side, and the corner lot opposite his present location. The building will be moved onto the lot, and occupied by R. Haggood.

Another fine rain fell here last Monday night.

J. O. Dunn and family left this week for Turney, Texas, where they expect to spend this winter and next spring. They will probably return to this section in the winter or early fall.

Miss Viola Zellner left this week for Abilene where she will spend the holidays.

Zack Hooton, of Colorado, was here Tuesday.

Miss Beatrice Frost returned to her home in Santo, Texas, this morning, after a month's visit with her brother, J. W. Frost, of this city.

Several of our young folks enjoyed a dance Friday night.

#### Crumby-White.

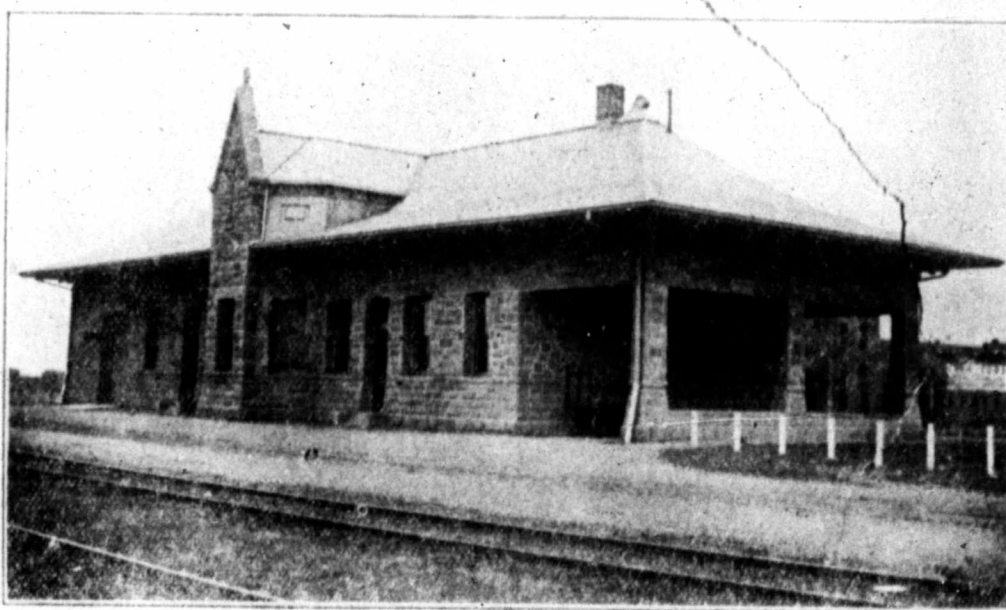
Last Sunday night, at the home of Rev. J. W. Smith, who officiated, Mr. Watson Crumby and Miss Chattie White were united in the holy bonds of wedlock. It was a surprise to their many friends. The happy couple left on the east bound train Sunday night for east Texas, where they will spend their honeymoon, the guest of Mr. Crumby's parents.

The groom is well and favorably known here, where he is employed by the T. & P. Railway Company, having charge of the pumping station west of town.

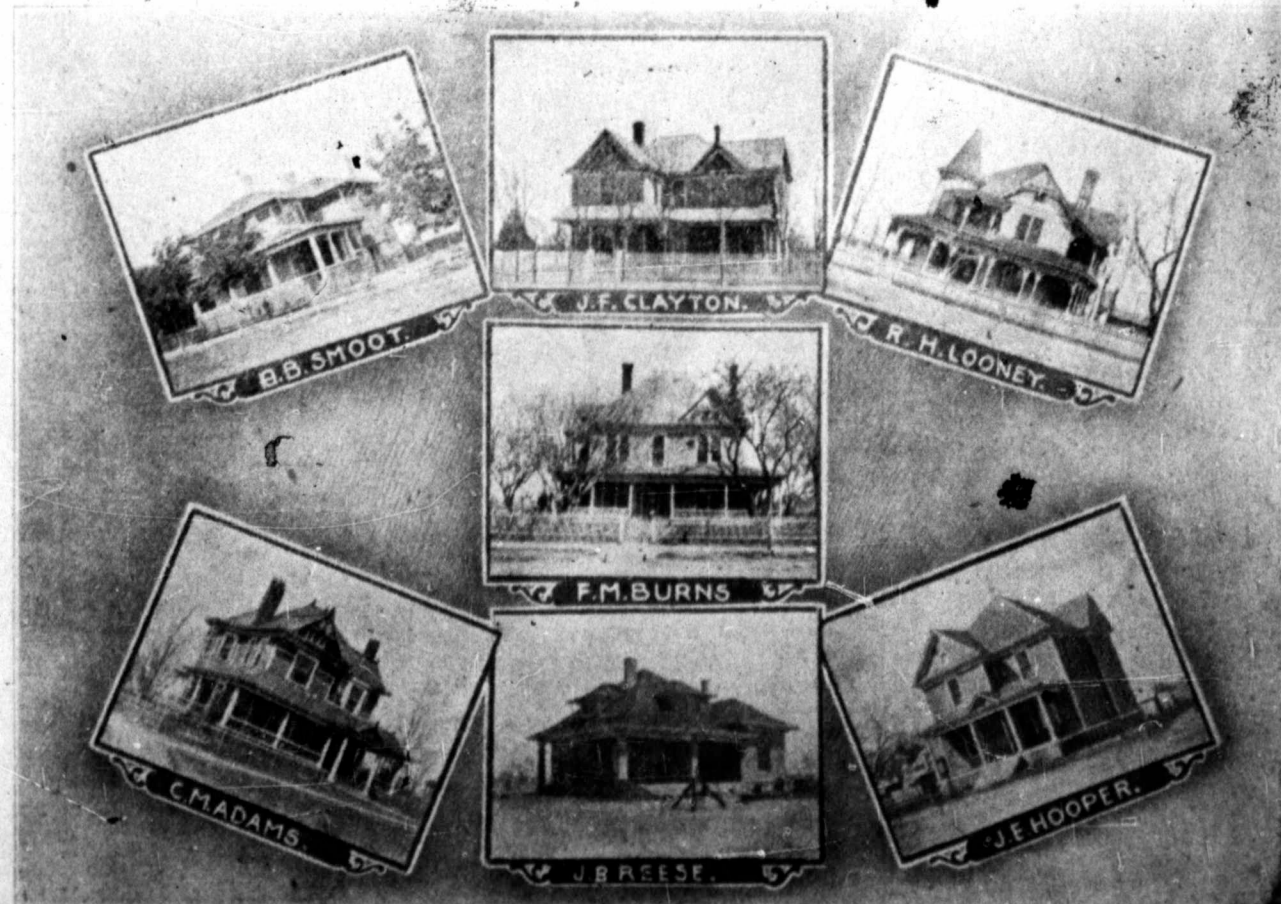
The bride is the eldest daughter of J. P. White, the foreman on this section, and has a large circle of friends in this city. "Congratulations and best wishes are extended."

