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For District Attorney,  
**A. A. LUMPKIN**  
**HENRY S. BISHOP**  
**B. H. BAKER**  
For County Judge—  
**A. S. ROLLINS**  
**A. N. HENSON**, re-election  
For County Attorney,  
**R. A. SOWDER**  
**W. D. SCOTT**  
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 Jus-  
tice of the Peace Prec. No. 1,  
**JOHN ROWAN**  
**W. J. REDFEARN**  
**JOHN A. WALLACE**  
For County Commissioner Precinct  
No. 2,  
**E. W. NEECE**

### KENTUCKY—TEXAS.

**A Kentuckian Compares His Home  
State With the Plains to Our  
Advantage.**

G. B. Ellis of Glasgow, Ken-  
tucky, with some of his nabors  
visited the Plains country in May  
and gives the impressions it  
made upon his mind thru his  
home paper, the Glasgow (Ky.)  
Times. He in part says:

I had been used to looking at  
the hills, sassafras bushes and  
muddy roads in Kentucky. This  
country furnishes quite a con-  
trast. A large scope of country  
around Hartley is perfectly level,  
without a tree or a shrub, except  
what has been planted there.  
These are the "treeless Plains."  
There is nothing to obstruct the  
view except the windmills pump-  
ing water for cattle and now and  
then a residence.

There are a few good farmers  
out there; they raise the Here-  
ford cattle almost entirely, and I  
saw some as good cattle as I ever  
saw anywhere, and I saw more  
good hogs—thoroughbreds—than  
I could find in the same length  
of time in Kentucky.

There are no springs or run-  
ning water there, but they get  
water by boring from twenty to  
three hundred feet, in exhaust-  
less quantities, and, I think, the  
purest and best I ever tasted.  
The water here has tasted bitter

to me since I returned. And I  
breathed the purest air I ever  
breathed in my life in the Pan-  
handle. It seemed to be direct  
from nature and without contam-  
ination.

Now about the soil. It is as  
good as the best. It is a dark  
chocolate color, and the depth is  
from three to six feet. I saw  
nice wheat growing, and alfalfa,  
of course. There was nothing  
else growing except the grass. I  
saw some nice gardens. The  
season there is almost a month  
later than here; they were only  
planting their Indian corn, Kaffir  
corn and milo maize. We saw  
nice stuff that was raised last  
year, and the farmers report  
themselves in a very prosperous  
condition.

It occurs to me if there is a  
place on earth that a lazy man  
could farm it would be there, be-  
cause, if he is a little farmer, he  
would have nothing to do but to  
hitch up four horses and get on  
his plow and drive his team until  
they reach the corner. Then  
turn them around and go to the  
next corner, turning about four  
feet at a round, and drop his In-  
dian corn, Kaffir corn, or maize  
about every round, and if it is  
sod land it will come up and make  
good corn without any more cul-  
tivation. If he is a big farmer  
he can plow with a steam plow  
and turn thirty feet at a round;  
then he would be "going some."  
I saw a number of steam plows  
at work. They raise everything  
we raise except tobacco, and  
more. Gardens grow to perfec-  
tion, and all kinds of melons.

It was said by the cattlemen  
in days gone by, that the country  
could not be made a farming  
country, because it never rained  
there; but that has been proven  
 untrue. It does rain there, and  
rain hard. They said it had not  
rained in Hartley for three weeks  
and when we were there the  
ground seemed dry on top, but  
could scratch down two inches  
and get plenty of moisture, and  
you could dig down six inches  
and gather up dirt and squeeze  
it in your hand and it would  
stick together, showing that it  
was not necessary for it to rain  
as much there as here, because  
here more than half the water  
that falls on the ground runs off  
into some gully, then into a  
branch, thence into a creek, etc.  
Out there the ground is level and  
all the water that falls must soak  
in the ground nearby.

Some might say, Well, you  
are away out on the Plains with-  
out timber to make fences or  
build houses. Cedar posts are  
worth from 10 to 20 cents each,  
and wire is worth the same as  
here; so you are right on the  
fence question. You can have a  
house put up there for a little  
less than in Glasgow.

I always wanted to see a coun-  
try without bushes or sprouts  
and there I certainly saw it. The  
trees grow rapidly there. I saw  
trees that had been planted six

years and they were half as large  
as my body. I would advise the  
people of that country to be very  
careful about planting trees and  
not get the country poisoned  
with bushes and sprouts.

It is a country of great possi-  
bilities. A man can go in there  
and buy himself a quarter sec-  
tion of land, build a house, bore  
well, put up a windmill for his  
stock, break up a lot of sod, raise  
a good crop, and in twelve months  
have his farm in as good shape  
for cultivation as men here in  
Kentucky who have been working  
fifty years to get their farms so  
that they can cultivate them, and  
now they have to clear them every  
year of bushes and sprouts, while  
the man out west will be  
riding over the beautiful country,  
going like wind in his automobile.  
The automobiles out there go  
faster than the trains do here.

They can build a town out  
there while they are digging  
down and getting a place level  
enough to build a house here.

The Plains country is about of  
a "whatness" and what Mr. Ellis  
says of Hartley county applies to  
this, Randall county, except that  
the water here is shallower, the  
altitude some less and the land,  
if any difference at all, a little  
better down this way.

### BRYAN ON PROHIBITION.

William Jennings Bryan in an-  
swer to inquiries from Texas  
and other states as to where he  
stands on the question of prohi-  
bition and what he thinks of it  
becoming a National issue, says:

I have received many letters  
from prohibitionists and many  
from opponents of prohibition  
and I have answered them all in  
the same way. I have told them  
that I did not regard the question  
as a national question. While it  
is an issue in a number of states,  
I do not expect it to be made an  
issue by either the Republican  
nor the Democratic National con-  
ventions. I have made a rule not  
to discuss questions outside of  
the platform, because the candi-  
date has no right to inject issues  
which his platform excludes.

