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THE WORLD NEEDS KNOCKERS.

This little story is going the rounds of many newspapers:

"Once there lived a man who had chronic indigestion and a woman who had missed a mark-down sale, and had also been jilted and had always acted as though she had been hit with a sour apple. The man with the chronic indigestion and the woman who had been jilted, etc., married and the progeny was the first of our present day knockers."

Perhaps there is a large class of so-called knockers to whom this story will apply. But knocker is a word that needs to be used carefully. There are times when iconoclast would be better and at other times misanthrope would fit.

For because a man knocks is not a good excuse for condemning him as an undesirable. The world needs knockers. Left alone to themselves people would become so self satisfied that living would become intolerable. Back in the days of Noah the citizens of the world used to compare themselves with the citizens who had lived before their time, and reflect, "How much better are we than they."

Noah was a knocker. He knocked the customs of the day, the people, the cherished institutions, even the forms of worship. He kept on knocking year after year until he got to be such a nuisance that nobody would listen to him. While he was knocking he had a hammer in his hand and was knocking nails into timbers to build an ark. He didn't stop knocking either with his preaching or his hammer until a flood came along and drowned everybody who hadn't taken his advice.

Practically all great reformers have been knockers. We don't call them that now, but the people who lived in their day did. Socrates was a tremendous knocker and they finally killed him for it, but the people remember the name of Socrates now, when they have forgotten the name of a single member of

the Athenian council which condemned him to death. And Socrates built up a very good system of philosophy.

Columbus was a knocker. He knocked the geographers of his day, learned men, held in much esteem. To get rid of him they put him in a ship and sent him to sea, and he found America. And from the blows of his hammer was built up the greatest continent of nations in the world's history.

And Thomas Jefferson was a knocker. His particular hammer was out against the divine right of kings, and the same hammer built up the constitution on which the present government of the United States rests.

Here's the whole point of it. The knocker is a useful citizen. Not only that, but he is a necessity. But while the knocker's hammer is breaking something down, it must be building something else up. The knocker who can knock any one line and offer nothing else to be built up instead of it, doesn't deserve the name of knocker. He's merely an iconoclast, or, if you want to be more severe, an anarchist. But the man who can knock when knocking is needed, and at the same time build up something better in the place of that which he is trying to hammer down, honors the name of knocker and stamps himself as a citizen of an age ahead of his own.

The world needs knockers. Doubtless we are as self satisfied a nation as ever lived, and we have a right to be. But there may be many things which are wrong, things which we believe, or merely tolerate because we are too indifferent to the object. For such things knockers are needed and needed badly.

Merely to label a man a knocker without investigating all that he is doing with his hammer is to stamp oneself as indifferent, careless and unjust.—Fort Worth Telegram.

Bryan-Bailey-Wynne Club.

At the invitation of the Bailey meeting, held in the courthouse March 28, Hon. J. R. Bowman spoke at the courthouse Saturday evening. He made a temperate, gentlemanly defense of Senator Bailey's conduct in pretty near all that has been alleged against him, confining himself, as he said, to the record testimony before the Legislature at Austin. His contention was, that outside of some of Bailey's intemperate and uncalled for remarks in some of his speeches, which he, Mr. Bowman, set down to righteous indignation felt by

the Senator on account of the unfair attacks of personal enemies, and the going back on instructions by some members of the Legislature, he, "Senator Bailey, had done no wrong." Mr. Bowman conceded the honesty and good faith of Democrats opposed to Senator Bailey in the present canvass, but deplored its effect as tending to impair not only the present good feeling and union among Texas Democrats but the prestige of our Junior Senator with the country at large.

From his standpoint Mr. Bowman made an excellent speech. He gave and he took, as the saying goes, and at the conclusion of his address he was congratulated by political foe as well as friend.

It was thought that a reply to Mr. Bowman's position would be allowed, but on request for that privilege the chairman of the meeting, L. C. Lair, promptly sat down on the proposition, stating in substance that it was wholly a Bailey love feast—that and nothing else.

Among the other speakers were Rev. J. M. Harder and J. C. Hunt. Indorsing what Mr. Bowman had already said each of these gentlemen piled it on several hundred per cent stronger.

At the conclusion of the speaking it was moved and carried that a Bryan-Bailey-Wynne club be organized; that it meet every other Friday evening beginning today and that it continue as a working organization until after the November election. L. C. Lair was elected president and S. H. Heyser secretary. The list of members, kindly furnished The News by President Lair, is as follows:

A M Smith, R A Sowder, J W Cummings, J Rusk, J H Jowell, W J Redfearn, E C Reed, T E Rusk, J W Howell, R L Wagner, Jim Stratton, W R Redfearn, J F Hood, Travis Shaw, W B Bailey, E C Brown, F Jordan, Walter E Cranford, A H Thompson, R B Redfearn, J A Tate, A S Rollins, C P Hutchings, W E Lair, R W O'Keefe, W C Baird, J M Black, O I Smith, H C Lair, Jas Dawson, S H Heyser, S V Wirt, W F King, Oscar Edwards, J A Wilson, J D Key, W W Thomson, R S Pipkin, Ed W Pipkin, R G Oldham, L C Lair, Wm Willard, B J Rector, E L Shifflet, R L Greer, L T Lester, W F Lester, C D Lester, D A Park, G G Foster, Dr. D M Stewart, J C Hunt, M F Slover, R E Baird, J M Harder, W McCranie, I W McClure, R L Templeton, W L Garner, J C Pipkin, L E Cowling, G S Ballard, E W Neece, M P Garner, P H Young.

A Flour Mill Proposition.

At a call meeting of the Commercial Club, held Saturday at the courthouse, Fred R. Cato, of Farmington, Arkansas, submitted a proposition for a flouring mill at Canyon City. On motion the proposition was submitted by Mr. Cato in writing and by him turned over to the Internal Improvement committee of said club for consideration by our people. The proposition speaks for itself and The News here reproduces it entire:

The Canyon City Commercial Club, Canyon City, Texas. Gentlemen: We beg to submit to you the following proposition for the consideration of the citizens of Canyon City and vicinity, to wit:

To organize and incorporate a joint stock company of twelve thousand dollars (12,000) capital for the purpose of moving from Farmington, Arkansas, a fifty barrel flour mill with a fifty barrel meal or three hundred bag feed mill in connection, to Canyon City, Texas, to build, own and operate same at said town.

We, Cato & Bohart, agree to subscribe for six thousand dollars (\$6,000) of the capital stock, furnishing machinery, spouting, elevator legging, belting, pulleys and shafting, etc., at invoice price at Farmington, Ark., to balance same: The balance of the stock, (six thousand dollars, \$6,000) to be subscribed for by the citizens of Canyon City and vicinity. Twenty per cent of the six thousand dollars subscribed for by the Citizens of Canyon City to be paid as soon as the lumber for mill and elevator building arrives on track at Canyon City. The balance to be paid as needed for the erection of mill and elevator building and to install the machinery, and when the mill is ready for operation all the balance to be paid and used to operate the mill.

