

# Canyon City News.

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## LOCAL GRAIN MARKET

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

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| Wheat, No. 2, bushel.....                     | \$00 85 |
| Oats, best, bushel.....                       | 55      |
| Corn, best.....                               | 60      |
| Maize, threshed, bushel..                     | 50      |
| Kaffir corn, threshed, bu..                   | 50      |
| Maize and Kaffir in heads, new crop, ton..... | 10 00   |
| Millet hay, per ton.....                      | 10 00   |
| Johnson grass hay, ton...                     | 10 00   |
| Alfalfa, per ton.....                         | 12 00   |
| <b>Chickens and Eggs</b>                      |         |
| Fryers, per dozen.....                        | \$3 00  |
| Eggs, per dozen.....                          | 30      |

### Will You Please Give Us Some Advice?

We have just received a shipment of what we think to be the most beautiful Enameled Ware we ever saw. It is called STEWART ROZWOD. We are told that it is as good as it is beautiful.

Please make it convenient to drop in and see it some day this week, and give us your opinion.

THOMPSON HARDWARE CO.

### Souvenir Post Cards.

The News office has in stock: The Falls on Palo Duro. Methodist church and parsonage.

Christian church and parsonage.

Presbyterian church.

Bird's-eye view of town.

Plums grown here.

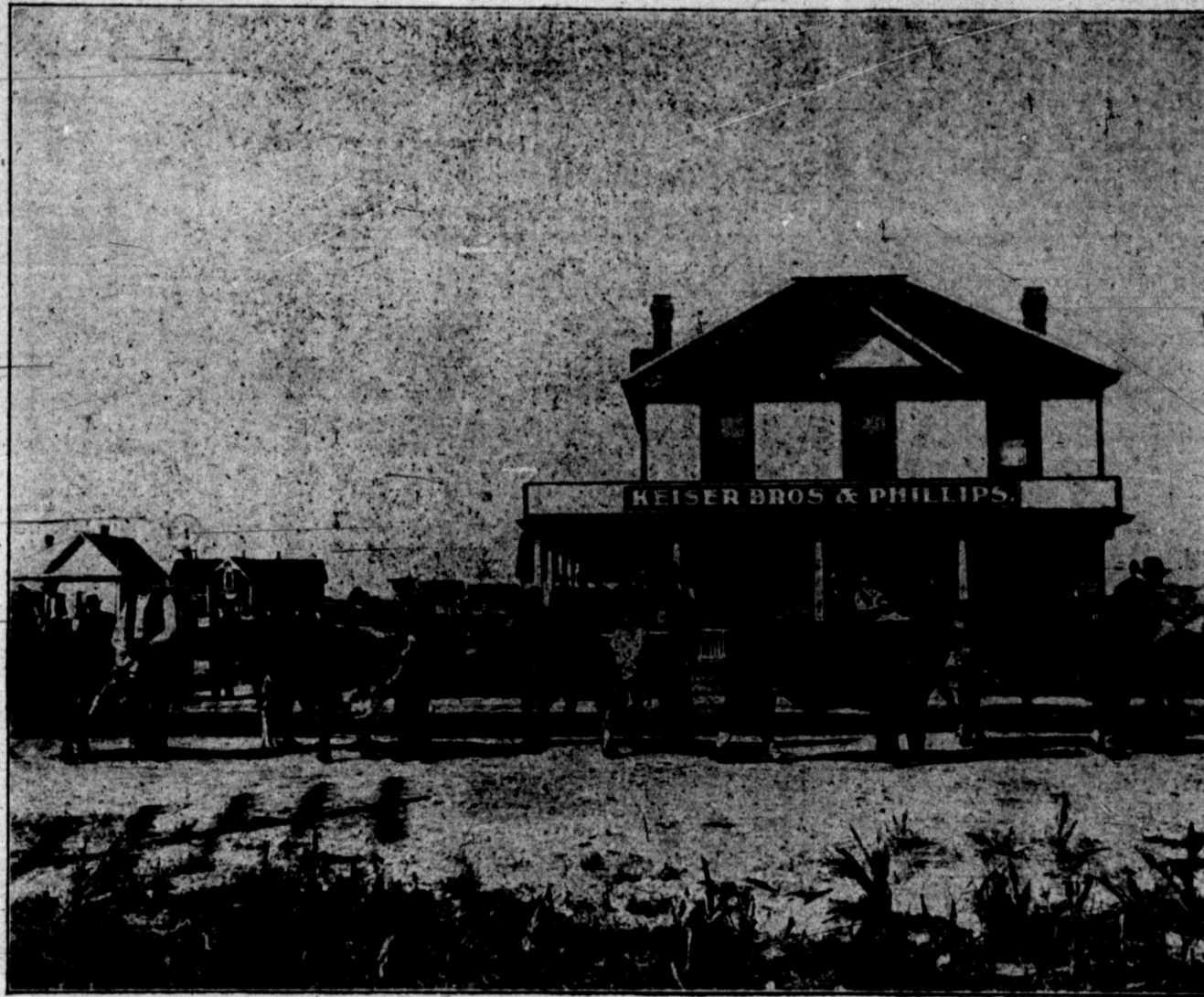
Cherries grown here.

