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WILL ESTABLISH RURAL DELIVERY.

ORDER FROM DEPARTMENT AT WASHINGTON
SETS DATE FOR MAY FIRST.

First Rural Free Delivery in Panhandle Will
Start From Canyon City and
Run West.

On Monday morning of this week Postmaster Hunt of this city received the final confirmation of the establishment of the first Rural Free Delivery in the Panhandle. The route is to begin at the post office in this city and run west, thence south and then back to the city and the actual delivery is to begin on May 1.

The order establishing the route provides for three deliveries each week, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, the carrier to leave the post office at ten a. m. and to return with his collections before six p. m. The route is to be 29.25 miles long and will serve approximately 100 families at first.

Postmaster Hunt has not yet received orders for the examination but expects to do so at once. However, if the examination should not be held in time for an appointment the postmaster is authorized to make a temporary appointment until the regular appointment shall have been made.

This route will be quite a convenience to the people whom it will serve and while it would be better were the mail delivered each day still the service will be of great advantage. The carrier will be required to carry a sufficient number of stamps, stamped envelopes, postal cards and newspaper wrappers for the people. In addition he will deliver all registered mail and special delivery letters to persons living within one half mile of the road. He will also receive and receipt for money with which to buy postal money orders and will receive and receipt for registered packages thereby making it almost as convenient as if the sender was a resident of the city instead of the farm.

This rural route is to be known as route No. 1 and will run as follows: Beginning at the Post office in Canyon City, running thence north and west to the northwest corner of the city

limits. Thence west on the La Platta or Umbarger road 11.5 miles to the Northeast corner of the J. C. Coker place just across the line in Deaf Smith county. Thence South two miles to the southwest corner of the Williams place. Thence east to Umbarger, a distance of 3.75 miles. Thence northeasterly 3.4 miles to the Service crossing on the railroad. Thence East 4.6 miles to the Arney corner. Thence north one half mile to the Edwards corner on the west line of the city limits. Thence East to the post office an entire distance of 29.25 miles.

DOING SOME GOOD.

Randall County News Attracts Attention of Outside People Through its Columns.

The editor of this paper is continually receiving letters from people who are subscribers or who have received copies of the paper sent them by friends in this city, in which they praise the efforts of the management in bringing to notice of the outside world, this great country called Randall county and the Panhandle. We cannot give space to all these letters but once in a while we publish a portion of one received.

This week we are in receipt of a letter from W. L. Jessup, of Eastman, Ga., who is the representative of the American Car and Foundry Company and is largely interested in various buggy and implement concerns in his state, and we publish the following portion of his letter:

"A few months ago, an uncle of mine, of your city was kind enough to place my name on your subscription list and I herewith hand you my check for \$1.25, to cover this charge for one year.

"Permit me to say that I read with much interest your publication, and am to believe, through its columns, that you must have a very prosperous locality, as well as one which offers good opportunities to prospective purchasers.

"I hope to find it convenient to visit your city this summer or at an early date, and will look forward with much interest to it."

The Second Table.

At the end of one of the many dinners given in his honor in New York, a reporter said something to Richard Croker about ingratitude.

"Oh, ingratitude!" said Mr. Croker. "Ingratitude is the fashion nowadays. This is the age of young Fiss, you know."

"Fiss," Mr. Croker resumed, "was the most ungrateful son of his epoch. His mother said to him one day:

"Unnatural child! You have not a spark of affection even for the parents who took the bread from their own mouths to feed you!"

"Fiss shrugged. "If I had known that at the time," said he, "I'd certainly have refused the bread."

"FOR A QUAKER MAIDEN"

Local Dramatic Club Presents Interesting Play to Large Audience Monday Night.

Before what is said to have been the largest audience ever assembled at the local opera house to witness a play, the local dramatic club, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Horne, presented "For a Quaker Maiden" last Monday night. The large crowd was due principally to the decided hit which the club made in their recent production of the play, "Out of the Fold" and when the curtain rose last Monday night every available seat in the house was filled and the manager was sending out for more seats.

The play itself was one filled with thrilling scenes, touching paths and good humor and the manner of presentation was as good as ever seen upon the local stage and by many pronounced to be as good as any ever seen upon any of the stages in the Panhandle. At any rate the entire audience was well pleased with the evenings entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. Horne certainly deserve a deal of credit for their work in attaining the perfection of delineation and close observance of the customs of the Quakers among which class of people the play was supposed to have happened.

We could not successfully pick out character that was better presented than any other. They were all good and the specialties presented were heartily enjoyed. The play was an entire success from every point of view.

Stray Yearling.—A white and red spotted heifer has been at my place about four miles east of Canyon for about five weeks. Owner may receive same. 51-1f PAUL FLUEGEL.

FARM IMPLEMENTS SELLING RAPIDLY.

TOOLS FOR SOIL CULTIVATION IN GREAT DEMAND WITH LOCAL DEALERS.

Greatest Business Ever Done in This Line of Business is Transacted Here This Year.

The predictions made through columns of this paper last fall that the coming year would see the greatest demands for all kinds of farming implements and tools for the coming season that was ever known in Randall county has become to be a fact. The local dealers are and have been busier than ever before during the past month in supplying their trade. The farmers who have moved into this county breaking up large tracts of hitherto uncultivated land, and the large amount of new land that is being put into cultivation by the farmers who have been here for years, makes an unprecedented demand for these implements.

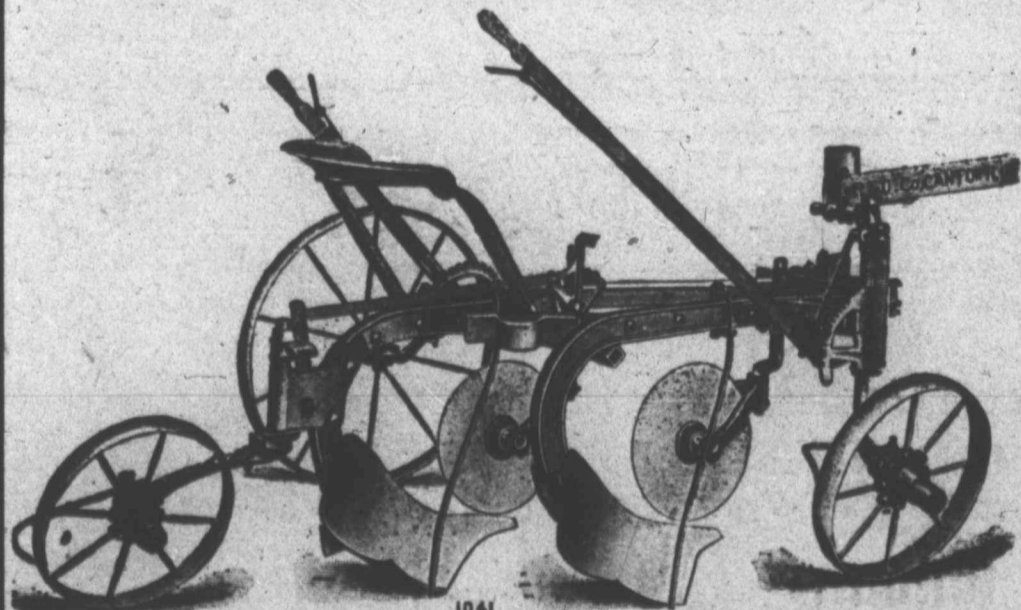
Every day there goes out from Canyon City a large amount of implements, plows, harrows and such like. It is not uncommon to see three or four wagons along one road in the afternoon loaded down with them.

J. C. Pipkin of this city who is manager for the Canyon Mercantile company, in conversation with the News reporter last Wednesday stated that he was surprised at the large increase in business over that of last year and that during the past two or three weeks it had been hard for their firm to keep a stock complete. He further stated that his firm had already sold more farming implements this season than they had thought that they would sell during the entire year. This condition, he thinks, is brought about by the confidence which the people have in the productiveness of the soil here, and the fact that there have been numerous families to move into the county and break out land for crops.

Mr. Pipkin, when seen by the reporter, stated that he had been a resident of the plains for several years and that he had never seen so much development going on as at present.

T. C. Thompson, manager for the Thompson Hardware company, when approached by the

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We have this good plow in all sizes. They can be fitted either with or without tongue, with or without rod bottoms as well as with mould bottoms. We also have it in the high lift.

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THE BEST TO BE HAD.

THE MOST COMPLETE
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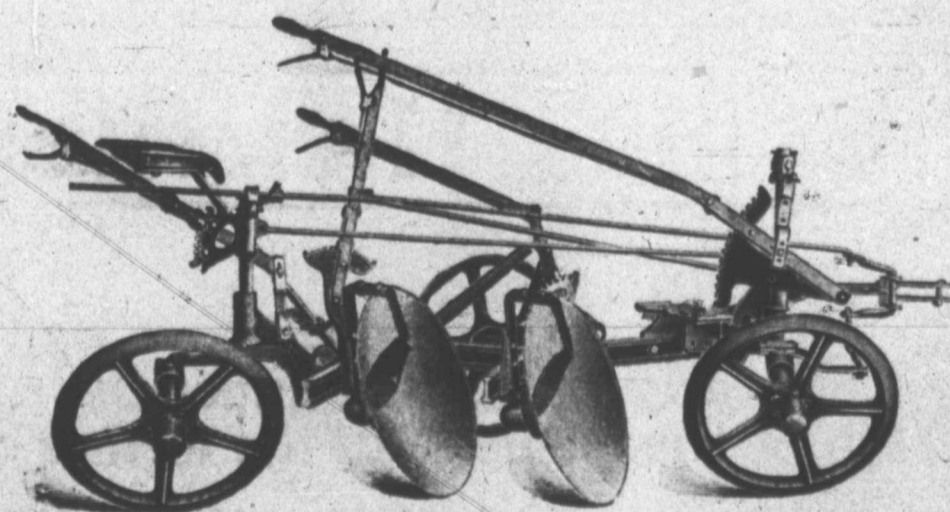
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Does honest work in all conditions of soil, wet or dry, sod or old land.

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Thompson Hardware Company

EAST SIDE OF SQUARE.

News reporter and questioned about the matter, just broke out in a smile and said: "Yes sir, business is certainly good." Mr. Thompson has been a resident of Western Texas for the past sixteen or seventeen years and has seen the country develop from almost its infancy in commercial matters. He is naturally optimistic about business conditions and the future of Randall county and stated that his firm had anticipated an unusual business and had tried to be in a position to meet every demand that the trade might make upon them and thus far had been able to do so. That the business had been fully up to their expectations and in fact had been better. He stated that their business had been almost double that for the corresponding season of year thereby showing the increase in agricultural interests. His firm has found an unusual demand for builders' hardware on account of the large number of new houses and barns being built all over the county.

Canyon City is fortunate in having two large concerns who handle this class of goods and they are drawing trade from all the adjoining counties on account of the immense stocks which they always keep on hand. These two firms have all kinds of implements suitable for the proper cultivation of the soil in the Panhandle—implements that have been tried and tested for their adaptability and general worth.

Board of Equalization.

The city council has appointed as a board of equalization for the present tax assessment, Dr. J. M. Black, J. C. Pipkin and L. E. Cowling. They held their first meeting Wednesday afternoon and expect to get down to actual labor in a few days.

J. T. Wesley, one of the old settlers near Ceta, was in the city last Tuesday. To the News reporter he said that the wheat in his community was looking fine since the recent snow and that he could see no reason why a great crop of wheat and oats should not be raised this year. He is one of the people who came here in an early day and has always had great confidence in this country and it seems that his confidence has not been misplaced.

N. C. Bishop who was director of the local band during the last season, left on Tuesday for Raton, Colorado, where he is to have the directorship of a musical organization. His family will remain in this city for some time, however, at least until Mr. Bishop shall be able to arrange for a suitable house for his family.

J. M. Renshaw, a former resident of Canyon City but who now lives at Petersburg on the south plains, is visiting friends in this place.

ABOUT RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Examination for Carrier to Be Held Soon—Some of the Requirements for the Position.

In as much as a number of the people of Randall county will be interested in the rural free delivery to be established out of Canyon City on the first of May, and there is an examination for the carrier to be held at an early date, we give some information about the requirements.

The date for the examination has not been set and it will be set by the Civil Service commission. Persons who desire to enter the examination will apply to the local postmaster, Oscar Hunt, and secure the application which is to be forwarded to the commission at Washington. An admission card to the examination will be issued to the applicant and notice sent as to the date of the examination.

No person will be eligible for the examination as follows:

1. Who does not live within the territory supplied by this postoffice or to be supplied by it through the establishment of rural free delivery service already ordered by the postoffice department.
2. Who is not a citizen of the United States.
3. Who is under 17 years of age or over 55 years, except in cases of honorably discharged United States soldiers or sailors.
4. Who is not physically able to do the work. (This includes persons with only one arm or one leg, or who has to use crutches.)
5. Who uses to excess, brandy whiskey, beer, wine, or other intoxicating beverages.
6. Who makes a false statement in his application, or has been guilty of fraud or deceit in connection with his application or an examination.
7. Who has been guilty of crime or disgraceful conduct.
8. Who has been dismissed from the public service for neglect of duty or misconduct within one year from the date of his application.
9. Whose name is on a rural carrier eligible register. (Register holds good for one year.)

