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A VERY GOOD INVESTMENT-A HOME IN RANDALL COUNTY.

## Sherman's March Held Up

A FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY WAR STORY

March 19, 1865

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**T**HE bravest deed of individual valor that came to my notice during the whole war," said the late General Henry W. Slocum, "was performed by a soldier in the ranks. It was at Bentonville, N. C., the last battle of Sherman's army, fought on the 19th of March, 1865.

"On the march through the Carolinas from Savannah toward Goldsboro I commanded the left wing of Sherman's army and General Howard the right. We traveled upon roads many miles apart. That was the stage of the great march which was to unite the army of the west with that of the east in front of Richmond. That union of the forces once effected the Confederacy would be doomed. On the 15th of March we brushed General Hardee's Confederates out of Aversboro after a lively skirmish, and Sherman was of the opinion that Hardee would not stop again until he reached Raleigh.

"Directing me to reach the Neuse River the following day, Sherman left me on the morning of the 19th to join Howard. At that moment there were some skirmishing and light cannonading on my front, but Sherman thought it trivial, for he said that I had nothing to oppose me but a little cavalry. The Confederate skirmishers soon gave way, and I sent an aid to ride after Sherman and tell him that I should not need assistance, but would be at the Neuse river on time.

"Just about that time one of my officers brought before me a young man dressed in Confederate gray. He was haggard and sickly looking, the reason for which was soon made known. He had been very anxious to see me, and after much begging on his part his guardians had gratified him. In answer to my questions he said he had originally been in the Federal army; that while on a scouting expedition he had been captured and narrowly missed summary death as a spy. To save his life, or at least escape the horrors of a prison dungeon, he had enlisted in the Confederate service with the intention of deserting to his own at the first chance.

"I had met such characters before and was skeptical. He told me that he had enlisted at Syracuse, N. Y., and had been in the service all through the war. I was a resident of Syracuse myself, but did not recognize the man. However, Major William G. Tracy of my staff came up and saw in the 'galvanized Yank' a soldier who had enlisted with him in the Third New York volunteers in 1861. His name was John T. Williams. Having established confidence, Williams said, 'There is a very large Confederate force immediately in your front, all under command of General Joe Johnston.' He added that Johnston had made a speech to his army that morning, and the officers had told the men that it was 'old Joe's' intention to smash my column before support could reach it and then go for Howard's.

"Of course I was sorry I had sent the message to Sherman stating that I needed no help and remedied the blunder at once by sending a second message. This was carried by a boy member of my staff, Lieutenant Joseph B. Foraker. As he started off I said to him, 'Ride well to the right and don't let the enemy get you, and, above all, don't spare horseflesh.' He rode like Paul Revere on his famous gallop from Boston to Lexington and reached Sherman's camp just at sundown. Sherman immediately started a column to my aid.

"Lieutenant Foraker had scarcely got out of sight of my camp when the Confederates advanced with terrific force and drove back my leading division. Johnston had under him that

day the best fighting army of Confederates in the field at that time. General Hardee's division had been in front of us at Savannah and all the way through the Carolinas, but there had been no fierce fighting. So it was fresh. General Bragg had brought down Hoke's splendid division of veterans from the Army of Northern Virginia. These troops had left the trenches at Petersburg the December previous, and had been lying idle at Wilmington, and they were fresh.

"There was also a division under General A. P. Stewart from Hood's old Tennessee command, men who had a good share of pluck left or they would not have made their way from Louisiana to the coast in search of more fighting. Besides that, there was a splendid body of cavalry under General Wade Hampton, comprising General Joe Wheeler's corps and the division of General M. C. Butler, that had fought under Jeb Stuart and Hampton in Virginia. The force was about 20,000 men. They fought like an army of 40,000, for their leaders had filled their heads with the hope that Sherman would be given a crushing blow if they destroyed me there at Bentonville.

"The battle took place in a dense thicket, which was very favorable to me, for it offered cover to my troops and enabled them to throw up hasty breastworks out of view of the enemy. Johnston's guns were well served, and the valor of his soldiers in charging my lines would have counted for more had his columns not been broken in passing through the thicket. As it was, they charged again and again until a late hour. When night came on I had my army well in hand and intrenched. Still I had a strong foe in my front and could not keep my engagement to meet Sherman on the Neuse river next day. The fierceness of the battle confirmed the story of the deserter Williams that the enemy had made every preparation to smash me, and, while I might have ignored the warning and attempted to cut my way through, I thought it was a time when I could afford to be too slow rather than to fast and not risk another Ball's Bluff disaster.

"The idea is generally accepted that the march of Sherman through the Carolinas at that time, threatening come up in the rear of Lee's army along the James and catch it between two fires, decided the issue between Lee and Grant and led to the surrender at Appomattox. That view of the case makes it plain that a blow like the one Johnston would have been able to strike had not been warned of his presence and continued my march with the columns strung out would have been a terrible disaster just at that time.

"Williams was the hero of that crisis, and he took his life in his hands in more respects than one when he set out from the Confederate camps to warn me of my danger. There was firing going on between the Confederate skirmishers and ours, so that a man risked his life passing between the lines. Besides, if discovered by the southern people while getting away they would shoot him down, and the northerners would do the same unless they understood his signals. It was most fortunate for Williams as well as for my army and the cause that he happened to run right into the arms of an old fellow soldier, so that the identification of him and acceptance of his story did not take five minutes. For his own safety he might better have waited until the battle was over before attempting to rejoin his old friends, if that was his sole object. It would have been an easy matter then, but he was true to the flag, and his former calling of scout. Having learned vital news for the Federal commander, he risked his life to carry it to the opposing camp.

"The dispatching of Foraker to Sherman for help was the next act in the drama, and after a night march Sherman came up with Logan's corps and joined me on the battlefield at Bentonville the morning of March 20. As

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soon as he arrived we developed the enemy's lines and found them very strong, as Williams reported, but when we began to push things Johnston discovered that he was just a day too late, for Sherman's army was united. He then retreated hastily toward Raleigh. Two days later Lee attempted to break Grant's hold on Petersburg by a

night sortie. He failed and attempted to back off and march south to meet Johnston. That plan Sherman foiled at Five Forks on April 1. So the game was up for the southern Confederacy.

Williams' name does not appear on the list of winners of medals of honor. He was in the service all through the war, having re-enlisted at the expiration of his first term. He returned to Syracuse to engage in business, in which he met with varying fortunes.

GEORGE L. KILMER.

War Motor Car.

The Austrian war department has just sanctioned the construction of an armored motor car specially designed to carry a quick firing gun, mounted on a pivot, capable of being raised or lowered and turning in all directions. The driver's seat is also so arranged that it can be lowered sufficiently to sink the man below the line of fire. Heavy haulage work, such as that of stores, munitions and even heavy guns, is all ready done by motor in the Austrian army.

She on Her Knees.