Alfalfa grown here.

College building.

Canyon scene on Sunday Creek.

Prices—Two for 5 cents.



### SOME PANHANDLE HEREFORDS

Which won Blue Ribbons at the Royal Live Stock Show at Kansas City, Mo.

Bred and Owned by John Hutson, Canyon City, Texas.

## Keiser Bros. & Phillips Buy and Sell Panhandle Lands.

### HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Emma Hoffman was one of the lucky numbers in the ticket drawing furnished by Canyon City Supply Co., with which she purchased a very fine wrap.

A. B. Cage is on the sick list this week.

Sunday school work at Palo Duro is moving along nicely. Miss Mollie Hitchcock has been elected secretary and treasurer.

L. A. Pierce and wife went to Canyon Monday—shopping—getting ready for Xmas.

Grip has a good hold on our community, almost everybody is

barking with it.

Cattle are in fine condition for this time of year.

B. T. Johnson and wife, L. A. Pierce and wife and Jesse Pierce spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. C. H. Hitchcock.

Miss Emma Hoffman has gone to Canyon to spend a week.

TASSIE.

### Letter From Iowa—Wants Advice.

A gentleman from Iowa encloses \$1 for a year's subscription to The News (should have been \$1.25), and seeks the paper's advice. As there may be others up there who are in need of the counsel, The News quotes the substance of the questions propounded with answers as follows:

1st. He says that he bought of Keiser Bros. & Phillips, a half section of land and that there is due the State on it 97 1/2 cents per acre. He wants to know when this is due, and when he can pay it?

Answer—The principal has over thirty years to run, but the law requires that the interest on same, three per cent, shall be paid on the first day of November, of each year. In this instance both principal and interest can be paid, at the option of the purchaser, at any time. As already stated, however, he must pay the interest Nov. 1 each year. This year he has been granted more time on account of money stringency, but if not already paid for this year it should be sent at once.

2nd. "What would you do with this land?" This is his second question.

The News man would, if he lived in Iowa, move down to Texas and to Randall county, without delay, and getting on the land in question he would make one, two, three or four good farms out of it, make good money, enjoy good health and one of the finest climates on earth, living and dying in a community which for intelligence and moral character is unsurpassed anywhere. And if, wedded to his idols in Iowa, Illinois or elsewhere, he would not come to Texas and this particular tract of land, he would fence it, put houses, wells and barns on it and rent it to some enterprising farmer of his acquaintance. And, failing in this particular, through lack of means, want of faith or for any other reason, he would sell it.

Such are The News' answers in this and all other similar cases. Good land, such as this Iowa man holds, ought by all means to be put in cultivation. It is morally wrong to withhold it from such use and from settlement, and The News hopes to see the day come when the man who wilfully does so and on speculative purposes, will have to pay the government in taxes for so doing. The News means by this, that he shall be compelled to pay to the government the same taxes, acre for acre, that improved land of the same quality pays.

Be a News subscriber.

## AFTER WORK, ARBUCKLE'S



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Loose coffee isn't the same—it may be dusty, dirty and bad for your stomach and nerves.

Complies with all requirements of the National Pure Food Law, Guarantee No. 2041, Made at Washington.

### "Birds of One Feather."

The Farmers' Union is complaining of "the trusts" furnishes one more shining example of the "pot calling the kettle black."

That "the laborer is worthy of his hire" is as true today as when the Lord gave utterance to the sentence will not be denied by any right thinking man, but when that laborer, in other words, producer, enters into a combination with yet others of his kind to hold his products above cost and reasonable profits he is surely doing something which, in the other fellow, he severely condemns—forming a trust.

Take, for instance, cotton, now being held on order of the Farmers' Union for fifteen cents. Is that a reasonable price? No. There is not a cotton farmer in the South but what knows that there is big money in cotton at ten cents. Why then hold for fifteen cents? The answer is easy—controlling a necessary, or thinking they do, they seek to force the world to pay, not its value when measured by its cost with reasonable profits added, but their price. So in other combinations, whether of oil, steel, copper, lumber, paper or whatnot; it, the Farmers' Union, has a corner, or thinks it has, and wants a rake-off for its release. In such transactions it is no longer a question of compensation for capital invested and labor employed, but a matter of bleeding the consumer to the greatest possible extent, and in these respects, whether of oil magnates, "kings of the rail," merchants, printers, farmers or others, they are all "birds of one feather."

All "corners" are wrong in principle and when made or attempted to be made of the necessities of life it becomes almost criminal if not entirely so to have part or lot in them. Some people go into them with full knowledge of their character, others are led into them from ignorance of it. The Farmers' Union is made up out of our best citizenship but its offense in this particular, while palliated to some extent by the fact that the "corner" it seeks is composed of the handiwork of its own members, yet it, nevertheless, judged by its own code of ethics as to trusts is undoubtedly one of 'em.

### Personal Politics.

This time, next year, when the Presidential, the State and the county elections will be in full blast times may be somewhat more lively than they are at the present time.—Laredo Times.

