

## BUILDING PLANS ARE ADOPTED

### BOARD OF EDUCATION ACCEPTS PLANS OF FORT WORTH ARCHITECTS.

Largest Normal Building in State will be Erected for West Texas State Normal at Canyon City.

After several days deliberation, the State Board of Education last Saturday selected plans for the main building for the West Texas State Normal which has been located at Canyon City. A number of plans had been submitted by various architects and, from reports coming from Austin, it appears that the Board had some very elegant designs to select from. Waller, Shaw & Fields of Fort Worth were finally awarded the contract for the plans and they have promised to have the plans ready at once so that the contract for the main building may be let by the 20th of this month.

While plans of the building selected have not as yet been sent to this city, reports state that the building is to be three stories in height with thirty recitation rooms, two large lecture rooms, an auditorium 100 by 100 feet with a seating capacity of fifteen hundred people. It will also include a gymnasium, fifty by one hundred feet and a swimming pool of like dimensions.

The outside architecture of the building will conform to the old style of Texas architecture, namely, the Mission style and the perspective presented shows the building to be one of the handsomest public buildings in the state. The State Board decided upon this class of architecture because of the fact that the building of this institution is such that it is intended to make the entire plans for the building and grounds conform to Texas ideas and to Texas ideals.

As above stated it is the intention of the State Board to let the contract for the construction of the main building by the 20th of this month so that the actual work on the building may be begun early in January. The State Board also announces that it is the intention to have the building ready for occupancy by September first of next year so that the school may open in the early days of that month.

Those who submitted plans for the building were George Burnett of Amarillo, Waller, Shaw & Fields of Ft. Worth, Henry T. Phelps of San Antonio, C. H. Page & Bro. of Austin, Scott & Pierce of Waco, Thompson & Harrison of Dallas, J. Ira Jones of Lawton, Okla., Barry H. Hill of Plainview, A. O. Watson of Austin and R. G. Kirsh of St. Louis.

Never in the history of the state has there been such a good opportunity for the State Board to select a corps of teachers which will compare with the greatest teacher's educational institutions of the United States. Applications are being made by some of the best known educators for the various positions in the faculty and the Board will be enabled to secure the very best teaching talent for each department. The selection of the faculty, however, will not be made until sometime during the spring, after which the definite advertising matter will be issued and sent to the various persons inquiring about the Normal.

Every day there comes to the hands of the Secretary of the Commercial Club inquiries about this new state school, people who desire to know all about the course of study and when the

school is open, price of board and boarding facilities, and about the chances to rent desirable houses near the school building. From these inquiries it appears that some houses for rental purposes will have to be erected along with the large number of boarding houses that will be required for the students.

#### A Letter From R. B. Cousins.

The following letter handed to the News by L. E. Cowling, one of the Normal school trustees, is self explanatory.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 6, 1909.  
Mr. L. E. Cowling,  
Canyon City, Texas.

Dear Sir:  
All public business proceeds with exasperating slowness. I have pushed with all possible strength in this normal school matter since the law became effective last June. The Board has finally selected architects and they are now at work on the details of our new building. It affords me very great pleasure to say that, in my judgment, the architects selected are men of the very highest training and experience in the kind of work which we have in hand. I am entirely confident that we shall have a school house which is thoroughly modern in every particular, and which shall exhibit in its construction the very best that has been developed and proved in school architecture. Within a week or ten days, I feel sure, we will be ready to invite the contractors to make their figures. I am hoping that the contractor will be ready and the work begun by the first day of January; but, whatever may happen, I am determined that our school shall open the first week of next September. I shall insist that the contractors be put under bond to finish the house by the first day of September, 1910, and that the date for the opening of the school be fixed not later than the 15th day of next September. If the State Board of Education will co-operate with me in these matters, the school will open during the first part of the month of September without fail. If it should so happen that the building can not be made ready for occupancy by that time, with the consent and co-operation of the good people of Canyon City and Randall County, the school will open, if necessary, in the courthouse, the city churches, under a tent, or elsewhere on the date fixed. So far as I am concerned there shall be no compromise or condition concerning the opening of the school. At the earliest possible moment I will send you a drawing of our building.

Anticipating great pleasure in being associated with you in this great enterprise, I am,

Yours sincerely,  
R. B. Cousins.

#### The Thanksgiving Concert.

The "Thanksgiving Concert" given by the Ladies' Home Mission Society of the Presbyterian church at the opera house Friday, Nov. 26, was a social and financial success. The News wishes to state that all of the programme was good, the young folks did well, and better than some of those imported traveling shows or plays, and besides the money is used here and not taken away. Why not have this kind of amusement more frequently? They answer a two-fold purpose, first to train the young people to appear before and to entertain the public, and second, they help along a good cause in a financial way. The News apologizes for failing to make mention of this concert last week.

## Panhandle Schools and West Texas Normal.

Interview with State Superintendent R. B. Cousins.

In capturing the West Texas State Normal school Canyon City, Amarillo and other towns of the Panhandle will profit greatly and this region will become known as one of great influence in the educational world of the West. Matters regarding this school are of such vital interest to the people of the Plains, that the Daily Panhandle never overlooks an opportunity to give news of men and affairs in this connection. A member of the Daily Panhandle staff spent the past week in Austin and, while there, called on State Superintendent of Education R. B. Cousins, who is to be the President of the state normal at Canyon City, and during the interview President Cousins spoke most interestingly of affairs of the school. He said:

"You may say to the good people who read your paper that on the first day of January I shall take up my residence at Canyon City and become a citizen of the Plains country. It is my desire to take part in everything that tends toward the material prosperity and the permanent upbuilding of that great section of our state. Of course, I shall devote my time very largely to the educational interests, but I shall not be indifferent to anything and everything that could add to the health, wealth or prosperity of the people. The State Normal School will be located at Canyon City, but it is my desire and fixed intention to make its influence felt for good in stimulating educational interest in every city on the Plains.

"The people of Randall county have contributed very generously of their wealth to the establishment of a school of high order, and it is the very earnest desire of the State Board of Education and of myself to make every dollar which they have contributed or which the state has contributed, to bring a just return. We shall proceed at once vigorously to the building of the houses necessary, but we shall consider every step very carefully so that when the work is completed the people can take a just pride in the work which they have done. It is my desire and my belief that every man who has contributed a dollar toward securing the location shall live to see the day when he will believe that the money contributed to the building of this school was the most profitable investment that he ever made. The money available for the building of this school will enable us to construct a house modern in every particular, useful for the purpose intended and a thing of beauty. It is safe to say that we shall have one of the best equipped normal school plants in the entire South.

"I can say for the State Board of Education that it has not made a single mistake in a man or woman that it has added to the faculty of a normal school since the beginning of this administration. It is safe to say that it will proceed with the same degree of intelligence in the selection of the faculty for the normal on the Plains that it has exercised in the selection of faculties of other normal schools. There will be no dead timber in the new school, and every man and woman selected will be the very best one that could be obtained in Texas or out of Texas for the work to be done and the money at our command. Politics, personal friendship and enmities, and every other consideration will be neglected and forgotten except one, that one

being the question of preparation by nature and training to do the best work in the best way.

"I am particularly interested in the Amarillo city schools for the reason that every normal school ought to have a practice department in which the young teachers who are in training may have the opportunity to observe the best teaching and take part in that work. The normal school will have need of the Amarillo city schools for observation. Our students in the normal will be required to observe and to point out the strong points and the weak points in the teaching which they observe. I shall hope that the relations between the normal school and the city schools of Amarillo shall be such that the students of the normal will have access to the Amarillo city schools for the purpose of observing and criticising the work. With this in view, I hope that the Amarillo city schools will be such as to furnish us the best models in supervision, organization and school room instruction. This work will be required as a part of the regular work of the normal school. It will not be done occasionally and sporadically, but persistently and systematically. The necessity for this will be seen when you parallel the work of a normal school with that of a training school for physicians. It would indeed be a very poor sort of medical college that would undertake to do its work without clinics. The young physician is expected to know anatomy from having dissected subjects. He is expected to know the ordinary disease which he will treat from having diagnosed the same diseases and prescribed for them in the hospital attached to the college in which he was a student. It is just as illogical to have a normal school without special arrangements for this work as it would be to have a medical school without a hospital and clinics, or to have a law school without moot courts and observation of the actual proceedings in the courts of the country. Being situated in Canyon City, I hope and believe that the school authorities there will co-operate with the college authorities in making such a connection between the city schools and the college as will be helpful to both.

"I anticipate very great pleasure in being associated with the people of the Plains in all our common interests and great enterprises. I realize the great service which the newspapers can render in an educational way, because I have felt their strong influence during my administration of the affairs of this office."—Daily Panhandle.

#### Normal Building Architects are Selected.

Plans and specifications for the new State Normal school building to be erected at Canyon City will be drawn by a Fort Worth firm of architects, the contract being Saturday awarded to Waller, Shaw & Fields of this city.

Ten bids were received, but when the board adjourned Friday night the number had dwindled to four, George Burnett of Amarillo, Waller, Shaw & Fields of Fort Worth, Henry T. Phelps of San Antonio and C. H. Page & Brother of Austin.

The plans and specifications brought the cost of the building within the limit of \$100,000.—Fort Worth Record.

T. L. Crews of Paonia, Colorado, spent a few days the first of the week in Canyon and expects to remain here several days visiting friends. Mr. Crews says his home town is located in one of the greatest fruit growing belts in Colorado and a great number of apples have been shipped from that point this year.

