

CANYON CITY NEWS.

(THE STAYER.)

IF YOU ARE A PANHANDLER, HELP THE NEWS "PANHANDLE" FOR THE PANHANDLE OF TEXAS.

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THE PULPIT OF TODAY.

The modern pulpit is fast departing from the preaching of the old theology and the controverted doctrines out of which the sects have sprung. The masses of the people were so weary of that kind of preaching that the wide-awake men in the pulpit a few years ago began to discuss live topics affecting personal and public character instead of theology and set to talking directly against common evils, public and private. The step from that departure to a broader view of Christian teaching was an easy one. From denouncing such men as Huxley and Darwin and Ingersoll, they began to accept what truths such men taught, and to feel the influence of their broad minds on applied Christianity. The result has been gratifying. Instead of listening to lurid descriptions of a literal hell of fire and brimstone, or hearing how a just God will damn an infant for inherent sin, or shut out of heaven an honest soul who cannot swallow a creed, or properly interpret the meaning of "baptismo," or decide which sect is next to God and scripturally right, people are now taught how to live, how to love, how to do good, how to make a clean city or a godly state.

They are hearing sermons on charity, and benevolence, and the education of the heathen, and purity in politics, and honesty in a "hoss-trade." Some preachers are a little timid about what they say on live questions but very few of them are willing to bore a congregation with what the old school used to call "doctrinal sermons." They still preach sound doctrine, but there are few debates, few great doctrinal demonstrations, such as formerly stirred the towns and divided Christian people. Here and there one may meet a preacher "contending earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints," but he looks lonesome and discouraged. If he draws a crowd it is by the use of some style or manner of speech that is novel enough to be interesting. The people are not interested in mere doctrinal preaching.

The average church is more and more approaching the ideal of a place of worship and good fellowship. The sermon is incidental to the worship—not the main attraction; and so it ought to be. And yet the sermon is expected and listened to, in the hope of inspiration for the duties and cares and joys and purposes of the worshipper. The preacher who seeks least to defend peculiar doctrines and strives hardest to help men and women bear their burdens or get the best out of life, is the popular preacher, because he is more in harmony with the intent and purpose of the great book from which he preaches.

Thomas Bros. can sell you a piano on easy terms.

Help us Settle this Country.

The time has come that we should classify the papers of the Panhandle as either for or against settlement of the country. We also like to hear an expression from the Dallas and Fort Worth papers on this subject. 'Tis true, it's not pleasant to get mixed up in any issue, but papers as widely read as the Dallas News, that we believe to pull in favor of the people, cannot well afford to ignore the land question of the West much longer.

The newspapers should assist in solving our land problem or give good reasons for not doing so. At one time the Wichita, (Kansas) St. Louis and Kansas City papers helped to solve the land question in Oklahoma and the Indian territory, and our people are anxious to see the Dallas News prove its good will to them by doing the same thing for this country.

One little paper in the Panhandle cannot alone wage war for better conditions and wholesomer land legislation. But with the majority of Panhandle papers formed in line, and the Dallas News leading the vanguard, we may hope to accomplish something to hasten the growth and upbuilding of this vast country.—Quannah Tribune-Chief.

Even so and the News is with you, for the future of Panhandle towns and country depends upon settlers and lots of them.

Military Company.

The young men of Hereford will in a short time organize a military company. Such a movement has been in contemplation for some time, and has now taken definite form. The enterprise is a worthy one and should have generous encouragement. A military company, properly officered and equipped, will add a zest and interest to the life of the town, and will give the young men participating in it a valuable training in the tactics of military drill.—Hereford Brand.

When the young men of Canyon City get ready for a new enterprise they should follow the example of the Hereford youths. Nothing is more becoming in one's carriage than the mien that grows natural from the practice and drill of military tactics.