With a thousand more 80 and 160 acre farmers in Mitchell county, owning their own homes and raising everything they can for home consumption and spending every dollar they can with the home merchants, there is no county in Central West Texas that would be able to compare with it as a successful agricultural proposition. The land in Mitchell county is singularly adapted to the cultivation of cotton, while East Texas cannot surpass the shinneries of Mitchell county for fruit or anything that grows on a vine. What the country needs, above all else, is a thousand independent small farmers; and faith, she'll 'ave 'em, too.

He who is too narrow to see that his own success is more or less contingent upon his neighbor's, is not broad-minded enough to realize the possibilities of co-operative advancement.



TEXAS & PACIFIC PASSENGER STATION. Colorado has a magnificent passenger station, of Pecos sand stone, costing \$15,000. There is no nicer structure on the Texas & Pacific road West of Fort Worth.



A Group of Colorado Residences.



No. 2801.  
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF  
**THE COLORADO NATIONAL BANK**

At Colorado, in the State of Texas, at the close of business Dec. 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	339 182 56
Overdrafts secured and unsecured	40 670 78
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	50 000 00
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures	10 000 00
Other Real Estate Owned	6 256 03
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	4 544 96
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks	4 341 34
Due from approved Reserve Agents	78 592 86
Checks and other Cash Items	337 57
Notes of Other National Banks	4 805 00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and cents	4479 70
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	8 666 75
Legal tender notes	17 166 75
Due from U. S. Treasurer	2 500 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>558 877 35</b>

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100 000 00
Surplus fund	100 000 00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	28 166 82
National Bank Notes outstanding	50 000 00
Due to other National Banks	18 671 71
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	492 78
Individual deposits subject to check	214 800 69
Time certificates of deposit	312 00
Cashier's Checks outstanding	55.19
Notes and bills rediscounted	9 840 40
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	35 000 00
Reserved for taxes	1 537 76
<b>Total</b>	<b>558 877 35</b>

State of Texas, County of Mitchell, ss:  
I, J. M. Thomas, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. M. THOMAS, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of December, 1911.  
G. B. HARNESSE, Notary Public.  
C. H. EARNEST, C. M. ADAMS, J. C. PRUDE, Directors.

No. 5276.  
REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF  
**THE CITY NATIONAL BANK**

At Colorado, in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Dec. 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	209 202 84
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	21 788 85
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	15 000 00
Banking house, Furniture and Fixtures	6 200 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	9 414 96
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks (not reserve agents)	9 414 06
Due from Approved Reserve Agents	3 758 86
Checks and other Cash Items	12 87
Notes of other National Banks	1 235 00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and cents	259 25
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	12 978 25
Legal tender notes	100 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	750 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>280 953 60</b>

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in	\$ 60 000 00
Surplus fund	30 000 00
Undivided profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	10 836 03
National Bank Notes outstanding	15 000 00
Due to Other National Banks	3 306 97
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	29 55
Due to Approved Reserve Agents	335 63
Individual deposits subject to check	120 395 42
Demand certificates of deposit	700 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	350 00
Notes and bills rediscounted	30 000 00
Liabilities other than those above stated	10 000 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>280 953 60</b>

State of Texas, County of Mitchell, ss:  
I, J. E. Hooper, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
J. E. HOOPER, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of December, 1911.  
J. A. BUCHANAN, Notary Public.  
J. D. WULFJEN, J. L. DOSS, D. N. ARNETT, Directors.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF  
**THE FIRST STATE BANK**

At Westbrook, Texas, at the close of business on the 15th day of Dec., 1911, published in the Colorado Record, a newspaper printed and published at Colorado, State of Texas, on the 15th day of Dec., 1911.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	836 54
Demand Loans, Cotton	2 183 37
Overdrafts	1 764 00
Furniture and Fixtures	2 689 46
Due from Approved Reserve Agents net	1 476 00
Currency	205 40
Specie	1 681 40
Bank Guaranty Fund	234 01
Other resources, as follows: Assessment No. 1 Dep. Guaranty Fund	554 24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25 421 77</b>

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock paid in	\$10 000 00
Undivided Profits, net	314 29
Due to other Banks and Bankers, subject to check, net	141 75
Individual Deposits subject to check	14 965 73
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25 421 77</b>

STATE OF TEXAS and County of Mitchell:—  
We, J. M. Page, as Vice-President, and J. L. Bowen, as Cashier of said Bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.  
J. M. PAGE, Vice-President  
J. L. BOWEN, Cashier.  
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 12th day of Dec., A. D. nineteen hundred and eleven.  
WITNESS my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.  
(SEAL) C. B. HOOPER, Notary Public.  
PRESTON PHENIX, J. E. HOOPER, Directors

**Santa Claus Will Arrive Monday, the 18th, at 10 O'clock**



He is coming in an automobile, and wants all the children to meet him at the corner of the St. James hotel and go with him to his headquarters.  
He has a letter for every little boy and girl and he would like to hear from every one of them, too.  
Santa has something for every child that meets him.

**THE RACKET STORE**

**A. L. SCOTT**  
The Permanent Grain Dealer

Buys and sells all kinds of grain and feed: Whether you want to buy or sell I am equally anxious to see you. It will be to your interest to see me.

Threshing and grinding done for the trade. I make free city delivery.

I Give the Top Prices and Sell for the Smallest Margin of Profit

**K. P. Election.**

Last Tuesday night marked an exceedingly interesting and enthusiastic meeting of Colorado Lodge No. 44, Knights of Pythias. The usual lunch was spread over which the vizzored band deliberated until the midnight song resounded from the tower.