She went upon her knees. He gave no single sign of heeding. Although he saw and heard, he sat and calmly kept on reading. She humbly knelt. Strange sounds arose, as if for pity pleading. But mailed in steel of self he sat and calmly kept on reading reports, reviews, the foreign news, accounts of crimes appalling. She wiped her brow, the cloth she held she wrung till drops were falling. And still she stayed upon her knees, and he was all unheeding. When Mary scrubbed his office floor, he calmly kept on reading.

## BEEF AND TURKEY.

Comparative Value and Economy of the Two as Food.

Discussing the comparative food value of roast beef and turkey, the Lancet says:

First, it may be said that weight for weight the flesh of the turkey is more nourishing than that of beef, but the latter is, generally speaking, cheaper than the former. The moisture in beef, however, exceeds the amount present in the flesh of the turkey, and the latter contains a better percentage of proteid, or flesh forming substance. In either case the percentage of moisture seldom less than 70 per cent. In lean beef the amount of fat is much the same as in a not too well fed turkey, but it must be pointed out that the flesh of poultry differs from that of beef or mutton in not having its muscular fibers permeated by fat, and, moreover, the fibers in the flesh of fowl are short and readily yield to the disintegrating action of the digestive processes. A large amount of fat in either case is apt to interfere with the digestibility of the meat. The fat of beef is more digestible than the fat of the turkey. The fat of birds, in fact, is harder and owing to its tendency to become rancid is unsuitable for the dyspeptic patient.

Perhaps the most important difference, however, from a dietetic point of view between beef and turkey is that whereas beef contains a high percentage of extractive matters turkey contains hardly any at all. The extractive matters in beef account largely for its peculiar and marked flavor, and owing to their absence in poultry generally and in the pheasant and partridge the flavor of these meats is delicate. But there is no doubt that the extractives of beef as well as of mutton are valuable, for not only are they flavoring agents, but they also act as perhaps the most powerful stimulants to gastric digestion.

## A Gloomy Outlook Either Way.

The New York Times tells a story of a white man who was arraigned before a colored justice of the peace during reconstruction times for killing a man and stealing his mule. The comparative enormity of such crimes varied with the soil upon which they were committed. In this case the deed was done in Arkansas, near the Texas border.

There was some rivalry between the states, but the colored justice tried to preserve an impartial frame of mind.

"We've got two kinds of law in dis yere co't," he said—"Texas law an' Arkansas law. Which will you hab?" The prisoner thought a minute and then said he guessed he would take Arkansas law.

"Don't discharge you fo' stealin' de mule an' hang you fo' killin' de man."

"Hold on a minute, judge!" called the prisoner. "I would rather have the Texas law."

"All right. Under de law ob Texas I fine you fo' killin' de man an' hang you fo' stealin' de mule."

## All Set.

Servant—Mr. Smith is at the door. Young Woman—Is his picture on the mantel?

"Yes, ma'am."

"Are the roses he sent me on the piano?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Is that book he bought me on the table?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Well, let the pug dog he gave me into the parlor and admit him. I'll be down in a few moments."—Kansas City Times.

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Running back to the days of the patriarch Abraham, who grazed his herds upon the rich grasses of the plains of Syria, the open plateaus or high levels of all countries, have excelled in the production of cattle. And, not only is this true as to number, but also as to quality. The ancients knew these things ages ago and the history formed of their experience is repeating itself today. Just such a country as Abraham, Lot, Jacob, Job and other celebrated cattlemen of the Old World loved we have before us in the Panhandle of Texas.

All of this great country—the Texas Panhandle—abounds in those desirables which make it the natural home of the cow. Here we have the finest grasses in the world, a solid turf of it; water, heaven distilled, clear, sparkling and pure and plenty of it; a soil fertile as a river delta, which only needs to be tickled by man to yield crops in abundance. Add to these things a climate that is healthful, invigorating and insuring longevity for both man and beast and where would you go to beat it?

The whole Panhandle is just such a country as this, but if any portion of it excels in these good things of life, it is undoubtedly the Plains. On these plains there is, perhaps, a larger percentage of good dirt—strong, alluvial, tillable land—than anywhere else. The water, good as the best, is shallow, easy to get and practically inexhaustible.

To one, then, going into the cattle business, "first conditions" are to be found on the Plains as near perfect as human experience can show. The land, grass, water and climate on the Plains all combine to make it what the future will surely prove it to be—one of the best stock countries on mother earth.

A very fine and very welcome rain fell all over this county last Friday evening and night. It came from the southeast and lasted off and on for some ten hours. The fall was about two inches and will do lots of good for the country generally.

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**HERE AND THERE.**

The San Angelo Standard, a paper thoroughly identified with and posted on the stock interests of West Texas, commenting on present conditions, says:

"West Texas cattle are worth today from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per head more than they were during the corresponding period last year. Range conditions in this section never have been more encouraging, and the cattlemen are all feeling optimistic over the future.

"A most favorable combination of circumstances now exists that must inevitably result in the cattle raiser's favor. The speculators have, in the first place, plunged ahead and leased lands in the Osage Indian nation and have no cattle with which to stock their rented pastures. Texas stock is what they must have, and this fact of itself must necessarily stimulate the buyers.

"In the second place, the recent rains, which have been among the best for the past 25 years, have put the Texas cattle range in such excellent condition that the cattle must not only command better prices, but the stockmen can afford to be more independent. The buyers will have to 'raise the pot' and the sellers may then 'call the hand.'

The combined stimulus to the buyers, therefore, plus the increased independence of the cattlemen, made possible by the superb range conditions, must needs reap a better harvest of returns in the good old pocket book of the cattleman,—hallelujah!

"And likewise the sheep ranges have been put in splendid condition, and the present relation between the world's supply of and the world's demand for muttons and wool makes the Texas sheepmen look into the future with great satisfaction."

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The April number of The Lantern, Senter's magazine, published monthly at Dallas, may justly be said to be the spokesman of the silent millions of people who have no lobby at Austin to make reply to the large array of lobbyists for special interests who are fighting all tax reform measures and seek to place the burdens of an increased tax rate upon the land owners, stock growers and merchants of Texas, who already pay an undue proportion of the cost of the state government. The Lantern announces a special offer of a trial trip for four months for ten cents.

**Our Legislative Material.**

In the makeup of the Texas legislature, the different states are represented as follows, 61 of 133 being Texans:

Tennessee, 16; Virginia, 6; Arkansas, 2; Kentucky, 5; Mississippi, 4; Alabama, 9; Ohio, 2; Illinois, 2; North Carolina, 1; District of Columbia, 1; New Hampshire, 1; New York, 1; West Virginia, 2; Connecticut, 1; Missouri, 2; Florida, 1; Indiana, 1; Ireland, 2; Bohemia, 1; Austria, 1; Germany, 1.

The different professions and trades represented are as follows:

Farmers, 24; lawyers, 65; contractors, 2; politicians, 1; bookkeepers, 1; nurseryman, 1; merchants, 11; real estate, 1; stockmen, 10; editors, 5; publishers, 1; druggist, 1; physicians, 4; conductors, 1; fireman, 1; cowboys, 1; teachers, 1; bankers, 2; ministers, 1.