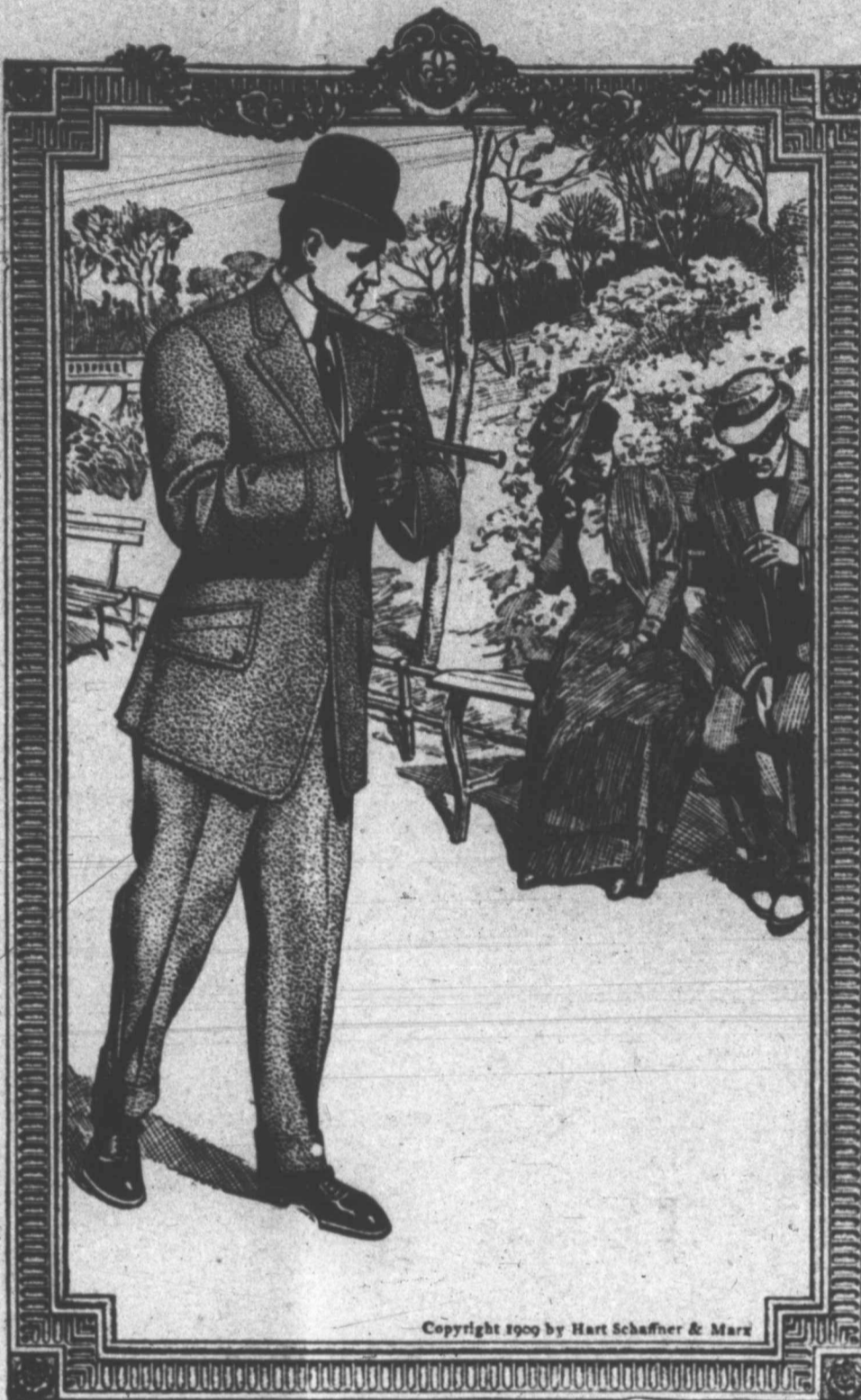
Postmaster Oscar Hunt will give such information as may be desired by intended applicants including the nature of the examination required for rural carriers.

At the Christian Church.

At the morning and evening hours last Sunday, Rev. Hutchison preached to the congregation of the Christian church of this city. Rev. Hutchison has been called as the regular pastor for the church at this place and will fill the pulpit regularly hereafter.

Mrs. A. N. Henson went to Amarillo last Friday morning returning on Saturday morning.

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SUCCESSFUL NIGHT AT HERFORD.

Dramatic Club Presents Their Play Before Large and Critical Audience in Sister City.

On Tuesday of this week the local dramatic club went to Hereford where they presented their play, "For a Quaker Maiden" before a well filled house. The audience knew what to expect from the company as they had recently presented "Out of the Fold" with decided success. The audience was not disappointed as the company fulfilled every promise, the play having been presented even better, if possible, than at Canyon City the night before.

After the show the dramatic club was tendered a supper at one of the Hereford cafes which

was highly enjoyed by those participating.

On every side, it is said, words of approval of the club were heard on Wednesday morning, the people desiring a return of the company at an early date. Up to the time of going to press no arrangements for another play had been made.

Friends of the family will be sorry to hear that reports to this week state that almost the entire family of F. Hoffman is sick. Mr. Hoffman was formerly a resident of the northwestern portion of this county but last year sold out his land and moved to Bellefourche, South Dakota.

Lem Speakman left last Wednesday for Southern Texas to resume work with a railroad company.

BIG EXCURSIONS SOUTHWARD BOUND.

Ft. Worth Sends out Advances of Unprecedented Movement of Homeseekers.

Fort Worth, Mar. 17.—Information received in this city through the railroad offices is to the effect that an unprecedented movement of homeseekers is on east to the Panhandle and other sections of the state. Today there are a liberal number of the excursionists in the city. They are availing themselves of the opportunity to attend the stock show and look over the city.

The excursion trains are filled to their capacity and it is stated that definite information is at hand that this is but an indication of future business in this line. The recent thorough sea-

sons in all sections of the Panhandle seem to have proved as an additional incentive upon the part of the settlers to possess a portion of Panhandle and other Texas real estate.

Stiff Neck.

Stiff neck is caused by rheumatism of the muscles of the neck. It is usually confined to one side, or to the back of the neck and one side. While it is often quite painful, quick relief may be had by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Not one case of rheumatism in ten requires internal treatment. When there is no fever and no swelling as in muscular and chronic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Liniment will accomplish more than any internal treatment. For sale by City Pharmacy.

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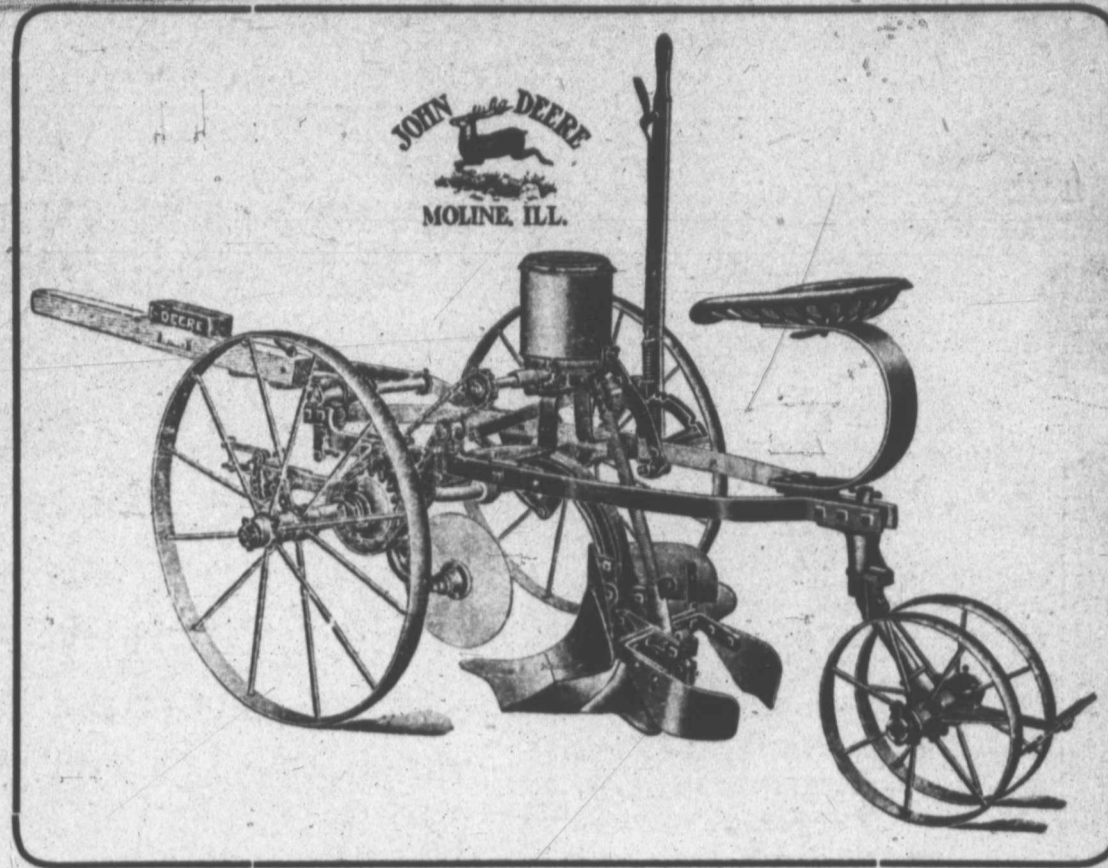
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The axle is solid from end to end, and with the high wheels not only get durability but the lightest draft to be had.

The grain feeds through a spout having an opening directly in front of and in plain view of the operator, who may watch the dropping any time he wishes.

The steel frame is carried on 34 inch wheels, adjustable in tread from 37 to 42 inches, enabling you to make a wide or narrow row as desired.

The rear wheel is double, consisting of two independent wheels adjustable from 4 to 6 inches, allowing same to be used as an open or press wheel as desired. It is also provided with an adjustable scraper.

With the John Deere Combination Lister and Planter you are insured of every grain being covered the same depth, thereby obtaining a uniform stand.

We extend to you a cordial invitation to call and let us explain to you the merits of this implement, and at the same time shall be glad to show you through our many extensive lines on all of which we are making some exceptionally attractive prices and will guarantee 100 cents value for every dollar purchase.

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

Canyon Mercantile Co.

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We wish to announce that W. W. Allison has severed his connection with the Texas Land Company and that we have organized a new land company for the sale of Panhandle lands. Our office is in the Brandon Building on West Evelyn Street.

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Kept His Word.

A young fellow in Havana who occupied the position of a reporter fell in love with a girl, the daughter of a wealthy planter. He applied to her father in the orthodox way for his consent to the marriage.

"Presumptuous!" said the father, with eyes flashing. "You, a poverty stricken journalist, and my daughter! Sir, get out of my presence!"

The journalist was very angry. It brought forth a heated declaration of pride:

"Your daughter is too good for me, you say? I will marry a princess before I die." And, with head erect, he left the irate father.

The journalist went to Spain. He wrote poems. The poems were read by the Princess Josephine. There was a meeting. The two fell in love with each other. It is said the journalist was so sincere in his affection that probably he forgot his declaration to the Havana planter. They were both royally happy, eloped, married in Valladolid and were eventually pardoned by Queen Isabella, the one time journalist being received with all the respect due to his new and high rank.

When Ladies Wore Masks.

In the seventeenth century ladies wore masks in public, and great was the variety of face screens that were seen. Ladies who had "coralline" lips preferred short masks, as was natural. For others who wished to hide the lower part of the face the mask was completed by a chin piece of linen, which afterward passed under the chin and over the ears. In 1632 a new mask called the *mini*, from the Italian *mimico*, was all the rage and threatened to usurp the place of the black one. It was even the cause of violent quarrels between the ladies who held to the latter and those who preferred the latest novelty. Some years later it became the fashion to trim the upper part of the mask with a ruche of lace, to lengthen it with a beard of the same material and even to cover it more or less with lace to the borders of the eyeholes. Young ladies of this period, however, frequently contented themselves with covering the face simply with a piece of black crape for coquetry's sake and to appear the fairer.

The Rack, Pace and Ambie.

The rack is a gait of the horse between a trot and a gallop or canter, in which the fore feet move as in a slow gallop, while the hind feet move as in a trot or pace. It is usually an artificial gait, but is sometimes hereditary or natural. There is much confusion of terms in respect to this gait, due to the fact that the gait itself is somewhat varied, according as the racker carries the one or the other fore foot foremost in the galloping motion of the fore feet; that many confound the rack with the pace, the words often being used synonymously, and that many have mistaken the use of the words "pace" and "ambie." There is abundant evidence that the American pace of today is the ambie of Europeans of the last century and earlier. The motion of the hind feet is the same in the trot, the pace and the rack. In the trot the diagonal hind and fore feet move nearly simultaneously. In the pace or ambie the hind and fore feet of the same side move nearly simultaneously.—Boston Globe.

Exploding Ice Bubbles.

The intensely cold nights of Siberia, says a writer, produce a curious phenomenon. Occasionally the silence is broken by a loud report resembling the boom of a cannon. The noise is caused by the bursting of an ice bubble on a river. The streams coming from the hills are increased in ice six to nine inches thick, and as the water descends faster than it escapes through the river the result is a heavy hydrostatic pressure. This first causes the ice upon the river to rise in mounds often six to eight feet high. For a time they seem to yield elastically to the pressure, but finally can withstand no more and burst with an explosive report. The water rushes out, soon freezing, however, and causing further explosions. The writer asserts that he has seen scores of these ice hillocks within a few miles.