This agreement is subject to our acceptance or rejection.

CATO & BOHART.
By FRED R. CATO.

If this be accepted by the people it is agreed that one of the parties of the first part, an experienced miller, will, if desired, move to Canyon City and operate the plant.

The proposition, on its face, looks fair. In addition to this the men who made it have personal appearances in their favor. It looks to The News as tho if we want a flour mill at Canyon City

that now is the time to make a move for it and that these are the men with whom we should seek a deal.

"Now is the accepted time." If Canyon City waits until surrounding towns gets the bulge in this mill matter—get mills up first—it won't be so good for us as now.

The country needs a flour mill and the enterprise, if taken hold of at once in Canyon City and pushed to completion, can be made a paying proposition. There is no doubt at all of this being a fact provided, of course, that it be properly managed.

Junior Epworth League.

Program for Sunday, April 12.
Leader, Miller Word.
Subject, God's Kingdom, Matt. VI, 10.

Prayer.
Song.
Bible quotations, Vernon and Addie Shelnett, Paul Rogers and Hazle Park.

Select reading, Idyl Hitchcock.
Song.
Bible reading, Dixie Foster.
Select reading, Mabel Rogers.
Song.
Select reading, Valeria Gregory.

Song.
Select reading, Jeffie Wallace.
Talk on the lesson by the superintendent.
Announcement of program for next meeting.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET

The quotations here given are from the Canyon City grain dealers and show the market the day before the issue of this paper. The prices are for grain in sack unless otherwise stated.

Wheat, No. 2, bushel.....	\$00 90
Oats, best, bushel.....	50
Corn, best.....	60
Maize, threshed, bushel..	50
Kaffir corn, threshed, bu..	50
Maize and Kaffir in heads, new crop, ton.....	13 00
Millet hay, per ton.....	10 00
Johnson grass hay, ton...	10 00
Alfalfa, per ton.....	15 00
Chickens and Eggs	
Fryers, per dozen.....	\$3 00
Eggs, per dozen.....	84

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Call and see us on east side of courthouse and let us show you the many lines we handle which are too numerous to mention. We will

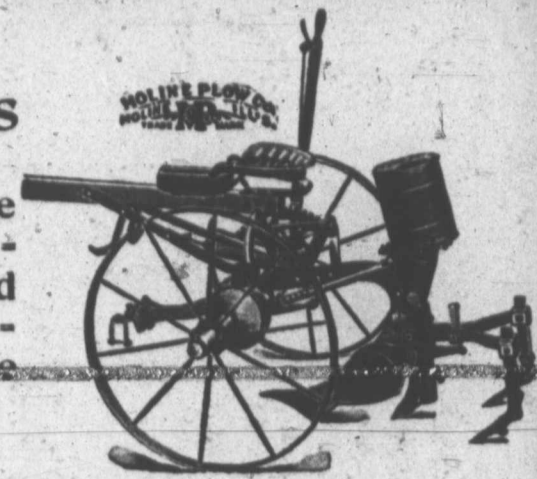
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HENRY S. BISHOP
B. H. BAKER
- For County Judge—
A. S. ROLLINS
A. N. HENSON, re-election
- For County Attorney,
R. A. SOWDER
WALTER E. CRANFORD
- For County and District Clerk,
J. A. TATE, re-election.
MARVIN P. GARNER
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector—
R. H. SANFORD
SAM B. LOFTON
H. J. CAVET
- For County Treasurer,
C. P. HUTCHINGS
P. H. YOUNG.
S. V. WIRT, re-election
- For County Assessor,
JOE FOSTER (re-election)
- For County Commissioner and Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 1,
JOHN ROWAN
W. J. REDFEARN
- For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2,
E. W. NEECE

BRYAN AND TRUST MAGNATES.

Just at this time in our history it will be interesting to note how William Jennings Bryan deals with trust magnates. James Creelman tells the story in Pearson's Magazine for April. It reads as follows:

After describing the success of Bryan's lecture tours, Creelman relates the Ryan incident: "The richest and most masterful Democrat in the East is Thomas F. Ryan. Not only because he is one of the mightiest captains in Wall street, with Grover Cleveland, Paul Morton, Elihu Root and others of their like among his trusted employes and advisers, but Tammany hall is at his beck and call, and it is believed that he controls the Democratic organizations in many states. The Satanism of Mr. Ryan is one of the most precious assets of Bryanism, and, even now, a true 'original Bryan man' will tell you in confidence that Governor Johnson of Minnesota is being put forward as a candidate against Mr. Bryan by J. J. Hill, who is Mr. Ryan's trusted lieutenant in the Northwest."

"Now, just as Mr. Bryan had made his tour of the world; after emperors, kings and prime ministers had received him; after he had been the talk of the Russian duma and the hero of the inter-parliamentary conference; when his friends were arranging in his honor a reception in Madison Square garden on a scale and with a national distinction almost unprecedented in American politics—just at that critical time, when Mr. Bryan was preparing an address to his country, an odd and sinister thing happened.

"Thomas F. Ryan went from New York to London under an assumed name, accompanied by a magazine editor with Wall Street connections. This editor secretly called on Mr. Bryan at his London hotel and asked him to meet Mr. Ryan. Mr. Bryan promptly resented the suggestion.

"It is not hard to imagine the dramatic scene. The portly Nebraskan, in a frock coat, towering up beside a table littered with newspaper-clippings and messages describing the coming Madison Square garden meeting, the eagerness of Democratic governors and United States senators to be present, the broadside enthusiasm of the press; the strong, shaven face so familiar on Western billboards, brown eyes hot with indignation, mouth firm and jaws rigid—and the lean figure and anxious countenance of the pleading editor.

"Mr. Bryan was adamant. Twice the editor repeated his visit. He assured Mr. Bryan that Mr. Ryan had grown tired of Wall Street. He had withdrawn from every trust but the American Tobacco company. He would withdraw from that, too, as soon as he could. Mr. Ryan's nature longed for a closer association with the common people, and for a more intimate approach to the ineffabilities of true Democracy. He was overcome by a desire to do something for his country. He wanted to meet Mr. Bryan.

"There was no softening in the brown eyes, no yielding in the implacable mouth. Mr. Bryan drew himself up and said with some sternness that he would have no communication of any kind with a man engaged in the conduct of trusts. The baffled editor then retreated.

"To understand the significance of this event—aside from any question of postponed lecture engagements or the circulation of the Commoner—it is necessary to know that, of the more than \$1,700,000 spent by the Democratic national committee in the last presidential campaign, the bulk of the money was contributed by or through Mr. Ryan and his associate, August Belmont, to say nothing of the money spent on delegates before Judge Parker was nominated."

