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A VERY GOOD INVESTMENT-A HOME IN RANDALL COUNTY.

## THE CAPTURE OF WILMINGTON

February 22, 1865.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., the last port of the Confederacy to be closed against blockade runners, fell Feb. 22, 1865, as a sequel to the Federal capture of Fort Fisher on Jan. 15. Before the collapse of Fort Fisher, the grim sentry at the mouth of Cape Fear river, General Schofield had been ordered to bring the Twenty-third army corps from Tennessee to North Carolina with a view to securing a base for Sherman, who was to march northward through the Carolinas.

After the fall of Fort Fisher Wilmington's defense rested with Fort Anderson, on the west bank of Cape Fear river, and a force of Confederates, led by General Hoke, posted on the east bank below the city. Uniting the victors at Fort Fisher, under General Terry, with his own men from the west, Schofield attempted to march up the east bank and cross near the city. Finding the route difficult owing to storms and high tide, he transferred two divisions, led by General Cox and General Ames, the last among the captors of Fort Fisher, to the west bank near the village of Smithville and below Fort Anderson.

Admiral Porter's warships had from time to time bombarded Fort Anderson at long range and renewed their fire as the land force advanced. General Cox took the lead in the march upon the fort and on the 17th got within two miles of the outworks, his line resting upon Cape Fear river and in communication with the fleet. A reconnaissance revealed to General Cox a line of Confederate infantry well entrenched leading from the bank of the river to the foot of Orton pond, a lake several miles long. Owing to the protection of this body of water the trenches could not be turned except by a long march. The line was further protected by abatis and manned with field artillery, which kept up a rapid fire of shrapnel whenever the Federals showed within range.

Two of General Cox's brigades were entrenched in front of Fort Anderson, and two others marched for the head of Orton pond, a distance of fifteen miles. It was night when the column reached the causeway at the head of the pond. The enemy resisted General



GENERAL COX'S ATTACK IN PONTOON BOATS.

Cox's advance across the swamp with cavalry, but this was timely outflanked, and the troops passed the swamp to high ground beyond. Throughout the day the fleet kept up a rain of fire upon Fort Anderson, and the Confederates abandoned the place during the night, leaving ten pieces of heavy artillery to the enemy.

The garrison of Fort Anderson retreated along the river bank to a stream called Town creek, which flows at right angles with Cape Fear river, a few miles below Wilmington. On the east side of the river, the Confederates under General Hoke also fell back and took up a position opposite the mouth of Town creek. General Terry followed up Hoke in his retreat, and General Ames' division crossed from the west bank of the river to the east to support Terry. General Cox pursued the garrison down to the banks of Town creek.

Before evacuating Fort Anderson the Confederates built a strong line of works on the north bank of Town creek and manned them with a Whitworth rifled cannon and two field pieces. The creek was deep and unfordable. The planking was removed from the bridge over the creek, and guns in the works swept the long causeway over the marsh leading to the bridge. A single Confederate brigade led by General Hagood held the works at Town creek.

General Cox's skirmishers worked their way through the marsh to the edge of the creek and picked up an abandoned flatboat which was used on the 20th to ferry troops across. As the boat could carry but fifty men, it consumed half a day to put two brigades across. During this movement Cox's sharpshooters on the south bank crept so close to the creek as to make it hot for the Confederates to show themselves above the parapet. The Whitworth gun in the works was disabled by artillery fire, and the Federal navy steamed up within range, compelling the Confederates on both sides of Cape Fear river to take positions out of reach.

The Confederates behind Town creek made the mistake of thinking that the ground on the banks of their position was impossible for the Federals to march over. General Cox didn't find the region picketed and soon struck the highroad two miles in rear of the works. The Confederates had begun a line of breastworks facing to the rear and turned about to meet Cox when they discovered his line moving down from Wilmington way. A single charge of the Federals broke the line, and the commander surrendered with 400 men and 3 cannon. Part of the Confederates escaped to Wilmington.

