

# Canyon City News.

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## CHRISTMAS GIFTS!

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Visiting Cards—This office  
has just received a new lot. Will  
sell them blank or printed. Call  
in and see them.

## Program

Fifth Sunday Meeting Terra  
Blanco Association.

Canyon City, Dec. 29-31, 1905.

### FRIDAY NIGHT.

Song and Prayer Service—W. J. McClain.  
Sermon, Missionary—E. D. Morgan.

### SATURDAY, 9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional Service—Brewer Hail.
2. "Who and what may contribute to the Success of Failure of a Sunday School?"—J. B. Roberson; W. J. McClain; G. A. Stratton. Open for discussion.
3. "How may the Spiritual life of our Churches be quickened?"—W. H. McGee; J. T. Burnett; O. F. Smith.
4. Preaching—Bro. Huff.

### SATURDAY EVENING.

1. Devotional Service—J. W. Ford.
2. "Literature in the Home, in the Sunday School, in the Church"—E. D. Morgan; B. T. Johnson; W. H. Rayzor.
3. "The best way to thoroughly Evangelize our new Association."—W. O. Dean; H. Painter.
4. Board Meeting.

### SATURDAY NIGHT, —B. Y. P. U. WORK.

1. Devotional Service—W. B. Park.
2. "How may a B. Y. P. U. be made a Spiritual Force in the Church and Community?"—O. F. Smith; O. C. Harrison.
3. Solo—W. J. McClain.
4. Papers by Misses Elizabeth La Grand, and Stella Renfro.
5. Quartette—Misses Jessie Long, Pauline Dunbar, Messrs. O. C. Harrison and Lon Gentry.
6. Recitation—Miss Columbia Redfean.

Remarks by all.

### SUNDAY.

10 a. m. Sunday School.

11:00 Preaching—W. O. Dean.

3 p. m. B. Y. P. U.

7:00 Preaching.

We shall expect a number from each Church

## WHAT MAKES LAND PRICES.

Why Good Land is Higher  
in Some Parts of the  
World than in  
Others—The  
Panhandle

An Illinois paper, the Henry Republican, publishes the following excellent article concerning land prices—what makes them, and referring to the Panhandle. It may be inspired by Illinois people having "Texas connections" for aught we know, perhaps it is, but it is a good article nevertheless and deals with the facts as The News sees them and is not only worthy of careful study by the people of Illinois, but by us of Texas who are "letting the birds go." This Illinois paper says:

It may not be known to the average man why land sells for \$1 an acre in one part of the world, \$10 in another, \$100 in another and \$1000 in another, nor is it known to many that land actually does sell in some parts of the civilized world at from \$800 to \$1000 an acre. By this we do not mean town lands or even suburban land, but lands which are valued purely and solely by reason of their agricultural productiveness. Since time began and prehis-

toric man stirred the soil along the banks of the Nile in Egypt, land value has been based on two important principles. They are, first, what the land is worth from a purely productive standpoint; that is, how many bushels of wheat, corn and oats or how many bales of cotton or other products it will raise per acre. In connection with this, of course, the accessibility to market of the crops produced must be taken into consideration. Second to this, as a determining factor in land values, and in no wise less important, is the question of population in the country where the land is situated. For instance, 1,000 acres of as productive land as there is on the face of the globe, if set in the heart of an African jungle, inhabited only by beasts of prey and their no less wild and untamed companions, say age men, is not worth and would not sell for a single dollar.

If that same land could be transplanted to a great western range country where the population was sparse but the benefits of civilization enjoyed, it would probably be worth from \$1 to \$2 an acre. Transferred again to smaller pastures and the population increased, and it would sell for \$10 an acre. Cut it up into farms, and as virgin soil, it would sell at from \$20 to

\$30 an acre. Allow a few years to pass, and the productiveness of the soil demonstrated and the larger farms reduced in size by a greater increase of inhabitants, and \$50 to \$60 an acre will be the ruling prices. Increasing the population further, in proportion, for instance, to that prevailing in the Middle Western States of the U. S.—Illinois, Iowa, Ohio and Indiana and the same land would sell for \$100 to \$150 an acre. Transfer it again across the ocean to the densely populated sections of Europe, in England, Ireland, France and Germany, and it would sell for from \$300 to \$400 an acre. This comparison could be carried on to those few favored sections of the globe where the population is so dense and the products of the soil so valuable that land readily sells at from \$800 to \$1000 an acre.

