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The South Plains

BY HON. T. J. O'DONNELL.

When the early Spanish explorers first set foot on the great Plains of Texas, led by the intrepid Coronado, tradition tells us that he caused stakes to be set up at short intervals, showing his course across the country, and should he lose his way they would use the stakes to retrace their steps to the starting point.

No doubt with the primitive means of travel at such an early day the precaution was wisely taken, as the almost endless expanse of prairie that greeted the eye on every hand was enough to excite the fear and admiration of one of the boldest explorers that ever set foot on American soil. What the dauntless Coronado thought of the great plains of the Western Continent, he has left to posterity but a meager account, but suffice to say, he no doubt was charmed with the delightful climate, the magnificence of the broad, level prairies, covered with a rich coat of luxuriant grasses that were spread over the Plains like a blanket, giving life and sustenance to the countless herds of buffalo, deer, antelope and wild animals of different varieties indigenous to the Southwest, nearly all of which have given way to the onward march of civilization. In the former haunts of the buffalo, deer, antelope and other wild animals in this animal paradise of an early day, may be seen the peaceful homes of the American farmer.

The settlement of the Plains of Texas has been handicapped in various ways. A princely gift of three million acres was given to Eastern parties to build the State capitol building at Austin. Numerous large grants of land on the Plains were given to railroad companies to construct railroads in the eastern part of the state. Large slices of land were given with a lavish hand to county schools in eastern counties, far removed from the Plains, to create a county school fund. Cattlemen, with a jealous eye, have regarded the settlement of the Plains as a menace to their welfare, and have step by step fought the encroachment of the man with the hoe, and when compelled to give up their lease holdings to the soil civilizers and subjugators, have gracefully yielded with American spirit, and are now found fighting in the front ranks of agricultural progress and home building.

The description of one county on the Plains, covers in a general way the description of every county, and the description of Dawson county given below is applicable to any of the other Plains counties, viz: Lynn, Lubbock, Cochran, Bailey, Lamb, Terry, Yoakum, Hale, Floyd, Crosby, Andrews, Gaines and Martain.

Dawson county is situated about 300 miles west of Fort Worth and about the same distance from El Paso, about 165 miles south of Amarillo, in what is known as West Central Texas. The soil of Dawson county can not be beat for fertility, with just enough sand to make it work good and with a clay subsoil that acts as a reservoir to retain the moisture that falls. The soil by proper cultivation can be made to produce an abundant crop every year of corn, maize, kaffir corn, broom corn, cotton, millet, sweet and fish potatoes; fruits, such as peaches, apples, apricots, cherries, and plums; different kinds of melons and cantaloupe

can be produced with little or no effort besides the planting. This, as well as all the other counties, is an ideal stock farming country, as the rich native grasses become cured on the ground, and thousands of fat cattle have been shipped every year off the ranges and command the best prices of western cattle on the markets of Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago.

Dawson county and the Plains is underlaid with an inexhaustible supply of pure sheet water at a depth of from 60 to 120 feet, and except in rare cases is free from gyp, alkali, salt and other impurities. Thousands of busy windmills fanned by gentle breezes, are constantly hoisting the water to the surface to be made use of by man.

Dawson county, as well as the entire State of Texas, offers exceptional educational advantages. With the twenty one schools organized, Dawson county presents to the youth an opportunity to get an education, comparing favorably with older and more thickly settled counties. Different denominations of the Christian religion are represented by organizations and places of worship.

Dawson county has an area of 900 square miles, or 576,000 acres. The surface is generally level with an occasional pond or dip. There are no running streams. Ninety per cent of the county is susceptible to cultivation. The soil is a dark red loam, with enough sand to insure easy working qualities. The winters are mild, with little or no snow. The summers, on account of the altitude, are always cool and nice. The people are progressive and enterprising, and always extend a hearty welcome to a new comer. Land can be had from twenty dollars down to as low as ten, depending upon the distance from the county seat. Farming on the Plains is no longer an experiment, but is a demonstrated fact, and with the advent of the railroad to our town, a new era of progress and development will take place which will put Dawson county in the front rank of Texas counties.

