

TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR

Looking from the wall of an unrequented room, the dusty portrait sees dawn and evening twilight fade through the old lace curtains as time flows in the dried flume of an empty home. There is no longer the patter of young feet racing in the hallway or laughter and happy expectant voices echoing when the cool morning winds are blowing. Happiness and sorrow have had their growth in this stubble-field of life; and gentle eyes look from the portrait like a home-sick soul returned from paradise; as if memory could rebuild its precious shattered mold.

We loped along side by side, our horses breaking the silence with occasional, blubbery snorts as the heat rose from the swollen hills and the perfume of steamed sage pursued a timid wind. The old wagon road followed a divide between the canyons toward the west gate where two tall cedar posts, tied together at the tops, would let us out to the squat windmill in the long valley.

The moon was a thin piece of galvanized tin hanging in the hot sky and seemed so trivial after its glorious advent on the night before; I had held her hand as we sat on the ground on the white cottonwood log and watched the burnt gold flame over the trees. The delightful reverie caused me to remain in my saddle while my father dismounted and opened the gate, muttering something about the useless period in a boy's life.

Far from the churning surf of the sea, the small boat bobs on the narrow surface of a man-made lake, like a prisoner banished to solitude. I will never know the sweetness of a salt-laden breeze against the sail, nor the cushioned thud of a briny wharf on the bow; the rattle of heavy anchor chains as mighty ships prepare to hide beyond the horizon will not prod the spirit of wanderlust. The small boat's course is too cramped, like many lives which must forever drift in remote lakes, far removed from the more spacious seas.

The thin man coughed often as he sat in the blanket chair and there was a glassy madness in his eyes when he told the children of his plans to journey far into the verdant jungle and seek traces of a lost race. His waning body shook when he told of the roaring river which must be forded by the expedition that he would guide and he smiled at the thought of danger to feed his hungry heart. Later the children passed by the couch spread with white, smooth sheets and looked quickly at the adventurer who would not be able to tell them of his trek into eternity.

Of mornings he used to stand beside the dug-out door and look at the cool prairie like an emperor reviewing his domain, then he would lace his rough hunters boots and go back into the dirt-walled room. The words he would write, day after day, remained unpublished and unread until he could no longer procure paper or food.

Finally he sold the little tract of land and burned the unwanted manuscripts on the morning of his departure. Standing beside the door, he looked out across the prairie again like a condemned man viewing a final sunset, then strode through the smoking ashes of his work, and walked away; the blades of ambition and love have jagged edges.

Money may be the root of evil but the seed is sprouted in the dank cesspool of an idle heart.

My desires are crafty things, refusing the artificial rewards that may sometimes be obtained at the bargain-counters of luck without the extended procedure of effort.

The dangerous age in marriage is when a man will listen to any woman other than his wife tell him that his profile reminds her of some movie idol.

RETURN TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Compton and family, accompanied by Miss Hope Clements and her brother, Hen Houston left Matador Thursday for their home in Los Angeles California, after a brief visit here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Clements. They arrived here Wednesday from Mississippi, where they had visited other relatives.



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COURT HOUSE BOND ELECTION SET FOR SEPT. 10

STUDENTS TO REGISTER NEXT THURSDAY, FRI.

Registration date for Matador public school students is Thursday and Friday, September 1 and 2, instead of this Wednesday and Thursday as was erroneously stated in the Tribune last week.

Seniors are expected to enroll on Thursday morning, juniors that afternoon, sophomores on Friday morning, and freshmen Friday afternoon.

It is very important, according to school authorities, that students register at the time assigned in order to get in the right classes at the time they want them. Regular classes will start on Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

A special class in Public Speaking has been added to the curriculum, with high school credit offered. A small monthly tuition fee will be charged, and Mrs. Randall Whitworth will be the instructor. The class will be scheduled at a regular school period, and will be a part of the regular curriculum. The course may be substituted for a history course or for one of several other subjects.

Baptists Conclude Successful Meeting

Rev. H. M. Weldon, pastor of the First Baptist Church here, left Monday morning for Headley, after a successful two-weeks meeting was closed Sunday.

Rev. W. C. Ashford, of Abilene, and Tom Ed Vaughn, of Cooper, who conducted the meeting, also left Monday, for their respective homes.

Fourteen additions to the church were received during the revival meeting, with five candidates for baptism, who were baptized at the closing service Sunday night.

Rev. Weldon will conduct a two week's meeting at the Headley Baptist Church, with the assistance of the pastor, Rev. M. E. Wells.

Bro. C. Ross Payne of the Baptist congregation, will conduct the morning services both Sundays during Rev. Weldon's absence, and evening services will be dismissed for the Methodist Revival now in progress.

A delegation from Roaring Springs Baptist Church attended closing services Sunday night.

Hardin-Simmons To Miss Odis Crowell

Question marks of the coming grid season for Hardin-Simmons University, according to a news release received by The Tribune, will be Coach Kimbrough's success in finding replacements for such 1937 aces as Ed Cherry, fullback, and Odis Crowell, tackle, now Chicago Cardinal recruits.

Crowell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Crowell of Flomot, and a graduate of Matador High school where he starred in football, left last week for Chicago, Ill., to join the professional football team.

TO NEVADA

Bobby Echols, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Echols of this place, left Monday for Las Vegas, Nevada, where he will enter high school this fall. Bobby, an outstanding football player, will join the Las Vegas Wildcats for another season of football under Coach Harvey G. Stanford, formerly of Matador.

Mrs. Lottie Patton, who is taking a beauty course in Lubbock, visited here during the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carter.

Secretary



Mrs. M. S. Thacker, shown above, was elected secretary of the Motley-Dickens County Old Settlers Association last year. Wife of a prominent Roaring Springs merchant, Mrs. Thacker has been active during her term of office, and has done much to make this year's reunion a success.

Stores Will Close Today For Reunion

Crowd of 5000 Expected For Two Day Frolic

Matador and Roaring Springs merchants will close shop today in observance of Old Settlers Day at the Motley-Dickens County Old Settlers Reunion to be held at Roaring Springs today and tomorrow.

A crowd of around 5,000 is expected for the two-day get-together. The complete program of proceedings of the association is carried elsewhere in this issue.

Forty-year residents are to receive special badges. In addition to the regular program arranged for members of the Association, two dances, a carnival, skating and similar diversions have been arranged. Concessions operated on the grounds will provide food and drink.

C. C. Haile, of Afton, is president of the group, and Mrs. M. S. Thacker, of Roaring Springs, is secretary.

B. F. Tunnell, Jr. Makes All Star State Team

B. F. Tunnell, Jr., football letterman in M.H.S. for the last three years, was honored this week by his selection to play on the All-State Team at Wichita Falls on Labor Day, September 5.

Tunnell, son of the Superintendent of Schools, was informed of his selection to play in the State All-Star Classic, Monday evening. He will play guard, and begins training August 28, at Burk Burnett, under the tutelage of Volney Hill, State Class B champion coach.

The All-Star classic is sponsored by the Shriner (Maskat) Temple of Wichita Falls.

Tunnell graduated this spring after playing his first year at center, and the last two years at guard. He was selected as an all-district guard in December by coaches of District 4B, and was co-captain of the Matadors.

The Panhandle area will furnish one other guard and two tackles. Littlefield and Slaton, of the Lubbock district, will each furnish a man.

BIRD WELL SHOWS OIL

Black Gold Spurts Fifty Feet Over Dickens County

The J. F. Morrissey No. 1 Bird, on the C. D. Bird Ranch ten miles west of Spur came in Monday afternoon after a thousand gallon acid treatment, at 2,556 feet. The swab was blown out of the hole because of pressure, and black oil spurted for 50 or 60 feet until it was brought under control.

No estimate of production is available as yet. Exact location is in the southwest quarter of section 290, H. & G. N. survey, block No. 1, about a mile and a half from the Crosby county line.

LARGE CROWDS ATTEND M. E. REVIVAL

Unusually large attendance was noted at the opening of the Methodist summer revival this week. Rev. C. R. Hooten, pastor of the First Methodist Church at Plainview, and Rev. Frank Beauchamp, of McAdoo, who is in charge of young people's work and music, arrived late Monday afternoon to conduct the meeting.

Rev. D. D. Denison, pastor, was in charge of morning and evening services Sunday, and of the Monday morning service.

Matador merchants are closing their doors each morning from 10 to 11 o'clock, during morning services.

The Junior Choir meets twice daily, at 9:30 in the morning for special study and practice, and at 7:45 in the evening. Also, Intermediate and the Young People's groups are meeting each evening before regular preaching services.

A cordial invitation is extended to the general public to attend both morning and evening services.

ERRATUM

The Tribune wishes to correct two news stories appearing in August 18th issue:

The article regarding the fire loss in the farm home of Jerry Birchfield, declared to have resulted from an oil-burning refrigerator, was incorrect. The refrigerator did not explode, in fact it is so constructed that it would be impossible to cause a fire, being passed by the Underwriter's Laboratories. There was no fire loss. The Tribune regrets that its source of information was not reliable and that this correction is necessary.

Also, we wish to correct an error in last week's issue regarding the selection of W. F. Jacobs as Red Cross chairman. Mr. Jacobs was selected as Roll Call chairman to replace Vernon Doss and not as Motley county chairman, as the article stated. Homer Sheats, for many years a leader of Red Cross work in this county, remains in the position of county chairman.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Donovan announce the arrival of a daughter, weighing 8 pounds, 3 1/2 ounces, born at 11:55 Monday morning, August 22, at Lubbock sanitarium.

PRESIDENT



C. C. HAILE

Ramrod and president of the Old Settlers Association for the past eight years, Columbus Haile has lived in Dickens County for 41 years. Mr. Haile, at the tender age of 21, arrived in this section by covered wagon from Throckmorton County, in 1897, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Haile, five brothers and a sister. The pioneer family settled one mile south of Afton, where they homesteaded. Materials for their first home were freighted, by four-horse teams, from Seymour. The carpenter imported from there for the construction of the house decided to stay. He was W. M. Winkler. On July 8, 1898, Mr. Haile went to work for the Matador Land and Cattle Company. The next year he married Miss Ethel Roddy, a Throckmorton county girl, on Christmas day. The couple then settled near Afton, and since that time Mr. Haile has led the typical western existence, through cowpunching, business enterprises, farming, until today he has one of the most modern stock farms in this area.

Seven Offices On Ballot For Saturday Vote

Less than a third as many absentee ballots have been cast in this county for the August 27 primary, a strong indication that voting will be slight Saturday. Less than 30 absentee votes had been received late Tuesday, in contrast with nearly a hundred before the first primary in July.

The 121st district race between R. A. (Allen) Harp of Motley Co., and Bob Alexander, incumbent, of Childress County, for the office of State Representative is the only contested office in this area. In the state, only six offices are to be filled; they are Lieutenant-Governor, Pierce Brooks and Coke R. Stephenson; for Attorney General, Gerald C. Mann and Walter Wood-ull; Associate Justice of Supreme Court, Richard Critz and W. H. Davidson; Judge of Court of Criminal Appeals (unexpired term), Harry N. Graves and James A. Stephens; Railroad Commissioner, C. V. Terrell and Jerry Sadler; Commissioner of General Land Office, William H. McDonald and Bascom Giles.

ATTEND REUNION

J. R. Whitworth drove to Plainview Tuesday evening to attend a reunion of Seth Ward College students. Other former students of the college from Motley county, who planned to attend the reunion, were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burleson and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tilson, of Whiteflat, and Luther Turner, of Flomot.

FOR SALE: Dollars At 25c Each

Those interested in the above sale will apply at the polls in Motley county on September 10th and vote in favor of the court house bond issue.

If Motley county needs a new court house or if a new building will be needed within the next ten years, then the home-owners, the tax-payers who live in Motley county, will favor the bond issue submitted for their consideration by the Commissioners' Court.

More than fifty-five per cent of the taxable property in the county is owned by non-residents who pay more than half of the taxes. With the Federal government making an outright gift of fifty-five per cent, figures show that the people who live in Motley county need pay only 24.75 cents of every dollar spent for a new building. With labor being one of the greatest costs in the construction of a building, it is probable that Motley county people would receive back in actual cash for labor, more than they pay. Opportunity can become impatient.

FIRE DESTROYS TUDOR HOME

Flames which broke out in the six-room duplex house owned by Mrs. Annie Tudor, Monday shortly after noon, virtually destroyed the interior, in spite of fire-fighting efforts of the Matador Volunteer Firemen. Furnishings were either burned up or badly damaged by water and smoke.

The house was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Arvil Craven and Mr. and Mrs. Algie Groves. Origin of the blaze was believed to have been the explosion of a hot water heater. Mrs. Craven was the only occupant of the house at the time.

Stifling white smoke, unusually thick, intensified difficulties of fire fighters, and made breathing difficult over a two-block area. Two hose streams were played on the structure for over 45 minutes.

The house, which was built in 1926, was only partially covered by insurance. Plans for rebuilding have not been announced.

POISON STATION TO BE CLOSED

With lessening of grasshopper damage, the headquarters for poison maintained here will be open only on Monday of each week for the next three weeks, and will be closed on September 12.

It is desired that old grasshoppers be poisoned to prevent them from laying eggs for next year. At present, the best place to put out poison is along turn rows and ditches, because they are the thickest there, according to the County Agent's office.

Each female hopper lays about 100 eggs, so that each hopper killed will mean 100 less grasshoppers next year, it was pointed out.

MOVE TO EL PASO

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jinkins and daughter, Kitty Jeanette, left Monday for El Paso, Texas, where they have planned to make their home.

The change of residence was necessitated because of the health of both Mrs. Jinkins and her daughter.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Property Owners To Decide Upon New County Structure \$80,000 Issue

Large Project To Provide Labor

The fate of Motley county's proposed new court house will rest with the tax-payers on September 10th, according to a bond election order appearing in this issue of The Tribune. The election ordered by the Commissioners' Court is for \$80,000, to mature serially within 25 years or less, and to bear 4 per cent interest.

Prompt action of the court was required in order to secure the benefit of the 45 per cent PWA grant in event the taxpayers favor construction of the new building. It is estimated that arrangements might be advanced to the point where construction of the new court house could be started about the first of January, providing it is the will of the people to favor the passage of bonds.

SMALL COST TO RESIDENTS
Some very interesting figures were brought to light yesterday regarding the actual cost to residents in building a new building. Of the four and one-half millions dollars valuation of this county, over two and one-half millions dollars worth of Motley county property is owned by non-resident tax-payers. Over fifty-five per cent of the taxes paid into the coffers of Motley county are paid by firms and individuals who are non-residents. With the government making an outright gift of 45 per cent, the actual cost of a new court house for Motley county would be less than 25 cents for every dollar used from the pockets of residents. Since much labor will be paid to local residents, it is probable that the 25 cents out of every dollar paid by local residents, would be returned in wages, thus deserving the consideration of every tax-payer going to the polls on September 10th.

Motley And Dickens Scout Area Formed

For the purpose of planning and organizing Motley and Dickens counties into the Eastern District of the South Plains Boy Scout Council, a group of scout officials met for a picnic-meeting at Roaring Springs Monday night.

George Link of Spur, was elected district chairman, and Lyndon Grant, Council executive, of Lubbock, assisted in the meeting.

Motley county has been a part of the northeast district, along with Floyd county. Crosby county will now join Floyd in the northeast district.

Plans were made for a court of honor September 13, temporary officers were elected for the remainder of the year, and the fall program of activities was outlined. Ned Hogan, of Spur, was chairman in charge of the meeting.

Those in attendance, some of whom were accompanied by their wives, included: from Spur, Ned Hogan, O. L. Thomas, Geo. Link, R. A. Taylor, L. Lee, Luther Powell, Cecil Fox, Dick Lewis, A. M. Walker and J. R. Laine; from Matador, U. L. Willie, Henry Pipkin, Vernon Craven, Roy Smith, Jeff Daffern, L. R. Bishop and C. E. Pitts; from Dickens, Johnnie Koonsman, and W. H. Parks; and Mr. Grant from Lubbock.

COUNTY AGENT HOME
County Agent Frank A. Buckley, who has been attending a three-weeks' extension course at A. and M. College, returned home Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Buckley and their small son, Bruce, who visited relatives at Lockhart.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce the following names for public office, subject to the Democratic Election, August 27, 1938.

For State Representative, 121st District
R. A. Harp
Bob Alexander, re-election

OF THE EDITION:

Forgiveness, which is said to be divine, is the Tribune's plea on publication of this special edition. The staff has been faced with the problem of collecting data about several hundred people in two short weeks, so that there will no doubt be errors which, to the individual concerned, will stand out in bold type. Bear with The Tribune, and we'll try to explain that the majority of the dates were secured from record books of the Old Settlers Association; others were dug out from old files of the paper; and still others were ascertained from individuals who offered their generous assistance in the work.

Also, it is inevitable that many worthy old-timers will not find their names in these pages. For that, too, we plead the press of time; the rolls of the Association were used, and supplemented by suggestions of interested friends, and from research in old files.

Only the Surface
The staff has done its best. If the readers will endeavor to condone our failings this time, the Tribune pledges itself to spend months on the next edition. We have only skimmed the surface of Motley and Dickens County history this time. Many old-timers who deserved more space were barely mentioned, and in the not too distant future The Tribune plans to publish a comprehensive, accurate, and we hope, valuable compilation of historical data for this area.
Co-operation of both contributors and advertisers has been splendid. Many readers have dropped by the office to give information; pictures have been generously loaned. All this we sincerely appreciate.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF COURTHOUSE BONDS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS :
COUNTY OF MOTLEY :

TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF MOTLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID COUNTY, AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 10th day of September, 1938, within the County of Motley, and State of Texas, to determine whether or not bonds shall be issued by said County in the amount of \$80,000.00, for the purpose of erecting a County Courthouse in said County, and whether or not ad valorem taxes shall be levied annually on all taxable property in said County, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof at maturity, in obedience to an ELECTION ORDER passed by the Commissioners' Court of Motley County, Texas, on the 19th day of August, 1938, and which said order is in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

ELECTION ORDER
WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of the County of Motley, Texas, deems it advisable to submit to the resident qualified electors of said County, who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, the proposition for the issuance of Courthouse Bonds and the levy of taxes in payment thereof; therefore,

BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF MOTLEY COUNTY, TEXAS:

That an election be held in said County on the 10th day of September, 1938, which date is not less than fifteen (15) nor more than thirty (30) days from the date of the adoption of this order, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the qualified electors, who own taxable property in said County and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, for their action thereupon:

"SHALL the Commissioners' Court of the County of Motley, Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of said County in the total principal sum of \$80,000.00, to mature serially within any given number of years not to exceed 25 years from the date thereof, bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed 4% per annum, and to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal thereof at maturity, for the erection of a County Courthouse, pursuant to authority conferred by Chapters 1 and 2, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925 Compilation?"

ALL VOTERS who are legally qualified voters of said Motley County, Texas, and who are resident property taxpayers of said County and who have duly rendered their property for taxation, shall be entitled to vote at said election; and the said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapters 1 and 2, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925 Compilation, and the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas.

THE BALLOTS for said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
"For the Issuance of Courthouse Bonds and the Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes in Payment Thereof."

"Against the Issuance of Courthouse Bonds and the Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes in Payment Thereof."

EACH VOTER shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his or her vote.

THE POLLING places and presiding officers of said election shall be, respectively, as follows:

- MATADOR, Voting Precinct Number 1, at the CITY HALL, H. K. G. M. Birchfield, Election Judge, W. T. Patton, Assistant Judge, and Mrs. Carl Tardy and Mrs. Geo. Birchfield, Clerks.
- MATADOR Voting Precinct Number 1, at the CIT HALL, H. K. Ford, Election Judge, Frank Pohl, Assistant Judge, and Mrs. Ethel Payne and Mrs. W. N. Pipkin, Clerks.
- FAIRVIEW, Voting Precinct Number 1, at the SCHOOL HOUSE, E. D. Lawrence, Election Judge, Price Beauchamp, Assistant Judge, and Mrs. W. E. Ballard and Mrs. Marvin Bloodworth, Clerks.
- WHITEFLAT, Voting Precinct Number 2, at the SCHOOL HOUSE, W. L. McWilliams, Election Judge, H. M. Murphy, Assistant Judge, and Mrs. Luther Jameson and Mrs. W. L. McWilliams, Clerks.
- FLOMOT, Voting Precinct Number 2, at the SCHOOL HOUSE, R. H. Tanner, Election Judge, Bob Morris, Assistant Judge, and Van Martin and Harvey Webb, Clerks.
- FOLLEY, Voting Precinct Number 2, at the SCHOOL HOUSE, Willie Meyers, Election Judge, J. R. Nall, Assistant Judge, and Tom Barbee and Smith Purdy, Clerks.
- NORTHFIELD, Voting Precinct Number 3, at the SCHOOL HOUSE, O. F. Etheredge, Election Judge, D. T. Florence, Assistant Judge, and Nina Kincannon and May Florence, Clerks.
- DARDEN CANYON, Voting Precinct Number 4, at the SCHOOL HOUSE, L. A. Stearns, Election Judge, J. F. Bridges, Assistant Judge, and Elmo Kingery and W. J. Hicks, Clerks.
- UNION CORNER, Voting Precinct Number 4, at the HAMILTON'S RESIDENCE, A. B. Hamilton, Election Judge, James Hollar, Assistant Judge, and W. F. Morris and Lewis Hodgins, Clerks.
- ROARING SPRINGS, Voting Precinct Number 4, at the WOMACK BUILDING, H. W. Keahey, Election Judge, L. H. Smith, Assistant Judge, and Mrs. W. T. Patton, Jr. and Herman Havis, Clerks.

FSA Is Eager To Aid Mothers Of School Pupils

School bells will soon be ringing again, and are ringing in some communities, and youngsters will leave behind another vacation time as they tread the path leading to education, and greater usefulness.

Just now mothers are busy preparing clothes so that Johnnie and Mary and Tommie and Sue will be comfortably and neatly dressed. Shoes that are still wearable are being repaired. Gay print dresses are being made. Shirts, underwear and hose are being sorted, mended and neatly folded as mothers make sure each child has sufficient clothing to meet all his needs.

In many homes, however, money is scarce and mothers find it necessary to make over old clothing and do the very best with what they have. It is in such homes as these that the Farm Security Administration is seeking to help, according to Mrs. Juanita G. Butler, Home Management Supervisor, with office in the Court House.

Mrs. Butler says she is eager to assist mothers with their problems of remodeling and repairing old clothes and the construction of new garments. She also offers advice on economical buying of new clothes and materials.

Another important factor in the lives of school children is that of adequate and balanced meals. It will be necessary for many boys and girls to carry lunches to school. Mothers are especially interested in preparing appetizing and nourishing foods to supply the needed energy for healthy, growing children.

Mrs. Butler says she has many helpful suggestions for preparing school lunches, such as home-made cheese, uses for home canned food, tasty breads and attractive sandwiches which will insure a variety as days run into weeks and weeks move into months.