Muskat and Perfumery.

The question is asked us whether the musk of the common muskrat is not used to make cheap perfumery. We have never heard of such use of muskrat musk, nor can we find anything definite on the subject in the books. Application to a large manufacturer of perfumery, however, brings out the information that some years ago musk from the muskrat was tried out for perfumery purposes, but was not found available for this use. Not a single instance of its being used now is known. The musk of commerce comes chiefly from the musk deer.—Forest and Stream.

Not to His Taste.

Proud Mother (to admiring visitor)—Yes, we think that little Harry has prettier hair than any of the other children. Five-year-old Bobby (contemptuously)—Umph! They showed me that color, and I wouldn't take it.—Exchange.

Gave the Snap Away.

The Dominic—How is it, my young friend, that your mother always does the carving when you have company to dinner? Freddie—Cause dad always says things while he's doing it.—Puck.

A Nice Distinction.

Mrs. Farmer—And you say that the last man you worked for was St. Higgins? Hambling Resteasy—No, ma'am. I said dat he wuz de last man dat employed me.—Chicago News.

Woman Indispensable.

"I'm the president of the Progressive Woman's League," said the spare female with stern features as she grabbed the London bus conductor by the sleeve and made him register over again one of the fares he had just collected.

"I can't help that, ma'am," replied the conductor in a rather short tone.

"Nobody asked you to," she went on. "I'm gathering statistics, and I spent twopenny just to get on this bus to interview you." The statement has been made in some newspapers, in an attempt to prove that our sex is incapable of handling the reins of government, that one woman gives more trouble in a public conveyance than a dozen men.

"Well, ma'am"—
"Perhaps I'd better put it more plainly," she said, interrupting him. "Let me ask you as a conductor, would you find your work easier if no women at all rode in the omnibuses?"

"It might be a little easier, ma'am," he replied, "but I don't see how in the world we would ever get along without them."

"Hold on!" she cried joyfully. "Let me write down every word you've said. Once more, I see, we will be able to silence our enemies. Now, my good man, tell me why female passengers are indispensable."

"Because, ma'am," returned the conductor, "if it wasn't for the women we could never get rid of all the bad money we happen to take."

The Fire Worshipers.

Azerbaijan, a province in northwestern Persia, is the home of the descendants of the Ghebers, the ancient fire worshippers of Persia. The whole countryside is admirably adapted to the propagation of a fire worshipping creed, for earthquakes and caverns vomiting fumes from subterranean conflagrations abound in the neighborhood of Tabriz. One of the most remarkable caverns in the world is that of Secunderah, whose character resembles the Grotto del Cane of Naples. It gives off noxious fumes, which at certain times are certain death to man and beast. But the most astonishing place in Azerbaijan is the ruined city of Takht-i-Suleimann, or Solomon's temple. The city stands on a hill 150 feet high, with a wall of thirty feet embracing the crumbling remains of temple and shrine. In the midst is a "lake of deepest azure." Although most of the buildings are of the Mohammedan period, there is one striking mass which has been identified as the temple of the fire worshippers.

What a Memory!

One rainy day in spring an old Yorkshire fisherman returned to his native village after an absence of fifteen years and fearfully sought the house which sheltered his deserted wife. Entering without knocking, he seated himself near the open door, took a long and vigorous pull at his dirty clay pipe and nodded jockily to "powd woman."

"Mornin', Maria," he said, with affected unconcern.

"She looked up from the potatoes she was peeling and tried to utter the scathing tirade she had daily rehearsed since his departure, but it would not come.

"Ben," she said instead, once more resuming her work, "bring the sen o'er to t' fire an Ah'll darn that hole t' thy jersey. Ah meant doin' t' day the went away, but summat put me off!"—London Answers.

Customs in Public Dining Rooms.

"Have you ever noticed persons enter a restaurant—how the women invariably select a center table, while a man will linger or glance about in the hope that he may find a comfortable seat in some corner or against the wall?" said a proprietor of a fashionable restaurant. "It's almost always so and is always amusing. The women like to show their gowns, while the men—well, my theory of it is that the habit is a relic of the cave days, when a man preferred a position against the wall so he could fight his enemies to advantage."—New York Herald.

Not Caused by the Hat.

"How do you like my hat?" she asked.

"Why, to tell the truth," replied her dearest friend frankly, "I don't like the effect very well. It seems to me it gives you a rather cross look."

"Oh, that isn't the hat," she responded cheerfully.

"No?"

"Oh, not at all. That comes entirely from the fact that I have just seen my husband and he had just seen the bill."—Chicago Post.

Wordsworth's Joke.

"I never made a joke but once in my life," confessed Wordsworth, and the rest of the story leaves one in doubt whether he knew a joke when he saw it. "Meeting a peasant neighbor one day, he asked me, 'Ha' ye seen my wife, Meester Wordsworth?' 'My good fellow,' said I, 'I didn't so much as know that you had a wife.'"

Truth or Fiction?

"Ah, what a difference there is," remarked the cynic wearily, "between courtship and marriage! Courtship is made up of soft nothings—marriage of hard facts."

And he broke the world's record for a sigh.—New York Times.

More Than He Bargained For.

Mrs. Benham—I am getting stouter all the time. Benham—Yes; when I got married I little realized that I was getting a wife on the installment plan.

It is often woman who inspires us with the great things that she will prevent us from accomplishing.—Alexandre Dumas.

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Railway Time Table.

| MAIN LINE, WEST BOUND. | |
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| No. 37 to Clovis..... | 2:50 p. m. |
| No. 30, to Carlsbad..... | 10:15 a. m. |
| No. 73 Local Freight..... | 9:00 a. m. |
| MAIN LINE, EAST BOUND. | |
| No. 38 from Clovis..... | 10:00 a. m. |
| No. 32, to Kansas City..... | 3:30 p. m. |
| No. 74 Local Freight..... | 2:40 p. m. |
| PLAINVIEW BRANCH, NORTH B'ND | |
| No. 38 to Amarillo..... | 10:08 a. m. |
| No. 94 Local Freight..... | 6:00 p. m. |
| PLAINVIEW BRANCH, SO. BOUND. | |
| No. 37 to Plainview..... | 2:40 p. m. |
| No. 93 Local Freight..... | 8:10 a. m. |
| Trains No. 37 on the Main line leaving Canyon City at 2:50 p. m. is made up here, and Train No. 38, on the Main Line arriving from Clovis at 10 a. m. stops at this place. | |
| Local freights and trains Nos. 37 and 35 don't run on Sunday. | |

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CITY MARSHAL.
J. H. Jowell requests us to announce that he is a candidate for the office of City Marshal, election to be held April 6, 1909.

He's From Missouri; You Have to Show Him.



Governor Folk is from Missouri. He's regarded as a pretty good citizen himself. See what he says about a certain sort of citizen:

"I do not believe in the mail order citizen. IT IS BETTER THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A THOUSAND TOWNS THAN ONE LARGE CITY. If a place is good enough for a man to make his money in, it certainly should be good enough for him to spend his money in. The merchants have a just right to all the business of the town in which they have their stores, and every good citizen will help them to get it."

Did you ever see a FINE LARGE FACT so simply stated?

Admiration alone will not run a newspaper. Sooner or later such admirers will find that the object of their affections has become wedded to others ways that they do not admire. In other words, a newspaper is compelled, in order to live, to seek the friendship of those who are not so platonic in their love, but unite their practical esteem with sentiment that binds mutual admiration in other professions. There are too many men who expect an editor to slave in defense of their pet notions and hobbies, advocate their views against the strongest opposition, and coolly withhold the business support by which alone a small newspaper can live.—Clovis Post.

There is one way for a newspaper to be free and that is for the editor of the paper to make it his hobby, to take care of it as if were his child and direct its thoughts and energies in the right manner. If matters are presented that ought not, according to his idea, to be published, make a charge for the matter the same as advertising and mark it as such. The editor

is supposed to be and generally is the best posted man on general conditions in the community and he may be able to see further than the person who desires articles for their own individual purposes. The editor represents the community at large and not an individual.

The Lubbock Avalanche announces great improvements in its place. It is to have an entirely new "dress" and a six-column, four page press of standard make. Truly Lubbock must be hustling along. It will have a good newspaper office and, so far as we know, is the only town in Texas which has no railroad but has a paid commercial club secretary. We understand that this hustling little city pays her publicity secretary \$150 per month for his exclusive time in advancing the interests of that town and country. There are other towns located upon railroads which might emulate the good example set for them by Lubbock.

The Panhandle is not anything if it is not progressive. Every good little town has its newspaper to dispense the happenings of that locality. The newest born of these papers is Volume 1, No. 1, of the Vega Sentinel which comes to our exchange desk this week. A. S. Hornbeck, a veteran newspaper man is at the helm and the first edition shows that the paper will be a hummer when it comes to advancing the interests of Vega and Oldham county. By the way the Sentinel is the first newspaper to be in Oldham county.

Announcement is made that John Esten Cooke, formerly editor of the Clarendon Banner-Stockman, one of the best known newspaper men of the Panhandle, would establish a new paper at Brady in Southwestern Texas. The people of Brady may rest assured that Cooke will give them a good paper and that he will hustle for the advancement of his chosen county and city. Cooke is a good manager of a paper and we did not wish to see him leave the Panhandle. Here's to you, John. May you prosper in your new location.

The News is in receipt of the "Product Map of Texas" just issued by the Texas Commercial Secretaries Association of this state. It gives the estimated amount of the agricultural products, the manufacturing interests and the fishing products of each county of the state the estimated amount being printed within the boundaries of the respective counties. It is well worth preserving.

We wish that just a few more trees were being planted along the streets of this city. Just a few. That will help.

How quickly can you tell a live town from a dead one by simply looking over its newspaper with a few small advertisements, and these looking as though they were run at half price, betokens a dead town just as sure as a corpse indicates a funeral, while a good, lively, well printed newspaper, filled with good, fresh ads, and display locals, shows that the town is progressing and thriving. It never fails.—Clovis Post.

If the standard set is any medium of knowing that the town in which the paper is published is alive, then Canyon City is certainly a hummer as nor columns are always filled with the advertisements. They believe it pays too and it is often that they desire more space than the News has to spare. The editor appreciates the patronage of its people and is doing everything in his power to make the paper an advertising medium of great worth.—And it is.

Stella—What were the marriage settlements?
Bella—She settled down and he settled up.—New York Sun.

MORE FREE ADVERTISING.

Iowa People to Make Value of Panhandle Country Better Known Without Intending to Do So.

The citizen's of Des Moines recently organized a "Dollar Club" with a capitalization of \$10,000 which shall have for its object the checking of the vast immigration from Iowa to the Panhandle of Texas. The club proposes to educate her young men that just as good investments are offered in Iowa as in any other part of the United States and that dealing in Texas land is a shaky proposition.

The great Panhandle country already has a snap when it comes to matters of advertising, now it is getting more than its share since this club has been organized. Let the good citizens of Iowa, Illinois and as many other states of the Union as desire to do so organize against the Panhandle, let them raise money by "Dollar Clubs" or "Ten Dollar Clubs" or in any other way they see fit, let them hold conventions wherever and whenever they choose and discuss ways and means of preventing immigration all they please and see who is the loser. Let them dig up the facts about Texas and the Panhandle and publish them abroad. In this way Texas will receive the greatest influx of immigration she has ever had in all her history.

Such a course is only an admission of the fact that we are their greatest rivals if not their superiors in the way of natural advantages, that we have something to offer that in some way induces their good people to come west. Well, those fellows will have a hard time stemming the tide of immigration from that state to this land of promise—they can no more do it than they can make water run up hill.—Plainview News.

Since the Randall County News first published the article about the "Dollar Club" at Des Moines, Iowa, the papers of the Panhandle have been giving the matter due publicity. Iowa seems to want to help Texas in advertising. If she doesn't they have certainly dropped upon the worst plan they could use. You can't try to tear anybody or anything down without people investigating the matter—and we don't care if they do investigate the Panhandle. We want them to do so and then they will come among us to live. Thanks, Iowa, for your generous efforts.

PATRONIZE HOME MERCHANTS.

Miami Chief Advocates the Idea—It is a Saving to the Purchaser of Goods.

