

Farm Loans at 7 Per Cent

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ONLY ONE MORTGAGE TAKEN!

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F. C. FINNERTY, Next to Brick Hotel.

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OBERLIN LOAN, TRUST,

AND BANKING CO., OF

Oberlin, Kansas, for the accommodation of patrons in

Thomas and Sherman Counties,

Has established a BRANCH OFFICE at COLBY, KAN.

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As any reliable company can make. Loans closed and money paid here. Principal and interest payable here. A HOME COMPANY cannot afford sharp practice, which insures fair honest treatment. Money furnished to make proof.

Refer to the 1st National Bank, Colby, Kansas.

J. E. DOOM.

Office with Frank Pingree.

THE THOMAS COUNTY CAT.

W. G. PORTER & CO., Publishers.

Coal oil at the Central.
Lots in Colby never sold faster.
Flying Dutchman at I. H. Bullers'.
Finnerty loans money at 7 per cent.
Gasoline at the Central Drug Store.
Residences are going up like magic.
Prices are cut seriously at Donelan's.
Cricket breakers at Bullers' hardware.
Subscribe now, and you get a history.
100 barrels of apples cheap at Brady's.
For the best board to the Windsor.
Only one mortgage taken by Finnerty.
Choice seeds and low prices at Bullers'.
Deeded land in demand and selling fast.
The foot of snow is as good as a day's rain.
Oakley mail was four hours late Monday.
Meglemre has just received a car load of star windmills.
Colby has men, money and markets for a multitude.
When you go to Oberlin, go by Colby and Oberlin stage line.
Colby has four banks, and all are doing a rushing business.
Patent medicines of every description at Walker & Yousse's.
This week has been one of continual entertainments.
Colby and Oberlin stage line is the best conveyance to Oberlin.
Don't forget the fine line of druggists' sundries at the Palace Drug Store.
Fancy articles of all kinds at the City Drug Store.
The Chicago Comedy Company is said to be first-class.
Attend the public school entertainment Friday eve.
All prescriptions carefully and promptly compounded at the City Drug Store.
Oberlin claims now to be sure of the Rock Island road.
Then go to Walker & Yousse's drug store.
Coal is said to have been found near Russell Springs, Kans.
Clocks, watches and jewelry neatly repaired at Sun Beam photograph gallery.
Prepare for the boom that will be greater than ever this spring.
M. Donelan is giving best terms on hats, caps, boots and shoes.
M. A. Duff was attending contest cases in Sherman county last week.
Money loaned on chattels at Thomas county Bank, north of brick hotel.
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.
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Good smooth homestead for sale cheap. W. G. PORTER.
For vacant land call on Duff & Porter. They have some choice direct from government.

As spring advances land buyers increase.
25 empty barrels for sale at Palace drug store.
Mr. Swigart, of Sherman Center, was in Colby Sunday.
M. Donelan is selling out regardless of cost.
Ed. Teal is now clerking for J. W. Allen & Sons.
Go to M. Donelan's for the best overcoats.
The great Northwest has no peer, and Colby is its largest city.
C. H. Martin & Bros', favorite cigar The Palace.
Lou Cary has returned and will work in J. W. Allen & Sons' store.
Three cans of corn at M. Donelan's for 25 cents.
The safe for Thomas County CAT has come.
The lowest rates on farm loans at Finnerty's.
Colby Hardware Co. received its safe Saturday.
The Belle of Colby is the boss cigar, at E. P. Hovey's.
J. B. McGonigal has a large, fine safe for his abstract books.
All the swells smoke the Colby Belle. For sale at E. P. Hovey's.
Lessenger & Mitchell make cheap chattel and real estate loans.
Colby has several new land firms started on the streets.
Overcoats regardless of cost at M. Donelan's.
See French & Riddle's new ad. They are doing a flourishing business.
The city schools close this winter's term Friday of this week.
Palace cigar is the best 5 cent cigar in Colby.
Best terms on farm loans at Lessenger & Mitchell's.
Go to the Windsor, the best hotel in town.
Speaker Smith scored S. M. Woods severely the other day in the house.
Stockton, Kansas, has voted \$20,000 bonds for water works.
50 different styles of blank books and pocket books at Martin Bros'.
A fine line of box paper received at the Palace drug store since the holidays.
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.
Yousse's stage line goes to Oberlin every day.
Meglemre sells more windmills than anybody else.
If you want insurance, see Frank Pingree.
Frank Pingree will insure you cheaper than anyone.
Men's shirts, over seventy-five different styles, at the Brick Store.
Best California Evergreen Broom Corn Seed for sale at the Brick Store.
For the best and freshest meat go to Gillispie's meat market.
One foot of snow fell Sunday, and many a sleigh ride was taken Monday.
W. S. Willcox, county attorney, returned from his trip to Topeka and Kansas City Monday. He says our representative, Geo. W. Goodsoe, is sick with fever, but will be around soon. It is hoped his illness will not continue.