The great Santa Fe Railway system, the pioneer of progress and development in the Southwest, are now busily engaged and have almost completed a line from Plainview to Lubbock; they are now actively engaged in one of the greatest pieces of railroad work from a construction standpoint, that has ever taken place in the State of Texas. Active construction on the Coleman Texico cut-off has been carried forward for the past four months, and when the same has been completed, it will be a monument to the constructive ability of the present chief officers. Surveyors are now in the field running a line from the above cut-off through the town of Taboka, the county seat of Lynn county, to Lamesa, the county seat of Dawson county, and already these thriving little towns are feeling the touch of prosperity that comes from the surety of getting a railroad. It will be seen from a glance at the map that with the lines of the Santa Fe in operation, and the ones they are now building, that they are alive to the importance of the future development of the South Plains. The Santa Fe railroad has ever been a constructive company, reaching out into new and unexplored fields, and their ability to select new territory has seldom, if ever, been at fault when it comes to figuring future tonnage and passenger business.

The development of the Plains Country may best be illustrated by citing the development of Lynn

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DRUMMER JOE.

MRS. NELLIE G. JOHNSON.

There had been a midnight skirmish;
'Twas a sudden, swift surprise,
For the enemy had waited
Until slumber sealed our eyes;
Then with fierce and eager fury
They had roused us from our sleep,
And at once we fled before them,
Like a flock of frightened sheep.

But we quickly stopped and rallied,
With our colors at the front;
And we faced our foemen bravely,
As had ever been our wont.
Then their numbers overwhelmed us,
For they counted three to one,
So they drove us on before them,
And they thought the fight was won.

Sword in hand our Captain led us,
And his gallant little son,
Who had been our petted drummer,
Dropped his drum to grasp a gun—
But to stem the tide of battle
All our efforts were in vain,
And again we fled in terror
From that deadly leaden rain.

Even then our brave young Captain,
With his little son beside,
Strove to rouse our failing courage,
And to stay our footsteps, tried.
But we listened not his pleading;
To the rear we onward pressed,
Till at length we saw him falling,
With a bullet in his breast.

Then, above the din of battle,
Clear a boyish voice outrang,
As, 'twixt him and our pursuers,
Quick the little drummer sprang—
"Comrades! brothers! Will you leave him
To be taken by the foe?
Save yourselves, and leave him lying
Wounded, dying, while ye go!"

There beside his fallen father,
With that father's sword in hand,
Facing to the rushing soldiers,
Did our little drummer stand.
At the sight our fears were banished,
And we faced about again,
With a cheer we charged upon them,
And they scattered o'er the plain.

'Round our Chatain then we gathered,
Where upon the turf he lay;
And we knew the fight was over,
For we saw the break of day;
And the enemy had vanished
Ere the rising of the sun,
And we held the ground as victors,
That the foe had nearly won.

But we knew our brave young drummer,
Who had made such gallant stand
There beside his dying father,
With that gleaming sword in hand,
Though he saved us all from capture,
Saved us at a fearful cost,
When he made us win the battle
That we all had counted lost.

For his comrades gazing on him,
Saw him waver, reel, and fall
Right across his father's body,
Dying there before us all.
As he fell his father whispered,
(And our eyes with tears were filled,)
"Joe, my boy, we'll go together."
Then death's hand his pulses stilled.

Strong brown hands, grown strangely gentle,
Lifted little Drummer Joe;
Laid him on a folded blanket;
Tried to stanch his life-blood's flow.
But his sweet blue eyes were glazing,
And his voice was faint and weak,
As we sadly bent above him,
When we saw he wished to speak.

"Boys," his white lips slowly faltered,
As we knelt beside him there;
"Boys, for all your constant kindness;
For your thoughtful love and care
That have smoothed the path of duty
Till it seemed an easy way;
For the love you bore my father,
Take my dying thanks to-day.

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Oscar King, of the west part of the county, orders The News sent to Brownfield where he will make his home in the future.

I have my feed and coal shipped to Lubbock in car lots and as I buy and sell for cash only, my prices cannot be equaled. C. N. Hutto, East Side Square, Taboka.

Irvin Burk sold his restaurant this week to J. J. Pope who will continue to run it in the same satisfactory manner Irvin did.

Hughes Crescent Cottage Paint "The Paint that Lasts." "Nuf ced."—A. G. McAdams Lbr., Co.