During the night General Cox repaired the bridge over Town creek and, with his whole force, trains and artillery, set out for Wilmington. Meanwhile General Hoke's Confederates still held General Terry back on the east of the river. After a march of six miles Cox was again held up by Mill creek, an unfordable stream with its bridge burned. Two hours were passed in repairing the bridge, and the column marched on to Brunswick ferry, in front of Wilmington. Here a railway bridge fired by the Confederates was still burning, but several boats of a pontoon bridge used by the Confederates had been overlooked, and with these the troops were poled across to Eagle island, midway of the river and about a mile wide.

General Cox immediately began to repair the pontoon bridge and cross his column to the island. Meanwhile the detachment which had been ferried over marched on toward the city ferry and were met by a party of Confederates having a couple of cannon in position behind a rude work they had constructed to defend the road. While the riflemen of the Federal vanguard attempted to drive the Confederate gunners from their pieces General Cox opened with artillery from the west bank, and the explosion of the shells so close to the city warned the authorities that an enemy was at their gates.

Persistent rumors had been afloat around Wilmington that the Confederate General Hardee, who had evacuated Charleston and moved north with several thousand men, was about to succor the threatened city. General Terry could make no headway in trying to push Hoke's Confederates on the east bank of the river, and it was

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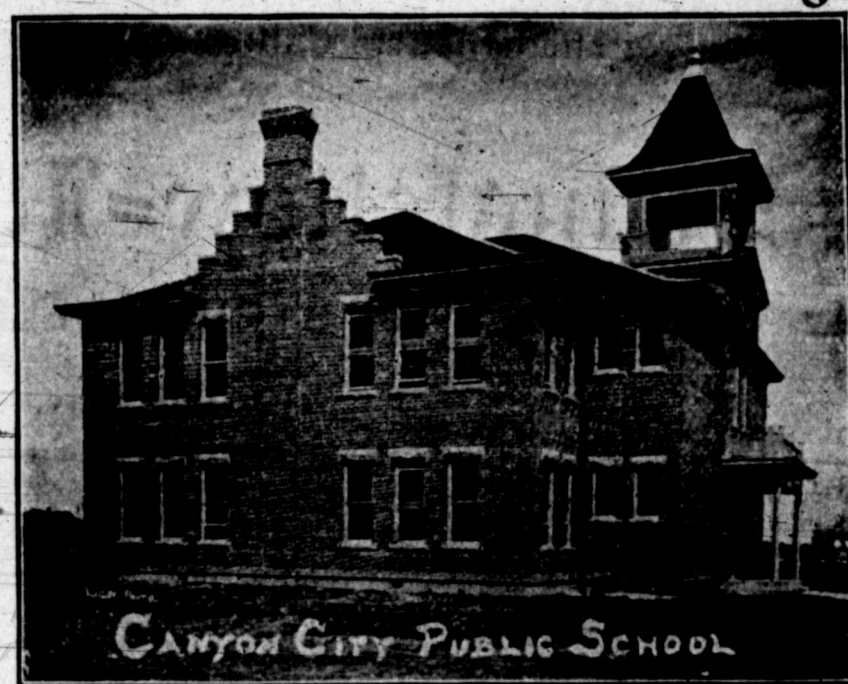
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supposed that Hoke had been re-enforced. General Cox's story of the day is that the commanding officer of the expedition, General Schofield, ordered him (Cox) after he had secured a lodgment upon Eagle island to draw back and ferry his troops to the east bank of Cape Fear river to re-enforce Terry. Being convinced from what he had seen on the west bank, General Cox says that he purposely delayed obeying orders promptly, put one brigade in motion and reported the circumstance fully to his superior. The river bank being lined with swamps, it was midnight of the 21st before Cox's couriers reached his headquarters with fresh directions from Schofield. The chief approved Cox's action, although he had sent repeated orders to him to recross the river and support Terry in an attack on Hoke. These orders had been the more urgent the afternoon of the 21st because Hoke resumed the aggressive at that time as a cover to his retreat and the abandonment of Wilmington to its fate. General Hoke marched away during the night, and Terry's troops followed up, entering the city at the dawn of Washington's birthday.