DON'T DO IT!

Do not do what? Do not mortgage your farm, but if you do, it will pay you to call and see us before doing so. We have been in the loan business in Colby ever since the town was started and we propose to remain here permanently. Our mortgages are just and equitable. You get all the money for which you mortgage and get it the very day you want it. You can pay both interest and principal at our office in Colby. We guarantee you a fair square deal in every particular.

ATTENTION.

We are constantly sending lists of our lands to eastern parties who are contemplating coming west to purchase. Have you a deeded farm, school land or relinquishment, for town lots or any kind of real estate for sale or trade, let us know all about it and we will place it on our list and secure you a purchaser. We now have inquiries for a number of farms which we are unable to fill. Have you a farm to trade for stock? Have you stock to trade for a farm? Have you a farm for sale? Do you wish to buy a farm? Do you wish a farm or chattel loan? If so call and see us or address,

WELD BROS., Colby, Kansas.

The Boom Has Come!

Chattel AND Real Estate Loans, At the Lowest Rates.

We have listed on our books the best farms in Thomas county, cheap for cash or on terms to suit purchaser. We have some choice relinquishments for sale cheap. We do a general law, loan and land business. Town lots in any part of the city. Call and examine the list and have a talk with

LESSENGER & MITCHELL.

Villar T. Villar cigars are the best 10 cent goods in western Kansas. At Martin Bros.
10 cent Twisters. Try them. Every one knows that you are smoking a 10 cent. At the Palace.
We have just received a large stock of solid silver and silver-plated table ware at low figures.
C. H. MARTIN & BRO.
I have some of the cheapest relinquishments for sale in the county.
FRANK PINGREE.
Farm loans at 7 per cent interest, only one mortgage, at State Bank of Colby.
Remember, we have more different patent medicines than any house west of Topeka.
C. H. MARTIN & BRO.
Don't forget the large show case full of jewelry both solid and plated, at the Palace Drug Store.
Cleveland goes back on the old soldiers again and vetoes the dependent pension bill.
The B. & M. railroad surveyors smoke the Belle of Colby cigar, and pronounce it the best 5-cent cigar extant. For sale at E. P. Hovey's.
Reagan has been elected as senator from Texas. He was one of the first to fight for inter-state commerce.
C. C. Siggins & Co. loan money on real estate and take but one mortgage. No second mortgage for interest or cut throat clauses.
Call on Lessenger & Mitchell for city lots and relinquishments at any price you wish.
Much talk of war with old John Bull is now heard and read through the dailies. It is all on account of a "cod" you know.
Mr. Price, of Clark county, has introduced a bill to legalize the organization of Wallace county.
Meglemre & Marble have the very best coal for sale cheap, \$10 per ton at Colby implement firm office.
You can get more good nourishment out of a ten cent can of corn at Donelan's than anywhere else for the money.
All those indebted to me will please call in and settle at once.
M. DONELAN.
Colby seems to get monied men, and those who push business and don't let business push them. Money is plenty here now, and there are so many banks and loan agencies that it is cheap enough. People begin to realize that Colby is the point to come to to trade or invest in anything.

THE PIONEER

IMPLEMENT HOUSE

OF THOMAS COUNTY, KAN.

To the Farmers of Thomas County:

I would respectfully call your attention to the FACT that I have just received a large and complete stock of Farm Implements for spring trade of 1887, including the celebrated Rock Island plows, cultivators, listers, harrows, the genuine Nebraska Pony Rod Breaker, also the genuine Stoddard Disc Harrows, the oldest and best on earth, the light running Ollis' farm wagon Climax and Eclipse spring wagons and buggies, the Little Daisy, Red, White and Blue mower, the celebrated Deering mowers and all steel binders, the Star one and two horse rake, the quiet, easy running Star wind mills and pumps, also the Red Jacket pump, Baker barb wire by the roll or car load, and many other goods too numerous to mention. My goods are all fresh and bright and of the very latest improved patterns. Come and see them before you buy and be convinced that I can and will give you better goods for the money than you can possibly get elsewhere. I also keep nice stock of coal constantly on hand.