The Farm Security Administration is anxious to assist parents in making it possible for them to give their children every advantage of the country's public school system. Persons desiring detailed information should immediately contact their nearest rural rehabilitation office, a part of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Citation:

ESTATE OF LILLIE N. LAZARUS, DECEASED. NO. 283.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed an application for authority to execute a lease for the purpose of drilling, mining and operating for oil and gas, upon the following described real estate belonging to said Estate, to-wit:

1st. Tract: The west half of the southeast quarter of survey No. 8, Certificate No. 150, Block 04, W. T. Ry. Co. grant, in Motley county, Texas, containing 80 acres more or less.

2nd. Tract: 69.2 acres, being all of the south half of survey No. 1, Block 04, W. T. Ry. Co. grant, in Motley county, Texas, lying west of the old Motley county Ry. right of way, and situated in the south west corner of said survey, which application will be heard by the County Court of Cottle county, Texas, in which court administration is pending upon the estate of Lillie N. Lazarus, deceased, at the court house in Paducah, Cottle county, Texas, at 9 o'clock, A. M. on the 5th day of September, A. D. 1938.

Witness my hand, this 22nd day of August, 1938.
Chas. H. Sommer
Administrator with will annexed, Estate of Lillie N. Lazarus, deceased.

TERRELL IS EX-COWBOY



No, this is not a picture of a West Texas cowboy heading for the Motley-Dickens Counties Old Settlers reunion, at Roaring Springs, it's just Judge C. V. Terrell, chairman of the Texas Railroad commission, ex-cowboy, of Wise county, but now busy riding to what he hopes will be victory in next Saturday's election.

Judge Terrell is shown astride the horse he rode at the Stamford Cowboy reunion last month, and last year. He has been invited to ride his favorite Jones county steed again at the annual oil men's show at Stamford Thursday of this week, but has declined because of his campaigning for re-election.

Watkins Co. Is Offering Prizes In New Contest

Cash prizes of \$10,500, a Lincoln Zephyr sedan and five Ford coaches are to be given away to Watkins Product customers in a contest opening September 1, and continuing 90 days. L. B. Boling, Watkins representative in this area, who has recently moved from Daugherty to Roaring Springs, announced the contest this week in an ad in the Tribune. A label from Watkins vanilla, or a facsimile is to be submitted, along with a 25 word letter on why the user prefers the particular Watkins product.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mr. J. W. Hobb entertained a group of friends and relatives Sunday, with a dinner in celebration of the 65th birthday of her mother, Mrs. T. R. Fuston, of Turkey.
Relatives and close friends, numbering twenty-four were guests for the occasion, and came from Hall and Briscoe counties, joining those from this county.

CONDITION IMPROVED

Mrs. L. A. Stearns, who is ill in the Traweck hospital here, is reported to be in a slightly improved condition.

Mrs. Stearns' sister, Mrs. Laura Faulkner, of Post, and two brothers, Charlie Burrus, of Abilene and Edd Burrus, with his wife, of Olton, visited her during the latter part of the week.

Also visiting her during the week-end was Mrs. Stearns' brother, J. G. Stearns, of Melrose, New Mexico.

Arthur Stearns, of Meadow, and Claude Stearns, of Houston, are still here at their mother's bedside.

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Allen Harp REPLIES

Mr. Bob Alexander, Childress, Texas.
Dear Sir:

I can assure you, Mr. Alexander, that I want to be as nice to you as you are to me. I am sorry if I spoke of you in a harsh manner. The things that I said were prompted by the things that I saw. You challenged me on but one point in your advertisement. That was whether or not House Joint Resolution No. 6 amended the Constitution in regard to the old age pension. You cannot deny that House Joint Resolution No. 6 had as its purpose the amending of the Constitution to provide for the payment of old age pensions in Texas. You cannot deny that 115 members of the House of Representatives voted for it and that 13 voted against it and you were one of the 13 — but you have already explained that. As for submitting something to disinterested parties I will say that I will submit nothing to people who are disinterested. I am taking my message to the people of District 121 who are interested.

Now, Mr. Alexander, I want to be fair with you so I am not going to bring up any new issues since it is too late for you to answer them through the columns of the newspaper. But since it is not an issue but a fact, I don't think it unfair to suggest that you explain to those of your friends whom you chance to see, why you were absent, unexcused, 602 times when a vote was taken during the 191 days that the Legislature was in session last year. I would be glad to hear from you again at any time.

Sincerely,
ALLEN HARP

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES
Jesus opened the blinded eyes. He unstopped the deaf ears. He healed the sick. He raised the

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It never says, "Can I stop here?" "Have I done my share?" It is a characteristic of love to be doing always more than is expected or required. Love goes the second mile and counts it not a weary thing to go ten thousand more. This is what religion of the second mile does for men. It brings heart enlistment. It causes us to serve, not because we must, but because we will, because we love and therefore delight to do the will of the one we love.

Many of us have attended the revival meetings during the last few weeks. Our hearts have been stirred. Our opportunities as well as our duties have been brought to our attention. Will we heed the admonition? Do we love our fellow men? Will we go the second mile?

Mr. and Mrs. Casey Jones are spending a few days in Dallas and Fort Worth.

Mrs. J. A. Goodwin, of Lubbock, visited here last week.

M. E. Franklin has moved his family to his farm in the Flag Springs community.

Jess Jenkins, of Turkey, was visiting here Monday. Mr. Jenkins was well-known to the early residents of Roaring Springs.

Since leaving here in 1917 he has been engaged in the dry goods business in Turkey and Memphis.

Miss Imogene Smith, who has been attending McMurray College at Abilene this summer, has returned home for a few days.

Jack Mazey, of Iowa Park, visited here over the week-end.

Miss Lula Mae Swim has returned from McLean where she visited for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Miller returned Friday from a trip to Van Alstyne and Waxahachie. Wanda, who spent the summer in Waxahachie, returned with them.

Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Bristow made a business trip to Lubbock on Wednesday.

Miss Rosalind Mitchell and Mr. Mike Parrents, from Lubbock, visited in the home of J. D. Mitchell, Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Ward and granddaughter, Virgie Lee Wright, visited last week in the home of her mother, Mrs. M. E. Turner.

Miss Tressie Godfrey, of Matador, was a week-end visitor in the home of her brother, G. L. Godfrey.

J. P. Moss and family, of Ralls, spent the week-end in the home of L. E. Cooper. Mrs. Cooper re-

turned with them to their home to spend a few days.

Willard Wood and family went to Sacramento, New Mexico, last Wednesday. They will make their home there.

Miss Urcle Budd, of Vernon, is visiting Mrs. Ralph Fletcher.

Tommy Kennedy, of Cee Vee, visited in the home of Homer Kingery, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fletcher visited in Vernon and Childress last week.

A. F. Rice and wife and daughter, Doy, of Fort Worth, visited relatives here last week.

Rev. H. C. Bristow returned Sunday afternoon from Richland, New Mexico, where he has been conducting a revival.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH DEDICATION

Sunday will be a happy day for the membership of the Christian Church. There will be four services; Sunday School at 10 a.m.; Preaching at 11 a.m.; Dedication at 3 p.m.; and Preaching at the evening hour.

The public is invited to all of these services, especially to the afternoon service, the program for which is given below.

Song. Invocation, Rev. Joe Frederick, Spur. Special Song, Quartette. Scripture and prayer, Rev. Johnston, Floydada. Solo, J. L. Sechrist. Sermon, Rev. Pat Henry, Ft. Worth. Report of Finance Committee. An appreciation, Dr. J. F. Hughes, Chr. Bldg. Com. Sunday School Pledge, J. R. Meason. Ladies Pledge, Mrs. G. W. Green. Dedication vows, Doxology. Benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Groves and son, L. C., were to leave today for a week's vacation at Ruidosa, New Mexico.

M. H. C. C. and D. L. Carpenter visited in Littlefield Tuesday.

Miss Cathryn Naugle has been elected to teach Physical Education in Roscoe High School.

J. L. Spears made a business trip to Lubbock Wednesday.

Mrs. E. E. Moss and sons, James and Hoyle Gene, of Lubbock, visited her father and sister, W. J. Hoyle and Mrs. M. S. Thacker last week. Ennis Moss, Jr., who had been visiting here for several days, returned home with them.

Mr. Clyde Henderson, of Plainview is visiting here for a few days.

Mrs. Guy Thacker and Miss Juanita Thacker visited in Lubbock Wednesday and Thursday.

J. M. Carpenter has as guests, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Carpenter and his brother, C. C. Carpenter and wife and children, C. J., and Patsy Ruth, all from Oakalla in Burnet county.

Joyce Thacker and James Moss visited Robert Meacham, Jr., at Paducah, Wednesday.

Miss Myrna Joye Thacker, of Lubbock, daughter of G. B. Thacker, Jr., is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Thacker.

MRS. LETTIE HALL DIES WEDNESDAY AT ROARING SPRINGS

Mrs. Lettie Hall of Roaring Springs died at her home there Wednesday morning. Born November 26, 1886, Mrs. Hall is survived by her brothers and sisters, and by the following children: Clarence, Lloyd, Dorman, Carl, Dalton, and Dessie Lou. Mr. Hall died February 9, 1930.

Funeral services will be held today, August 25, at the Roaring Springs Baptist Church, with Rev. H. C. Bristow, pastor, in charge, at 9:00 a. m.

Rev. Ray Stevens and Joe Williams, of Afton, who are conducting a revival at Dobbs City, were in Roaring Springs Monday afternoon.

John Turner, Miss Mary Turner, Mrs. S. D. Hunter and Turner, visited in Wichita Falls Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. S. L. Thompson and Mrs. Nannie Turner returned Sunday from Paris, where they have been visiting during the past five weeks.

J. T. Swim and wife made a business trip to Shamrock and McLean last week.

Willard Masey visited in Iowa Park last week.

Mrs. T. A. Majors, of Quanah, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Cruze on Tuesday.

FIRST BAPTIST NEWS

Sunday brought us another inspirational Sunday School report—one that should be a great challenge to each of us individually who is making no effort to bring someone to Sunday School. If each of us felt his responsibility as he should, our report each Sunday School would be a glorious one and the work accomplished there would very soon result in obvious benefits to our entire community. Of course we're all busy with our daily tasks, but it takes such a small effort to invite even one person to Sunday School—and let us not think our personal invitation will do no good until we have tried at least three times. It is a grand experience to do something we thought couldn't be done.

Next Sunday our lesson is on Christian Fatherhood and contains some lasting lessons. We urge every Baptist to be present Sunday and to be on the job during the week.—Reporter.

Fred Dawson and family and Mrs. I. R. Yandell and children, of Floydada, visited relatives in Cooper last week.

Miss Wanda Cornell is visiting in Paducah this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Fletcher and son visited in Levelland and Post last week.

Messrs. Fred King, Polk Cooper, Harold Freeman and Clark Forbis spent several days last week on a fishing trip in Devil's River.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Galloway, of Porterville, Calif., are visiting the Fred Dawson and Ralph Fletcher families.

W. C. King and son, Dale, are visiting in Corpus Christi.

COLUMNIST LAUDS MEADOR

Hooray and seven ki-yi-yippies! for the good horse sense of those West Texas newspaper folks are still displaying. Having had Mary Whitley Dunbar for the president of their West Texas Press Association it would take a stepper to follow her so Doug Meador, whose "Trail Dust" is one of the outstanding columns I read, was elected as the new press president. Meador is the editor of the Matador Tribune and a widely known character. As O. O. McIntyre endeared himself to millions through his little peeps at New York, Doug Meador writes of the plains and prairies of this vast empire we know as the old Southwest and I imagine he has staked out a claim in the hearts of most of his readers. We're predicting Doug does a swell job of acting like a president.—Tipton (Okla.) Tribune.

"I train dogs" says the sign on a little pushcart in Austin and the owner proves it, for he has a big German police dog showing the cart and a white cat, curled up asleep, is the passenger.

Austin has a laughing newsboy. He is a little Mexican and he shouts the most blood-curdling headlines, while he seems to be immensely amused. The more horriific the tidings, the broader his grin.

Miss Zona Beth Faulkner, of Childress, Home Economics teacher of Matador High School, was here Saturday, August 20, for the purpose of inspecting summer projects which were started by pupils taking a summer course in that subject. An Achievement Day program was held in connection with the tour of inspection, and the girls will receive a half credit in economics for their summer work.

Those who worked on summer projects were, Kara Hunsucker, who redecorated a basement bedroom, Myrnavae Barkley, Lela Carpenter and Frances Stearns, who improved their wardrobes, and Marion Clements, who decorated an out-door living room on the back lawn of her home.

Miss Faulkner also conducted an adult class in clothing construction during the month she remained in Matador following the close of school. Classes were held each day and those attending included Mesdames Bill Pipkin, Bob Echols, Frank Pohl, Tom Newman, W. M. Graham, Alvin Stearns, J. L. Barkley, Arvil Craven, John Russell, and Misses Dorothy Echols and Lorene Fryar. Fifteen different lessons were taught and reviewed throughout the course.

Miss Faulkner was the guest during the week-end of Mesdames Tom Newman and Margaret Newman, returning to Childress Sunday afternoon.

VISITORS HERE

Relatives who visited here during the week-end in the D. A. Fulkerson home, to be with Mrs. Fulkerson who is critically ill, included, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Thornton and Earnest Thornton all of Idalou; Mrs. W. U. Riggles and family of Floydada; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fulkerson and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shayne and family all of Wichita Falls; Dalton and Lewis Carr of Paducah.

Messrs Oscar Fulkerson of Amarillo and A. T. Fulkerson of Amarillo, sons of Mrs. Fulkerson, together with their families were also here during the week-end.

RETURN FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fryar returned home Tuesday from a trip to Louisiana which included a visit at Bunkie, with their daughter and husband. Mr. and Mrs.

F. F. Calhoun, who accompanied them on a week-end visit to New Orleans.

They were accompanied on the trip by Miss Dorothy Echols, and en route home they stopped at Ft. Worth where they attended the Casa Manana, Monday evening.

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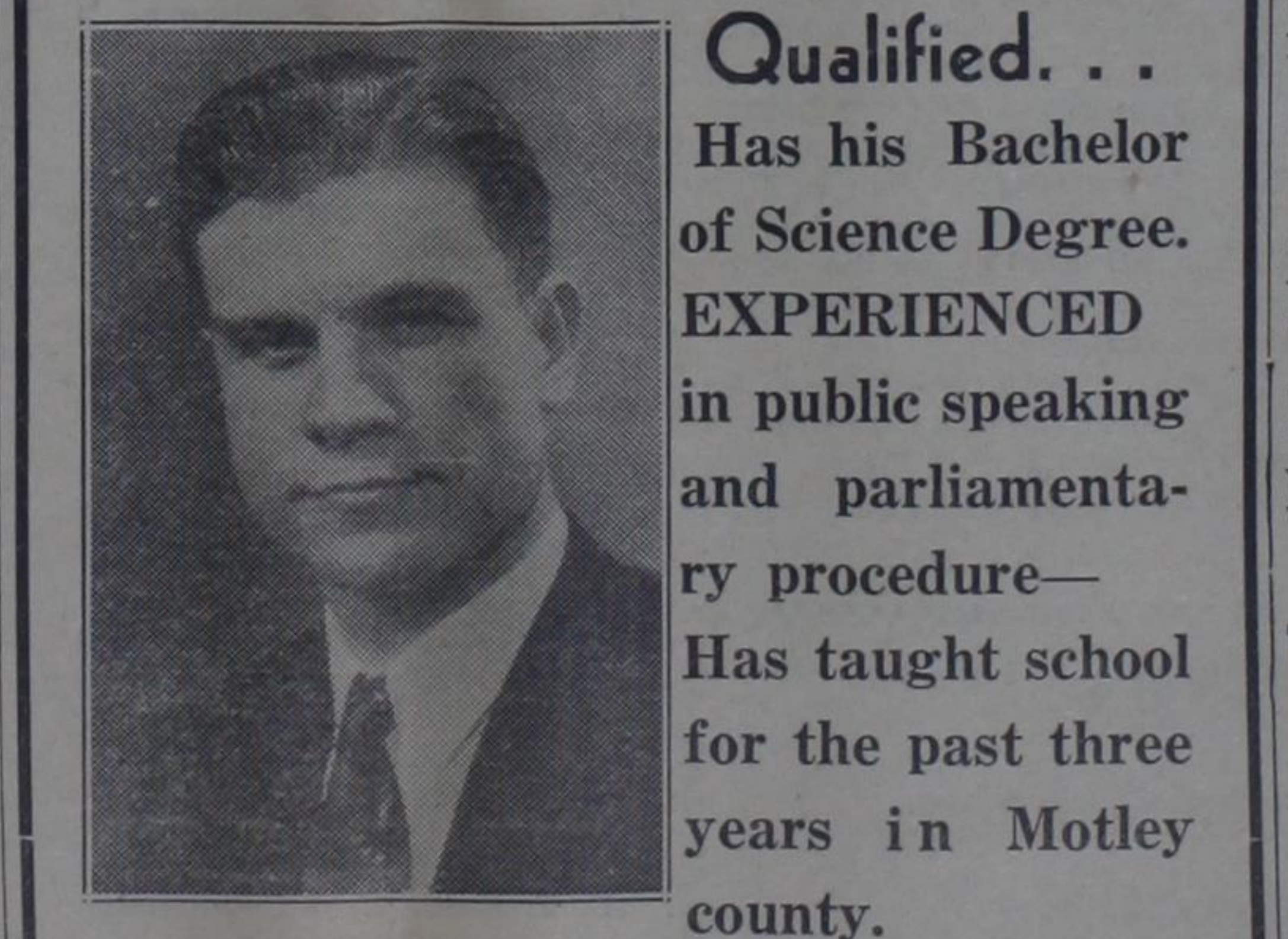
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Old Settlers First Met In Fall Of 1923

The Motley-Dickens County Old Settlers Association was thought of and carried out by Mrs. Charlie Bird and Mrs. John Smith. In August of 1923, the first reunion was held at Roaring Springs. John Smith, the oldest settler present, had come to Motley County on Christmas Day, in 1879.

Yarns about the old days, and music by the Matador Band, made up the program. A basket dinner was enjoyed, and later a permanent organization was set up, with Charlie Bird as president and Mrs. Smith as secretary.

Members of the first committee on place and arrangements were Pat Jinkins, F. M. Clifton, Walter Reeves, George Dodson, and B. G. Warswick.

Members of the memorial committee were D. C. Kieth, Joe Poteet and Mrs. J. H. Smith.

Since the first meeting, the Association and Reunion have grown with the country, until last year several thousand people attended the two-day gathering. The Association has built and paid for a tabernacle, which they will use permanently, with plenty of seats and a piano. Amusements have changed since 1923, so that in recent years carnivals, dances, rodeos, roping contests and baseball have been added to the program, contrasting with the early programs of talks and music and eating.

But the spreading out has not changed the essential nature of the organization. The nucleus of the get-together is still the old-timers, who enjoy their memories while their children and grandchildren make merry.

Memorial Is Solemn Part Of Reunion

Solemn memorial services will open the Old Settlers Reunion at Roaring Springs today, as old timers gather for a brief hour dedicated to the memory of pioneer residents who have died since the last reunion.

Residents of Motley County who will be included, are: Mrs. B. F. Johnson, 80, of Roaring Springs; E. W. Edwards, 78, Roaring Springs; Mrs. W. E. Ashford, 62, Northfield; C. L. Glenn, 82, Matador; C. H. Watson, 73, Whiteflat; John H. Pirtle, 78, Flomot; John W. Barming, 78, Matador; B. F. Smith, 64, Matador; Edd Mowery, 68, Roaring Springs; Jas. E. Smith, 77, Roaring Springs; Mrs. Melvin Cantrel, 43, Matador; D. W. Morris, 54, Roaring Springs; W. R. Tilson, 79, Whiteflat; G. W. Siegler, 69, Northfield; F. M. Jinkins, Matador, 72; Mrs. Margaret Amy Vaughn, 75, Matador; Annie Lee Phelps, 61, Dumont; J. A. Groves, 63, Matador; W. R. Womack, Matador; J. L. Moore, 85, Matador; C. Cartwright, 62, Matador; J. D. Morris, Whiteflat; and Lon Bivens, Matador.

Dickens County residents who will be similarly honored are: Dr. J. N. Haney, James A. McClelland, W. D. Robinson, J. E. Montgomery, Ophelia Moore Hall, Maggie B. Winkler, J. E. Arthur, Grenberry Woffard, D. R. Curry, E. T. Varnell, and Hans C. Peterson.

Dr. Frank Cole returned Sunday to his duties at the Hendrix Memorial hospital at Abilene, after spending the week-end here with Mrs. Cole and her father, Judge W. R. Cammack.

Program For Sixteenth Old Settlers Reunion

THURSDAY—OLD SETTLERS DAY

- 10:45—Memorial Service—Rev. M. M. Young, of Spur, and Rev. E. L. Naugle, of Roaring Springs.
- Song Service—J. L. Sechrist, Roaring Springs.
- Prayer—W. W. Webb, of TeePee Flat.
- 12:30—Goat Roping Contest.
- 1:45—Musical Program by Brown Brothers' String Orchestra.
- 2:00—Welcome Address by C. B. Whitten, of Matador; Response by Geo. S. Link, of Spur.
- Dedication Service by G. E. Hamilton, of Matador and Judge A. J. Fires, of Childress.
- 3:30—Early Day Experiences by 40-year residents.
- 4:00—Baseball Game.
- 6:00—Amateur Hour for young people up to 21, with cash prize.

FRIDAY

- 11:00—Fiddlers Contest.
- 12:30—Goat Roping Contest.
- 2:00—Address by C. L. Harris. Home Talent Musical Program.
- 4:00—Double-header Baseball Game. Business Meeting.

DEBT REDUCTION FOR FARMERS TO BE SOUGHT

Farm Debt Adjustment Supervisor Peter F. Murray, of the Farm Security Administration, is anxious to meet with farmers in the county in an effort to secure debt reduction or obtain an extension of time on current obligations. Landowners now having trouble meeting land payments are invited to use the Debt Adjustment service offered by the FSA.

Mr. Murray works with the local supervisor, Claude C. Carpenter, in securing debt information; then a local committee of farmers recommend reductions on old notes, where the collateral has depreciated to a point below the value of said note. At other times it is possible to secure an extension of time on notes now due, whereby farmers may keep their livestock, equipment or land and pay out at the next harvest. The Debt Adjustment service is offered any and all farmers in the county in need of the service.

Savings to farmers in Region 12 of the Farm Security Administration through its Farm Debt Adjustment service amounted to \$1,736,826, during the last fiscal year according to a report received this week by Mr. Carpenter from L. H. Hauter, Regional Director of this Federal Agency in Amarillo.