#### A Fort Worth Firm Draws Normal Plans.

At a meeting of the State Board of Education, held today, (Dec. 4) the board opened bids for plans and specifications for the new West Texas Normal to be established at Canyon City. The board had the plans of a number of prominent architects over the state and finally adopted the plans of Waller, Shaw & Fields of Fort Worth. These plans and specifications call for a building, mission style, costing between \$90,000 and \$100,000, and is to be three stories in height, with thirty recitation rooms, two lecture rooms, a gymnasium 50x100 feet and a natatorium of the same dimensions. The plans also provide for an auditorium with a seating capacity of 1,500 people.

The board decided to advertise for bids for the construction of the building, and these bids will be opened about Dec. 20. There were a number of architects here from all over the state in view of the matter.—Special to Dallas News.

#### Made Good Impression.

Hon. J. C. Hunt of Canyon City delivered an address at the I. O. O. F. hall in this city Thanksgiving on the subject "Higher Education."

The speaker is thoroughly conversant with his subject and in his masterly effort proved beyond question that the founding of colleges on the plains was a more potent factor for intellectual and industrial development than the construction of railroads and the establishment of factories.

He pointed with pride to the location of the State Normal at Canyon showing that it attracted the highest and best citizenship and eliminated the undesirable. Criminal statistics of the United States and Germany were strictly compared and the low percentage of crime in Germany was attributed to the education and intelligence of her citizenship.

The Judge's name has been frequently mentioned for a place in our Legislature and coming as he does from Canyon City where the State has just located one of its educational institutions,—which fact places him in close touch with the State—and that 1910 will be a census year necessitating the re-districting of the state for Congressional, Legislative and Judicial purposes, his recognized ability, his unimpeachable integrity and knowledge of our needs would make him a formidable candidate and a wise legislator.—Hale Center Live Wire.

#### West Texas Normal Plans.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 3.—The State Board of Education today began the consideration of plans for the new West Texas Normal. The board adjourned this afternoon with the determination to select finally its architect tomorrow, having narrowed the competition down to four applicants. Those whose plans will receive further consideration are Henry T. Phelps, San Antonio; C. H. Page, Austin; Waller, Shaw & Field, Ft. Worth, and George Burnett, Amarillo.—Dallas News.

Be a News subscriber.

## TEXAS OUT ON TOP HEAP.

BLUE RIBBONS ARE GATHERED IN AT CHICAGO SHOW.

Canyon City Stock Makes Splendid Showing in the Great Display of Cattle.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Cattlemen at the International Live Stock show had their innings today when the judges announced their decision on car load lots of grain fed and feeding cattle. There was much rivalry between the adherents of Shorthorns, Herefords and Angus breeders, and the Shorthorn breeders were jubilant when the judges awarded the grand championship to a bunch of Shorthorns. These cattle were owned by an Illinois farmer. A. A. Neale of Colorado was the winner of the grand championship of the feeder cattle show, with a load of red calves.

The prize shorthorns won nearly \$2,000 in prizes for their owners, Keays and Ormsby. This includes a \$1,000 special premium offered by the Shorthorn Breeders' association.

Texas proved her ability to produce cattle of championship caliber, despite the handicap of unfavorable conditions, when the Herefords of John Hutson of Canyon City took three prizes in the Hereford classes. Burke Burnett of Fort Worth took first honors with a car load of Herefords in the two year old class. Another car load of the same lot took fourth prize in the contest. In the Hereford special car load class, Mr. Burnett's entry took first place among two year olds.

Two Texans who also came in for prizes in the feeding cattle awards, when L. Roth of Midland took second, third and fourth honors with a lot of Angus calves, and R. E. Hughes of Odessa was given fifth in this class.

John Hutson of Canyon City was well pleased with the showing made by the Texas cattle under such adverse conditions. Mr. Hutson's "outdoor herd," which furnished the cattle being shown by him, is well known throughout the Southwest as being one of the best of the Hereford breed in the country.

The sale of Hereford cattle under the direction of the American Hereford Cattle Breeder's association, which was held at the yards, was well attended, and the Texas visitors entered into the bidding. Mr. Hutson added to his herd by purchasing Watercross, a one year old heifer. The price paid was \$210. Wallace Good of Bovina also invested some money at the sale, buying Orange Belle, calved in 1903 for \$155, and Prime Lad, a one year old bull for \$140.

#### Farmer's Meeting Postponed.

Owing to the cold weather and bad condition of the roads making it impossible for the farmers to get to town, there was no meeting of the Farmers' Institute yesterday. Harry O. Groves, Chas. Dammier and some of the more faithful congregated at the district court room at an early hour, but others failed to arrive according to schedule. The meeting was postponed until two weeks from Saturday. It is expected that a large number will be on hand at this time.—Amarillo Daily News.

Miss May Ballard returned from Denton where she has been attending the normal.

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Robert Spearman of Greenville was visiting in the city last Saturday.

Walter J. Cobb of Tulla spent Saturday in Canyon.

Wirt Leake of Toronto, Canada, was a visitor to the city Monday.

Ask about that accident policy at the City Pharmacy. 37 2t

Frank A. White of Amarillo was a business caller in Canyon Monday.

The city school teachers were very pleasantly entertained at the home of W. H. Younger on Friday night.

J. M. Chany and wife of Nowater, Okla. arrived in Canyon Friday evening and are visiting at the home of Jack Hawley.

Mrs. Travis Shaw's mother, Mrs. G. R. Stanford, and cousin, Miss Ina Mossman, left yesterday for Canton, Ohio and Princetown, Indiana respectively.

W. J. Hall bought out J. W. Cowart's confectionery store Wednesday. Many regret to see "Dad" go out of business for he was the little folks' candy man.

The News had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of John Bingham, the jovial representative of the Kansas City Paper House. If the other members of this firm are as jolly as John, they will not be troubled with dispepsia.

The News man witnessed a rather novel sight Monday, two wagons in tandem and drawn by eight mules. No doubt some of the pioneers can recall the time when that was of daily occurrence, but it impressed us as rather peculiar.

In spite of the disagreeable weather, the union service, held Sunday night in the Methodist church, was well attended. The subject, "Progress during the past year (1) Materially, (2) Educationally, (3) Morally and (4) Spiritually," was very ably presented by respectively, M. E. Hawkins, J. J. Hutchinson, J. S. Groves and J. M. Harder, each gentleman being allowed ten minutes for his part of the subject. Special music was furnished by Dr. Ingham and a pianist from Amarillo.

Ladies' Book Club Meets  
(Contributed)

The Ladies' Book Club met Wednesday afternoon in their room in the court house and continued the study of King Lear under the able leadership of Mrs. R. A. Terrill. The discussions after the reading of the lesson are very interesting and instructive indeed as many of the ladies have made a study of the play.

Mrs. A. H. Thomson read a paper on "Shakespeare's Heroines" which showed a thorough familiarity with the subject expressed in beautiful language. The "History of the English Drama," given by Mrs. Keiser, was very interesting giving as it did many facts that were not familiar to all.

The next meeting of the club will be a social affair given during the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Lester to which the husbands and sweethearts of the club members will probably be invited and, as one member said with a merry twinkle in her eye, "If you are not in that catalog and want to be invited you had better get busy."

To Our Customers.

Owing to the scarcity of money and the high prices we have to pay for meats, we will have to sell for cash beginning January 1st 1910. We regret having to do this but we will either have to have the cash or turn our business over to our creditors. Hoping you will realize our situation and give us your continued patronage we are,

Very Respectfully,  
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VETESK & DITTO.

W. J. Fleisher is up and about again.

W. B. Park of Hereford was in town Saturday.

R. E. Hürley of Plainview was a caller in Canyon Sunday.

A \$1000.00 accident policy free at the City Pharmacy. 37 2t

B. G. Chambless of Teague was a guest at the Victoria Saturday.

O. S. Whitehurst of Amarillo was a business caller in town last Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Garrison and daughter, Miss Earline, spent several days in Amarillo recently.

J. E. Hawley left on Saturday evening train for Chicago to be gone about ten days. He is on a business trip.

The all important question is, whether Jack Brock's skinned nose is a "punched" or what is commonly known as a "blow to the nose."

A party consisting of Misses Connor, O'Keefe and Edith Hawkins and Messrs. J. P. Hix, Evert Peeler and Robert Rowan went skating Wednesday.

At the Commercial Club meeting called at the court house Tuesday, nothing was done. Some matters that might have been looked after were left until next meeting.

P. Doniphon, a druggist of Excelsior Springs, Missouri, came in last Saturday to visit his brother who has been quite sick for the last week or so. Mr. Doniphon stayed in our city until last Tuesday when business matters called him home.

The Mayor of Canyon City informed the News Tuesday that the city bonds were sold to H. A. Campbelle of Amarillo and that the work of putting in the sewerage will probably commence the coming week as the materials have been ordered and shipped sometime ago. The contractor who holds the contract for the sewerage has the water works contract also and should the material for the same arrive first, he will begin putting in water mains, as he is prepared to do either or both jobs.

E. M. Pattison of Amarillo was in the city last Monday.

Just received 100 of the latest books out. City Pharmacy. 37 2t

W. W. Durpee and wife were at the Victoria over Monday.

H. Shea of Bakersfield, California, was in Canyon over Sunday.

Wm. M. Knight of Hereford spent Monday in town on business.

A. C. Pendergast of Amarillo was a business caller in Canyon Monday.

Thos. J. Allen of Texico, N. M., was a business caller in Canyon Saturday.

Mrs. B. T. Johnson was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Compton, in Portales, N. M. last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denison of Cushman, Ark., arrived in Canyon Sunday and expect to visit friends here awhile.

J. C. Pipkin and R. G. Oldham of the Canyon Mercantile & Hardware Co. spent Tuesday attending to business at Happy.

B. Frank Buie, formerly of this place, who has been here for some time attending court left last Friday for his home in Corpus Christi.

Rev. T. P. Speakman and family have moved to Runge, about fifty miles east of San Antonio. Rev. Speakman has been a citizen of our town for the past two years and all of his many friends regretted his departure.