Mr. Edwards of Freestone county, weighs 240 pounds and is the heaviest, and Mr. Witherpoon, of Hardeman, weighs about 115 and is the lightest.

There are 131 democrats in the house and two republicans.—Clarendon Chronicle.

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Wet again—all over town Tuesday.

Saturday night a new baby boy came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Oldham.

Remember the Millinery Opening on 7th and 8th.  
**CANYON MER. CO.**

The rains of the past few days have been general over West Texas.

W. E. Laughery has rented and moved into the A. E. Brown house formerly occupied by W. W. Merrill.

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Another soaking rain fell in Randall county Monday night and the ground is now full of moisture.

Our farmers would be thankful for a few sunny days—dry ones of course.

Mrs. Dougherty will, this week, move into the old Presbyterian parsonage, north of T. C. Thompson's, where she will teach a Kindergarten.

Mrs. Oscar Hunt has been among the few in town on the sick list the past week.

If you want anything in the dairy line phone Prichard—phone No. 63, 2 rings.

Our next Reunion will begin on Tuesday, the 18th of July.

J. W. Cummings had Tom Cochran to paper his south room last week.

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Dr. Latham, purchaser of the Thompson Drug Co., stock, arrived with his family this week and is with J. W. Reed until such time as he can secure a suitable residence.

Work on the new phone system goes merrily on and if Canyon City grows to her poles and wires, which she most certainly will, we shall yet out-rival Amarillo in population.

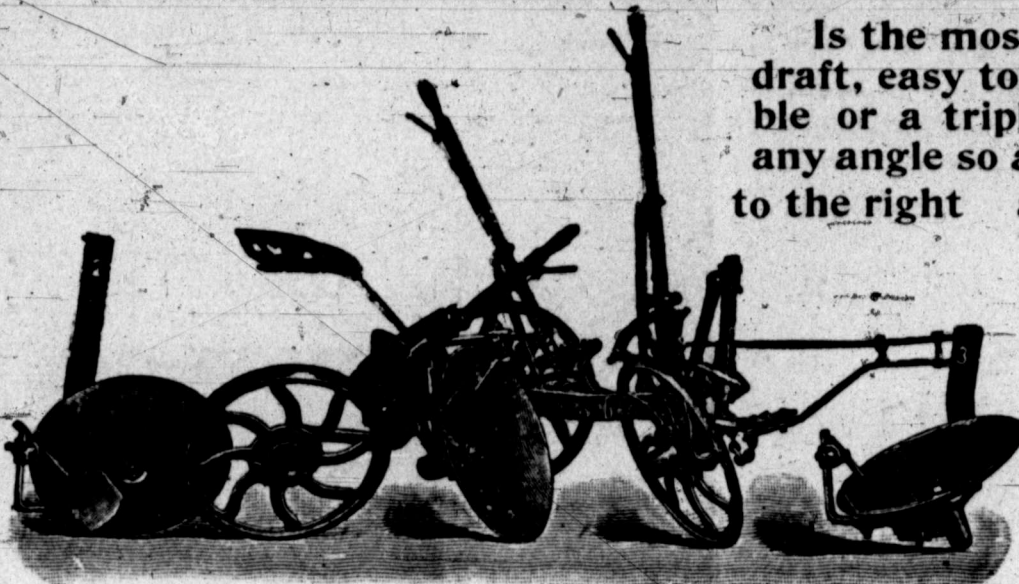
W. O. Oldham of Portales, was in town a day or so last week. The News understands that he was here in connection with his brother, B. D. Oldham's proposition to establish a hardware business.

The coming Lecturer, Prof. Morrison, is highly recommended as a speaker having ability to hold the complete attention of an audience.

Dr. Stewart has let the contract for a new frame-five-room residence to Brown & Shifflett. The one he now resides in is to be moved to some lots he owns north of the Baptist home, the new one taking its place. The contractors are to move the old house and furnish material for and build the new one for the sum of \$940.

Ab Thompson is at Hill's Business College, Waco.

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**BOARD OF TRADE MATTER.**

At a citizens meeting held at the Court House Monday night it was determined to increase the membership of the Board of Trade to at least fifty members. With this end in view a committee consisting of A. N. Henson, J. C. Pipkin and A. S. Rollins, all members of the present Board, was appointed to interview our business men looking to the accomplishment of this purpose.

Seventeen new members were enrolled from among those present at the meeting. When the above committee which has this membership matter in charge shall have secured the fifty, including the seventeen mentioned, it is its further duty to report this fact to the acting chairman, G. A. Brandon, who is thereupon required to call a meeting for the purpose of carrying out a thorough re-organization of the Canyon City Board of Trade.

This action was based upon the proposition that the present Board, consisting of only sixteen members, was hardly representative of the present business conditions of the town and county, and that unless augmented by numbers including some of those who receive the greater benefits from an organization of this character, it had as well close up shop and quit.

This may be rather an abrupt and, also, perhaps, a rather rough way of stating the condition, as viewed by the old Board, but it is clear all the same and not liable to be misunderstood, and it is now up to our citizens to either say amen! at the burial of the old organization or "God speed" to the efforts which will place it on a plane of usefulness, that will, if properly directed, bring Canyon City to the front as one of the progressive towns of the Panhandle.

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For some reason not yet clear to The News the government has seen fit to double on the post office box rent at this place. No grounds are given. A strike is now in order—many are inaugurated with less than one-tenth of the provocation.

J. E. Rogers of Ceta, was in town Monday. When seen by The News man he had just completed the purchase of two registered Hereford yearling males from Col. R. A. Campbell. The price paid was \$100 for the two and is very low when the high quality of the Campbell herd is considered. Mr. Rogers says that a large acreage of oats has been sown in his community and that they are up nicely and covering the ground. He estimates the cattle losses for the winter in his part of the county as not exceeding two per cent, saying that he, himself, lost nothing.

After careful investigation, The News estimates the losses among cattle in Randall county for the winter of 1904-5, as not over two per cent. The majority of our cattle owners lost practically nothing, the loss, such as it is, falling altogether, upon those who failed to provide food and shelter, principally food. This, in view of the unusually severe winter, is an excellent showing for the county.

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J. E. Stephens.

The residence and contents reported as burned in Hereford last Wednesday was that of M. W. Shelley and not Gilleland's. Our informant was there at the time of the burn but made a mistake on the name—a material thing sometimes. There was insurance of \$3000 on house and contents. This last and correct account is had from the "Brand."

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PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Read the report of the meeting which has to do with the future of the Canyon City Board of Trade.

The News office is now "fixed" and capable of taking care of a great deal more business than it receives.

Mrs. Walter Cobb and children came in this week on a visit to relatives here and at Tulia.

Miss Mattie Reed, of Pulaski, Tennessee, is visiting at her brother's, J. W. Reed's.

Chas. Thomas returned Wednesday from a trip to Liberal, Kansas.

R. B. Redfearn is having a new fence put about his residence.

Our prices on Millinery or Dry Goods are the cheapest in town.