ACCEPTS POSITION

Mrs. Ray Patton, who recently returned home from Austin, where she completed a course in beauty culture, has accepted a position as operator in the City Beauty Shop, owned by Mrs. A. E. Westmoreland.

Farmers Can Get Loans

Floyd, Wheeler and Randall are the old counties selected this year for Tenant Purchase program of the Bankhead-Jones Act. Hall and Hansford are the new counties selected for Tenant Purchase Program Administration by the Farm Security Administration.

From the latest information it appears the Texas counties in this region are to receive about \$174,500.00 to be loaned at 3 percent for the purchase of farm homes.

It is hoped applications for these farms can be taken in Floyd County in a short time. Any and all tenant families in the county are eligible to make application.

Loans Available
Loans are made in Motley County to farm laborers or tenants who are able to rent farms. These loans are for production purposes

or to purchase feed, seed, livestock or equipment. It is advisable to secure good productive soil, at least an average of the county, and secure a rental contract for the time required to repay the loan. Additional information may be had from Claude Carpenter, County Supervisor, at Mrs. Sanders' office, County Treasurer, in the Courthouse.

Under the program, authorized by the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, loans will be made to a limited number of qualified farm tenants for the purchase of farms. These loans bear 3 per cent interest and may be made for a 40-year period. Opening date for making applications will be announced through the newspapers.

Lisenby to Harvey Giddens, which occurred August 13, at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Midgeley left Wednesday for a visit with relatives at Ballinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Doss and children are vacationing at Tres Ritos, N. M., where they plan to remain until after the first of September. They left here early in the month.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Carpenter and daughters, Farnes and Lela, left Friday for Detroit, Michigan, where they will secure a new Chevrolet pick-up from the factory. They will visit relatives in Kentucky before returning home.

Mrs. H. M. Weldon and daughters, Dona Ann and Kay, left Monday for Abilene, where they will visit with Mrs. Weldon's mother while Rev. Weldon is conducting a meeting at Hedley.

Mesdames J. W. Drace and John Hamilton returned home Wednesday of last week, after a two-weeks' vacation trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico. Mr. Hamilton joined them there the first of the week, and accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Crowell and daughter, Bonnie Ruth, accompanied by Mrs. Andrew Jones and her young son and daughter, of Quail, Texas, visited here Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Tipton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Fulkerson left Sunday for their home at Amarillo, after a few days visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Fulkerson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lambert, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Henry Ford, left Wednesday morning for McNary, where they will visit in the home of another daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Litteral.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nelson and children visited in Lubbock Tuesday.

Mrs. Alvin Stearns and Miss Frances Stearns accompanied Mrs. Arthur Stearns to her home at Meadow, Tuesday.

Mr. Wilbur Park, band instructor of the Crockett schools, visited Mrs. Park here in the home of her father, Judge W. R. Cammack, the latter part of last week, leaving Sunday for Abilene, where he is attending a two-weeks' band course at Hardin-Simmons University.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bird have as their guests, Mrs. Bird's mother, Mr. H. R. Arnold, of Greenville, as well as her sister, Miss Frances Arnold, home demonstration agent from Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Lebow and daughter Geraldine, left this week for a two-weeks' visit in Arkansas.

Mrs. E. W. McKenzie was a Lubbock visitor Monday.

W. F. Jacobs and Miss Vivian Estes made a business trip to Lubbock Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fryar and Miss Dorothy Echols attended the wedding at Spur of Miss Lenora

employed at Lubbock, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Fulfer.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Fulkerson and children spent last week visiting her mother at Quitaque. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Groves, of Spur, spent the week-end here visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. B. F. Moore, and W. W. Moore are both reported to be quite ill at their respective homes.

Miss Mildred Alexander, of Dallas, visited in the Jack Robinson home here last Wednesday.

Miss Hazel Lee Trotter, whose home is near Canyon community, has been selected to teach in the Patton Springs school at Afton this year. Miss Trotter is a graduate of Texas Technological College at Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Willie left Tuesday for Hollister, Missouri, where their daughter, Clotelle, has been spending eight weeks at Camp Leale, on the shores of Lake Taneycomo in the Ozarks. They will be accompanied home by Clotelle the latter part of this week.

HOSPITAL NOTES


Mrs. H. H. Schweitzer is in satisfactory condition after undergoing an appendectomy at Tra-week Hospital Monday.

R. P. Harvey returned to his home at Afton, Saturday, after a three-months' stay in the hospital. The daughter of L. W. Wilson, of Spur, and the son of C. W. Wilson, also of Spur, underwent tonsilectomies Saturday.

Mrs. B. F. Tunnell, of Matador, and Mamie Capshaw of Roaring Springs, had tonsilectomies last week.

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cause—". \$15,000 in cash prizes and cars will be given away for the best letters received.

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DIM TRAILS...



THE cattle no longer bellow for water and mill through mud-choked lakes on that range where Pitchfork Kid is riding; the needlegrass waves through lush, eternal spring; the saddle horses are sleek and sure-footed. Top hands are scarce in eternity.

Trails where he rode back on the old range are growing dim, lost beneath the tangle of furrows and lines of shining barbed-wire and the herds are vanishing. The jingle of spurs is like the echo of a fond memory.

To Pitchfork Kid and the others who have gone on and those who remain; to the magnificent men and women who gave their all in shaping the destiny of this progressive and fruitful land; to the Old Settlers, we respectfully dedicate these pages.

A Kansas City waif who found his place on the plains was the Pitchfork Kid, shown above. Although his early history is obscure, all who knew him noticed, first, that he was a very frightened boy when he came to this section in 1884, with a Mr. Lattimore and Frank Collison. Only about 13 years old, he had been picked up on the streets of Kansas City. He had no kinfolks, neither parents or brothers, or sisters, as far as was known. Later, it was learned that, up until he was 13, he had lived with two uncles. His feeling of fear was explained by the legend that these two uncles were killed for cattle rustling, and that the boy, either in imagination or actuality, had been involved in their depredations. At any rate he eagerly seized on the chance to come to West Texas.

He used the name "Billy Parks" when he first came here, but four years later, after a trip to Kansas City with a load of cattle, he returned with his real name, Billy Pardlow, which he had discovered through some friends. The kid stayed around on various ranches for two years, after his arrival, flunking for his room and board, without earning any wages. After he did get work, however, he made a top

hand, and became one of the most skillful ropers in West Texas. In 1897 he drew his first prize money, roping at the Seymour Cowboys' Reunion. Friends here recall that he used a big saddle with long pockets.

In 1892 Billy worked on the Pitchfork, gathering Matador Cattle. One day George Martin, who was with the wagon, saddled a horse and asked the Kid to "top him off". Billy, who had forgotten fear, mounted and received the fall that injured him permanently. Only about 20 years of age at the time, the Pitchfork Kid remained unconscious for 19 days, and was never completely normal again.

Silent, taciturn, uncommunicative, he continued with the ranch, an expert cowboy who was petted and humored by all the hands, until his death, nearly 30 years later.

He was killed in an accident out in New Mexico, and his body lies in a grave in Amarillo. His name still remains on membership rolls in the Matador Masonic lodge.

They Came And Got It... Gladly



The boys above represent a good-sized crowd for 1892, and illustrate what J. D. Green once said, "an empire in size that didn't have a thousand souls other than cowboys, and they didn't seem very thick, only at meal times around the chuck

box." The numbers designate names of the following old timers: 1. John Jackson; 2. Roy McClain; 3. Jake Ballard; 4. Bob Cotton; 5. Rufus Cooksey; 6. Walter Jackson; 7. Pitchfork Kid; 8. Ed Russell; 9. Alex Lightfoot; 10. Joe Jackson;

11. Raldo Newman; 12. Will Harris; 13. Goff White; 14. Charlie Bird; 15. Bill Cloyd; 16. Harvey; 17. Clad Bradford; 18. Alton Jones; 19. Walter Gates; 20. Charlie Morris; 21. Will Elliott; 22. Bill Stafford; 23.

George Furgatte; and 24. Henry Brown. The picture was taken by Jim Gates at Patton Springs, in Dickens County, in the month of August. Remember?

FIRST GIRL



Nora Cooper, above, was the first white girl born in Motley County. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper, who were the first permanent settlers at Teepee City, in 1878 or '79, Nora still lives near the site of the long ago town, and is active indoors and out.

UNCLE BILLY

Many a Matador child believed for years that "Uncle Billy" Moore was his or her own uncle. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Moore came here in 1891 and Mr. Moore remained here as rancher and beloved friend of everyone until his death in November of 1935. Mr. Moore ranched at Tee Pee Flat, eleven miles from Matador. Mrs. Moore still lives here in town.

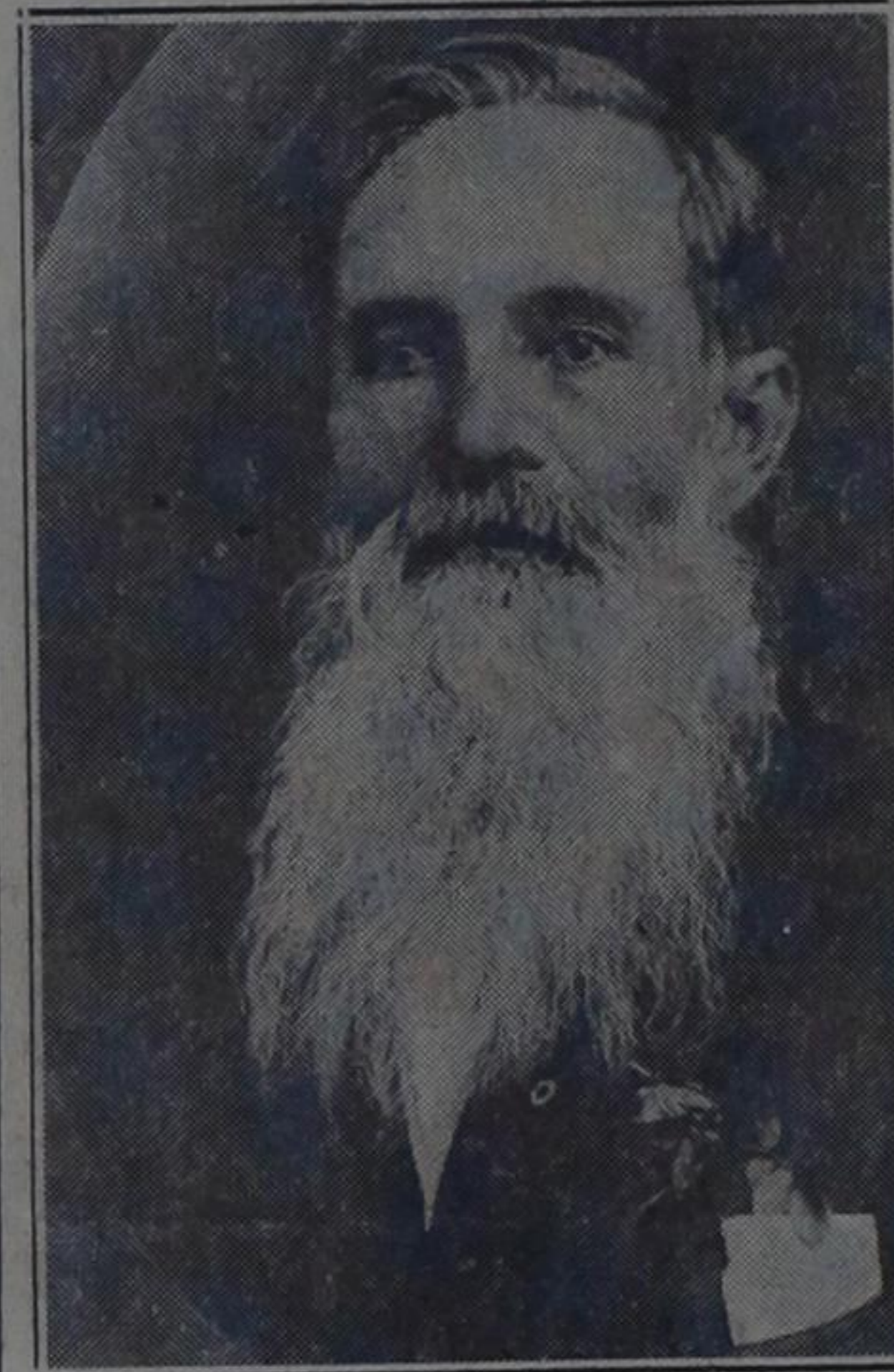
BIG TWINS

Jim and Tom McArthur, twin brothers, testify to the much talked of climate in the west. The two came to Dickens County in the early 1890's, and since that time have grown, each of them, to a height of six feet and two inches and have achieved a combined weight of 527 pounds.

County Officers Listed For 1899

The Matador Directory, as carried in an early copy of the Motley County Journal, for 1899, included Rev. W. H. Rattan's church; the Matador Lodge No. 824, A. F. & A. M.; District Congressman J. H. Stephens of Vernon; State Senator D. C. Goss of Seymour; Representative D. E. Decker; District Judge S. I. Newton of Seymour; District Attorney A. P. Dickson of Seymour; District Clerk Walter A. Walton of Matador; County officers were Judge A. R. Anderson, Clerk Walter A. Walton, Sheriff and Tax Collector W. T. Cloyd, Tax Assessor J. H. Thompson, Treasurer J. L. Burleson and Surveyor T. H. Seay; Commissioners were J. M. Campbell, W. J. Whitworth, E. A. Foster and T. N. Dodson; Justices of the Peace were the same; and constables were Will Edwards, A. Tibbetts, J. S. Thomas and W. L. Lyons.

Beloved Character



A. B. Newman, above, was one of Motley County's beloved citizens many years ago. With his wife, the former Sara Campbell, and family, he moved to Whiteflat in 1890. Mr. Newman, affectionately known as "Dr." Newman, to every early settler and cowboy alike, was a friend to everyone who needed aid. His deeds of kindness and sacrifice are part of the county's early history. Although he did not possess a doctor's license, Mr. Newman gave of his skill and medicine kit all that was possible to the early community. He died in 1934.

D. H. COOPER

Daniel H. Cooper, pioneer settler at Flomot, was taken by death last May at the age of 89. Born at McGlothlin, Ky., he and Mrs. Cooper, the former M. E. Wiseman, moved to Motley County from Alvord, Texas, in 1903, and made their home at Flomot since then.

Mrs. W. R. Cammack, the former Jennie Helen Cagle, came to Motley County with Mr. Cammack in 1906, and made her home here until her death in May.

W. P. Marshall came to Dickens County in 1889 from Eastland County.

W. R. Cammack Has Been Vital Part of Community

William Richard Cammack, County Judge of Motley County, was a member of the first town council of Matador, and served several years on the school board. Judge Cammack's father was an early sheriff here, renowned for the fact that he was never known to have carried fire-arms during his four year's service in office, although he arrested some of the most desperadoes of the Southwest.

Judge Cammack was a cowboy with the rest of them on the Matador Ranch. Afterwards he taught school, then ran a dry goods store; he built the Cammack Inn here, now the Motley Hotel, and has ever been active in community affairs. The entire community was saddened, last Mother's Day, when Mrs. Cammack, the former Jennie Ellen Cagle, was killed in a motor accident.

J. L. MOORE

John Long Moore, who died in April of this year, moved to Motley County in 1889 as a cowboy. Active in the community, Mr. Moore was appointed sheriff to fill out an unexpired term in 1894, and served as deputy sheriff under two sheriffs. He was commissioner for three terms, and served as Mayor of Matador at one time. Mrs. Moore, who was Lou Gibson before her marriage in 1885, still lives in Matador.

C. E. WIDEMAN

Missouri born, in 1846, C. E. Wideman came to Texas in 1881, and nineteen years later moved to Motley County. He lists his occupation, proudly, as a farmer, in spite of his years.



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Flomot Area Gave Homes To Many Early Pioneers

The town of Flomot, as it is now called, was begun in the early nineties, and was first known as the Quitaque Peaks community. Among early settlers were R. H. McCaghren and his sister, Mrs. Welch, W. J. Whitworth, I. E. Martin, Uncle Wood Martin, A. L. Barton, Mrs. D. H. Cooper and W. B. Barton. Mr. and Mrs. Welch ran the postoffice there for many years.

The town itself got started when the postoffice was assigned. The office was then located about 200 yards over the county line, in Floyd County, and when the Post-office Department required a name the first part of "Floyd" and the first part of "Motley" were put together to give the name "Flomot". Later, of course, the postoffice was moved over into Motley County.

Mr. Whitworth, Mr. McCaghren, who at this writing lies seriously ill in the Traweek Hospital, and I. E. Martin were cattlemen.

Other early settlers in the general vicinity of Flomot included B. F. Folley, patriarch for whom the Folley community was named, and John Lisenby, a stock farmer who lives near Folley. Both Mr. Folley and Mr. Lisenby came in the 90's to that section which lies northeast of Flomot, near the Hall County line.

E. H. Blakely came to Dickens County in 1898 from Bell County.

Lon L. Russell came to Motley County in 1889 from Hill County.

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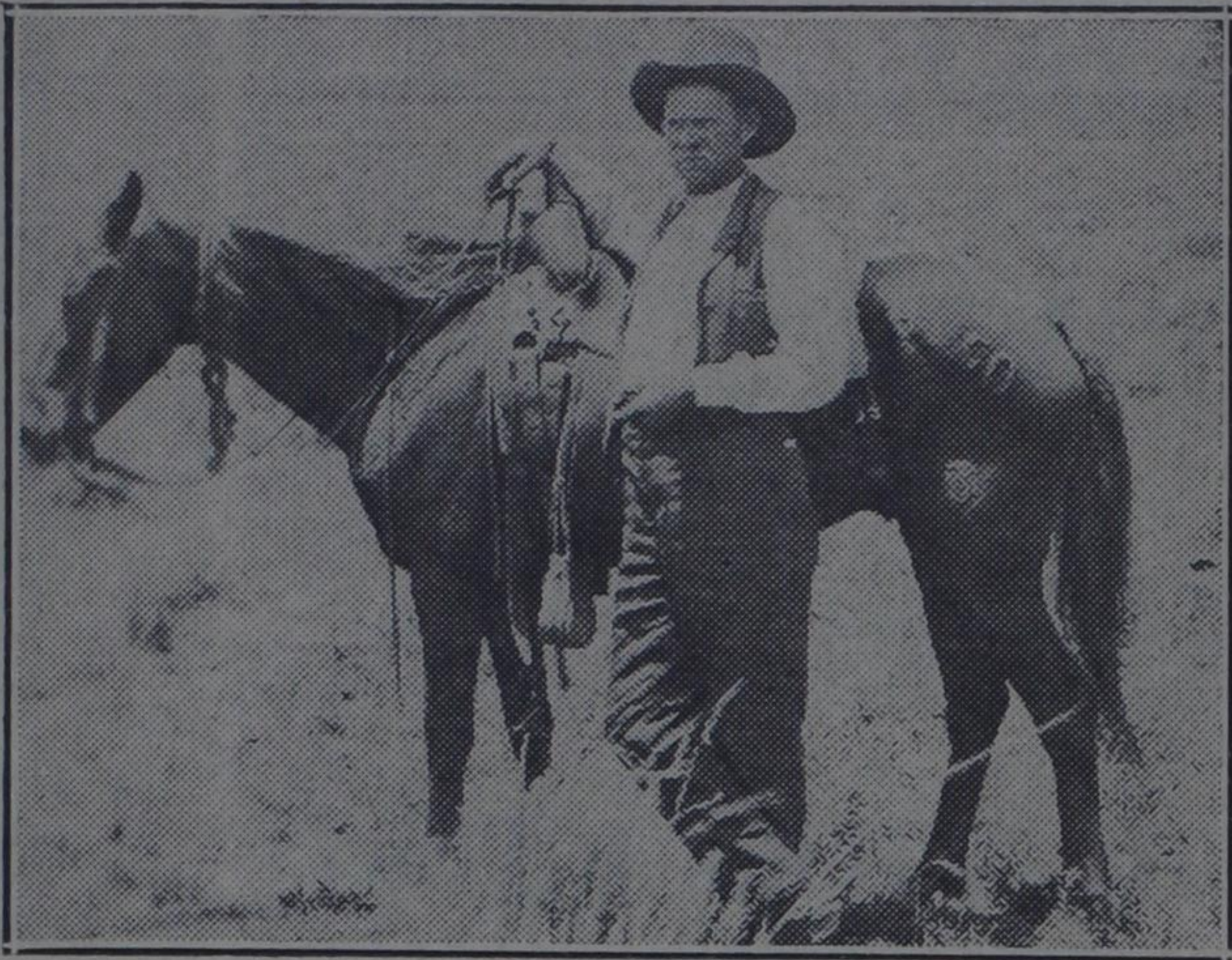
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Typical Matador Ranch Hand



Will J. Drace, wagon boss on the Matador Ranch, is pictured above standing by Cordelia, H. Schweitzer's mount. The saddle is also Mr. Schweitzer's. Note the clear brand. Mr. Drace was raised in this country, and died several years ago. The picture was made

about 1913, and Mr. Drace borrowed Cordelia to pose with because his horse was not saddled.

Mr. Drace died in April of 1936. He moved to Motley County with his parents in 1885. Mrs. Drace was the former Miss Fanny Curry.

Pioneer Lawyer Has Full Career

Prominent in legal and community matters for many years, Judge G. E. (for George Elbert) Hamilton first came to Matador in 1899. Born in 1870 at Subligna, Georgia, he came with his parents to McGregor County in 1894, and there began the study of law. After a short legal practice in Abilene, he came to Matador, and during the next seven years built up a large practice. In order to broaden his experience, he then, in 1906, went to Childress, where he was appointed County Attorney in 1907. The next year he was elected State Representative, in which capacity he served for two terms. Following this valuable experience he returned to Matador, and has been engaged in his calling ever since.

Judge Hamilton married Edna Earle Cooper, in Matador, in 1903. Miss Cooper had moved to Motley County with her family in 1897, and lived at Dutchman Creek near Roaring Springs. She died November 15, 1936.

Their children are: Howard, who lives at Pampa; John, District Attorney, who lives here; and Mary, Mrs. Melvin Meason, who also makes her home here.