Mr. Bryan fell out with Sullivan, the Illinois boss, on account of his, Sullivan's affiliation with trusts; he not long since refused a fee of \$20,000 from a railroad because it was operating in vio-

lation of public rights, and in this Ryan instance he snubs a man all powerful in Wall Street, who could, no doubt, aid largely in making him president of these United States.

Was Bryan right?

APT TO YIELD.

Mr. Bryan, in his Commoner of April 12, says:

"A man who enters politics with the idea that he can make money out of his position is apt to yield to the many temptations that will surround him. Most of these temptations come in disguise, especially if the officer be a lawyer. It is a very common thing for a legislator to be offered business by persons whose hope is to influence his official conduct."

Following out Mr. Bryan's idea, might not these temptations come in the way of very large fees for small service such, for instance, as \$5,000 for simply writing a charter; the loan of large sums of money without interest charges, or the opportunity to make a few hundred thousand dollars in the handling of trust stocks?

"Apt to yield." These are Mr. Bryan's words and history confirms them. Texas has had some experience in this line for the loaning of money and the giving of outside jobs once debauched a Texas Legislature—the Thirteenth.

A golden mug and twenty talents, coming as a present, once silenced the voice of the grandest orator of all time, Demosthenes, and that too, when the fate of Athens was in the scale.

KILLED BY BAILEY SENATORS.

The News does not believe in corporate influence having any hold whatever on our law-making bodies. In other words it is opposed either to corporation lawyers or to lawyers who accept jobs from men having large public service corporate interests being members of the legislative bodies.

How can we expect good government from corporation lawyers?

A bill was introduced in the last Legislature barring corporation lawyers from our legislative bodies. It was "killed by Bailey Senators." This last is the statement by its author, Senator Walter R. Holsey, of the Ninth district. That our readers may know the full facts the bill, as introduced, is here given in full. It reads as follows:

Senate Bill No. 240, by Holsey

—A bill to be entitled an act to prohibit State Representatives and Senators, members of Congress and United States Senators from holding offices, while acting as an attorney, or in the employment of any public service corporation and prescribing penalties therefor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. It shall hereafter be unlawful for any person to hold the office of State Representative, State Senator, member of the United States Congress and United States Senate, to qualify and perform the duties of the office while in the service or employment, as an attorney or otherwise, of any public service cor-

poration or corporations. Sec. 2. Any person violating the provisions of this act, shall upon conviction, forfeit the office and be confined in the penitentiary for not less than one year nor more than five years.

Its course in the Legislature is stated by Senator Holsey in the following words: "It was brutally attacked in committee and killed by Bailey Senators."

What say our Bailey friends to this?

Book Club Musicale

At the Methodist Church Friday, April 17—Admission 25 cts.

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Improved or unimproved, in Canyon City or in the country. We can fit you up with almost any size tract and at the very lowest prices as we **Only Handle Bargains.** We also exchange property and deal in live stock. If you have property for sale **List With Us.** If you desire to buy or make an exchange, **SEE OUR PROPERTY LIST.**

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PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

M. S. Lusby is with us again. Mrs. J. Rusk has been ill for the past two weeks. She is now improving.

A. S. Rollins has traded a quarter section of the land he got from Dr. Ingham for the Odell place on West Evelyn St.

Dr. Ingham bought from G. S. Ballard this week 100 acres laying north of the city dump ground. The price was \$27.50 per acre.

W. B. (Dad) Jones is temporarily confined at home with what is thought to be a cancer on his nose. He expects to be out in a few days tho as he thinks the cancer, if such it really was, is "killed."

R. M. and F. M. Key, father and brother respectively of our townsman, J. D. Key, came in Wednesday from Clinton, Oklahoma. R. M. Key will remain here sometime, T. M. is going to his claim in New Mexico.

S. J. Moreland suicided at his home, Plainview, on Wednesday. It happened in the morning and his brother, W. T. Moreland of this place, went down there on the evening train. Particulars not available yesterday evening when The News went to press.

Amarillo City Election.

The Daily Panhandle gives the highest number of votes polled as 688 and the officers elected as follows:

- Lon D. Marrs Mayor
- E. T. Miller City Attorney
- F. M. Ong Assessor & Collector
- John Snider Marshal
- Sam J. Brown City Secretary
- J. T. Parks Recorder

Hereford Rejoicing.

"All over but the shouting." This is the statement of the Hereford Democrat relative to the brand new Colorado, Hereford & Gulf Railway, which is to replace the Panhandle Short Line. The following from that paper gives the substance of the story:

The much talked of new railroad running north and south through Hereford is now a settled fact. A contract has been entered into between the Commercial Club of Hereford and W. A. Cullen, head of the Cullen Construction Company of New Jersey, for the building of the road. Mr. Cullen was here in person a short time ago and went over the proposed line in company with Colonel A. D. Goodenough. Mr. Cullen was well pleased with the proposition and upon his return made the people of Hereford a proposition.

A contract was drawn up and sent Mr. Cullen last week and Monday of this week Colonel Goodenough received the following telegram:

Newark, N. J., March 30, 1908. A. D. Goodenough, Hereford, Texas. Contract signed today.

W. A. Cullen. By the terms of the contract, which appears in full in another column of the Democrat, work must commence on or before the

30th of next month, and be completed as far north as the Rock Island grade and as far south as some point on the Texas & Pacific within two years from the signing of the contract. We are informed that it is the intention of Mr. Cullen to begin actual construction work by the first of May.

The Cullen Construction Company is capitalized for \$50,000,000 and is amply able to comply with the contract.

WHAT HEREFORD GETS

Hereford is to fare most liberally. The main offices of the new road are to be located here. Hereford will be a division point on the new line and in addition is to have the shops of the system.

This means that at least 350 men will be employed here by the new road with and approximate pay roll of \$30,000 a month.

WHAT IT WILL COST.

In consideration for the building of the road, locating the main offices of the company here, and the round house and machine shops, the people of Hereford are to pay a cash bonus of \$60,000. Out of this amount will be paid the expenses of securing a new charter; all debts and bills against the Panhandle Short Line, the right of way through Deaf Smith county and ground for machine shops, trackage, offices, etc., and the remainder will go to Mr. Cullen. It is estimated that it will take from \$40,000 to \$45,000 to settle the accounts of the Panhandle Short Line and meet the other expenses that it will be necessary to incur.

As the greater portion of this amount is due the contractors who built the grade from here to Dimmit and the balance will be spent in buying the right of way, station grounds, land for roundhouse and machine shops and like expense, it will be seen that most of the money will be put into circulation here in Hereford.

It's alright and a very good thing for Hereford—provided it passes out in line with what the Democrat says.

News Roll of Honor.

Under this heading will be found the amounts received on subscription to the News since last report, and names of the parties paying. This will serve as a receipt to those of our subscribers forwarding money by mail.