**CANYON MER. CO.**

W. T. Moreland has recently sold his section near Plainview at five dollars per acre.

Five new subscribers since last issue. The News is growing nicely in this respect.

The News is once more indebted to its friend, W. F. Heller, for a bucket full of nice, large, and perfectly sound beets.

There will be no roping contests at the next Reunion—it will be "agin" the law. Good!

Tomorrow, President Roosevelt will be at Vernon, Texas, on his way to the hunting grounds in the Indian Territory.

Saturday at 2 p. m., the Canyon City High School Ball Team will play the Amarillo Academy Team on the flat south of the Joe Foster residence.

L. O. Thompson, druggist from Amarillo, has been here this week assisting in the invoicing of the Thompson drug stock.

The carpenter work on W. T. Moreland's house has been finished and John Turner and Carl Coffee, the workmen, have returned to town.

Attorney R. A. Sowder, left Friday for Plainview, returning Wednesday evening. He reports some twelve or fifteen felony cases on the docket there, and says that district court will likely continue three weeks.

We sell eating Potatoes at \$1.00 per 100 lbs by the sack. We also handle Crystal White Laundry Soap; 7 bars of Clairette or Lenox Soap for 25 cents.

**CANYON MER. CO.**

The roads are again in a fearful condition and hauling to the South has once more stopped.

In the recent Hereford sale at Lubbock, some twenty-five head of bulls, "ones-going-on-tuos" were sold at a price averaging a little over \$100. R. A. Campbell was the auctioneer.

Try the News for Job Work.

**To My Friends.**

I wish to say that the report that I am going to work for the new telephone company is false and was told for the purpose of injuring Mr. Faulkner. We have not got as much money as the new Co., but will always be on hand and give you the best service, and will meet any price they make.

J. A. GUTHRIE.

I will open a nursery—Kindergarten and Chart exercise School on April 17,—one door north of T. C. Thompson's. I ask your patronage.

Mrs. L. Mary Dougherty.

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Judge Vansant and Major Hutchinson each tackled our old friend "grip" during the last ten days. The Judge rather got the worst of it, but with the Major, grip came out only a fair second.

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**CANYON MERCANTILE CO.**

Claude Harrison left Thursday evening of last week for Illinois on business pertaining to land matters.

The lecturer, J. B. Morrison, who is to be with us Friday night, April 14, is a brother-in-law of B. T. Johnson of this county. He is very highly recommended as a speaker and his subject should be, and will be, interesting to everybody, old and young, learned and unlearned.

Sheriff Slover got another prisoner for safe keeping Wednesday. Sheriff Inman of Deaf Smith, brought him down from "the Territory." George Lewis is his name and the charge forgery, committed some five years ago.

B. T. Ansley, of Guyman, Okla., an uncle of Mrs. J. E. Stephens, and who was a visitor here last fall, died some two weeks ago at his home. Death for him came suddenly. He was apparently in good health and out walking on the streets when he was without warning struck down.

The A. A. A. man of Amarillo, Specialist in Form Fitting, Panhandle representative for the Best Line of Made-to-Measure Tailoring money can buy, will be in Canyon next Wednesday, April 12th.

Rev. F. F. Robeson, who was in Hereford, Tuesday, reports that about noon of that day a man named Biggs, was killed by the caving in of a bank. Deceased and a companion were engaged in getting out gravel from under a bank near the creek, one digging and the other hauling, and during the absence of the team the overhanging bank caved in on Biggs, who, it is supposed, was engaged in digging. He was dead when found. Deceased leaves a wife and four children.

Farmers' Institutes all around, but none in Randall county. Did you ever ask yourselves the question as to why this is so?

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

**HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.**

Spring is here in her beautiful attire, making earth so pretty and everything so happy and cheerful. The splendid coat of green grass is spreading its mantle over the whole face of the Panhandle, presenting a picture of beauty and picturesque grandeur.

Wheat and rye are looking fine. Plenty of rain and sunshine makes everything grow.

Roy and Will Cage visited their parents Sunday.

Sunday school is progressing nicely.

Willie McClain returned from Whitewright last week, where he assisted Rev. Key in a revival service. He reports good results.

Rev. J. D. Ballard and B. T. Johnson went to North Draw, Sunday last, to do some mission work.

Mrs. B. T. Johnson visited Mrs. L. A. Pierce last Sunday.

Will Frazier of Deaf Smith lost his house and contents last week by fire; origin of fire unknown. People in general are very much in sympathy with them and are helping to replace the loss. Never a better people lived than those on the Plains in time of need.

B. T. Johnson went to Hereford Wednesday on business.

Mr. Bertram of Deaf Smith passed through our vicinity last week en route to Canyon.

As green grass has come forth we hope "Uncle Dan" will come forth with new life and let us hear from him every week. We trust he got through the winter breeze alright.

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The lecture to be given at the Court House Friday night, April 14, by Prof. J. W. Morrison, promises to be a treat to all who will attend. His subject, "Air, Sunshine and Showers and the Wireless Telegraph," will be instructive as well as entertaining.

C. N. Harrison returned yesterday with the Tallmadge excursion train bringing with him four prospective land buyers. Four more got off here with Skinner Crawford, bound for Tulia.

There is talk of building a new Methodist church in the vicinity of Tom Gilleland's.

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Work on the stock yards at Amarillo is progressing. It is stated that they will be "ready" by May 1st and that they will cover 100 acres and will have cost \$25,000.

It now may safely be said that Spring is here. Everything that grows from the earth is putting on signs of vigorous life and the fine season in the ground already insures a good crop of that basis of all animal life—grass.

Henry Brookes, at one time owner and editor of the Amarillo Live-Stock Champion, died at his home in Oregon recently.

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A VERY GOOD INVESTMENT—A HOME IN RANDALL COUNTY.

## Sherman's March Held Up

A FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY WAR STORY.

March 19, 1865

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"THE bravest deed of individual valor that came to my notice during the whole war," said the late General Henry W. Slocum, "was performed by a soldier in the ranks. It was at Bentonville, N. C., the last battle of Sherman's army, fought on the 19th of March, 1865.

"On the march through the Carolinas from Savannah toward Goldsboro I commanded the left wing of Sherman's army and General Howard the right. We traveled upon roads many miles apart. That was the stage of the great march which was to unite the army of the west with that of the east in front of Richmond. That union of the forces once effected the Confederacy would be doomed. On the 15th of March we brushed General Hardee's Confederates out of Averysboro after a lively skirmish, and Sherman was of the opinion that Hardee would not stop again until he reached Raleigh.

"Directing me to reach the Neuse river the following day, Sherman left me on the morning of the 19th to join Howard. At that moment there were some skirmishing and light cannonading on my front, but Sherman thought it trivial, for he said that I had nothing to oppose me but a little cavalry. The Confederate skirmishers soon gave way, and I sent an aid to ride after Sherman and tell him that I should not need assistance, but would be at the Neuse river on time.