GARNER SISTERS

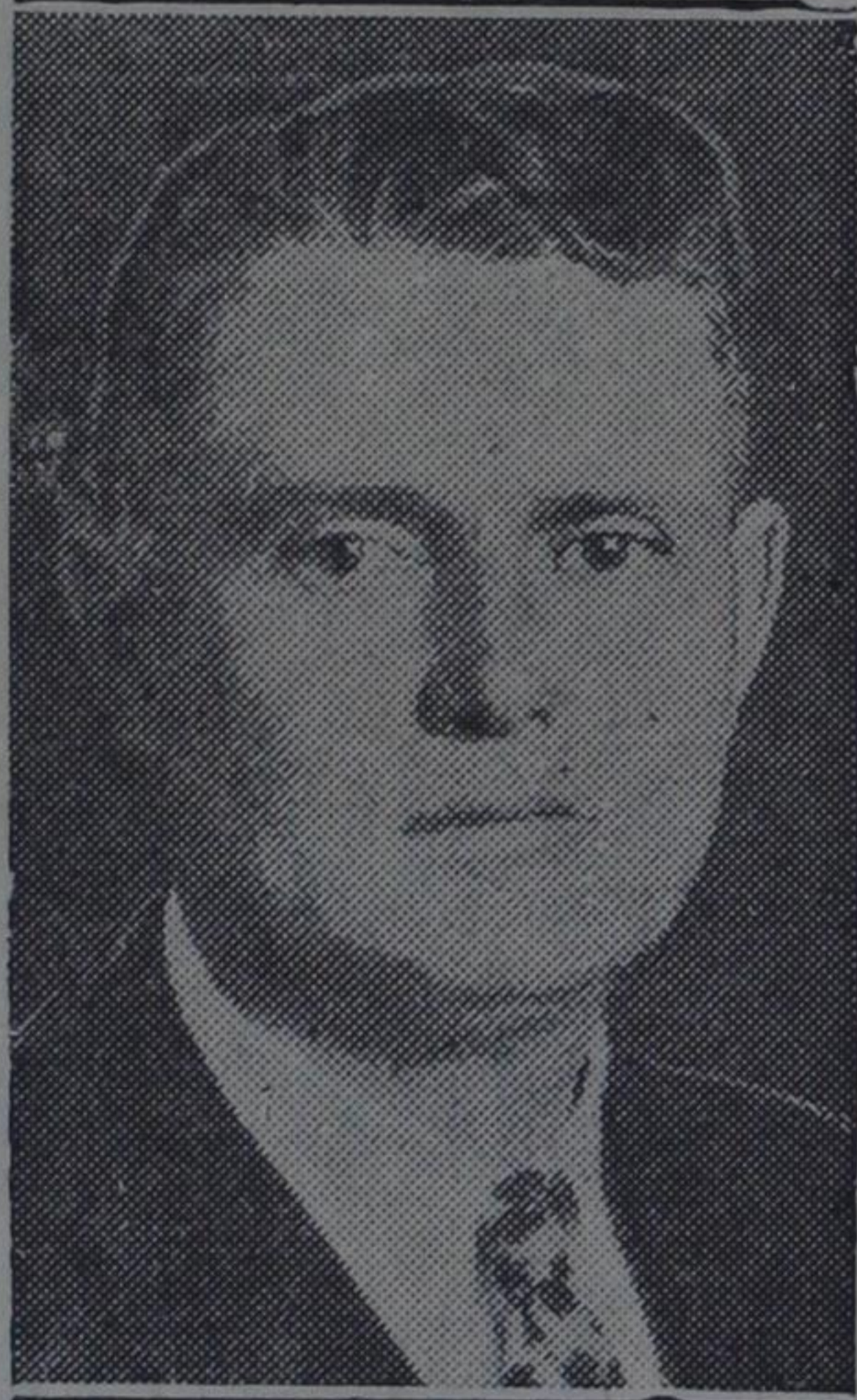
Five sisters whose father came to Dickens County in 1891 are still living there. Daughters of T. H. Garner, who was first County Treasurer of Dickens County, they are Mrs. Bill Hyatt, Mrs. Luther Jones, Mrs. Bud Morrison, Mrs. Hamp Collett, and Ella Garner. All live at Spur.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stark came to Afton, in Dickens County, 1898, to stock farm, where they lived many years. Mr. Stark died about three years ago. The three children Luther and Raymond, and Mrs. Wilma Starks Fullingim, all live at Afton, as does Mrs. Stark.

MRS. BERT DUNCAN

Born Myrtle Williamson, Mrs. Bert Duncan is a native of Bosque County. She was married at Afton in 1903, having moved to Dickens County the previous year. She is the mother of fourteen children, two of whom are dead.

Esteemed Citizen



Although not by any means an oldster, Henry Pipkin, above, came here as a child with his parents January 1, 1899. His mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Pipkin (she was the former Mattie Riley) had first come to Texas from Arkansas; they lived in Freestone County for five years, one year in Shackelford County, and then came to Motley County, where they remained. On coming here they brought with them six sons and one daughter. Their purpose in settling in Motley was to farm, and they settled six miles east of Matador. Their house is still there. Henry worked on farms, and for A. B. Echols, until he became a barber.

PATTONS

Truss Patton came to Motley around the first of the century. In addition to farming, he ran a saddle shop with his brother, M. L. Patton. Their father, M. L. Patton, Sr., was a commissioner when the present courthouse was built in 1904; he died many years ago. Truss and M. L. are still residents of this section.

Settling north of Matador, C. B. Waybourne came here in 1900 as a cattleman. He married Mattie Gerald, an Oklahoma girl, and the couple has lived here in Matador for some years.

Bob Haley Longed For Pair Of Shop-Made Boots

Bob Haley, pioneer cattleman and wagon-boss for the Matador Land and Cattle Company for a number of years, was killed in Amarillo last January in a motor accident. He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. W. J. Drace, and was well known by all the old-time cowboys here. He came here in 1891, left for a few years, then returned to the Matador Ranch in 1907, as range boss, and is listed in the Who's Who of range and wagon bosses of West Texas and the Panhandle.

One of his stories of early days as recounted by Mrs. Minnie Timms Harper in the Amarillo Globe-News at the time of his death, is worth reprinting:

Shop Made Boots

"Us boys, (in the early days of West Texas settlement) were hero worshippers, same as other boys the world over—we all wanted to be cowboys, wear shop-made boots

carry six shooters, and ride bad horses. When I was about fifteen we lived in the Concho River country, near Paint Rock—and I was crazy for a pair of cowboy boots, but my old man wouldn't get 'em for me. So when I got some money of my own, and he was going to town one day, I gave him the money and told him to bring me back some boots. And that night he came home with some store-bought shoes, instead!

"I was just mad enough to cry when I saw them shoes, but it wasn't long until I got a chance to make some money for myself. I stood herd on the cutback during one of the neighbor's spring round ups, and I earned my money. It was sure 'nough hot. Dust a-foggin all day, and I didn't get a drink of water for hours. I had to stay on the job—for I needed that money to buy boots with.

"When roundup was over and I got paid I lost no time in getting to town, and the first thing I did was to buy those cowboy boots. Then I went to a man I knew had a six-shooter he would sell. I spent the rest of my money for that gun.

Then I felt like I was a full-fledged cowboy.

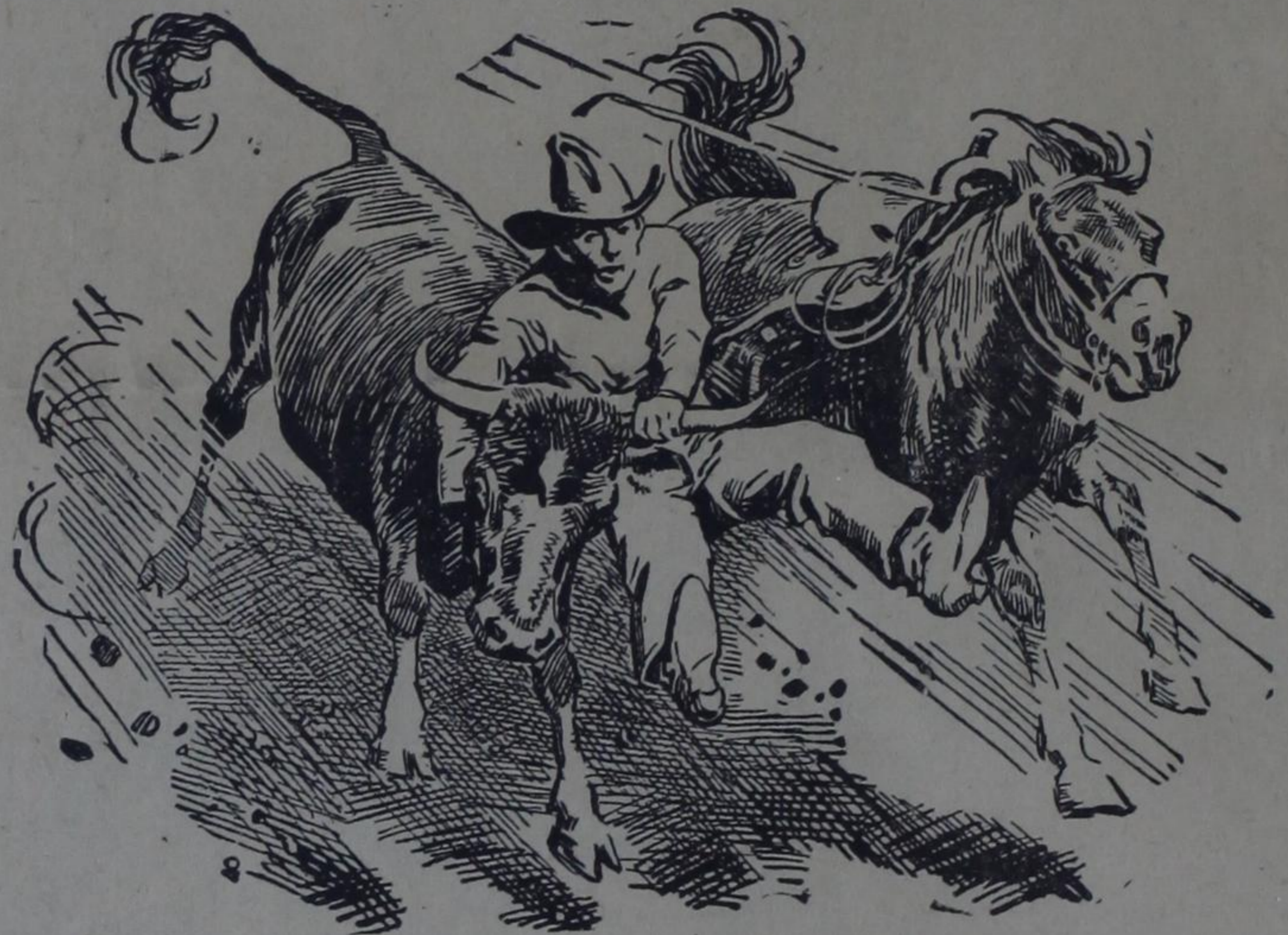
Drowned Shoes

"On my way home I had to pass Lipan creek. I stopped, got off my horse, put a big rock in each of my store shoes, and threw them in the creek. I got a lot of satisfaction out of watching them sink, but when I got home and Dad saw the boots and gun, he was mad. The next day he made me go back to town with him, return the gun to the man I bought it from and get my money back. And of course that made me feel mighty small again.

"Seemed like I was a long time getting to do what I pleased. But after Dad died, I guess I got pretty frisky. Mother said I kept all the horses run down chasing antelope and mustangs. So she sent me to live with, and work for, a mighty fine ranchman. Bill Standifer, foreman for Ike Mullin. She told me to mind what he said, and I knew she meant it".

A farmer and stockman, Bob Stewart came to Dickens County in 1896.

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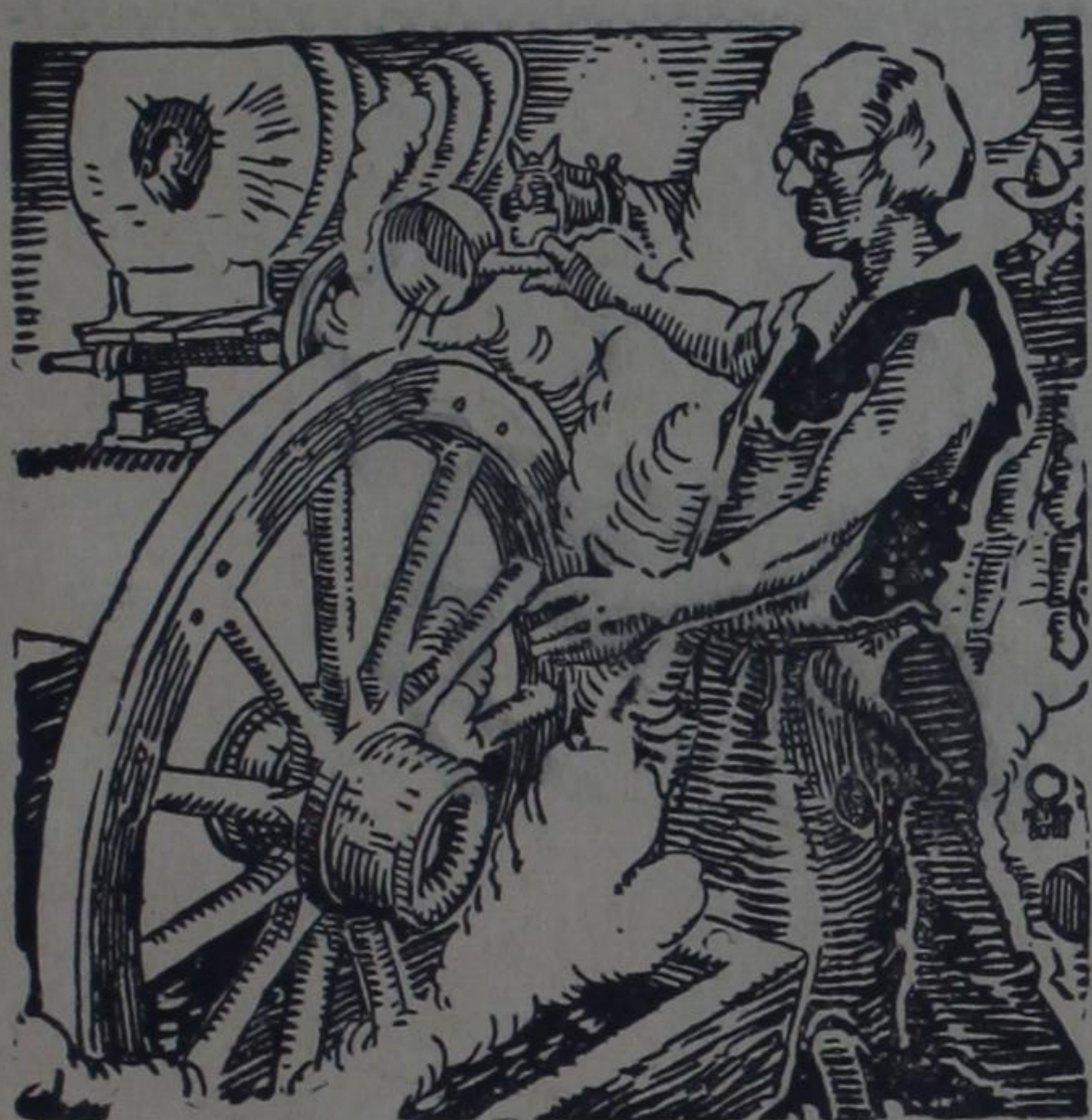
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MATADOR MANAGER AND WAGON BOSS



Seated in the buggy is Arthur S. Ligetwood, a manager of the Matador Land and Cattle Company some years ago, and on the horse is John Hobert Smith, whose memory lives in the hearts of many an old-timer hereabouts as one of the real characters of the west.

John Smith, who died in 1927 after a long life of work and adventure, was a native of Illinois. After some slight trouble in school, when he felt too much of a man to let a

lady teacher punish him, he went to Nebraska with an uncle, Gus Smith, and began his cowboy career, a career that was to continue until his death.

His first experience in Texas was on a cow ranch near San Antonio. There he worked for two years, but terminated his connection when the boss asked him to plow a corn patch. He came to Motley from Coleman, with the first herd of Matador cattle ever brought to this country. Resi-

dence was established in a dugout on the site of the present ranch headquarters. Mr. Smith was employed by the ranch for 20 years, during which time he was trail boss and wagon boss.

Robert Meason recalled, in an edition of the Roaring Springs Reporter in 1935, that "his rough humor, his quick temper, his kindness, his keen insight into human nature made of him an unquestionable leader of men."

Whiteflat Has Interesting Background

Whiteflat, so-called because of the tall white needle grass which once covered the prairie, owes its origin to W. R. Tilson, who, in 1886, filed on the section of land where it is located. Will Drace was about the next settler, and in 1890 the E. B. Kimbell family settled there. Then herds of deer and antelope abounded on the level terrain, and the hillside west of the Kimbell home was called Antelope Hill.

The year 1892 saw many advancements for the little community. In that year a postoffice was secured, the Baptist Church was organized, and the first school building was erected. Charter members of the church included the A. B. Newmans, A. B. Echols, Mr. and Mrs. William Powers, Hardin Powers, a Mrs. Cole, and others.

First Pupils

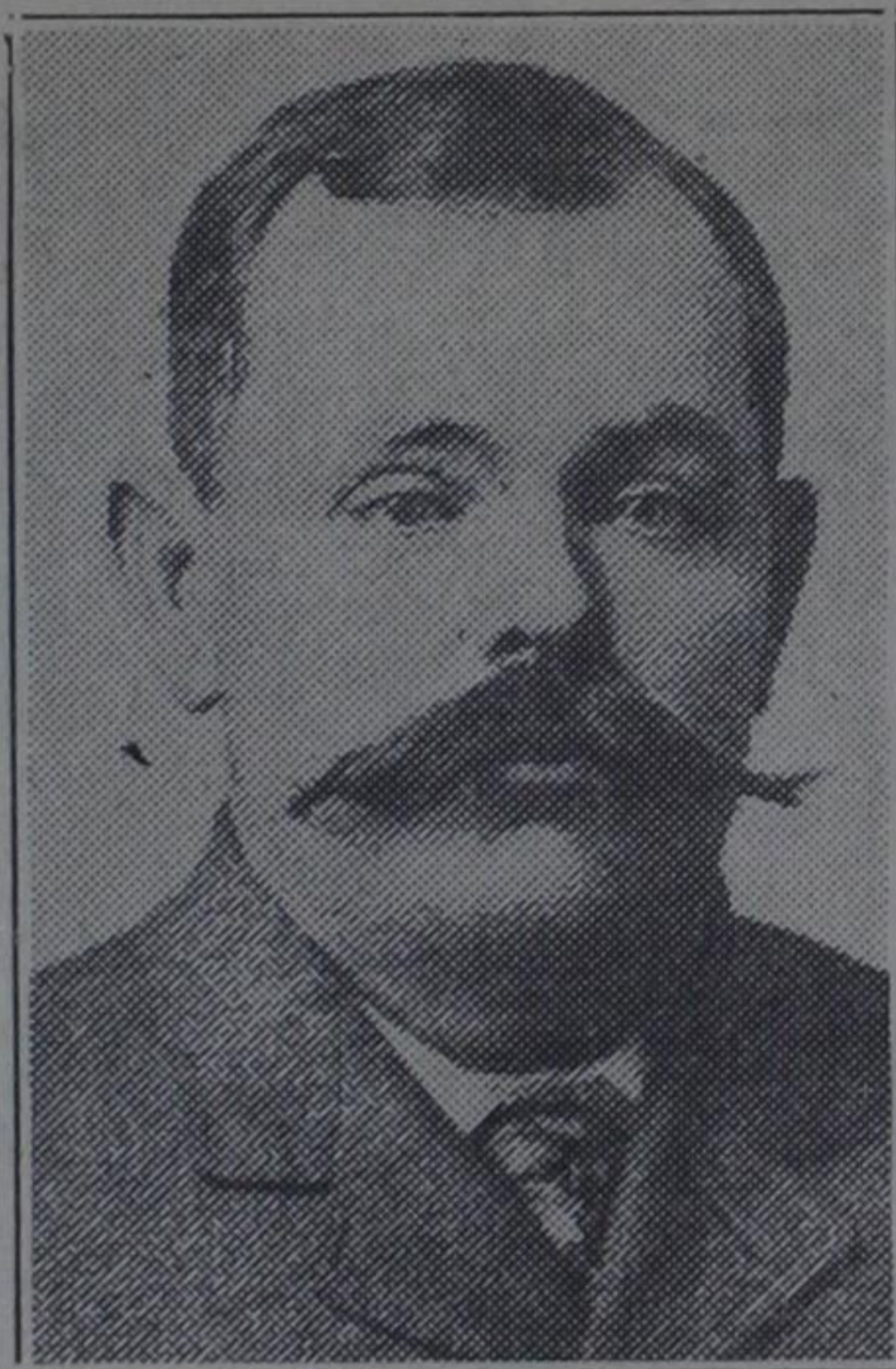
W. R. Clark taught the first school, and for several years afterwards. He now lives at Floydada. Some of the pupils of the first school, who remained in Whiteflat, were J. G. Kimbell, Mrs. Charles Harris, Mrs. M. A. Merrill, Mrs. Wilburn Barton, Mrs. Cal George of Flomot, and John Lizenby of Montgomery.

The first child born at Whiteflat was Lona Kimbell, and the first couple to be married there were Cook Harris and Miss Lizzie Newman.

Dear to the hearts of all old timers is the Motley County Singing Convention, which was organized at Whiteflat in that same year, 1892. Uncle Wood Martin was the first president. A picture of one of the convention groups is carried in this issue.

A man whose work still lives in the county was J. T. Cornett, father of Joe Cornett, who was a contractor, carpenter, and rock mason. The county jail and many rock chimneys and cisterns built by J. T., who is now dead, still stand.

J. M. Jackson Came Up The Hard Way



J. M. Jackson, above, who, before he became superintendent of the Matador Ranch, worked on the XO the Mallet, Ros, and Spur ranches Born at Crawford Springs, Georgia, March 16, 1866, he moved, when years old, with his family to Shirt tail Ridge, Yell County, Arkansas. Still with his family, he migrated to Texas in 1875, settling at Albany in Ellis County for three years. The Jacksons then moved to Jack County, but returned to Ellis County in 1884.

When he was 17, John Morgan left home and worked in Jack County for \$15.00 a month building fences. He began his ranch career in 1885, when he went to Knox County and the XO Ranch, owned by George Atkinson. In 1887, after working for the Mallet Ranch in 1886, he worked for the Ros in King County, which was owned by the Carter Land and Cattle Company.

Mr. Jackson came to Motley County in the Spring of '88 and began working for the Matador, a job that was eventually to take him from ranch hand to trail boss to range boss and finally superintendent, in 1908.

County News In 1900 Has Familiar Ring

Thirty-eight years ago there were still enough people at TeePee Creek to justify a news column. The following is dated March 8th, 1900:

"Dud Beauchamp has purchased a fine stallion.

"Misses Ora and Lena Criswell and Nellie Harris visited Misses Emma Wyatt and Dollie Ford Friday.

"Messrs. Ford, Beauchamp and Turner joined the wagons to Childress this week to haul timber for the new church.

"Bob Turner left for Garza County Thursday.

"J. C. Turner sold his Jack to Mr. Carpenter."

(Signed) "A WANDERING JEW" And from Whiteflat came this epistle:

"March 8, 1900—Editor, Maverick:—As I have seen nothing in your valuable paper for some time from this neck of the woods I thought I would give you a few dots.