Last Saturday we published an article expressing the belief that our readers could save money and besides leave the profit from the sale in circulation at home if when in need of a stove or range they would buy of the home dealer in preference to the traveling agents. We also hinted that a certain agent then in Miami had unlimited gall. The aforesaid agent got his dander up, visited us, made a little pugilistic exhibition and threatened that if we made further reference of the matter he would "larrup us good. If he makes as signal a failure in this as he did in his efforts last Saturday we will be able to get out the paper alright next week. However we are more than ever convinced of the truthfulness of our assertions and are quite sure that prices for a cooking range should afford "Home Comfort," or even luxuries for some one. We believe that a newspaper should jealously guard the interests of its constituents—the readers—and we are convinced that curtailing the circulating medium by spending it with foreign concerns does not tend towards the industrial progress and prosperity of a community, and our utterances were prompted by the

belief that the wholesome corrective influence of publicity is badly needed along this line. Like all other classes of people there are good, bad and indifferent traveling agents, and it is not so much the agents as the people that are at fault. We will illustrate it this way; a man comes into a community has a horse for sale that is worth probably \$60. He puts a price of \$75 or \$100 on the animal and readily finds a buyer. Is he to be censured? No, he made a good trade. Same way with the traveling agents; some are satisfied with a reasonable profit, others are out for greed and graft, but in either case it is the patronizing public that helps along the cause. We do not advocate paying exorbitant prices even to a home dealer, but if you can do as well or better by dealing with the home man you should do so. You should investigate before you deal too readily with an agent. We hear that about 50 ranges were sold by traveling agents in Wheeler county, this amounts to about \$4,000. Will anyone deny that the profit from \$4,000 worth of sales left in circulation in the community does not help out materially the prosperity of that community?—Miami Chief.

ONLY SIX MORE YEARS.

United States Land Office Man Estimates all Public Land Will Be Taken Up.

It will startle a great many people who have failed to note the rapidity with which the public land of the nation is passing out of its hands to be informed that in about six years, at the furthest, all of the public lands of the United States now open to homesteaders will have been absorbed in private ownership; that is except in the barren mountainous areas of Nevada and Wyoming and some smaller but equally unavailable tracts in Montana, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Oregon. Yet such is the result of a careful compilation of facts and figures made by W. W. Palmer assistant in the United States Land Office at Miles City, Montana. He has observed the rate at which the yet unappropriated government land in each of the twenty-four states containing such land has been taken up during the last year and a half; and taking this rate as a basis, reaches the conclusion that the average time of exhausting of the public lands for all the said states is twenty-four years. But in getting this "average" Montana and Wyoming are given respectively 570 and 155 years, since there is next to no call for snow clad or barren mountains for homesteads. Omitting these the average time in the remaining twenty-two states is about six years. As the land is taken up with increasing rapidity each year; the probabilities are that it will have been absorbed in an even shorter time than six years.

As everybody knows a greater part of the recent rapid absorption has been by corporation and individuals, fraudulently using the homestead and timber claim acts, to enable them to acquire thousands of acres. Yet congress stolidly refuses to pass any measure of reform. It likewise persists in allowing the homestead law to remain unaltered, thus giving to every homesteader, and to every dummy representing himself as a homesteader, 160 acres of land where every 40 acres is worth more than 160 was when the law was enacted, and where there are dozens of applicants now where formerly there was only one.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Mamma—Oh, George, George! Our daughter has eloped with the chauffeur.
Papa—Good heavens! Now who's going to drive me to the office this morning?—Cleveland Leader.

Get a Few

In a short time The Randall County News will issue the best special illustrated number that has ever been issued by any newspaper in this section of the state. It will be filled with interesting facts about Canyon City and Randall county with illustrations of direct interest to the outside world as well as the local citizens.

Do Not Fail

to speak in advance for a number of these papers as you may not be able to secure them after the paper is published. Send them to your friends and relatives.

We Do Everything Right

Readers of The News will know that that we spare no effort or expense in getting out our regular paper and are therefore assured that our Special Illustrated Number will be a good one both as to matter contained and the printing.

Let's Show the World

that Randall county is the best in all respects that there is anywhere and you can assist by sending out a few copies. Speak for them now that you may be sure and receive them.

The Randall County News

CANYON, TEXAS

640 Acres For Sale

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

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

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

ADJOINING TOWN

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

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

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

W. E. BATES,

Canyon City, Texas.

Subscribe for the "Newsy" News.

A WORLD OF WHITE

At "The Supply"

Annual White Sale

Our Greatest Sale of White Goods

We've had a good many, as you know. We've gained a lasting reputation in this department, but to our mind, we've never offered so much for the money, quality considered, as go out upon the counters at our store for this sale. If you have not been to our store recently, COME NOW. It will do you good; it's like a breath of spring to see these new goods in all their snowy whiteness and freshness. Then, too, it's a splendid time to lay in a supply of EVERYTHING WHITE, because you get the discount now which makes it more tempting than usual.

Everything included from Bleached Domestic to the finest Wash Silk.

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| Fine Laces. Our lace department is all ready for the new season demands, with the finest stock yet shown. The world of Fashion has decreed that laces will be in greater demand than ever before known. | Embroideries. Women have begun buying them in big lots already, taking advantage of extra low prices such as will be out of existence when the general demand begins. |
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New Spring Goods

are now coming in with such rapidity that our store is now radiant with the season's newest. The new, only the new, will be in evidence everywhere. These are now ready.

A Brilliant Pageant

Down the avenue of style comes the parade of spring apparel for women-folks. You will want to review the parade from here. We have never had so much for you to admire.

Under Muslins at Under Values

No ladie's wardrobe is complete without a full complement of under-muslins of dainty designs. Our showing of these garments are calculated to please all purses and test the taste of every woman of refinement.

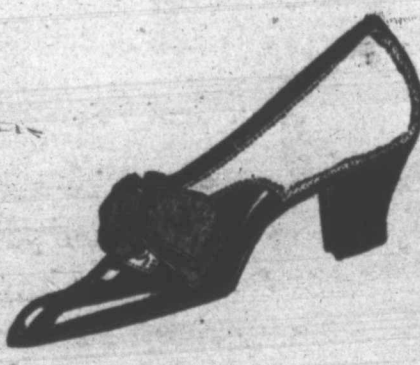
Ladies' Drawers 25c to \$1. Ladies' Skirts 50 to \$3.
 Corset Covers 25c to \$1.



Women's Oxford's and Pumps in Patent Russian Calf and Black. Fifteen choice selections **\$3.50**

Women's Oxfords, Ankle straps Pumps and Gibson ties—newest of the styles for Springtime at **\$3.00**

Also showing a good line at **\$2.50, \$2.00 and \$1.50.**



The well known brand of Howard and Foster Men's Shoes, in Oxfords, Tan and Blacks, in two, three and four ties, can't be beaten at the popular price, **\$3.50, \$4 and \$5.**

Let us fit you in your New Spring Shoes. No trouble to show what we have.

**The Quality Way is The Best Way.
 Pay Less and Dress Better.**

Canyon City Supply Co.

East Side of Square.



A MOST TOUCHING APPEAL

falls short of its desired effect if addressed to a small crowd of interested listeners. Mr. Business Man, are you wasting your ammunition on the small crowd that would trade with you anyway, or do you want to reach those who are not particularly interested in your business? If you do, make your appeal for trade to the largest and most intelligent audience in your community, the readers of this paper. They have countless wants. Your ads will be read by them, and they will become your customers. Try it and see.

Travis Shaw is on a trip to Taylor, his old home, this week. T. C. Jennings is able to be up and about town now after a siege of "Job's afflictions."

Will Trimble and others went to Plainview last Saturday to look after some business interests. It is reported that they came back well satisfied with Canyon City.

Chase & Sanborn's teas and coffees. You'll get the choicest grades that money can buy. In the cup they tell a wonderful story of goodness and economy. Try them, try them now. White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Judge C. T. Word left Wednesday afternoon for a trip to Fort Worth.

If you have fat hogs or good beef cattle to sell, see us at White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis T. Lester made a trip to Plainview the first of the present week.

We want your eggs, chickens, turkeys and ducks, at White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

We received several congratulations this week upon our article in last week's paper relative to the "white caps."

We have at last received the noted Hudnuts Pearl Hominy of St. Joseph, Mo., for sale at White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

J. R. Scharbaum, the manager of the hotel at Happy, was a business visitor here on Wednesday.

Miss Willie Altizer of Brady, Texas, has arrived in the city for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. John Allison.

Mrs. Travis Shaw, together with her little daughter, has gone to Detroit, Michigan, for a visit with her mother at that place.

We are expecting a shipment of all the various garden seeds in a few days, at White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Van Sant have gone to Siloam Springs, Arkansas, for the purpose of being in attendance upon the celebration of the "Golden Wedding" of Mr. Van Sant's parents.

We will pay 5c to 8c per pound for chickens, 8c per pound for turkeys, any quantity, 4 1-2c per pound for hogs, at White Swan Grocery Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Mrs. J. S. Jones of Hereford arrived Wednesday morning for a few days visit with her daughter, Mrs. Robert S. Pipkin. She was accompanied by Mrs. Howard of the same place who will likewise visit here.

We have received a fresh supply of the following meats: Fresh spare ribs, Weiner style sausage, C. I. Frankferts, Bolo style sausage, at White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Harry Stone, formerly located at this place but who is now in business at Melrose, New Mexico, was in town Wednesday shaking the hands of his many friends. He was on the road home from a business trip into Oklahoma.

We will in about ten days have something very valuable and attractive to be given away. Absolutely Free to our customers. We want every lady in Randall county to see and inspect them, at White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cowling have returned from a trip to Southern Texas. While down in that portion of the state, Mr. Cowling represented the local camp at the Head Camp convention of the Woodmen of the World. He reports a pleasant trip.

Just arrived a carload of the noted Honey Bee Flour (Hard wheat) best to be found. Ask the bakers what they think of same. We have also a large quantity of soft wheat that was purchased before the advance. Get our prices, at the White Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros. Props.

Last Tuesday afternoon, while one of the large type of engines now being used on this road, was switching some cars on one of the local switches, the rails spread and before the engine could be stopped six cars loaded with various kinds of merchandise were dumped into the ditch. No serious damage to the cars or merchandise was done and traffic on the main line was not delayed.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS LETTER.

Business Transacted by Lawmakers—During Old Term. Was Hurried—New Session is Called.

Austin, Texas, March 18.—A considerable portion of the time of both Houses was devoted to investigations last week. Interest in the proceedings have overshadowed all other legislative matters and the result has been the resignation of Speaker Kennedy and the expulsion of Senator Thomas. Mr. John Marshall of Whitesboro representing the 35th Representative District, was unanimously elected Speaker of the House Monday and Senator Thomas has announced his candidacy for reelection. The election of Senator Thomas' successor will take place April 3rd.

During the week bills were passed by the herds; the speed limit being exceeded in the House and in some instances bills which were run as double headers, were recalled and passed in their regular order.

The regular session of the 31st Legislature closed Saturday noon and a review of the work points to a victory for "Fewer Laws." The legislature has passed only 249 bills and it is not likely that the special session will add any considerable number to the present list. Of this number 110 were general bills, the remainder being local in application. Of the 110 general bills passed only 25 affected the business interests of the state and a number of these sought to correct previous legislation. The 30th Legislature passed 1069 bills, leaving a balance of 820 in favor of "Fewer Laws."

A special session of the Legislature was called by the Governor immediately on adjournment of the regular session. The governor gave the unredeemed platform demands, and that means all of them, as constituting a necessity for a special session and he construed all resolutions passed by the Democratic State Convention at San Antonio last August as platform demands and right there is where the trouble begins. This Legislature has shied at platform demands like a young colt at a locomotive and the outlook is a lively one for the special session. It is understood that the governor will insist on the acid test being made on the Democracy of all members by forcing them to vote for or against legislation based on platform demands. A strong faction in the legislature, however, considers the submission question the only platform demand now before the party and this demand has already received the consideration of the legislature, so there you are. The fight promises to be a pretty one and likewise an expensive one to the tax payers of the state as the legislature is costing the tax payers about \$1200 per day.

Ceta Rustlings.

The sick are all better. The farmers are all busy. Planting oats is the order of the day.

The snow was the right thing at the right time.

Miss Eva Painton is out of school this week owing to a very badly sprained ankle.

R. A. Dobbs and wife spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Hammond and wife.

Miss Minnie Walters spent Sunday evening with Miss Ada Donnelly.

Prof. Breithaupt and family spent Sunday with W. B. Walters and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Buckner were Happy callers last Saturday.

Mrs. W. B. Walters and children visited Tuesday with Mark Wesley and family.

J. Wesley, jr., and wife are so much improved since their illness with the measles that they were moved to his father's, H.

E. Wesley's where they will visit a few days.

J. Hammond and wife were Canyon visitors Tuesday.

Misses Emma Sluder and Alta Beasley spent Sunday with Mr. Painton and family.

T. Davis and wife and son Albert and wife and E. Lawson and wife were all visitors at the county seat last week.

Miss Fannie Sluder returned home Sunday after spending a week with friends in Canyon City.

From the looks of the load of farming implements Enoch Wilson brought out from Canyon City he must mean biz.

O. E. Walker and wife are moving this week onto the Miller farm near Ceta.

Messrs Joy, Nelson and Lawson were all at Happy on business Tuesday.

Grandpa Sluder has been on the sick list this week.

On account of the bad weather we had no school last Thursday and Friday.

Wayside News.

Prof. Kirk went to Canyon Friday, returning Sunday evening.

Lon Deer and family have moved in the house with J. M. Evans.

The people that own the Holland place are moving in.

G. H. Hollabaugh and family have moved to John McGehee's where he will rent this year.

Willis Fisher went to Happy Monday, bringing back a tomb stone for his father's grave.

Mrs. Garrett of Amarillo returned home the first of the week after a long visit with relatives here.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hamblin on March 16th, a ten pound girl.

Will Franklin was a guest of his brother Grady, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reeves Evans are to leave for their new home near Kenna, N. M., the 17. We all hope them success, but neighbors and friends regret their departure.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCrae of Clarendon are visiting her sister, Mrs. Helms. TED.