"Just about that time one of my officers brought before me a young man dressed in Confederate gray. He was haggard and sickly looking, the reason for which was soon made known. He had been very anxious to see me, and after much begging on his part his guardians had gratified him. In answer to my questions he said he had originally been in the Federal army; that while on a scouting expedition he had been captured and narrowly missed summary death as a spy. To save his life, or at least escape the horrors of a prison dungeon, he had enlisted in the Confederate service with the intention of deserting to his own at the first chance.

"I had met such characters before and was skeptical. He told me that he had enlisted at Syracuse, N. Y., and had been in the service all through the war. I was a resident of Syracuse myself, but did not recognize the man. However, Major William G. Tracy of my staff came up and saw in the 'galvanized Yank' a soldier who had enlisted with him in the Third New York volunteers in 1861. His name was John T. Williams. Having established confidence, Williams said, 'There is a very large Confederate force immediately in your front, all under command of General Joe Johnston.' He added that Johnston had made a speech to his army that morning, and the officers had told the men that it was 'old Joe's' intention to smash my column before support could reach it and then go for Howard's.

"Of course I was sorry I had sent the message to Sherman stating that I needed no help and remedied the blunder at once by sending a second message. This was carried by a boy member of my staff, Lieutenant Joseph B. Foraker. As he started off I said to him, 'Ride well to the right and don't let the enemy get you, and, above all, don't spare horseflesh.' He rode like Paul Revere on his famous gallop from Boston to Lexington and reached Sherman's camp just at sundown. Sherman immediately started a column to my aid.

"Lieutenant Foraker had scarcely got out of sight of my camp when the Confederates advanced with terrific force and drove back my leading division. Johnston had under him that

day the best fighting army of Confederates in the field at that time. General Hardee's division had been in front of us at Savannah and all the way through the Carolinas, but there had been no fierce fighting. So it was fresh. General Bragg had brought down Hoke's splendid division of veterans from the Army of Northern Virginia. These troops had left the trenches at Petersburg the December previous and had been lying idle at Wilmington, and they were fresh.

"There was also a division under General A. P. Stewart from Hood's old Tennessee command, men who had a good share of pluck left or they would not have made their way from Louisiana to the coast in search of more fighting. Besides that, there was a splendid body of cavalry under General Wade Hampton, comprising General Joe Wheeler's corps and the division of General M. C. Butler, that had fought under Jeb Stuart and Hampton in Virginia. The force was about 20,000 men. They fought like an army of 40,000, for their leaders had filled them with the hope that Sherman would be given a crushing blow if they destroyed me there at Bentonville.

"The battle took place in a dense thicket, which was very favorable to me, for it offered cover to my troops and enabled them to throw up hasty breastworks out of view of the enemy. Johnston's guns were well served, and the valor of his soldiers in charging my lines would have counted for more had his columns not been broken in passing through the thicket. As it was, they charged again and again until a late hour. When night came on I had my army well in hand and entrenched. Still I had a strong foe in my front and could not keep my engagement to meet Sherman on the Neuse river next day. The fierceness of the battle confirmed the story of the deserter Williams that the enemy had made every preparation to smash me, and, while I might have ignored the warning and attempted to cut my way through, thought it was a time when I could afford to be too slow rather than too fast and not risk another Ball's Bluff disaster.

"The idea is generally accepted that the march of Sherman through the Carolinas at that time, threatening come-up-in-the-rear of Lee's army along the James and catch it between two fires, decided the issue between Lee and Grant and led to the surrender at Appomattox. That view of the case makes it plain that a blow like the one Johnston would have been able to strike had not been warned of his presence and continued my march with the columns strung out would have been a terrible disaster just at that time.

"Williams was the hero of that crisis, and he took his life in his hands in more respects than one when he set out from the Confederate camps to warn me of my danger. There was firing going on between the Confederate skirmishers and ours, so that a man risked his life passing between the lines. Besides, if discovered by the southern people while getting away they would shoot him down, and the northerners would do the same unless they understood his signals. It was most fortunate for Williams as well as for my army and the cause that he happened to run right into the arms of an old fellow soldier, so that the identification of him and acceptance of his story did not take five minutes. For his own safety he might better have waited until the battle was over before attempting to rejoin his old friends, if that was his sole object. It would have been an easy matter then, but he was true to the flag and his former calling of scout. Having learned vital news for the Federal commander, he risked his life to carry it to the opposing camp.

"The dispatching of Foraker to Sherman for help was the next act in the drama, and after a night march Sherman came up with Logan's corps and joined me on the battlefield at Bentonville the morning of March 20. As

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"DON'T SPARE HORSEFLESH!" soon as he arrived we developed the enemy's lines and found them very strong, as Williams reported, but when we began to push things Johnston discovered that he was just a day too late, for Sherman's army was united. He then retreated hastily toward Raleigh. Two days later Lee attempted to break Grant's hold on Petersburg by a

night sortie. He failed and attempted to back off and march south to meet Johnston. That plan Sherman foiled at Five Forks on April 1. So the game was up for the southern Confederacy.

Williams' name does not appear on the list of winners of medals of honor. He was in the service all through the war, having re-enlisted at the expiration of his first term. He returned to Syracuse to engage in business, in which he met with varying fortunes.  
GEORGE L. KILMER.

### War Motor Car.

The Austrian war department has just sanctioned the construction of an armored motor car specially designed to carry a quick firing gun, mounted on a pivot, capable of being raised or lowered and turning in all directions. The driver's seat is also so arranged that can be lowered sufficiently to sink the man below the line of fire. Heavy haulage work, such as that of stores, munitions and even heavy guns, is already done by motor in the Austrian army.

### She on Her Knees.

She went upon her knees. He gave no single sign of heeding. Although he saw and heard, he sat and calmly kept on reading. She humbly knelt. Strange sounds arose, as if for pity pleading. But mailed in steel of self he sat and calmly kept on reading reports, reviews, the foreign news, accounts of crimes appalling. She wiped her brow, the cloth she held she wrung till drops were falling. And still she stayed upon her knees, and he was all unheeding. When Mary scrubbed his office floor, he calmly kept on reading.

## BEEF AND TURKEY.

Comparative Value and Economy of the Two as Food.

Discussing the comparative food value of roast beef and turkey, the Lancet says:

First, it may be said that weight for weight the flesh of the turkey is more nourishing than that of beef, but the latter is, generally speaking, cheaper than the former. The moisture in beef, however, exceeds the amount present in the flesh of the turkey, and the latter contains a better percentage of proteid, or flesh forming substance. In either case the percentage of moisture seldom less than 70 per cent. In lean beef the amount of fat is much the same as in a not too well fed turkey, but it must be pointed out that the flesh of poultry differs from that of beef or mutton in not having its muscular fibers permeated by fat, and, moreover, the fibers in the flesh of fowl are short and readily yield to the disintegrating action of the digestive processes. A large amount of fat in either case is apt to interfere with the digestibility of the meat. The fat of beef is more digestible than the fat of the turkey. The fat of birds, in fact, is harder and owing to its tendency to become rancid is unsuitable for the dyspeptic patient.