The Panhandle Bakery moved from its old stand on the south side of the square, to the Shotwell building on East Evelyn street, last week. Jack Brock is putting in a new stock of wall paper in the building formerly occupied by the bakery.

Last Monday night, one of the water pipes in the third story of the court house froze and "busted." The next morning the janitor found three of the rooms flooded with water and a large stream shooting out of the pipe. The water was shut off and the pipe fixed but this shows that we have had some rather cold weather this week.

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- Ladies' Coats, new styles, worth \$16.50 to \$18.50 at 13.25
- Ladies' trimmed hats, worth \$10.00 at \$5.00
- Ladies' trimmed hats, worth 9.00 at 4.50
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District Court Doings.

The General Electric Co. vs. the Canyon City Ice & Light Co. had on the last days of the District Court a number of judgments entered against the corporation approximating over \$18,000. The company has been in a receiver's hands about a year, and at one time it was thought that the present stockholders would re-organize and take in some of the heaviest creditors but it seems that they could not all come to an agreement, so let the receiver, Frank A. White of Amarillo, continue in the receivership. The District court entered an order for the sale of the property on the first Tuesday in March, 1910. The court also appointed receiver White as special commissioner to conduct the sale. It might be stated too that there has been filed against the company by Chas. Burrow a \$10,000 damage suit.

State of Texas vs. Chas. Agnes. The court gave sixty days to prepare bill of exception and status of facts. Agnes was ordered taken to Memphis, Hall county, Texas to await final orders of this court or court of Criminal Appeals.

The State of Texas vs. L. C. Johnson. The defendant was granted a new trial.

State of Texas vs. Jno W. Williams. In this case there was a disagreement of the jury and on Dec. 3rd the court granted a change of venue from Randall to Potter county to be tried in the next term of district court which convenes at Amarillo January 10th 1910.

State of Texas vs. J. S. Stoddard. Defendant was fined \$1.00 and costs.

Some minor cases were disposed of by continuances and court adjourned on Saturday as the statutes provide. Judge Browning, District Attorney Bishop and some of the other court officials leaving on that afternoon's train for their homes. Attorney Bishop stated to the News representative that the officials would have a vacation until court convenes in Amarillo, January 10, 1910, but that he thought the prospect of a vacation for the District Attorney was a rather short one as the docket for the January term was large and it would take the state some time to prepare all the cases for that term.

The arrivals at the Victoria on Thursday were as follows: Anna Russel, Hereford; S. C. Skidmore, Clovis; F. M. Ryburn, Amarillo; J. D. Roberts, Dallas; G. F. Dohlstrom, South Bend.



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Congress Opened Tuesday.

The regular session of the Sixty-first congress convened in Washington, D. C. last Tuesday. A great many bills were introduced by deposit in a receptacle prepared for that purpose. The senators did not until the next day present the measures they will be especially interested in during the coming months. Progressive senators will not long delay their discussion of the legislative work they desire to see done, but will soon if they have not already, have their plans ready for their part of the session's work.

Edwin C. Thomas of Abeline Texas, who is general manager of the water and electric light plant there, is here visiting his sister, Mrs. Cummings, and expects to stay about three weeks.

It was gleaned from those who were in attendance at the land show held at the coliseum in the city of Chicago the past two weeks that the state of Texas is attracting the attention of people from all over the country who are on the lookout for good lands.

On December 15th will be the last call to get the Randall County News and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram at the price named in the ad, \$3.75 for both publications for one year. Those who wish to avail themselves of this bargain, please send to or call at the News Office.

C. M. Ackerman, who lives a few miles from Canyon City was a News office caller Monday of this week. Mr. Ackerman has had a considerable well drilling experience in this county and thinks it a fine agricultural country, soil good, climate ideal and water the finest kind.

Thomas B. Campett and wife of Bluffton, Indiana, arrived in Canyon City on last Monday. They are moving to Canyon and will occupy the house owned by J. Vetesk which place they will stay for awhile. He has a car of goods on the road and will soon move to his farm near town.

It is admitted by those who attended the fat stock show in Chicago that there has never been, perhaps, anything in the world to equal it as an aggregation of fine fat animals, but when the fact that the great packing house interests and stock yard companies are behind the enterprise is taken into consideration, the wonder ceases.

Knots in Her French.

Johnson—Does your wife speak French?  
Thompson—She thinks she does.  
"You don't speak it, do you?"  
"No."  
"Then how do you know she doesn't?"  
"I watched a French waiter's face the other day when she was talking to him, and I'll be blamed if he didn't look as if he had the toothache."—Detroit Free Press.

Land Assessment in England.

The evils of under assessment of land are perhaps more glaring in Cardiff than anywhere else. Cardiff castle, with its huge park, lodges and gardens, with a boundary wall of three-quarters of a mile situated right in the heart of the town, is rated at £24 a year. The land is worth millions. Within sight of the castle and not more than 200 yards away is a tailor's shop which is rated at £947.—London Chronicle.

The Only Way He Could Go.

A man fearfully addicted to stuttering stepped up to the ticket window at a railroad station and asked what it would cost him to go to New York by freight.

"By freight?" exclaimed the astonished ticket agent. "What in thunder do you want to go by freight for?"  
"Bec-c-c-a-use," stammered the man. "I e-c-c-can't exp-p-pres my-s-s-self very w-well, e-c-can I?"—Ladies' Home Journal.

No Reciprocity.

"Annie Nibbins is the meanest kind of a gossip."  
"What variety is that?"  
"She's the kind that doesn't tell anything herself, but gets you to tell all you know."

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THE BISHOP STAYED.

He Risked a Row, but Didn't Have to Leave His Bed.

The bishop of a southern diocese was once making a missionary journey through Arkansas and the Indian Territory, and on his arrival at Natchez he said to the landlord of a hotel, "I have been traveling for a week, day and night, in a small wagon, and I want a comfortable room."

"Sorry," said the landlord, "but I don't believe there's a vacant room in Natchez. There's a horse race, a Methodist conference and a political convention in the city, and every house is full up. The only thing I can give you is a shakedown." Then, observing the bishop's tired face, he added: "The best room in my house is rented to a noted gambler, who usually remains out all night and seldom gets in before breakfast. If you will take the risk you shall have his room, but if he should come in there'll be a row, I'll promise you that."

The bishop decided to take the risk. About 4 o'clock in the morning the gambler returned and promptly shook the bishop by the arm.

"Get out of here or I'll put you out!" he shouted.

The bishop, the gentlest of men, raised himself on one elbow so that it brushed the muscles of his arm into full relief.

"My friend," he began quietly, "before you put me out will you have the kindness to feel of my arm?"

The gambler put his hand on the bishop's arm.

"Stranger," he then said respectfully, "you can stay."—Youth's Companion.

KEENLY INTERESTED.

Lincoln's Question After the Committeeman Had Finished.

Just after the second battle of Bull Run the Boston chamber of commerce decided that President Lincoln was not prosecuting the war with enough celerity to conserve the interests of business, and so it appointed a committee to go to Washington and remonstrate with him upon his dilatory tactics. The committee was headed by a Mr. Pierce.

"We found," he said, "a man who looked as if he had lost all the friends he ever had in the world, who invited us to take seats and inquired our business. As I was the spokesman, I opened my case, and as I proceeded the president's face relaxed. By and by he smiled and betrayed actual interest, and by the time I concluded he was almost in a broad grin. After I had finished he inquired if that was all I had to say, and on my saying that I thought it was he asked if some of the other gentlemen wouldn't like to say something. They replied that they thought I had fully covered the ground. And then," continued Mr. Pierce, "what do you suppose this solemn man did? Well, he just moved his chair over to mine, smoothed his trousers over his knee, then reached over and smoothed mine down, too, and then, with a queer look, which none of us will ever forget, he said: 'Mr. Pierce, did you ever notice what a difference there is in legs?'"

"What did we do?" We grabbed our hats and took the first train for Boston, and we never dared to report!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

The Carbuncle.

Carbuncles, to which the ancients attributed fantastic properties, were in reality rubies. They served, it was said, to give light to large serpents or dragons whose sight had been enfeebled by age. They bore them constantly between their teeth and laid them down only for eating and drinking. It was even claimed that the carbuncle emitted light in darkness and that the thickest clothing could not stop its rays. Without all the exaggeration of such legends it was believed for a long time that rubies contained luminous rays. The truth is that they have double refraction and send out the red rays with unequalled brilliancy. Traversed in a vacuum by an electric current, they are illuminated with a red fire of extreme intensity. The greatest heat does not change their form or their color.

Old Days on the Stage.

I have known a dress coat handed from one to another in the wings several times during a performance. It was a current idea that white cotton stockings assumed the appearance of silk from the front by making a heavy line of white chalk on the shin bone. A white tie was easily made from a strip of note paper, and even a shirt front could be managed from highly glazed note paper. White cotton gloves were de rigueur in place of the more expensive kid ones. A comedian, having no black stockings, once blacked his legs. After the show he asked the stage manager, "Do we play this piece again?" "Yes; next week." "Oh, then, I need not wash my legs!"—From "Rambblings of an Old Mummer," by Russell Craufurd.

Might Have Been Worse.

"Poor b'ye!" exclaimed O'Hara, condescending with Cassidy, who had been injured by a blast. "Tis tough luck to hav yer hand blowed off."  
"Och! Faith, it might 'ave bin worse," replied Cassidy. "Suppose O'd had me week's wages in it at the tolme."