- J R Eling.....\$1 00
- Miss Tressa Godwin..... 75
- J F Lynch..... 75
- D N Forsyth..... 1 00
- J B Goder..... 1 25
- Joe Service..... 1 00
- Mrs L T Lester..... 1 00
- S V Wirt..... 1 00
- C T DeGraffenried..... 1 00
- J F Hood..... 1 00
- J H Jowell..... 1 00
- L C Lair..... 1 00
- W E Lair..... 1 00
- J W McDorman..... 1 00
- W D Scott..... 1 00
- Mrs Olive Sevall..... 1 00
- Mrs A H Thompson..... 1 00
- T C Thompson..... 1 00
- J R Bowman..... 1 25
- M M Olin..... 1 25
- Geo F Thede..... 75
- Frank Smith..... 1 00
- R A Sowder..... 1 00
- S E Brown..... 1 00
- N Thompson..... 1 00
- S M Downing..... 1 00
- J M Craig..... 1 00
- D Curry..... 1 00

SENATOR VEALE WILL SPEAK.

Senator Veale has announced his intention of replying to the speech delivered by Representative Bowman at the courthouse last Saturday. Tomorrow was to have been the day for this but, on account of professional business at Dalhart, Mr. Veale was obliged to postpone the date. He is, however, expected here one day next week.

As will be remembered by those hearing Mr. Bowman on the occasion referred to, he, Bowman, gave the Bailey side of the controversy both before the Legislature and since then, holding among other things that members of that body voting against Senator Bailey had proven recreant to their trust and thereby false to the people they were under obligations to represent. Representative Bowman was then, as now, a Bailey man thru and thru. Senator Veale was then and is now opposed to what is aptly termed "Baileysism" and therefore was against Senator Bailey.

Mr. Bowman, as our Representative, has had his hearing and now Mr. Veale, as our State Senator, desires that the people of Randall county come and hear his side of this question.

Unless The News is badly mistaken in the fair and honorable character of Randall county citizens they will give Senator Veale a hearing when he comes.

RAINFALL ON THE TEXAS PLAINS

FROM THE U. S. RECORDS AT A POINT EIGHTEEN MILES FROM CANYON CITY.

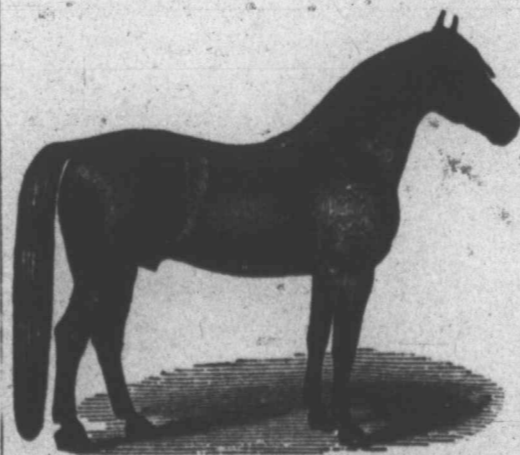
YEAR	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Anl
1895	1.60	1.92	0.16	1.31	1.78	6.84	2.88	3.87	0.57	2.26	0.81	0.79	24.79
1896	0.76	0.41	0.21	1.95	2.20	2.31	7.04	0.63	2.45	3.09	0.35	2.88	24.28
1897	2.26	0.65	0.47	1.08	4.44	3.22	1.62	2.71	0.73	1.63	0.08	0.63	19.16
1898	0.86	0.82	0.35	0.98	3.52	4.81	3.88	4.03	0.48	0.41	0.34	0.62	22.54
1899	0.29	0.07	0.17	0.23	3.12	4.45	6.96	0.51	0.69	1.13	0.24	1.12	27.39
1900	0.59	0.47	0.48	0.47	4.53	1.84	3.21	0.83	2.51	5.80	0.08	0.07	24.40
1901	0.03	0.48	0.02	1.90	5.99	0.92	1.56	3.03	2.19	3.26	2.00	0.44	24.42
1902	0.04	T	0.54	1.83	9.14	2.01	1.45	2.42	0.95	1.74	2.24	0.55	23.11
1903	0.12	2.93	0.26	0.90	1.79	2.62	3.84	6.70	0.82	2.58	0.00	T	20.28
1904	0.16	1.08	T	0.63	2.88	5.53	2.48	4.69	3.55	0.44	0.20	0.69	21.33
1905	1.00	1.52	2.62	3.52	6.16	2.19	3.76	0.63	0.81	3.05	0.09	1.45	32.50
1906	.41	.51	.64	3.23	1.18	2.07	2.86	6.74	1.97	4.92	5.80	1.92	24.87
1907	1.11	0.20	0.02	1.25	0.99	1.97	1.49	6.20	0.91	1.79	0.66	1.46	18.09
Average	0.71	0.77	0.46	2.17	3.51	3.06	3.47	3.15	2.23	1.74	1.36	1.92	23.58

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ATTENTION, HORSE RAISERS!



Ranger R 31428

Standard and Registered Rule 6, Vol. 15, American Trotting Registry; will make the season of 1908 at the old Lofton place, west end of town, in care of Charley Duncan.

TERMS—\$15 to insure colt, or \$10 by the season with return privilege. Fees due when mare is served.

Ranger is a beautiful Mahogany Bay, 16 hands, weighs 1180 pounds. A1 saddle and driver.

Ranger was sired by Rabelias 11122; Rabelias by Belmont 64. Ranger R dam Mattie Mont. by Norwood Star 1395. Dam Daisy H.

For size, style and action, his progeny are just right. As saddlers and drivers they are unequalled.

Care will be taken to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible for any.

C. P. MONEY.

Local Weather Record.



The picture gives a fair idea of weather conditions here yesterday morning except that there was little wind and the rain came almost straight down. It extended to Plainview and beyond, was the report from the Central phone office.

At our press hour, yesterday evening, it was not raining but the indications were excellent for more that night and perhaps for several days. It is "smooth cloudy" with just enough wind from a southeasterly direction to occasionally turn a windmill. What rain that has fallen will do lots of good and more will find a cordial welcome.

Our Ugly Ancestors.

"All our ancestors," said a physician, "were pockmarked, and smallpox was a recommendation if you were looking for work."

"What I mean is that you could not get a job if you had not had smallpox. No one wanted a servant who was liable at any moment to be stricken down with the loathsome disease; hence"—he opened a newspaper volume of 1774—"hence 'help wanted' ads. read like this:

"Wanted.—A man between twenty and thirty years of age to be footman and underbutler in a great family. He must have had the smallpox in the natural way; also a woman, middle aged, to wait upon a young lady of great fortune and passion. The woman must have had the smallpox in the natural way."

Ready For All Comers.

The passengers were suddenly startled by a shower of rice that fell from the bride's parasol when she took it from the rack. The bridegroom, a dark, stalwart chap, observing the smites, placed his arm about his blushing bride and then faced the passengers, with the following remarks:

"I reckon there ain't no need for me to say we ain't been married long, but I can tell you all one thing—you don't want to smile any more than the perlite, for she's my violet, and I'm her sheltering oak, and I weighs 208 pounds."—Success Magazine.