If the Times will point out just how political conditions can be more lively than now, without dynamite is used, it will publish a live and interesting item. The whole state is seething with political excitement. Hardly a day passes without a red-hot political speech, and political newspapers are full to the brim. Of course no great and important public questions are being discussed. Of course we all belong to one party; but the issues are of the personal kind, and that is what "makes the wildcat wild."—Dallas News.

## NOW IS THE TIME!

ALL of our departments are full of up-to-date, cold weather wearables and all the articles are dependable, reliable goods. While all of our departments are full of the season's best is the time to buy.



We have just received an elegant line of

## MUFFLERS

For both Ladies and Gentlemen. Crepe de chine mufflers in all colors

**\$1.25 to \$2.50**



### A handsome line of

### FURS

have just arrived and for beauty and style they can't be beat at the prices asked for them.

Remember that the best goods do not always cost the most. You will likely call to mind times when you paid two prices for something that did not satisfy. When you buy goods here you rest assured that you are getting the best for the price that can be sold. We want nothing to go out of this store that does not give satisfaction. It is our pleasure to please, and when you call see if we don't please you.

We call special attention to this department and it is our aim to give you the newest and best at all times.

OUR HOBBY: The Clothing Department. This is the one thing that we are proud of and our line has never been more complete than at the present time. The name R. & W. guarantees satisfaction.

## Canyon City Supply Company.



**CANYON CITY NEWS**  
Published Every Friday.

By GEO. A. BRANDON,

Entered at Postoffice at Canyon City as Second-Class Matter. Office of Publication West Evelyn Street.

Papers sent out of the county promptly discontinued at expiration of time paid for.

**SUBSCRIPTION.**

One Year in County..... \$1.00  
One Year out of County..... 1.25  
Six months..... .75  
Two months..... .25

**Texas Indian Corn Crop.**

Government figures place the Texas Indian corn crop for this year at 155,589,000 bushels. The same authority gives Oklahoma and Indian Territory a combined crop of 110,549,000 bushels. From this it will be seen that Texas, altho not rated as a corn state, beat them both with 45,000,000 bushels over. In the seven corn states, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska, the average yield per acre is given at 38 bushels; in Texas, 21 bushels.

On the Plains, Indian corn has not been raised to any great extent, but there is no doubt whatever, judging from what has been already done in this direction, but that it will come up, one year with another, to the general average for the State, 21 bushels per acre. A reputable citizen of this and the adjoining county of Armstrong for eighteen years says he has done that well, and citizens lower down on the Plains, where the soil is more sandy, even claim double that as the average. And all this has been done without any regard whatever to the selection of seed. Any old thing that is Indian corn, white, red, speckled, hard or soft, seems to answer for seeding and the wonder is that the yield is as good as it is.

Another reason for not planting corn as a field crop on the Plains is, that it takes work to make it. Maize and Kafir corn, answering the same purpose and yielding fifty bushels per acre, can be made practically without work. You can pitch these crops in, sod or otherwise, and they make themselves for several years, until, as some Texans express it, "the land gets pizened up with weeds." Then, as one of our Texas farmer friends said, "we put in new land and turned the 'pizened' out." "Takes too much work to keep the weeds down in corn" said this same good farmer (The News can give his name), and "what's the use," he continued, "when I can get fifty bushels o' maize and Kafir, better feed 'em, and no work 'cept to plant?" And, under the old conditions, cheap land, perhaps, our friend was right.

The News man falls far short of being anything like an authority on either corn or cornland, but he is persuaded that with proper farming good Indian corn crops, paying ones, can be reaped on the Texas Plains, and when an Iowa, Indiana or Illinois man goes to turn up his nose at the Texas Indian corn crop he would ask him to remember that our crop for this year is 155,589,000 bushels. No little pumpkins about that, eh?

**A "First Monday."**

A "First Monday" has gotten to be a fixed institution in most Texas towns. It furnishes a fine opportunity for traders to get together; to exchange or sell something you have and don't need and also to buy something you do need. There might be auction sales on that day and could be had lots of fun if nothing else.

The News man has talked with some of our business men about this First Monday and all, to whom it has been mentioned, favor it. They will no doubt, most of them, offer some one article at a special price for such days

only. The News is going to make an effort to start 1908 with a First Monday and it will inaugurate a campaign among Canyon City people for that purpose.

The sixth of January is the first Monday in 1908 and The News will, if a "First Monday" trading day meet the approval of our people, furnish a street auctioneer free of all charge on that day to all who may desire his services.

What say you all?

At last week's New Orleans convention of Farmers' Unions it was decided that they controlled eight million bales of cotton; that they would keep it until at least fifteen cents per pound was obtained for it and that they would also demand and have fifteen cents for next year's crop. Now, admitting for argument's sake, that excuse exists for the action on the crop of this season, what can be said in favor, if anything, for the fixing of such a price for next year?

It is estimated that within the last month or so \$535,000,000 has been placed in safety deposit boxes, under rocks, in old stoves, stockings, etc., etc., and thus withdrawn from circulation. This, more than anything else, in the opinion of financial authorities, has brought about the tight money markets.

**Thanksgiving Day.**

The weather was ideal. No prettier day could have been made-to-order.