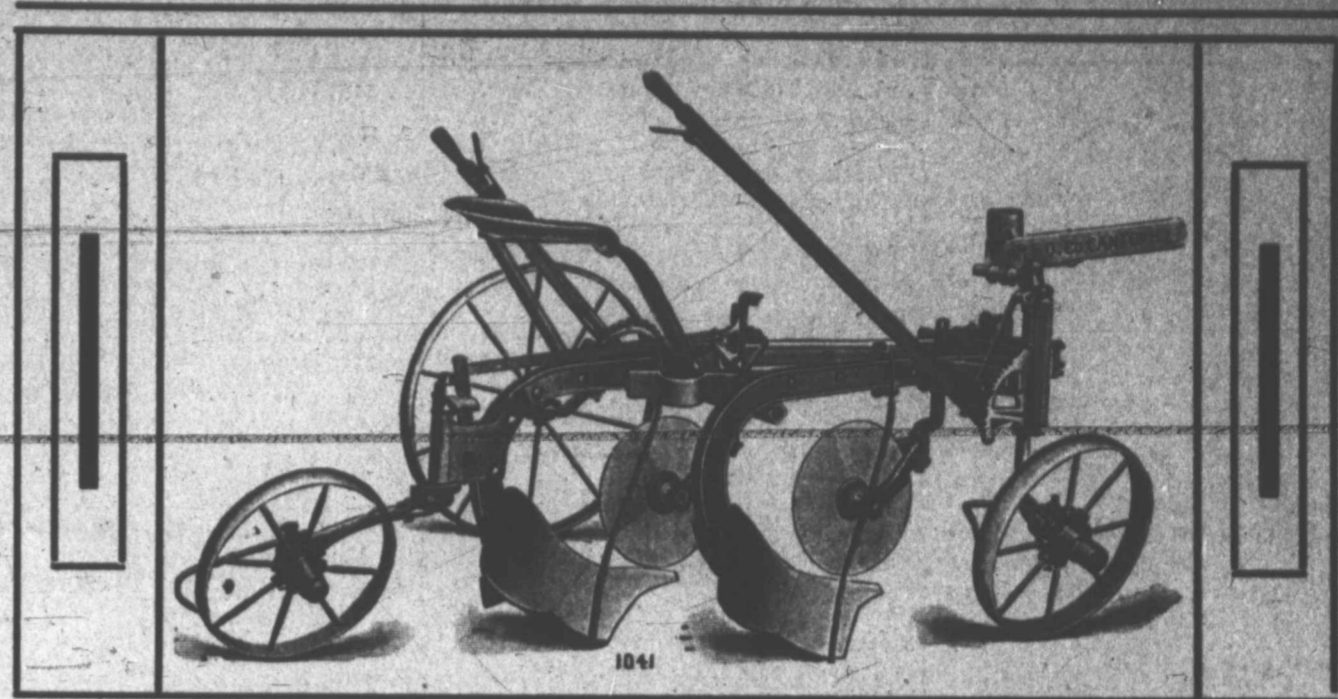
His Specialty.

"That clerk of yours seems to be a hard worker." "Yes, that's his specialty." "What's working?" "No. Seemingly to."—Boston Transcript.

One Difference.

Examiner—Now, children, what is the difference between "pro" and "con"?  
Bright Boy—Please, sir, they're spelt different!—London Punch.

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**MAIN LINE, WEST BOUND.**  
No. 37 to Clovis ..... 2:30 p. m.  
No. 113 to Carlsbad ..... 10:15 a. m.  
No. 73. Local Freight ..... 9:00 a. m.

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No. 74. Local Freight ..... 2:40 p. m.

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No. 93. Local Freight ..... 8:10 a. m.

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**THE TOWN THAT PUSH BUILT**

**VII.—The Brains Hardware Man**



**THIS** is the hardware man who took at the jeweler's ad. a careful look. Then went and bought some trinkets neat. For a girl whom he thought was very sweet. And paid for them with the clothier's bill. That came from the furniture dealer's till. Where it went when the dry goods merchant bought. And paid with the bill the butcher got from the grocer who had settlement made. With money the honest workman paid.

*P. S.—The local dealer who's up to snuff Will always advertise his stuff.*

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Judge Wm. G. Ewing, the famous Christian Science lecturer, spoke in Joplin Sunday evening and in his introductory remarks referred to the presence of Mr. Sunday there as follows: "I am glad of this. My best wishes go out to any man who is working to make the world better. Christian Scientists pray for the success of any movement that will make men and women better."—Gazette.

**A BIT OF SLANG.**

**Origin of "Making a Noise Like This or That."**

Captain Henry G. Lyon, U. S. A., was the innocent cause of the slang expression about "making a noise like this or that." At Peekskill in 1906 he gave instruction to officers of the New York national guard doing duty in that town of camp. The first day he formed the officers into a class in the big mess hall, which was open at the sides, so that all that went on inside was seen and heard by the enlisted men passing back and forth. In teaching the officers how to give the commands Captain Lyon impressed upon the class the necessity of clear enunciation and of making commands like an officer, saying "arms," not "umps," etc.

The privates' capacity for turning things to their own amusement was shown a few minutes after that first class was dismissed, for officers going through their company streets heard privates in front of a group of men shouting out, "Make a noise like an officer!" whereupon the entire "class" would roar "Umps!" A reporter sent an account to a New York paper, and from this grew expressions such as "Make a noise like a hoop and roll away," etc.

However, it is seldom one hears the word "arms" or "march," the voice finding it much easier to slur the word till it may mean anything, and as the preparatory command indicates what is to be done the command following is merely a signal for the execution of what has already been specified.—Army and Navy Journal.

**LEGAL ADVICE.**

**The Lawyer's Duty in Giving Counsel to His Client.**

In the realm of advice a lawyer may choose between counseling his client how to uphold the rights secured to him by the justice of his cause or how to obtain benefits from the application of technicalities and the use of the weaknesses of the particular statute or precedents under consideration whereby he may attain advantages inconsistent with fair play between man and man.

Every time a lawyer encourages such an application of the law as, resulting in injustice, casts disrepute upon the law or its administration he is plainly promoting discord either in the present or the future.

Every time a lawyer counsels controversy for the establishment of a right as recognized by existing law or for the promulgation of new law beneficial to the majority of society he is exercising his true function, and the charge which he lays upon his individual client and through him upon industry and progress in the mass, is reasonable in amount, is well earned and should be cheerfully paid.

When, however, a lawyer gives the other kind of advice the expense, perhaps cheerfully borne by the client who profits personally therefrom, must be finally laid upon society as a whole, which is thereby paying for its own injury and naturally resents the charge.—Donald R. Richberg in Atlantic.

**Sitting on the Snakes.**

"While in Paris last summer another girl and I went out to Versailles one afternoon," said a schoolteacher, "it was dusk when we reached the railway station, and, as there was no waiting room, we sat down on two crates that were out on the platform among a lot of others. We noticed that the station employees kept staring at us with a persistence that was annoying. Presently a man in a shabby uniform with a bucket on his arm approached us. He touched his cap deferentially and said in French, of course:

"Mesdames, pray do not let me disturb you, but I am forced to open the boxes on which you are seated in order to feed the boa constrictor and other serpents that are within."

"When we recovered from our fright we found we had been seated in the midst of a huge collection of snakes that had just arrived from their native jungles en route for the zoo near Versailles."—Exchange.

**Letter Perfect and Looked the Part.**

An amateur theatrical company was recently arranging for the performance of a play which contained a rich variety of characters, says London Sketch. Owing to this fact little progress was made with the cast, a few members of the company making a dead set at principal positions, while minor characters were going a-begging.

One rather vacuous looking youth made himself particularly obstructive and brought down the "wrath of a brother artist."

"In my opinion," exclaimed the latter, "young Jones must, in the interests of economy, take the part of Simkins the Fool."

"Why economy?" demanded Mr. Jones indignantly.

"Well, you see, my dear fellow," was the quiet reply, "you won't need any touching up."

**The Sacrifice.**

"A Kentucky couple," said Mrs. Simpkins, "got married a few days ago after a courtship which had lasted fifty years."

"I suppose," replied Mr. Simpkins, "the poor old man had become too feeble to hold out any longer."—Chicago Record-Herald.

**Doesn't Work.**

"Cheerfulness is riches."  
"Oh, no! If you can't pay a bill, being cheerful about it only makes the other man madder."—Detroit Free Press.

**BOOK MADE TOWNS.**

**Holiday Resorts That Owe Their Popularity to Authors.**

The most remarkable example of a book made town is Biskra, the oasis in the Sahara that Robert Hichens idealized under the name of Beni Mora in his novel of "The Garden of Allah."

Biskra, quite unknown in the past, is now, thanks to Mr. Hichens, a fashionable winter resort. It is rather odd that all the world should know that Biskra was meant by Beni Mora in "The Garden of Allah." There is a Beni Mora near Biskra, a kind of swamp, with a few clay huts and a palm or two sticking up out of the mud, but Biskra itself is never mentioned in the book.

Ilfracombe, the north Devon watering place, owes its renown to Charles Kingsley, who in his novel of "Westward Ho!" praises it.

Two other Devon watering places, Lynton and Lynmouth, are book made. Blackmore's novel of "Lorna Doone" first drew the public to them.

Pieter Lot in "Pêcheur d'Islande" described very beautifully the Breton seaport of Palmpol. Many persons in consequence have visited Palmpol in the hope of passing the summer there. Vain hope! Palmpol, with its muddy, smelly tidal river, is not quite an ideal holiday resort.—Exchange.

**EXPENSIVE STEAK.**

**Ten Pounds of Beef That Sold For \$48 a Pound.**

The highest price ever paid for beefsteak so far as is known was at Circle City, Alaska. The first beefsteak that ever reached that town sold for \$48 a pound, according to the newspapers of the time.

There were ten pounds of the steak, which was shipped 250 miles to Circle City.