A proper understanding of these laws of value and population will enable every man in the U. S. to lay the foundation for future wealth. The surface of this old earth has never increased since it first was whirled into space by the Infinite Hand. Man has increased year by year and century by century. Not only this, but his necessities and his luxuries have increased, so that today he as an individual requires more food and more clothing than ever before in the history of the world. It is, therefore, certain that as time goes on, the products of the soil will show a gradual increase. Not that they will do so necessarily, from year to year, but from period to period this increase undoubtedly will come about. And by it, the land that produces food and clothing must necessarily increase in value.

The citizens of Texas have a wonderful opportunity. They can buy land as productive as any on the face of this earth at a price so low that the land will in a few years pay for itself, and then pay its owner its value again and again as the years go by. Furthermore, the man with small means is enabled to not only get cheap land but to buy on easy terms and make the land work with him in paying itself out. A farm with a debt on it in a new country does not denote lack of thrift and enterprise; on the contrary, it shows that such countries are inhabited by men of nerve and great foresight. That they realize the wonderful opportunity offered them in this great state to become land owners, and that they expect in the future not only to sell their products to the commerce of the world, but to lend their surplus money, which they have accumulated with the help of the rich soil of Texas, to those who live in less fortunate countries.

In no section of Texas today can the land buyer and homeseeker find such opportunities offered him as in the Panhandle country. Here lands are comparatively very cheap, the country is still new, and while well within the great agricultural belt of North Texas, it offers opportunities for money-making and land purchasing which can be found in no section of the United States as in this western country. Unlike, however, most undeveloped sections, the Panhandle offers the homeseeker all of those benefits of civilization, so dearly prized by those who have children to educate and desire to live in the midst of a Christian community.

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## CHRISTMAS.

For ages among civilized nations Christmas has been the festival of festivals. Its origin dates away back yonder. Some historians claim, and not without reason, that as a religious festival it began with the Roman Emperor Constantine, who, to pacify and please his pagan world adopted their great feast, the Roman Saturnalia, as the time in which to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Such is the account of its origin, and as we travel along coming this way from the time of the Caesars with paganism gradually diminishing, its last European stronghold, that of the ancient Druids, being wiped out by Julius Caesar, we find Christmas becoming more and more a religious festival until the advent of the middle ages when we may say that it became wholly so.

Anciently it was a time of general rejoicing, a feast throughout all of Christmas-tide, usually lasting from December 16, to January 6, all manner of license was given for merriment and play; the homes of the rich were open to the poor and gifts and largess were everywhere and general good-will prevailed. There was the Yule log, the good old-fashioned reels, the blind man's buff, the egg-nog and the flowing punch bowl, the colonial serenades, the minstrelings, the Juleps and then, who that has ever been there, can forget "under the mistletoe?"

Most if not all of these customs of Christmas tide, while somewhat tempered by the sober spirit of the age in which we live, are still practiced in the old countries, especially in those lands in which flow the waters of the "blue Danube," the "lordly Rhine," the Seine, the Thames, the Mersey and the Tweed, and to more or less extent among many of our own country who yet cling to the traditions of the Germanic and Celtic races from which they sprang. The writer has seen these customs observed; when

young he took part in them and enjoyed them and no doubt there are others who see these lines can say the same.

And while a very old festival, yet it is also a new one. No day in all the year is looked forward to by so many people anticipating happiness. It may come in the form of family reunions, a good practice; it may be the time when the bonds of friendship shall be renewed and strengthened, ah, the bonds of friendship! Can you imagine what life would be without friends? And then the children, God bless the children, their joy is surely ours and they seem to have more of it at this season than any other.

A Merry Christmas! A Happy Christmas! Such is the greeting The News sends forth to all its patrons, and may every home into which this issue of the paper shall enter have that peace and good-will enthroned which for ages past has been the motto of the season.

### Carelessness of Farmers.

There isn't a shelter on a farm in this country that is not in almost constant use. Which proves that shelters are useful. On the other hand, there are thousands, yes, millions of dollars worth of tools and implements all over this country ruining because they are not sheltered. It is the rule to let the wagon stand out in all sorts of weather and the average life of a wagon is not one-tenth of its wearing life. A wagon should be worn out and not rotted out. It would show a little sense to take your pocket book and lay it out in the weather as to leave your tools and implements out there. Have some sense—Jasper Newsboy.