In answer to questions about  
my record on the subject, I have  
stated that so far as my personal  
habits go I am a teetotaler, but  
in 1890 I voted against the State  
prohibition amendment because  
I thought the license system we  
had, with local option, was better  
suited to the conditions we had  
to meet in our state.

When an attempt has been  
made to draw conclusions from  
this as to what ought to be done  
in other states, I have called at-  
tention to the fact that State  
laws ought to be made to meet  
the conditions existing in the  
state, and that what I did in Ne-  
braska could not be a guide in  
states where conditions were  
different.

### ABOUT SO.

In a lengthy yet sensible edi-  
torial the Texas Christian Advo-  
cate condemns the giving of fes-

tivals, lectures and the like to  
raise money for the church. The  
church gets practically nothing  
from lecturers. The members  
hope to get something, and the  
lecturer takes advantage of their

needs and uses them to canvass  
for him. Whatever is left over  
goes to the church. He uses the  
church as a cloak to prevent the  
officers from making him pay an  
honest debt—the state, county  
and city licenses. Lecturers  
come to Tyler and lady church  
members are put to work without  
pay selling tickets and he is given  
a church house in which to deliver  
an address and when that is  
over he carries off all, or nearly  
all, the gate fees. He does not pay  
or even thank the good women  
without whom he could not get  
an audience; he does not pay the  
local paper which has devoted  
its space to showing that he is a  
great character, etc. In fact the  
average lecturer goes about  
deadbeating the churches and  
press and pockets money that  
he never earns. The Courier  
has very little confidence in the  
man who is always hunting the  
church house to lecture in. It  
knows he is a rent dodger and a  
tax dodger.—Tyler Courier

### A Great Sermon.

#### EDITOR NEWS:

Pastor Hawkins preached a  
sermon at the Methodist church  
today (7th June) that should have  
been heard by every person who  
professes the Christian religion.  
His scripture text was, "Judge  
not that ye be not judged," etc.  
To say that he treated this text  
practically does not express its  
power. What he said had a hand-  
le to it by which one could take  
hold. It dealt with paramount  
evils by which we are now and  
here daily surrounded and con-  
tinually in contact. It fit every-  
body. His exegesis were verita-  
ble feathers for arrows of  
thought, and food for the soul.  
The tendency of such preaching  
is powerful for good and will  
make better men and women,

better citizens and neighbors,  
and will advance civilization wher-  
ever such things are preached.

There is another subject upon  
which I hope he will soon preach,  
to wit: "The Human Tongue"

that organ of man under which  
there is "mischief," that wag-  
ging, slimy backbiter, that sting-  
ing, like a scorpion and biteth  
like an adder; that organ which  
frameth deceit and which is like  
a sharp sword; that organ that  
peddles slander and in which the  
Bible says there is death—death  
to reputation; that organ which  
is "set on fire of hell," and with  
which men and women smite and  
blacken each other; that organ  
which no man can tame.

I apprehend that there are  
very few people in this commu-  
nity who have an idea of how  
much there is in the Bible de-  
scriptive of this organ of man,  
from which nine-tenths of the  
evil in the world proceeds. Plain,  
practical people need plain, prac-  
tical preaching rather than dog-  
ma and "doctrine," that few peo-  
ple understand or appreciate.

When, if ever in this town, did  
you hear a sermon preached on  
the subject of Slander? Which  
is the greater crime, to rob a man  
of his property or his reputation?  
J. N. H.

—A Kansas man was quaran-  
tined and thus thanked the offi-  
cials: "I wish to thank the au-  
thorities for quarantining me and  
my little family for two weeks  
recently because of the children  
having the small pox. During  
that time my wife caught up  
with her sewing, being undis-  
turbed by callers just at meal  
time. We had three big square  
meals a day, as no one was per-  
mitted to go out we enjoyed two  
weeks of good long night's sleep,  
and, best of all, a cousin with four  
children who arrived to visit us  
saw the smallpox sign on the door  
and left town so scared that she  
will never come back any more.  
I wish to thank the authorities  
and hope they will accommodate  
us again next year."—Uncle By,  
in Western Publisher.

### Maize Heads - Kaffir Corn

We buy them, heads or threshed.  
We crush them for you.  
We sell the ground feed.

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

### Star Mill and Elevator Co.

DEPOT—CANYON CITY, TEXAS.



**TOWN & COUNTY**

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

**Commissioners' Court.**

The four county commissioners, the county judge being still confined on account of sickness, are this week wrestling with the knotty problems presented by the new "full rendition" law.

As officers and as citizens the individuals composing this court are well known as to their respect for law and for their personal integrity and in the handling of the question at issue—a hard one indeed and an unthankful one—they are, in the humble opinion of The News, living up to their record—doing their full duty.

Before entering upon their duties Monday the law cited required each commissioner to subscribe to a special oath, one never before required in this state. And that the taxpayer may know of its exact terms The News reproduces it. With suitable caption, signed and sworn to before the county clerk it reads:

We, S. B. Lofton, R. E. Baird, J. D. Knicely and M. S. Park, members of the Board of Equalization of Randall county for the year A. D. 1908, each hereby solemnly swear that in the performance of our duties as a member of such board for said year we will not vote to allow any taxable property to stand assessed on the tax rolls of said county for said year at any sum which we believe to be less than its true market value, or if it has no market value, then its real value; that we will faithfully endeavor and as a member of said board will move to have each item of taxable property which we believe to be assessed for said year at less than its true market value, or real value, raised on the tax rolls to what we believe to be its true cash market value, if it has a market value, if not, then to its real market value, and that we will faithfully endeavor to have the assessed valuation of all property subject to taxation within said county stand upon the tax rolls of said county for said year at its true cash market value, or if it has no market value, then its real value. We further solemnly swear that we have read and understand the provisions contained in the constitution and laws of this state relative to the valuation of taxable property, and that we will faithfully perform all the duties required of us under the constitution and laws of this state, so help me God.