When the owner of the precious bit of meat reached the camp the miners turned out in a body to see it. It was placed on exhibition and attracted as much attention as an elephant. Everybody wanted a piece of it, and the prices offered were such as would have resulted in a mining camp quarrel if it had not been decided to raffie the steak off for the benefit of a hospital which Bishop Rowe was trying to establish for the miners at Circle City.

Bids were started at \$5 a pound and rose briskly to \$35. Finally in order to avoid complications it was decided to sell tickets at prices from 50 cents to \$2.50 for the privilege of drawing for a slice. After \$480 worth of tickets had been sold the drawing began, and to the relief of those in charge of the sale no trouble resulted.

**THE PRINCE'S PRESENT.**

**It Was Given in Exchange For a Magnificent Carpet.**

"While I was in Damascus," said a globe trotter the other day, "some royal highness or other potentate passed through that ancient city, and the governor of the town delivered an address of welcome. It was in verse, and everybody who knew of the occurrence felt sure that the governor had been richly rewarded by the prince for his effort. That afternoon, so the story goes, the governor called on a dealer in rugs with whom he had been chaffering for a long time over a magnificent carpet which he coveted for his palace. After several cups of coffee the rug merchant offered the governor the carpet in exchange for the present the prince had given him for his poetic welcome to Damascus. The governor after a little hesitation agreed, and the carpet was rolled up and delivered to an attendant, who started for the governor's palace.

"Thank you," said the governor as he arose gracefully to his feet.

"But the prince's present?" demanded the rug merchant.

"You have it," said the governor. "All he gave me was 'Thank you,' and this I have given you for your carpet."—New York Press.

**Sin Eaters.**

"Sin eaters" of the old days, like "mutes" of quite recent times, were hired performers at funerals. In consideration of sixpence in money, a bowl of beer and a crust of bread these sires, as they were called—"long, lean, ugly, lamentable carcasses"—would by eating over the body take upon themselves all the sins of the deceased and so free him from afterward walking the earth as a ghost, so that his soul might rest in peace. This custom prevailed all over Wales and the adjoining English counties and was observed even down to 1856. The usage is said to have arisen from a mistaken interpretation of Hosea iv, 8. "They eat up the sin of my people." The more likely origin of this strange custom is the Levitical scapegoat. A much later remnant of this obtained at Amesden, Oxfordshire, where, after every funeral, a cake and a flagon of ale were brought to the minister in the church porch.—London Standard.

**Stone Cake.**

In very unusual seasons the people of Rajpootan, in India, are deprived of seeds and succulent roots of grasses. Under these very adverse conditions the barks of trees and even ground up rocks are resorted to principally to give bulk to the scanty meal and thereby to stay the pangs of hunger for a longer time. A soft stone found on the Bikanir-Marwar border of Jaipur is largely used in that part of the country to give bulk to the meager meal. This stone is friable and easily ground into fine powder. It contains an oleaginous substance which has some nutritive qualities, and the people have found that when finely ground and used in proportions of about one-fourth to three-fourths of flour it does not impair digestion for a considerable time.

**Domestic Repartee.**

Mrs. Fidgett—Are the stars shining, John? Mr. Fidgett—Did you ever know the stars to do anything else than shine? (Later) Mr. Fidgett—Is the rain still coming down, Bessie? Mrs. Fidgett—Did you ever know it to do anything else than come down, John? Mr. Fidgett—Yes, I have known it to hold up.

**Not Much by the Day.**

Lady—What! Thirty-eight cents a dozen for eggs? Why, that's more than 3 cents for one egg. Grocer—Well, mum, you must remember that one egg is a whole day's work for one hen.—Cleveland Leader.

**Revolver Needed.**

John—I'll bring you a fork, sir. The Customer—What for? John—The cheese, sir. The Customer—A fork's no good. Bring a revolver.—London Sketch.

**A Slim Chance.**

Willie—Pa, why do they call our language the mother tongue? Pa—Sh! It's because your father never gets a chance to use it.—London Tit-Bits.

Only those who do something for the world have a right to wear its crown. —Westworth F. Stewart.

**BUILD HOUSES IN TREES.**

**Some Mexicans Thus Sleep Secure From Quakes and Tigers.**

In order to protect their homes from earthquakes many of the natives in the territory around Chapingango and other towns in the state of Guerrero, in Mexico, live in trees. Some of these tree homes are of large size and are ingeniously constructed. Reeds and grasses are interwoven with the twigs and branches of the tree, much in the manner that a bird builds its nest. The severest wind seldom loosens it from the tree. Where the trees are large and stand closely together houses of two or three rooms are frequently built in their branches. These houses also afford protection from the tigers and other wild animals which are found in that region in large numbers. It is said that a tiger will not attack its prey unless it is upon the ground.

The prime object of elevating these houses into the trees, however, is, as mentioned, to keep them from being shaken down by the severe earthquakes which visit the Guerrero territory at frequent intervals. The rocking of the earth gives the trees a swaying motion, but does no damage to the houses. In some localities whole villages of these tree homes are to be seen. None of them suffered damage from the recent earthquakes which wrought such ruin to the buildings upon the ground.—New York Tribune.

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### Sawdust Flour from Waste of Lumber Mills.

Flour from sawdust is another step in the movement for the conservation of forest resources. The United States consul at Christiania, Norway, has sent to this government a suggestion along this line which may be of value to American lumbermen who are wrestling with the problem of sawdust waste.

The flour in question is not the kind which goes into the making of light, fluffy biscuits, and the other kind which are not light, or flaky pastry, but it is an ingredient of dynamite, linoleum, xyolite, which for the information of the man on the street is a kind of artificial flooring, and other things. It is not put forward as a new discovery, for it has been in use for several years in Europe, and to a small extent in this country.

The wood flour is ground in a cheap mill, very similar to those which grind corn and rye. Pine and spruce sawdust is used in Europe, and after passing through the stones and the bolting chest, it is sacked or baled for shipment. It is then worth twelve to thirteen dollars a ton.

The flour has a number of uses, one of which is in the making of dynamite. It is the absorbent for the nitroglycerine, which is the explosive ingredient. Wood flour dynamite is inferior to that made with infusorial earth as the absorbent; but it serves many purposes, and is cheaper. But dynamite is one of the smallest prospective uses for the product. Linoleum makers mix it with linseed oil and give body to their floor coverings. It is not considered quite equal to ground cork for this purpose, as it is less elastic; but it is cheaper and meets requirements for medium grades.

The flour fills an important place in the manufacture of xyolite, a kind of artificial flooring, resembling wood in weight, and stone in other respects. It is used for kitchen floors, and in halls, corridors, cafes, restaurants and public rooms. It is impervious to water, and is practically fireproof. It is floor material in some of the German war vessels. It is so used because it is not liable to take fire or splinter if struck by shells.

Many additional uses for wood flour will probably be found. The amount of sawdust to be had in this country is practically unlimited, and millmen will welcome any plan that will lessen the waste at the sawdust dump. Norway exports thousands of tons of this sawdust flour yearly, and the United States takes some of it. Germany is a large manufacturer also, and has been for years. England is an extensive buyer, and much goes to France.

Several weeks ago Walter Lair while trying to corner one of his horses in preparation to coming to town, was thrown against a post. For several days Walter did not think much about it although his side pained him severely and upon examination of a doctor, it was found that one of the ribs on the left side of the back was broken. Although a broken rib is considered very dangerous, Mr. Lair went right on with his work at the Supply.

### ARAB FASHIONS.

Clothes the Natives Wear and the Tailors Who Make Them.

Conservative in all matters, the Arab is especially averse to change in the matter of clothes. Not only do the fashions of the Arabs never change, writes Graham Perrie in "Tunis, Kairouan and Carthage," but they are very restricted. Although every Arab wears a gandoura more or less richly embroidered, it is always worked in one of three accepted patterns, from which no deviation nor any combination is permitted.

The only matter in which personal taste is allowed to show itself is in the choice of color. In this respect entire freedom is permitted and taken full advantage of, although it is curious to note that the more delicate shades of pink, yellow and mauve are generally worn by elderly men, while rich red and brown are in favor with their juniors.

The souk-el-trouk is the souk of the tailors in Tunis, and here in numerous little shops the sartorial needs of the Arab population are fashioned and temptingly displayed. I call them shops for want of a better word, but they are as unlike the European shop as anything one can imagine. They are really recesses separated from each other by coupled columns painted with stripes of red and green, which support a continuous cornice, richly carved and colored. There are no windows or doors, and the shop is raised some four feet above the ground. To this elevation the tailor nimbly vaults, for there are no steps to assist him. Sitting crosslegged in orthodox fashion, he there cuts out, pieces together and embellishes the gay silk waistcoats, gandouras and other garments beloved of the Arab.

### MAINE SPOOKS.

A Ghost House, a Phantom Light and a Mystic Woodchuck.

Bowdoinham boasts a veritable ghost house where it is said the chairs refuse to stay quietly in their places, but in the middle of the night walk out and draw together in groups just as if guided by visible hands. Then there is a spirit cane that goes walking all by itself just at midnight, tapping its way along from room to room and finally taking up its abode in the chamber where a member of the family sleeps. That this statement is true is affirmed by those who have seen the phenomena and who are not at all afraid of ghosts.

At another house in the village is a phantom light that shines each night no matter whether it be moonlight or darkness just above the closet door in the upper chamber. For years this light has disturbed the people who at different times have occupied the room, and some have been much afraid of the flickering gleam. From time to time different explanations have been offered, but none has proved satisfactory. The light continues to shine, and no one can account for the mystery.

Down at Lazy O camp is a spook woodchuck which every evening, just at the sunset hour, comes out of an old family tomb, halfway between the camp and the home farm. There on the tomb he sits quietly, watching the sunset lights on the waters of Merry-meeting. Just as the sun sinks below the horizon he disappears. The tomb swallows him up, and he is seen no more until the sunset hour comes round again.—Kennebec Journal.