In the Panhandle the carelessness referred to sometimes goes even further than as above noted. It is not altogether an uncommon sight to see large piles of Indian corn and kaffir corn heads laying out without a sign of a shelter, taking all kinds of weather while awaiting a market. The successful farmer of the north has much more lumber in sheds and shelters than he has in his house, and the Panhandle farmer has yet to learn that the success of his business does not depend alone on the proper cultivation of his crops.—Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

The above argument is good—every word of it. but, just "sposen," gentlemen, that the lumber people have decided to take

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a hand in the game and the farmer hasn't the ready cash with which to pay for a car of lumber at the mills. The protection of everything on the farm looks easy to the fellow who doesn't have to "dig up" for it, but try the experiment of placing all the improvements that must of necessity be put on a farm and its dollars to doughnuts you will go broke if you have to pay the outlandish prices for lumber that our farmers are paying.—Collingsworth Courier.

The Jasper Newsboy and Banner-Stockman are correct. The objection of the Collingsworth Courier, founded as it is on the present prices of lumber, is not well taken for the conditions mentioned by the two first named papers existed when lumber was cheap. In fact just such carelessness, amounting in many cases where the comfort of our domestic animals come in to criminal negligence, is altogether too common not only in the Panhandle but all over the western portion of Texas and the price of lumber, either last year when low or this season when high, has had very little to do with it. To hold, as does the Courier, that our citizens of the Panhandle, the great majority of whom own from one to several sections of good land, can't "dig up" to prevent this loss is nonsense.

### Notice of Dissolution.

Please take notice that on Nov. 1, 1905, the partnership existing between Garrison & Harrison, Canyon, Texas, and R. Roelfs, of Pekin, Ill., was dissolved.

(Signed) R. ROELFS.

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## CANYON NATIONAL BANK.

NO. 7961

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., Oct., 23, 1905.

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The Canyon National Bank," in the Town of Canyon, in the County of Randall and State of Texas, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking;

NOW THEREFORE I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency do hereby certify that "The Canyon National Bank," in

the Town of Canyon, in the County of Randall and State of Texas, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty-one hundred and sixty-nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and Seal of office this Twenty-third day of October, 1905.

T. P. KANE,  
Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

**Visiting Cards**--This office has just received a new lot. Will sell them blank or printed. Call in and see them.

The Fort Worth Record and this paper one year, \$1.80.

Send The News to a friend.

**TOWN & COUNTY**

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

**The Christmas Feeling.**

I like the Christmas Feeling that is filling all the air, That fills the streets and busy stores and scatters everywhere; I like the easy manner of the people on the street, The bundie-laden people, and the shop-girls smiling sweet. There's a glow of warmth and splendor in the windows everywhere, There's a glow in people's faces which has lately stolen there; And everywhere the bells ring out with merry peal and chime, Which makes me like the Feeling of the happy Christmas time.

I like the Christmas Feeling; there is nothing can compare With the free and kindly spirit that is spreading everywhere; The rich, the poor, the young and old, all catch its atmosphere, And every heart for once is full of good old Christmas cheer.

—Life.

C. B. Pash of Amarillo was in town Tuesday.

Postmaster Cobb has been confined to bed with sickness for several days.

County Clerk Tate is still improving his residence—adding another room now.

J. E. Coleman and family left Wednesday to spend Christmas at the old home, Denton.

E. E. Lee of Silverton was in after a load Friday of last week.

R. A. Sowder Esq. will leave tomorrow for Christmas with the home folks at Muenster, Cook Co.

Wilson carries a nice line of Tablets, Pencils, Pens, Ink, etc.

Mrs. Mary Sherman (nee Wansley) came in Saturday to spend the holidays with the home folks.

Eli Dunlap of Hereford was in town on business Monday and Tuesday.

A good deal of Christmas shopping in town this week. On the whole, you can do about as well in Canyon City as anywhere.

Don't fail to see that five and ten cent "Racket Counter" at Wilson's.

Miss Jessie Frye passed through Saturday on her way to spend the holidays with home folks at Plainview.

The road to success—start right—at the Amarillo Business College.

Miss Kilgore's Musical Club will give an open meeting in the chapel of the school building this evening at 3 P. M.

Mrs. L. C. Lair, Miss Dixon and Harry Lair left yesterday for Anna, Collin county, where they will remain for the holidays.