Wilmington having been secured as a base for Sherman in case of need, General Schofield turned his attention to securing a better one at Newbern, N. C., then in Federal possession, but cut off from Goldsboro, where Sherman was expected to halt by a Confederate post at Kingston. Leaving Terry in command of Wilmington, Schofield detached General Cox to Newbern to open the road to Goldsboro. This was effected after a stubborn battle at Kingston, and Schofield united the column under Terry with Sherman's army at Goldsboro, with communications open to both Newbern and Wilmington.

GEORGE L. KILMER.

Messrs Joe Sherman, Bell Reed and Dillworth, were among the Lubbock men going through here Sunday to attend the Cattlemen's Convention at Amarillo.

Sheriff Penny and county clerk Stubbs of Lubbock were in town Monday, going to the big blow-out at Amarillo.

Mrs. Johnnie Howell visited Amarillo yesterday.

Judge L. S. Kinder of Plainview, at Amarillo among the bankers Monday, passed through here Tuesday on his return home.

Fulton Brown shipped a car of hogs from Unbarger Saturday.

Jas. B. Posey, cashier of the First Nat'l Bank at Floydada, and his son, Walter S. Posey, cashier of the First Nat'l Bank, Lubbock, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Lester, on their way to attend the Panhandle Bankers' Convention at Amarillo Monday.

One of the best crowd catchers in Amarillo Monday and Tuesday was a medicine Montebank whose most interesting exhibit consisted of the different varieties of worms, stomach and tape, he claims to have taken from the natives in and about the town.

Steer cattle are up from last year some two dollars per head in the Angelo country.

Beef cattle prices on hoof have advanced over a dollar per hundred weight in the last month.

Witherspoon & Gough.

### Cold Storage Bill.

Following is the text of senate bill No. 44, by Terrell and Chambers, familiarly known as "the cold storage bill," which has been approved by the governor:

"Section 1. If any person, firm or association of persons, agent or employe of any person, firm or association of persons, who are engaged in the business or occupation of keeping or storing spirituous, vinous or intoxicating liquors for others within any county, justice precinct, subdivision of a county, city or town in which the sale of spirituous, vinous and intoxicating liquor has been prohibited under the laws of this state shall permit any one to drink spirituous, vinous or intoxicating liquor within such place of business, such persons, firm or association of persons, agents or employes, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

"Sec. 2. If any person, firm or association of persons, or any agent or employe, shall be found guilty of the above offense they shall be punished by a fine in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25) and by confinement in the county jail for not less than sixty days."

St Petersburg clings fondly to the idea that Admiral Togo was altogether ignorant of Roostevsky's approach to the China sea and that the present Russian layout has the Jap dazed. Not before the showdown will the pitiable denseness of the Russian come home to him.

The legislature adjourned Saturday without making provision for either the deficit in funds or the necessary running expenses of the State government. The governor immediately called a special session to remedy this condition, his call requiring legislature on these two subjects only—an additional ad valorem tax and appropriation for actual expense of the government.

The price of stock cattle has advanced from one to two dollars per head on the south Texas ranges.

### News Roll of Honor.

Under this heading will be found the amounts received on subscription to the News during the past week, and names of the parties paying. This will serve as a receipt to those of our subscribers forwarding money by mail.

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Oscar Hunt..... 1.00  
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OUR FARMING FUTURE.

As outlined in past issues of The News, a fertile soil, favorable climatic conditions and sufficient moisture are basic conditions for successful farming operations. No two of them will answer, but given all three and the intelligently guided hand of man can do the rest.

When a man has settled himself in a country for better or worse, as is the case with many of us who have chosen the Plains for a permanent abiding place, it is always best for his financial welfare to adapt himself to these basic conditions and be governed thereby. About two of these conditions there is little if any controversy. The fertility of the soil is unquestioned. It has and will produce abundantly all the cereals, vegetables and fruits grown in the temperate zone. The climate is unsurpassed—all who have experienced it are delighted with it. The only thing, then, needful, to make of the Plains a fine farming country is the necessary moisture or rainfall. Settle this question right and the farming future of the Plains country is assured—it will rival that of the great prairies of the middle western states.