Rev A. C. Coleman of Wayside was among the visitors in this city on Tuesday.

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..... | \$ 1 10 |
| Oats, best, bushel..... | 58 |
| Maize and Kafir in heads, new crop, ton..... | 16 00 |
| Millet hay, per ton..... | 10 00 |
| Johnson grass hay, ton..... | 9 00 |
| Alfalfa, per ton..... | 15 00 |
| Corn, best..... | 55 |
| Maize, threshed, bushel..... | 1 05 |
| Kafir corn, threshed, bu..... | 1 05 |

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| Chickens and Eggs | |
| Fryers, per dozen..... | \$8 50 |
| Eggs, per dozen..... | 13 |
| Butter, country, pound..... | 25 |

DON'T FORGET

to call at once at the Racket Store and look over our nice line of ladies and child's hats. Our goods and prices speak for themselves.

Come and see.

THE RACKET STORE.

South Side of Square.

Mansfield's Likeness.

Richard Mansfield once asked Frank A. Nankivell to make a picture of him. The actor explained that he wanted an imitation of an old Roman coin with his own profile shown instead of Caesar's.

"Do you want an absolute likeness, or shall I idealize it a bit?" asked Nankivell.

"I want an absolute likeness," replied Mr. Mansfield stiffly, and the artist made a sketch of his patron.

When the completed picture—a splendid piece of work that looks as if it were embossed—was shown to Mr. Mansfield he was not pleased.

"It looks like a prizefighter," said Mr. Mansfield.

"That is not my fault," said Nankivell. "You know that you said you wanted a likeness."

There was a further exchange of courtesies, and then Mansfield suggested that the artist try again. "Excuse me," said Nankivell. "Once will do me."

"Well, change this picture a little," said the actor. "Perhaps you can fix it up."

"Not a fix," said the artist as he rolled up the picture and prepared to go with a parting shot. "You don't want an artist to draw your picture; you want a lithographer. Good day."

No Apologies.

Uncle Jerry Peebles, who had taken a seat in the smoking car, had filled his pipe and was about to hunt in his coat pocket for a match when a large man of much equatorial diameter sat down in the vacant seat by his side, complacently crushing him against the side of the car and almost obliterating him.

Uncle Jerry said nothing and proceeded in his search for a match. It was hard work to get his hand down between himself and the large man, but he found the pocket at last and took out three or four matches, all of which went out as he struck them, one after the other, except the last.

"You're welcome," said the portly man, glancing down at him over his shoulder.

"Was that your pocket I had my hand in?"

"It was."

"Well," said Uncle Jerry as he lit his pipe, "all I've (puff) got to say (puff, puff) is that you buy darned poor matches."—Chicago Tribune.

A Praying Man.

When men begin their prayers with "O thou omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent, all seeing, ever living, blessed potentate, Lord God Jehovah!" I should think they would take breath. Think of a man in his family, hurried for his breakfast, praying in such a strain! He has a note coming due, and it is going to be paid today, and he feels buoyant, and he goes down on his knees like a cricket on the hearth and plies up these majestically moving phrases about God. Then he goes on to say that he is a sinner; he is proud to say that he is a sinner. Then he asks for his daily bread. He has it, and he can always ask for it when he has it. Then he jumps up and goes over to the city. He comes back at night and goes through a similar wordy form of "evening prayer," and he is called "a praying man." A praying man? I might as well call myself an ornithologist because I eat a chicken once in awhile for dinner.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Origin of the Oath.

Among the different nations the mode of administering the oath varies. Formerly the custom was in this country by kissing the Bible. At the present time the more general manner is by raising the right hand.

Among the many things for which the world is indebted to the Jew is the mode of administering the oath. It dates back to the days of Abram, the patriarch, who when offered by the king of Sodom to take the goods to himself made answer, "I have lift up mine hand unto the Lord, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, that I will not take from a thread even to a shoe latchet and that I will not take anything that is thine lest thou shouldst say, I have made Abram rich."—Detroit News-Tribune.

Sardou's Opinion of Women.

I have, said Sardou, the highest opinion of the fair sex. I consider women superior to men in almost everything. They possess the intuitive faculty to an extraordinary degree and may almost always be trusted to do the right thing in the right place. They are full of noble instincts and, though heavily handicapped by fate, come well out of every ordeal. You have but to turn to history to realize the truth of what I say.

At the Market.

Mrs. C.—Good morning, Bridget. I hope your master and mistress have not forgotten that they're coming to dine with me tonight. Cook—Indeed and they're not. They've ordered a good, hearty meal at home at 6 o'clock.—Harper's Bazar.

Overjoyed.

"How did papa act when you asked him for my hand?"

"I could see that he was trying to control himself, but he presented all the symptoms of a man who has drawn a straight flush."—Houston Post.

Short Dogs Bite Low.

Fasserty—Here, boy, your dog has bitten me on the ankle. Dog Owner—Well, that's as high as he could reach. You wouldn't expect a little pup like him to bite yer neck, would yer?—London Tit-Bits.

Who hangs himself in the chimney should not complain of smoke.—German Proverb.

How the Debt Was Collected.

In the home of a certain influential family they arose one morning to find that no breakfast had been prepared, even the kitchen fire had not been lighted. Upon investigation the cook was discovered peacefully reclining in bed.

"Are you ill?" inquired the mistress. "Not at all. I feel quite well," was the surprising response, but still no persuasion would induce her to arise.

After a time the doctor was sent for. He put to her his usual questions, but the girl insisted that she felt perfectly well.

"If, as you say, you are not ill," said the man of pills and potions, "then tell me in confidence why you won't get up and go to work."

"Well," said the girl resolutely, "these people owe me \$25, and I won't stir until they pay it."

"Do you think you'll get it quicker by staying in bed?" asked the doctor.

"I most certainly do," she replied, with a gleam of the eye that expressed determination to fight it out on that line if it took all summer.

The doctor, advancing, said: "Roll over and stay there. That's the only way you'll get it. They owe me \$80."—National Magazine.

Marriage in Japan.

A Japanese husband is allowed only one wife, but to marry is sometimes a much more serious matter than with us. Either the husband must be formally adopted into the family of the wife or the wife into the family of the husband, the couple being absorbed into one family and subject to its discipline. As a rule, this custom weighs more heavily on the bride than on the husband, for she must not only obey her husband, but every member of his family of an older generation than himself; hence a young woman often longs for old age, so that she may wield authority over the younger generations. To bring about a marriage in Japan an intermediary is appointed, whose duty it is to introduce the parties and to look to every arrangement of the wedding. He remains through life the guide, philosopher and friend of the married couple, who refer all matters, all misunderstandings, to his counsel.—Pearson's.

Sneezing.

The custom of saying "God bless you" after sneezing must be at least as old as the fifteenth century, as a reference to it appears in the first edition of Caxton's "Golden Legend." After describing a certain malady which broke out among the early Christians, the result apparently of their intemperate habits, Caxton proceeds: "In this manere somtyme they deyed, so that when any persone was herd sneezing anon that were by said to hym, God helpe you, or Cryste helpe, and yet endureth the custome." A curious superstition with regard to sneezing still lingers in the villages of Devonshire. It has found expression in the following couplet:

Sneezes on Sunday morning fasting,
You'll enjoy your own true love to everlasting.

In the highlands of Scotland it is believed that a newborn child is under the thrall of the fairies until it sneezes.

A Peg Too Low.

A tankard was made of precious metals, of pewter or of wood. Among the most ancient specimens are the "peg-tankards." These are said to have been introduced by St. Dunstan as a check on the intemperance of his day. Pegs marked the tankard at intervals, beyond which the drinker was not to go, else he had more than his comrades. But, curiously enough, this device proved the means of aggravating the evil it was intended to remedy, for as a refinement on St. Dunstan's simple plan the most abstemious drinkers were required when the tankard went round to drink precisely to a peg indicated, whether their heads could stand the amount of such "distemp'ring draft" or not. Thence comes the phrase, "He is a peg too low."—London Spectator.

They Do Their Share.

Milton complained of his wife that she did not take to him enough. Three hundred years have wrought a change. When Matthew Arnold visited this country a woman with more zeal than discretion asked him:

"Mr. Arnold, will you tell me what is the most novel impression you have received in the United States?"

"Certainly, madam," he replied, with perfect English suavity. "The women do all the talking."—Youth's Companion.

A Spool of Thread.

"But for Napoleon," said the spool, "I, like the Arc de Triomphe, would never have existed. In Napoleon's time thread was made only of silk and of wool. Napoleon to ruin the English silk thread trade destroyed the world's silk stock, which lay at Hamburg. In this crisis the Paisley spinners turned to cotton. After tremendous labor they at last made cotton thread. Cotton thread is the world's chief thread today."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Only His Share.

"George," said the maiden aunt reprovingly, shaking her finger very solemnly at her small nephew, "there were two mince pies on the larder shelf this morning, and now they have disappeared. I didn't think it was in you."

"'Tisn't all in me," blubbered the wee boy. "One of 'em is in Gwendie."

Short, All Right.

De Tanque—Oh, I believe in a short life and a merry one. Wigwag—Well, I guess you'll get the benefit of the first half of your theory, all right.—Exchange.

More Exciting Than the Play.

A countryman on one of his rare visits to London, after completing his business, visited the local theater and patronized that part of the house known as "the gods," obtaining a seat in the front row. He had provided himself with refreshments before entering in the form of a bag of cakes and a bottle of mineral water.

As the performance progressed he consumed these and, becoming absorbed in a thrilling passage, was absently toying with the empty bottle on the ledge in front of him when he accidentally allowed it to fall over.

Horror stricken, he instantly looked down and was just in time to see the bottle drop heavily on to the bald head of a man below, who, not noticing whence the attack came, jumped to the conclusion that his neighbor was the aggressor. He seized the bottle and hit the other man smartly across the head with it.

Our friend above had now seen enough and hastily but quickly quitted the place, observing when he reached the exit two angry, struggling men being ejected.—London Tit-Bits.

The Indian Experimented.

A missionary in charge of a small church on the Indian reservation at Onondaga held evening services for his people at which subjects upon which he lectured were not strictly religious.

One evening when the little building was well filled with braves and their squaws he described the solar system and told them that the earth revolved about the sun and also turned over once in every twenty-four hours.

Early the next morning the priest was awakened by a knock. He opened the door to find a big Indian wrapped in a blanket standing on the porch.

"Why, Obaga?" he exclaimed. "Is anything the matter?"

"Missionary lied," grunted the Indian.

"I lied? What do you mean?"

"Missionary say world turn over every night. Injun go home, set up stick, put apple on stick. If world turn over, apple fall off. This morning apple on stick. Missionary lied. Huh!" And with this parting grunt he strode down the path, unheeding the priest's calls.

Lawyers on Strike.

In 1789 John Scott, earl of Clonmell, who was lord chief justice of Ireland, made some insulting remarks from the bench to Mr. Hackett, a member of the bar, who was conducting an argument before him. A general meeting of the bar was called, a severe condemnation of his lordship's conduct voted with only one dissentient and an unprecedented resolution passed that until his lordship publicly apologized no barrister would either take a brief, appear in the king's bench or sign any pleadings for the court. This strike experiment was actually made. The judges sat, but no counsel appeared, no cause was prepared, the attorneys all vanished, and their lordships had the court all to themselves. There was no alternative, and next day Lord Clonmell published a very ample apology by advertisement in the newspapers and made it appear as if written on the evening of the offense and therefore voluntary.—London Law Times.

His Sole Limitation.

"Do you know what I'd like to be?" asked Rastus of the commercial traveler who was stopping at the wayside hotel.

"No," said the commercial traveler.

"What? A millionaire?"

"No, sah," said Rastus.

"A lawyer?"

"Oh, no, sah; not dat."

"A doctor?"

"No, sah."

"What then?" asked the commercial traveler.

"I'd like to be a preacher, sah," Rastus said.

"Well, then, why don't you?" asked the commercial traveler.

"I can't, sah," replied Rastus, "because I ain't got no frock coat."—New York Press.

An Elephant Bridge.

In ancient times in India a famous general used elephants to bridge a stream. He possessed a battalion of over 500 elephants, and, approaching a river where the stream was too rapid for his troops to cross, he ordered the elephants in and had them placed side by side, facing up and down the stream. Then planks were brought and laid from the back of one elephant to that of another, and over them the troops passed in safety, the only trouble experienced being the showers of water which the elephants kept up by sucking up the refreshing liquid in their trunks and tossing it over their bodies.

Pretty Quick.

Officer—You say the chauffeur sounded his horn just as the machine struck the man? Witness—Yes, sir. Officer—Was the victim killed instantly? Witness—So instantly, sir, that he must have heard the echo of that horn in the next world.

His Objection.

The Bachelor—Marriage is a game of chance.—The Married Man—And you have conscientious scruples against gambling? The Bachelor—Not exactly, but I have against drawing a booby prize.—Philadelphia Record.

All She Wanted.

The Debutante—The man I marry must be rich, handsome, good, generous, intellectual.—The Man About Town—My dear young lady, you will have to have him made to order.

Evil grows and strengthens by endurance.—Cleora.

Spring Affliction.