The post office and banks were closed, of course, but we had the unusual in that almost every other line of business closed up, and not for the hour of services only, but for the entire day.

The union services at the Baptist church began with the reading of the proclamation, by Rev. D. M. Hawthorne, and the sermon, as previously announced, was preached by Rev. J. S. Groves. A capable man of scholarly attainments and with a mind well ripened in the higher fields of knowledge, Mr. Groves did the subject, Thanksgiving Day, its objects and its obligation, full justice considering the time at his disposal. It was a practical sermon and to the point.

Thanksgiving day has never been observed in Texas as in the other states, but judging from the general suspension of business in Canyon City yesterday, and the holiday attire and driving about of our people, it would seem to be taking a fair hold now. The News office force worked—it had to—newspapers to maintain anything like a good reputation must be on time.

Canyon City offers some man a splendid opportunity to put in a good dairy.

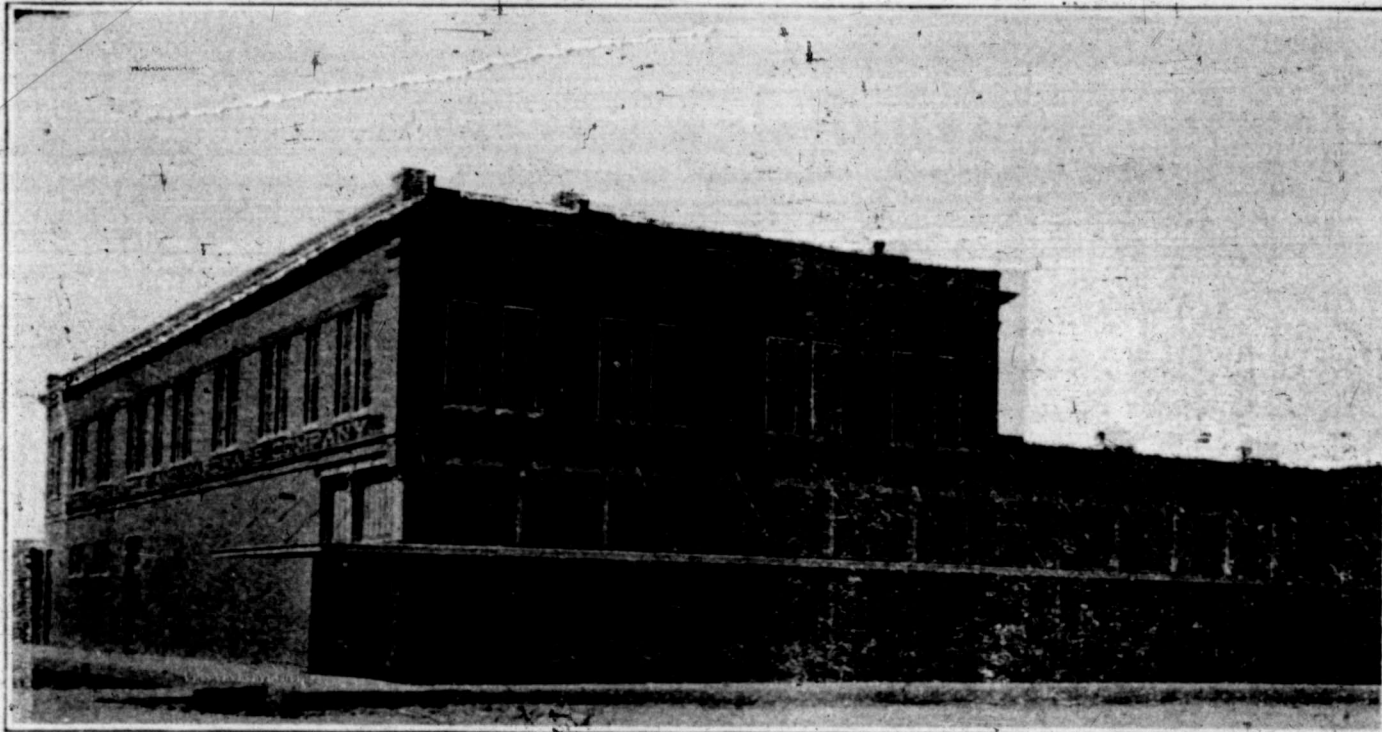
**Masonic Notes.**

The Masonic grand lodge convenes in the Temple at Waco a week from next Monday. Bro. R. A. Campbell will go as the representative of Canyon City lodge.

The grand chapter, which meets Monday, will be asked for a charter for a Royal Arch chapter, at Canyon City and as all the preliminaries have been successfully gone through with we may look for the application to be granted. This being so, organization and work in the chapter degrees will begin at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cowling got back on Friday from their trip to El Paso and into Chihuahua. Cowling was sorely tempted to and would, he says, have gone to the bull fights at Juarez on Sunday 17th but Mrs. Cowling forbid. He is quite taken with the lands in that Mexican province, also the mild climate, the water, the American population, which he says controls the country, and it maybe—the bull fights. He declares, however, that this last attraction he "never saw."

The "Pecos Valley" has appointed W. C. Swisher as claim agent, vice C. M. McCullough, who has been assigned to other duties.