That man "Exchange" says some mighty good things occasionally, and here is one of them: "A newspaper is like a man—because generally it reflects some man—and it should be judged as a man should be judged: largely and on the whole. No man lives a perfect life; no editor prints a perfect paper. If an editor is honest he is bound to offend some one every day of his life; if he doesn't offend some one the editor is pamby-pamby and flabby. The same thing is true of the average man. A newspaper is bound to make mistakes; in getting news it must necessarily take hearsay. But if, in the long run and in the main, week after week and year after year, a paper stands for decency, for honest thinking and clean living, if it speaks fair for those who are trying to do good, and condemns sneaks and cheats and low persons, that is a good paper."

The "Evil" Of Learning.

The Washington Post doubts the wisdom of "that higher education which is given in the public schools, paid for by the property-holders, and conferred largely upon the children of persons who pay no taxes," holding that the state is under no obligation to educate the individual beyond a certain point—is bound only to equip him for self-education according to his merits and capacity.

The Post cites the case of a handsome New York girl of 20, who was recently arrested for stealing \$1,800 worth of jewelry. She was a graduate of the public schools and became an accomplished musician and linguist. She was to have graduated in the "Normal College" next year. She grew to despise her surroundings and especially her cheap clothing and ornaments. In order to present a finer figure she stole the jewelry from her mother's friend. Her own explanation is: "It is wrong to give a girl an education and not means to clothe herself according to the station in life for which she is fitted."

It would seem to be difficult to fix the State's responsibility in this case. It is an isolated instance, by no means typical of the "evils" of education. The crime of stealing jewelry is one peculiarly pertaining to savagery and might be committed as well by a Zulu damsel as by an American maiden with a free-school education who played the piano and conversed in seven tongues. Glittering baubles look as bright to the one as to the other and the incentives are equal in strength, perhaps stronger in the savage.

With more truth it may be said that the trouble with the unfortunate young person is not too much education, but not enough education. The conditions which prompted the theft could not obtain in a more highly or a more generally educated sphere. Ignorance appears to be responsible for the crime. If the state is to be condemned by this instance, then the fault should be laid to the quality rather than quantity of the education which it provides.

In the broader and better view of the case there is no such thing as educating the individual out of his sphere or beyond his depth. General diffusion of education must result in generally and uniformly improved economic status, moral and physical status. Under the imperfect operation of the present-day system of free education injustice may be done to a single individual, but the fault does not lie primarily with the system. The greater injustice is wrought against those individuals who are not reached and affected by education. With thoroughgoing and uniform education distinctions and contrasts would be effaced—there would have been no room for the young woman's discontent. There is no such thing as the

LOOK OUT!

For the quotation of prices on first page of next week's NEWS.

N. B. Too busy when this paper went to press, but look out for next issue. In the meantime call and see what we are doing.

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state's "obligation" to provide free education to any extent whatever. The matter is voluntary. The question is one, generally, of policy based upon considerations of the states good, determined empirically. Surely experience has not demonstrated that any degree or grade of common-school education is without benefit to the State or to the individual. Increased education enhances the individual's merits and broadens his capacity, improving his value to the state.—St. Louis Republic.

Just received a fine line of China Mattings.

THOMAS BROS.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of trustees of the Canyon City Independent school district, will convene on the 21st day of April, 1903, at the court house in Canyon City to pass upon the unrendered roll of property in said district—and to equalize all property on the rendered list, as presented to said board by the assessor thereof—this April 8th 1903.

B. FRANK BUIK,
Pres. Board.

Attest: F. P. WILSON,
Secretary.

About fifty millions of dollars are being spent in new church buildings in the United States this year. That don't indicate any decline in the hold of the church on the hearts of the people.

The Mulvane (Kan.) Record tells of a little boy who had said his prayers and kissed everybody goodnight but the new hired girl. "Aren't you going to kiss me good night?" said the domestic. "Nope," replied Young Hopeful. "I saw papa try to kiss you this morning and I don't want you to slap me the way you slapped him." And the Young Hopeful's mother is wondering whether she will not be able to do her own work from this time on and save the expense of keeping a girl.