Perhaps the most important difference, however, from a dietetic point of view between beef and turkey is that whereas beef contains a high percentage of extractive matters turkey contains hardly any at all. The extractive matters in beef account largely for its peculiar and marked flavor, and owing to their absence in poultry generally and in the pheasant and partridge the flavor of these meats is delicate. But there is no doubt that the extractives of beef as well as of mutton are valuable, for not only are they flavoring agents, but they also act as perhaps the most powerful stimulants to gastric digestion.

### A Gloomy Outlook Either Way.

The New York Times tells a story of a white man who was affronted during reconstruction times for killing a man and stealing his mule. The comparative enormity of such crimes varied with the soil upon which they were committed. In this case the deed was done in Arkansas, near the Texas border.

There was some rivalry between the states, but the colored justice tried to preserve an impartial frame of mind.

"We's got two kinds ob law in dis yere cot," he said—"Texas law-an'-Arkansas law. Which will you hab?" The prisoner thought a minute and then said he guessed he would take Arkansas law.

"Den I discharge you fo' stealin' de mule an' hang you fo' killin' de man."

"Hold on a minute, judge!" called the prisoner. "I would rather have the Texas law."

"All right. Under de law ob Texas I fine you fo' killin' de man an' hang you fo' stealin' de mule."

### All Set.

Servant—Mr. Smith is at the door. Young Woman—Is his picture on the mantel?

"Yes, ma'am."

"Are the roses he sent me on the piano?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Is that book he bought me on the table?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Well, let the pug dog he gave me into the parlor and admit him. I'll be down in a few moments."—Kansas City Times.

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**FIRST CONDITIONS.**

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Running back to the days of the patriarch Abraham, who grazed his herds upon the rich grasses of the plains of Syria, the open plateaus or high levels of all countries, have excelled in the production of cattle. And, not only is this true as to number, but also as to quality. The ancients knew these things ages ago and the history formed of their experience is repeating itself today. Just such a country as Abraham, Lot, Jacob, Job and other celebrated cattlemen of the Old World loved we have before us in the Panhandle of Texas.

All of this great country—the Texas Panhandle—abounds in those desirables which make it the natural home of the cow. Here we have the finest grasses in the world, a solid turf of it; water, heaven distilled, clear, sparkling and pure and plenty of it; a soil fertile as a river delta, which only needs to be ficked by man to yield crops in abundance. Add to these things a climate that is healthful, invigorating and insuring longevity for both man and beast and where would you go to beat it?

The whole Panhandle is just such a country as this, but if any portion of it excels in these good things of life, it is undoubtedly the Plains. On these plains there is, perhaps, a larger percentage of good dirt—strong, alluvial, tillable land—than anywhere else. The water, good as the best, is shallow, easy to get and practically inexhaustible.

To one, then, going into the cattle business, "first conditions" are to be found on the Plains as near perfect as human experience can show. The land, grass, water and climate on the Plains all combine to make it what the future will surely prove it to be—one of the best stock countries on mother earth.

A very fine and very welcome rain fell all over this county last Friday evening and night. It came from the southeast and lasted off and on for some ten hours. The fall was about two inches and will do lots of good for the country generally.

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**HERE AND THERE.**

The San Angelo Standard, a paper thoroughly identified with and posted on the stock interests of West Texas, commenting on present conditions, says:

"West Texas cattle are worth today from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per head more than they were during the corresponding period last year. Range conditions in this section never have been more encouraging, and the cattlemen are all feeling optimistic over the future.

"A most favorable combination of circumstances now exists that must inevitably result in the cattle raiser's favor. The speculators have, in the first place, plunged ahead and leased lands in the Osage Indian nation and have no cattle with which to stock their rented pastures. Texas stock is what they must have, and this fact of itself must necessarily stimulate the buyers.

"In the second place, the recent rains, which have been among the best for the past 25 years, have put the Texas cattle range in such excellent condition that the cattle must not only command better prices, but the stockmen can afford to be more independent. The buyers will have to "raise the pot" and the sellers may then "call the hand."

The combined stimulus to the buyers, therefore, plus the increased independence of the cattlemen, made possible by the superb range conditions, must needs reap a better harvest of returns in the good old pocket book of the cattleman,—ballelu jah!

"And likewise the sheep ranges have been put in splendid condition, and the present relation between the world's supply of and the world's demand for muttons and wool makes the Texas sheepmen look into the future with great satisfaction."

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The April number of The Lantern, Senter's magazine, published monthly at Dallas, may justly be said to be the spokesman of the the silent millions of people who have no lobby at Austin to make reply to the large array of lobbyists for special interests who are fighting all tax reform measures and seek to place the burdens of an increased tax rate upon the land owners, stock growers and merchants of Texas, who already pay an undue proportion of the cost of the state government. The Lantern announces a special offer of a trial trip for four months for ten cents.

**Our Legislative Material.**

In the makeup of the Texas legislature, the different states are represented as follows, 61 of 133 being Texans:

- Tennessee, 16; Virginia, 6; Arkansas, 2; Kentucky, 5; Mississippi, 4; Alabama, 9; Ohio, 2; Illinois, 2; North Carolina, 1; District of Columbia, 1; New Hampshire, 1; New York, 1; West Virginia, 2; Connecticut, 1; Missouri, 2; Florida, 1; Indiana, 1; Ireland, 2; Bohemia, 1; Austria, 1; Germany, 1.

The different professions and trades represented are as follows:

- Farmers, 24; lawyers, 65; contractors, 2; politicians, 1; bookkeepers, 1; nurseryman, 1; merchants, 11; real estate, 1; stockmen, 10; editors, 5; publishers, 1; druggist, 1; physicians, 4; conductors, 1; fireman, 1; cowboys, 1; teachers, 1; bankers, 2; ministers 1.

Mr. Edwards of Freestone county, weighs 240 pounds and is the heaviest, and Mr. Witherspoon, of Hardeman, weighs about 115 and is the lightest.

There are 131 democrats in the house and two republicans. —Clarendon Chronicle.

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Wet again—all over town—Tuesday.

Saturday night a new baby boy came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Oldham.

Remember the Millinery Opening on 7th and 8th.  
**CANYON MER. CO.**

The rains of the past few days have been general over West Texas.

W. E. Laughery has rented and moved into the A. E. Brown house formerly occupied by W. W. Merrill.

If it's candy you want see Wilson for the best kind. 191f

Another soaking rain fell in Randall county Monday night and the ground is now full of moisture.

Our farmers would be thankful for a few sunny days—dry ones of course.

Mrs. Dougherty will, this week, move into the old Presbyterian parsonage, north of T. C. Thompson's, where she will teach a Kindergarten.

Mrs. Oscar Hunt has been among the few in town on the sick list the past week.

If you want anything in the dairy line phone Prichard—phone No. 63, 2-rings.

Our next Reunion will begin on Tuesday, the 18th of July.