"Mr. Jacob Field of Mott Creek was seen on the flat one day this week.

"Mr. Allen Bridges is turning the mother earth on his farm this week preparatory for a big crop.

"W. R. Tilson is on the sick list this week.

"Quite a fire in Van Martin's pasture one day this week.

"Mr. R. A. Haley, one of Motley's most prosperous farmers and stock raisers, is trying his hand building fences this week.

"Mr. John Lizenby is on the sick list this week.

"With best wishes to the Maverick and its Ed.,

UNCLE SNORT."

Lee Smith was the first treasurer of Motley County.

ent, in 1908.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson (she is the former Annie Whitaker) are now living at Roaring Springs, where they moved in 1924 when Mr. Jackson left the Matador Ranch.

MR. AND MRS. J. L. MOORE

John L. Moore, who was born in Fannin County, Texas, December 24, 1852, was married at Graham, Texas, November 25, 1885. He came to Motley County in 1889, and engaged in stock farming for many years. He also saw service as a county official. Mrs. John L. Moore was the former Lou Gibson. Born in Tenn., she came to Texas in 1871, as a child, and moved to Motley County in 1889. She became well known to the public as an expert seamstress.

NORA CUNNINGHAM

Nora Cunningham, the former Nora Clifton, was born in Young County, and came to Motley Co., in January of 1891. She was married in 1901, and then made her home at Flomot.

CRIBBS FAMILY

The P. A. Cribbs family, which included Mr. and Mrs. Cribbs and three daughters, came to Motley County November 23, 1891, as farmers. Mr. Cribbs, who had served as a Confederate soldier, brought his family here from Hood County. His daughter, Ella became Motley's first bride when she married D. C. Keith December 23, 1891.

The county's first print shop still stands. One of the first buildings in Matador, it is now occupied by the Hobb's Shoe Shop. It was later used as a telephone office.

A community leader and school teacher, Jimmy B. Foster, who now is in California, moved to Northfield with his father from Stonewall County about 1893.



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Heap Big Change Here



Quannah Parker would probably be distinctly shocked if he rode back to the Roaring Springs today for another look at his old camp site. But even in 1938 he would find some of the holes in the rocks that the Indians used for grinding corn, and the falls would still make him feel at home. Located on Tongue River, the springs offer not only an aura of historical interest, but a pleasant spot for diversion, with the modern conveniences of bathhouses, cement pool, diving board, electric lights, and a concession stand. After the Indians were driven further west, the springs offered a watering place for range cattle. The property is now owned by the Matador Land and Cattle Company.

Early Sheriffs Came, Went In Short Order

It was no cinch being sheriff in the 90's. If a man wasn't thrown out of office, a jealous former sheriff might kill him, or he might resign for one reason or another.

In its 47 years the office has had fourteen sheriffs, an average of little over three years for each man. However, Ed Russell held the office the longest, serving from 1910 until 1922.

Joe Becham was elected as first sheriff in 1891. In 1892 he was re-elected, only to be removed from office in 1893. J. L. Moore was then appointed by the Commissioners Court to fill out the term but later the District Judge declared the appointment illegal, and selected Billy Moses, a dry goods merchant, to finish the term.

The same year, G. W. Cook was elected sheriff, and was later killed by Becham. Frank Harper filled the dead man's shoes, and was succeeded by Bill Cloyd, elected in 1896. Cloyd served two terms, followed in 1900 by T. N. Cammack, who served one term.

Tom Hodges was elected in 1902 and re-elected for a second term later, but resigned in 1905. H. R. Black finished the term out, and was elected to the office in 1906, serving two terms. Then came Ed Russell, with his long record of service. He was succeeded by Claud Warren, who served from 1922 until 1928, three terms. In 1928 Sterling Price was elected, and served his two terms; he was followed by Ed Skinner, who served from 1932 until 1936, when L. A. Carlisle won the office and still has it, having been unopposed in this summer's primary.

L. G. Crabtree came to Dickens County in 1890, with his wife. He settled east of Dickens to farm.

Early Settler



W. R. Tilson, shown above in an early photograph, who died November 19, 1937, was one of the county's earliest settlers, and aided in establishing both Whiteflat and Matador. Born in Virginia, April 27, 1858, he came to Texas in 1882, and to Motley County in 1884. He worked on large ranches in this section as a cowboy before he married Miss Sallie Williams at Quannah October 8, 1883. The dugout where they made their first home is still to be seen, near the Tilson place at Whiteflat.

PIONEER DOCTOR HAS SEEN MUCH OF LIFE HERE

Dr. A. C. Traweck, one of the pioneer physicians who did do much to make life more comfortable in the hardships of early days, came here, fresh out of medical school at Fort Worth, in 1899. He had offices in various buildings around town until 1929, when he built one of the most modern hospitals in this section of the country. He and Mrs. Traweck, the former Miss Allie Rainey, still make their home here. Dr. Traweck is associated with his son, A. C., Jr., in the hospital.

Dr. R. L. Hamilton, a brother of G. E. Hamilton, was another pioneer physician here, and practiced until his death ten years ago.

"NESTER", RACE HORSE

"Nester", one of the fastest and most admired race horses to run in this section, was brought to Dickens County by F. R. Harrington. The horse was 8 or 9 years old when Harrington brought him here, from the Indian territory, but continued to run races whenever a match could be arranged, until his death at the age of 21. Mr. and Mrs. Harrington came to Dickens County about 1892; Mr. Harrington worked for Al Yantis and then for Bud Browning. He died in 1937. Mrs. Harrington still lives at Spur.

DAMRON FAMILY

Mose Damron, who had once fought Indians with the rangers at Quitaque, brought his children here with him in about 1895 or earlier. His daughter, Lila, married H. K. Jones, a cattleman, who died several years ago. Mrs. Jones is now living at Flomot. Another daughter, Nancy, married J. H. Stradley, a carpenter, and is also living at Flomot. The son, Chris, is a cowboy on the Matador Ranch.

JUDGE HAGINS

C. E. Hagins, who now lives at Jayton, was one of the first County Judges in Dickens County. He came west in 1891, and filed on a section of school land on Duck Creek. He moved to Jayton a few years after the turn of the century. His three sons, P. E., C. E., and D. D., all live at Spur.

WHITWORTH

William J. Whitworth was born in Gleason, Tenn., December 9, 1859. He came to Texas in 1882, and was married in Freestone County, Texas, in 1891. Mr. Whitworth moved to Motley County August 17, 1891, when he became a stock farmer. He taught the first singing school in the county, and organized the Motley County Singing Convention. Assisted by J. T. Hicks, he brought about the erection of the first church, Methodist, at Flomot.

HARRIS FAMILY

The Harris family came to Motley County by sections, but they finally all got here. S. R. Harris was about the first. He came in '36 to work for Henry Campbell on the Matador Ranch, and died in 1930. E. C. was next, coming in about 1889 to work for the Matador also. He now lives at Irvin. Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Harris arrived later, along with L. C., who was 14 when he came here. Minnie, and Nellie, now Mrs. W. Y. Higgins. Nellie Harris taught school in Dickens and Motley Counties; in 1898 she taught at the old Teepee City school, now abandoned and destroyed, and from 1901 to 1904 at Dickens. In 1905 she married W. Y. Higgins, a baker. Dr. Harris, a retired physician, died in 1902, and was followed in death by Mrs. Harris in 1906.

ORR SAGA

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Orr came here in 1890 from Stonewall County and settled at Whiteflat. Mr. Orr was a farmer and stockman. Their children, all of whom married in this county, are Ida, who married A. Bryant in 1890; Charlie, a cowboy, who married Katie Moore in about '95 or '96; Jim, who married Ora Blackshire in about 1906; Etta who married H. L. White, the first tax assessor of the county, in about 1893; Carrie, who married Calvin George in 1902, or '03; and Ella, who married W. B. Barton at about the same time.

Born the same day, same month, and same year as Doug Meador, J. Bennie Clifton came to Motley in 1891, worked for the Matador Ranch for several years, and is now farming near Roaring Springs.



Sturdy Stock...

OUR FOREFATHERS, who blazed the trails of the Early West were of a sturdy stock. Their very existence bore witness to their strength and courage. But whether, it was oxen, wagons or men, only the fittest were able to survive the wrath of the elements.

GREETINGS

To The

PIONEERS

OF

Motley-Dickens Counties

Western

DRY GOODS COMPANY

Miss Maggie Bryan — T. B. Edmondson

Organizer



MRS. JOHN SMITH

JEFF D. MORRIS

After working for a number of years for the Erath Land and Cattle Company and for the Straight Eight Ranch in King County, Jeff D. Morris came to Motley County, where he engaged in various businesses, including a hotel, general store, and a livery stable. Jeff died last September, leaving his widow, the former Miss Nannie Gibson, and six children.

POTEETS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Poteet came here in 1839, and settled in the north-west part of the county near Quitaque Peaks, as farmers. Their four children are Louis, of Matador, Ida, May and Calvin.

Mrs. John Smith, widow of J. H. Smith, wagon boss for the Matador Ranch, came to West Texas with her parents, as Minnie Davis in about 1891. Miss Davis taught at the Patton Springs school for several years, and married Mr. Smith in about 1896. She was one of the organizers of the Old Settlers Association.

Matriarch



Mrs. M. E. Meador, above, celebrated her ninety-fourth birthday March 2, and is the oldest woman in the county. Mrs. Meador, who has lived in Motley County for 42 years, clearly recalls pioneer adventures in West Texas, especially in Parker and Young Counties, where the Indians attacked her home several times. She is the mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother of many residents of Motley County.

Children of Mrs. Meador, all but one of whom resides in this area, are R. E. Meador of Phoenix, Arizona, Jim Meador of Cottle County, and Lydia Rateliff, Mrs. Sudie Long, Joe Meador and Doug Meador, all of Matador.

G. W. SEIGLER

A prominent figure in agriculture and ranching, G. W. Seigler, who came to Motley County in 1900, died last December. He was survived by his wife, the former Ida Kerby, and seven children. The couple celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary last September, three months before Mr. Seigler's death.

BACK TO THE OLD WAY

This country may soon be the happy home of antelope and partridge again, if the present program of the Texas Wildlife Federation is successful. A herd of antelope was started this summer by R. C. Echols, who obtained a pair of the rare game animals from a Hartley County ranch. A covey of chukar partridge was sent to Fred Simpson soon afterwards, by A. W. Hawk, of Canyon. Colonies of beaver were to be introduced on several ranches in this country.

EARLY WEDDING

One of the weddings still remembered by early residents was that of Miss Fannie Green, daughter of Col. Green, a Dickens County official, to R. C. Forbis, a stockman, in 1897. Mr. Forbis had brought a bunch of cattle here in 1892.

Another of the Cribbs girls who married and remained in this county was Maggie, who married M. A. Vaughn in 1896 or 1897. Mr. Vaughn was a farmer and stockman. Mrs. Vaughn died last year.

Mrs. Minnie Warswick came, with her husband, to Dickens County in 1839. Mr. Warswick was a peace officer in Dickens in the early days.

THANKS A MILLION

Special and hearty thanks are extended by the Tribune to those residents who so kindly lent pictures for this edition; they included Ed D. Smith, who let us have the photograph of the Pitchfork Kid and of Will Drace; Mrs. R. P. Moore, for the Singing Convention group; Mrs. D. C. Kieth for her wedding picture; Mrs. Jack Bradshaw for the picture of her father, Ed Russell. Also, Doug and Joe Meador earned our gratitude for their willing cooperation in checking names and dates, as did many others who volunteered valuable information.

Joe Reynolds, who died two years ago, came to this area to work on the Matador, Spur, Yantis, and other ranches.

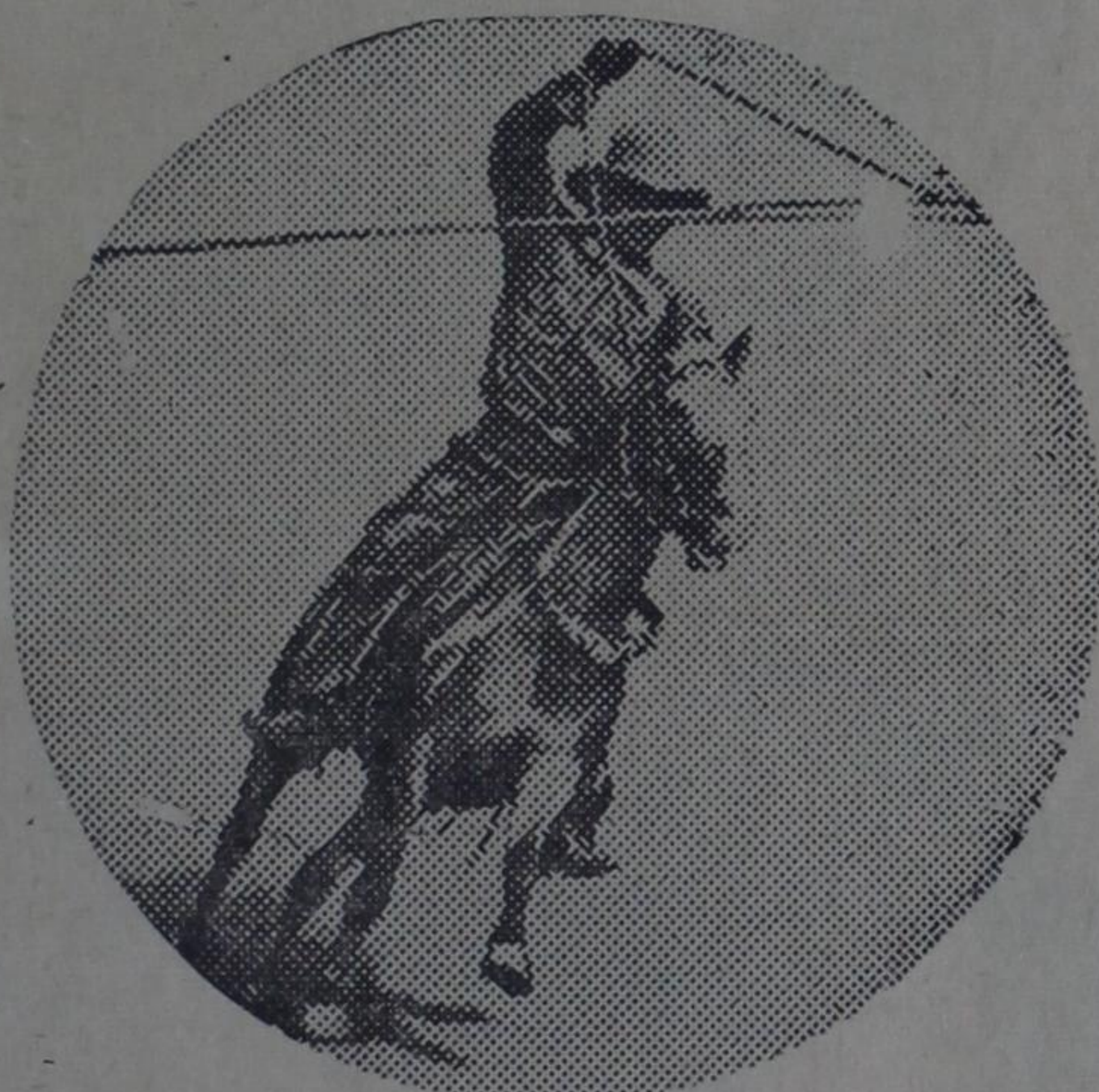
MRS. B. F. JOHNSON

A member of the Whiteflat Baptist Church for 30 years, Mrs. B. F. Johnson died last March at the age of 80, at her home in the Flag Springs community. She was survived by her husband, B. F. Johnson, whom she married in 1880, and three sons. She was the former Sarah Shaddy, a native Missourian.

J. C. Collett, who now lives on a farm near Roaring Springs, came west when he was fifteen years old. He was a horsewrangler for the Spur Ranch up until 1900.

F. M. Clifton, now deceased, settled on the section of land where Roaring Springs is now located in 1892. Two sons still live in this section, Lewis, on Tee Pee Flats, and Ben at Roaring Springs.

Old Timers...



**This Is Your Party-
Have a good time
At The
MOTLEY-DICKENS COUNTIES
Old Settlers
REUNION**

**WE APPRECIATE
YOUR FRIENDSHIP
AND PATRONAGE**

**Matador Cleaners
MATADOR, TEXAS**



**Congratulations
TO THE
OLD TIMERS OF
Motley-Dickens
Counties
Meeting At
ROARING SPRINGS
Thursday-Friday**

■

**Meet Your Friends
At The Reunion**

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BURTON-LINGO. CO.
CLYDE BARTLETT, Manager
"Pioneer Lumber Company Of
West Texas"

Riders In The Land Of Blue Sage . . .



Men like these were in the vanguard that blazed trails into this county following the Indian and the buffalo; sturdy men who faced the sun and wind by day and slept beneath the stars when the camp fires burned low; cowboys of a day when the title was a challenge to courage, ability and fortitude of heart.

Many of them are hobbling their night horses on other ranges now while the round-up grounds which they knew half a century ago are either grassed over or turned beneath the plow; these ambassadors of progress have fulfilled their commission.

The above picture is of a round-up scene on the Matador Ranch in 1892, but the identity of the cowboys is now known to the publishers.

DICKENS COUNTY PIONEERS WILL BE HONORED

Other Dickens County settlers who have died since the last Reunion, and who will be honored this year, include James A. McClelland, W. D. Robinson, J. E. Montgomery, Ophelia Moore Hall, Maggie B. Winkler, J. E. Arthur, Grenberry Woffard, D. R. Curry, and Hans C. Peterson.

UNCLE BILL STUART

Uncle Bill Stuart, or Steward, was an eccentric old man, whose past was shrouded in mystery, when he died here in 1936. He had first come to the county in 1891, when he filed on a section of land near the mouth of Dug Out. Uncle Bill was born of English parents in New York City, and little else was known of his origin.

UNCLE JOHNNY IS STILL REMEMBERED

An old time West Texas cowhand, Frank R. Harrington, died at the age of 76 at his home in Spur in 1936. Known as "Uncle Johnny," Mr. Harrington had worked for the R2 Ranch in King County, and the Bar X in Wilbarger County, before coming to Dickens County in 1894. After that he worked for the Flying A's and Spur Ranches. He teamed to Spur in 1911, and became famous for his knowledge of good horses. He was married to Miss Sally Stafford in 1888.

CAMMACKS

Ed. Cammack came here with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Cammack, in 1891. His father owned cattle and horses, and later served as tax assessor and sheriff of Motley County. Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Cammack are both dead now.

One of the Dickens County pioneers who died during 1938, Dr. J. N. Haney came to Afton from Mt. Pleasant in 1916. He retired from active medical practice in the 30's, and died April 13, this year. Mrs. Haney, who was Miss Mattie Reagan before her marriage, died in March of 1937.

E. T. Varnell, who farmed at Afton for many years, is another Dickens County old timer who will be honored at Memorial Services during the Reunion this year. He died this spring.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bourland, who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary in December, 1936, came to Motley County in 1890. They were married in 1886. Both still live near Matador.

It's A Cinch...

Old Friends

Are The

Best Friends

We Are Glad To Pay

Tribute To The

Old Settlers

Motley and Dickens Counties

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JACK ROBINSON

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CITY DRUG STORE

FLOYDADA LAUNDRY



THE MEADORS

His first experience at ranch work, staying alone overnight at the mouth of Fish Hole Creek when he was 15 years old, did not long deter Doug Meador from his cowboy career. He came to this section with his mother, Mrs. M. E. Meador, Lydia Ratcliff, and Jim

Meador, in a wagon, March, 1891. His brother, Joe, had been here for three or four months, and was working at Whiteflat for Bill Long. Doug worked for Al Yantis, in 1893, when he was 15 years old, but one long night of holding the ranch down alone sent him back home. He began working for the Matador Land and Cattle Company in 1895, and

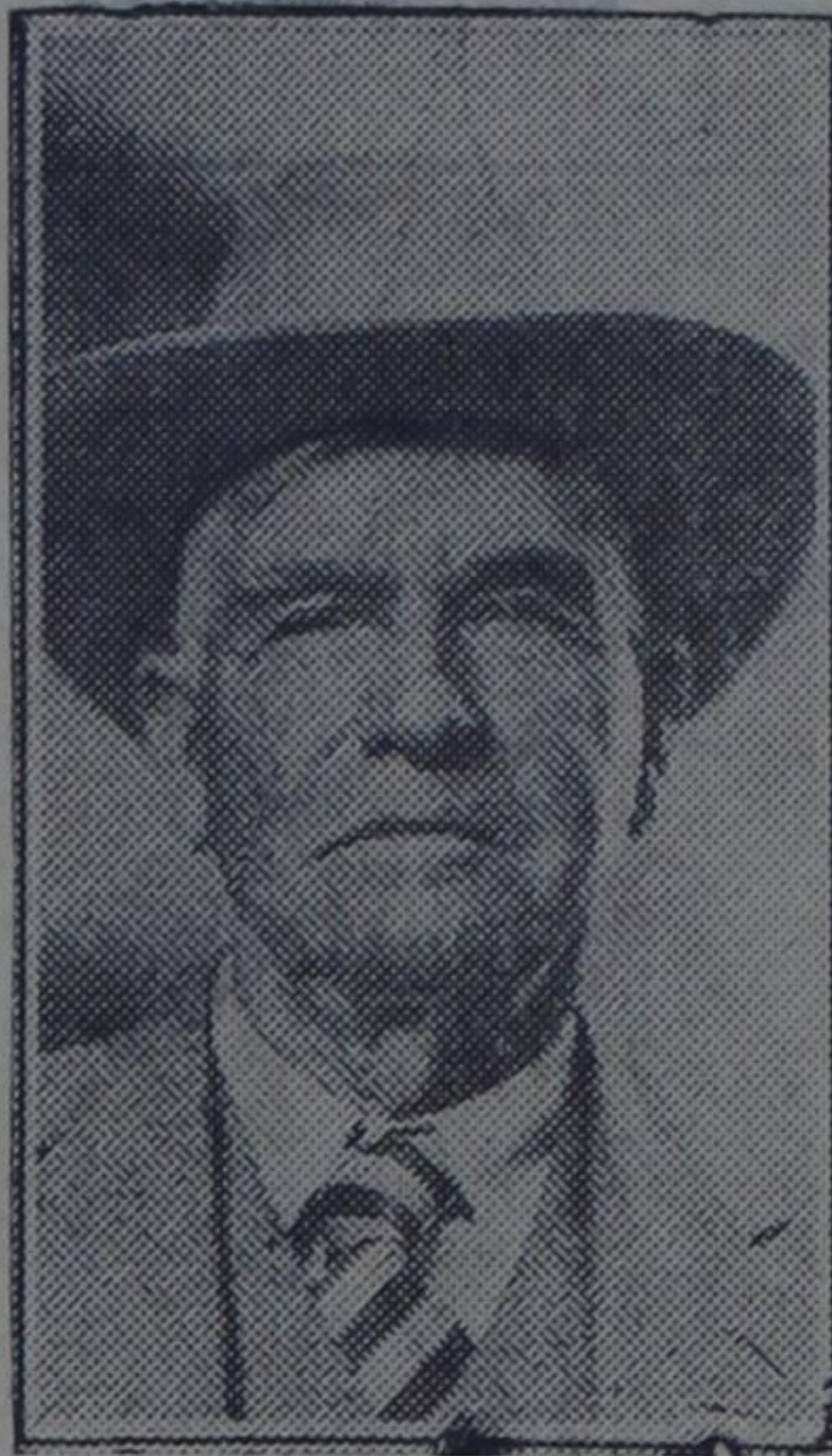
went "up the trail" in '98. During his years in Motley County, Doug has been 16 years a cowboy, 16 years a farmer, near Flomot, and 16 years a butcher.