EASILY EXPLAINED.

"No, Mr. Wingle, I can't give you any hope, but I have an elder sister who might look upon your suit favorably."

"A sister? And why do you think your sister would be more kind than you are?"

"Well, you see, sister has reached an age where she can't afford to be particular."

A NATURAL PREFERENCE.

"The greatest runner in the world eats meat three times a day."

"Stakes, no doubt."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Blacksmith Shop

Harter & Chesser

If the best of material, skilled workmanship, courteous treatment and reasonable charges will make and hold a business in Canyon City we shall succeed.

Abbott Tenth Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Abbott celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary Tuesday with one of the gayest social gatherings of the season. Announcement cards were mailed Monday for Tuesday evening between the hours of 8:30 and 12 p. m. Some seventy friends of the family responded to the invitation and the hours given were taken up with those pastimes and social features which adorn the brighter side of human life. Refreshments served consisted of ice cream and cake and added to this was the delicious beverage, "punch," the bowl being presided over by Misses Radah Bayless and Fannie King. Each guest was invited to keep the spoon (a tin one decorated with a red bow) with which he or she ate cream as a souvenir of the occasion.

The presents to Mr. and Mrs. Abbott included something like two bushels of tinware.

A delightful evening was spent and at its close each guest in departing wished for the host and hostess many more and equally happy returns of the day.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames C. P. Hutchings, R. S. Pipkin, J. C. Hunt, Ed. Pipkin, T. C. Johnson, O. C. Davis, J. A. Tate, A. S. Rollins, J. H. Hall, L. T. Lester, R. A. Terrill, G. A. Brandon, W. O. Bennet, C. C. Doniphan, D. A. Park, Travis Shaw, Dr. S. L. Ingham, B. J. Rector, S. E. Brown, A. H. Thompson, C. R. Burrow, Dr. S. R. Griffin, J. A. Harbison, and Mrs. R. L. Faulkner and Mrs. T. H. Rowan. Misses Cassidy, Garrison, Colum, Hawkins, Law, Keiser, Bayless, King, Lipscombe, Brandon and Bomparte. Messrs. C. N. Harrison, Geo. Hutchings, Bert Phillips, Chas. June, Roy Culum, Geo. Faulkner, Fred Luke, Dunlap Lester and Claude Bennett.

Sugar Beet Culture.

Sugar beet culture was the kernel of an address at the courthouse Wednesday evening. The speaker was Hon. J. S. Dunn of Colorado.

Mr. Dunn is "State Organizer" for the Farmers' Union of Colorado, and his mission in the Panhandle of Texas, to let him tell it, is to better the condition of toilers generally.

His speech, some two hours in length, included flour mills; beet sugar refineries, sugar beet growing, woolen mills, commission and middle men generally and his remedy therefor—the owning and operating by the farmers of the industries named and the consequent doing away with these middle men.

On the sugar beet growing, the real advertised purpose of his coming here, Mr. Dunn said much that should be and was of much interest to his audience. He stated that the Plains land and the rainfall here was ideal for the successful growing of this crop; that, in his judgment, an experiment properly conducted here with the right kind of seed would easily raise the price of Plains land from \$100 to \$200 per acre. His talk along this line was interesting and convincing and at its conclusion twenty-one of those present signed for from one to thirty-five pounds of beet seed; a total of 130 pounds in all. And in addi-

tion to this eight others gave in their names for a supply of government literature on the subject.

Mr. Dunn is a very interesting speaker and all of our citizens, farmers, especially, missed considerable that is good and very good by not being out to hear him.

The News trusts that Mr. Dunn may visit us again. It is of the opinion that he knows what he is talking about in this sugar beet business and that it is well worth the while of our people to fully test the matter.

Palo Duro Park Talk.

The Dallas News of Monday had the following interview touching Palo Duro Park matters:

Richard Walsh, part owner of the Paloduro Canyon and also interested in the Adair cattle interests of West Texas, was here today enroute to Marlin, where he proposes to spend a few days in recuperation. In discussing a measure pending in Congress, recently introduced by Congressman John Stephens, Mr. Walsh said:

"The bill provides for an appropriation by Congress of \$500,000 for the purpose of the purchase of not to exceed 100,000 acres of the Paloduro Canyon to be used for a National Park. The bill further provides that the land, if purchased, shall be stocked with a herd of the Good-night buffalo and other animals such as are rapidly passing out of the country.

"Should the bill pass, about \$350,000 of the appropriation will be used in the purchase of the land, which will hardly include more than 60,000 acres, 25,000 acres of which are owned by Mrs. C. Adair and myself, the remaining \$150,000 to be used in stocking the park. Because of a recent disposition on the part of Congress to postpone many matters until after the election, it is hardly probable that the bill will be given any consideration during the present session."

HAPPY ITEMS.

Mr. J. O. Brandenbaugh left Thursday a. m. for Kansas City and is expected home this week.

The young people of Happy and vicinity have organized a bible study class to meet every Sunday night. All young people and as many others who care to are invited to meet with them. Half an hour will be given to singing and a half hour to the bible study.

Messrs. W. S. Cook, A. Koolen S. Swearingen, John and Charlie Christian were in Tulia Tuesday attending the lot sale.

J. S. King returned to Happy Monday after being in Plainview several days on the sick list.

C. Cull was in Canyon Tuesday on business.

Miss Fern Williamson is visiting Mrs. O. Malcom this week.

Miss Lizzie White, sister of Mrs. N. Whitfield, entertained several young ladies from Happy Sunday.

T. Williamson finished building the residence on the Whitman farm southwest of town.

Happy base ball team will play the Fairview boys Friday on the Fairview diamond near Ceta. On the account of windy weather the Fairview boys did not play at Happy Saturday.

April 8, '08. HAPPY.

Your Farm Implements

They should be of the very best to be had and, if not already supplied, now is the time to get them and the

Canyon Mercantile & Hardware Co.

is the place at which to buy. For April, or until further notice, we are going to make some

...SWEEPING REDUCTIONS...

on the following Implements:

Cultivators.

No. 4—4-shovel cultivators	\$30 00
No. 5— " "	29 50
No. 50— " "	30 50
No. 19— " "	31 00
No. 20— " "	32 00
No. 2007— " "	29 75
No. 2008— " "	28 50

Disc Harrows.

Special Prices.	
12-16 Disc Harrows	\$28 75
12-18 " "	29 75
12-20 " "	30 75

Cultivators and Disc Harrows upon which these reductions are made are of the John Deere, Standard and Kingman make upon which the regular selling prices range from \$32.50 to \$37.50.

Planters.

No. 18—1 horse 1 row planter	\$11 00
No. 40—1 horse 1 row planter	16 00
2 horse 1 row planter	22 00

These are the John Deere and Eagle Manufacture.