What is the rainfall on the Plains? This is the way the question is commonly put and the rules governing the proper answer are the same all over God's footstool. The present we know, but we must judge the future by past experience only. Now, as the statistical history of our country—the Plains—only dates back about eleven years we must form our judgment by that record.

This record of rainfall as shown by the government station at Amarillo gives an average record, for the period named, of 22 inches, most of it falling when most needed, during the warm growing months. Accepting this as the past certain history of the country, and further, laying aside altogether the well-grounded belief that a country's rainfall increases with its habitation and turning of its soil, we may safely count on this record repeating itself. Taking this proposition also as true we have for our Plains country an average rainfall of 22 inches practically assured.

Now, the main question: If our soil be as good as the prairies of the middle Western states, and the climate equally as satisfactory, and they can and do thrive and grow great crops with an average rainfall of less than 22 inches, even as in the case of western Nebraska with 14 inches, why can't we do it?

With the experience of others as a light to go by The News has a great and abiding faith in our farming future.

Good Friday today.

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N. W. T. P. A.

The editor of The News spent two days, Monday and Tuesday in Amarillo this week in answer to a call for a meeting of the executive committee of the Northwest Texas Press Ass'n. Aside from the writer there was present Harry Koch of the Quannah Tribune-Chief, and Joe Ray of the Hereford Brand, a quorum of said committee.

The 11 and 12th of August was fixed as the time for holding our next annual convention at Hereford and a program arranged for the occasion. During its session the committee was, for the association, tendered a trip through Colorado by General Passenger Agent, Glisson, of "The Denver Road," to take place at adjournment of the Hereford session. This met the approval of the committee and return to that effect was made to the secretary, Orion Proctor.

Plant Some Cotton.

Last year the News advocated the planting of cotton in Randall county. It did so because it believed that cotton would, if given proper attention, do well here. The result of last season has only served to strengthen The News in its belief and while the incentive—the price of the staple—is not so strong as it was, still The News would say, plant some cotton.

If for no other reason, we should plant some cotton, to show the doubting Thomases that it will grow here. It will encourage the small farmer of the south—our brethren—to come here and make his home with us; it will materially aid in increasing the price of our lands; it will do its part and a good part too in peopling the country with industrious farmers, who, in turn will build up our towns. Cotton not only grows, but does well in the plains counties south of us and it can't help but succeed in Randall county.

Plant some cotton this year if its only one acre here and there over the county for the purpose of showing what can be done.

Witherspoon & Gough

The Only Way.

Panhandle people are complaining of the passage of large bodies of immigrants through that section, destined for New Mexico, in locked passenger cars. But that is about the only way New Mexico immigration promoters could hope to get their people through the Texas Panhandle without a serious revolt and defection.—Fort Worth Telegram.

If part of our farmers would take up the work of raising horses and mules they would get more profits from that than almost any other line of industry, says the Cooper Courier. About 7 years ago there was a surplus of mules and horses, and prices went very low. It was even argued that the bicycle would supplant the horse in most kinds of travel and other utilities. This industry fell off, and now horses and mules are higher than for four years. The bicycle fad has waned, and the demand for this noble king of four feet is greater to-day than it has been for years.—Big Springs Enterprise.

A tract of farm land was sold by one of our business men this week on very unusual terms. The tract contained something over four hundred acres of timber and farm land on the Colorado. It was bought by two farmers for six dollars an acre, and the farmers will move on it at once and improve it. The contract calls for an annual payment on the notes and interest, equal to the third and fourth of the crops raised on the land for that year. If the land produces nothing no payment is made that year. If a large crop is made a large amount is paid on the notes. Then at the end of ten years if the land is not paid out, the vendor binds himself to give the purchasers ten years more on the same terms.—Brady Enterprise.