The Odd Fellows initiated Jim Dillard and Ben King into some of the mysteries of the order Tuesday night. This is not only growing steadily, but it is acquiring the very best of Taboka's young manhood.

Those who went to the Cauble Show Wednesday night were all agreeably disappointed. No one seemed to expect much and were therefore pleased when it turned out to be better than the usual run of two-bit shows.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Forrester and little Miss Obara took in the show and spent the night with Mr. Forrester's sister Mrs. Roberts.

The Baptist prayer meeting and church conference were well attended Wednesday night. At the conference Bro. B. H. Cade, of Taboka, called for church letters for himself and family, as they expect to move to Oregon next week.

The clouds came, the lightning flashed, the wind blew and it sprinkled enough to knock out the Methodist prayer meeting last night, but not near enough to lay the dust which is moving high before the north this morning.

Quite a number of the boys returned Wednesday from moving T-Bar cattle to New Mexico.

Sammy Johnson got a job with the Santa Fe surveying crew and left with them Tuesday when they broke camp and started north east.

If you have any laundry you want done-up you had better take it to the West Side Barber Shop, Ira Doak, proprietor, for the basket goes off every Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Gilmore will move to their claim in New Mexico either the last of this or the first of next week.

Ellis Payne resigned his position with the Jack Alley Company and went to work at the garage, in which he has an interest, Tuesday morning.

Mr. H. C. Jameson, of east of town, orders The News sent to Mulkey, Oklahoma, where he and his family will make their future home.

You had better get one of those oil stoves at The Taboka Hardware, they are just the thing for light house keeping. Cheap, economical and clean.

Judge G. W. Perryman is visiting the county schools this week. He began last week with Taboka, Morgan and Lynn and will visit each one before he returns. While this is required by law, it is a great pleasure to the Judge, as he loves children and they love him.

C. E. Brown is having several feet added to his office building on the west side of the square, which will give him more room and add greatly to the convenience of his office.

Mr. J. N. McReynolds, the Taboka blacksmith, made a business trip to Lubbock the first of the week.

Our Austin News Letter

A REGULAR WEEKLY REPORT

Austin, Texas, October 4, 1909. When it is remembered that complaints of short crops in all branches of agriculture are heard this year in all parts of the state it is gratifying to know that the shortage by comparison only with what might have been and not by comparison with the past. The new year book soon to be issued by the Department of Agriculture will show a wonderful development of the resources of the state. As an instance it will be shown that in 1885 the entire corn crop of Texas amounted to 45,000,000 while in 1908 it reached to 202,000,000 bushels. In this connection Falls county is shown to be remarkable as a corn growing county, the entire crop of 1908 in that one county being 1,300,000; four times what was raised twelve years before. Similar development is shown in cotton, wheat and other grains and a much more remarkable development in fruit and truck raising. The crop this year is far below last year's crop, perhaps only half as large, but it is far ahead of former crops.

It appears possible for national banks to accept the bonding system of the bank guaranty law, but the Comptroller of Currency, at Washington, has ruled, that national banks may not operate under the guaranty fund plan. The Seminole National Bank, of Seminole, Texas, has asked permission to adopt the bonding system and the department will grant it.

A plan has been proposed by the Texas Hardware Jobbers' Association for Texas shippers to get together and establish its own steamship line between New York and Texas ports in order to control interstate rates. The railroad commission is in favor of the plan. The steamship companies now increase their rates when the commission reduces rates in Texas to offset increased interstate rate.

The City of Brownwood has followed the example set by Van Alstyne in installing a manual training, domestic science and agricultural department, and drawing upon the state for the equal of the sum expended in not less than \$500 and not more than \$2,000. Van Alstyne installed a fine department in this line, expended \$2,000 of her own money and then \$2,000 received from the state.

School bonds approximating \$3,000,000 which were practically invalidated by the decision of the supreme court in the Baird case were validated by the adoption of the proposed constitutional amendment voted on August, according to a ruling of the attorney general, no further legislation being necessary with regard to them, and State Treasurer Sparks has been advised that he may accept them from depositories as security for state funds.

It is probable; that the attorney general will, by agreement, bring suit against J. W. Cole, a dealer of Dallas, to test the constitutionality of the law imposing an occupation or gross receipts tax of 50 per cent on the gross receipts of dealers in pistols in Texas. Mr. Cole has certified to the comptroller the sale by him of a pistol and his refusal to pay the tax and the state will likely take action in the matter at once.