This being the regular election night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:  
Chancellor Commander, Horace W. Hickerson; Vice Chancellor, L. A. Costin; Prelate, Jas. D. Sherwin; Master at Arms, O. E. Avery; Master of Work, R. P. Price; Keeper of Records and Seals, Allen J. Payne; Master of Finance, G. W. Donaldson; Master of Exchequer, Jesse Bullock; Inner Guard, W. H. Moerer; Outer Guard, J. B. Annis; Trustee, J. E. Ponce; Representative to the grand lodge, J. B. Annis.

This is one of the oldest K. of P. Lodges in West Texas, having been organized in April, 1883, and having weathered the droughts and panics of the past, it shoots its head proudly above the wave, one of the brightest stars in the galaxy of fraternal orders in our city.

The Young People's Missionary Society met Tuesday with Ruth Buchanan and plans were made for their part of the bazaar work. As only a few were present, no program was given except the Bible readings and comments. Mrs. Merritt has invited the young folks to meet with her the 26th and bring their mothers or friends. The program will be: Roll call, What Christmas Has Been; Scripture reading, The Story of the Wise Men, Flora Simpson; Christmas Story, Omeria Terry; Christmas in Mexico, Lillian Jenkins; Christmas in China, Earl King; Christmas Reading, Eva Terry. At the close of the business session dainty wafers and chocolate were served by the hostess.

Mr. J. W. Nell, director of Farmers' Institutes, under the auspices of the agricultural department of the state, was here Wednesday and conducted an institute at the court house as announced last week. The day was very unpropitious and very few farmers were in town, but those who had the pleasure of hearing the talk of Mr. Nell were very much entertained and edified. These Institutes are what the farmers of West Texas need above all else. In talking to Mr. Nell we mentioned the fact that there were farmers in this county who lived entirely out of the grocery stores; some of them will come to town and buy turnips and grapes to take home to eat. Mr. Nell said that he could raise turnips in this country, even if he had to haul the water to irrigate them five miles. Whatever can help the farmer to raise what he eats, is a blessing to the country.

The young people of the town enjoyed a delightful hop at the club rooms Tuesday night.

Moves at actual cost at McMurry's.

The boosting and building of a city should go hand in hand. If the builder can show the building to back up his boosting, the desired end is accomplished, and the effective advertising of the city, which is the desired end, is effected.

If you want to keep posted about West Texas, subscribe for the Record.

Record and Dallas News \$1.75.

**TEXAS NEEDS GREAT MEN**

**IX. DISCOVERIES.**

COLUMBUS discovered America and Galileo discovered solar systems and planets and throughout all ages, civilization has been indebted to wise men who could think beyond the age in which they lived. We need in State government men who can see across two continents and look into the horizon of Twentieth Century civilization and discover new zones of trade, new worlds of industry and new planets of prosperity.



COLUMBUS DISCOVERING AMERICA.

We are standing on the edge of the ocean of discovery in Texas. Our mountains are the mineral vaults of the universe; artesian lakes of boundless area lie underneath our surface; our agricultural domain awaits men who can work inspiration into the soil and give a powerful impulse to progress. We need a Columbus to sail the high seas of our magnificent possibilities, to discover new continents in agriculture, to explore our mineral kingdoms, colonize our industrial opportunities and give us a new world to live in. Texas needs great men.

The farmer should remember that the building of good roads adds to the cash value of his farm more than twice as much and sometimes five times as much as the tax he will be called upon to help build them.

Don't give a one-legged man a pair of slippers for a Christmas present—one is enough.

Beall Bros. will appreciate your trade.

There is one law about which there is a great deal of laxness in this county, and that is the law requiring physicians to make reports on vital statistics. This is mandatory, and the physician who neglects to do so, subjects himself to a penalty. It is a good law, and is intended to keep a record of the births and deaths in the county, the exact date of which is often a matter of great importance. The Record hopes that our County Clerk will get after our physicians with that proverbial "sharp stick."

Talk about the American hotel graft. The hotels of Delhi are charging \$80 per day for a minimum of 29 days during the stay in that city of King George and Queen Mary. The average West Texas newspaper man could not even "arrive."

The high quality of Texas cotton is evidenced by the fact that the Brazilian government has decided to use Texas cottonseed almost exclusively in the development of the cotton industry in that country. It is stated here by D. F. Saunders, a cotton expert of the Federal Government, that the Brazilian government is to decrease the production of coffee to a large extent in order to devote more attention to cotton cultivation. Brazil does not now produce enough of the staple for home consumption.

W. R. Winston, a merchant of Cisco, Texas, and step-brother of our fellow townsman, Ernest Keathley, spent Friday night with him. He came up from Loarine where he was in attendance upon the Presbytery as a delegate from the First Presbyterian church at Cisco.



DECEMBER 15, 1911.

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1910: "A debt of \$1,000 was far from being a downy pillow for my head the night that closed last year's work; but confidence in the favor of Heaven and the promises of the omnipotent Jehovah given to and concerning orphan children, was as inspiring to my heart and hopes as was Young David's vision. Probably with no less joy I was soon able to take up all the bills represented in the debt that made my pillow hard, and to offer them, fully liquidated, as a memorial to God for his blessings."

How we Baptists should love and honor this grand old man who has done so much for orphan children. He needs more buildings, more machinery and more wells, more cows, more money to keep him out of debt and worry. Are we helping him with our means and prayers as we should, and as God expects us to do? Ladies, what are you doing in your aids? Are you laying this burden on your hearts and making any sacrifices for this work? In our aid in Colorado this past year we sent a Thanksgiving box worth \$74.20. In November we gave our pledge for \$10.00.

Our aid undertook to raise \$100.00 to feed the children one Sunday—the third Sunday in June. We undertook this with fear and trembling, but raised it easily. The first of Sep. we sent a box valued at \$120.00, consisting of quilts and school clothes for the boys and girls! How little it seems when I tell it; yet if each aid in this district would decide to do all it could for the home, how much help and comfort we would be to Dr. Buckner, and, with a clear conscience, we could say like the Man of Uz: "If I have withheld the poor from their desire, or caused the eyes of the widow to fail; or have eaten my morsel alone, and the fatherless have not eaten thereof; if I have seen any perish without clothing, or any poor without covering, if his loins have not blessed me and if he were not warmed with the fleece of my sheep, and if I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, when I saw my help in the gate; then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade and my arm be broken from the bone."