Governed by this oath the court is equalizing the property values of Randall county. It will take all of this week and perhaps longer to complete the job. Some are being raised and others lowered.

All personal property is being put on the rolls at par or actual value.

Smooth plains land is going on the rolls at from \$8 per acre up according to its location and improvements.

This procedure will come close to doubling the tax values of Randall county as compared to last year.

All said, our commissioners' court is coming up to the spirit of the new tax law and if other counties in the State do as well, the taxes we will be called upon to pay will be no greater than in former years.

Other counties must do this well—"they shall comply with the law" is the decree issued by the State Executive and time

alone will prove the truth of this assertion.

**The Methodist Revival.**

Sunday morning Rev. A. P. Lowery began the Methodist revival meeting. He has conducted services morning and night since then and will continue on thru next week and maybe longer.

Mr. Lowery has a distinctive individuality of his very own and he demonstrates it thru his sermons in a practical way. Like Abe Mulkey he gets in close connection with the real every day lives of his hearers and gives them a looking glass in which they may plainly see themselves as, in his opinion, God views them. This method strikes home and the result among those who are hit, church people especially, if really honest in their professions of Christianity, is not only a betterment in their own lives but of the community, from a Christian standpoint, in which they reside. Such is the stand of Mr. Lowery.

To reach the hearts of the people you must get into the home and the home life and right here, in the opinion of The News, is where lays Rev. A. P. Lowery's success.

Mr. Lowery had wonderful success at Claude. The Claude News commenting on it in part says:

Very little excitement attended the services, though occasionally some one would let their joys be known—they were happy and could not restrain their feelings. People were quiet, honest, earnest, candid; sinners were saved, backsliders were reclaimed, and the lukewarm were made to realize that there was work for them to do in the Master's cause.

There was a reason for all this. A wonderful spirit of unity characterized the meeting. Our Methodist brethren had erected a large tabernacle and it started out as a Methodist meeting, but when the first few days had passed a stranger would have probably thought it a Baptist meeting, judging by the hardest workers; probably he would have been justified in pronouncing it a Christian meeting, for they worked and sang and prayed and gave voice to their joy without ceasing. Revs. Clark of the Methodist church, White of the Christian church, and later Rev. Bennett of the Baptist church came over from Oklahoma and joined Bro. Lowery, and the quartette was too strong for even the most stubborn, and the walls of sin were swept away.

Everybody was benefited, all the churches were strengthened, both spiritually and numerically. No record was kept of the conversions, but a safe estimate would be not less than two hundred.

The additions to the different churches up to the close were: Methodist, 65; Baptist, 23; Christian, 10. Others will join later.

The immersions Monday was an unusual example of Christian unity—something rarely if ever before witnessed. A large tank was placed in the courtyard and here the three ministers—Revs. Bennett, Clark and White—administered the ordinance of baptism by immersion to those wishing entrance to the several churches. It was a beautiful, impressive scene—one that will long be remembered by the eight hundred or more present—and as the people stood together church differences were forgotten, creeds and doctrines were of little importance, and love for one another seemed to prevail.

**Cutting Down the Weeds.**

The great and good work of cutting down the weeds is still going on. The sidewalks of West Evelyn are now clear except

along the quarter block owned by L. T. Lester and two other lots, the property of non-residents. Mr. Lester is sure to clear his, when he can "get to it" and I. L. Hunt says he will attend to one of the non-resident lots if some one else will see to the other one. Some strange things have happened in this weed business. One case for instance is that of R. H. Ferrin.

His sidewalk weeds, a fine lot and almost ready to grasp hands across, disappeared between Saturday evening and Monday morning. The News reporter will look over in his yard Saturday evening and if the weeds there also disappear by Monday morning he will endeavor to get the combination and if successful will report results next week.

West Houston is also doing good business in weed cutting. The courthouse yard is also being attended to.

In other portions of the town this good work is also going on but not like where the cement sidewalks furnish an extra incentive to look nice and be nice.

Cutting down the weeds more than pays for the trouble. It not only recommends you to nabors and to strangers when they come about your home, but its tendency is to stir up ideality, a faculty often dormant in the stress of life in new countries.

Continue "cutting down the weeds."

**New Masonic Officers.**

**CHAPTER.**

Canyon City Chapter No. 293 R. A. M., elected officers Monday night for the ensuing year as follows:

I. L. Hunt, E. H. P.; Geo. A. Brandon, E. K.; Sam B. Lofton, E. S.; Harry Howell, secretary; R. G. Oldham, treasurer.

**BLUE LODGE.**

Saturday night officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: R. A. Sowder, W. M.; H. J. Cavet, S. W.; C. R. Burrow, J. W.; B. T. Johnson, chaplain; I. L. Hunt, secretary; Ed Pipkin, treasurer, and L. L. Monroe, tyler.

At this communication one candidate was raised, one passed and eight petitions for initiation were received and referred to committees.

The Masonic fraternity at Canyon City is enjoying a healthy growth.