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Prichard's pigs are five months old instead of one, as stated in his "for sale" local last week.

Everybody seems to be improving a little these days.

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J. T. Jowell, in town Saturday, said that it rained alright in his section Friday evening.

J. M. Shafer of the Plainview Herald was in town Monday.

**For Sale**—Almost new Dresser at \$10. This office.

Badger pullings are one of the standard attractions "down on the street."

Garrison & Harrison had their office made over in some respects last week.

J. M. Renshaw is having Coffee Bros., put him up a windmill at his residence.

Book learning can sharpen wits but it never, no never, can make them.

Miss Rucker from Lockney, passed Wednesday night of last week in our city, enroute to Portales, N. M.

The Thimble Club enjoyed another delightful evening's entertainment with Miss Bowyer Thursday of last week.

P. B. Penny, Tax Collector of Lubbock Co., stopped over in our city Monday on his way to the Cattlemen's Convention at Amarillo.

Day after tomorrow is Easter Sunday—the annual occasion for display of Dame Fashion's very latest spring novelties.

S. V. Wirt has been having Howard Stephenson attend to his drug store while he, Wirt, is assisting in the Sheriff's office.

Miss Pearl Dorsey came up from Plainview last week to spend a few days with her aunt, Mrs. U. S. Gober.

Mesdames Wade Stephenson and Worth Jennings and children, returned Saturday from a visit to relatives at Roswell.

Miss Clara Jordan who has been visiting her cousins, Misses Carrie and Anna Jordan, for several days, returned to her home near Tulia, Saturday.

Saturday was a fine day for coming to town; just a "leetle" too wet for working and not quite too wet for traveling, and lots of folks availed themselves of it.

The price paid by Geo. C. Long for the six sections reported last week as purchased by him out of the "Block" was \$3 25 instead of \$3 50 per acre.

Too many people in this world are dragging out a miserable, useless existence hunting soft snaps.

Two days for the editor of The News spent in Amarillo attending a meeting of the executive committee of the N. W. T. P. A., has cut short the original matter for this issue.

**Ceta Happenings.**

A fine season in the ground. Everybody preparing for a big crop this year.

Wheat and oats look fine. Fruit trees are in bloom; peaches not all dead by any means. Strawberries are also in bloom—and bid fair to make a good crop.

Fairview Sunday School re-elected its officers for another quarter—Rev. E. P. Murray, Supt., J. E. Rogers, Ass't. Supt., Miss Pearl Woodard secretary and Clare Dalton organist. There is fine interest in our Sunday school.

The Misses Lair from Canyon, were here Sunday, the 9th, the guests of Miss Fred Curry.

Come brothers, let us hear from every community in the county through our county paper.

**HAYSEED.**

Friday night was not a good time for Prof. Morrison. The rain in the evening had made mud all over town and the people did not turn out as they would have done had the weather been better. Mr. Morrison made a good impression, notwithstanding his small audience, and his lecture was entertaining as well as highly instructive. Man should not only know himself physically, but he should have a knowledge of those surroundings under which he must live—air, sunshine and moisture—its causes and effects.

**For Sale**—One registered Durham Bull, some pigs about 5 months old; also some milo maize, kaffir corn, California wheat and sorghum seed.

J. L. Prichard.

The Panhandle Bankers' Association met at Amarillo Monday. Canyon City was represented by L. T. Lester and Dave Park; Lubbock by Walter Posey, and Floydada by J. B. Posey, all going from here Sunday evening.

Friday, the Panhandle Telephone Co., sold its lines and business to the new company. The Northwest Texas Telephone Co., the deal being closed Saturday by the payment to L. M. Faulkner of \$7,000 cash—the total consideration.

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C. W. Jochen, who was in town Saturday, trading, said that the rain Friday evening was light at Umbarger compared to what fell here.

Our kind and accommodating near-neighbor, M. S. Lusby, has concluded to put in a windmill and small waterworks system.