### Arab Buttermaking.

Among the Arabs an interesting department of woman's duty is dairy work. This, like all other operations, is carried out on an old fashioned and patriarchal plan. To make butter, for instance, a small sheepskin is filled with milk and tied to a ring in the wall. The woman then sits flat on the floor and rocks it to and fro till little balls of butter begin to form within. These grow larger and larger and accumulate and are finally brought out as one big lump. The remaining milk is then boiled on the fire with bits of meat. The male members of the family now come together. A large dish of cooked rice is placed before them and the boiled milk poured over it. Then, making balls of the mixture with his hands, each member quickly swallows his share and rises to wash his hands. This done, the girls and mother sit down and eat what the men are pleased to leave.

### Hats and Old Age.

In opening the services one Sunday recently the pastor of one of the fashionable churches said: "For three Sundays I have asked the women in this church to remove their hats during service. My appeal has been unheeded, and now I see wherein I was wrong. I was inconsiderate of the comforts of the aged and infirm, so I have made a new rule. Hereafter all women of forty years of age or over will be permitted to wear their hats during the service."

Within twenty seconds every woman in the church was bareheaded.—Ladies' Home Journal.

### His Last Place.

"But," said the merchant to the applicant, "you don't furnish any reference from your last place."  
"You needn't worry about that," replied the man with the close cropped head and strange pallor. "I wouldn't be here now if it hadn't been for my good behavior in my last place."—Catholic Standard and Times.

### A Great Cure.

Celia—Her hair turned perfectly white in one night from trouble. Della—Really? What was the nature of the trouble? Celia—Chemical.—Judge's Library.

## Big Contest for PIANO

As it stands on count of Dec 2nd.

Canyon High School - - - 11,340  
Nina School - - - - - 11,210  
Ladies Club - - - - - 8,380

Please cast in your votes as this contest closes Dec. 25th when the piano will be awarded to the one receiving highest number of votes.

You have no idea how much we appreciate your trade, and we will be in line with largest and best stock of Holiday goods ever brought to Canyon. Every 10c purchase in this line entitles you to one vote on piano. Every \$1.00 in Jewelry counts 100 votes.

## Thompson Drug Company

East Side Square

Phone 80

When the forests are all out and the mines are but empty holes,

## Panhandle Farm Lands

will be giving up their bounty and increasing in value forever.

Not long since this paragraph appeared in a certain paper: "What better inducements can be offered the emigrants than good lands hereabouts at \$2.00 per acre and a good healthy climate for all products raised."

It seems almost impossible to believe that land today is worth from \$150 to \$300 per acre should have gone beginning then at \$2.00. This contrast in prices, however, is valuable as 10 years hence other paragraphs will be reminding their readers of the wonderful opportunities they overlooked in not buying Randall County land when it was so cheap in 1909-10. Progress does not end with this generation, and while lands may seem high now they will continue to go higher. MORAL IS

### BUY RANDALL COUNTY LAND NOW.

In the country of good crops, cheap and productive lands. Among a moral, healthy, prosperous and contented people. Where all the essentials are combined, soil, water, climate and prices. Write us and we will tell you, come to see us and we will show you.

## SMITH & MONROE

Canyon City, Texas

Farms, Ranches and Canyon City Property.

## Happy's New Store

We beg to announce that on Sept. 15, we opened an entirely new stock of general merchandise in our own building which we recently erected. We are opening this business for the reason that the country is developing so rapidly that the business has become a necessity to accommodate the trade now coming to Happy. In order to keep this trade we must offer the best in our stock of

Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots, Shoes, Gent's Furnishings, Hardware, Implements and all kinds of Good Groceries.

We invite the inspection of the buying public and when you are in Happy make your self happy in our store—we want to meet everyone who trades in our town. We think we can interest you with our goods and prices.

## Plains Supply Co.

Happy, Texas.

## MONEY LOANED

ON REAL ESTATE

LONG TIME, EASY PAYMENTS,  
RELIABLE REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

## The Jackson Loan & Trust Company

Ft. Worth, Texas and Jackson, Mississippi.

Looking in at the Shop Windows.

Last evening as the News scribe was walking around the square, his attention was attracted to the fine display of books in the window of the City Pharmacy. In the next window was a doll party, just the thing for Santa Claus to make someone happy with on Christmas.

H. Holte has a well assorted stock of jewelry, watches etc. and nothing appeals more to a young boy or girl than some piece of jewelry for Xmas.

The Normal Grocery has a fine display in good things for Christmas dinner also a handy kitchen cabinet which would make the good housewife happy. They have about the largest stick of candy seen in Randall County for it weighs about 50 pounds.

The Mercantile Co. has lots of pretty things to wear during the cold weather after the holidays and these useful things would make fine Xmas presents. In the hardware department is a display of dishes, lamps and the hunter's delight in the gun line.

While the City Meat Market has no window display, the scribe is confident that they will have a full line of Christmas meats for the dinner table.

The Canyon Supply has a reduction sale on some lines of clothing and a handsome suit or overcoat would make a very acceptable present.

In the window of the Thompson Hardware Co. can be seen a very fine assortment of deco-China ware and these would interest as well as be useful to the many housekeepers who take pride in their housekeeping.

Thompson Drug Co. has in their window an assortment of fancy willow baskets and a doll nursery, a case of fountain pens jewelry and other fancy holiday articles useful as well as ornamental.

We noticed in the windows of Thomas Bros. some fine bedroom suites and other beautiful articles of furniture which would delight the heart of any wife at Xmas.

The Leader has a very nice and well arranged display of hand bags and suit cases in its windows which cannot be beat as a gift to those who travel. In the other window is some ready made women's clothing just the things for this cold zero weather.

Dawson Bros. are planning to have anything in the meat line for the Christmas dinner and here can already be heard the gobbling of the fated turkey.

The White Swan will furnish all kinds of things good to eat on this Christmas.

Ralph Items.

Everything is quiet in this neighborhood on account of the cold and stormy weather.

A number of farmers in this locality are making good use of the cold weather by doing the "hog butchering" stunt therefore we figure soon on "ground hog" day, (sausage.)

On the thirteenth and fourteenth of December will be road grading days here and after that time, so far as streets are concerned, we will be quite civilized.

Your correspondent is glad to announce that the road extending north from Ralph to Canyon City is now being opened up. This was a much needed improvement making travel in that direction more convenient.

Clay Ross has commenced work on his new house and expects to have the same ready for occupancy by the first of next March. I. W. McClure of Canyon City is contractor and builder.

We are sorry to note the serious illness of little Ruth, the

four year old daughter of Sam Wiggins, who has been critically ill for more than a week.

GUESS WHO.

Umbarger Notes.

Who said it couldn't snow in the Panhandle? It has been rather cold and skating is the order of the day.

James Brown and wife of Plainview are the guests of R. H. Woods and wife, this week.

Father Bier of Amarillo conducted Catholic services in South Umbarger Tuesday morning. Father Bier went to St. Louis from here. There will be services again Sunday, Dec. 19.

Joe Beckman, who has been ill for several months, is now able to be out once more.

Henry Engbers moved into his new home Tuesday and will open a restaurant and barber shop in the front part of the building.

Things are looking quite up-to-date around Paul M. Will's new store and the Woods Mercantile Co. since the painter has painted some very attractive signs in their windows. Also the post window has been neatly decorated with the words, "Post Office."

Frank Wurster was in Umbarger Tuesday.

Tom Lester, who has been here several days looking for a car load of mules, left last week for Canadian.

Christ Emge and son, Valtin, spent Monday in Hereford.

Leo Stokes and wife spent Wednesday in Canyon.

J. J. Greedfield, who has been living on the Servis ranch for several years, moved into his new home south of Umbarger, last week.

The "stub" train was five hours late Wednesday on account of the engine going into the ditch.

Mirage

Subscribe for the News.

Christmas Gifts.

A dozen photos will make twelve welcome Christmas presents. There is still time, but don't delay. A lovely line of new cards to make your selections from, just received at The Lusby Studio. 37 tf

Thomas Bros. will sell you blankets as cheap as stealing. 2t

E. R. Leigh was in the city yesterday from Sparland, Ill.

J. B. Wallar of Roanoke, Va. was a Canyon business caller this week.

Mr. C. F. Granbery of Hillsboro, Kan. was in Canyon yesterday.

Sheriff Sanford was in Amarillo Tuesday on business connected with the county.

The largest stock of blankets and comforts in the city, at closing out prices. Thomas Bros. 2t

On Tuesday of this week Mesdames W. S. Keiser, C. D. Keiser and S. L. Ingham spent the day in Amarillo.

Miss Lee Taylor has returned from a month's visit at Snyder and has resumed her duties in the Sheriff's office.

Chas. Neimeyer, Fred Fink and Fred Kreuder of Falls City, Neb. were in Canyon late yesterday and expect to stay a few days to look after some realty business.

J. M. McNaughton, Postmaster of Happy, was a caller at the News office yesterday. We hope to meet Mr. McNaughton the next visit he makes.

Hugh Holland of Happy, and son of our townsman, J. T. Holland, was operated on for appendicitis at a Dallas hospital on Saturday of last week. At the latest report, the patient was doing nicely.

FOR SALE—A choice piece of residence property, close to the square, desirable neighborhood, well improved.

R. A. TERRILL.

CITY PHARMACY

"THE HOUSE OF QUALITY"

WEST SIDE SQUARE. PHONE 32

HEADQUARTERS FOR XMAS GIFTS

Every article is new—not an old or shelf worn piece in the entire display—All are selected with a thought of usefulness and pleasure giving.