We have a complete line of new and up-to-date Listers, Lister Carriers, Walking Plows, Hoosier Drills, Emerson Disc Plows, John Deere Disc Plows, Wagons, Vehicles and a full line of Shelf Hardware, Queensware, Stoves and Ranges, Team and Buggy Harness, Windmills, Piping and Cylinders, all of which we are offering at a very low price. We solicit your patronage and ask you to make our store headquarters when in Canyon.

Canyon Mercantile & Hdw. Co.

A Filtering Medium.

Absorbent cotton is highly recommended as a filtering medium. It acts rapidly and is therefore of great value in filtering volatile elements. For ordinary household use it is specially recommended because of its inexpensiveness and ease of management. A large funnel must be provided, and the cotton is pressed more or less firmly into the neck, according to the substance to be passed through. Some liquids are much more difficult to manage than others, and this must of course be allowed for. A little practice will show the housewife just how closely the cotton must be packed to insure success in filtering the various liquids with which she has to deal.

Reversed.

The foreign visitors to China had asked to see a native execution, and the governor of the province for a consideration had consented to oblige them.

"Have mercy, your highness," wailed the wretched criminals as they cringed before the governor. "Have we no chance?"

"None whatever," responded his highness cheerfully. "It's a case of 'taels I win, heads you lose.'"—Bohemian.

BACKACHE

"I wrote you for advice," writes Lelia Hagood, of Sylvia, Tenn., "about my terrible backache and monthly pains in my abdomen and shoulders. I had suffered this way nine years and five doctors had failed to relieve me. On your advice I took Wine of Cardui, which at once relieved my pains and now I am entirely cured. I am sure that Cardui saved my life."

It is a safe and reliable remedy for all female diseases, such as periodical pains, irregularity, dragging down sensations, headache, dizziness, backache, etc.

FREE ADVICE
Write us a letter describing all your symptoms, and we will send you Free Advice, in plain sealed envelope. Address: Ladies' Advisory Department, The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. J13

At Every Drug Store in \$1.00 bottles. Try it.

WINE OF **CARDUI**

TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS
THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Bob Steen came in last week from Cordell, Oklahoma.

W. E. Bates shipped a car of millet hay to Winnsboro Tuesday.

W. W. Stephenson is having a windmill put up at his residence this week.

M. S. Park was a visitor and on business in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

The first train over the new cut-off—Panhandle to Amarillo, was on Monday.

R. Q. Mills and family of Dallas are visiting relatives, the A. H. Thompson and Terrell families.

Mrs. Stanford, mother of Mrs. Travis Shaw, returned to her home at Detroit, Michigan, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Reese of Amarillo, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Reid, a part of last week and this week.

Mrs. Geo. Reynolds and daughter, Miss Neva, returned Monday from a visit to friends and relatives at Memphis.

Dr. Wells and Mr. Bradley, both of Erick, Okla., visited Dr. Wells' relatives, the Jno. A. Wallace family this week.

Mrs. McGehee and daughter, Miss Sallie, who for some time have been with Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Jenkins, moved to the country this week.

C. K. Cull, of Oakland, Nebr., was among the visitors in town this week. Mr. Cull owns land near Happy and is having the same improved.

Mrs. Massey and little daughter, Neta, left this week, Mrs. Massey to travel with Mr. Massey for a time and Neta to her grandmother in Wichita, Kan.

Mrs. James McCord came back from Missouri Saturday and accepted an engagement with Joe Foster to look after his children and keep house for him.

Sheriff Slover says that if the present flour mill proposition goes he will donate the site. A very liberal offer, indeed, and one that does credit to the public spirit of Mr. Slover.

C. F. Hershberger, an Iowa man now located west of Happy, was a caller at The News office Monday. He provided for a copy of the paper to go to relatives at the old home, Kalona, Iowa.

A little oil would do a world of good on some of the windmills about town. The News man was told this to his face. He tumbled; some of his nabors were having nervous fits, so they said. A little oil stopped the troubles there and will do it for several others he knows of.

M. M. Olin, writing from Lark, Illinois, and enclosing a subscription, says that he trusts The News will "continue its advocacy of the National Park, waterworks, sewerage until they shall have been attained." Mr. Olin bought land of Keiser Bros. & Phillips north of town and feels more than an ordinary interest in our welfare and The News will try and not disappoint him along the lines of its mission toward real progress.

Commercial Club Notice

The Canyon City Commercial Club offers its services to all who seek information touching either town or county. Call on the secretary or write him.

The Club will keep in touch with Federal and State agricultural authorities and will take pleasure in obtaining information for Randall county farmers--if desired.

The secretary's office is in The News building. If you have anything good for yourself which you are willing to share with Canyon City and with Randall county call at The News office and ask for

GEO. A. BRANDON,
Secretary C. C. C.

Kodak Supplies at A. H. Thomson's Drug Store.

Mrs. C. P. Hutchings returned Saturday from a visit to relatives in Amarillo.

Miss Pearl Dorsey of Plainview is visiting her sister, Mrs. U. S. Gober.

Mrs. Bechtel of Happy, has been visiting the family of C. P. Shelnett this week.

Mrs. Ed Wicker on Wednesday left for North Texas to visit her mother who is sick.

If not an Eastman it is not a Kodak. Call on A. H. Thompson. He has a complete line.

Prospectors with us again this week and much business in the sale of lands is expected.

T. C. Jennings expects to leave us next week—moving to New Mexico, near Lake Arthur.

Mrs. Robert Faulkner returned Monday from a few days' visit to her daughters at Amarillo.

Rev. M. E. Hawkins returned Tuesday from his trip to the Sunday School convention at Fort Worth.

If you want anything in any line and can't come, phone 90 and we will do the rest.

A. H. THOMPSON,
Druggist.

Jim Postern arrived in town Wednesday from Granite Springs, Oklahoma, where he has been since leaving here last fall. He says his general health is much better and he looks it.

Tuesday the case of S. V. Wirt vs. W. O. Marsh was again submitted to a jury in the justice court and with the same result as before—a mistrial. The jury stood, The News is informed, four for Marsh and two for Wirt.

Keiser Bros. & Phillips shipped in last week, for use on their farm west of town, a car (twelve head) of Percheron mares. This makes eighteen head of these mares now employed on this farm, excepting one of the last shipment, which Mr. Keiser says died soon after arrival here.

S. A. Fletcher of Sheridan, Iowa, was one of our office callers Friday. He came down last week and will remain a week or so prospecting for himself and father and brothers who are still in Iowa. He says that if conditions here are to his liking some of his Iowa relatives will come and see for themselves.

The Bailey controversy should not be permitted to interfere with local progress.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Conner of Abilene, arrived here Wednesday and will spend the summer with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Oldham.

Our stock of Stationery, Perfumes and Toilet Articles is complete. Call on us East Side of Square.

A. H. THOMPSON,
Leading Druggist.

The private bank at Lockney is to be changed into a National bank with a capital stock of \$25,000. Among the stockholders of the new organization are L. T. Lester, J. C. Pipkin, L. C. Lair and R. G. Oldham of this town.

