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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

MAIN LINE, WEST BOUND.
No. 11, to Albuquerque, 9:15 a. m.
No. 20, to Carlsbad, 3:00 p. m.

MAIN LINE, NORTH BOUND.
No. 22, to Kansas City, 3:35 p. m.
No. 12, to Amarillo, 10:05 p. m.

PLAINVIEW BRANCH, NORTH BOUND.
No. 198, to Amarillo, 10:55 a. m.

PLAINVIEW BRANCH, SO. BOUND.
No. 197, to Plainview, 4:25 p. m.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For County Judge—
A. N. Henson
For County Attorney—
W. D. Scott
For District and County Clerk—
M. P. Garner
For Sheriff & Tax Collector—
R. A. Sanford
For County Treasurer—
P. H. Young
For County Assessor—
Joe Foster
For County Commissioners—
W. J. Redburn
E. W. Neese
J. D. Kufely
M. S. Park

DID YOU EVER TRY?

Some people take the notion that we have a location for a town that is the best in the state of Texas. We grant that. Some people take the notion that we have the healthiest location for any town. We grant that. Some people take the notion we have a law abiding and sensible citizenship. We grant that.

Some people take the notion that because we have the best location for a town, a healthy climate and a good set of people, that the town will grow anyhow. We don't grant that.

If this editor had been properly induced he would have become a citizen of Randall county long before he came out here. One or two people had mentioned the place to him but he never did receive anything authentic as to the true nature of the country and the advantages that would be afforded him if he would come. All these advantages were here, but he did not become a citizen of the town until he accidentally came out here and saw for himself.

Did you ever try to induce any person to become a citizen of the county? If not would it not be a good idea to write some friend a letter telling of what we have to offer? Natural advantages never in this world made a town. It is a good hustling people who are always willing and ready, indeed looking for a chance, to say a good word for the town and county, which, combined with the natural advantages, makes towns grow bigger and better.

I will venture the assertion that if every citizen of the town will write ten letters, good strong ones, telling the truth about the country, to their friends in this and other states, that there will be at least one out of every ten who will come out to investigate and I really think that one out of the ten would become a citizen of the county or would become a property owner in it at least.

Suppose we try writing a few letters. The country will back up what we have to say. The trouble is so many of the people are not as full of enthusiasm about the country as the country would justify.

Did you ever try it? If not, just try it once.

EVERYBODY GET TOGETHER.

The President of the Commercial Club Makes Some Excellent Suggestions for Bettering General Conditions.

As many of your readers know, I, as President of the Commercial Club of this city, recently sent out a number of letters asking three certain questions, and requesting reply to them. I am much gratified at the number and quality of the replies, and from these I am compiling a series of articles which I trust will be of educational advantage to the people of our town and county.

The questions as stated in my letter were as follows:

(a) What can best be done to interest the whole of the people of this town in the general welfare of the town, in order that we may work together for the common good?

(b) What enterprises or businesses are most needed in the town?

(c) What public improvements are most needed?

It would be of great interest to our people if I could publish the replies in book form, provided they would read the articles carefully, with the idea of obtaining therefrom the meat of the statements.

It has been my idea ever since I moved to this city, that the people were not making a conscientious, careful and concerted effort in advancing the town and county in order to develop the natural advantages that we have to offer. These natural advantages never made any town; "Get up and hustle" has made a city of many places with far less natural advantages than we have to offer and you have but to cast your eyes at some towns that we all know in order to know that this "get up and hustle" is what did the work. No one man can make our town. No one firm can make it. We must all get together, put our shoulders to the wheel and each push as if the whole enterprise depended upon his individual effort. Not push when others are resting but push with the whole. What I mean by this is, "Get together." One man saying a good word for the town sows a little seed for good, but if every person in this town would make it his or her business to be a walking advertisement of the town and its advantages, it would not be long until people everywhere would want to know more of Canyon City and Randall county. This is no idle talk as I have seen it tried.

We are all good people, a citizenship made up of persons who have ability, power and sense and if we would become a united people, rubbing up against the icy sides of our own individual selfishness, get together, become a little more generous in donations for advancement of the advertisement of our present advantages, such donations consisting of a small amount of cash and a very large amount of good words for our town, you will see our town, in a short time, outstrip anything on the Plains. As suggested in one of the best letters I received, I think that a monthly rally meeting of the citizens of the town would be of material advantage in accomplishing the results that I am trying to impress upon you. Let the meeting be a regular thing. Not a meeting of the Commercial Club, but a meeting of the entire citizenship, men, women and children, and there discuss such matters as are of advantage to the town. Such a meeting would draw us all together, and would eventually lead to organizations for the benefit of farmers and the beautifying of our town, which I shall discuss in a later article.

The Commercial Club ought to be an enterprise that would help us out, and is in fact doing some good, but I realize that it is not doing all that such an organiza-

tion can accomplish. We have a working committee on publicity and I consider this the main object of such an organization.