Walter Cobb has abandoned his intention of setting up in business at Tulia and concluded to open up here. He has rented the Wansley stand and will put in a general stock of dry goods and groceries.

Nearly a carload of Percheron horses has been sold at Amarillo recently. Neither the Percheron nor Clydesdale is a good investment for this country.

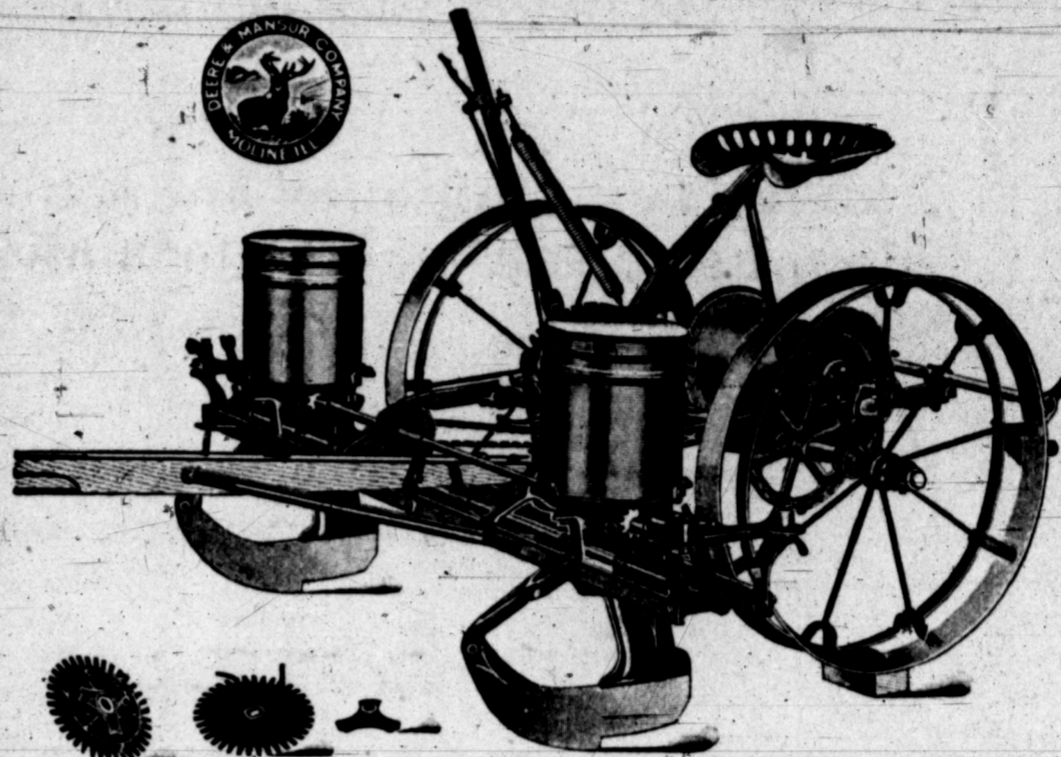
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It rained on Monday night "and so it did," a sizzly, sozzly rain, and on Tuesday it was mud, muddier and muddiest. It caused our folks—some of them—to talk of taking up another subscription to put plank sidewalks round the balance of "the square."

If it's candy you want see Wilson for the best kind. 19 tf

Many of our exchanges are now engaged in a campaign against the buyers from catalogue houses. There are two sides to this question and as but one side is now getting into the public prints The News may throw a few lights on the other side next week.

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W. D. Orr, of Roswell, attended the Stockmen's convention at Amarillo and on his return Wednesday, stopped over to visit relatives and friends here.

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Monday and Tuesday Amarillo was crowded with people and they were still pouring in. Hotels, boarding houses, and even many private houses, were full up and running over and a good place to sleep was at a premium.

**Delinquent Tax Notice.**

Parties still behind in the payment of Canyon City Independent school district taxes, will please pay the same to Collector Slover at once or their accounts will be turned over to the County Attorney, who will collect the same as the law directs—through the courts.