Ajutant General Newton is receiving reports from state officials in all parts of the state, that the Sunday closing and the anti-gaming laws are being rigidly enforced.

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Dr. S. H. Windham, Arthur Black, Cloyd Shook and J. E. Ketter left Monday for Plainview where they will ship some cattle to Kansas City.

Misses Mary Whipp and Verda Phenix returned home Saturday afternoon from Lubbock where they had been visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. J. Q. Adams, of Montalba, Texas, was a pleasant caller at The News office Saturday. He expressed himself as highly pleased with the Plains in general and our part of them around Tahoka in particular, and thinks possibly he may make his home here sometime in the future.

Did You Ever Try
 getting along without any money? Buying material, paying wages, buying groceries and dry goods without any cash? Well that is the fix a blacksmith finds himself in when all his customers say, "Charge it." This is the fix I am in now. So I must request every one who owes me any sum, large or small, to come in and pay what they can as I just must have some cash.

J. N. McREYNOLDS,
 The Tahoka Blacksmith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Alley and Miss Maud Nevels returned from an extended tour of the United States, visiting all the principal markets, where they picked for the very best styles and values for their fall and winter trade.

The Tahoka Hardware Company have some fine kerosene oil stoves, (not crude oil burners) the old reliable coal oil stoves that always give satisfaction. Any one wishing to get quick meals at a low cost should get one of these stoves while they are in stock, for they are liable to go any time; so the thing to do is to go and get one now.

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SUFFOLK PRIDE.

P. B. Hall, G. W. Reed, Jack Alley, W. D. Nevels, Jim Cowan, C. W. Slover, Jim Elliott, J. D. Singleton, E. C. Dosh, A. L. Lockwood, and F. Becker, have formed a stock company and bought the English Hackney Stallion **Suffolk Pride** who will stand the season at Hall & Reed's Livery Stable.

Suffolk Pride
 is a bright Chesnut. He is registered in England Stud Book at London and the American Stud Book at New York. The Department of Agriculture in Iowa has looked into the record of this horse and certify his registration to be O. K. and his pedigree perfect. The Purchase price of this handsome horse was \$3,300.00. BREEDERS WILL DO WELL TO SEE HIM BEFORE YOU PLACE YOUR MARES ELSEWHERE.

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The South Plains

BY HON. T. J. O'DONNELL.

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county, which, according to the census of 1900, had a population of 17. The town of Tahoka containing a population now of about 1,000 people, six years ago was a vacant section situated in the center of Lynn county. It is confidently expected that when the census of 1910 is taken, Lynn county will show a population in

thousands. The rapid development of this county—after the Santa Fe builds (which the company have contracted with the citizens of Tahoka to do in the year of 1910) will no doubt be phenomenal.

The Plains in an early day acted as the commissary wagon for the fearless and warlike Comanche Indians, who came down from the Indian Territory on regular periods of depredations on the pioneer settlers of West Texas. They would come across the Panhandle and Plains unheralded and at an opportune moment rush upon the defenseless settler and with torch and tomahawk gratify their savage instinct to kill. After rounding up what stock they could gather quickly, they would return to their homes in the territory, to rest and recount with savage glee their work of devilry.

The Indians did not always escape with the plunder in so easy a fashion. The courts of Texas in early days were known as "The American Cowboy," with his ever ready six shooter, who sometimes disputed the forcible taking possession of the settlers' stock, without due process of law, and when the decrees of the court were executed the evidence of the Good Indian would be manifest by his bleaching bones left upon the Plains of Texas.

The accounts of the early Indian fights that have taken place on the Plains, would make interesting reading, and the hardships experienced by the soldiers and the Cowboy chasing Indians over the Plains, before the advent of the windmill, when water was scarce and watering places not known, required men of iron nerve, such a man as Colonel Jack Alley, of Tahoka, Texas, a veteran cowboy and Indian fighter of the early seventies. Mr. Alley is loth to recount his experiences as an Indian fighter, but sometimes wades in a reminiscent mood, tells of hair breadth escapes and adventures which the early settlers had with the Indians. The last Indian battle fought on the Plains was fought in Lynn county, near

fall of 1879, gave a victory to the Comanches three times their number, such a drubbing that the name of Texas Cowboy when mentioned around the council fires in the Indian Territory, was sufficient to deter the Indians from further raids into Texas. The Indians, like the Aztecs of Old Mexico, cannot meet the advancement of civilization, are slowly, but surely becoming extinct.—Dawson County News.