Several of our citizens who went to Amarillo on Saturday's excursion to trade returned empty handed saying that they could do better here.

New classes will be formed at AMARILLO BUSINESS COLLEGE in January. That will be a good time to enter.

G. C. Long came in Monday to spend Christmas with his family. Bunk Long who has been going to school at Whitewright arrived here Saturday.

Rev. J. D. Ballard last week purchased from C. A. Sanford, section 11, blk M 8, one mile across the line in Swisher county at \$6 per acre.

**The First National.**

The directors of the First National Bank have about decided that at their regular meeting, January 9th, the capital stock of the bank will be increased to \$100,000, and that in addition to this increase of stock, the First National will carry a working surplus of \$10,000.

In the opinion of the directors, the rapid development of the country and consequent increase of business necessitates this move of the First National toward increased facilities and The News believes the step is a wise one.

When questioned by The News reporter as to whether or not any of this new stock would be placed on the market, the president, Mr. L. T. Lester, stated that "likely some of it would be."

**King of all Cough Medicines**

Mr. E. G. Case, a mail carrier of Canto Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after effects. We are never without it in the house." For sale by S. V. Wirt, Druggist.

From the Amarillo Herald we learn that Amarillo has now a "chartered gas, power and heating company, all for the price of one." The franchise, a valuable one, was given by the city government to the company free of cost save and except the proviso that when the city shall have attained a population of 10,000, it, the city, is to receive two per cent of the gross income from gas alone, the other part of the grant, the power and heat, said to be exclusive in their nature, slipping through clear by oversight of the Amarillo statesmen.

Tahoka has appointed a committee of five to see about securing the railroad, said to be on its way there from Big Springs, and has further entered into an agreement to meet every Monday night until Tahoka has a railroad. There's going to be something doing in that town if they but live up to this.

**Croup.**

Not a minute should be lost when a child shows symptoms of croup. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, will prevent the attack. It never fails, and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by S. V. Wirt, druggist.

Last week Amarillo, according to the "Paragon" guaranteed ten cents a pound for turkeys and some parties from the South Plains went up there with a lot and on returning reported that they had to sell for six cents. They were offered seven cents here.

**The Wedding.**

On account of the wedding next Wednesday the photo gallery will be closed Wednesday and Thursday—M. S. L.

Some forty of our citizens went on the free excursion to Amarillo Saturday and perhaps twice this number were on the train when it arrived here from Hereford.

Christmas photos.

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The STAR WOOD WHEEL WINDMILL being one of the oldest and most substantial Windmills used on the Plains, you can't make a mistake when you buy one from us. We will always give you the very best prices. Come and see our large stock general Hardware, Vehicles, and Implements.



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**MEAT MARKET**

OPPOSITE—POST OFFICE.

We are supplied with the best of everything in the meat line and our prices are as low as anybody's. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

J. T. Service—L. C. Johnson.

**HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS**

Work has commenced on Paladuro Church and we hope it will soon be ready for service.

Rev. J. T. Burnett filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday. Ten of the young people led in a discussion on Saturday that proved to be beneficial and uplifting to all present.

Mrs. C. H. Hitchcock and daughters went to Amarillo Monday to spend the winter and get the benefit of the school.

F. Hoffman and L. A. Pierce are wearing broad smiles over the recent arrival of a new boy at each home.

T. R. R. Atkins is the recipient of a baby girl which arrived at his home on the 15th.

Jessie Pierce and C. H. Hitchcock went to Canyon last Friday.

Farmers are very anxious that the ground dry so they can continue to sow wheat and rye.

Everybody is expecting a Merry Christmas and Tassie wishes our kind Editor and all The News readers a Merry Christmas, and happy New Year. May The News double its circulation in the next year.

TASSIE.

Geo. L. Abbott and wife left Sunday evening for Memphis Tenn. They expect to return about Jan. 4.

**LUMBER!**

**We Want to Figure Your Bills.**

**CANYON LUMBER CO.**

CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

Oscar Smith and Bert Phillips have formed a partnership and engaged in the land business. They intend to sell, so they say, for commission alone.

Bee Hitchcock last week purchased some lots from L. G. Conner and says he is going to erect some tenant houses. They are needed.

**The Old Year**

is swiftly passing, but you have time yet to get those photos made that you have been thinking of so long—if you hurry.