R. E. Meador, who now lives in Phoenix, Arizona, came to Matador in 1892. Mrs. Sudie Long, a sister, came the previous year, and still lives here.

SHORTY REYNOLDS

J. H. "Shorty" Reynolds, pioneer of Dickens County and of all West Texas, died in July of 1936. He had come to West Texas in 1884, and rode on the Spur and Milliron ranches. He was postmaster at Dickens for twelve years.

Having come with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cooper, to this part of the west, in 1897, Willie Cooper is now farming near Roaring Springs. J. J. was a cattleman.



A. B. ECHOLS

Hardy Pioneer

Still very active, in spite of his 79 years, A. B. Echols goes to his ranch near here to ride almost every day. Born January 5, 1859, Mr. Echols came to Texas with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Petty Echols, in 1881. The family settled in Jack County in 1883, and A. B. engaged in stock farming with his father there.

In 1890 A. B. Echols came to Motley County with a small bunch of cattle, and settled about eleven miles northwest of Matador. His wife, who was the former Mollie Osborn Lisenby, died June 9, 1936. Theirs was the twenty-first marriage license issued in Motley County.

Mack King came with his family to this section in 1895. He now farms north of Flomot.



**Greetings,
Pioneers...**

We Welcome You
Motley-Dickens Counties

OLD SETTLERS

To

Roaring Springs

August 25th & 26th

FREEMAN DRUG

G. GABRIEL, DRY GOODS

J. F. HUGHES, M. D.

RED BALL GIN

C. W. GIESECKE, Supt. of Schools

F. C. KING



**Greetings...
-PIONEERS-**

You Can't Buck Progress
Any More Today Than You
Could Yesterday--and

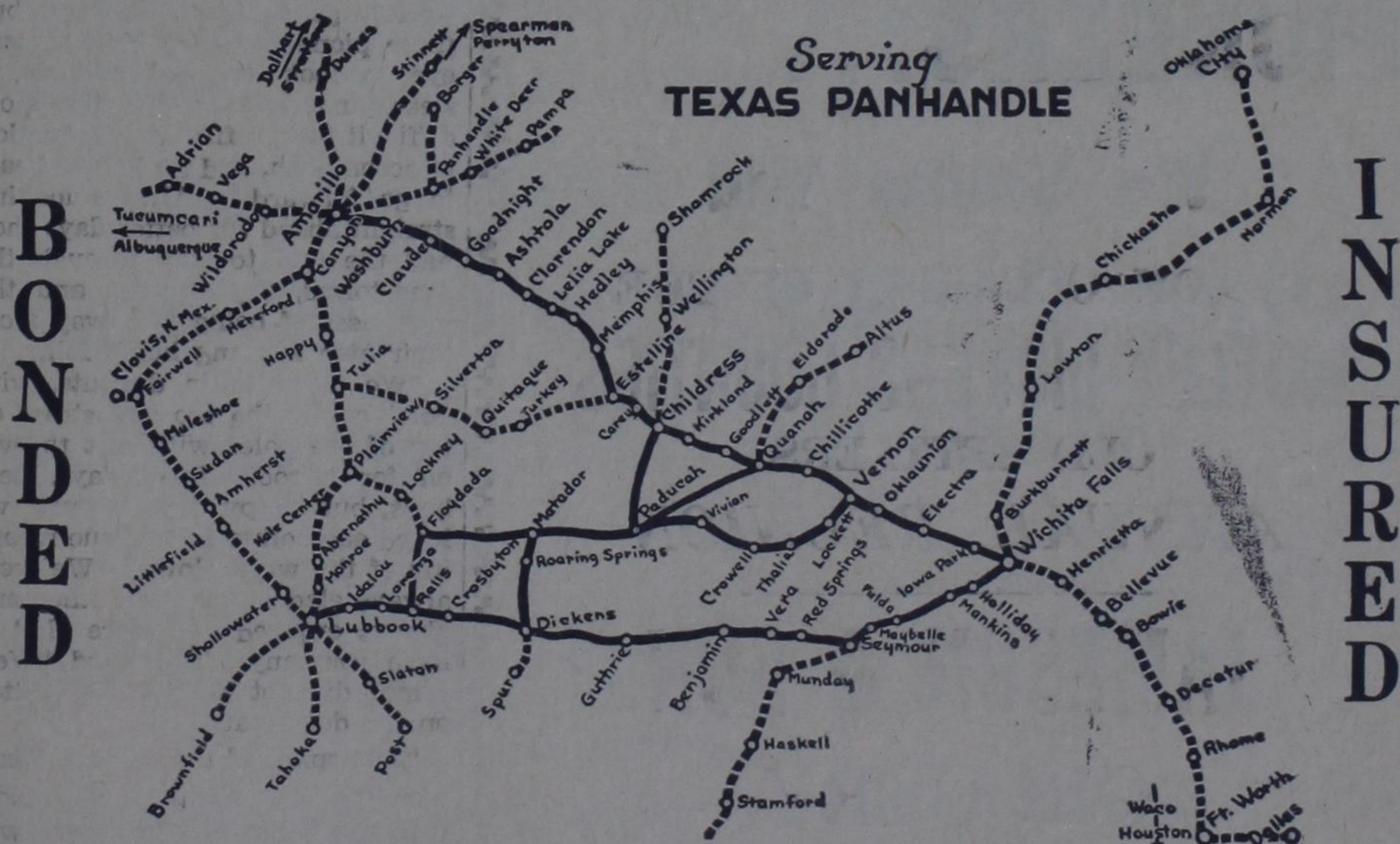
Progress Today Means

MODERN TRANSPORTATION

And Modern Transportation Comes By Patronizing

Miller & Miller

MOTOR FREIGHT



THEY KNEW WHAT REAL COMMUNITY SINGING WAS BACK IN 1897



Remember the days when the whole family talked for weeks about the next singing convention? Here's a group you may recognize. It is some officers and other dignitaries of the Motley County Singing Convention, and the picture was taken in 1897. The Tribune has not been able to get the names of all the people in the group, but here are some of them, and, if we are wrong, forgive us:

Numbering from the top row, in which we count about eight gentlemen, there are, 1, T. B. Edmondson (who admitted it himself); 2, Walter Kimble; 8, W. B. Clark, a teacher, who now lives at Floydada.

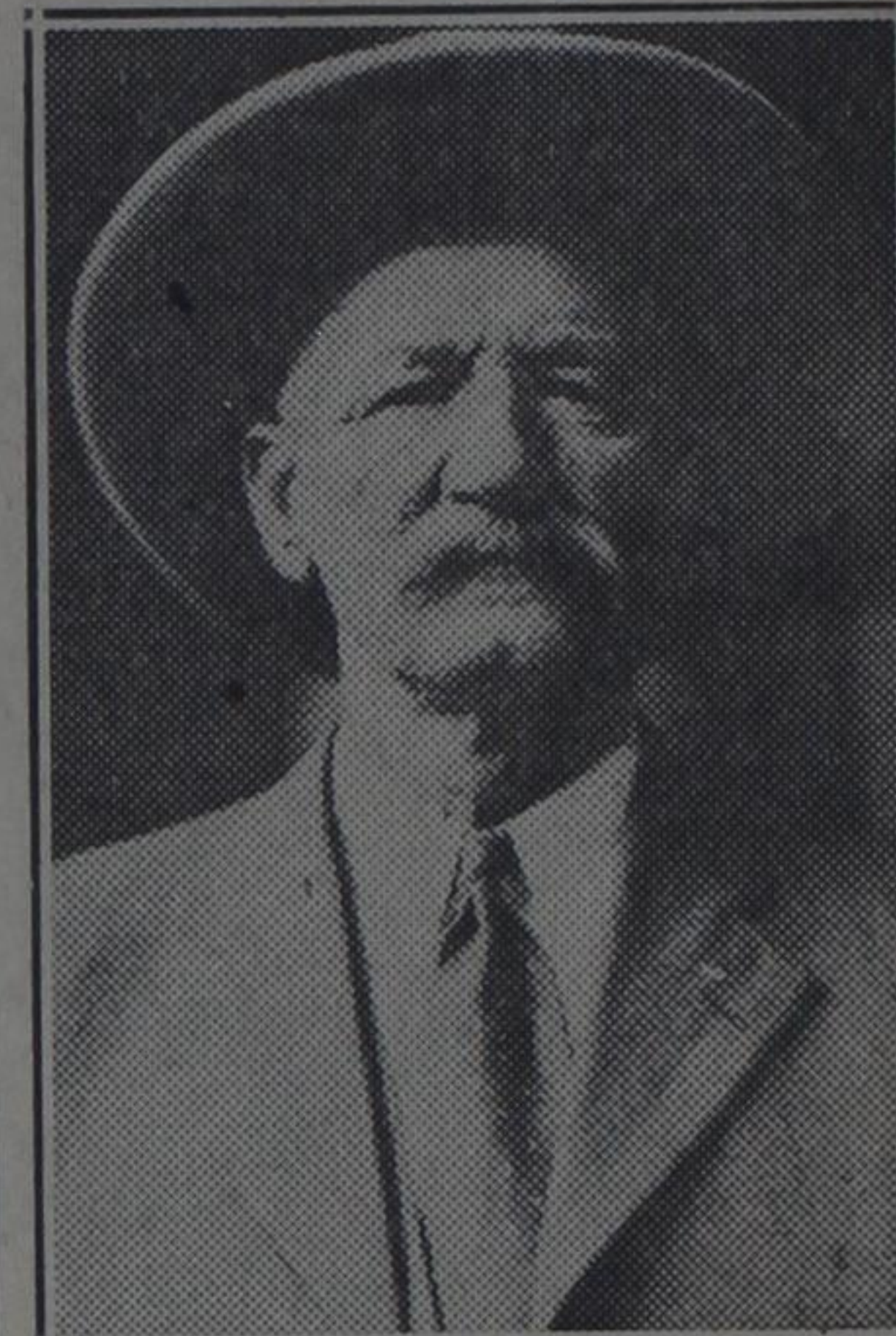
The next row, which begins with Number 9, who is T. N. Edmondson, includes: 10, P. C. Pederson; 11, Mrs. Pederson; 14, Mr.

Clifton; 17, J. J. Bass; 18, W. R. Tilson; 19, Uncle Billy Powers; 20, A. B. Newman; 21, Wood Martin, president for a number of years, and very active in the convention; 22, Lucille Ross, now Mrs. Graham of Quitaque, who was the pianist; 23, Andrew Tibbett; 25, another Mr. Bass; 26, R. L. Pritchett; 27, R. P. Moore (who lent the picture).

The next row shows, after 29, whom we did not know, 30, Mrs. Clifton; 35, Minnie Harris; 36, Miss Bertha Day, who married Coke Garrison; 39, Mrs. Maggie Newman, perhaps.

The seated group in front gives us, on the right end, W. J. Whitworth, one of the organizers of the convention, and J. L. Burleson, numbers 55 and 56, respectively.

ED RUSSELL SERVED LONGEST AS SHERIFF



First cook with John Smith's wagon on the Matador Ranch, Ed Russell came here from Hill County with his parents. After his cowboy days with the Matadors, he lived at Croton Canyon for several years, then came to Matador, where he served as deputy and sheriff for a longer time than any sheriff before or after.

COWBOY PREACHER CONDUCTED MEETING IN BRUSH ARBOR

The cowboy preacher, Rev. Steagall, a Methodist minister, is believed to have been one of the first to bring the gospel to this section of Texas. On Duck Creek, above Soldier's Mound, in Dickens County, in the early 80's he preached to the cowboys in a boxed and stripped house, 14 x 16 feet, which had been built with money donated by the cowboys. A Sunday School was or-

ganized in 1882. In 1884 Rev. Steagall and another Methodist preacher held a protracted meeting near the small house, under a brush arbor, built by the cowboys and a few settlers. He was loved and honored by the pioneers, many of whom still remember his noble character and inspired preaching.

A. J. Pipkin, who now lives at Crosbyton, came to this country as a boy with his parents, and lived near Matador many years. He is a brother of Charlie Pipkin.

NEIGHBORLY SPIRIT OF PIONEERS IS LAUDED IN LETTER TO PAPER

Expressive of the feelings of most of the pioneers in this section is a letter printed in the Tribune in 1936, which was received from Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Moore at Guthrie. We reprint the letter because of the fine sentiment expressed:

TO THE PIONEERS OF MOTLEY COUNTY:

"There is and always will be a tender feeling of respect and love that cannot be described in words for our neighbors of the nineties. They were neighbors in the true meaning of the word and each and every neighbor could be depended on for help at the darkest midnight. Zero weather and in the most trying times they gladly shared anything they might possess, and they were always happy to come to the aid of their neighbors.

"We didn't have much of this world's goods in those days, but those pioneers had a bright, clear eye to look forward and do, a steady nerve to tackle the most difficult task, a firm determination to accomplish, and an honest heart to go forward. Always looking straight ahead for better days they had the will to stay through the sandstorms, the drouths, and the loneliness of being far away from their own kin and home folks.

"We all lived in dugouts, with poles across the top and straw on top of the poles with dirt thrown on for a roof. Hard days, perhaps, but happy days because we loved each other in the true meaning of the word 'love.' We were always glad to see each other and always enjoyed and were glad to have company. The word 'Welcome' did not have to be written on the door-mats.

"The spirit of those West Texas pioneers was all that was good, true and noble, and this spirit will ring down the avenues of time

when many major events of history have been lost in oblivion. The Pioneer Spirit is the spirit that makes for hardy people—the spirit that builds nations—the spirit over which the humble Nazarene of Galilee would pass His hand and pronounce a benediction of approval. That was the day of no envying, no backbiting, no gossiping; there were no bad

MRS. ASHFORD

Mrs. W. E. Ashford of Northfield, who was survived by her husband, six children, 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, died in February of this year. She will be honored at the Old Settler's memorial services during the Reunion.

debts, no mortgages, no lacks—just honest, upright, hardy, loveable people—the Pioneers of the Nineties!
MR. AND MRS. J. L. MOORE.



PIONEERS...

We Salute You

ON OCCASION OF THE
MOTLEY-DICKENS COUNTIES
OLD SETTLERS
ANNUAL REUNION

JAMESON & SON
GROCERY

Best Wishes

TO The

Old Timers

OF

MOTLEY-DICKENS
COUNTIES

Meeting Thursday-Friday

Matador Auto Co.

"WATCH THE FORDS GO BY"

Early Dickens Officials



These bearded gentlemen served Dickens County faithfully in public office years ago. Reading from left to right, they are: Back row—Lyman Crabtree, commissioner; M. L. Hale; Alf Manning; Jim Jones, treasurer; Colonel Green, county attorney and father of J. D. Green; John Smith, deputy sheriff; Bottom row—Dow Hart, commissioner; T. J. Garner, treasurer; Jeff Harkney, sheriff; Sid Dunwoody, clerk; the Tribune was unable to identify the last man.

PAT JINKINS

F. M. (Pat) Jinkins, who died last September, had lived in Motley County 46 years. He was an early school teacher, and had moved here in February of 1891. He married Miss Fannie Edmondson on July 26, 1893. She and eight children survive.

C. D. BIRD

Now owner of a large ranch in southeast Motley and part of Dickens County, C. D. Bird came to the Pitchforks in Dickens County in 1884. In 1886 he began working for the Matador. He married Miss Daisy Blair of Erath County about '92 or '93.

F. M. Jinkins, deceased, charter member of the Old Settlers Association, sat on the first Grand Jury that convened in Motley County.

The last land purchased by the Matador Land and Cattle Company in this area was the purchase of the section on which the Springs are located.

Best Wishes, Old Timers...

We honor and respect you for the great things you have accomplished.

It is always a pleasure to serve you.

Have A Good Time

EAST AFTON GIN

DRY HUMOR

Another tall tale, recounted by J. D. Green in the Roaring Springs Reporter in 1935, is as follows (referring to the great drouth of the early '90's): "Just how dry it was I cannot say, though I will tell you its description by another man that went through it. He now lives near Big Spring, but came back to the Spur country visiting a few years ago, when it was really dry locally. The people there were complaining of how dry it was an asked the old timer if he had ever seen it as dry. He answered readily and frankly that he had. He said, 'In the nineties I saw a man dust cotton seed in the ground, and three years later those seed came up and made cotton'."

EARLY MERCHANTS

Early Matador merchants, as revealed by a copy of the Motley County Journal dated April 28, 1899 (the last edition published by R. P. Moore), included: J. C. Bursleson, dealer in dry goods, groceries, tin ware, queensware, boots, and shoes; F. E. McGoughey, saddles, harness, and boots; Morris & Curry, who had just closed the contract for the old court house, and who planned to put in a full stock of general merchandise; Lee Anderson, ladies goods; Campbell & Ballew, blacksmithing and woodwork; Dr. A. C. Traweek, physician and surgeon; R. P. Moore, Feed, Corn chopped or ground, Kaffir corn ground or chopped.

E. W. EDWARDS

A native of Illinois, E. W. Edwards, who died last February, came to Texas along about the nineties, and eventually located at Matador. He moved to Roaring Springs in 1927.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Pipkin celebrated their fortieth wedding anniversary here last February. They were married in 1899 at the Edmondson farm east of Matador by Rev. R. M. Morris. Those present at the ceremony were Messrs. and Mmes. H. H. Campbell, Sr., C. D. Edmondson, F. M. Jinkins, T. N. Edmondson and R. M. Morris



*Time Is Only A Measure...
...Progress Is Life*

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE STURDY PIONEERS WHOSE COURAGE LED THEM TO VISION GREATER HORIZONS IN A NEW COUNTRY...THEY HAVE WITNESSED PROGRESS RIPEN THE FRUITS OF THEIR DREAMS—TIME CHANGES THE TRAILS THEY BLAZED, BUT NEVER THE COURSE OF THEIR IDEALS.

BEST WISHES TO THE Pioneers of Motley-Dickens Counties

MEETING THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

MATADOR VARIETY

Fay Jacobs And Personnel

Last Vestiges Of First Settlement



Even the ruins of the school, above, have been carried away since the picture was taken, removing the last sign of Motley County's first town, Teepee City, which was founded in 1876. One of the first settlements in this section of Texas, the village provided western headquarters for buffalo hunters, Texas Rangers and early settlers. In 1880 it was established as the first post office in the county.

Some of the earliest pioneers associated with Teepee City, and the year in which they came to what is now Motley County, are: S. N. Armstrong, 1876; Tom Bird, 1878; Mr. and Mr. A. B. Cooper, 1879; Mrs. Joe Browning 1879; Joe Browning, 1879; Texas Rangers G. W. Arrington, captain, Ned Springer, and Witt Springer, 1879; J. D. Starks, 1880; Nora Cooper, 1882; Lal Lewis, 1883; J. J. Cooper, 1884; W. R. Tilson, 1884; A. L. Barton, 1888; W. W. Moore, 1889; J. S. Orr, 1890; J. J. Russell, 1891; J. E. Meador, 1891; Pat Cornett, 1891; J. E. Russell, 1891; Ella Cornett, 1891; R. P. Echols, 1892; Tom Edmondson, 1891; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Echols, 1892; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lisenby, 1897; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Newman, 1892; Mrs. W. R. Tilson, 1893.

SWENSON CONTRIBUTIONS

The Swenson boys, who later bought the Spur Ranch in Dickens County, are believed to have been the first to completely fence a large ranch in West Texas. Also, in 1884, they introduced registered bulls to this area, and began the careful breeding that has so enhanced the market value of Herefords.

LUCKY MISTAKE

It was originally intended that Motley County would be 30 miles square, but because of errors in surveying, it is actually 33 miles long and 31 miles wide. The survey was made in 1876, but the county was not organized until many years later.

J. A. GROVES

J. A. Groves, who died last March, will be among those honored at the Memorial Services of the Reunion this year. Mr. Groves, who had been a resident of Motley County for 28 years, was 63 years old when he died. He moved to this county in 1910, and had made his home here continuously since then. He served as county tax assessor for two terms and as county commissioner for one term, and was the first county chairman of the A. A. A. program. He was survived by his wife, the former Miss Minnie Hancock, and eight children.

SWARINGEN

J. A. Swaringen, who lives at Spur, came here as a boy with his parents in 1891. His wife, the former Laura Carlisle, of Duck Creek, has been in this section since 1890. Jim saw service as a cowboy in those days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bethany came to Motley County in 1900, and were among the early settlers of Northfield community. Mr. Bethany died in 1931, and she died in 1936.

F. F. Turner, who came to this county in 1900, died in 1936 at his home at Quitaque Peaks, near Flomot.

Aunt Mollie Hart, a beloved character, died at the age of 73 in June of 1937. She had come to this county in 1903.

TALL TALE NO. 1

Lum Collett's most fascinating tale is the story of his first trip through Stonewall. He asserts that at that time the Double Mountains, now visible all over West Texas, were "just two mud-holes." Those who credit the story have evolved the theory that sandstorms built them up to their present greatness.

R. H. Hutto moved with his family to Motley County in 1908. He died in 1936.

Mrs. C. L. Glenn, pioneer settler of this county, is now 78 years of age.

Joe Becham, who later became sheriff, and who, even later, killed one of his successors in office, is said to have been the first man to plant Johnston Grass in this county.

Malcolm Morris came to the county in the nineties with his father, J. D. Morris.

CORRECTION: Elsewhere in this issue Uncle Billy Moore was spoken of as the uncle of R. P. Moore. This mistake is herewith corrected: R. P. Moore and Uncle Billy Moore were brothers.

W. D. Long filed on land at Whiteflat in this county in 1890. His widow still lives here.

Now of Floydada, John Hodges came to Roaring Springs in 1898 as a freighter.

Rev. G. I. Brittan, now of Plainview, was one of the first pastors of the Matador Baptist Church.

Dutchman River was named after a Dutchman who started a hog ranch there.