A dollar spent in patronizing home industries will eventually come back to the spender. But the dollar that is sent away from home is given such a solar plexus blow that it can't "come back."

The power that dwelleth in sweet sounds to waken Vague yearnings, like the sailor's for the shore, And dim remembrances, whose hue seems taken From some bright former state, our own no more: Is not all this a mystery? Who shall say? Whence are these thoughts—whither tends their way?

The sudden images of vanished things That o'er the spirit flash, we know not why; Tones from some broken harp's deserted strings: Warm sunset hues of summers long gone by: A rippling laugh—the splashing of an ear— Or flower scent floating past our door.

A word scarce noticed in its hour perchance Yet back returning with a plaintive tone; A smile, a sunny or a mournful glance, Full of sweet meaning, now from this world flown— Are these not mysteries when to life they start And press vain spring flowers from the blighted heart!

And that far wandering of the soul in dreams, Calling up shrouded faces from the dead, And with them bringing soft or solemn gleams, Familiar objects brightly to o'erspread, Awakening buried love, or joy or fear— These are night's mysteries—who shall make them clear!

The strange yet inborn sense of coming ill, That sometimes whispers to a haunted breast In a low, sighing tone, which naught can still, 'Mid fears and melodies, a secret guest— Whence does that murmur come, that shadow fall? Why quakes the spirit thus? 'Tis mystery all.

Darkly we move, we press upon the brink Happily, of unseen worlds, and know it not. Yes, it may be, that nearer than we think Are those whom death has parted from our lot. Fearfully, wonderfully, our souls are made; Let us walk humbly on, yet undismayed.

Humbly, for knowledge strives in vain to feel Her way among these marvels of the mind; Yet not cast down, for do they not reveal Our immortal nature with the dust entwined? So let us think, and even tears they wake Shall then be blessed, for their high nature's sake.

—A. H. WESTON.

'Tis an old lesson, indeed, that of Every mile of good roads built in patronizing home industries, but it is Texas is a footprint in the sands of one we cannot learn too well. This progress. lesson is the A B C of a community's prosperity. Stoves at actual cost at McMurry's.

### Gave Up Hope

"I suffered five years, with awful pains, due to womanly troubles," writes Mrs. M. D. McPherson, from Chatham, N. C. "They grew worse, till I would often faint I could not walk at all, and I had an awful hurting in my side; also a headache and a backache. I gave up and thought I would die, but my husband urged me to try Cardui, so, I began, and the first bottle helped me. By the time the third bottle was used, I could do all my work. All the people around here said I would die, but Cardui relieved me."

## TAKE CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

For more than 50 years, Cardui has been relieving woman's sufferings, and making weak women strong and well. During this time, thousands of women have written, like Mrs. McPherson, to tell of the really surprising results they obtained by the use of this purely vegetable, tonic remedy for women.

Cardui strengthens, builds, restores, and relieves or prevents unnecessary pain and suffering from womanly troubles. If you are a woman, begin taking Cardui, today.

Write for Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent free. 16

J. L. DOSS, President      D. N. ARNETT, Vice-president      J. E. HOOPER, Cashier

CAPITAL \$60,000.00

### City National Bank

of Colorado, Texas.

Prompt attention to all business. Correspondence and Collections Solicited.



## Why Not Give Your Horse

### A Christmas Present?

He would enjoy a set of new harness, a nice saddle or bridle as much as you would a suit of new clothes.



I make the best harness that money can buy for a very low price. Fine harness is my specialty.

### I Have on Hand Some Good Sets of Single or Double Harness

Handmade Saddles, Bridles, genuine Navajo Blankets, in fact every part of the paraphernalia of a horse. They make suitable presents, too.

I Do All Kinds of REPAIRING

what I have FOR CHRISTMAS BUYING.

## B. ANNIS

THE SADDLE AND HARNESS MAN

## CHRISTMAS CHEER

### You Owe It To Yourself

TO ALWAYS LOOK YOUR BEST, for the "apparel oft proclaims the man." Many a young man has failed to secure a job because of the appearance of his clothing, when others of less ability and merit have gotten the place because of the prosperous and make-good appearance of their clothing.

### It Costs No More In the Long Run

To dress well and tastily than to have the appearance of the "down-and-out." I can give you a suit of clothing that will outwear two suits of hand-me-downs and look well the last day it is worn.

### You Owe It to Your Friends

To dress as well as they. Everybody owes something to appearances. Let me show what I can do for you in a Christmas suit.

### I Will Keep You Neat

By pressing and cleaning your clothes regularly. Will call for them and deliver them anywhere in Colorado. You have only to ring No. 154 and I will do the rest.

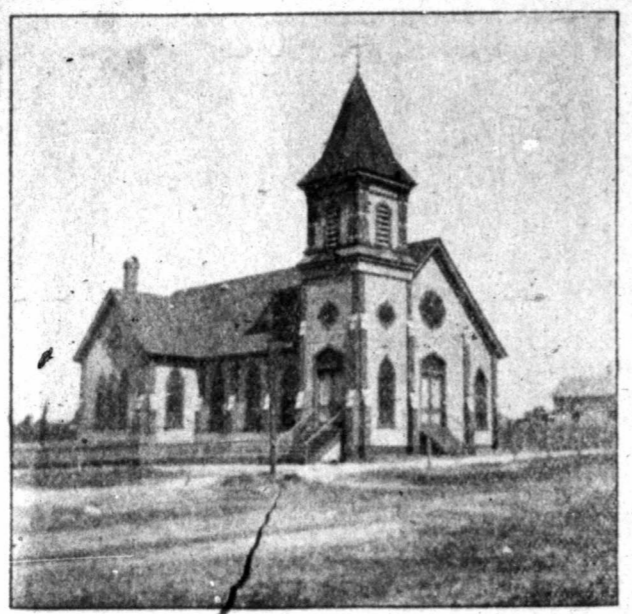
Yours for good service,

## JIM COUGHRAN, The Tailor



**W. W. Porter**  
**Fuel, Oil and Hauling.**  
 KEEPS READY FOR PROMPT DELIVERY THE BEST OF  
**THE WOOD and COAL**  
 At Col. **DOES ANYTHING. ANYWHERE. ANY TIME. LARGE STOREROOM**  
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**BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Is one of the strongest and most active in this Association. It liberally supports every enterprise fostered by the church at large. Rev. B. Broome is pastor. Services every Sunday.