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PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS  
THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Good Friday today.

**RAILROAD NOTES.**

A Chicago special to the Dallas News under date of April 12, gives the following:

"Official announcement was made today that the management of the Santa Fe had decided to build a \$10,000,000 cut-off to the Pacific Coast, with a view of getting rid of the mountain passes which are encountered in transcontinental travel.

"Orders have been given for the purchase of all the material necessary, and work will be begun within thirty days, which will be as soon as the material can be placed upon the ground. The work will be pushed to completion rapidly, and the new transcontinental low-grade line will be ready for opening within one year, or fifteen months at the outside.

"The western end of the cut-off will be at Belen, N. M., twenty seven miles south of Albuquerque, on the El Paso line, and the eastern end will be at Texico, 250 miles away, and on the Pecos Valley line of the Santa Fe. The new road will cross the Sierra Nevada Mountains at Abo Pass, at an elevation of 6,491 feet, but at a maximum grade eastbound of 1 1/4 per cent and westbound of six-tenths of 1 per cent. The new line will cross the Santa Fe-Central near Willard, and the El Paso and Northeastern at Llano, N. M. The estimates of the company for the total cost do not exceed \$8,000,000, but \$10,000,000 will be available if it is required.

"Twenty miles of the new line were completed more than a year ago, which brings the construction up to Abo Pass, where it was abandoned indefinitely. Work will be begun probably at both ends of the line and possible in the center."

This, is evidently reliable, and for Canyon City means a trunk line—a main line running from Atlantic to Pacific coast. It means several trains going each way daily and will do more in the way of developing the country than anything that has yet happened.

**Do you want a Carpenter?**

I will be in Canyon about May 1st, ready for work. BEST is my motto. Give me a fair chance.  
R. M. LEONARD.

The Memphis school team played the Amarillo Academy team Monday at Amarillo, resulting in the defeat of Amarillo by a score of 7 to 5. Penon Reynolds was catcher for the Memphis boys.

The Canyon Hardware Co., is the name of the firm purchasing the Canyon Hardware & Grain Co's hardware stock. They solicit your business through The News and will treat you right.

Commissioners' Court in special session three days this week. Examining and approving tax collector's annual report, burning poll tax receipts and passing on accounts consumed the time.

Witherspoon & Gough.

**YOUR INTEREST**

Is to make your money go as far as possible.

We CAN and DO sell as cheap as any cash house, and selling only for CASH, credit houses won't dare to compete with us.

We want you to come in and see our new way of doing business.

'Tis to YOUR INTEREST to GET OUR PRICES BEFORE BUYING.

Canyon Mercantile Co.

In commenting on the speeches before the Bankers' Convention at Amarillo, Monday, the Herald of that place coming to our Mr. Lester, says:  
"L. T. Lester, of Canyon City, came next with 'Hogs, Alfalfa and Feeding,' and that gentleman more than made good for his lapse at the last meeting, when he was subjected to considerable good natured chaffing for his forgetfulness of the task assigned him. The topic was one with which he was in touch, from an experience of many years, and it was extremely valuable in the practical information it contained on the subject to the stock farmers of the Panhandle and Plains country."

**At Canyon Mercantile.**

- 40 pounds Rice.....\$1.00
- 100 lbs. Best Mo. Flour..\$3.00
- 100 lbs. Best Kansas Flour.....\$2.90
- 100 lbs Granulated Sugar, \$6.50

**Birth and Death**—To Mr and Mrs. B. T. Johnson Thursday of last week a girl, Tuesday the child died and was buried in the cemetery south of town.

The G. H. Price place in east part of town was sold this week by Judge Henson to Hallie Rusk for \$160.

Prof. John Rogers of Ceta moved in town Monday and is occupying the Bob Foster house near the depot

Geo. C. Long purchased this week through L. C. Lair, section 117 blk M 6 at \$2.75 per acre.

Mrs. Keesee, residing near Umbarger, died at Temple one day last week. She was at Temple for the purpose of having a surgical operation performed and did not survive it.