**Low Rate to Albuquerque, New Mexico.**

For the 16th National Irrigation Congress to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, September 29th to October 10th, 1908, inclusive, the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway in connection with the Eastern Railway of New Mexico will offer unusually low and attractive rates. It is suggested that those desiring to avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Albuquerque, and assist in making this national event a memorable and successful one, notify the railway agent as much in advance as possible in order that necessary facilities and train service may be arranged for their accommodation. Tickets will be on sale from September 27th to October 9th, inclusive, with return limit October 31st. The round trip fare from Canyon City, Texas will be \$12.80.

D. L. MEYERS, G. P. A., Amarillo, Texas.

O. C. DAVIS, Agent, Canyon City, Texas. 10-13

**County Court.**

Commenced Monday morning. Judge Henson being still unable to get out, the Canyon City bar elected J. C. Hunt as special judge to serve until such time as the county judge could himself act. This, it is supposed, he will be able to do by next week.

The civil docket was sounded and all cases passed thru next week.

The probate docket was set for today.

**Reduced Rates Account Fourth July.**

For above occasion round trip tickets will be on sale July 3rd and 4th to all points on P. & N. T. Ry., S. K. of T. Ry., and E. Ry. of N. M., including points West of Texico. Rate one fare for round trip, final return time July 5th.

O. C. DAVIS.

The courthouse contractor writes from St. Louis that he is buying material and making other arrangements for his job and that in a few days he will be with us and the work will be "pushed."

Scale Books at this office.

**BUSINESS LOCALS**

Ice—The Star Mill & Elevator Co. has plenty of it and a free delivery. Phone 170.

Anyone wishing full instructions in art and expression will apply to Helen Carter, phone 193.

Refrigerators—Best made and lowest prices at The Canyon Mercantile Co.'s.

Double Lawn Swings—just the thing to rock your wife or sweetheart in at the Canyon Mercantile Co.'s.

Refrigerators—All sizes at The Canyon Mercantile Co.'s.

Sewing Wanted—We cut by chart and can fit perfectly.—Misses Isabel and Beulah Prichard, 11-3

\$160 buys an 8 foot McCormick binder, almost as good as new. Will take a good mare in. 2ts W. E. Bates.

J. A. Edwards informed The News reporter Monday that a friend of his at Lake Arthur, N. M., had recently caught out of the Pecos river a catfish weighing seventy pounds.

**Deering Harvesters**

Deering machinery as a whole has been so favorably known for years that it seems almost unnecessary to call attention to its excellent features.

**The Secret of Deering Light Draft**

Good material, unexcelled workmanship and a liberal equipment of famous DEERING ball and roller bearings explain this mystery.

**Place Your Order in Time**

Success is governed to a marked degree to the promptness with which one acts, and the harvesting business is no exception to this rule. Those having grain should avail themselves of the opportunity of getting a DEERING before the supply is exhausted.

We can supply you in DEERING PUSH Header Binders, Ideal Binders in all sizes, Mowers & Rakes.

Don't fail to get the World renowned DEERING, thereby assuring yourself of the best that money can buy.

**The Canyon Mercantile Company.**

**OUR LEADER:**

THE FAMOUS

**Nigger Head Maitland Coal.**

Globe Cattle Dip

Cottonseed Products, Grain, Hay, Etc.

**Crowdus Bros. & Hume Co.**

**JOHN BEGRIN**

**CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER**

ESTIMATES CHEERFULLY FURNISHED ON BRICK AND CEMENT WORK

25 YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN THE BUSINESS



# Four More Days

## SALE OF ALL SPRING GOODS.

Until Tuesday night, June 23, we are going to offer some of the best values ever offered the people of Randall county. This is the month before invoicing time, so rather than carry over goods we will cast profits to the four winds. **OUR LOSS IS YOUR GAIN.** This sale will be for cash only--not thirty days but spot cash. At the prices we are giving you we positively cannot charge goods. To our customers who cannot take advantage of our special sale we will charge goods at regular prices. No goods will be exchanged after being out over two days, so please don't ask us to vary from this rule. The dry goods department will be closed from noon Friday until Saturday morning in order to prepare for this sale. Every item you find mentioned below will be sold just as advertised--we believe you have always found us to do this. Don't forget the date but come first and get the pick before the stock is broken.

### Dress Goods

All wool Kōtura cloth 42 inches wide, for coat suits, regular price \$1, Sale Price .....72 1-2c  
 Novelty dress goods, spring patterns well worth \$1.25, this sale .....85c  
 All wool blue serge, 38 inches wide, regular price 75c, sale price .....55c  
 Mohair 42 inches wide, a good value at 60c, sale price .....45c  
 All wool dress dress goods at big reductions.  
 All lawns, muslins and swisses at a discount of 25 per cent.  
 All gingham worth 12 1-2 to 15c this sale will be at the low price of .....10c  
 A beautiful line of white goods, a better line than we have ever shown, will be put on sale at extremely low prices.

### Embroideries and Laces.

Embroideries and Laces--they must go. We can't give you each piece separately but a look will convince you that we have not failed to put the knife to work here.

50 dozen bath towels, full size, a 50c value, we will offer during this sale at per pair .....25c

50 dozen black and tan half hose, usual price 15c a pair, for this sale only at per pair .....10c

We have a few half hose that we sell as seconds, slightly damaged, at per pair .....5c

We have some broken lots of shoes, two or three sizes of a kind, that we will sell regardless of cost as we are determined to close them out.