The people of Umbarger and of Hoffman, "pounded" the home of Rev. T. A. Robeson Tuesday of last week and, speaking to The News editor of it Bro. Robeson said that words could hardly be strong enough to express his gratitude. Mr. Robeson was to leave yesterday for Vegar, in Oldham county, to be absent about two weeks.

R. C. Dyer, the gentlemanly Dallas manager of the Barnhart Type Foundry, was a visitor with us Monday. He was on his way to Lubbock to dispose of the defunct Leader plant. Asked about the Bailey controversy at Dallas he said, that unless he was very badly mistaken, Dallas county would poll two votes against the Senator to every one for him.

Mrs. M. Louisa Whitman Dead.

Thursday evening of last week Mrs. M. Louisa Whitman died at her residence in the west portion of town. Deceased was near 60 years of age, rather feeble in body and had been suffering for some time from violent headaches. Her death, unexpected, is supposed to have been due to an overdose of laudanum, which drug it appears she had been accustomed to take for relief in this ailment. After services Friday, conducted by Rev. Hawthorne at the Presbyterian church, of which deceased was a member, the interment was made in the city cemetery.

Mrs. Whitman leaves surviving her two sons and three daughters all grown and with homes of their own.

Books with cattle bills of sale.

Tuesday's Canyon City Election.

Only one candidate on the ticket for each of the wards and practically no opposition the interest in the election was less than expected. Only 52 votes were polled with results as follows:

For alderman ward 1, Joe Ser-

vice.

For alderman ward 2, T. F. Reid.

For alderman ward 3, Dr. S. E. Ingham.

For city attorney, Walter E. Cranford.

As will be observed with the exceptions of Dr. Ingham, who takes the place of T. H. Rowan, the city council remains the same.

Barn and Hay Burned.

Monday night between 10 and 11 o'clock the hay barn near the depot, belonging to the Star Mill and Elevator Co., and its contents, some two carloads of hay became a total loss by fire.

As the barn was locked the supposition is that it was ignited from the outside, perhaps from a cigar stub or pipe. The wind was against it catching from a passing train and so as to just how it came to burn is as much a mystery to the people generally as was the burning of the mattress factory in the same vicinity several months ago.

Lodge Directory.

Modern Woodmen of America
Canyon Camp
No. 12032

Meets every other Thursday night. Visiting neighbors cordially invited to attend.

J. S. HARRISON,
Does All Kinds of

Well and Windmill Work

Promptly and at a Reasonable Price.

TELEPHONE 107.

Horse and Jack Notices.

Ten dollars to insure a colt from my Jack. He has proven himself a sire of the first class.

W. E. BATES.

LEBI, my registered Percheron Horse, will make the season in charge of M. F. Slover, at his residence. \$16 insures a colt or \$10 for the season. I paid \$2000 cash for this horse. His sire and dam were imported. Lebi is 4 years old.

J. E. ROGERS.

CARNEY'S WONDER, 1389, sired by Moore's Wonder, 1399, he by Imported Wonder 163 (Imported from the Catalonian Islands), first dam Mammoth Sue, second dam Jennie George. Carney's Wonder is a Missouri bred Jack, 15 hands high, is black with white points. Is a fine individual.

CARNEY'S DENMARK, black, 16½ hands high, 1200 pounds, combination horse. Call at stable for pedigree. Will make the season 3½ miles west of Canyon. Terms for either horse or jack \$10 to insure live colt. Money due when colt is foaled, mare traded, parted with or leaves the neighborhood. Care will be taken to prevent accidents but will not be responsible should any occur.

J. C. CARNEY.

BUSINESS LOCALS

The photo gallery will be reopened for business May 1st.

M. S. LUSBY.

Will be ready to pasture horses and cows after the 15th of this month.

W. E. BATES.

For pretty, up-to-date Easter hats and lowest prices go to Mrs. McDorman, east of First National Bank.

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Will buy, sell or rent town lots, houses or lands. See me if you want either. Office opposite the postoffice.

JASPER N. HANEY.

Vegetables plants for sale—19 varieties, ready in April.

T. JONES & Co.,

Clarendon, Texas.

If you want to rent a house make L. G. Conner's office headquarters for this information. He also renders property and pays taxes for non-residents. 1tf

I have 170,000 acres of land in Terrell and Valverde counties, Texas, for sale at \$2.75 to \$3.00 per acre. Terms: 10 per cent cash, 10 per cent in six months, 10 per cent in twelve months and balance in equal annual installments of 10 per cent each thereafter with interest at 6 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. Clear of all encumbrance and good title.

I also have some extra yearling and two year old steers for sale. See, phone or write me in regard to the above.

L. G. CONNER,

Canyon City, Texas.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the many friends who so kindly ministered to us in the sad hour of need.

MRS. S. J. COX & FAMILY.

Notice to Creditors.

Community estate of C. H. Hitchcock, deceased.

Whereas letters of community administration upon the estate of C. H. Hitchcock, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the county court of Randall county, all persons holding claims against said estate are required to present the same duly verified within the time prescribed by law. My residence and postoffice address is Canyon City, Texas.

C. A. HITCHCOCK,

1-4 Community Administratrix.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by J. Bruce Dick at his place 10 miles north from Canyon City and estrayed before Jno. A. Wallace, Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 1, Randall county, on March 20th 1908, one stray brown horse about 14 hands high, about 8 years old, no brands.

J. A. Tate, County Clerk,
1.3ts Randall County, Texas.

For Sale or Trade.

Good residence, outbuildings, well and windmill on one block; store building 30x90 feet on corner of public square, with or without stock of merchandise, all in Canyon City. Also one wagon, pair of mules and harness, five cultivators, one Cassidy lister, one two-row planter; a blacksmith outfit, one heavy two-horse buggy and one single buggy. See or write

J. A. EDWARDS,

Canyon City, Texas.



THE POETRY OF SPRING

is all very well in its way. Everybody is better for admiring nature's awakening. But spring brings practical needs as well. You can get along without poetry, but you certainly

MUST HAVE MATTINGS AND RUGS.

We have endeavored to make our spring showing partake of the spirit of the season. Come and take a look around this store. Glad as you are that spring is here, you will be equally glad of a chance to secure such quality mattings and rugs at such quantity prices.

THOMAS BROS.
The Quality House.

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Calls answered promptly day or night. Residence Phone No. 46.

R. A. SOWDER,
Attorney-at-Law and Notary.

Complete Abstracts of Randall County Lands.
Office Over Canyon Supply Company Phone No. 222.

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BUIE & SCOTT,
LAWYERS
CANYON CITY, TEXAS.
Court Practice a Specialty. Titles Examined. Notary in office.

DR. S. L. INGHAM
-DENTIST-

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ALL WORK WARRANTED.

A. S. ROLLINS
LAWYER
CIVIL PRACTICE SOLICITED.
Office in Courthouse.

Northwestern Title Co.