Respectfully,

J. E. MEGLEMRE, Prop.

The ladies of Colby can vote at city election in April next. Pick out your men, ladies.
R. G. Ball came back to his claim Monday. His claim is three miles west of town.
More new bricks going up in Colby this year than in any city west of Abilene, Kans.
Preparations are being made to do more breaking than last year by all the farmers.
Mr. Stewart, brother-in-law of W. H. Copeland, is J. B. McGonigal's type writer at present.
Jas. Armstrong, J. E. Stalons, and J. Hitts, of Oakley, were in Colby last week on business.
The CAT office has best printers and outfit, and hence does the best job work, all concede.
Take the CAT and after reading it send it to a friend east, whom you think would come west.
Send a history of Colby and Thomas county to a friend east. It may bring him here.
French & Riddle have decided to build a brick opposite Newell House, early this summer.
The brick National Bank will be 55x88 feet, instead of 50x88 feet, as stated in last CAT.
W. H. Lent, proprietor of the Windsor house, has been on the sick list for the past week.
Colby is booming now. Buildings are going up fast. Plenty of work for carpenters and brick masons.
The CAT clubs with the Inter Ocean, St. Louis Globe-Democrat, and all leading weeklies and dailies.
Messrs. J. H. Fort and J. H. Dunagan, of Otterbourne, made proof on their school land Saturday.
Twenty-five women must sign druggist's petition to probate judge by new law before they can be granted a permit.
It will pay all who intend to raise onions this season to call at the Brick Store where may be found a big lot of choice new seed at very low figures.
Gov. Martin has signed the woman's suffrage bill. It was not wholly in unison with his views, but he regarded it as an experiment, and to give it a trial signed it.
Archie Williams, attorney for the U. P., it is said, will be in Atwood on the 25th, to submit a bond proposition to extend his line to this place.—[Atwood Democrat.
Jas. S. Warden, of First National Bank, is alive, and doing all he can to boom this city and help it in every way possible.
The voting bonds for a new brick school house this summer seems to meet with not one dissenting voice. It is right. Better schools, better people.
It is said A. R. Riddle, of State Bank of Colby, will return with a better half in a month or so, from the Keystone state.
There are fifty-six representatives, three delegates, and a large proportion of the officers of the house that were soldiers in the late rebellion.
Mr. Brown has now the contract to construct a large G. A. R. building. It will be octagon in shape, and probably used for city hall.
The case of E. C. Achen vs. J. B. Huffman, for debt, before Judge Adams, was continued Friday for 30 days for defendant to get more evidence.

Mr. Lyman is here in the interest of the Rock Island road. He says that road will come to Colby sure. This is a road we are not relying on, but of course welcome it.
Married, Sunday, Feb. 20, 1887, at the residence of Geo. Sebaugh, Mr. Willard Henry Stroud, and Frances D. Stark, both of Thomas county, Kansas, Judge N. J. Adams performing the ceremony.
Hurlbut & Bancroft have made arrangements to establish a nursery three miles north of Colby. They have leased N. H. Porter's land for five years.
F. C. Finnerty wrote up the abstract of lots the Newell House stands on. It is very elaborate, and well illustrates the good work he does, both in point of accuracy and neatness.
John Slinning keeps the Farmers' Home, and sets up good meals. Give him a call. He is located in the eastern part of town, on 4th street.
County Treasurer Shoemaker, of Smith county, Kansas, died on Monday, Feb. 14th. His son, who has been his deputy, has been appointed to fill vacancy.
F. C. Finnerty has repainted and remodeled his office next to the brick hotel, until he has now one of the neatest offices in Colby. Mr. Finnerty's business career among us is only another instance of what push and honest dealing will accomplish for a man in a short time in the west. He came to Colby last summer a stranger, but by close attention to business and faithful and upright treatment of all customers he has built up one among the largest loan businesses in the county. We have never heard a word of complaint from anyone who had done business with him.
J. B. Morrison and wife and two sons arrived Friday last from Unionville, Iowa. Mr. Morrison will open up his new stock of goods as soon as they come, which will not be long. We are told by parties recently living at Unionville, Iowa, that Mr. Morrison stands high there. We are glad to welcome such business men to our midst.
W. Fleming, of Cooks Mill, Ills., and brother-in-law of J. C. Ellis, is visiting here now. He bought H. Wilson's deeded quarter west of town for \$1200, and expects to move out here before long. He is a very pleasant gentleman, and we hope he will come to stay with us. The CAT will follow him to his home in Illinois.
Mr. J. E. Doom, one of the oldest settlers of this county, and well known to most of our citizens, has recently taken the position of manager of the Colby branch of the Oberlin Loan and Trust Co. Mr. Doom will be greatly missed from the business circles of Decatur county.—[Norcutt Register.
A carload of mules and four carloads of stock for railroad work passed through to Stockton this week. Twelve carloads of ties also came up. This looks as though the south branch is to be extended forthwith.—[Dowds Times.
Boston Corbett, doorkeeper of the House, went crazy last week. He kept the whole house at bay till noon, and threatened to shoot several. He was arrested and put in county jail to await trial for insanity. He is discharged from his position. Ever since he killed J. Wilkes Booth he has been erratic.
NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.
The taxpayers of Thomas county are hereby notified that there has been tax warrants placed in my hands for the personal property tax for the year 1886. Parties who are owing their tax are urgently requested to call at my office and settle the same, and save costs. Yours truly,
MART WITMAN, Sheriff.