### Ladies Belts.

We have a nice line of novelty belts, usual price 50c, this sale .....30c

Wash belts worth 35c at .....20c

Wash belts worth 25c at .....15c

**Big Reduction on all Hand Bags and Pocket Books.**

### Shoes

Ladies Oxfords worth \$3.50 at ..\$2.95  
 " " " 3.00 at .. 2.45  
 " " " 2.50 at .. 2.00  
 " " " 2.25 at .. 1.85

Misses Oxfords worth \$2.00 at ..\$1.60  
 " " " 1.75 at .. 1.45  
 " " " 1.50 at .. 1.20

Mens Oxfords worth \$5.00 at ...\$3.90  
 " " " 4.00 at .... 3.00  
 " " " 3.50 at .... 2.85

Mens Negligee Shirts--  
 worth \$1.50 at .....\$1.20  
 worth 1.25 at ..... .95  
 worth 1.00 at ..... .75

Mens work gloves worth \$1.75 at \$1.35  
 " " " " 1.50 at 1.20  
 " " " " 1.35 at 1.05  
 " " " " 1.25 at .95

Mens elastic seam drawers, regular 60c, this sale .....50c  
 This is an excellent value. In lots of places these drawers sell at 75c.

One lot mens white hemstitched handkerchiefs, usual price 15c, Sale price three for .....25c

25 dozen ladies stamped embroidered handkerchiefs, usual price 10c, Sale price .....5c

### Clothing

\$27.50 suits, latest patterns, well worth the price, sale price .....\$22.50

\$25.00 suits, newest models, cheap at regular price, sale price .....\$19.25

\$24.00 suits that for style and finish can't be beat, sale price .....\$18.00

\$15.00 suits .....\$10.00

\$12.50 suits ..... 8.00

Boys Three-Piece Suits--

\$5.00 suits at .....\$3.50

4.00 suits at ..... 2.85

3.50 suits at ..... 2.50

3.00 suits at ..... 2.00

One lot of boys knee suits, odd sizes and prices at a discount of 50 per cent. **25 per cent off on all knee pants.**

**33 1-3 per cent off on men's pants.**

**YOU** will find it well worth your time to come in during this sale and get what you are going to need for the summer. Everything will be marked in plain figures and just as advertised. All we ask is

## CASH

when you get the goods. At the prices we are making we can't afford to charge goods. If goods are charged it will be at regular prices

This Sale will positively close with Tuesday, June 23.

A look will convince you that now is the time to save money.

East Side of  
Square

**Canyon City Supply Company**

Canyon City  
Texas



**TOWN & COUNTY**

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS  
THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Miss Lola Word returned last week from Texarkana.

J. W. Pipkin of Plainview was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

R. G. Oldham and family returned from Plainview Monday.

W. H. Hicks came back Tuesday from his trip to Stephenville. He says his mother is no better.

Mrs. C. N. Harrison returned home last week from her long visit to her relatives at Hutto.

Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Groves returned from their Silverton visit the first of the week.

Misses Law and Bryson left this week for Amarillo to attend the normal.

Miss Sallie McGehee left Monday to attend the normal at Amarillo.

The News is pleased to report M. S. Lusby as recovered from his rheumatic attack.

Mrs. Dillow and children of Fort Worth visited Mrs. I. C. Jenkins first of the week returning Tuesday.

Mrs. Jno. Rodgers of Shaddock, Okla., who has been visiting Mrs. L. Rusk, returned home Tuesday.

Joe MacDougal, a "bonny Scot" from Edinburgh, is a late addition to the Canyon City barber force.

Sickness of the office foreman, John Hibdon, has damaged this issue of The News from a reading standpoint.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thomas of Dalhart, came in Sunday to visit the boys, Comer and Charlie, for a few days.

Mrs. Daniels of Amarillo returned home Wednesday accompanied by her mother, Mrs. R. L. Faulkner.

Wade Stephenson exhibited to a News reporter Monday a stalk of rhubarb with a leaf 18x22 inches across. It grew from a plant set out this spring.

L. C. Lair is having a barn put up in which to store alfalfa. It is 30x60 feet, 14 feet high and shedded on each side. I. W. McClure is carpenter.

Wiley Robeson got back Wednesday from his New Mexico tour. He was above Roswell on the river and says it's very dry in that country.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rollins of Beaumont came in Wednesday evening on a visit to relatives. He is an elder brother, by six years, of county attorney Rollins, and recently married.

C. P. Hutchings and Travis Shaw with their wives went up on the Palo Duro Saturday to the Shaw-Bennett farm for a week's camp out. The men come in for business during the day returning to the joys of camp life when the shades of evening again appear.

John Bell was in town Monday after a "header." He will start reaping this week, he says, and he is looking for his brother, J. E. Bell, to come in this week and help him. Mr. Bell is delighted with the Plains, the climate, the water and the crops. Beats Kansas "all to pieces," he says.

**Palo Duro Park Action.**

On suggestion of Congressman Stephens, a citizen's mass meeting was held at the courthouse Wednesday morning for the purpose of selecting and sending a delegate to the Internal Improvement convention which holds forth at Shreveport, La., Friday and Saturday of this week.

Chief among the matters to be considered there is the Palo Duro Park proposition. Congressman Stephens writes that he will be there himself.

Jasper N. Haney was selected as delegate from Canyon City and a fund readily subscribed to cover his expenses.

Mr. Haney, who by the way is President of the Park Association and therefore a most fitting representative in this matter, left on Wednesday evening train for Amarillo where, joined by other Park delegates from that city, he took the train for Shreveport.

The News expects to report something good for the Park project on Mr. Haney's return.

The mass meeting also appointed L. G. Conner, W. D. Scott and A. S. Rollins as a committee to get matters in shape for a rural route going West to Deaf Smith county and returning to Canyon City.

