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Railway Time Table.

MAIN LINE, WEST BOUND.	
No. 37 to Clovis	2:50 p. m.
No. 24 to Carlsbad	10:15 a. m.
No. 73 Local Freight	9:00 a. m.
MAIN LINE, EAST BOUND.	
No. 38 from Clovis	10:00 a. m.
No. 22 to Kansas City	5:30 p. m.
No. 74 Local Freight	2:40 p. m.
PLAINVIEW BRANCH, NORTH B'ND	
No. 28 to Amarillo	10:00 a. m.
No. 84 Local Freight	6:00 p. m.
PLAINVIEW BRANCH, SO. BOUND.	
No. 27 to Plainview	2:40 p. m.
No. 83 Local Freight	8:10 a. m.

Trains No. 27 on the Main line leaving Canyon City at 2:50 p. m. is made up here, and Train No. 38 on the Main Line arriving from Clovis at 10 a. m. stops at this place.
Local freights and trains Nos. 37 and 25 don't run on Sunday.

What Man Do You Strangle?



Some statisticians figure that \$250,000,000 every year is being diverted from the local merchants of this country to the mall order concerns in the great cities.

How much of that MONUMENTAL MOUND OF MONEY goes out of this community?

Every dollar so spent helps to SWELL THE HEAP in the city that has no use for us except to get our GOOD MONEY.

Every dollar mailed away helps to STRANGLE ENTERPRISE AND SCUTTLE PROSPERITY right here at home.

When you strangle your neighbor you strangle yourself.

GOT SKINNED ON GROCERIES.

From time to time this editor has been preaching the gospel of buying your supplies from your local dealers giving various good and valid reasons for so doing the mainmost of which were, that you could buy just as cheap and in addition could have the satisfaction of knowing just what you buy at the time you do buy and if not satisfactory your dealer would make the matter good.

This week we are going to bring the matter straight home to some of our people who think that they can buy from some traveling "representative" for some unknown firm in a faraway city. There has been a man among our people this week taking orders for "cheap" groceries for his firm in Kansas City or some other place. The editor heard about it and is willing to investigate such matters in order to satisfy his curiosity and to be thoroughly satisfied that he was right in his contentions. We are glad to say that a great many of the people were sensible enough to know that they could buy better goods at less prices right here in town but some of them took the cork under and bought goods which will be here after delivered.

The editor personally undertook the investigations and got prices at which the goods were sold, from the people who invested in these "cheap" goods. He did not go to see all of them but he saw enough to satisfy himself as to prices. Then he went to three firms in this city who handled groceries and got their prices on exactly the same quantities of goods and demanded prices on the BEST qualities. The following is the result of his investigations:

There was only one article sold that the price was lower than the local merchant would sell at and that article was Baker's chocolate which is made in two or three grades, which article the traveler who buys no products, spends none of his money for anything that we have to sell, whose home is under his hat, pays no taxes and is of no benefit to the community as a man, sold at the price of 33 1-3 cents per pound while the retail dealer here sells the best of that article at 50 cents per pound.

On his canned corn he met the prices of the local dealers on the local dealer's best grade in dozen cans lots, to wit: \$1.10 per dozen. On not another single thing did this "cheap" salesman meet the local man's price. The traveler sold 3 pound cans of tomatoes (don't know what quality, in fact the brands of all his goods are entirely unknown to any person in this city so far as we have heard) at the exceedingly low price of \$1.39 per dozen while the local man wants just \$1.25 per dozen for the very best brands. He sold gunpowder tea in 5 pound lots at 55 cents per pound while the dealer would be glad to sell you the best grade in such a lot at 40 to 50 cents per pound. 20 pound lots of roasted Mocha and Java coffee were sold at 27 1/2 cents per pound and the local dealer will sell you the best quality of the same kind one pound lots at 25 cents and will make you 22 1/2 cents per pound price if you want ten pounds at once. The rice which he had to sell was somewhat cracked "on account of being handled so much" and he got 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 cents per pound while your dealer will sell the full head rice at 16 pounds for a dollar. His "What Not" "Dr. Cook" or some other kind of baking powder brought him 25 cents per pound while the groceryman will sell you better at a cent per ounce. He sold hams for 19c if you took two at once and the groceryman will sell you one at 15c to 17c per pound. Breakfast bacon of an unknown brand brought 24c per pound and the highest price quoted by local men was 22c.

The salesman would not sell you sugar for "I can't save you any money on that." (Everybody knows just what sugar is worth and he wasn't going to lose any money while business was good). Canned California fruits sell on the local markets at \$2.00 per dozen while this man sold his lowest priced goods at \$2.40. When it came to anything in the spice line he revelled in the "exceedingly low prices which I am offering you." He got eighty cent per pound for nutmeg while the dealer will supply you forever at 40 cents while the peppers, cloves and spices of all kinds sell locally at 30 cents per pound, in pound lots this gentleman raised the price 33 1-3 per cent and got 40 cents. So we might go on and quote you the prices named and secured on many other articles but we think the list given is sufficient.

To those who did not "invest in these bargains" we have to say that we honor your good judgment and to those who were tempted and fell we want to say that we are glad that you got skinned. It was nothing more than you deserve. When the man comes to deliver these goods take them and pay for them and if they are not satisfactory don't say a word to any-

body. Just consider that you are getting what is coming to you.

Your local groceryman spends money in this town.