M. S. L.

John Orr returned last week from a trip through Floyd county. He says he saw lots of cotton fields white with the staple and giving evidence of making big returns, also plenty of fine Indian corn and other feed stuffs, and that lands down that way are even going at better prices than here.

Hereford has engaged a night watchman whose principal duty is to look after the boys and the fireworks during the holidays. This is a good idea and might be followed with profit by many other towns.

J. A. Grundy on Saturday sold his ranch, two sections 20 miles south of town, to J. N. Jordan of Granger, at \$5.50 per acre.

**Christmas**

comes but once a year and the photo gallery will be open Christmas day for taking family groups etc. etc. Does this interest you?

M. S. L.

Mrs. Lattimore of Plainview, was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Pipkin Thursday and Friday of last week. She was enroute "East," to spend the holidays.

Just arrived—Car of Palo Pinto peeled cedar posts at Burton-Lingo Lbr. Co.

**City Meat Market.**

Just received 70 head of choice young hogs, grain fed and fat—hogs that will weigh when dressed from 150 to 300 pounds. For sale at the following prices:

- Whole or half hog 6 1/2 cts.
  - Lard, 50 lbs. or over 12 cts
  - Lard, 10 lb. bucket 12 1/2 cts
- SPECIAL—Fish and Oysters every Friday and Saturday.

Brandon has several good houses for sale all the way from \$400 to \$1500. Why not buy one?

A. N. Woodard of Ceta was in town Wednesday and remembered The News with some Christmas money. He also informed us that Jeff Key has sold his half section, 2 1/2 miles from Plainview, to a Beaver County man at \$2,500.

**TOWN & COUNTY**

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS  
THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

**Let Us Smile.**

The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worth while, that costs the least and does the most, is just a pleasant smile.

The smile that bubbles from a heart that loves its fellow men, will drive away the clouds of gloom and coax the sun again;

It's full of worth and goodness, too, with manly kindness blent—It's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent.

There is no room for sadness when we see a cheery smile; It always has the same good luck—It's never out of style—

It nerves us to try again when failure makes us blue; The dimples of encouragement are good for me and you.

It pays the highest interest, for it is merely lent— It's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent.

A smile comes very easy—you can wrinkle up with cheer— A hundred times before you can squeeze out a soggy tear.

It ripples out, moreover, to the heart-string that will tug And always leaves an echo that is very like a hug

So smile away. Folks understand what by a smile is meant. It's worth a million dollars and it doesn't cost a cent.

—Baltimore American.

**RAILROAD TO DATE.**

One result of the Monday mass meeting was the addition of about five hundred dollars to the right-of-way fund and it now totals up within five hundred dollars of what the committee thinks will be necessary to cover the cost of the same.

Another result of the meeting is that the committee, backed by several prominent citizens, has determined to guarantee to the Santa Fe the required right-of-way to the county line in order that the work may proceed at once. It is expected, however, that several citizens who are not yet down for anything will aid in making up this expected deficiency of five hundred dollars, and notwithstanding the guarantee by the committee, the subscription list will be passed around all the same until this amount is added.

Some three-fourths of this right-of-way the committee has already secured by contract; about one-half of the remainder can be had in the same manner and the balance of it, say one-eighth of the whole, must be obtained through the courts.

To date then, the Santa Fe has, or will soon have in its possession, the right-of-way from this town clear through to Plainview; the contract for the grading of the road has already been signed up; the Santa Fe by bond or deposit guarantees its completion by Jan. 1st 1907, and it seems now to The News to be about as much of a certainty as human affairs well can be.

As stated in previous issues of The News, the Tallmades are clear out of it now barring the trimmings. True, C. L. Tallmadge and associates appear in the right-of-way documents but they, the Tallmades, have conveyed this right-of-way to the Santa Fe.

The trimmings referred to as retained by C. L. Tallmadge

and associates include options on about sixty-five thousand acres of Hale and Swisher county lands and the bonus put up by Tulia and Plainview—a right nice thing in itself. These line pickings together with the new town sites of Happy and Wright and 300 acres for the depot, that is to be at Tulia, it is said, are held in trust by C. L. Tallmadge and associates as the property stock in trade of the Northwest Texas Construction Co.

However, as previously stated, the Tallmades are now out of what the public is most interested in—the railroad—it's the Santa Fe, although at present somewhat disguised by another name, which has undertaken to put her through and she's going and you may safely set your pins that way.