Every citizen ought to be made to feel that he is individually responsible for the success or failure of the town and that the only thing to do is to lay aside prejudice and put his shoulder to the wheel and push.

I am in favor of the people of the town organizing a booster's club and use as its bylaws, rules, regulations and motto the following which is used by the Booster's Club of Washington, Arkansas:

"Boost your town, county, churches, schools and society—boost everybody. Don't call a stranger's attention to our drawbacks or disadvantages, for we have none. Tell him all the good things and let him find out the others. Don't be a chronic kicker, knocker or growler—I would rather be a dog. If you don't like the town or county move out and give room to a man who does. Get on the sunny side of life.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you,
Knock and you knock alone,
For a pleasant grin will let you in
Where knockers are never known."

Let's study this matter and if we cannot form an association of all the people into a booster's club, make an association, each for himself, into as many booster's associations as we have citizens in the county. We will get together and will amount to something.

R. A. TERRILL, Pres.
Commercial Club,
Canyon, City.

The above letter was published in the News under date of March 27th, 1908, before this editor became the head of the paper, and it is so fitting to the present conditions of our town that we re-print the article entire. That "Booster's Club" has not been organized but I would like for it to be, not as a direct organization, but for all people to tacitly resolve that hereafter they will speak nothing but good words about the town and county and speak those often.

ALMOST UNANIMOUS.

Barring a little unrest on the part of a very few the railroad meeting held at the court house last Friday night was complete in the sense that the meeting was unanimous in the thought that this town and county must get behind the railway proposition from here to Silverton. This being the case there is but one thing for this people to do and that is to get behind the matter and push it to completion. The committees having the soliciting in charge have worked faithfully and in a few days the amount necessary ought to be subscribed and we think it will, but still there is but one thing for the citizens to do and that is for them to come up and subscribe and not wait for the committee to hunt you up. Delay is dangerous and we know it.

What have YOU done for the advancement of the town and county? Have you in fact done anything of a material nature? Do you want to see the country remain sparsely settled? If not, why in the name of goodness don't you do just a little more than you have done in the past. You know you have not gone your limit in the work of advancing your own interests. You may indeed have your own home and have it paid for, but unless you can create a demand for what you raise you are still a beggar. Would you not rather see a man on every quarter section of the land than to see the large pastures remain as they now are?

The higher the price of living the higher the wages must go; and the higher the wages the higher the price of living.

PAYMENTS OF INTERESTS.

Large Sums Have Been Received During the Week.

Austin, Texas, Oct. 16.—Annual and semi-annual interest due on bonds held by the State Treasurer as custodian was payable on the 10th of this month, as it is on April 10, and this week the interest payments have been very heavy. There are over \$16,000,000 of bonds in the vaults of the treasury, most of which belong to the permanent school fund. The remainder belong to the university and other special or asylum funds. The coupons were clipped several weeks ago and sealed in envelopes with proper identification mark thereon, and when the interest was received on a certain issue the envelope containing its coupons was produced and the settlement made.

The total interest payments aggregate \$900,000 on all bonds in the treasury, of which some \$700,000 goes to the available school fund. While the bonds belong to the permanent fund, the interest is credited to the available fund. No part of the principal can ever be used in payment of any expense. It is invested, and always without loss. When a premium is paid on an issue of bonds purchased the premium comes out of the interest returns. In that way the principal can never diminish. The available fund is that which is used to meet the current expenses of the public schools, being apportioned annually and then monthly as it comes in.

Since some of the interest is payable April 10, not all of it will be received this month, only a fair percentage thereof. However, all of it comes in during the scholastic year and helps to maintain the apportionment made out of the available fund.

Land Sharks.

Homeseekers and investors coming to Texas should keep an eye out for the land sharks. Fakers are to be found in every kind of business, and the land business is no exception. There are men in this country who claim to be land agents, but have no office except the one under their hats, and make it a business to prey upon northern and eastern investors while they are enroute to Texas. These unscrupulous "land sharks" meet the incoming excursions and pretend to do a legitimate business when in fact they are crooks of the worst kind. They are also to be found hanging around hotels and other public places laying for some "sucker" (as they call them) to come along.

There are too many established, responsible land men in this country who do a strictly honest and legitimate business for land buyers to be taken in by these sharks, and the quicker the buying public learn about these parasites who go through the country misrepresenting different propositions in order to make sales, the better off the country will be.

Investors should know who they are doing business with and should for their own good give these "sharks" the cold shoulder.—Texas Realty Journal.

If you are satisfied with our present condition you are a dead one and if you are too stingy to buy your own coffin there is a provision of law by which the County Commissioner's Court will bury the pauper free of charge. You now have a chance to assist yourself very materially and if you don't take advantage of it your own family ought to raise themselves in arms and disinherit you. I know they are ashamed of you at least.

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—ADDRESS—

John Hutson, Canyon City, Texas

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