Hear them noises
In your head,
Like a fish peddler
Trying to wake up
A deaf and dumb customer?
Feel that funny business
In your blood?
That makes you want to go fishing
Or nowhere.
Just so
It's somewhere?
Don't call a doctor.
It ain't no serious
Symptoms.
Them noises
And feelings
Is the call of the roll—
Wants you to come back
And make your living
Farming
As in the good old days.
You see yourself
Following the plow,
Feeling the breath of spring
In your nostrils
And sweating at the off mule,
And, say,
It seems bully—
At peace with the world,
And no store bills
To pay till fall.
You see your wife
In a sunbonnet
Chasing the pecky hen
That wants to set
Too previously.
You see the kids
Going off to the red schoolhouse
Where you was taught,
And it is all fine.
Don't worry
You'll get over it
Before you quit your job
And start to tackle
The heavy lifting.

Surprised Him.



"I made a great hit with these new clothes."

"With whom?"

"My tailor. 'Ald cash."

Couldn't Swear.

"That must be an old grouch. I asked him what was the matter with his hand, and he never said a word."

"That fellow with his hand in a sling?"

"Yes."

"He is a deaf and dumb man who stepped on a tack yesterday and dislocated three fingers trying to express himself."

Be a News subscriber.

HELLO!

John, is that you? Say, we are going to have company tonight and I want you to be sure and bring home a box of Nunnally's candies. Be sure it's Nunnally's, because these confections are perfectly fresh, being shipped by express. It would be perfectly dreadful if you were to get a box of candy that was not fresh. You know I have been buying Nunnally's a long time and have never had a stale box.

Put your ring on the wrong finger, so you won't forget--hear? It is for sale by

A. H. Thompson, Leading Druggist
EAST SIDE OF SQUARE

For Sale

Fine lot of Native Cedar Posts. See us at once.

Keiser Bros. & Phillips

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

Don't forget that we carry at all times the most complete stock of staple and fancy groceries in town, and if you will let us figure your bills will convince you that our prices are right. Our new building will be complete in the next few days, at which time we will be in better position to make you prices than ever before from the fact that by buying in car load lots can save local freight, which is a saving of about 5 per cent, and want this to be yours.

We thank you very kindly for past patronage and are going to show our appreciation by selling you right in the future.

We guarantee every article in our grocery department to give absolute satisfaction or money refunded.

We want to call your attention to the fact that we handle the highest grade FLOURS that can be bought and a trial sack of BULTES EXCELLENCE always brings us a customer.

We also have the exclusive agency for the celebrated WHITE SWAN FLOUR.

Have just gotten in a car of REFINED GOLD (hard wheat), bought when the market was right, and are selling it considerably below the present market price. Don't fail to get the benefit of this before it is gone. We guarantee every sack of it.

We have All Kinds of Garden and Flower Seeds, Seed Potatoes and Onion Sets.

Come to see us and get our prices and we will sell you the goods.

Canyon City Supply Co.

**"WHERE THERE'S A WILL
THERE'S A WAY"**

Is an old and a very true saying, and in nothing does it apply with more force than in the matter of saving money. Everyone should save some part of his earnings, as it is not what one earns but what he saves that makes wealth. Start a savings account this month with

**The First National Bank
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BEING an "Old Timer" here I am well posted on values and know bargains when I see them. I am in a position to show you the best FARMS, RANCHES and CITY PROPERTY at the LOWEST PRICES

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Do not take it for "granted." Demand an Abstract before you pay out your money. Trades are tied up every day for want of sufficient record title. Our business is Abstracting. Careful and prompt attention to all such matters.

NORTHWESTERN TITLE COMPANY
Office in the court house

WE INVITE YOUR ATTENTION to our latest official statement. The handsome increase of business therein shown speaks not only for the bank, but for the community whence it derives its patronage.

NO. 7961.
CONDENSED REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
THE CANYON NATIONAL BANK,
AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEBRUARY 5TH, 1909,
As made to the Comptroller of Currency.

| RESOURCES | | LIABILITIES | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Loans and discounts | \$145,254.83 | Capital Stock | \$ 50,000.00 |
| U. S. Bonds and Premiums | 82,000.00 | Surplus | 15,000.00 |
| Banking House and Fixtures | 7,192.74 | Profits | 2,460.84 |
| Due from U. S. Treasurer | 2,500.00 | Circulation | 50,000.00 |
| Cash and Exchange | 167,328.78 | Deposits | 196,815.51 |
| Total | \$314,276.35 | Total | \$314,276.35 |

The above statement is correct.
I. L. HUNT, Cashier.

IS LOCAL OPTION NOW IN FORCE.

This Question is Injected Into Interesting Case on Trial in County Court in Potter County.

The case of the State of Texas vs. Dutch Henry now on trial before Judge Jeter in the county court promises to be one of the most interesting of the long list of similar suits now occupying the docket of the tribunal named. This is true for the reason that Messrs. Cooper & Stanford, attorneys for the defendant, brought into the case the question of the local option law being legally in force at this time in Potter county. The minutia of the matter pertaining to the declaration that local option is in effect, the manner of such declaration, and the basis for the same have had liberal handling by the attorneys for the defendant.

Persons who stated that they believe local option to be legally in effect in Potter county at the time of their examination for places on the pannel, where given a most severe test on this and other points.

The Dutch Henry case began yesterday afternoon and it is scarcely probable that it will have been finished before tomorrow.

One of the chief allegations or claims of the defendant through his attorney is that the result of the election held in Potter county to determine if local option shall be had here was not published according to the law governing such transactions. A portion of the argument relative to the issues to be submitted to the jury was had in the absence of the panel. This was done in order that the court might hear and pass on the law before passing the jury to determine the facts and submit its verdict.—Daily Panhandle.

What Sand Means.

Large quantities of people have brilliant qualities; they know a great deal, are well educated, but they lack sand—staying power. They can't stand by a proposition and see it through thick and thin to the end. They lack that bulldog grit which hangs on until they triumph or die. They lack the clinging ability that never lets go, no matter what comes. They work well when things go smoothly; they are fair weather sailors, but are terrified in a storm, paralyzed in an emergency. Staying power is the final test of ability. Any ordinary merchant can do business in prosperous times when everybody has money, but it takes a great merchant to steer a big business through hard times, through panics, with short capital. It takes a man with staying qualities, with a cold, clear head to guide a business through great commercial crises.—Success.

Mamma (in pantry)—Who has been drinking the milk, Johnny? Tell the truth, now!

Johnny—It was me, mamma; I wanted to see if it was sour.

Mamma—Well, suppose it had been?

Johnny—Why, I wouldn't have drunk it.—Chicago News.

Bones—(telling a story)—Well the evening wore on—

Jones—It did, eh? What did it wear?

Bones—Well, if you must know I believe it was the close of a summer day.—Life.

"I enjoy an occasional dinner with a married friend."

"Some of these brides are queer cooks."

"But you don't have to watch your hat and coat."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Mrs. John—I'm going to cook dinner today myself. What would you like?

Mr. John—Er—cold beef and pickles.—Kansas City Journal.

Good Rabbit Hunt.

W. L. Garner of this city was strutting around mightily last Monday morning on account of the success which he and others had during a rabbit hunt last Saturday in the snow. He together with County Clerk M. P. Garner took their young hounds, not over nine months old, out for a chase and started nine rabbits every one of which was caught. Mr. Garner claims that he has the best rabbit dogs in the county. Some of the rabbit hunters come out now and make him show up.

LARGE RANCH SOLD.

J. T. Holland Disposes of His Ranch Southeast of This City to Kansas People.

One of the largest individual deals made in this section for several months was consummated during the past week when J. T. Holland sold his farm and ranch consisting of 3440 acres southeast of this city to Messrs. Adams and McCreery of Kansas.

Mr. Holland did not give out any figures but we understand that it went up with the general average in price. Messrs. Adams and McCreery have already arrived with their families and household goods and are taking possession this week.

To the News reporter Mr. Holland said that he did not know just what he would do but stated that he had already contracted for another section of land but did not think that he would establish a farm upon it at present merely buying the land as an investment. He also said that he had been a resident of the plains for more than ten years and that he could not move away from it.

Spencer-Hendrickson.

Canyon is getting to be a Gretna Green when it comes to the wedding proposition and Judge A. N. Henson seems to have taken the place of the far-famed preacher of Gretna Green. Last Saturday there appeared before the Judge, W. W. Spencer and Miss Effie Hendrickson, both of whom hail from Amarillo, and they requested the judge's services in an important step in life. The judge was willing and ere long the happy couple were joined together to fight the battles of life. They left on the afternoon train for Amarillo where they will make their home.

City Election Notice.

It is hereby ordered that an election be held on Tuesday, the 6th day of April, 1909, at the Court House in Canyon City, Texas, at which time and place the qualified electors of said city will elect the following named officers to serve said city as such for the succeeding two years, viz: One mayor, one marshal, (who will be an assessor and collector of city tax), one city secretary, (who will also discharge the duties of city attorney) and one alderman for each of the three wards of said city. Each voter regardless of the ward he resides in may vote for one alderman for each of the said three wards.

The following named persons will as presiding officers hold and conduct said election and may appoint two judges and two clerks to assist them, viz: E. A. Upfold, ward No. 1; Sam Hyser, ward No. 2; Sam Shotwell, ward No. 3. JASPER N. HANEY, 49-41 Mayor.

An Unnecessary Expense.

There is no need of being to the expense of sending for a doctor in any case of pain in the stomach or colic when a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is at hand. No physician can prescribe a better medicine. For sale by City Pharmacy.

PALO DURO CLUB ELECTION.

Officers and Stockholders Hold Annual Meeting at Amarillo and Name New Directors.

At Amarillo last Thursday night the stockholders of the Palo-Duro Club which has its grounds about three miles from this city on the Palo Duro canyon, held their annual meeting at Amarillo at which time the directors and officers for the ensuing year were elected.

The board of directors will consist of Messrs. C. O. Wolfin, B. T. Ware, H. H. Morrow, Thomas Currie, H. B. Jones, William Boyce, and B. C. D. Bynum of Amarillo and Thomas Rowan and D. A. Park of Canyon City.

After the election of the directors the officers were elected as follows: Charles O. Wolfin, president; B. T. Ware, vice-president; B. C. D. Bynum, secretary-treasurer.

An effort was made to raise the amount of the annual dues but the matter was voted down as was also the proposition to offer the courtesy of the grounds to the ministers.

Low Rates to Roswell.

The Santa Fe has announced the very low rate of \$5.00 for the round trip from Canyon to Roswell for the convention of the Panhandle Cattlemen's association on the 6th, 7th and 8th of April. A special rate of 1 1-5th fare for side trips to all valley points is also given. The preparations point to the biggest convention in the history of the association. Roswell will spend over \$5,000 in entertaining its visitors. 51-2t

An Ideal Cough Medicine.

"As an ideal cough medicine I regard Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in a class by itself," says Dr. R. A. Wiltshire, of Gwynville, Ind. "I take great pleasure in testifying to the results of Chamberlain's Cough Medicine. In fact, I know of no other preparation that meets so fully the expectations of the most exacting in cases of croup and coughs of children. As it contains no opium, chloroform or morphine it certainly makes a most safe, pleasant and efficacious remedy for the ills it is intended." For sale by City Pharmacy.

More Immigrants Arrive.

Two additional cars immigrant goods were unloaded at this place last Monday morning and that afternoon two more cars were set out upon the side track. These northern people are coming into Randall county very rapidly and are making substantial improvements on their new farms. Several more cars are expected during the latter part of this week and quite a number during the coming week.

Baseball at Plainview.

On last Saturday a week ago the boys of this city who are playing base ball gathered together a team and went to Plainview where they were to cross bats with a similar team from that place. According to reports it seems to have been a travesty on the game for it is understood that the Canyon team made twenty-some-odd scores while the Plainview aggregation were satisfied with a measly few. Count of the errors was not accurate on account of scarcity of paper on the grounds. The Canyon boys returned home the next morning feeling a little sore about the matter, not because they won by such a large majority, but, as they say, on account of the treatment accorded them, claiming that only a small portion of their expenses were paid when they were promised all of them.

Good quality calling cards—100 25 cents.

Let the Canyon Tailoring Co. do your cleaning and pressing.

PLUMBING,

Well and Windmill Work Correctly done.

J. S. HARRISON
Phone 107 Canyon City

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Contractors for painting and decorating new Randall County Court House.

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

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AMARILLO, - TEXAS

Dr. C. B. Lohr

Veterinary Surgeon

I am now located at the office of the George Reynolds Co.'s livery barn and treat all kinds of diseases pertaining to domestic animals and those of cattle and sheep especially.

Castrating, ridgling and vaccinating together with tuberculosis treatments on short notice. I have had twenty-three years experience in my profession.

All calls from the city, county or state promptly answered, day or night.

Charges are Reasonable.
Office Phone, No. 6.
Residence Phone, No. 12.

DR. C. B. LOHR

Canyon City, Texas

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BAKERY**

Beaver & Key, Proprietors.