It was a noticeable fact that every man of the very large excursion which visited Randall County last week was greatly pleased with the country. It is reported that by the largest number of sales were made during this excursion that have ever been made in any one week. And the most pleasing fact of the whole matter is that most of those who bought will move to this county as soon as they can make their arrangements in the Northern states. Keep your eye on Randall County. It's going to be the most thickly populated county in the western portion of the state before long.

The News will issue a special Christmas edition next week and will be the banner issue for a paper from this county. The cover is an elegant one, something that you will like to preserve for all future time. It will cost this office considerable but then we are confident that our exertions to give the people who are subscribers the very best that can be had will be duly appreciated and it will only be casting bread upon the waters which we hope will be returned before the many days are passed.

Announcement is made for a meeting of the people of this county to be held at the court house next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee who had charge of the Reunion this past year and for the election of the committee for the coming entertainment. This is an important matter and should deserve the attention and attendance of every energetic citizen of the county. Come out and see if you cannot help the matter along by your presence.

Do you want to shop with pleasure? If so, go around and look at the Christmas goods early. The clerks in the various stores can do only so much during a day's time and if you wait until the last day the stocks will all be picked over and you will not be satisfactorily waited upon which is exasperating to a careful purchaser.

R. H. Caler of the Happy community was in the city Tuesday and to the News man said: "Say, that is a spicy paper you are getting out and we are always glad to get it. Don't ever be late in sending it out or we will be disappointed at home."

Canyon City is making history for the younger generation of people and we wonder if we would be glad to read the history now being made if it were written up some twenty-five years from now.

Better get ready to defend our business houses and homes before it is everlastingly too late. Which is cheaper, a fire or a fire-fighting apparatus?

Which is safest to the health of the community, the cess pool and open closet or a system of sewerage?

What has become of the Canyon City band?

Must Be a Necessity.

In making a remittance to this office for the News this week Phil Schneider of Hinton, Iowa, sends word that he is very glad that he has purchased a section of land in this county and that he values this land but that next to the land he values the Randall County News and therefore does not want to miss a single copy.

The Santa Fe to Extend.

This last week has been one of rather momentous development in railroad circles, and the coming two weeks will probably bring more surprise to the people who are watching railroad movements in this section.

Rumor that the Santa Fe had contracted to build on to Lubbock from Plainview within a short time has been verified and land values at that place have doubled themselves within the last week.

It is also rumored but not verified, that the Santa Fe soon starts teams to work on the Texico cutoff to Plainview within a short time, while the Altus, Roswell and El Paso has teams at work out from Roswell, Lubbock and Childress, so that things will have to be doing about in Floyd county in a short time.

The Floydada citizens have almost subscribed the required amount for the building of their proposed line and according to this subscription heading must begin work by January 15 or the stock forfeits, or rather becomes of no value.

All these various movements are of interest to Lockney in as much as they show that something is "going to be doing" and Lockney must certainly do or be done soon, for the operation won't be in California or East Texas but right around somewhere close, the proximity of which we believe the people of this town are to an extent capable of saying if only an effort is made now.—Lockney Beacon.

Louis Perkins of Elkton, Ky., was in the city the first of the week visiting two of his former Elkton friends, Messrs. C. P. and George Hutchings.

Lady in Trouble.

Mrs. M. J. Ramer was placed under detention about noon today by officers, it being alleged that she was suffering from a mental strain, under the influence of which she could not fully control herself. Until further disposition may be made of the case the lady is occupying the county hospital ward. It is learned that Mrs. Ramer formerly lived in Amarillo, on the north side, but later moved with members of her family to Canyon City. Her presence here at this time is due to a visit with friends. The lady has been in ill health for several months, but it is learned that the stress has become more tense within the past few days, resulting in the condition requiring outside assistance and medical attention.—Daily Panhandle.

Veterinary Surgeon.

Dr. C. B. Lohr, a veterinary surgeon and dentist has arrived in this city from Staunton, Va., and has located here with his office at the livery barn of the Geo. Reynolds Co. Dr. Lohr comes well recommended and will practice his profession in any portion of the Panhandle country. He is well versed in his profession and those who have required his services since his arrival speak well of his ability. 37-11

Dan K. Usery, who has been one of the Star force for the greater part of the time for the past year and half, left Tuesday for Canyon City, where he will work on the Randall County News.—Stratford Star.

J. C. Compton of Portales, N. M. was in this city last Sunday the guest of friends.

Be Content.

The desire to get rich quick has been the ruin of many a man. It has led men to wander afar in the hope that luck might lead them to wealth and as a usual thing they have found disappointments at the end of the trail when following in the conservative path success was certain.

The same desire has led men to put millions of dollars into holes in the ground where they have succeeded in digging out but few and the same desire, coupled with gambling instinct, has led and will lead many to disgrace a self inflicted death.

There has never been a student of real life who has not extolled the surroundings of the tiller of the soil and every day brings further testimony from men who have spent years in seeking the very thing they were leaving on the old farm and when their sun commenced to set spend the remaining years in bewailing their misspent lives.

The farmers of Young county have much to be thankful for and but little to lament. Nature has dealt kindly by them and their acres respond quickly to the men who farm intelligently and systematically. Blessed in health, blessed in possessions and blessed in their surroundings, they have all the things that go to make up contentment and happiness, so it is the part of wisdom to not be led away into pursuing phantoms when the substance is within your grasp.—Graham Leader.

Rev. J. M. Harder, pastor of the Baptist Church left last Monday for Cooke county where he will be engaged in holding a revival for the next week or ten days.

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