If it's candy you want see Wilson for the best kind. 19 tf

Christmas trees at all the churches tomorrow, Saturday night.

Mrs. James Cox of Fañchon, was in town this week.

Mrs. Chas. Lanjan has returned to the Plains to live.

Will Leonard sold his property in S. E. Canyon to a brother of Charley Laman.

Tom Moser left us Wednesday to spend Christmas tide at the old home in Arkansas.

The News junior editor, J. R. Brandon, was with us this week, returning to Lampasas Thursday.

See L. G. Conner for some bargains in residence and business houses.

Miss Amelia Wilson will go to Lubbock Tuesday and stay until past New Year.

Carl and Dovie Coffee left Wednesday for Blum, Texas where they will spend the holidays.

Mrs. G. A. Stratton, who has been sick for some weeks is no better and there is talk of taking her back East for treatment after Christmas.

Walter Johnson and Willie Burnett, who are attending Goodnight College, came home this week to spend the holidays.

Mrs. B. T. Johnson and son, Douglas, were visitors at The News office yesterday. They had come in to do their Christmas shopping.

Henry Barry and wife arrived Wednesday from Bisbee, Arizona. He says he is going back to his old place at Bovina.

For Singer Sewing machines, see or write

F. G. Edmonds, 40 stet Hereford, Texas.

Mrs. Minnie Stickley of Madisonville, Tennessee, is here on a visit to her brother, Oscar Hunt, and will remain several weeks.

The Garrison & Harrison building on east side of the square has been partitioned into two rooms; Oscar Smith & Bert Phillips land agency will occupy the north room, and Ewell Brown will set up his barber shop in the other.

L. G. Conner reports the sale of section 9 blk 2 z, about 10 miles S. W. of town, the property of J. D. Ballard, to J. S. Marrs of Logan county, Kentucky, at \$5 per acre. Mr. Ballard paid \$4. Lots 7 and 8 blk 12, and lot 10 in blk 30, to Bee Hitchcock. These lots are just south of the railroad and brought \$112.50.

L. C. Lair reports the sale Tuesday of sections 83 and 118, the property of J. T. Jowell and including his home improvements, to D. L. and J. E. Baker of Alvarado, Texas, at \$8 bonus for one section, 118, and \$6 per acre for the other one. The Bakers will move here the early part of next month and expect to become permanent citizens of the county.

Mrs. J. H. Whitworth and son, Shelley, left Wednesday evening for Fort Worth where she expects to secure a house for the winter. Mr. Whitworth will follow in a few days. They have sold everything except household goods; Travis Shaw purchased their section of land at \$5 per acre a week or so ago. The Whitworths are fine people and The News regrets them leaving Randall county.

**No Opium in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.**

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Another lot of land seekers from Illinois came in Wednesday.

Grady Oldham left Wednesday evening for Abilene, where he will visit "grandma" and other relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. Cutter from Mangum is the guest of Mrs. G. C. Long and family.

C. R. Burrow has gone East to take at least a portion of the holidays with his wife, baby and other kinfolks. He expects to return here sometime next week.

C. P. Hutchings was in town yesterday. He looks as though "the road" agrees with him.

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For full information write to  
A. A. GLISSON, G. P. A.,  
Fort Worth, Texas.



M. G. Layman has a new boy at his house.

Mrs. George Reynolds is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. L. C. Johnson left this week for Lingleville to spend Christmas.

Some twenty prospectors chaperoned by Joe Garrison et als are doing the Umbarger country to-day.

Jim Lowe's baby, feeble at birth and ailing since then, is not expected to live.

Some of the people will spend Christmas in Canyon City and among them The News force.

The ladies of the Christian Church at their bazaar and doll carnival held Wednesday and Thursday made about \$36.

Mrs. L. P. Taffinder and daughter, Ola, expect to leave today to spend Christmas with Mr. Taffinder at Texico.

John Rowan and wife accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Maggie Ballard of Ceta, leave this evening to have Christmas among relatives and friends at Rhone, Texas.

The Tallmades had twenty-nine cars full of land seekers for the Pecos Valley country yesterday. They don't intend to work their options below here until spring.

Yesterday about noon it began snowing with the wind in the northeast. It snowed all evening and last night and this morning the ground is covered with about four inches of whiteness with a prospect of clearing off.

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