**HAPPY ITEMS.**

Two threshing machine outfits were unloaded at Happy Tuesday.

Mrs. J. M. Stone was in Canyon Saturday.

Misses Mae and Ora Cook were in Canyon Wednesday shopping.

Mrs. J. F. Chfistian and children of Canyon came in Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maulkey.

W. S. Cook finished cutting his wheat Tuesday.

J. B. Christian went to Tulia Monday to join the W. O. W. lodge.

B. Colman and family arrived Tuesday to visit his brother and family at Wayside.

H. Baggary came up from Tulia Tuesday on business.

Every one is busy cutting grain; three headers are working in the vicinity of Happy.

The new bank is nearing completion.

J. B. Carlisle went to Plainview Saturday returning Monday.

A. E. Logan and family expect to move into their new house Friday.

June 16, '08. **HAPPY.**

**W. O. W. Officers.**

Thursday night last week the Woodmen of the World elected officers as follows:

L. E. Cowling, C. C.; J. J. Taylor, Adv. Lieut.; P. H. Young, clerk; W. E. Lair, banker; I. W. McClure, inner guard; Tom Myers, outer guard. J. F. Smith and J. J. Taylor were elected managers. Fourteen new members were taken in at this meeting.

**Card of Thanks.**

We desire to thank the kind friends who so willingly rendered their assistance in the last sickness and at the death of our dear mother. With grateful hearts we pray God to bless them all.

S. R. and C. H. Cox, Mrs. Ida Hart, Mrs. Dollie Hendrix and Mrs. M. F. Slover.

**LOCAL WEATHER RECORD.**

The weather for the past week has been, in the main, dry and warm; just the thing for small grain and the harvesting is now fairly on. A considerable acreage is already cut and in the shock and the work will probably continue for three and perhaps four weeks.

For harvesting the small grain this season "headers" seem to be the choice of the many old reapers are being used and new ones also, for that matter.

The general opinion among farmers as to the yield per acre of wheat and oats has not changed from that formerly given in these columns. The first is put at an average of 20 and the oats at 30 bushels per acre. The News' estimate is lower by 30 per cent, but in this it may be mistaken and sincerely trusts that it is.

All other crops are doing well.

**Democratic Primary Ordered.**

The Democratic executive committee of Randall county has ordered a full ticket, precinct, county, district and state to be submitted at the July primaries. The assessments on candidates going on said ticket to cover the expense of such primary, are fixed as follows:

Candidates for the offices of county judge, assessor, sheriff and district and county clerk the sum of \$10 each.

Candidates for county treasurer and county attorney the sum of \$5 each.

Candidates for precinct offices the sum of \$1 each.

All state and district candidates the sum of \$1 each.

These payments must be made to the county chairman, L. C. Lair, on or before the 22nd of June.

The committee is required to meet again for the purpose of arranging the ticket and to make other primary arrangements on the 13th day of July.

Lots of "headers" have been sold by Canyon City hardware men. "The Canyon Mercantile" and the Thompson Hardware Co., in the last two weeks. The first named company handle the Deering and the last the McCormick. Both are good machines. Among those taking out the Deering "header" this week are L. A. Pierce, E. W. Reynolds, Wiggins & Roles, H. H. Gilliam, R. W. Bruce, Douglass & Stoddard and W. E. Bates. Several have secured the McCormick, but the News reporter failed to get their names.

Born—Friday night of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin P. Garner, a son. The boy weighed ten pounds and he has been christened Weldon Marvin Garner. The News office printed announcement cards to this effect on order of the youngster's grandfather Saturday.

G. W. Malone of Wolfe City, a cousin of J. A. Edwards, was a visitor in town several days of this week going from here to Lake Arthur, N. M. While here he bought the J. R. Harter claims, 240 acres near Lake Arthur, at \$4800, estimated value, the actual payment being made in 160 acres patented land on the Arkansas river in Kansas.

The Canyon Mercantile Co. has a full stock of Refrigerators.

**C. N. Harrison & Co.**  
**INSURANCE AGENTS**

We represent the most responsible Insurance Companies doing business in this State and want your business. The time to insure is before the fire. If you have a policy in any of the following named companies call and see us.

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| American Central            | North River                |
| Commercial Union            | North British & Mercantile |
| Continental                 | Northern Assurance Co.     |
| Commonwealth                | National Union             |
| Detroit                     | Phenix of Brooklyn         |
| Firemen's Fund              | Phoenix of Hartford        |
| German American             | Providence of Washington   |
| Hartford                    | Queen Insurance Co.        |
| Home of N. Y.               | Royal of London Eng.       |
| Insurance Co. of N. America | Springfield                |
| Liverpool, London & Globe   | Shawnee                    |
| Mechanics and Traders       | United Firemen's           |
| Michigan Commercial         | Westchester                |

**Tornado and Country Residence Insurance a Specialty.**

Offices: Rooms, 8, 9 and 10  
Smith Building

Canyon City, - - - - - Texas

**THE CANYON NATIONAL BANK,**

As Made to the Comptroller at the  
Close of Business May 14, 1908.

RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and discounts.....	\$ 88,178.54	Capital Stock.....	\$ 50,000.00
U. S. Bonds and Premiums.....	52,055.47	Surplus Fund.....	10,000.00
Banking House and Fixtures.....	7,170.49	Undivided Profits.....	6,306.38
Redemption Fund.....	2,500.00	Circulation.....	50,000.00
Cash and Exchange.....	68,129.72	Deposits.....	101,727.84
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$218,034.22</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$218,034.22</b>

The above is a correct statement.

Courteous treatment assured. **R. W. O'KEEFE, President.**

We invite your attention to our statement above and respectfully solicit your account, large or small.

