

# The FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

ESTABLISHED 1891

Capital \$100,000. Surplus & Undivided Profits, \$20,000

## Our Aim in Business

WE DESIRE to make the First National the Bank of the People. The small depositor receives the same courteous treatment and consideration that is extended to the largest, within the limits of safe and conservative banking. Officers give personal attention to all details. Directors meet regularly and frequently, and keep closely in touch with the current business. Every safeguard known and successful banking is available, and our past success is the best criterion by which to judge the security of the future.

THE FIRST NATIONAL is pre-eminently the Bank of the Frontier. Its stockholders belong here. Its interests are those of our best and most progressive citizens. We offer to our customers, present and prospective, the advantages of the largest capital and surplus of any bank in this section, and of the safe and conservative banking methods which have resulted in the successful building up of this bank in the past twelve years.

Its financial position is established, and the energy, experience and business ability of the management will continue to be wholly directed to the maintenance and increase of these advantages.

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William Kelly, Pres. S. L. Dworman, 1st. Vice Pres.  
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## We Solicit the Patronage of All

OUR FUNDS are protected in a fire-proof vault and by the best safes to be obtained; and are further covered by insurance against burglary or daylight robbery. Our officers are under bond in the best surety companies.

People who intrust their money to a bank have a right to know its financial strength. We recognize this right and will cheerfully furnish any depositor a statement of our condition any day in the year. Absolute safety is the best thing we have to offer, and upon this basis your account is solicited.

## TIME TABLE



### Rio Grande Railroad.

On and after Sept. 15th, regular trains over the Rio Grande Railroad will leave as follows:  
Leave Brownsville daily 9 a. m.  
Arrive Point Isabel " 10:15 a. m.  
Leave Point Isabel " 3 p. m.  
Arrive Brownsville " 4:15 p. m.  
AUG. CELAYA,  
Pres. and Gen. Mgr.

### ST. L. B. & M. R. R.

#### A PASSENGER TRAIN.

No. 1 leaves Brownsville every day except Sunday at 7:30 a. m.  
No. 2 arrives in Brownsville every day except Sunday at 6:00 p. m.

#### FREIGHT TRAINS.

No. 11 leaves Brownsville every day, at 6:30 a. m.  
No. 12 Arrives in Brownsville every day, at 7:15 p. m.  
Nos. 1 and 2 pass each other at Rudolph at 12:58 p. m.

#### HARLINGEN BRANCH.

No. 22 leaves Fordyce at 5:15 a. m. arrives Harlingen 9 a. m.; arrives at Brownsville at 10:40 a. m. daily except Sunday, connecting with trains north at Harlingen.  
No. 21 leaves Brownsville at 1:45 p. m. arrives Harlingen, 4:30; p. m. and Fordyce, 8:30 p. m. every day except Sunday, connecting with trains south at Harlingen.

JEFF N. MILLER,  
Vice-pres. and Gen. Man.

### KISSED THEIR PET DOGS.

Poor Canines Could Not Stand the Strain and Died—Ladies Almost Dead.

St. Paul, Feb. 14—Can women kiss a dog once a day for 30 days? As the result of a bet on this subject at Mountain Lake one woman is seriously ill, five are under a physician's care, three dogs are dead and other canines are exhibiting strange symptoms.

All this came about as the result of the wager made by John Anglehardt, a wealthy church member, with six women prominent in aid society work in an exclusive church.

At a meeting of the aid society Anglehardt was much amused at a Miss Nettleson's custom of frequently kissing her poodle on the mouth. His merriment provoked the other women, and all declared that they were in the habit of kissing their dogs, and though it a nice custom.

Anglehardt then made a wager that six women could not kiss their dogs once daily for 30 days, the osculation to be performed immediately after breakfast. The women took the bet. If they succeeded Anglehardt was to pay them the second time for everything sold at the coming annual church fair. If they failed they

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were to make him a duplicate of everything sold at said fair.

After the kissing had gone on ten days the Misses Keidler and Yeast became violently ill.

### Broke Up The Party.

On St. Valentine's eve they had a little social gathering at the Tankervilles' and got to asking conundrums.

"When is a door not a door?" had been propounded by nearly all the old-timers.

Finally Mrs. Tankerville asked, "When is a nose not a nose?" Furthermore, she supplied the answer, "when it is a little red-dish," without waiting for volunteers.

And then Mr. Tankerville got up, jammed on his hat, and marched down to the corner saloon.

And then the assemblage broke up, or shortly after.

### General News.

The first snowfall in Monterey since 1899 fell last Monday.

It is announced that negroes are taking the place of white laborers in Chicago factories.

A glass factory backed by a company with a \$1,000,000 is soon to be started near Houston.

Marguerite and Mamie Brewers, daughters of an Arkansas farmer, were burned to death Feb. 13.

It is said that during the recent cold, fish came to the top of the water at Galveston and were caught by hand.

Bud Dean in trying to kill a hog at Madisonville, accidentally stabbed himself in the thigh and bled to death.

As a result of the recent cold thousands of tons of hides from cattle that were frozen to death are being marketed.

De Forest Wireless telegraph people expect to commence transmission of messages from Galveston about March 1.

## Get Rich

### Raising Onions & Tomatoes

Prices and terms most reasonable to all who will improve lands.

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### The Conquered Banner.

Furl that banner, for 'tis weary;  
Round its staff 'tis drooping dreary  
Furl it, fold it, is best;  
For there's not a man to wave it,  
And there's not a sword to save it,  
And there's not one left to lave it  
In the blood which heroes gave it  
Furl it, hide it—let it rest!

Take that banner down! 'tis tattered;  
Broken is its staff and shattered;  
And the valiant hosts are scattered  
Over whom it floated high!  
Oh, 'tis hard for us to fold it,  
Hard to think there's none to hold it;  
Hard that those who once unrolled it  
Now must furl it with a sigh,

Furl that banner! furl it sadly!  
Once ten thousands hailed it gladly,  
And ten thousands wildly madly  
Swore it should forever wave;  
Swore that foeman's sword should never  
Hearts like theirs entwined discover;  
Till that flag should float forever  
O'er their freedom or their grave!

Furl it! for the hands that grasped it,  
And the hearts that fondly clasped it,  
Cold and dead are lying low;  
And that banner it is trailing!  
While around it sounds the wailing  
Of its people in their woe.

For, though conquered they adore it!  
Love the cold, dead hands that bore it!  
Weep for those who fell before it!  
Pardon those who trailed and tore it!  
But, oh, wildly they deplore it,  
Now who furl and fold it so.

Furl that banner! True, 'tis gory,  
Yet 'tis wreathed around with glory,  
And 'twill live in song and story,  
Though its folds are in the dust.  
For its fame on brightest pages,  
Penned by poets and by sages,  
Shall go sounding down the ages—  
Furl its folds though now we must,

Furl that banner, softly, slowly!  
Treat it gently—it is holy—  
For it droops above the dead,  
Touch it not—unfold it never—  
Let it droop there, furled forever,  
For its people's hopes are dead!

—F. Her Byau

## JAMES B. WELLS

### Attorney at Law....

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Solicits you to buy your Drugs, Toilet articles, Drug Sundries, Combs, Tooth, Hair and Nail brushes and things in this line too numerous to mention. A full line of stationery and Huxley's candies. Our goods will suit the economical buyer and the goods will be of the best quality. Our prescription department is in charge of a registered pharmacist and prescriptions receive his personal attention.

W. M. Hampton.

MANAGER.

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