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The Deeds Recorded

SINCE OUR REPORT LAST WEEK

Sept. 25th J. B. and T. B. Hilton to Chas. L. Pickett and E. B. Penney southeast 1-4 Sur. 112, block 12, Cert. 625, consideration \$1,100.

March 1 W. H. Robinson to E. J. Ford west 1-2 of the southeast 1-4 of Sur. 482, block 1, Cert. 482, consideration \$1,250.

Jan. 31st, 1903 L. M. Openheimer and Jan. K. Doman to J. R. and G. A. Chambers section 461, block 1, land scrip 403, consideration \$1,820.

Sept. 3rd O. B. Atkinson to T. S. Atkinson Sur. 41, Cert. 657, consideration \$1,500.

Aug. 25th B. F. Easley to B. L. Shook west side of the N. W. 1-4 of sur. 126, block 12, Cert. 678, containing 120 acres, consideration \$1,500.

Bud Milliken and Joe Stokes returned Saturday from a trip to Big Springs and Colorado.

Mrs. W. T. Petty spent last Friday night with Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Roberts and the children returned home with her and spent Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Samford returned Sunday afternoon from a two days' trip to Borden county. Mr. Samford says the people down there are in much harder shape than in Lynn County.

Bro. Welch, the Christian pastor at Lubbock, preached Monday night at the Baptist church at this place to a appreciative audience. A Mr. Marshall, of somewhere, gave a short lecture, after Bro. Welch had finished his discourse, against secret orders and from what we hear he got all that was coming to him the next day from some of our citizens.

"A WOMAN HUNG"

Around her husband's neck and asked where he was going to buy his next paint bill.

Husband: Why from A. G. McAdams Lumber Co. of course. Why I can get the best paint on the market for \$1.75 per gallon.

Rev. C. M. Shuffler, who conducted the meeting here one year ago, and who is now Secretary of Church Extension in this, the Northwest Texas Conference, will preach at the Methodist church next Thursday night, October 14.

Elder Joe Newman, of Glenrose, will be here on Friday night before the Fourth Sunday in this month, and will conduct a series of services last about three days. Elder Newman is said to be one of the ablest preachers in the State of Texas. Every one is cordially invited to come and hear him.

Mrs. A. R. McGonagill spent the day Tuesday at the home of G. W. Harrison, of Edith community.

of the week in the place of Ira Fullerton who has resigned and will move his mother and her family from Lubbock to Vernon. We are all sorry to see Ira leave as he has given universal satisfaction and has made many friends here.

Honor Roll

The pupils of the Tahoka Public School that have not been absent or tardy during the month of September and have made an average grade of not less than 85 in their studies and have a depositment grade of 98, are as follows:

- RESCOLA MCDANIEL.
- PEARL ROBISON.
- LOUIE WEATHERS.

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DRUMMER JOE.

MRS. NELLIE G. JOHNSON.

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Now, good-bye." His voice grew feebler;
Fainter still his fluttering breath,
Till at last, beside his father
Drummer Joe lay, cold in death.
Side by side we left them lying,
With our flag above them laid,
Till amid the fragrant shadows,
Tender hands a grave had made.

Side by side we laid them in it,
And the earth upon them pressed.
Side by side we left them lying,
In their last long, peaceful rest.
Then the rough and hardened soldiers
Who had loved them both so well,
Knew that one must write the letter
That at home the news would tell.

Then old Sergeant Bill said, sadly,
"Boys, it might as well be me;
For our wives at home are neighbors,
Mary'll tell her best, you see."

So the Sergeant wrote the letter,
And it bore the news away,
Home to that poor wife and mother,
Of the deadly midnight fray;
And petitions that Our Father
Would, when it had reached her there,
Be her sure support and comfort,
Fell from lips unused to prayer.

Many years since then have vanished,
But their memory lingers yet;
And we often tell the story,
While our eyes with tears are wet,
How at midnight we were awakened
By the yelling of the foe;
How we buried them together--
Captain Jim, and Drummer Joe.

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