**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**  
 Though not a strong church numerically, it does the work of a strong church. The congregation is a loyal one, and have responded nobly to the work of the pastor, Rev. W. M. Elliott. Services every Sunday.

**FREE!**  
 I am open for business and will ask all in reach of me for Xmas nuts, fruits  
**T. J. F.**  
 Successor to P. C. Bedford



**METHODIST CHURCH.**  
 Is a very active one. Rev. W. E. Lyon is the pastor. Services every Sunday. The Colorado church is one among the strongest in this conference.

**LOCAL NOTES**

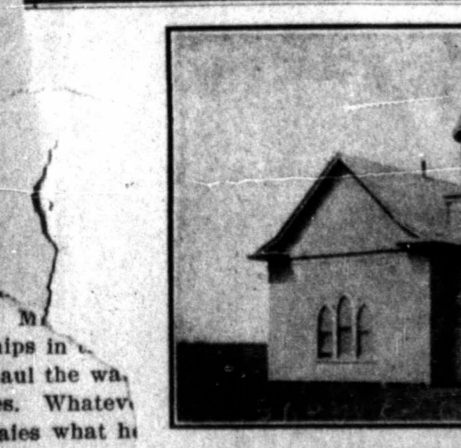
**Phone 56**  
 to send for your  
**Cleaning and Pressing.**  
 We have an errand boy who will come in a hurry,

**MANUEL**  
 The Home Tailor  
 or to Burns & Bell

The Young People's society met Tuesday with an interesting program. Plans for the bazaar were discussed. Mrs. M. J. P. Majors spent Sunday with her family, returning to Sweetwater Monday.

Bishop Temple preached two highly interesting sermons at the Episcopal church last Sunday.

A serious washout near Tye last Saturday delayed train service on this division of the road. The east bound train Sunday morning was relayed back from Sweetwater to El Paso. By noon Sunday everything was running in the same old groove.



**SECOND CHRISTIAN CHURCH.**  
 The young people has grown much in that time. It is popularly known as a delightful "youthful" branch of the church. There is a good and active young people's society, but just now they are without a regular pastor.

The Signal learns that three more brick business houses were started up this week at Dermott.—Snyder Signal.

Miss Lucile Stonerod, of Colorado, is the guest of Mrs. H. G. Towle.—Snyder Signal.

Give Ben Morgan your subscription for the Star-Telegram.

The Colorado bar is one of the ablest in West Texas. There are eight attorneys, all of whom stand well professionally, and do lucrative practices in all the courts. Colorado has contributed several able lawyers to the bars of other towns during the past few years.

G. W. Crawford, of Roswell, is visiting his son, Charlie, during the holidays.

Buy your fire works of Ben Morgan, sample room—St. James Hotel.

Col. Q. T. Mullins went to Galveston this week to confer with the Lasker Realty Company relative to rebuilding the houses recently destroyed by fire. We learn that much more durable and larger ones will be built, probably one or two two-story ones.

Cottolene still \$1.15 at McMurry's.

An alarm of fire Sunday morning about eight o'clock brought out the fire department on double quick. The home of Frank Morgan was found to be on fire and burning fiercely, but the flames were soon under control and the house was saved, but all the household goods were a practical loss from water, smoke and fire. He carried no insurance, we learn. The boys were 39 seconds in getting out after the tap of the bell.

Mrs. W. P. Ruddick, of Colorado, has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. G. Towle, and left today for her home.—Snyder Signal.

Closing farming implements at cost at McMurry's.

The windows of the stores, with their gala attire, the tasty ads in this paper, with their invitations to "come and see" attest the fact that Christmas and Santa Claus are just around the corner.

There will be much visiting during the holidays, and you owe it to your friends and guests to see that their names are mentioned in the town paper. Call us up and tell us of your guest and of your own intended visits. The society reporter will more than have her hands full, and by doing this you can help her, us, and yourself in giving us the personal item.

A. K. Hawkes' original glasses, the best on earth, at Doss'.

Stoves at actual cost at McMurry's.

The annual pilgrimage to the old homes in the eastern states will soon begin, though the travel will not likely be as heavy as usual, owing to the depression of the cotton market. Those who have mothers and fathers back in the old states should go to see them if they possibly can. A few more years—perhaps next year—there will be no mother and father to welcome you.

Every family has need for a good, reliable liniment. For sprains, bruises, soreness of the muscles and rheumatic pains there is none better than Chamberlain's. For sale by all dealers.

Champ Carter has gone to Snyder, where he has taken a position with the leading drug company.

4 1-2 pound bucket of best coffee at McMurry's for 95 cents.

Mrs. Dr. Merrill is here from Van Horn on a visit to the doctor.

Put your darning basket away. You will not need it for six months if you will buy six pairs of Holeproof Guaranteed Hosiery. See the stock at GLISSON'S.

The lecture at the opera house Monday night by Dr. Edwin Southers, was well attended, not only by the subscribers to the lyceum course, but by others not holding season tickets. His lecture was much appreciated by all who heard him.

If you ever expect to need farming implements, now is the time to lay in your stock. McMurry is selling them at actual cost, and they are the standard makes.

John T. Johnson, of Sweetwater, spent the day in Colorado Tuesday.

You know the price of Cottolene everywhere; I sell it for \$1.15.

E. B. Gamel, of Iatan, was a Colorado visitor this week.

There is a general complaint among the merchants about slowness of collections. Some say it is the dulldest December they have ever experienced.

One-fourth off on all clothing from now until Christmas. Also a big cut in ladies' hats. Still selling calico at five cents per yard. See me, I will save you money. GLISSON'S.

Audy Lovelady and family moved to Midland this week where they will permanently reside.

We learn that another pool hall will soon be opened in the J. S. Johnson building on Oak street.

Dr. A. L. Fuller, the eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, has returned to Colorado, and has fitted up his office in the Dulaney building, where he will be glad to receive patients. See his card in another column.

A very young Miss now graces the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stonerod. She made her advent Tuesday morning and is making herself very much at home.