COME IN AND SEE

<b>Toilet Sets</b> One dollar to twenty.	<b>Manicure Sets</b> \$1.00 to \$8.00
<b>Stationery</b> In Xmas boxes 50c to \$5.00.	<b>Post Card Albums</b> 25c to \$2.50
<b>Perfumes</b> In pretty packages 25c to \$4.00	<b>Sachet Powders</b> of all odors.
	<b>Cigars Xmas boxes.</b>

Xmas. Tree Trimmings of all Kinds.

See the News Printery

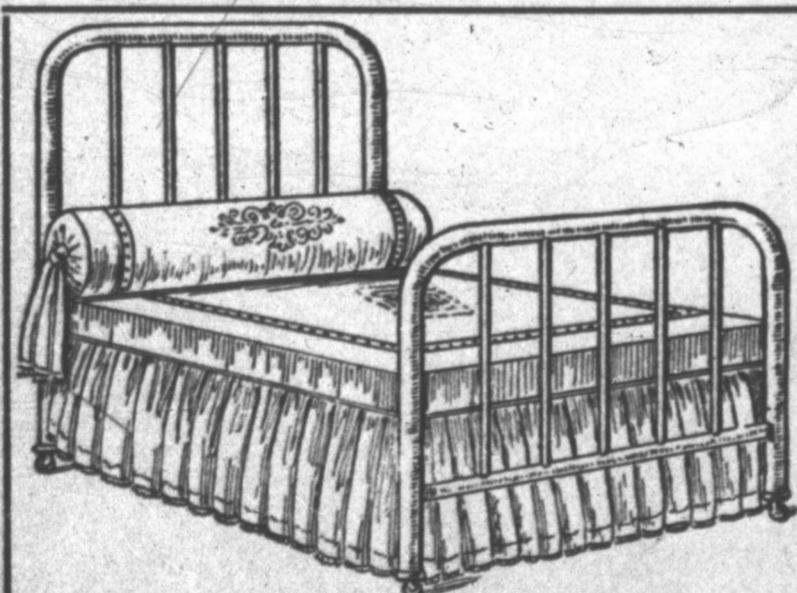
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Commercial Job Printing

SLAUGHTER SALE OF FURNITURE

Our Ten Thousand Dollar Stock Must go Before January 1st.

We are going to realize on every dollar we have invested before that date. We have the furniture, and if you have the "Cash" you can furnish your home almost at your own price. Practically every article in our house goes at a discount of 25 per cent. Some regardless of cost.

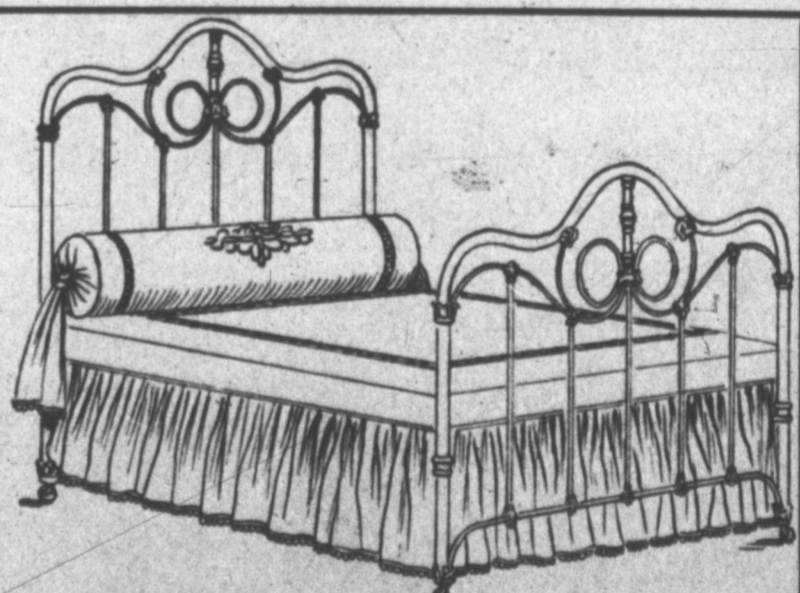


Brass Beds—of Various Prices.

Our Exquisite \$50.00  
Beds to go in this sale  
at - - - - \$37.50  
Our \$40.00 Beds - \$30.00  
Our 20.00 Beds - 15.00

Don't Lose Your Opportunity.

Our stock of Iron Beds is absolutely the largest in Northwest Texas and must be closed out before January 1st. Over 200 various styles, and will be sold at a sacrifice—many to go Regardless of Cost. Don't fail to investigate this line.



**Chiffoniers** which formerly sold from \$8.50 to \$35.00 will absolutely sell at this sale from \$6.40 to \$26.25.

**China Closets** which formerly sold from \$22.50 to \$40.00 will absolutely sell now from \$16.85 to \$30.00.

**Buffetts** the best that can be had in the markets formerly sold from \$24.00 to \$65, will sell in this sale from \$18.00 to \$51.00.

**Side Boards** formerly selling from \$20.00 to \$45.00 will sell at this sale from \$15.00 to \$37.50.

Bed room suits, Davenport, Sanitary couches, Lounges, Rockers and all accessories to the home, we have and will be sold at astonishingly low figures at this sale.

All our friends, who enjoy seeing pretty things for the home are especially invited to call and inspect our stock, whether you wish to buy or not—We want to renew old acquaintances and make new ones.

Watch our Show Windows from Week to Week.

We especially call attention to our window sittings for this week.—Brides Chamber of Birds-eye Maple—Brides to be for the Holidays, might take notice, and Grooms elect, should investigate.

Don't forget the date, beginning Saturday, December 11, 1909. Yours for bargains.

THOMAS BROTHERS

**Canyon City Professional Cards**

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

**D. M. Stewart,**  
Physician and Surgeon  
Office in Wallace Building on East side of square. Calls answered day or night. Office Phone, No. 90, Residence Phone, No. 24.

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

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

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

**Rollins & Woolley,**  
Lawyers  
Court practice solicited. Will attend to cases in all courts of the state. Examination of land titles a specialty. Notary in office. Office in Smith building. Phone 92.

**Jasper N. Haney,**  
Attorney-at-Law.  
Practices in all courts in this state. Office phone 91. Canyon, Texas.

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

**Scott & Flesher,**  
Lawyers  
Civil practice solicited. Office in court house. Notary in office. CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

**H. V. Reeves,**  
Physician and Surgeon,  
Office in Wallace Building on East side of square. All calls promptly answered. Office Phone 90. Residence Phone 233

**Northwestern Title Co.**  
Complete Abstract of All Randall County Property  
**R. A. TERRILL, - MANAGER**

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The News is a live, local paper devoted to Canyon City and Randall county. Do you read it? It is worth all it costs and more.

**At Our Churches**

**METHODIST**  
Sabbath school at 9.45 a. m.  
G. G. Foster, Superintendent.  
Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m.  
Pastor, Rev. Hawkins  
Epworth League, 6.30 p. m.  
Prayer meeting, Thursday evening at 7.30  
All are invited to these services.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
Sunday services  
9.30 a. m. Sunday school  
11.00 a. m. Public worship,  
Rev. J. S. Groves, pastor  
6.45 p. m. Christian Endeavor.  
7.30 p. m. Evening services  
7.30 p. m. Thursday evening,  
Bible study and prayer meeting.  
You are cordially invited to any and all of these services.

**BAPTIST**  
Sunday services,  
9.30 a. m. Sabbath School  
J. C. Hunt, supt.  
11.00 a. m. Preaching  
J. M. Harder, Pastor  
6.45 p. m. Union Endeavor  
Will Hudnall, leader  
7.30 p. m. Preaching, by pastor  
J. M. Harder.  
7.30 p. m. Wednesday evening  
Prayer meeting.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Sunday services  
10.00 a. m. Bible school  
11.00 a. m. Public worship.  
J. J. Hutchinson, Pastor  
6.00 p. m. Christian Endeavor.  
7.00 p. m. Public worship  
7.40 p. m. Wednesday prayer meeting.  
7.40 p. m. Friday training for service.

**It's a Crime**  
to neglect your health. The worst neglect that you can be guilty of is to allow constipation, biliousness or any liver or bowel trouble to continue. It is poisoning your entire system and may lead to a serious chronic disease. Take Ballard's Herbine and get absolutely well. The sure-cure for any and all troubles of the stomach, liver and bowels. Sold by A. H. Thompson, Leading Druggist.

**Panhandle Building in Dallas.**  
A campaign is now on in Amarillo looking to the establishing of a permanent Panhandle building at the Texas State Fair grounds in Dallas, and also for the placing of an exhibit to be in charge of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.  
It is believed both of these schemes will meet the entire approval of the people throughout the Panhandle.—Dallas News.

The greatest danger from influenza is of its resulting in pneumonia. This can be obviated by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, as it not only cures influenza, but counteracts any tendency of the disease towards pneumonia. Sold by City Pharmacy.

**Notice**  
To our friends: circumstances necessitates our going strictly upon a cash basis until further notice. Thomas Bros. 37 1t

Many persons find themselves affected with a persistent cough after an attack of influenza. As this cough can be promptly cured by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, it should not be allowed to run on until it becomes troublesome. Sold by City Pharmacy.

The peculiar properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy have been thoroughly tested during epidemics of influenza, and when it was taken in time we have not heard of a single case of pneumonia. Sold by the City Pharmacy.

**Notice of Sheriff's Sale.**

The State of Texas, County of Randall. By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Dallam County, on the 11th day of Nov. A. D. 1909, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of Row Hardware Co. a Corporation versus C. C. Baker, E. C. Reed, O. G. Allen and A. C. Allen, and Reed Allen Realty Company, No. 399, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in January, A. D. 1910, it being the 6th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Randall County, in the town of Canyon, the following described property, to-wit: One 16 inch John Deere walking plow, Two 60 tooth drag harrows, One No. 2 John Deere two row riding planter, One two row John Deere riding cultivator levied on as the property of C. C. Baker to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$490 in favor of Rowe Hardware Co. and costs of suit. Given under my hand, this 7th day of Dec. A. D. 1909.  
R. H. Sanford, Sheriff. 37-3t

**The Correct Time**  
to stop a cough or cold is just as soon as it starts—then there will be no danger of pneumonia or consumption. Just a few doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken at the start will stop the cough. If it has been running on for sometime the treatment will be longer, but the cure is sure. Sold by A. H. Thompson, Leading Druggist.