GREETINGS

To The

TRAIL BLAZERS

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GAIETY AND ROMANCE OF RANCH DANCE DESCRIBED

Mrs. Minnie Harper
Recalls Early Party
At Matador Ranch

"Swing 'em once an' let 'em go,
All hands round and do si do."
Those rhythmic lines set the beat for many memories of old ranch dances in Motley County. In 1936 Minnie Timms Harper contributed, to the Fort Worth Star Telegram, her reminiscences of a Valentine dance at the Matador Ranch headquarters. She recalled that the dance was given in honor of a Mrs. Hicks, sister of Arthur Ligetwood, manager of the ranch.

W. P. Gilpin, county judge, was the dancing official, and fiddlers included Frank Wilson of Childress and Jeff Morriss of Matador; Roy McClain was one of the dance callers.

Ladies who assisted in preparations, according to Mrs. Harper, were Mrs. Jack Zurick, housekeeper at the White House; Mrs. R. A. Haley, wife of the range boss; Mrs. George Cook, Miss Clara Curry and Miss Velma Burlison, who later married Rufus Moore.

Mrs. Harper went to the party in a stage coach with Maggie Burlison, Billie McKie and Roy McClain. Some of the people present were Benjamin Harper, her future husband; Mrs. R. A. Bridges, the school teacher, and the Morris twins, Eulu and Beulah.

PRES GOEN WORKED

25 YEARS ON

PITCHFORK RANCH

Fourteen-year-old Pres Goen ran away from his home in Johnson County, came to the Pitchfork Ranch in about 1884, and stayed there for 25 years. He began managing a wagon in 1896, was wagon boss for 14 years, and occupied a position of trust and responsibility on the ranch. He quit in 1910 and bought the Bud Browning ranch, northwest of Dickens, and is ranching there to this day.

Mrs. Goen is the daughter of Mr. Blackwell, who will be 104 in October. Mr. Blackwell came to Cottle county in early days as a sheep man. He makes his home with the Goens.

PAT McHUGH

A generous, kindly Irishman, Pat McHugh, was Motley County's first justice of the peace. One of the first cowboys on the Matador Ranch, McHugh brought over, in 1900, his sister, Celia to keep house at the old headquarters. Pat came to the States in the early 80's. After Mr. McHugh left Motley County, he went to Yoakum County and was one of the first settlers in that territory. His first home, and his first dug-out, are still there, and many oldsters recall with pleasure the hospitality of the Irish rancher.

H. WILLIAMS

Harrison Williams, a native of Arkansas, where he was born, at St. Paul, in 1862; coming to Texas in 1864, he moved to Motley County in 1891. He was married, in Mills County, in 1885. He is now a retired merchant.

Old Time Cowboy



Doc Edwards, above, of Dickens County, worked on the Matador Ranch. About 1896 or '97 he worked for himself. He went up the trail with John Smith in the early nineties, and was killed several years ago at Dickens.

KNEW COW BRANDS

Admired as knowing more cowbrands than anyone else in the country, Walter Reeves, who died in 1935, was one of the smartest cattlemen here. It is recalled that, when the county seat was to be selected, Mr. Reeves and the Q. B. Kid, a Mr. Phythian, attempted to have it located on some property about three miles east of Matador. Later Mr. Reeves became mayor of the town. It was said that he could accurately describe markings of individual cattle out of a herd of a thousand or so.

SPUR RANCH

The Spur Ranch, originally consisting of nearly a half million acres in Garza, Kent, Dickens and Crosby counties, was established in 1883 by the Espula Land and Cattle Company of Fort Worth, and was purchased two years later by an English Syndicate. In 1907 it was sold to S. M. Swenson. One outstanding characteristic of the ranch was its strictly prohibitionist policy. W. W. Hosea, a Mexican, was one of the favorites on the ranch; it is told that on one occasion he went into Mexico and brought back a horse thief single-handed.

FIRST MURDER VICTIM

The first white man killed in Motley County of which there is any record was Mr. J. M. McKanny of the state of Kansas, who was robbed and murdered enroute to Colorado City, where he was journeying to buy cattle.

EVEN THEN

Subscribers who sometimes get a little upset when the Tribune is delivered a day late might hark back to one of the very first issues of a paper in the county. The Motley County News, Volume 1, Number 2, carried a dateline of December 17, 1891, but inside it carried the story of the D. C. Kieth wedding, which took place six days after December 17, on December 23.

Molly Bailey Showed Settlers First Elephant

Youthful memories of many old-timers hereabouts include Molly Bailey's Show, the first circus to appear in this section.

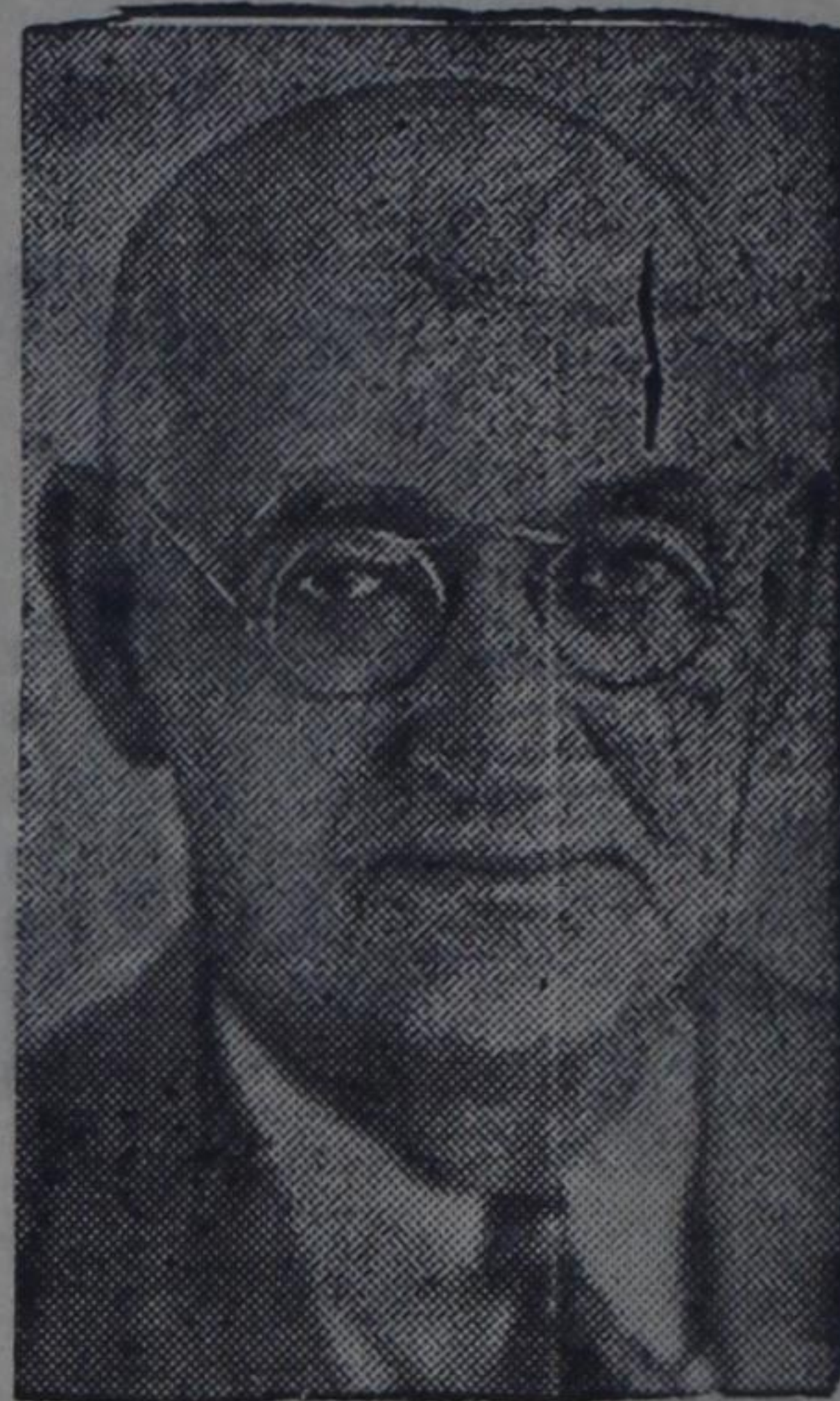
Many westerners saw their first elephants when the show annually came to the Roaring Springs, long before the town of the same name was established.

The show was brought there by wagon from Childress, the nearest railroad town. Amarillo was the only other town in all West Texas that could offer such amusement.

Cowboys rode in from all 'round for the excitement, and many families came in covered wagons as far as fifty miles, excusing themselves, as ever, by saying that they had to bring the children to the circus.

The first marriage license issued in this county was sold to a Dickens County cowboy who was eloping with a girl from there. The couple were married, however, in Floyd County. That was in 1891.

JUDGE GLENN



Judge C. L. Glenn, above, was active in the history of Matador and Motley County from 1900, when he moved here, until his death last February. Coming here with his family, from Weatherford, he formed a partnership with C. M. Currie and Newt Gaines in the Matador Mercantile Company, as manager. After a brief sojourn in Plainview, he returned to this

FIRST COUNTY CLERK

Twenty years of service was the record of Walter A. Walton, Motley's first clerk. He was the father of Mrs. U. L. Wilie and Mrs. R. E. Donovan. Mr. Walton, who defeated opposing candidates for 20 years, was succeeded by R. A. (Dick) Seay. After 27 years Mr. Seay was again elected County Clerk in this summer's primary.

MR. AND MRS. W. W. GARNER

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Garner settled in Dickens County in the fall of 1890. They had come to Texas in 1880 from Alabama. Both have seen the country change from a pioneer ranching area to a farming district. Mr. Garner is a member of the Sons of United Confederate Veterans, and is able to tell many incidents of the Civil War.

Jokingly named the "Whitehouse," the original headquarters of the Matador Ranch were moved here from Grapevine.

county, and was elected county judge in 1920, serving three terms. Next he served as mayor of Matador. He was married in 1879, to Miss Julia Braselton, who survived him along with six children. Mr. Glenn was ever active in community and church work.

Keeping Up With Progress



There is a vast difference in the styles of today and Those of pioneer times. There is also a vast difference in the method of cleaning. Water and a washtub were the only facilities that a pioneer could use.

Then, many years later came the gasoline method. Dangerous and unsatisfactory because the gasoline was not refined by our modern methods, and an oily substance was left in the gasoline.

Today, we use an odorless cleaning fluid that cannot burn. The modern cleaning process raises the nap and restores the original finish to the cloth.

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We take pride in the knowledge that this institution has had a part in the progress of this territory that our resourcefulness and unselfishness has had a part in the achievement. This bank is proud, too, that it is in a position to be of service to such a progressive section during the years to follow.

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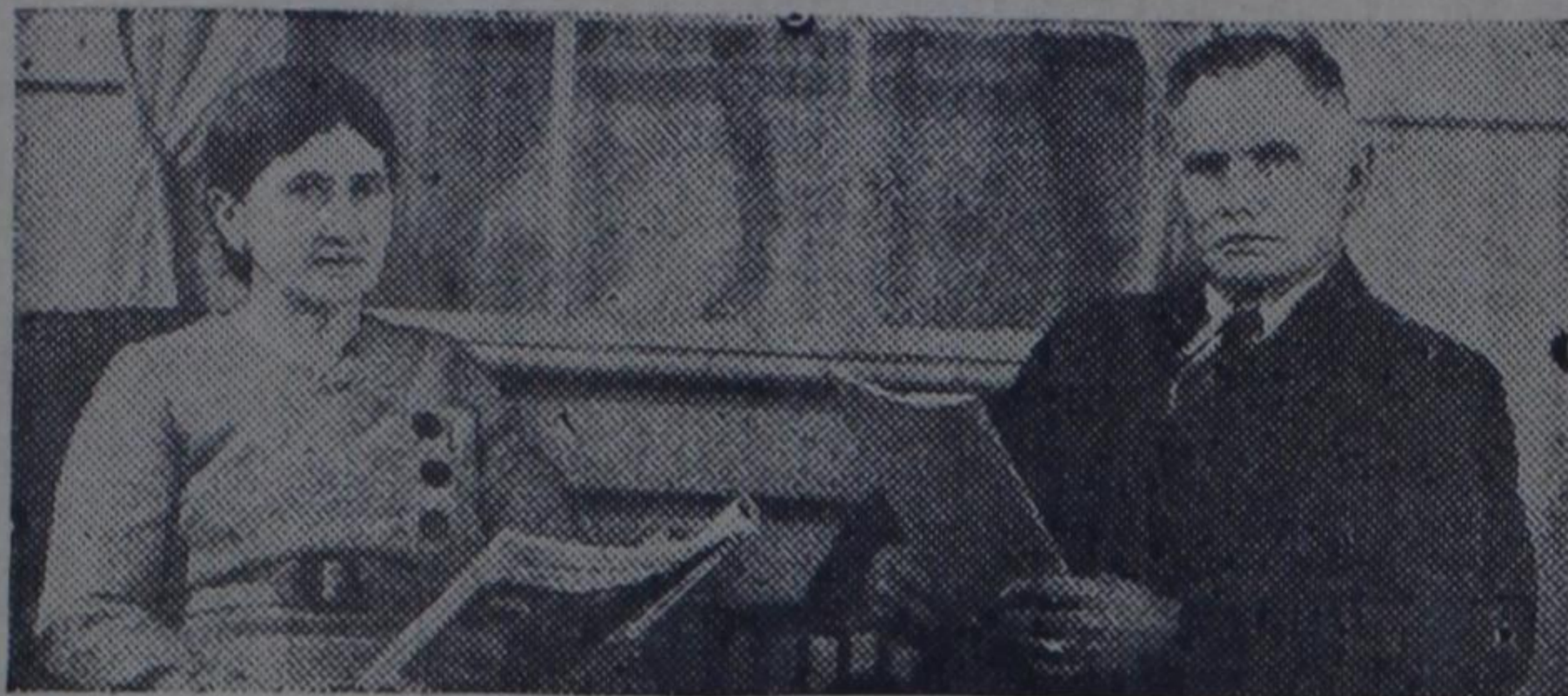
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GRACIOUS PIONEER COUPLE



Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Patton, above celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1936. They were married November 4, 1886, and have made their home in Motley

County since 1900. The couple hold an honored and well deserved place of respect in the hearts of Matador residents.

Jake Rains Brought In Spur Cattle

Jake Rains, an outstanding cowboy in this section, came to this part of the state in about 1882 to bring in the first cattle for the Spur Ranch, in Dickens County.

He has been continuously in the saddle, as good a hand as any of them, for 56 years. Only recently however, Mr. Rains had a stroke of paralysis, and is now in a Sweetwater hospital.

Jake Rains, a low, sturdy man, with a gray-tinged mustache, was a permanent fixture on the Spur Ranch—he "went with the cattle" when the ranch changed hands, and rode nearly everyday until he became ill.

When asked why he has never married, Jake replies, from his years of wisdom, "I never had time."

R. P. Moore Was Once An Editor

R. P. Moore, pioneer merchant, cowhand, and newspaperman, came to Matador in 1894 to work as a cowboy for his uncle, W. W. Moore.

R. P. was twenty years of age, and single, when he came to the west. Two years later, in 1896, he took over the Motley County Journal, which he published until 1899. The year before he sold the paper, in 1898, he married Effie Criswell, who had come to Whiteflat with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Criswell, in 1896. The Criswells moved into Matador in 1898. In those days there was only one fence between Matador and Whiteflat, and then another, and only one, between Matador and Dickens.

After trying his hand at editing, Mr. Moore became a barber, and then established his grocery store in 1900. The business is believed to be the oldest in continuous existence in Matador. The entire block in which the store was located burned out in 1914, including, among other buildings, Jeff Morriss' hotel, Sam Bates' dry goods store, and several others.

PROSPEROUS FARMER

Now one of the most prosperous farmers in Dickens County, Paul Braddock moved to Afton with his father and mother from Young County in 1892. His wife is the former Eva Johnson, whom he married in the 1900's.

BUSINESS MEN OF 1891 BELIEVED IN ADVERTISING

Business and commerce in Matador thrived, even in 1891, according to Volume 1, Number 2, of the Motley County News, which carried a dateline of December 17. Luther Taylor was the editor and proprietor.

Advertisers included: William Moses and Company, Dry Goods, Saddlery, and Notions; H. B. King, Grocery; White and Hamilton, City Meat Market, L. A. Pitts, Painter and Paperhanger; McCurry - Davidson Contractors and Builders; J. W. Reed and Co., Restaurant, Childress; T. M. Austin, Physician and Surgeon; McCaughy Brothers, Saddles and Boots; Browning and McAdams, Matador Hotel; Austin and Colthorp, Southern Hotel; and the Cartwright Livery Stable.

William Moses later served as Sheriff of the county; White and Hamilton were Will White and J. S. Hamilton.

"Mammie Mac" Was Mother To All Matador Cowboys

Beloved by all the Matador cowhands, and never to be forgotten as a kind mother and helper, was "Mammie Mac", Mrs. Mattie McDonald, who came to McDonald's Camp on the Matador Ranch from Fort Worth in 1887 or '88. She was laundress and mother to the cowboys.

Before the Christmas of 1889 the boys, wanting to show their devotion and affection, pondered long and deeply about the suitable gift for Mrs. McDonald. Finally for the simple reason that the commissary handled only one pretty article, neckerchiefs, each cowboy purchased "Mammie Mac" a large, bright, and beautiful handkerchief.

Those handkerchiefs, carefully preserved, were willed to Mrs. D. C. Kieth in 1904, and have since been made into a bedspread. The colors are still bright as they were nearly half a century ago, testimony to the affection of the cowboys, many of whom have followed Mrs. McDonald in death.

Mrs. W. R. Tilson came with her family from Childress County to Whiteflat in 1893. She was a Miss Williams before her marriage to W. R. Tilson, who died last year.

Eli Bashams Were Early Dickens County Settlers

Mr. and Mrs. Eli W. Basham first came to Dickens County in 1898, which qualifies them as old settlers, in spite of the fact that they have moved around considerable since then. They recalled that Dickens, near which they lived, was about half its present size then, and that Jeff Harkey, now

dead, was sheriff. In those days there was no town of Spur—that area was all pasture land of the Swenson Ranch. The line between the Matador Ranch pastures and the Swenson land ran through the town of Dickens.

Mr. Basham freighted to Quanah by wagon, and the trip took eight days. The couple, after having lived in Jones county, in New Mexico, in Cottle County, in Dickens County again, moved to Roaring Springs in the 20's and are now farming there.

TEE PEE CITY SETTLERS

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cooper, parents of Nora Cooper, the first white girl born in Motley County, were the first settlers at Tee Pee City in June of 1878. The Coopers came to what was to be the county's first town on horseback from Fort Worth. Later, other families and individuals came to Tee Pee, including J. E. Pritchard and family, T. N. Cammack, F. J. Jeffers, R. V. Fields and S. N. Armstrong.



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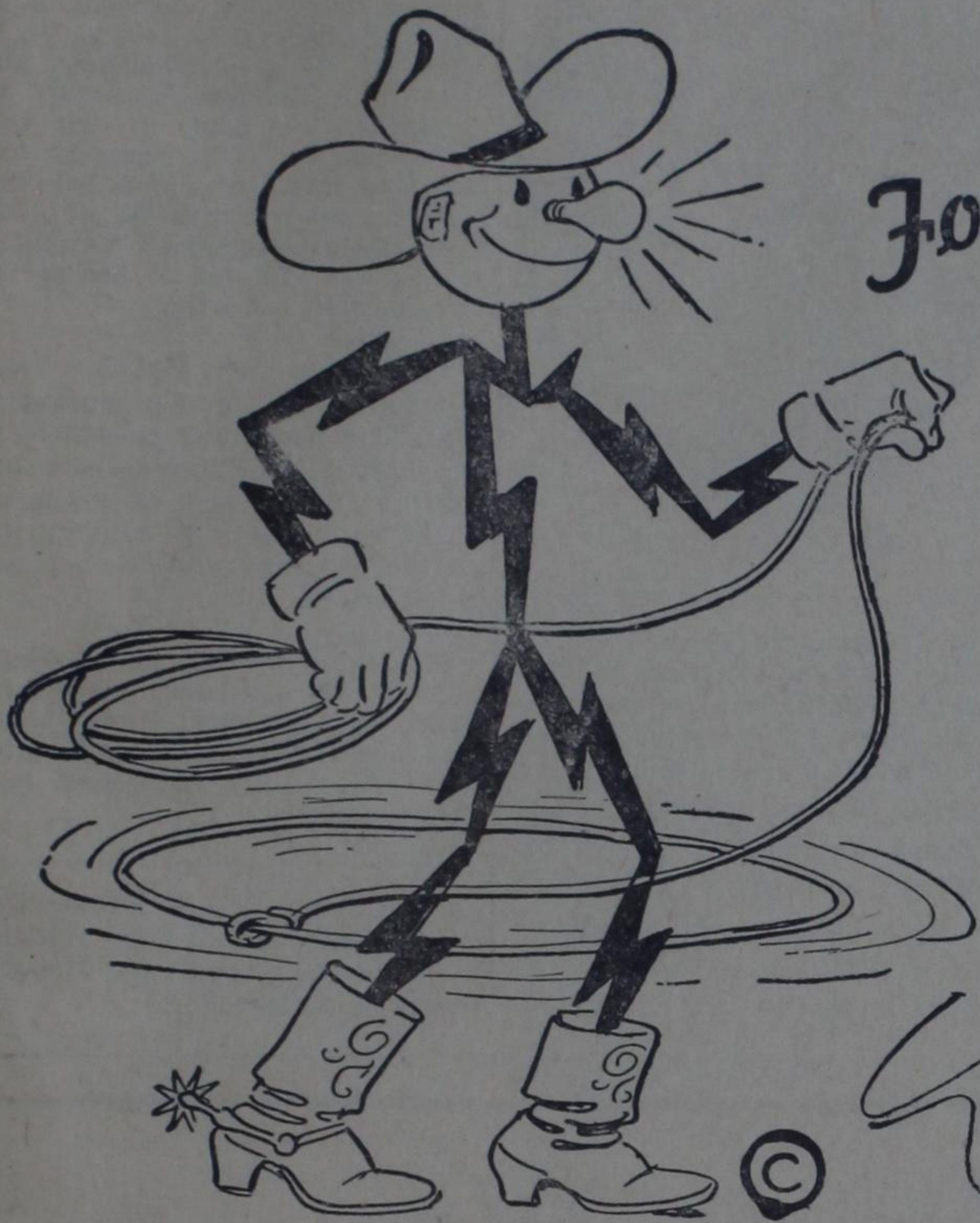
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H. H. Campbell Was Founder Of Empire

A lad who adored his first calf when other boys were playing games, Henry Campbell, founder of the Matador Ranch, was a natural-born cattleman. His splendid family background ensured his success in any field, but some special tendency in his own personality made of him a man who, against many obstacles, went ahead to the realization of his dream of a great cattle empire in the west.