Thomas Bros. sells furniture. Don't forget this.

The Old-Coffee Pot.

I want to hear the simmer
Of the old coffee pot,
I want to hear it hummin',
When it's gettin' good and hot;
I want to see the vapor rise,
Like incense, in the room,
And float about a fillin'
Every corner with perfume,
Oh, it isn't very often
That a feller gets the best;
But when he does, it's like a whiff
A-comin' from the West;
It's like a rush of springtime
Across a growin' field,
A fillin' you with dreams of what
The harvest time'll yield.

I love the smell of roses
Along about in June;
And I'd hang around and listen
To almost any tune;
But the fragrance and the music
That nothing else has got
Are the odor and the simmer
Of the old coffee pot.
—Red Bud (Ill.) pilgrim.

An elegant line of Baby Bug-gies at Thomas Bros.

DON'T DESPOND.

Keep the mind healthy if you don't lay up a cent. The slough of despond has nothing for sale that will benefit any one. Be joyous most of the time despite your troubles. Don't be discouraged. Remember the man who had a good tight hold on the gentleman cow's tail, and hang on for dear life. The weakest thing any man can do is to give up. Keep trying and burnish brightly your hopes and expectations. Build air castles and live for their realization. There is gratification in contemplation.

Don't give up today; wait until tomorrow. The sun will shine through your cypress trees in time. Be of good cheer. All the world loves a laughter. Don't take life so seriously that you must be serious throughout it. Slip the honey from the chalice of existence and avoid the thorns. Keep your mind filled with roses and the perfume of flowers, the love of children and the patriotism of the nation. Be a man. If you cannot be happy yourself—help others. This is a key which has unlocked many a rusty heart and set it to palpitating with rich, pure blood. Take an interest in the things about you and life will soon be worth the living. There was never a night so black but that the glorious sun broke through the clouds illuminating and sanctifying humanity.—Ex.

Bills against this office to receive prompt attention should be presented on the first day of each month.

An Illinois newspaper truthfully says: "Any subscriber to a local paper who will watch the advertisements and take advantage of inducements offered will save many times the subscription price in the course of a year. Instead of the poor man saying he cannot afford to take his home paper, he would come bearer of the truth by declaring he cannot afford to do without it. Some will discontinue taking the paper because they 'do not have time to read it,' but they would find the time spent reading advertisements of local merchants the most profitable, from the financial standpoint, of any reading they could select."

I have purchased the bakery business formerly owned by Price & Miller and will conduct same in new quarters between Miller's saddle shop and Merrill & Brown's tin shop. Give me a call.

W. B. JONES.

An Aggravating Cough.

A customer of ours who had been suffering from a severe cough for six months, bought two bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy from us and was entirely cured by one and a half bottles of it. It gives satisfaction with our trade.—Haynes Parker & Co., Lineville, Ala. For sale by J. N. Hadley, the leading druggist.

\$10,000 TO BE DISTRIBUTED.

The St. Louis Republic Offers Fourteen Splendid Rewards to Subscribers.

An interesting announcement appears in that great metropolitan newspaper, the St. Louis Republic. In the form of a profit-sharing offer to any one now a subscriber or willing to become a subscriber of The Republic. A big sum of \$10,000.00 is to be paid in rewards for good judgment and skill. It is possible to earn all the way from \$10,000 up to \$5,000.00.

Complete information as to the conditions of this contest, together with blanks will be found in the Daily, Sunday and Twice-a-week editions of The Republic from April 2 until April 29, 1903, or will be mailed to any one upon application. All communications and estimates should be addressed to The Republic Profit-sharing Bureau, Call box 201, St. Louis, Mo.

I have 2 full-blood Hereford bulls, 4 years old, Plains reared that I will sell at a bargain. 5-4t J. L. PRICHARD.

FOR SALE.