Dr. Williams of Corsicana, through a land agent at Clarendon, purchased the "old Lady" Thomas section at Umbarger. Williams is to pay \$6.50 per acre and left \$1000 as earnest money. Mrs. Thomas is at Cleburne and it is not known whether she will accept or not, but the price to be paid is stated to be that she made to the agent who did the selling.

Witherspoon & Gough.

**PROFESSIONAL CARDS.**

**D. M. STEWART,**  
Physician and Surgeon,  
Office with Thompson Drug Co.  
Calls promptly answered night or day

**A. S. ROLLINS**  
LAWYER.  
CIVIL PRACTICE SOLICITED.  
Furnishing Abstracts of Title a Speciality and business in this line will be appreciated.

**SLOVER & MAY,**  
THE BLACKSMITHS.  
We do all kinds of repairing; Farming Implements, wagons; buggies and guns made like new. First-class material, good workmanship. Give us a trial BUGGY WORK A SPECIALTY.  
Harrison & Beaver, Mgr's.

**GROCERIES!**

Remember the new Grocery Store where you can get nice fresh Groceries at reasonable prices. Prompt delivery of all orders. A share of your trade will be appreciated.  
LEE—the Grocer.

**Get Your Trees From the Hereford Nursery.**

Over 100 varieties growing here; 100,000 trees in stock, all of which are Plains' grown. Have had 14 years experience in Texas. Write me for catalogue. Visitors welcome.  
L. P. LANDRUM, Proprietor, Hereford, Texas.

Prof. Rosser of Plainview passed through here Tuesday returning from several weeks at Fort Worth and other points east.

Some one borrowed our office ladder. Who was it?

Mrs. R. W. Morgan is now living at Amarillo.

The fishing season has clearly opened now.

**L. G. CONNER,**

**LAND, LIVE STOCK AND CANYON CITY PROPERTY.**

Thousands of acres of fine Grazing and Agricultural lands at from \$1 to \$5 an acre, owing to location and improvements.

Notary Public, Abstracters in office opposite Northeast corner of Square. Inquiry Solicited.

**THE FAMOUS PEGOS VALLEY OF NEW MEXICO**

Comprises within its limits the richest and cheapest farming lands to be found in the United States. All under irrigation and which last year produced the fruits and vegetables which carried off first honors at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis.

**THIS GARDEN SPOT OF THE SOUTHWEST**  
Can be reached only via

**THE PEGOS VALLEY LINES.**

Regular Homeseeker excursions are run into this territory every first and third Tuesday in each month and will continue up to and including the third Tuesday in April, 1905, at rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip from all points north and east. Write your friends at the old home about this rate.

If you are interested, if you wish to obtain a home upon reasonable terms, where you can live like a prince, in an equable climate, write for further particulars to

A. L. CONRAD  
Traffic Manager.

Amarillo, Texas.



**Ranger R 31428.**

Standard and Registered Rule 6, Vol. 15, Blood Bay, 16 hands high, weight 1160 lbs., good trotter and A1 saddle horse.

Ranger R. sired by Rabealias 11123. Rabealias by Ranger R dam Mattie Mont. by Norwood Star 1395, dam Daisy H. No better foundation blood than is found in Ranger R.

Some of his colts can be seen any day to prove what his breeding qualities are.

**TERMS: \$15 to insure colt, due when mares prove in foal. \$10 by season, due at time of service. With return privileges. Will not be responsible for any accident; will use necessary precaution to prevent any.**

Will make the season of 1905 at Rowan's Livery Stable in Canyon City.

**C. P. MONEY.**

Mr. Laughery's household goods arrived Tuesday and his wife and other children came Thursday. His daughter, Miss Ella, is a printer and has been at work in The News office for several days.

C. N. Harrison left Wednesday evening to meet the excursion train, going as far as Woodard, I. T., returning Thursday with nine prospective land buyers. Calahan & Crawford will come in with two or three for Tulia, today.