A note from Mrs. M. J. Culp, sending a list of names for the special edition, says she will not be home until the middle of February or March, but wishes all her friends a merry Christmas.

**To the Trade.**  
 This is to notify our customers that on account of the scarcity and the increasing cost of keeping good beef, we are compelled to raise the price slightly, until we can get cheap meat.

Beginning next Monday morning we will ask you 2 1-2 cents more, and this is not as much as butchers in the surrounding country get for their meat.  
**CASH MARKET,  
 BEAL BROTHERS.**

**ORDER YOUR DRESSED CHRISTMAS TURKEY EARLY FROM BEAL BROS.**

**Will be in the Race.**  
 While-gathering the news this week we came across our County Treasurer and he informed us that he would be in the race next year for the office of county judge, and furthermore said that the Record might announce that, as usual, he would run by simply making his announcement in Jan., 1912, and would only ask a fair and impartial comparison as to fitness, ability and worthiness for the office of County Judge of Mitchell County.

**City National Bank.**  
 Nothing so accurately measures or so correctly defines the business status of a great, populous community as the record, standing and financial condition of its banks and banking houses, and judged by this universal and unerring standard the city of Colorado is in a condition of highly gratifying thrift and well diffused prosperity. The bank has long been noted for wisely conservative, yet judiciously progressive management; and for general soundness, stability and safe responsibility. What is known as "wild-cat" financing finds no footing there.

The City National Bank has ever retained the confidence of the community since its organization, and has proven a center of financial strength and aid to the merchants and individuals of the city. It has a capital of \$60,000 with a \$30,000 surplus fund and individual deposits of \$120,395.42, while its total individual responsibility is a half million. It has been notably a center of active accounts—those representative of the business life and commercial development of the town.

Such figures as the above are sufficient guarantee of the bank's standing, and its able management which reflects the highest credit on the board of directors composed of gentlemen whose names and services are identified with corporation and enterprises that have so largely contributed to render Colorado one of the wealthiest cities of her size in the state, per capita.

The officers and directors of the City National Bank are noted for their great business sagacity and true and sound financial policies. They are: J. L. Doss, president; D. N. Arnett, Vice-President; J. E. Hooper, Cashier; S. D. Vaughan, Ass't Cashier; with the following directory: J. D. Wulffen, D. N. Arnett, F. E. McKinzie, J. L. Doss.

**Do You Want Money?**  
 I am prepared to make a few good land loans at 8 per cent interest, not over \$8.00 per acre. Only the best property considered. Must see me by January first. This will not appear again.  
**G. B. HARNESS.**

Gifts books of all prices and kinds at Doss'.

**Above the Average.**  
 According to the weather records kept at Abilene, the rainfall, so far this month, is 5.15, and for the year, 25.71 up to date, being a quarter of an inch more than the average rainfall for the past 25 years.

The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger from pneumonia and other serious diseases. Mr. B. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be the best remedy on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends, and they all agree with me." For sale by all dealers.

**W. O. W. Elects Officers for 1912.**

Thursday night, December 7th, was a great night with Mesquite Camp No. 244 W. O. W. Mart Cope was received by transfer card, the application of Charlie Davis was received, and R. O. Pearson, H. E. Grantland and A. E. Neal were initiated into the mysteries of Woodcraft. The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year: W. L. Doss, Con. Com.; J. T. Davis, Ad. Lieut.; W. R. Morgan, Banker; Ernest Keathley, Clerk; Walter Owens, Escort; Mart Cope, Watchman; F. W. Coursey, Sentry; H. E. Grantland, Manager.

W. L. Doss resigned as manager and A. J. Coe was elected to fill out his unexpired term. C. E. Franklin is the hold-over manager and W. H. Gardner the Post Consul Commander. W. L. Doss, Ernest Kathly and J. T. Davis were appointed to invite the ladies to join us in a joint installation at the Tabernacle on Thursday night, January 4th, and all are requested to bring well filled baskets. The tabernacle has been secured and all members of the W. O. W. and W. C. and their families are urged to come out and help make the occasion a great success.

**ERNEST KEATHLEY,**  
 Clerk, W. O. W.

**Evergreen Rebekah Lodge Elects Officers.**

Mrs. Addie Cooper, N. G.; Mrs. Nellie DeLaney, V. G.; Mrs. Katie Doss, Sec.; Mrs. W. R. Morgan; Treas.

Mrs. Katie Doss was elected representative to Dallas to the Grand Assembly in March. Miss Willie Smith was elected alternate.

During the social hour after the lodge closed, Miss Vera Cooper and Mr. Gerald McCreless entered, the secretary, Mrs. DeLaney, playing the march. They marched to the stump with Mr. Doss and Mrs. Will Cooper as attendants. All the officers and attendants were formed in a wedge to receive them. Mr. Doss was toastmaster, and numerous toasts to the bride, groom and father-in-law were given; those of Mr. Mincer and Mr. Patterson being especially worthy of mention. Last but not least our N. G., Mrs. Morgan, presented them with a beautiful set of silver knives and forks on behalf of Evergreen Rebekah Lodge.

Then cake, coffee and tea was served to all present and it was a very late hour when all said good night. Hoping to be entertained royally on installation night.  
**MRS. NELLIE DELANEY,**  
 Secretary.

**Notice.**

Colorado, Texas, 12-7-11  
 W. W. Porter,  
 Rates on wood advance, effective Dec. 15, 1911.

**W. A. CROWDER,**  
 Agent T. & P. H.

**To the Public:**  
 I will have to advance to meet t above, as I am selling now on a close margin.

Very sorry, as fuel is already expensive.