Complete Abstract of All Randall County Property
R. A. TERRILL, - MANAGER

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DEALER IN
Fresh and Cured Meats, Fish and Oysters, Codfish and Mackerel, Mince-Meat, Fancy Cheese, Bread and Butter, Fresh Vegetables, Celery, etc.; Lunch Meats and Fancy Table Delicacies.
Phone 172.

VIEWING THE PLAINS IN AN AUTO

Thru Randall, Swisher, Hale, Lubbock, Lynn, Garza, Scurry, Fisher, Jones and Part of Haskell Counties.

BY J. C. HUNT.
On Tuesday, March the 24 ult.

at 1:45, I took a seat in Messrs. Hall and Abbotts' auto for a trip over the south plains and east to Haskell Texas. The party consisted of J. H. Hall, G. L. Abbott, C. C. Doniphan and myself. We halted over 12 miles from Canyon City 45 minutes to mend a punctured tire and passed through Tulia about 2:30 without stopping to say, hello, and onward toward the capital of Hale county we sped arriving at Plainview at about 4:30. We stopped there about an hour and then started on our journey for Lubbock where we intended to stay over the night but again stopped to mend a wheel for 45 minutes and dark come on and we stooped at a farm house just 25 miles this side of Lubbock where we found a typical Texan with a nice six room new house, plenty of cattle, houses, land, a fine peach orchard and looks like he is doing something.

Early Wednesday morning of the 25, we left this farm house for Lubbock arriving there after an hour and a half ride. We found Lubbock a pretty little place, still improving and a happy and contented people. We staid there about 30 minutes and then made a 30 mile drive to Tahoka, the capital of Lynn county. This is a pretty little new town and the country is settling up too. They raise cattle, and cotton mostly down there and Tahoka some day will be a great town. It is situated right for a good town. We had a fine dinner there of vegetables, meats, pies and sweet things and fair water. Here we made our first turn for the east. We left Tahoka at 1:30 and took a south eastern course and went out of the county at its south east corner and onward we went bounding over the vast mesquite country with here and there a farm house, and now and then a prairie dog town with much wire fencing. We were trying to make Snyder that night which we did. But at about 5 o'clock we came to a nice little new village called Fluvana and just over east of this place about half a mile and of the same size, is an older village called Light Texas. Fluvana seemed to have the best show for a railroad for they are like all people living in expectancy, expecting that ere long the railroad that is now building into Snyder will push into Fluvana and there stop for awhile. A pretty country this. Leaving these two villages, we started on our way to Snyder arriving there a little after dark, making the trip of 25 miles in about one and a quarter hours ride altho we stopped twice on the road to mend punctured tire. Snyder is a good inland town and the country is settling up fast. Here we staid all night and on the next (Thursday) morning we started for Rotan, 35 miles away, where we arrived at 11:30 and took dinner. We found our old Canyon City friend J. H. Pinson domiciled here, hale and hearty and doing well. Rotan is a fine little place but is about grown for the present. We rested here for a half day making some

improvements in the running gear of the auto and next morning, Friday, left there bright and early for Hamlin, the next town. This is a new and beautiful town but is at present on a standstill. On we went entering Jones county, we had an excellent run to Stamford, reaching there at noon. We ate dinner then went north 18 miles to Haskell City arriving there at 2 o'clock. Here we found another good town which is still building up.

On this trip we passed thru the counties of Swisher, Hale, Lubbock, Lynn, Scurry, Fisher and Jones and parts of Randall, Garza and Haskell. I would judge that the population of the county seats touched is—Canyon City, 2,000; Tulia, 1200; Plainview, 2,500; Lubbock, 1500; Tahoka, 800; Snyder 2,500; Haskell, 3,000. The other towns, Fluvana, 200; Light, 200; Rotan, 1,200; Hamlin, 3,000; and Stamford, 4,000.

During the whole 315 miles, I am sure we were at no time out of sight of a farm house. The country is settling up. It is fine too. We did not encounter but about about three quarters of a mile of sandy road during the whole trip. We saw thousands of head of cattle and most of them were Herefords. Nearly all the way the barbed wire was to be seen and new farm houses and new roads were much in evidence. The first mesquite trees we saw were in Lubbock county and from there on we had more or less mesquite.

Just before we went off the Cap Rock, we saw in the distance that majestic wall of rock with its cascades and perpendicular descent. It is a wonderful and grand picture. "Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies," says the Psalmist, "but here is a great table—the plains, prepared in the presence of many who are delighted to say with the Psalmist but a little different phraseology. "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death." We who are on the plains can say, yea, though I walk not through the valley but on the great Llano Estacado, the most healthful, the prettiest and the finest section of country in the world. We have the best, soil, water, people, on earth and some day will outstrip all other sections in the way of fine cities and farming country. But how many it will take to settle up this vast country! How many are there who need to come! Those in crowded sections of other states can find here a country equal if not superior to their own, where they can get from 4 to 15 acres for one of theirs and will, take all in all, pay them a greater dividend on money invested, 2 to 1, than on higher priced land. I wish I had time and space to give you my impressions gathered during this trip of the future of this country. I must say in closing that the trip was one I much enjoyed, saw a great country, all fine but I never found any water on the trip equal to that of Canyon City. If I can have time and opportunity, will next week give you readers my idea of the future greatness of this country.

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Highest Market Prices Paid and the "other fellow" never undersells us.

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President. Vice-Pres. Vice-Pres. Cashier. Asst. Cash.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
CANYON, TEXAS.

At Close of Business, February 14th, 1908.

STATEMENT CONDENSED FROM REPORT TO COMPTROLLER

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$235,024.42	Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
U. S. Bonds and Premiums	104,746.65	Surplus	30,000.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer	550.00	Undivided Profits	1,472.21
Banking House and Fixtures	9,655.00	Circulation	100,000.00
Ft. Worth City Bonds	50,000.00	Bills Payable	20,000.00
Cash	133,582.63	Deposits	282,086.49
Total	\$533,558.70	Total	\$533,558.70

I certify that the above is correct. D. A. PARK, Cashier.

COAL FOR EVERYBODY

GRAIN AND HIDES WANTED!

Highest Cash Price Paid for Hides, Hay, Maize, Kaffir Heads, etc.

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I. L. Hunt, Cashier. R. H. Wright, Ass't Cash.

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Canyon, Texas

Capital \$50,000 Surplus and Profits \$15,000

Conducts a Safe, Conservative Business.

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25 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN THE BUSINESS

L. G. CONNER,

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Loans on Real Estate—Abstracter and Notary in Office.

Canyon City—the place for a great city. Abundance of running water; natural drainage; located on the Santa Fe, now being made the trans-continental line from Chicago to California. The Santa Fe (Gulf line), is now building South from Canyon City. Randall, is the best county in the Panhandle. The general price of land is from \$7 to \$25 per acre. Property in town a specialty. Don't fail to see me.