**L. G. CONNER,**

**FARMS, RANCH LAND, CITY PROPERTY,  
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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 running 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.

**Enlarging Your Business**



If you are in business and you want to make more money you will read every word we have to say. Are you spending your money for advertising in haphazard fashion as if intended for charity, or do you advertise for direct results?

Did you ever stop to think how your advertising can be made a source of profit to you, and how its value can be measured in dollars and cents. If you have not, you are throwing money away.

Advertising is a modern business necessity, but must be conducted on business principles. If you are not satisfied with your advertising you should set aside a certain amount of money to be spent

annually, and then carefully note the effect it has in increasing your volume of business; whether a 10, 20 or 30 per cent increase. If you watch this gain from year to year you will become intensely interested in your advertising, and how you can make it enlarge your business.

If you try this method we believe you will not want to let a single issue of this paper go to press without something from your store.

We will be pleased to have you call on us, and we will take pleasure in explaining our annual contract for so many inches, and how it can be used in whatever amount that seems necessary to you.

If you can sell goods over the counter we can also show you why this paper will best serve your interests when you want to reach the people of this community.



# June Cash Sale

Now Going On



Closing July 1st

Incorporating and changing from the Canyon Mercantile and Hardware Co. to "The Canyon Mercantile Co." we shall begin invoicing on July 1st. Prior to that time or during the balance of this month we are in for

## Sweeping Reductions

in many departments. The goods we offer here are not old, shelf worn or shoddy stuff, but clean, fresh, new merchandise---much of it of the very best makes on the market. Think over these prices and ask to see the goods.

### Ladies Skirts, Etc.

Black sateen petticoats, all sizes and good quality worth \$2.50 now **\$1.95**



White linen and duck skirts, good material and just right for warm weather. Regular--

\$2.50 Skirts at \$1.78  
3.00 " 1.98  
5.00 " 3.68

White brilliantine skirts made of extra quality material, worth \$6, now **\$4.38**

Brilliantine and Panama skirts in black, blue and fancy mixtures, regular price \$5 to \$6 now **\$3.98**

Black Panama and fancy all wool mixtures cheap at \$10 anywhere go in this sale at **\$7.35**

10 per cent discount on all dress goods and silks.  
Zephyr Gingham, fast colors, worth 12 and 15c at 10c

### Table Linen and Damask

50 and 60c table linen ..... 39c  
75c table linen ..... 60c  
1.00 table linen ..... 80c  
1.25 table linen ..... 95c  
1.50 table linen ..... 1.20  
25c napkins ..... 20c  
35c napkins ..... 25c

White Quilts ..... 1.50 at 1.20  
" " ..... 2.00 at 1.35  
" " ..... 3.00 at 2.35  
" " ..... 3.50 at 2.95

### Clothing for Men

Suits Clothing worth \$20.00 at \$16.35  
Men's finest \$18.50 suits at ... 15.00  
Men's " 15.00 " at ... 11.85  
Men's " 5.00 Pants at ... 4.20  
Men's " 4.00 " at ... 3.00  
Men's " 3.00 " at ... 2.25  
Men's " 2.50 " at ... 1.86  
Monarch shirts ..... \$1.00



### Clothing For Boys.

Boys' suits at a great reduction.  
Hercules—all wool suits—regular value \$5.00, Special ..... \$3.35  
Boys' \$3.00 suits ..... 2.00  
Boys' Wash Suits, 3 to 8 yrs... 1.25

### Men's Shoes.

Regular \$4.00 Crawford Shoes at ..... \$3.00  
" 5.00 " " ..... 4.20  
" 6.00 " " ..... 4.90

Odds and ends regardless of cost.

### Hats

Your chance to buy a Panama hat.

7.50 Panama hat ..... 6.00  
Men's 3.00 Thoroughbred hats at ..... 2.50

Don't put it off, but come now---we will show you the greatest collection of bargains you ever saw in the Panhandle. To see them means you will buy.

# THE CANYON MERCANTILE COMPANY





**YOU WILL APPRECIATE THE CHARM**

of our summer furniture when you see. You will realize its cool comfort when it is in use in your own home.

**FURNISH YOUR HOUSE FOR THE SUMMER**

with furniture of our providing. Cover your floor with matting instead of hot-looking carpets or rugs. You can do all this and more at a reasonable expense if you make your selections here.

**THOMAS BROS.**  
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Office in Wallace Building over A. H. Thompson's Drug Store.  
Calls promptly answered night or day

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LAWYERS

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Court Practice a Specialty. Titles Examined. Notary in office.

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Canyon National Bank Building  
**ALL WORK WARRANTED.**

**A. S. ROLLINS**

LAWYER  
CIVIL PRACTICE SOLICITED.  
Office in Courthouse.

**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.

**CHINESE SAILORS.**

Shipping a Crew in London For an English Ship.

This is Dockland, and this street you can call London's beach. And here is the mercantile marine office of the board of trade. In one room a crew is signing on. Behind the counter is the smart young official, keen to see that the ship's agreement is legally drawn up, and beside him is the skipper, elderly, with a severe, weather-beaten face and gray, wavy hair. He lifts his bushy eyebrows when looking through the glasses perched on his nose. On the other side of the counter is the proposed fo'castle crew—thirty Chinese, gathered from the opium dens of Limehouse this morning, with a few whites among them to give assured substance to a cheap thing. The captain is quiet, but sometimes whispers a half apologetic aside to the young official, who smiles cynically (for he knows the British ship owner better than most) and gathers in the crowd before him with his eye. He squares the documents on the counter, calls for the "first hand" among the Chinese and reads the agreement to a yellow sphinx. The Chinese makes no sign. "Now for show," says the official and details the provision allowance. But it appears the Chinese does understand. He will not agree to fresh bread only twice a week. "Evlee day," he says. The captain has to submit. If he did not these Chinese would leave the office in a body, and there is no time to find more men.