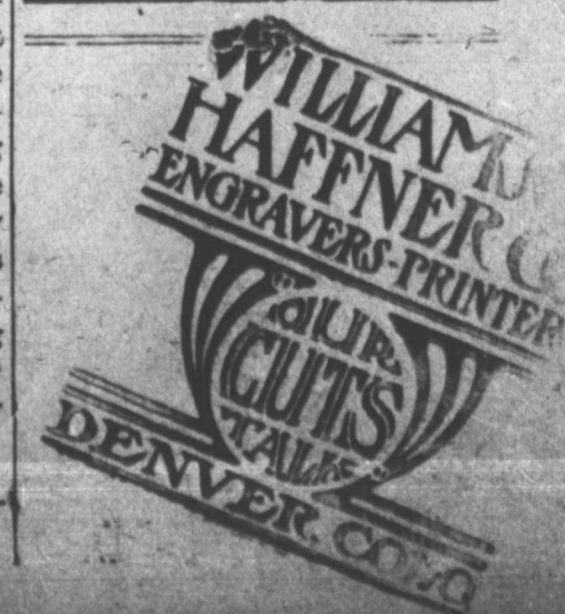
Bread
Pies
Cakes

Everything that is kept in a first-class bakery.

Entirely New Plant

Your trade is appreciated

Dunbar Building
South Side Square



JOHN HUTSON RISES IN WRATH.

No Open Class for Registered Hereford Beef Cattle at Fort Worth Show.

Following is a copy of a letter written by Mr. John Hutson of Canyon City to the secretary of the American Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association. Mr. Hutson does not mince words over a matter which he terms an outrage, and there is no man in the southwest better prepared to speak on the subject under discussion than Mr. Hutson. He says:

C. R. Thomas, Esq., Secretary American Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association, Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir: Received today your favor dated March 10, in regard to sale. I note with much regret that the association did not see fit to give any premium for a registered Hereford steer at the stock show at Fort Worth to be held this month, except to a member of the Texas Hereford association. As a breeder and stockholder in your association, I think this is an outrage. You give no encouragement for a breeder to develop a beef animal, which I think would assist not

only the breeders but the public in general, showing them that every white face calf is not kept for a sire. Breeders of horses, hogs, sheep and all registered breeding associations give inducements to their respective breeders to use the knife.

I have gone to the expense to fit some 2-year-old Hereford steers and Martin heifers, expecting that any money expended by the association to which I belong would be given as premiums to members of the association and not allow other minor associations to compel one to join in order to compete.

This letter may appear selfish, but I am writing this as a member of the American Hereford Breeders association. I am barred from competing for any premium offered in a registered steer class in the state of Texas.

Yours truly,

JOHN HUTSON.

Canyon City, Texas, March 13.

Arrangements have been made for the senior class of the local high school to spend Saturday on the canyons. They will be chaperoned by some of the teachers from the school.

CANYON CITY BANK SUED.

Samuel Crowley Alleges Non-Compliance With Defendant's Contract.

Samuel Crowley vs. The First National Bank of Canyon City, the style of a suit filed in the federal district court yesterday. The plaintiff alleges non-compliance with contract and sues for \$21,200. This case will deal with an alleged contract upon the part of the defendant bank to secure title to certain lands in the Panhandle for plaintiff, who is a resident of the state of Missouri, by a given time and in consideration of a certain sum of money.

Process was served in this case yesterday and it is stated that the matter will come up for hearing at the incoming term of the federal court in Amarillo. —Amarillo Daily Panhandle.

Noted Lecturer to Come.

The people of Canyon City will be glad to note that H. M. Perkins, the noted lecturer on "Dixie, the Land of the Mid-day Sun, her Form, Folks, Freaks and Fashions" has been secured by the Woman's Home Mission

Society of the Methodist church for a date early in April. As a humorist he is unsurpassed and all who desire to laugh and forget your troubles must not miss this treat. Watch for more about him.

More People to Come.

A letter to this office this week from C. Frazen of Golden, Illinois, states that two families have left that place for Canyon City. They are the families of Henry Pyle and Guy Poland and they will locate on lands in Randall county and are bringing with them their household goods and farming implements.

A Correction.

We regret to state that in the Thompson Hardware company ad last week we stated that the location of the business was on the "West" side of the square. It should have stated that it was on the East side. This firm is so well and favorably known that we think no harm was done by the error but still we feel that an apology is due them and we do therefore apologize to them for the error.

FIRE IN POSTOFFICE QUICKLY QUENCHED

Department Confines Flames to One Room in Basement—Pope and Brother Lose \$100.

Fire of unknown origin last night destroyed approximately \$100 worth of property for Pope & Brother in the basement of the postoffice building. No insurance was carried. The goods consisted almost entirely of fireworks carried over from the holidays. No one had been in the room for three hours previous to the blaze and the door was locked.

There lies the mystery as to how the fire could have occurred.

Fred Pope, out of consideration for the prompt work of the volunteer department, gave a check for \$15 to the fireboys. They work of the firemen was quick and effective, confining the flames to the apartment in which they originated. —Daily Panhandle.

Oscar Saylor, a business man of Amarillo, together with his family, visited at the home of Judge and Mrs. A. N. Henson last Thursday. They came from Amarillo in their automobile and returned that afternoon.

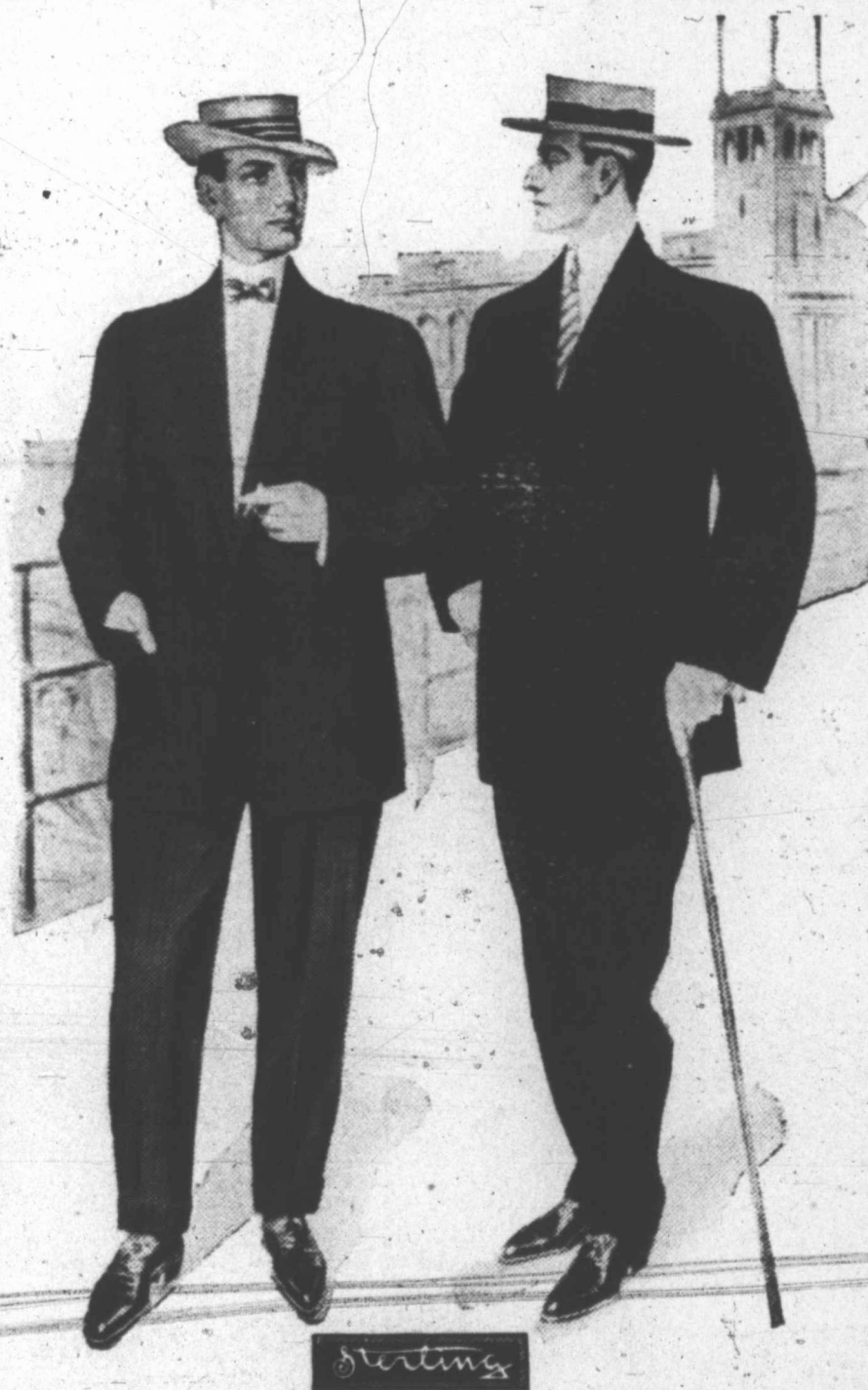
The snow which was reported in these columns last week did a great deal of good among the farming class as it melted slowly and all of the moisture went into the ground. Inquiry among the farmers elicits the fact that wheat and oats will not suffer for rain for at least six weeks more. This insures a good crop of wheat and fall oats because we always have plenty of rain in April. Farmers are busy breaking their old land and sod for the spring crops of corn, Kafir and milo maize and it is thought that there will be a forty per cent increase in land in cultivation in this county this year over that of last. Verily Randall county is coming to the front rapidly.

New Land Firm.

W. W. Allison, who has been formerly connected with one of the local real estate firms, has severed his connection with that firm and he, together with his brother, John Allison, are starting a new land and immigration firm and will have their offices in the Brandon building on West Evelyn street.

Be a News subscriber.

It's Now Time to Dress



We are now displaying the BEST and most extensive line of clothing that we have ever shown during the many years of our business career.

There has never been a time that we were in position to supply the demands of our trade for UP-TO-DATE clothing at a price within the reach of every one as are at this time.

Our line is extensive, embracing some of the most nobby and select patterns that the market affords in HAND TAILORED GOODS.

EVERY SUIT HAND TAILORED and a "perfect" fit for every one.

We have them for the lean and tall, for the fat and the small ---prices ranging from \$10 to \$35.

Don't fail to see us before buying your Spring Suit for we will not only save you money but will give you the advantage of selecting from the most varied patterns that have ever been shown in Canyon City.

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Roomers and Boarders are
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Mrs. N. A. Croson.

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I HAVE opened a new
barber shop on the
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and will serve you to
the best of my ability
and assure you that your
patronage will be ap-
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side of square. All calls promptly
answered.
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"Boost a Bit."
"Fall in while the band's a-playin',
Ketch the step an' march along—
Stead o' pessimistic brayin',
Jine the halleluyer song!
Drop yer hammer—do some rootin'—
Grab a horn you cuss, an' split
Every echo with yer tootin';
Jump the roost
An' boost
A bit!"

"Here, you disconted knocker,
Growlin' 'bout the country's ills;
Chloroform yer dismal talker;
Take a course o' liver pills,
Stop yer dern ki-o-tee howlin'
Chaw some sand an' get some grit;
Don't sit in the dumps a-growlin'
Jump the roost
An' boost
A bit!"
—A Des Moines Commercial Ditty.

Peril of "Buttin' In."

The owner of a dry goods
store heard a new clerk say to
a customer:
"No, madam, we have not had
any for a long time."
With a fierce glance at the
clerk the smart employer rushed
up to the woman and said:
"We have plenty of everything
in reserve, ma'am: plenty up-
stairs."

The customer and the clerk
looked dazed. Then the proprie-
tor, seeing that something was
wrong, said to the customer:
"Excuse me, what did you ask
for?"

The woman simply replied:
"Why I said to the clerk that we
hadn't any rain lately."

Good Cough Medicine for Children.

The season for coughs and
colds is now at hand and too
much care cannot be used to pro-
tect the children. A child is
much more likely to contract dip-
theria or scarlet fever when he
has a cold. The quicker you
cure his cold the less the risk.
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
is the sole reliance of many mo-
thers, and few of those who have
tried it are willing to use any
other. Mrs. F. F. Starcher, of
Ripley, W. Va. says: "I have
never used any thing other than
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy
for my children and it has always
given good satisfaction." This
remedy contains no opium or
other narcotic and may be given
as confidently to a child as to an
adult. For sale by City Phar-
macy.

An Economical Extravagance.

George W. Childs Drexel, at a
reception at the Bellevue-Strat-
ford in Philadelphia, described
his forthcoming cruise in the
beautiful Alcedo in South Amer-
ican waters.

"But it will be fearfully ex-
pensive, won't it?" said a young
Englishman.

"No—economical, really," said
Mr. Childs Drexel. "You see,
the yacht is the only place on
earth where an extravagant cou-
ple like my wife and myself can't
spend a cent."

Race Suicide

is not nearly the menace to in-
crease in population that deaths
among infants are. Eight out of
ten of these deaths are directly
or indirectly caused by bowel
troubles. McGee's Baby Elixir
cures diarrhoea, dysentary, sour
stomach and all infant ailments
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Price 25c and 50c per bottle.
Sold by A. H. Thompson, the
leading druggist.

We will within ten days receive
other shipments of fresh vegeta-
bles from South Texas. White
Swan Gro. Co., Dawson Bros.
Props.

Will Hudnall of Tyler has ar-
rived in this city and is with the
clerical department of the First
National bank.