THE J. F. SMITH BUILDING.

This building fronts east on the public square and south on West Evelyn street. The east frontage is 90 feet, the south 130 feet. The entire lower story is occupied by the Canyon Mercantile and Hardware Co. In the upper story on the south half is the Odd Fellows hall and several office rooms which are let to the City government, lawyers, doctors, land men, etc. This building is of brick, was finished last year and is one of the most substantial structures in Canyon City.

**Wicker-Forbes.**

Ed Wicker, the esprit de corps of the Victoria, went last week to his native heath, Waxahachie, and on Tuesday evening was lawfully wedded to a fair daughter of that town and life long acquaintance of his, a Miss Leola Forbes. Wednesday they arrived here and will, of course, make their home at the Victoria. "Ed" is a graduate of Baylor and aside from classical honors showered upon him, won considerable renown as Captain of the Baylor foot ball team in which capacity he served two years. He achieved still further honors here as a member of our Canyon City base ball nine. He has many friends here and all wish for him and his bride a useful and happy life.

**For Chronic Diarrhoea.**

"While in the army in 1863 I was taken, with chronic diarrhoea," says Geo. M. Felton of South Gibson, Pa. "I have since tried many remedies but without any permanent relief until Mr. A. W. Miles of this place persuaded me to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, one bottle of which stopped it at once." For sale by S. V. Wirt, druggist.

A coterie of jolly girls met at the home of Miss Amelia Wilson on Monday night, and again with Miss Anna Jordan on Tuesday evening—"putting their heads together"—planning for ye good times of the near future.

**POUNDING A PREACHER.**

'Twas the eve of Thanksgiving; the sky was all murkey,  
Presaging the annual downfall of Turkey:  
The flock of the faithful had finished their greeting,  
And gone from the place of the weekly Prayer-meeting:  
The kind-hearted Pastor, our dear Brother Harder,  
Was taking some notes on the state of the larder,  
When, hark, from without, what a noise alarming:  
An army, an army at the castle was storming!  
They rushed through the doorway, confusion confounding,  
And never did preacher receive such a POUNDING!

The soldiers consisted of grey-headed BROTHERS,  
Wee lassies and laddies and brave-hearted Mothers,  
All bearing queer arms and a strange ammunition,  
Exciting the Pastor's surprise and suspicion.  
But, alas, no one came to the preacher's assistance,  
Therefore he was captured with little resistance.  
The APPLES, like grape-shot and canister flying,  
Fell thick all about, every corner supplying:  
Oranges golden, crisp pickles, tomatoes,  
Most exquisite sauces, fine fishes (not bony),  
And five hundred pipe-stems of fresh Macaroni,  
Besides other 'goodies,' a set of fine dishes,  
All showered about by the breath of GOOD WISHES.

The Parsonage roared from cellar to rafter,  
With the 'music of speech' and the magic of laughter,  
'Till the skies were all cleared (which at first were so murkey),  
Vouchsafing fair morn to the Thanksgiving Turkey:  
And now since the preacher looks on a full larder,  
None will preach better and none will preach HARDER.

—J. J. T.

**Fifty Years a Blacksmith.**

Samuel R. Worley of Hixburg, Va., has been shoeing horses for more than fifty years. He says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm has given me great relief from lame back and rheumatism. It is the best liniment I ever used." For sale by S. V. Wirt, Druggist.

The resolutions of the Palo Duro Park association, in session at Amarillo Tuesday, will be published next week. Failed to reach us in time for this issue.

Geo. L. Abbott left yesterday for Haskell City where, in connection with an uncle of his, he is putting in a lumber yard.

**STOVE HEADQUARTERS**

For Cooking the *Majestic Range* has no equal. Then we have the *Bucks* cook stove—everybody knows of them.

As a Heater the "Cole's Hot Blast Air Tight" is a very good investment. It will save over any lower draft stove of the same size one-third in coal bills. We have other makes also.

**Special Prices**

For a limited time we offer at reduced prices some--

Disc Plows and Harrows,  
John Deere, Moline and Rock Island  
Sulky Plows.

For Windmills, Pipe, Casing, Barbed Wire,  
Hog Fencing, Wagons, Buggies and  
All General Hardware Call  
before you buy.

**Thompson Hardware Company.**

**Why Colds Are Dangerous.**

Because you have contracted ordinary colds and recovered from them without treatment of any kind, do not for a moment imagine that colds are not dangerous. Everyone knows that pneumonia and chronic catarrh have their origin in a common cold. Consumption is not caused by a cold but the cold prepares the system for the reception and development of the germs that would not otherwise have found lodgment. It is the same with all infectious diseases Diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles and whooping cough are much more likely to be contracted when the child has a cold. You will see from this that more real danger lurks in a cold than in any other of the common ailments. The easiest and quickest way to cure a cold is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The many remarkable cures effected by this preparation have made it a staple article of trade over a large part of the world. For sale by S. V. Wirt, Druggist.