J. W. Cummings had Tom Cochran to paper his south room last week.

We are agents for the celebrated Carhart Overalls.  
**CANYON MERCANTILE CO.**

F. O. Osborne, until recently one of the Amarillo Herald force, was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

We sell the best Kansas Flour at \$2.90 per 100 lbs. 7 lbs. Arbuckle Coffee \$1.00  
**CANYON MERCANTILE CO.**

Dr. Latham, purchaser of the Thompson Drug Co., stock, arrived with his family this week and is with J. W. Reed until such time as he can secure a suitable residence.

Work on the new phone system goes merrily on and if Canyon City grows to her poles and wires, which she most certainly will, we shall yet out-rival Amarillo in population.

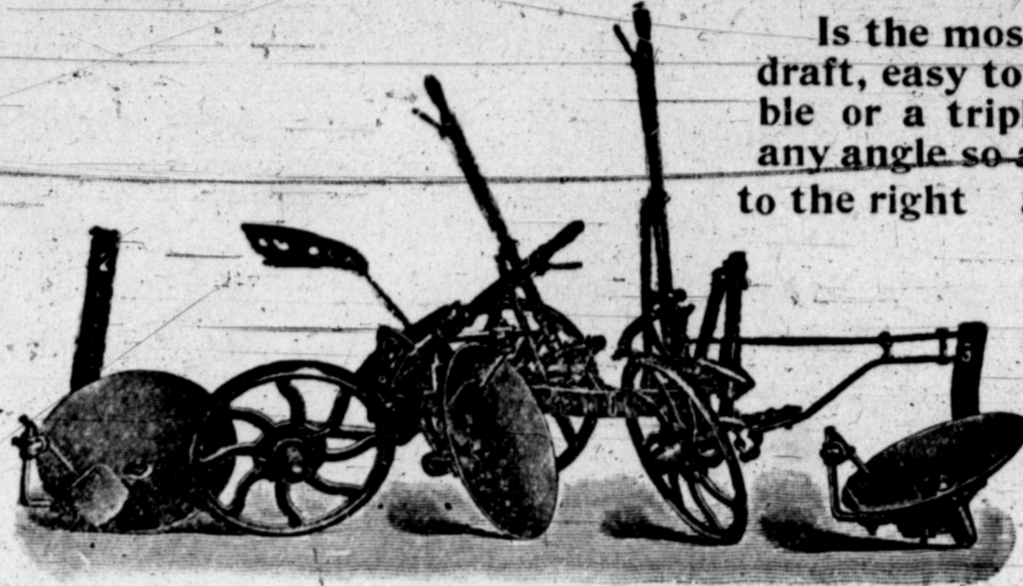
W. O. Oldham of Portales, was in town a day or so last week. The News understands that he was here in connection with his brother, B. D. Oldham's proposition to establish a hardware business.

The coming Lecturer, Prof. Morrison, is highly recommended as a speaker having ability to hold the complete attention of an audience.

Dr. Stewart has let the contract for a new frame five-room residence to Brown & Shifflett. The one he now resides in is to be moved to some lots he owns north of the Baptist home, the new one taking its place. The contractors are to move the old house and furnish material for and build the new one for the sum of \$940.

Ab Thompson is at Hill's Business College, Waco.

**THE EMERSON DISC PLOWS**



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Give us a chance to save you money on such articles. We pay the highest market price for hides.

**CANYON CITY HARDWARE AND GRAIN COMPANY.**



**BOARD OF TRADE MATTER.**

At a citizens meeting held at the Court House Monday night it was determined to increase the membership of the Board of Trade to at least fifty members. With this end in view a committee consisting of A. N. Henon, J. C. Pipkin and A. S. Rollins, all members of the present Board, was appointed to interview our business men looking to the accomplishment of this purpose.

Seventeen new members were enrolled from among those present at the meeting. When the above committee which has this membership matter in charge shall have secured the fifty, including the seventeen mentioned, it is its further duty to report this fact to the acting chairman, G. A. Brandon, who is thereupon required to call a meeting for the purpose of carrying out a thorough re-organization of the Canyon City Board of Trade.

This action was based upon the proposition that the present Board, consisting of only sixteen members, was hardly representative of the present business conditions of the town and county, and that unless augmented by numbers including some of those who receive the greater benefits from an organization of this character, it had as well close up shop and quit.

This may be rather an abrupt and, also, perhaps, a rather rough way of stating the condition, as viewed by the old Board, but it is clear all the same and not liable to be misunderstood, and it is now up to our citizens to either say amen! at the burial of the old organization or "God speed" to the efforts which will place it on a plane of usefulness that will, if properly directed, bring Canyon City to the front as one of the progressive towns of the Panhandle.

For Groceries, go to Canyon Mercantile Co. Standard Granulated Sugar \$6.50 per 100 lbs. 40 lbs. Rice for \$1.00.

**To Printers.**

This office has for sale a 7-col. Washington Press. It is in first class condition, has modern improvements and is "dead easy" to run—good as new and for less than half the money.

The best Bakers' light bread at Wilson's. Fresh and good. 191f

**LECTURE.**

J. W. Morrison, of Greenville, Ohio, will lecture at the Court House on Friday night, April 14, beginning at 8 p. m. The subject will be, "Air, Sunshine and Showers and Wireless Telegraphy." Admission 25 and 15 cts.

For some reason not yet clear to The News the government has seen fit to double on the post office box kept at this place. No grounds are given. A strike is now in order—many are inaugurated with less than one-tenth of the provocation.

J. E. Rogers of Ceta, was in town Monday. When seen by The News man he had just completed the purchase of two registered Hereford yearling males from Col. R. A. Campbell. The price paid was \$100 for the two and is very low when the high quality of the Campbell herd is considered. Mr. Rogers says that a large acreage of oats has been sown in his community and that they are up nicely and covering the ground. He estimates the cattle losses for the winter in his part of the county as not exceeding two per cent, saying that he, himself, lost nothing.

After careful investigation, The News estimates the losses among cattle in Randall county for the winter of 1904-5, as not over two per cent. The majority of our cattle owners lost practically nothing, the loss, such as it is, falling altogether, upon those who failed to provide food and shelter, principally food. This, in view of the unusually severe winter, is an excellent showing for the county.

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We invite you to open an account with us. We guarantee as liberal accommodations as are warranted by the account and prudent banking.

We expect to begin a revival meeting the first Sunday in May. It is earnestly requested that all Christian workers assist in this meeting, and the entire community is asked to take interest in the work. Let prayer be made for a great revival.

J. E. Stephens.

The residence and contents reported as burned in Hereford last Wednesday was that of M. W. Shelley and not Gilleland's. Our informant was there at the time of the burn but made a mistake on the name—a material thing sometimes. There was insurance of \$3000 on house and contents. This last and correct account is had from the "Brand."

Witherspoon & Gough.

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**To Our Friends.**

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HARTER & CHESSEB.

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

**TOWN & COUNTY**

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS  
THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Read the report of the meeting which has to do with the future of the Canyon City Board of Trade.

The News office is now "fixed" and capable of taking care of a great deal more business than it receives.

Mrs. Walter Cobb and children came in this week on a visit to relatives here and at Tulia.