I want to say that the price has been uniform winter and summer and no advantage has been or will be taken of the consumer.  
 Yours very truly,  
**W. W. PORTER**

**Notice of Dissolution.**

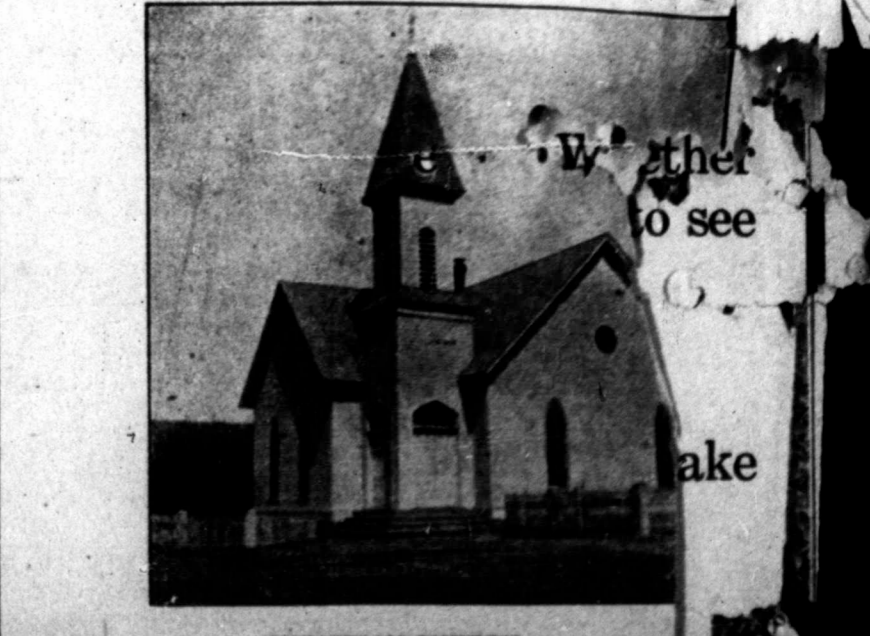
Notice is hereby given that the partnership between H. C. Doss and Raymond Johnson, under the firm name of Doss & Johnson, was this day by mutual consent dissolved. The business heretofore conducted by Doss & Johnson, together with all debts and accounts due said partnership being purchased by the said H. C. Doss. It is further agreed that the said H. C. Doss assumes all indebtedness of the firm of Doss & Johnson.  
 Witness our hands, this 15th day of November, 1911.  
**RAYMOND JOHNSON  
 H. C. DOSS.**

Referring to the above, I wish to thank all my friends for the liberal patronage they have accorded the firm of Doss & Johnson, assuring them their interests will be as carefully considered hereafter as we have tried to conserve them in the past. A continuance of your patronage will be greatly appreciated.  
**HENRY C. DOSS.**

Phone 25 for meat. Prompt delivery.

Were the wild birds gifted with the power of speech when, seeking a warmer location for their winter habitation, they pass over the Panhandle with its broad acres of wonderful golden grain, across the snow-white cotton fields of Central Texas, and at last, finding an abiding place in the rice fields and sun-kissed orange groves of the Southern Gulf Coast they would rapturously exclaim that they had winged their way over nature's perfect handwork, the modern Garden of Eden.

Cottolene still \$1.15 at McMurry's.



**CHRISTIAN CHURCH.**  
 Is not very strong in numbers, but has zealous and faithful members. Rev. M. F. Dunning is pastor. Services every Sunday.

**J. O. McCRELESS**



DECEMBER 15, 1911.

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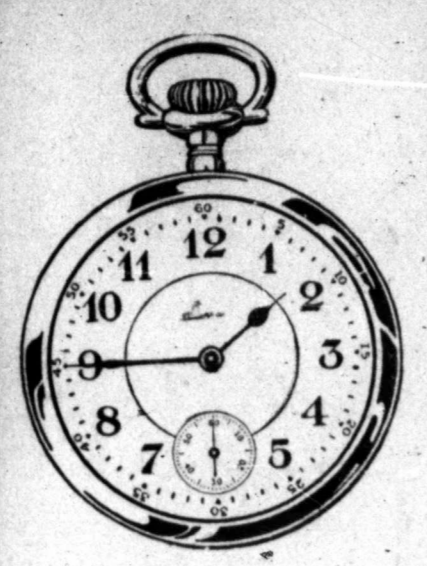
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The gift that a man delights to receive and show; what a happy present to give a sweetheart, husband, son or brother. Prices from \$1 to \$155.



As a gift to mother, sister, wife or sweetheart no offering is more appropriate than a solid or gold filled watch. Prices to suit all pocket books.



Mesh and Hand Bags. Prices \$2.00 to \$10.00.

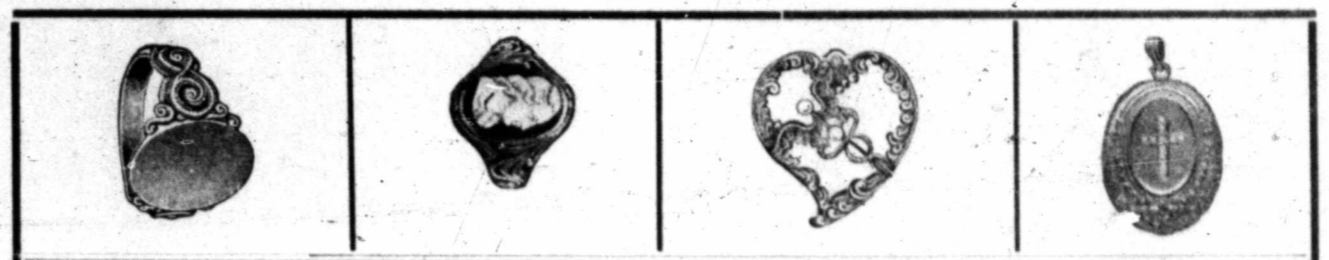


No piece without this Trade Mark on it is genuine. HAWKES

Be very careful in selecting cut glass for a gift or for your own use. There is a great difference in cut glass, cheap cuttings being neither artistic or desirable. Insist on the best. You know the best. HAWKES, LIBBY and BEIGEN.

## THE PRESENT DE LUXE

Whether to wife, mother, sister, child, sweetheart, friend—male or female—anywhere and on any occasion, has always been jewelry; whether elegant or plain. The price makes little difference, if it is good taste. No other present so strongly and universally appeals to the ties of friendship or bonds of affection as a piece of jewelry or article of vertu. It is more easily kept than any other, and is less effected by use; and is always appropriate. Especially is this true of Christmas gifts. A nice piece of jewelry will be a suitable present in nine cases out of ten.