**"Of Interest to You."**

There is no one but that desires to present some gift or receive one during the holidays. I wish to call the attention of the public that between the first and fifth of December you will find on display at my store one of the most complete, prettiest and best selected assortment of Xmas goods ever offered to the people of Canyon and surrounding country. My stay of five days in the market buying and selecting what I knew to be the latest makes me confident that I will have what you want without going to other markets to purchase your gifts. My cut glass and silverware will be complete. I will have something nice and appropriate for your husband, for your wife, baby, daughter, son. For the young man's sweetheart, for the young lady's sweetheart. Don't be in a hurry to buy, wait until you see the best. Last, but not least, I will have the price that will suit you. Don't forget the place,  
A. H. THOMPSON,  
Leading Druggist.

**Bazaar Notice.**—The ladies of the Christian church will have their bazaar December 17-19. See their beautiful hand made articles before purchasing your Xmas presents.

Miss Frankie Gober entertained the following friends very pleasantly on Wednesday evening: Misses Moreland, Conner, Garrison, Keiser, Wilson; Messrs. Mitchell, Cullum, Bennett, Bucie, Munger, Rector and Cranford.

Two of the canyon exploring party, Sam Lofton and J. L. Prichard, returned Saturday. Yesterday the others were camped at Chalk Hollow on their return home and losing a mule, M. S. Lusby and R. A. Terrill walked in last night leaving Judge Henson, Dickinson, DeGraften-reid and Tom Myers to find the lost animal. All are expected back today.



# NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY!

Our stocks of every kind usually kept in a large department store are now at their very best; our assortments are as complete and our prices are as low as dependable goods can be purchased anywhere. Now is the time to buy, you have everything to gain by early trading and nothing to lose. You can buy as formerly, to be charged, or take advantage of our liberal offer for cash---take your choice, our object is to serve you and do it well. Read our Specials. These are changed each week.

## Our Tinner

Is one of the very best, if not the "Top Notch," in his line of business that ever struck this town.

Have him do your work and it will not only look right but be right. Give us a trial.

## "Cash Sales"

These are still on and will be continued the balance of 1907.

On this proposition you get tickets to the amount of every cash purchase and when they amount to \$15 you get one silver dollar on presentation of these tickets to our cashier.

## Shoes! - Shoes!

Just received a new assortment of that extra good shoe

## "Queen Quality"

for Ladies' wear.

It is Service, Style and Comfort Combined.

# The Canyon Mercantile and Hardware Company.

## TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

### Local Weather Record.

The week ending today has been all that we could ask for in the way of delightful weather.

Clark Smith was in town Tuesday.

Christmas trading has already begun.

Edgar Money moves this week out to his ranch.

The cattle markets have not been to the liking of shippers recently.

Miss Ruth Bompert spent Thanksgiving with friends in Amarillo, returning today.

Miss Casseday will spend the winter with Mrs. Massey and continue her music teaching.

Mesdames R. L. Faulkner and Travis Shaw visited in Amarillo Monday returning Tuesday.

According to the Hereford Democrat Col. Ransom is still going to build the Panhandle Short Line.

The Christian Church brethren of Hereford have decided on a new twelve thousand dollar church house.

Geo. L. Abbott returned on Tuesday from attending his lawsuit at Galesburg, Illinois. He won out, he says.

A. B. Axtell will leave this week for his railroad job near Floydada. He has rented his home to A. D. and J. W. Nixon.

Castro county citizens will, on December 19, vote on the proposition to issue bonds to amount of \$28,000 for building a court house.

Mrs. I. C. Jenkins' mother, Mrs. McGehee and daughter, Miss Sallie McGehee, of Wayside, are in to spend the winter with her.

J. W. Pipkin has quit "the road" and expects, about December 1st, to engage in the dry goods and gents furnishing business at Plainview.

Prof. Foster and family of Amarillo, came over to spend Thanksgiving with relatives, W. O. Bennett and Travis Shaw. They will be here until Monday.

Frequently the people who ask most of a local paper give that same paper the least patronage in a business way.

The location of the site for the Panhandle Presbyterian College has been postponed until the financial sky clears.

C. P. Hutchings and wife, Harry Miller and wife, and George Hutchings ate their Thanksgiving dinner in Amarillo.

J. M. Cooper loaded his household effects Wednesday for transportation to his new home, Lake Arthur, New Mexico. Walter E. Cranford moved into the house he vacated.

Dr. Cartwright of Amarillo, in town Tuesday, stated that the big brewers had contributed \$10,000 to aid the anti side in Amarillo. He feels sure his side, the pros, will win.

A. A. Hauter says he will finish Keiser Bros. & Phillips well this week and that next week he will move to El Paso county where he has secured eight sections of State land.

Some folks are complaining about not being able to get Xmas cake fixings such as raisins, nuts, etc. Surely some dealer here has those things and if so, it might pay to advertise them a bit.

Canyon City has laid in big stock of Christmas goods. They are here to meet the taste of all, rich, well-to-do and those who never have been and never will be troubled with an overplus of this world's goods.

Getting up the smokestack over the boilers was the program Tuesday at the Ice and Light plant. The diameter of this stack is some three feet, its weight near 3,000 lbs. and its height from the ground 75 feet.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Foster are at Mineral Wells and write they may go from there to Corpus Christi to spend the winter. Bob Foster, still at Mineral Wells, writes that his health is improving fast, having gained in weight eighteen pounds.