Some good milch cows, 200 head of stock cattle, 5 registered Durham bulls, 6 grade bulls and 25 head of young horses, cheap. Will sell for cash or on time, with good note. Also have some houses to rent at reduced rates. If you want to rent a house see me.

G. C. LONG.

I have purchased the boot and shoe shop formerly owned by Harry Miller, and will conduct the same at the old stand. Give me a trial. JOHN WENTZELHANS.

Of course its windy, but you will find we are not blowing when you inspect our stock of first class Lumber.

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Program

For Clarendon District Epworth League Conference.

To be held in Canyon City, May 8-10, 1903.

Friday, May 8th.

8 p. m.—Opening Sermon, Rev. J. Sam Barcus, President Clarendon College.

Saturday, May 9th.

10:15 a. m.—Welcome Address, A. S. Rollins, Canyon City.

Response, Rev. J. Winford Hunt, Dumas, Texas.

DEVOTIONAL DEPARTMENT—10:30 A. M.

An Ideal Devotional Service, Prof. C. E. Edwards, Hereford, and Mr. J. S. Bally, of Amarillo.

11 a. m.—How may interest be secured and how maintained in the Devotional Services, Prof. M. L. Williams, Clarendon College, and Prof. A. Ernberger, Canyon City.

Open Parliament.

CHARITY AND HELP DEPARTMENT—2:30 P. M.

What is the scope of the Charity and Help Department, Mrs. F. Bridges, Hale Center, and Mr. A. Y. Ingham.

3 p. m.—Reports from Local Leagues.

3:30—How may the League help the Pastor, W. A. Robbins, Floydada.

3:45—How may the Pastor help the League, Miss Fannie Terentine, Hereford.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT—4 p. m.

How can interest in the Literary department be secured, Miss Laura Hamner, and Willie Wilson, Claude.

4:30—What shall be read in the Literary department besides the authorized reading course, Mrs. J. G. Wayland, Plainview, and Miss Julia Price, Hale Center.

OPEN PARLIAMENT ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS—5 p. m.

The mission of the Epworth League to the (a) Community; (b) Sunday school; (c) Young people.

EVENING SESSION—8 p. m.

The Epworth League and Local option in Texas, Rev. J. Winford Hunt, Dumas. This service will open and close with special music and recitations.

Sunday Morning, May 10.

10:30 a. m.—Epworth League Love Feast, led by Rev. Ben Hardy, Clarendon College.

11 a. m.—Sermon, The Epworth League and Missions, Rev. Jas. M. Sherman, Presiding Elder, Clarendon.

DISTRICT

2:30—Junior League Department, Miss Gabbie Betts, Clarendon College, leader.

3:30—Epworth League Rally, led by Rev. G. S. Hardy, Clarendon.

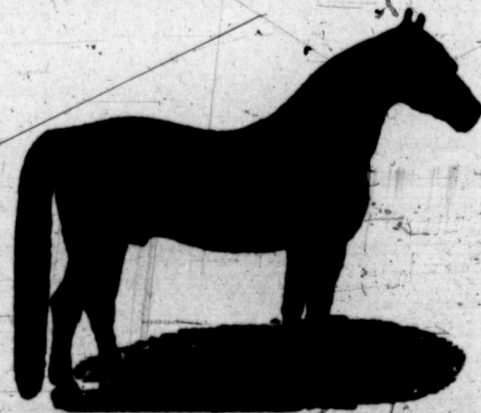
Addresses of 5 minutes each by Revs. C. A. Clark, Lubbock; T. W. Sharp, Floydada; Walter Griffith, Silverton; C. L. Carlenright, Hereford; R. A. Hall, Claude; W. B. McKeown, Stratford, and J. Sam Barcus, Clarendon.

8 p. m.—Sermon, The Epworth League in the twentieth century, Rev. B. W. Dodson, Amarillo.