For Sale.—Or will trade for
Plains land, 3500 acres of school
land in El Paso county. Ad-
dress Randolph Carter, Toyah,
Texas. 51-4tp

New Candies at Cowart's.
At Cowart's Confectionery
there has been received this week
a very large shipment of the best
grades of candies. The display
of these goods is very tempting.
Call and see them.

We regret to note that Mrs.
David A. Park has been confined
to her room on account of sick-
ness for the past week.

A Swollen Jaw

is not pretty nor pleasant.
Whether it's caused by neural-
gia, toothache or accident, Bal-
lard's Snow Liniment will re-
duce the swelling and relieve the
pain. The great and sure cure
for rheumatism, cuts, burns,
blisters, scalds—any and all aches
and pains. Sold by A. H. Thomp-
son, the leading druggist.

Claude Bennet returned last
Friday from an extended visit at
New Orleans and his old home at
Crystal Springs, Mississippi. He
says he likes Randall county and
Canyon City better than ever.

A Neighbor of Yours

as well as yourself is liable at
any time to have rheumatism.
We're all liable to have cuts or
burns, bruises or scalds, crick
in the back, neck or side—some
kind of an ache or pain. Then
heed this advice and tell your
neighbors—Ballard's Snow Lini-
ment relieves all aches and pains
and heals all wounds. Sold by
A. H. Thompson, the leading
druggist.

Roughing It.

A bishop traveling through the
country stopped for the night at
a country rectory and the good
rector, in the absence of his wife,
did his very best to make his
guest comfortable. He put him,
of course in the best bedroom.
When saying good-bye the next
morning, he continued to ex-
press the hope that the bishop
would bring his wife with him
next time.

"Well, I don't know," said the
bishop, "my wife isn't used to
roughing it."

Lovers

of good health should prevent
sickness instead of letting them-
selves get sick and then try to
cure it. So long as you keep
your liver, bowels and stomach
in a healthy and active condition
you won't get sick. Ballard's
Herbine relieves constipation, in-
active liver and all stomach and
bowel troubles. Sold by A. H.
Thompson, the leading druggist.

Bids Wanted for Building.

Proposals will be received by
The First National Bank of Can-
yon, Texas, and L. C. Lair of Canyon,
Texas, for the erection and con-
struction of a two-story office
and banking building, according
to the plans and specifications
furnished by R. C. Kirsch & Co.,
of St. Louis, sealed bids to be
addressed to The First National
Bank of Canyon, Texas, on or
before noon on the 25th day of
March, 1909. Plans are now on
file at the First National Bank of
Canyon, Texas.

Owners reserve the right to
reject any and all bids.

D. A. PARK, Cashier.

Dissolution Notice.

The partnership heretofore ex-
isting between J. H. Garrison
and C. R. McAfee, composing
the firm of Garrison, Harrison &
Co., doing a real estate business
with principal offices at Canyon,
Texas, and Belleville, Illinois,
has this day, by mutual consent,
been dissolved. C. R. McAfee
assumes all indebtedness of the
firm and will collect all accounts
due the firm.

Witness our hands at Canyon,
Texas, this 23rd day of Feb-
ruary, 1909.

**J. H. GARRISON,
C. R. MCAFEE.**

BUSINESS LOCALS

Cleaning and pressing neatly
done at Canyon Tailoring Co.

Cowart's confectionery for con-
fections.

Garden and flower seeds, at the
Racket store. 51-1t

Don't fail to see our 10 and 25
cent counter. Canyon Mercan-
tile Co. (Hdw. Dep.) 51-tf

Magazines at Cowart's.

To Sell.—Fine native cedar posts.
See Keiser Brothers & Phillips.

Bar for Sale.—I have a registered
Poland China male for sale.
51-tf J. L. PRICHARD.

Cowart's candies are the best
candies.

Bargains on our 10 and 25 cent
counter. Canyon Mercantile
Co. (Hdw. Dep.) 51-tf

Cowart has plenty of good
candies, fruits, nuts, popcorn
and peanuts.

C. N. Harrison, Abstracts and
Insurance. Office in rear of
First National Bank. 48tf

The Canyon Tailoring Com-
pany for good work.

Oliver Typewriter.—An Oliver Type-
writer, second hand, in good re-
pair for sale. Apply at this of-
fice. 30tf

C. N. Harrison, Abstracts and
Insurance. Office in rear of
First National Bank. 48tf

Pony for Sale.—Shetland pony
with buggy for sale.
50-tf MRS. T. H. ROWAN.

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

Harness for Sale.—Two sets of
heavy double harness and one set
of buggy harness.
49-tf E. S. FAIRBANK.

Full outfit of farming imple-
ments. Wagon, harness and
horses. Prices right.
49tf LEE VAN SANT.

Notice of Posting.—All my lands are
private and I will allow no tres-
passing. This is notice to all.
C. L. GORDON-CUMMING.

Something for everyone on our
10 and 25 cent counter. Canyon
Mercantile Co. (Hdw. Dep.) 51-tf

For Trade.—Some young mules
and mares to trade for sod
breaking close to town.
51-tf JOHN KNIGHT.

For Sale.—Sixteen head of good
horses and mules at my farm 8
miles west of Canyon on main
road. E. A. HUNT. 47tf

For Sale.—160 acres of alfalfa
land in two miles of Lake Arthur
New Mexico. Will give terms.
Apply to owner.

J. R. BALLARD,
50tf Canyon, Texas.

For Sale.—Two fine patented sec-
tions, Numbers, 283 and 284,
Block M6. Fourteen miles south-
east of Hereford.
Apply to owner,
49-tf C. W. DODSON,
Hereford, Texas.

Remember that 10 and 25 cent
counter at the Canyon Mercan-
tile Co. (Hdw. Dep.) 51-tf

Hundred acres of sod four
miles south of town to be broken.
Will pay \$2 per acre cash.
51-tf JOHN KNIGHT.

Feed for Sale.—Bundled Kafir
corn for sale at my farm about
four miles east of town.
51-4tp PAUL FLUEGEL.

Phone 216 when you want
clothes cleaned, pressed or re-
paired. Canyon Tailoring Com-
pany.

For Sale.—400 bales of Kafir fod-
der, nice and green. No stalks
with it. Price right.
51-1tp L. E. COWLING.

For information regarding Pre-
sidio county and Southwest Tex-
as, the best stock country in the
state, write Woolley & Ballew,
Marfa, Texas. 51-4tp

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

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buy poor material. It's impossible to get a good
building out of sorry lumber.
When you buy of us you get the best.
Fulton Lumber Company
Southwest Corner Square.

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Ranger R, 31423, Standard and Registered
Registry; will make the season of 1909 at the
East Wagon Yard, Canyon City.
Ranger is a beautiful Mahogany Bay, 16 hands, weighs
1180 pounds. A1 saddler and driver.
Ranger was sired by Rabelias 11122; Rabelias by Bel-
mont, 64. Ranger R, dam Mattie Mont, by Norwood Star
1395, dam Daisy H.
For size, style and action his progeny are just right. As
saddlers and drivers they are unequalled.
Care will be taken to prevent accidents but will not be
responsible for any.
TERMS:—\$15 to insure live colt. Mare parted with or
removed from county, services will become due and payable
at once.
C. S. DUNCAN
East Wagon Yard Canyon City, Texas

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One car load two and three year old bulls.
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One hundred head cows with calves on foot.
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to emphasize the merits of your business or an-
nounce your special sales. A straight story told in
a straight way to the readers of this paper will
quickly reach the ears of the thoughtful, intelligent
buying public, the people who have the money in
their pockets, and the people who listen to reason
and not noise. Our books will show you a list of
the kind of people you appeal to. Call and see them at this office.



A SERMON IN POLITICS.

Kansas City Paper Draws a Lesson From Change in Presidential Office.—A Great Republic.

Last week witnessed the most inspiring and instructive spectacle which a republic affords. It was the culminating triumph of popular government. One man, called by the voice of 80,000,000 people to the seat of supreme authority, took a simple oath to observe the fundamental laws of the land and to bend all his energies toward the advancement of the highest interest of the people. One day a private citizen, the next he was the official head of the greatest nation of the earth—not by reason of birth or conquests or wealth or anything but the freely expressed preference of the people whose material destinies were committed to his official keeping.

Another man, who had been called to the same exalted office four years before and who had been originally called to this office through a great national tragedy, laid down the reins of power with a smile. One day the president, the next he was a private citizen, with no more authority than the humblest workingman on the streets, without a tithe of the power possessed by the policeman walking his beat. He had been shorn of his power, not by reason of incompetency or oppression, not by a conqueror or by the dictum of some tribunal, not as the result of revolution or upheaval of thrones, but by the exercise of the constitutional prerogative of a majority of the fourteen or fifteen millions of voters who

chose him as their chief magistrate. The reins were not wrested forcibly, as those of other republics have been within the year. They have taken from him by the unseen hand of a law more inexorable than victory and defeat on the field of battle. If he had sought to hold them for a day, the nation would have been aflame and the whole world would have been stirred with excitement. But he did not seek to hold that which was no longer his, and no president of this country has ever done so. That is what makes this republic such a magnificent thing among the nations of the earth.—Kansas City Journal.

Lucky.

Little Johnnie, who had been praying for some months for God to send him a baby brother, finally became discouraged. "I don't believe God has any more little boys to send," he told his mother, "and I'm going to quit it."

Early one morning not long after this he was taken into his mother's room to see twin boys who had arrived in the night. Johnnie regarded them thoughtfully for some minutes.

"Gee," he remarked finally, "it's a good thing I stopped praying when I did."—Everybody's Magazine.

Cotton Rags Wanted.

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

Phone 41 when you have an item of local news.

Not Worth the Offer.

"I was standing out in front one night," said a theatrical manager, "when a ragged little urchin came along with a dog under his arm. The dog was a yellow cur of the mangiest variety I had ever seen.

"Are you the manager of the show?" asked the boy.

"I told him I was.

"Well," remarked the lad, "I want to see the show, but I hain't got no money. I'll tell you what I'll do, I'll give you this dog if you'll let me in."

"I looked at the boy and then at the dog, and my heart melted. 'You can go in,' I said, 'but never mind giving me the dog. Take the dog along with you.'

"The lad went in with the yellow cur under his arm. After the performance I was standing out in front and happened to see the urchin come out.

"Well, sonny," I remarked, "how did you like the show?"

"Oh, pretty well," he said, "but I'm awful glad I didn't give you the dog."

What We All Like Best.

Madame Calve, at a ladies' luncheon at Sherry's, was condoned with by an elderly spinster on the ground that a laudatory article about her had not been very subtle or discriminating.

"I know well," said the spinster, smiling behind her glittering spectacles, "that only discriminating praise counts as praise with you."

"Don't talk about discriminating praise," answered Mme. Calve. "Fulsome flattery is good enough for me."

Enthusiasm.

Enthusiasm is the dynamo that drives a man until he drives his work, whether it be manual, mental or spiritual. Enthusiasm is what keeps Thomas A. Edison at his laboratory for days at a time without going home. It is the mysterious something that compelled McCormick to put out the first reaper in the face of opposition.

Enthusiasm is the stuff success is made of. He who accomplishes anything worth while must be full of it.

But enthusiasm is not success nor is it a guarantee of success. Electricity may be made to move machinery, or it may tear everything to pieces in a thunder crash. One is under control, the other not. Gunpowder may propel a cannon ball for miles with accuracy, but the same charge may blow the ship to atoms.

There is the enthusiasm that "count the chickens before they are hatched." It has the profits all figured a year in advance: There is that which impels men to put their hard earned cash into a gold mine that is not yet—and never will or can be. The quality of enthusiasm is A1 but it is not intelligently directed. It needs ballast.

Well directed enthusiasm finds a way or makes one. But the other kind is like the pup that barks and digs at a gopher hole a while, runs about yelping, digs at another hole, and maybe at a long deserted one,—but he's great on slinging dirt!

A man has discovered or invented something new. He has it all figured out just what the

profits will be. But somehow he has failed to count the cost of opposition, or skepticism, or public indifference in the thing. He doesn't know or try to know, all that pertains to making a success out of a new thing.

My son, get enthusiasm, and with all thy getting get more enthusiasm, but get that which has a balance wheel, a ballast, a governor, or a good bridle.—Successful Farming.

A Clear Explanation.

A southern congressman recently went into a barber shop in a small Tennessee town to get a hair cut. The barber, after the usual flow of conversation, completed the job and, turning, to the customer, asked:

"Tennessee or Georgia?" Somewhat mystified by the singular question, but determining not to show his ignorance, the congressman replied:

"Georgia."

The barber then proceeded to brush his hair "dry."

Bryan to Lecture in Amarillo.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan will lecture at the Grand Opera House, Amarillo, Texas, Wednesday, March 31st, afternoon and night. Subjects will be "Prince of Peace" at 3 o'clock p. m., and "The Average Man" at 8:30 o'clock p. m. Price \$1.00, same to accompany all orders for tickets; also state whether for afternoon or night.

Address all communications to H. H. Elliott, Manager, Grand Opera House. Excursion rates on all railroads.

Appointed District Deputy.

Judge A.N.Henson on Monday received notification that he had been appointed as District Deputy President of the Rebekahs, the ladies' degree of the Odd Fellows.

Mrs. James'

Dainty Baby Goods

Children's Suits.

Mrs. Minnie Gano, Agent,

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