The Hall County Herald reports that the young ladies of Memphis are carrying Teddy bears and recommends that they substitute lap dogs. One fad, either of these named, is as bad as the other and both show good taste perverted or, as we might express it, evolution going backward at lightning speed.

C. M. Roberts of Hannibal, Mo., was a caller with us Saturday. He was for years a newspaper man but is now in greener pastures—the real estate business.

Roy Cullum, for some time with the "Canyon Mercantile" and then back home to Mineral Wells, is once again with us and can be seen at the Thompson Hardware Co. store.

U. S. Gobe, with the Star Mill and Elevator Co., at the depot has one of the most conveniently arranged grain crushers in the town and bids, through this paper for some of the trade in that line.

There is still another month in which trees may be profitably planted—December. Don't wait until spring, do it now and you will gain almost a year's growth on the trees and besides this, place it in a far better condition to live.

Lon Gentry came in last week from Cordell, Oklahoma. He says our former citizens now living at Cordell and near there are getting along nicely and express themselves as satisfied with the change. He expects to return home sometime this week.

J. T. Wesley and J. M. Burkhalter of Ceta, were in town Tuesday. Uncle Jim says that Mose Wesley and Bert Phillips are doing a fine business in the Canyon trapping and cutting cord wood. They are cutting cottonwood at \$1.75 per cord and Uncle Jim says they have already secured some thirty pelts of wolf, fox and coon.

## OPERA HOUSE



Monday & Tuesday Nights  
Dec. 2 and 3

Albert Taylor & Co.

MONDAY NIGHT IN  
"Peaceful Valley"

TUESDAY NIGHT  
"A Poor Relation"

A Strong Company and  
Great Comedians.

Admission 25, 50 and 75 cents.

## FLOUR SALE.

We desire to close out our present stock of Flour going to quit handling it--and make the following low prices:

Belle of Wichita, per sack, \$1.50.

The Chancellor, per sack, - 1.40.

Both these flours are "High Patent," the first a soft and the other a hard wheat product.

No more when our present stock is gone, so come now.

Crowdus Bros. & Hume Co.

Newt Reeves is in the sanitarium at Amarillo under treatment for some acute stomach trouble. Vince, who came up from Roswell last week and was with his brother Monday, says that Newt will be up and about again in a few days.

Rev. B. T. Johnson and wife were in town Wednesday preparing for Thanksgiving. Mr. Johnson said that having read of the McGeees sugar beet in The News he had brought in one of his own raising that weighed 104 pounds. Like McGeees he says sugar beets grow fine in Plains land. Mr. Johnson's was a fine specimen and was left at the office of Keiser Bros. & Phillips.

Mr. Geo. A. Brandon, Editor News: Through the columns of The News will you please thank the people of Canyon City for their many kindnesses to us during our trouble. No matter where we are we will always remember them and think of them with affection.

Papers all over the State are talking of the Palo Duro Canyon, its unique character in a geological sense and the advisability of making a portion of it into a National Park. Many have copied The News article of Nov. 15 entire and all the comment, long or short, has been favorable. It is a trump card, in more ways than one for the Plains country, and we must keep it moving until every hamlet in these United States has the facts concerning the great Canyon in the midst of the greatest prairie in the world.

Amarillo is worked up over her local option election which is to come off on December 3rd. The News is informed that certain anti leaders there, including several of the saloon men, threaten that if local option carries they will locate a few of the drink shops in South Amarillo, which is in Randall county, and the balance of them, Santa Fe and Pecos Valley shops in the bargain, in Canyon City. To this we say, that Canyon City can get along very well without the dram joints—the Santa Fe shops will come anyway—they must per force do this in order to get water to operate on.

J. V. Bell of Plainview, was shaking hands with friends on our streets yesterday and today.

C. P. Money and Oscar Smith left on Sunday evening for Stratford to see a relation, W. W. Smith, who was not expected to live. Wednesday W. D. Smith and Wade Stephenson, who went to Stratford Tuesday of last week; returned home and reported that Mr. Smith, W. W., died on Sunday. Deceased lived here at one time and is well known to all old settlers as a worthy citizen and a good man generally. He leaves surviving him nine children, all at home. Deceased was a son-in-law of our W. D. Smith and is a relative of the Moneys.

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**THE PANIC—ITS CAUSES.**

The financial panic, its causes, its effects and its probable consequences has been and is now the theme engaging the attention of the civilized world. From kings and presidents down to representatives of the great common masses, we have had opinions galore. Some have been sensible, others visionary and many too absurd to engage the serious attention of practical men. All agree we have the panic and are feeling its effects, but as to the whys and wherefores of the country, that is the mass of it, great financiers included, in Europe as well as on this side of the Atlantic, would seem to be yet in the soup. The News in past issues has contended that the present money stringency was brought about by too much speculation of all kinds and everywhere: that we had, as a people, gone too fast; that we, all of us, were putting too much wind or water, whichever term suits you best, into property values and that a reckoning, when the fever of speculation cooled, was as certain as fate. Such was the expressed opinion of The News months ago and it still holds that way. There are others, however, whose opinions are entitled to much greater weight and among those others is Mr. Bryan. In the Commoner of last week we have the following editorial from his pen:

There seems to be no doubt that Wall Street speculation is the cause of the present financial panic, and this speculation is made possible by the fact that a large amount of fictitious and watered stock is issued. The small bankers throughout the country claim that their institutions are perfectly solvent, that their assets are good and that their only embarrassment is that they cannot collect the money which they have deposited in eastern banks in the reserve cities. In suspending payments the bankers have done what they think is necessary for the protection of themselves and their depositors, and it is not fair to criticize them unless one has a better knowledge of the situation than they have; but somebody is to blame, and from the evidence at hand it would seem that the blame rests, first—with the speculators of New York who, in their desire to make money rapidly, have disregarded the interests of the rest of the country; second—with the New York banks and trust companies which have loaned money for speculation; and third, with the Republican party whose leaders have linked our whole financial system to Wall Street so that the people throughout the country are forced to suffer for the sins of the masters of high finance. It requires an object lesson to make people consider remedial legislation; abuses are never remedied until there is suffering, and the present panic ought to result in legislation which will give to the public a needed protection. Gambling is one of the curses of the present day—not merely the small gambling which is carried on in back alleys and obscure places, but the gambling which goes on in the chambers of commerce, the boards of trade and the stock exchanges. Purchases and sales of commodities and stocks when the sellers have nothing to sell, and the purchasers have no intention of receiving the goods—this may be called business, but it is nothing more nor less than gambling, and in some respects it is worse than gambling at the card table. First, it is on a larger scale than the gambling in the houses known as gambling houses; and second, the men who gamble on the markets sometimes control the markets and thus take an unfair advantage of those who enter into the game with them. It is time to stop gambling and one of the best ways to stop it is to stop the issue of watered stock and fictitious capitalization, for these are the cards with which the big gamblers play. A corporation whose stock rests upon actual value does not furnish much of an opportunity for exploitation. What the gambler wants is a stock whose value is uncertain, because then the market price can be juggled with. Just as a farm, whose value is to a certain extent fixed, does not furnish the same opportunity to the speculator as the mine whose value is undetermined, so the railroad



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stock that rests upon a value to be found in the road itself is not subject to fluctuation like the stock of a road whose dividends depend upon the ability of the manager to monopolize business. We ought to have legislation that will put our railroads and other industrial enterprises upon an honest basis, and then we ought to have legislation forbidding the use of national bank deposits to aid gambling. If the New York banks are to be allowed to receive deposits from country banks, such New York banks ought in all fairness be forbidden to use country deposits to support speculative enterprises. All speculation is risky—if there were no risk in the matter, there would be no speculation about it, and the small banks of the country have a right to insist that their solvency shall not be jeopardized by the use of their deposits for gambling purposes. And if the bankers themselves do not insist upon this, their depositors ought to insist upon it, for while the "local banker" may be excused for refusing to honor checks in the present stringency, his depositors cannot be blamed if they denounce a system whereby the local bankers are driven into a net spread by New York financiers. The Republican party has been in almost uninterrupted possession of the federal government for forty-seven years. In its platform of 1904 that party boasted that with the exception of two years it had had control nearly all the time of two, if not three, branches. As it requires, a concurrent of the president, the senate and the house to enact a law or to repeal one, it is evident that the Republican party is responsible for our present financial system and must bear the blame if the public is not sufficiently protected. Will the leaders of that party now take up the matter and legislate in the interests of the public or will they leave the country in the hands of the Wall Street financiers?

**Visit the New People.**

The old Texans and natives and those who have been initiated should not forget that the reputation of the Plains is at stake just at this time. There are many new people coming to us and we should not forget that they are strangers. If a new family has moved into your neighborhood, see to it, that you call on them at the proper season. Don't wait until you feel ashamed to go and when you do, be compelled to offer a weak apology for not having called sooner. Right here in Hereford, the new people should be remembered. You know how you felt when you went into a new place and waited for weeks, yes, months, before your next door neighbor called on you. Take this home to yourself. If you were 1000 miles away from your friends and had moved into a town which had a reputation for hospitality and good cheer and then had to wait for weeks before this civility was shown, how would you feel? Visit your neighbor.—Hereford Brand. The above most excellent and timely suggestion could and should be applied in Canyon City and in other Plains towns as well as in Hereford. As Southern people our reputation for hospitality and courtesy to strangers is known of in all lands and we must not let it suffer a set-back in the estimation of those who, from the Middle and Northern States, have come to dwell among us—and we won't.

Dr. S. R. Russell last Sunday presented to the Christian church his resignation as pastor. He will go to Colorado where he will spend the winter. He gave as a reason for resigning that he felt that there was a difference between him and the church on the subject of social amusements. That he felt that the young people were often kept away from and out of the church by the stringent rules maintained in reference to social amusements. Dr. Russell is quite liberal in his views along this line and was out of harmony with local church views. He is a gentleman of high moral worth and scholarly attainments, and it is unfortunate that this difference has come up, as he was inaugurating an interest in his church affairs that was launching it well to the front.—Hall County Herald.

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