**Removal Notice.**  
The Panhandle Bakery has moved east to opposite the Rogerson hotel. We make delivery of all goods; terms, cash after this date. Please phone number 206.  
J. F. Beaver, Proprietor.

**Don't be Hopeless**  
about yourself when you're crippled with rheumatism or stiff joints—of course you've tried lots of things and they failed. Try Ballard's Snow Liniment—it will drive away all aches, pains and stiffness and leave you as well as you ever were. For sale by A. H. Thompson, the Leading Druggist.

**Road Yields to Forest Monarch.**  
Seattle, Wash., Nov. 29—On the western slope of the Cascade mountains a giant fir tree blocked the right of way of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad. The original survey was made directly through the trunk of the tree. When the grading crew reached this stretch of right of way and was felling some of the finest timber in the world to make way for the railroad, the foreman stopped at the foot of the great fir.  
A conference was held, and the officials appealed to for advice. At last it was decided to diverge from the original survey and build a horseshoe curve around the great tree.  
The fir tree stands over 400 feet high and has a girth of 56 feet and 18 inches above ground. It is supposed to be 2,800 years old.

**Choked to Death**  
is commonly said of babies who have died of the croup. How unnecessary this is. No child ever had the croup without having a cold or cough at the start. If you will stop the first symptom of the cough with Ballard's Horehound Syrup there is no danger whatever of croup. Sold by A. H. Thompson, the Leading Druggist.

If you are suffering from biliousness, constipation, indigestion, chronic headache, invest one cent in a postal card, send to Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa, with your name and address plainly on the back, and they will forward you a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Sold by City Pharmacy.

**BUSINESS LOCALS**

All kinds of secondhand goods bought by Dooley & Jones. 33tf  
NOTICE—No camping, hunting or fishing allowed on the following sections on the Terra Blanco and Palo Duro creeks: Sections No. 11, blk. K, 14, Deaf Smith county; 108, 117, 140 and 141, blk. K, 14; Nos. 11, 12, 13, 20, 21, 23, blk. 1, all in Randall county, Texas. Any parties found trespassing will be prosecuted. Signed, John Hutson, owner and agent, Canyon City, Texas. 12tf

If you want plowing of any kind done, see H. W. Bogenreif, at this office. 1tf

We have some customers wanting to rent farms. What have you? Smith & Monroe. 33 1t

FOR SALE—Alfalfa seed. See L. G. Conner at his office. 21tf

Dooley & Jones wants to buy all your secondhand stuff, inquire of White Swan Grocery. 33tf

FOR RENT—New twenty-four room apartment lodging house near the Cafe and depot, Canyon City, Texas. A snap for easy money.—Sewer, Water Works, New Depot, Normal College and more soon to begin work. 31tn Jasper N. Haney, Phone 3

If you have lands for sale, list with us, we hustle. Smith & Monroe. 33 1t

Mrs. J. A. Formby will do your sewing. Call at her home, first house west of Public School on Evelyn St. 32tf

Second hand goods wanted, inquire at White Swan Grocery. 33tf

FOR SALE—Town lots, and acre land near Canyon City. Inquire of owner. I. L. VanSant. 33 1t

I love my money, But, Oh! you land. If you would make an investment, see Smith & Monroe. 33tf

EXCHANGE—Send your farm, city property, merchandise and anything you have for exchange. We will put you in touch with 500 property owners direct. Western Exchange, Room 16 American Express Bldg., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. 34tf

C. H. Dunham wishes to announce that he is located in Canyon and is prepared to do all kinds of repairing Boots and Shoes in a workmanship manner. All he asks is a trial, work guaranteed, shop North and East of the Post Office. 34tf

FOR SALE—Full-blood Poland China Boar. G. S. Frary, Happy Texas. 34-5tc

ROOMS TO RENT— I have three desirable rooms to rent, inquire of Aug Kaiser. 34tf

DOOLY & JONES want to buy all your secondhand stuff. All kinds of secondhand bought; so sell your old furniture and buy new. It can be sold to Dooley & Jones who are now located on Evelyn St., south of Rogerson Hotel. 34tf

WELLS DRILLED—To any depth, prices low and terms easy. Wells drilled anywhere in town at 35 cents per foot. All work guaranteed. Edward Hyatt, Canyon, Texas. 35tn

Wanted—A lady roomer with or without board. Inquire of R. T. Collins at the old Garner house.

Go to Dooly & Jones for first class second hand goods.

We are now ready to consider your applications for loans on patented land or to purchase first mortgage land notes. See or write Dec. 2. L. G. Conner.

FOR SALE—Furniture for a four room house, including a piano. Inquire of Mrs. A. H. Jett.

Keiser Bros. & Phillips have some choice Red Cedar Posts for sale. Inquire at their office.

FOR SALE—320 acres of fine land four miles south of Canyon City at \$22.00 per acre. Easy terms. Address G. A. Hansen, Anthon, Iowa. 37tf

FOR SALE—One Jersey cow about 5 years old; a rubber tire, canopy top surrey, new; one single buggy; two sets single harness, one of which is new. See E. S. Fairbanks.

Bibles in choice bindings and other books for your Christmas gifts. Call at W. H. Younger's, 3rd door west of School House.

FARM FOR SALE—A section close to Canyon. About 350 acres in cultivation, 120 acres in pasture. Good buildings, well and windmill. See Keiser Bros. & Phillips.

A sprained ankle will usually disable the injured person for three or four weeks. This is due to lack of proper treatment. When Chamberlain's Liniment is applied a cure may be effected in three or four days. This liniment is one of the best and most remarkable preparations in use. Sold by City Pharmacy.

**LAND TITLES IN RANDALL COUNTY**  
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

**Good Building Material**  
is usually hard to get but we are plentifully supplied with the best lumber that is now cut and we bought it in time to get the low prices which we offer to you.  
Another feature of the matter is that every customer is a satisfied customer just because we have the lowest price and deal fairly in everything. Let us figure on your building material anyhow. No harm done if we can't sell the goods to you.  
**Fulton Lumber Co.**  
Phone 9

**Canyon Coal & Elevator Company** W. H. HICKS, Mgr.  
INCORPORATED. Successors to Canyon Coal Company  
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in  
**Coal, Grain, Hay, Field Seeds**  
We Sell the Best Quality at Lowest Prices.  
Genuine "Nigger Head" Maitland  
**COAL**  
We Pay the Highest Prices for Grain and Hay.  
Strictly a Home Concern.  
Office at the Elevator. Telephone 72.

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thing to consider in depositing money in a bank is security. The capital and surplus are the depositors protection fund. The  
**NATIONAL**  
government superintends and examines this bank. Our stockholders and directors are responsible, well-to-do business men. This  
**BANK**  
has been established over 10 years, during which time it has served the banking public faithfully and built up a large and prosperous business. The best service possible is none too good for our country customers and the people of  
**CANYON**  
Take The News and Keep Posted

Wayside Items

Rain, sleet, snow and cold generally has been the program for the past week. We welcome the sunshine and hope it will continue. The ground has been frozen for a considerable depth for some days. Quite a number skated Sunday morning.

I. C. Jenkins and family who have been visiting relatives for a week, returned to their home in Canyon last Friday.

E. M. Beasley made a business trip to Canyon Monday.

The Holiness meeting continues with interesting services and good music. Mrs. Homer Faulkner of Plainview came out Saturday.

We sincerely sympathize with Mrs. G. W. Mayo in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Beavers, which occurred Thanksgiving day. "Grandma" Beavers lived in Arkansas and to the ripe old age of eighty-four. She was a widow for more than fifty years.

W. J. Sluder was a business caller in Happy Monday.

Prof. and Mrs. Richards visit-

ed Rev. A. Coleman and family Saturday.

TEDDIE.

Ralph Items

(Delayed)

One of the finest rains of the season visited our section last week almost insuring a good wheat crop for the coming year.

Mrs. J. H. Waller is on a few days visit with her mother in Rannels county and J. H. is doing the batching stunt.

A. L. Roles and family and

Clay Ross and wife spent Thanksgiving with Roy Roles and wife at Happy. They reported a good dinner and a fine time.

Mrs. J. W. McClurkan and daughter, Miss Valma, of Davis, Okla. are visiting with their old friends Mrs. S. F. Wiggins and daughter, Miss Laura.

Mrs. John Wiggins and little daughter, Fay, are visiting friends and relatives at Plainview.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Schmitz on last Wednesday a fine girl. Mr. Schmitz is a little

top heavy but will be alright in a few days.

Guess Who

On last Friday evening, Jack Brock was badly hurt by a falling piece of 2X6 which struck his nose in such a manner as to cause the same to turn black. Mr. Brock was helping to take down a board petition in the new room he has lately leased for his wall paper sales room.

F. P. Wilson of Hereford was at the Victoria Monday, the guest of J. P. Hummington of St. Louis.

The real estate market is now bouyant in city property. Chas.

Burrows has sold his home to Oscar Davis. Chas. Hutchings has sold his home to Chas. Burrow who has also purchased the Wade Stephenson home and expects to move the house and build a new modern house on the lots. Judge Hunt has sold Chas. Hutchings, two lots and Mr. Hutchings expects to build an up-to-date modern home this spring. Mr. Castles expects to build a new house as soon as possible.

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