Let every one COME PRAYING that we may have a real feast of good things.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

J. E. Stephens, Dist. President, Mrs. J. W. Mitchner, 1st vice pres., Mrs. Ben Hardy 2nd vice pres., Prof. A. Ernberger 3rd vice pres., Miss Gabbie Betts, Supt. Junior work; Rev. J. Winford Hunt, Dist. Secretary.



RANGER R. 31428.

A handsome bay 15 3-4 hands high will make the season of 1903 at my place two miles west and one mile north of Canyon City.

TERMS: \$5.00, \$10.00 and \$15.00.

Ranger was sired by Rabelais 11123, Rabelais by the famous Belmont 64 and out of Repose.

Ranger R is out of Mattie Mont and she by Norwood Star 1395 and out of Daisy H.

All good judges of horse flesh have pronounced Ranger a chip off the old block; being a grandson of Belmont, the world-renowned trotter, is sufficient recommendation to all breeders who are acquainted with the lineage of pure-bred horses. Ranger is a saddle horse with qualities of the first water, traveling all gaits known to the lovers of saddle stock.

C. P. MONEY.

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"But where to find that happiest spot below? Who can direct, when all pretend to know?"

Many are satisfied to live in Northwest Texas, having proved the value of the land in this region as a good crop raiser. Not only cattle, but wheat, cotton, corn, feed-stuffs, cantaloupes, garden truck and good health flourish here—in a district where malaria is impossible and very little doing for jails and hospitals.

Land, which is being sold at really low figures—the constantly increasing demand is steadily boosting values—is still abundant; and farms and ranches of all sizes, very happily located, are being purchased daily.

We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little book, published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate association, which contains an interesting series of straightforward statements of what people have accomplished along the line of

"THE DENVER ROAD."

Pass. Dept., Ft. Worth, Texas.

N. B.—We find our passenger patronage very gratifying. It is necessary to run three trains daily each way as far as Wichita Falls, and two clear thru. We continue, the year round, the excellent Class A service that insures the preference of Colorado and California Tourists, winter and summer. By the way, we offer now more than half a dozen rates to California, the newest being via Dalhart (also good for Old Mexico.) with first grade eating cars all the way.

We sell a Home-Seeker's ticket, good thirty days, at one and a third fare the round trip, allowing stop-overs at Vernon and points beyond, both ways.

Low Rates to Chicago.

For the International Live Exposition at Chicago. This will be your opportunity to make a cheap trip to the City on the Lakes. See your local agent for dates of sale, limits, conditions, etc.—Don A. Sweet, Traffic Manager.

Helpful Reading. Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of The Semi-Weekly News to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department. Has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer. If you are not taking The Stayer you should. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75, cash in advance, we will mail you The Stayer and The Galveston or Dallas Semi-Weekly News for 12 months. The News stops when your time is out.

The W. C. T. U. will meet every 1st Saturday evening of each month at the Baptist church. MRS. J. B. DEAN, Pres.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.

Preaching first and third Sundays morning and night by Rev. Chalmers Kilbourne, C. P. pastor.

Second Sundays morning and night, Rev. A. W. Crawford Presbyterian pastor.

Fourth Sundays—morning and night, Rev. Randolph Clark, Christian pastor.

Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Christian Endeavor 8 p. m.

Choir practice every Friday night.

BAPTIST.

Preaching every Sunday, morning and evening, Rev. J. D. Ballard, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday morning, J. W. St. Clair, Superintendent.

B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 3 p. m. A. H. Thompson, President.

Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. H. Thompson, President.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Choir practice and teachers' meeting every Friday evening.

CHRISTIAN.

All members and friends of the Christian church are requested to meet at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m. every Lord's Day.

METHODIST.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. A. Ernberger, Supt.

Junior and Senior Epworth Leagues every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and 3:30 p. m., respectively.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8:00.

J. E. Stephens, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, services at the court house every Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Sunday school every Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Testimonial services every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Everybody cordially invited to attend these services.

Mrs. V. Edna Henson,

First Reader.

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