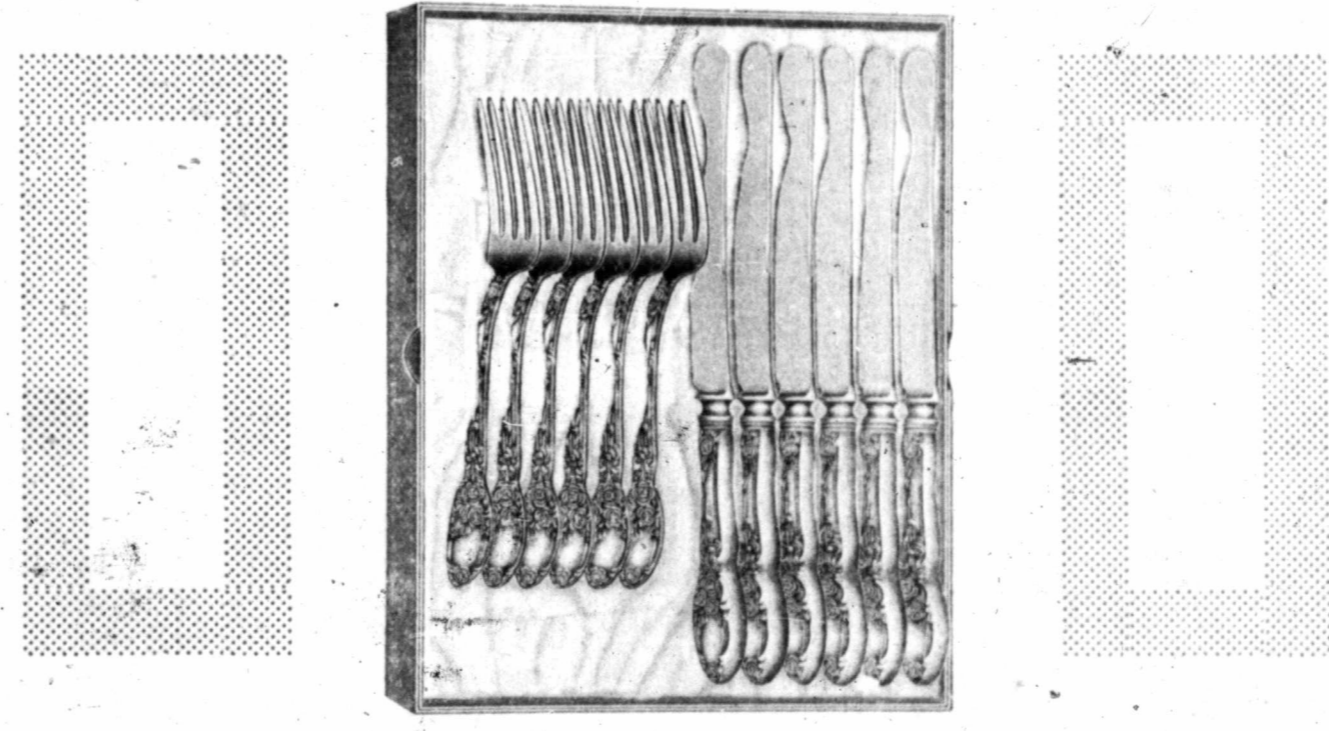


### A Few Suggestions

Cameo Brooches, Locketts and Chains, Lavalliers, Diamond Rings and Brooches, Signet Plain and Fancy Rings, Stick Pins, Cuff Buttons, Coat Chains, Bracelets, Fobs, Collar and Bar Pins, Emblem Charms and Buttons; Belt Pins, Tie Clasps, Thimbles.

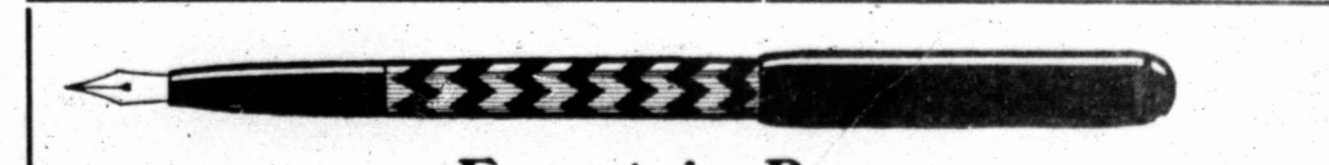
## OUR HOLIDAY STOCK

Was selected with this idea in view. Not alone is it the largest and best assorted we have ever brought to Colorado, but it comprises the very best and latest of the jewelers art. Not only is our line of staple jewelry, such as Diamonds, Watches, Rings Charms, Bracelets, Necklaces, Silverware, etc. kept right up to the very best and latest products of the standard factories, bric-a-brac, American and foreign hand-painted china, cut glass, canes, umbrellas, ornamental hand bags, toilet sets, as well as many conceits of Dame Fashion not heretofore shown in this market.



Make your wife happy by presenting her with a chest of Silver. Our variety of patterns is so numerous that we haven't space to enumerate same.

Sterling Silver . . . \$40 to \$125.00  
Plated Silver . . . \$7.50 to \$22.50



### Fountain Pens

Jot down on your list CONKLIN'S SELF FILLING FOUNTAIN PENS. It will bring a smile of joy to his or her face on Christmas morning.

Pens . . . \$2.50 to \$12.00

Make your selections early and we will keep them till wanted, or we will deliver them when and where directed.

Store Open Evenings Until Christmas

# J. P. MAJORS

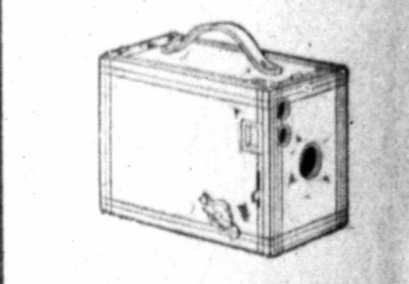
The Old Reliable Jeweler



The Ideal Christmas Gift. A Gold Handled Umbrella or Walking Cane. See the New Style Detachable Handles. Prices \$2.00 to \$20.00.



Coffee Percolators and Hot Water Kettles.



Make somebody happy with a KODAK. \$1.00 to \$20.00. Kodak Albums 75c to \$2.50.

Space is too limited to attempt a partial list even, of what we have, or to give prices. We can give only a few of the most popular articles.

But whatever you may need in the jewelry line, we have it.

THE GUARANTEE of a business of twenty years done in this community, is behind every article we sell. Our goods are now on display and we invite you to inspect them before you buy. If you want the best proved goods, for never need apologize, you find them here. Every department of our business is kept fully abreast the times.