Miss Mattie Reed, of Pulaski, Tennessee, is visiting at her brother's, J. W. Reed's.

Chas. Thomas returned Wednesday from a trip to Liberal, Kansas.

R. B. Redfeard is having a new fence put about his residence.

Our prices on Millinery or Dry Goods are the cheapest in town.

**CANYON MER. CO.**

W. T. Moreland has recently sold his section near Plainview at five dollars per acre.

Five new subscribers since last issue. The News is growing nicely in this respect.

The News is once more indebted to its friend, W. F. Heller, for a bucket full of nice, large, and perfectly sound beets.

There will be no roping contests at the next Reunion—twill be "agin" the law. Good!

Tomorrow, President Roosevelt will be at Vernon, Texas, on his way to the hunting grounds in the Indian Territory.

Saturday at 2 p. m., the Canyon City High School Ball Team will play the Amarillo Academy Team on the flat south of the Joe Foster residence.

L. O. Thompson, druggist from Amarillo, has been here this week assisting in the invoicing of the Thompson drug stock.

The carpenter work on W. T. Moreland's house has been finished and John Turner and Carl Coffee, the workmen, have returned to town.

Attorney R. A. Sowder, left Friday for Plainview, returning Wednesday evening. He reports some twelve or fifteen felony cases on the docket there, and says that district court will likely continue three weeks.

We sell eating Potatoes at \$1.00 per 100 lbs by the sack. We also handle Crystal White Laundry Soap; 7 bars of Clairette or Lenox Soap for 25 cents.

**CANYON MER. CO.**

The roads are again in a fearful condition and hauling to the South has once more stopped.

In the recent Hereford sale at Lubbock, some twenty-five head of bulls, "ones-going-on-tuos" were sold at a price averaging a little over \$100. R. A. Campbell was the auctioneer.

Try the News for Job Work.

**To My Friends.**

I wish to say that the report that I am going to work for the new telephone company is false and was told for the purpose of injuring Mr. Faulkner. We have not got as much money as the new Co., but will always be on hand and give you the best service, and will meet any price they make.

J. A. GUTHRIE.

I will open a nursery Kindergarten and Chart exercise School on April 17, one door north of T. C. Thompson's. I ask your patronage.

Mrs. L. Mary Dougherty.

Be sure to see the A. A. man's big display of large piece samples, 14 yd cuts, for made-to-measure Suits from \$12.50 to \$35.00. Canyon one day only, April 12th.

Judge Vasant and Major Hutchinson each tackled our old friend "grip" during the last ten days. The Judge rather got the worst of it, but with the Major, grip came out only a fair second.

White Dress Linen—90 inches wide for \$1.20 per yard. Rubber Sheeting, 45 inches wide, \$1.00 per yard. We carry a fine line of Oxfords and Sandals. Come in and see our Bargain Counter.

**CANYON MERCANTILE CO.**

Claude Harrison left Thursday evening of last week for Illinois on business pertaining to land matters.

The lecturer, J. B. Morrison, who is to be with us Friday night, April 14, is a brother-in-law of B. T. Johnson of this county. He is very highly recommended as a speaker and his subject should be, and will be, interesting to everybody, old and young, learned and unlearned.

Sheriff Slover got another prisoner for safe, keeping Wednesday. Sheriff Inman of Deaf Smith, brought him down from "the Territory." George Lewis is his name and the charge forgery, committed some five years ago.

B. T. Ansley, of Guyman, Okla., an uncle of Mrs. J. E. Stephens, and who was a visitor here last fall, died some two weeks ago at his home. Death for him came suddenly. He was apparently in good health and out walking on the streets when he was without warning struck down.

The A. A. man of Amarillo, Specialist in Form Fitting, Panhandle representative for the Best Line of Made-to-Measure Tailoring money can buy, will be in Canyon next Wednesday, April 12th.

Rev. T. F. Robeson, who was in Hereford, Tuesday, reports that about noon of that day a man named Biggs, was killed by the caving in of a bank. Deceased and a companion were engaged in getting out gravel from under a bank near the creek, one digging and the other hauling, and during the absence of the team the overhanging bank caved in on Biggs, who, it is supposed, was engaged in digging. He was dead when found. Deceased leaves a wife and four children.

Farmers' Institutes all around, but none in Randall county. Did you ever ask yourselves the question as to why this is so?

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

**HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.**

Spring is here in her beautiful attire, making earth so pretty and everything so happy and cheerful. The splendid coat of green grass is spreading its mantle over the whole face of the Panhandle, presenting a picture of beauty and picturesque grandeur.

Wheat and rye are looking fine. Plenty of rain and sunshine makes everything grow.

Roy and Will Cage visited their parents Sunday.

Sunday school is progressing nicely.

Willie McClain returned from Whitewright last week, where he assisted Rev. Key in a revival service. He reports good results.

Rev. J. D. Ballard and B. T. Johnson went to North Draw, Sunday last, to do some mission work.

Mrs. B. T. Johnson visited Mrs. L. A. Pierce last Sunday.

Will Frazier of Deaf Smith lost his house and contents last week by fire; origin of fire unknown. People in general are very much in sympathy with them and are helping to replace the loss. Never a better people lived than those on the Plains in time of need.

B. T. Johnson went to Hereford Wednesday on business.

Mr. Bertram of Deaf Smith passed through our vicinity last week en route to Canyon.

As green grass has come forth we hope "Uncle Dan" will come forth with new life and let us hear from him every week. We trust he got through the winter breeze alright.

TASSIE.

**Sells More of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy than of All Others Put Together.**

The following letter from a locality where Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is well known shows by the unprecedented demand for it that the medicine sells on its own merit. Mr. Thos. George, a merchant at Mt. Elgin, Ontario, says: "I have had the local agency for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ever since it was introduced into Canada, and I sell as much of it as I do of all other lines I have on my shelves put together. Of the many dozens sold under guarantee, I have not had one returned. I can personally recommend this medicine as I have used it myself and given it to my children and always with the best results." For sale by S. V. Wirt, Druggist.

The lecture to be given at the Court House Friday night, April 14, by Prof. J. W. Morrison, promises to be a treat to all who will attend. His subject, "Air, Sunshine and Showers and the Wireless Telegraph," will be instructive as well as entertaining.

C. N. Harrison returned yesterday with the Tallmadge excursion train bringing with him four prospective land buyers. Four more got off here with Skinner Crawford, bound for Tulia.

There is talk of building a new Methodist church in the vicinity of Tom Gilleland's.

**L. G. CONNER,**

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**THE PEGOS VALLEY LINES.**

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

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

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Work on the stock yards at Amarillo is progressing. It is stated that they will be "ready" by May 1st and that they will cover 100 acres and will have cost \$25,000.

It now may safely be said that Spring is here. Everything that grows from the earth is putting on signs of vigorous life and the fine season in the ground already insures a good crop of that basis of all animal life—grass.

Henry Brookes, at one time owner and editor of the Amarillo Live-Stock Champion, died at his home in Oregon recently.

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