"Sailormen now," says the official. He is going to take the men in detail. "What your name?" "Hongkong." "No—your name—what you called? Wang Fook?" "Yers?" "You plenty savee steer?" A pen is placed on the counter. That is the ship. The Chinese indicates the nib as the stem, the end of the handle as the stern and which side port and starboard. "Me plenty savee steer."

"Where you come from, eh?" The man looks around anxiously on his countrymen for light. Some one signals to him. "Alle same Lusian ship," he says, with a bright smile.

So that ship gets her crew. She flies the union jack, and there are British sailors—who want too much money, as much as £4 per month—on the pavement outside waiting for berths. The Chinese file out. "Supposing you all could get through right enough," says some one in the hall to the skipper genially; "then I hope she piles up tonight in the channel." The helpless skipper smiles grimly and locks his portfolio.—London Leader.

**A Rain Proverb**

Rain before seven,  
Fine before eleven.

I have always heard this proverb with the two additional lines:

If it rains at eleven  
'Twill last till seven.

And I have witnessed the truth of the last two lines very many times, notably on three separate occasions, on which, being up the river for a day's punting, when a fine day would have been a godsend to me, it has rained persistently during the whole afternoon, the rain beginning between 10 and 11 o'clock and ceasing within a very few minutes of 7. Thus I have had the proverb indelibly stamped on my mind.—London Notes and Queries.

**Well Said.**

An excellent as well as witty reproof, which might be applicable to some politicians even in these enlightened days, is accredited to the celebrated Richard Brinsley Sheridan. When his son, Thomas Sheridan, was candidate for the representation of a Cornish borough he told his father that if he secured the office he had a mind to place a label on his forehead with the words "To Let" printed on it and side with the party which made the best offer. "Very well, Tom," replied his father dryly, "but if you do that don't forget to add the word 'Unfurnished.'"

**Ruskin as a Boy.**

Every precocious boy does not become a brilliant man, but some brilliant men have been precocious in childhood. John Ruskin, the great English essayist and critic on art.

**Humor and Philosophy**

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

**THE UNSOLVED PROBLEM.**

They tell us figures cannot lie,  
That truth with them is never shy,  
That when by them we prove a case  
It's true right on the very face.  
In some lines that is doubtless so,  
But just a little deeper go  
And let the figure men agree  
To take a look at these—

He takes a dozen hens or more,  
Perhaps as many as a score,  
And turns them loose, expecting they  
Will lay for him eight hours a day,  
And then he takes his fountain pen  
And goes among his fellow men  
To show—by figures—how he must  
Get in return much yellow dust.

Two dozen busy hens to lay  
Will mean two dozen eggs a day,  
Sold in the market price will net  
A handsome profit, never fret.  
Spring chickens, too, will come along,  
And the demand for them is strong.  
His figures, on the whole, will show  
How profits large and fat must grow.

But let him run a season through  
And see if all his dreams come true;  
See if the profits come his way  
In quantities to fill a tray;  
See if his bill for chicken feed  
Will not make totals small indeed.  
And if the net results supply  
A proof that figures will not lie.

**Very Modest.**



"Raise any live stock on your little place?"  
"Only potato bugs."

**Filling a Want.**

"Here," said the gentlemanly agent, "is a patent imitation lobster so like the real article that only an expert could tell it from a live one. Every married man should have one."

"What for? To feed to brainless young men who call on his daughters?"

"Ah, so: for a loftier purpose than that."

"What could be loftier?"

"To carry around in his pocket?"

"Yes, and give himself a fit every time he reached in."

"No, indeed: To break his wife of the habit while he was slumbering."

**Mid the View.**

"And so you have returned. How did you like the climate?"

"Didn't see any."

"Didn't see any?"

"No: the weather was so infernally bad that we couldn't notice the climate."

**No Object Then.**

"Why are you opposed to woman suffrage?"

"I fear a woman would always vote the same way her husband did."

"Oh, I don't know. She might not be wanting a new hat all of the time."

**Another Catch.**

The early bird may catch the worm  
As round about the lot it flits,  
But is there any lesson there?  
The early worm—it catches fits.

**Give Spice.**

"They say there is great danger in a kiss."

"Do you believe it?"

"Well, I had often wondered what made them so attractive."

**A Business Proposition**



Did you ever stop to think, Mr. Business Man, that the news of your business is as much a part of the local events as a wedding or a church fair? The ladies are just as

much interested in a new fabric you have on the shelves as they are in any home happening. Your store news and announcements in these columns will reach a large circle of eager buyers. This will enable you to sell your goods while they are new and fresh and you will not have to sacrifice later at remnant counter prices. Think it over.

**The First National Bank of Canyon**

Capital - - \$100,000  
Surplus - - 30,000

**Appreciation**

This Bank values the business it receives from its customers and takes every opportunity of telling them so. Our customers on the other hand appreciate the fact that the service extended to them is coupled with security. Any business arrangement to be permanent must be

mutually satisfactory and profitable. Therefore, in the selecting of your bank, have permanency in view and establish yourself for your present and future well-being with a good sound bank.

**OUR AIM** is to always handle the **BEST** and we believe you want the best you can get. If so see us before buying.

**Canyon Lumber Co.**

**COAL FOR EVERYBODY**

**GRAIN AND HIDES WANTED!**

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

We are a Strictly Home Concern and desire your patronage.

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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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