Born in 1840, Mr. Campbell came to Texas with his family in 1854 from North Carolina. When he was 21, Henry Campbell enlisted in the Twentieth Texas Regiment for service in the War between the States. After the war, in which he received two wounds, Mr. Campbell plunged right into his chosen career when he contracted management of a small herd of cattle on a one-fourth share basis. In 1869, he drove a herd of 1200 cattle toward California, on a \$75 per month salary, but instead sold the cattle in Nevada for \$25 a head. On the way back, he conceived in its ultimate form the idea of a West Texas ranch.

Establishes Ranch

His next move was to obtain backing, and this he did, enlisting first Col. A. M. Britton of Chicago. Campbell, given free rein, chose the present site of the Matador Ranch, hired a few hands, and began buying cattle. Mrs. Campbell, the former Lizzie Bundy, whom he had married in 1871, settled with him under the Caprock. Her nearest neighbor was Mrs. Charles Goodnight of the JA Ranch, 70 miles away.

As the enterprise showed promise, Campbell and Britton were joined by S. W. Lomax, who gave the company, and the town, its present name, and who also, with Spanish tastes, christened the Espuela Cattle Company.

In a few years the ranch was sold to a Scottish syndicate, and Campbell, who had proved himself more than competent, was kept on as manager until his resignation, about 1890. His son, Harry, who is still active in ranching, was the first white boy born in the county. Harry was born at the ranch headquarters, and has carried on the admirable career of his father in a changed but growing west.

Henry Campbell died May 11, 1911, leaving a job well done, and a reputation that ranks with the greatest of the old cattle kings. We quote The Cattleman: "As long as the Panhandle remains a cattle country, which probably will mean just as long as humanity eats its beefsteak, Henry H. Campbell will be remembered as one of its greatest and most respected pioneers, holding as he does a place in the annals of the cow camps with Colonel Goodnight and others of like calibre who call him friend."

KINGERY FAMILY

A wagon load of Kingery's came to this county in the spring of 1898, when Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Kingery moved their family to the Chandler place near Roaring Springs. Mr. Kingery died in recent years after a lifetime of farming.

REV. PIPKIN

Rev. C. D. Pipkin, who came here in 1897, held Methodist pulpits in various sections of this country, including Turkey, Flomot, and Vera, in Knox County. He married Ida Edmondson in 1898, and the couple now lives in Matador; he has retired from preaching.

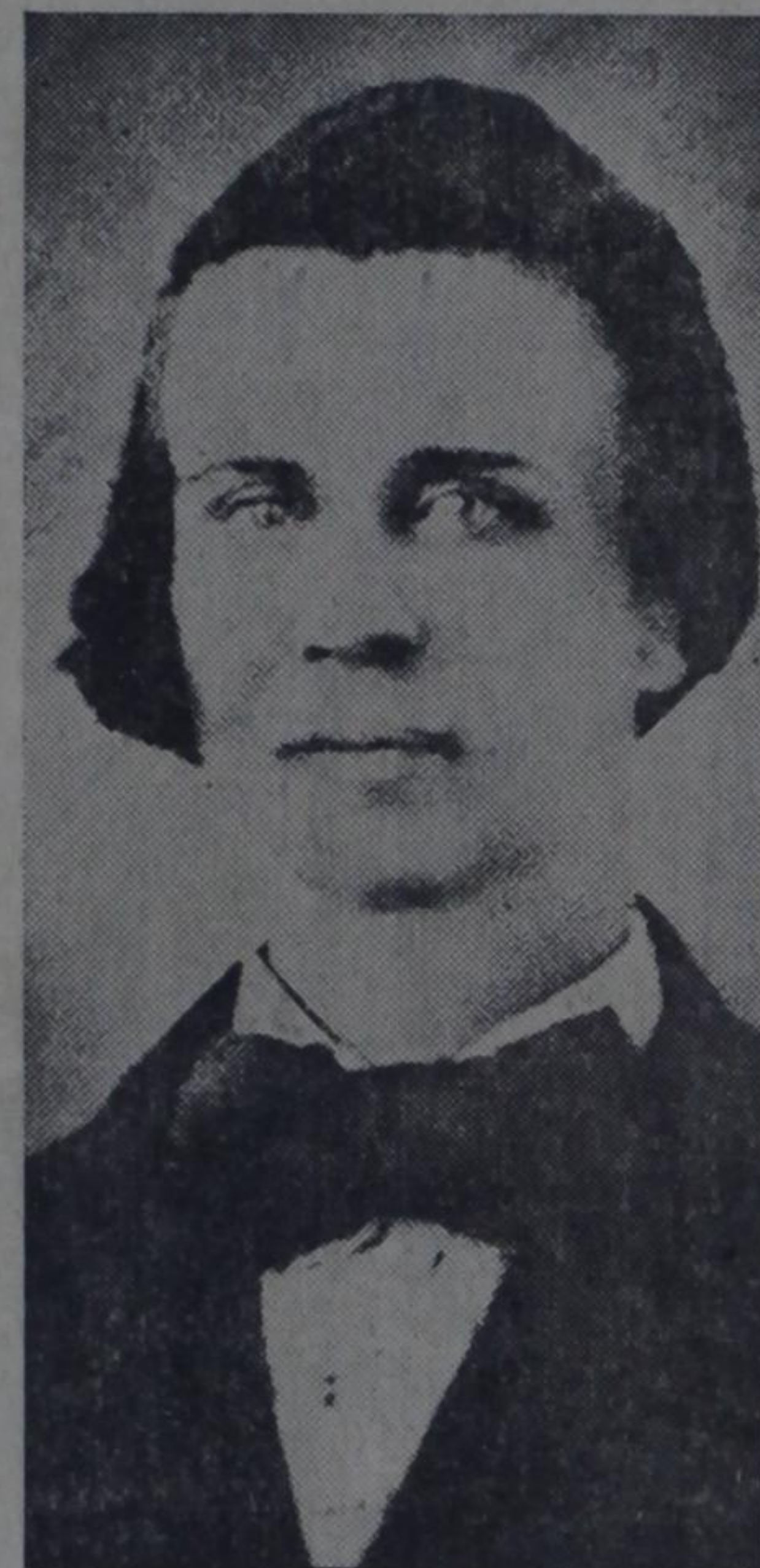
J. Frank Leonard came here in 1878 or '79, and worked for the Matador Ranch for years.

THEY WERE MARRIED IN EARLY 90's



MRS. BILL STAFFORD

DR. MOTLEY



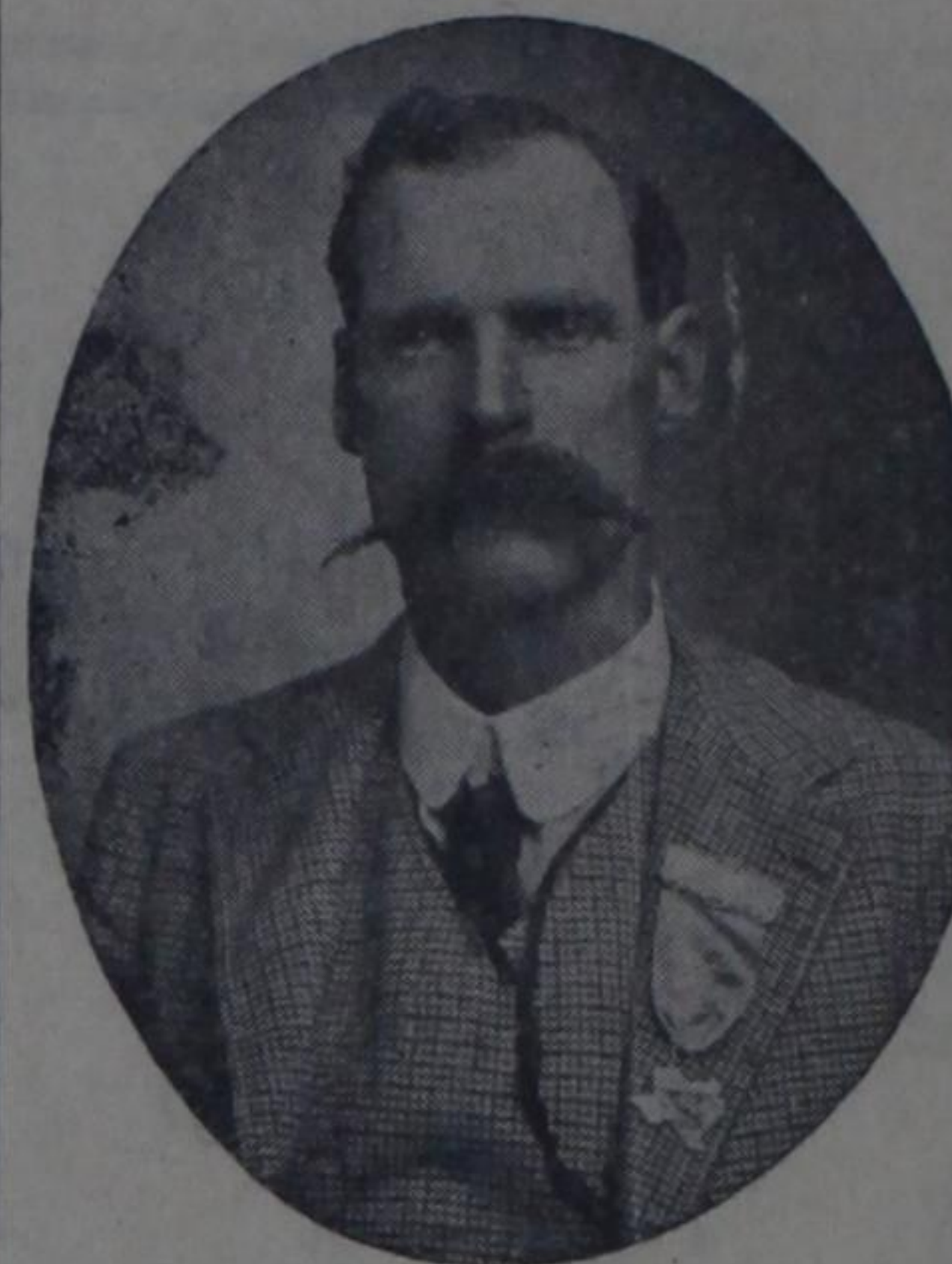
Dr. William Motley, above, for whom this county was named, gave his life for Texas. He was wounded on the battlefield of San Jacinto. A life-size bust picture of the young doctor was purchased by G. E. Hamilton in 1936, and given to the county. The picture now hangs in the District Court room.

EARLY PAPERS SENT HERE RECALL TEXAS LAND GRANT PLAN

Old and full of significance were 19 land grants that had been issued in 1880, representing land owned by the Matador Land and Cattle Company in this county, received in the county clerk's office for recording here this spring. Each document, which was signed by O. M. Roberts, governor at that time, represented 640 acres of land. They were made in Austin on January 8, 1880 in favor of J. M. Brown as purchaser from the G. B. & C. N. G. Railway Co., with the original transfer dated August 31, 1877. The papers recall the early and far-reaching move of the State of Texas when railroad companies were granted 32 sections of land for each completed mile of railroad. This action brought about much of the early colonization of the state.

The closest shipping point for this county, at the turn of the century, was Fort Worth, and the nearest packing house was at Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stafford, shown right and left in photographs taken many years ago, were married in the early 90's. Bill Stafford came to this part of the country from Florida about 54 or 55 years ago. He worked on the Spur Ranch along in the eighties, and in 1890 was an employe of Bud Browning on the Flying A's Ranch. Mrs. Stafford is the former May Hale of Dickens County. The couple now lives on a stock farm at Afton.



BILL STAFFORD

Tent Pitched By T. N. Edmondsons Here In 1891

Pitching their tent about three miles northeast of Matador, the T. N. Edmondsons family, which included Mrs. Edmondson and seven children, came to this county August 16, 1891. Mr. Edmondson was engaged in stock farming, having brought about 150 head of cattle with him. Later the family built a home near the tent site, for which they freighted lumber and supplies from Quanah and Childress. The family still owns part

of the original farm.

Mrs. Edmondson died in 1907, and Mr. Edmondson followed her in death in 1929. Their children, all of whom are well known in Motley County, are Mrs. F. M. Jinkins of Matador; Mrs. C. D. Pipkin of Matador; T. B. Edmondson, local dry goods merchants; Mrs. W. E. Ellithorp, who lives on the old home place; Mrs. Ora Roy

PANHANDLE TELEPHONE COMPANY ORGANIZED AT CHILDRRESS IN 1900

R. H. Norris of Childress was elected president of the board of directors of the Panhandle Telephone Company in 1900, at a directors meeting. J. D. Morris of Matador was elected vice-president. B. B. Bates of Childress, secretary; W. N. Motes of Childress, treasurer, and Tom Jacox, Childress, manager. An application was made in that year for a charter. The company was to be incorporated for \$7,500, and bids for the construction of lines were being advertised. Telephone service was expected to become an "incalculable necessity."

The town of Matador was founded in 1887 and organized in 1891. The name was chosen by a Mr. Lomax, who had spent many years in Spain, and who was no doubt reminded of its colorful life by the ranching and cowboy activities here.

Combining the not too profitable pursuit of newspaper publishing with meal grinding, Rans Moore had a windmill geared up to grind corn back of his print shop, back in the late 90's.

of Crosbyton; A. S. Edmondson, who recently moved from Matador to Tipton, Oklahoma; and Jim Edmondson of Matador.



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W. M. Graham Recalls Plains Trek

(NOTE: This story was first printed in the Tribune in September of 1936, but is reprinted because of its special interest at this time.)

Time was plentiful on the great plains of Texas in 1882 and to spend two days riding horse-back 60 miles to Estacado to get the mail, and return did not affect the leisurely routine of the Ben R. Milan cattle-camp located on Running Water draw near Morrison's Corrals and 15 miles southwest of the present city of Plainview. So one balmy morning late in August, W. M. Graham, now pioneer resident of Motley county, left his comrades and the 2600 head of cattle, trekking across the vast tableland to get the mail. He was a young man but a veteran in the ways of the new country since he had followed buffalo hunters on expeditions over all the territory in the Panhandle.

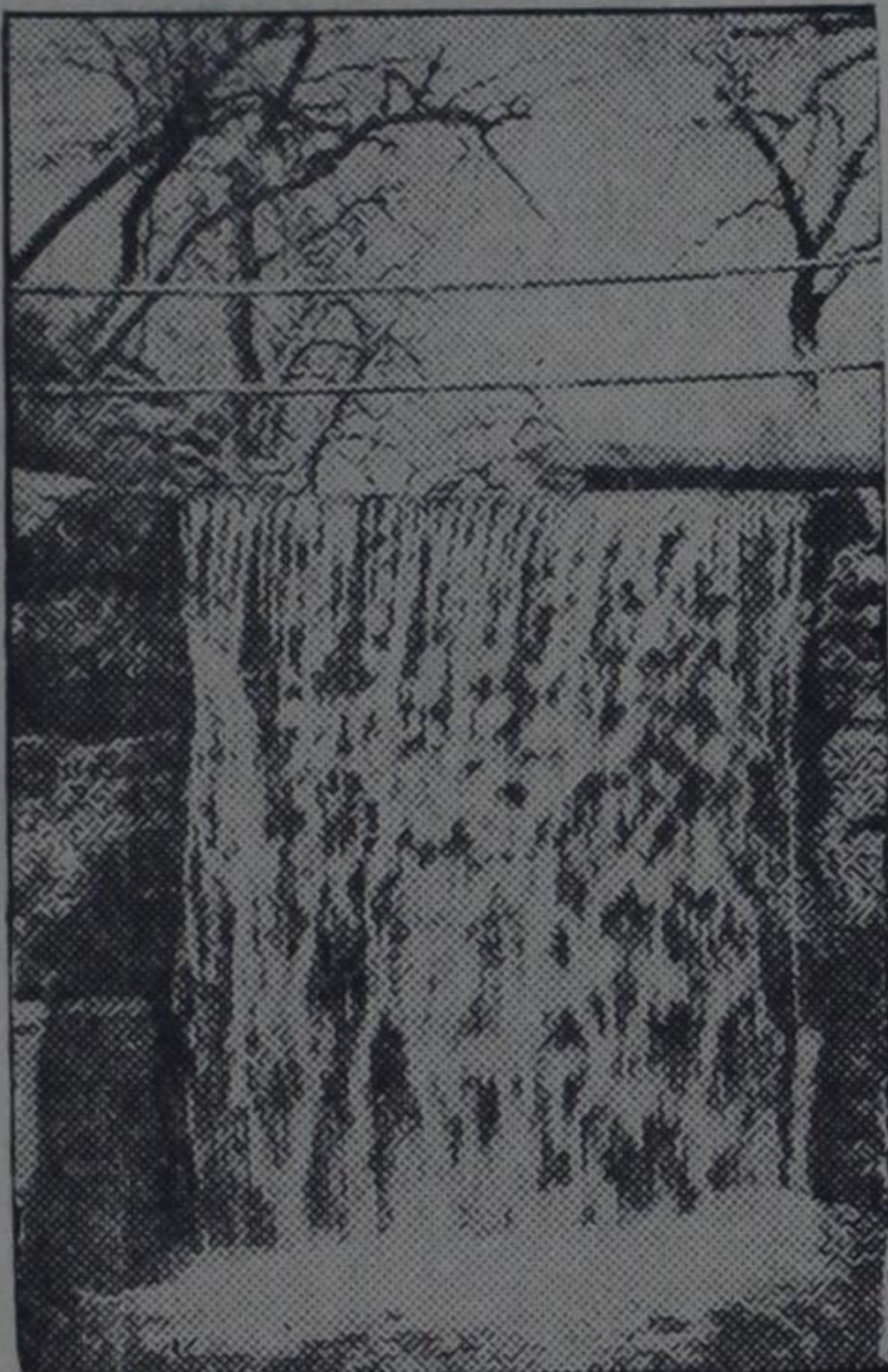
Bountiful Year

The year of 1882 was a bountiful one and the water-holes on the plains were full and the gamma grass was knee high, waving like a limitless wheat field. It was almost dark when he reached the small Quaker settlement near Blanco Canyon and after he had received his mail he went to the public well, lowering the two powder kegs until he had watered himself and horse. He secured lodging in the home of the Quaker leader, Paris Cox. The pioneer family cut luscious watermelons, grown on the abundant plains and at the table was to be found many varieties of vegetables. A syrup mill was in operation at the time and provided ample sorghum for the community. The fields contained acres of milo maize and kaffir. After breakfast the following morning the Quaker family held services at the table and the young cowboy prepared to return across the trackless prairie to the camp. It was here that he was introduced to Dr. Horatio Graves who had recently arrived from New York City and wanted to become located in the country. He asked Mr. Graham's advice—the country was so immense, so abundant that it presented a problem to the easterner. The cowboy told him that the best soil was to be found north and that the future seemed more certain because of the shallow water to be found there. Following the advice, the young doctor settled at Hale Center as one of the pioneers of that section. Mr. Graham thanked his host, the Quaker family, and returned.

Returns After 54 Years

Recently he went back to Estacado, almost to the day 54 years later. The Quaker colony had mostly gone. The site of the public well was in a cotton field—forgotten. He did, however, meet someone who knew of the early day settlement. C. R. Michel lives at Estacado where he first settled in 1880. He once owned eight sections of the original Quaker purchase, which he bought for one dollar per acre. He at one time sold 200 acres for \$100 per acre. The Quaker leader, Paris Cox, is buried near the Texas Centennial marker recently erected on the site of the old town. The inscription on the marker reads:

Water Fall At Springs Drew Settlers



This waterfall drew Indians, buffalo hunters, cattlemen, and settlers, in that order, in the early history of the west. The vanguard of trail blazers, who came to the area around Roaring Springs in the 70's, 80's and 90's, included W. M. Graham, J. D. Harkey, H. H. Campbell, John Smith, Lum Collett, Maggie Bundy Campbell, J. F. Leonard, Bob Forbes, Harry Campbell, J. W. Drace, Preston Drace, D. C. Keith, John Jackson, C. D. Bird, A. M. Bourland, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Kimbell, Mrs. M. E. Meador, Joe Meador, R. E. Meador, W. D. Long, Susie Long, Doug Meador, J. W. Duncan, J. M. Clifton, Mrs. John H. Smith, Charles Morriss, J. L. Bureson, E. A. Day, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Cribbs, J. D. Starks, Dr. A. C. Traweek, A. B. Cooper and Gus Stearns.

Murdo MacKenzie Manager 47 Years

Murdo MacKenzie managed the Matador Land and Cattle Company from 1890, when he succeeded Henry H. Campbell, until last year, when his son, John MacKenzie, took over the responsibilities of managing the cattle empire. Murdo MacKenzie came to the United States from Scotland in 1885 to take over the management of the Prairie Cattle Company, a Scottish-owned syndicate, and in 1890 was appointed General Manager of the Matador.

INDIAN TRAIL

Many early residents can recall seeing Indians travelling over the trail that extended from the Indian Territory into Old Mexico. It came in by the Payne place on Tongue River, and passed on top of the hill at Devil Gap, passing Joe Jackson place near Afton.

Site Of Estacado

A town founded in 1879 by a colony of English Quakers under the leadership of Isaac Paris Cox who purchased for them 82 sections of land. The town first named Marietta, in honor of Mary Cox, wife of the leader, was renamed Estacado in 1886 when Crosby county was organized. By 1893 the colony had disintegrated moving in 1895 to Galveston county.

HORSE-TRADE

A good and literal horse-trade was that made by J. C. Colliett in 1900, when he traded his wagon and a span of horses for a Mr. Dod's claim on a tract of land that he especially desired to own, where his home is now located.

FRED HENRY

Coming to Dickens County as a cowboy for the Spur Ranch, Fred Henry saw many years of ranch service. He married Mrs. John Law, and is now a farmer and stockman near Roaring Springs. He came to this area in 1897.

A. D. BEAUCHAMPS

A. D. Beauchamp helped A. B. Echols move to Motley County many years ago. He came here from Jack County in 1890, and returned in about '96 or '97 to stock farm. He owns a ranch east of Matador. Mrs. Beauchamp is the former Miss Kennedy, a sister of Tom Kennedy.

THE RUSSELLS

Lon L. Russell came to Matador about 1891, as a boy, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Russell. The elder Mr. Russell was a stockman and Lon farms near here. J. J. died about 1904, but Mrs. Russell still lives here. Another son, Walter, is also a resident of the county.

OSCAR VINSONS

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Vinson, who now live in Lubbock, are early settlers who deserve mention. Oscar came to Dickens County in 1896, and worked for the Pitchfork Ranch. Mrs. Vinson, the former Maud Hudson, was married in Dickens County. After coming to Motley County as a merchant, Mr. Vinson then moved to Flomot where he farmed until his recent retirement.

Walker Williams came here as a boy with his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Williams, in 1892.

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MR. AND MRS. D. C. KEITH

(Note: The following information about Mr. D. C. Kieth, deceased, was given to the Dickens County Times before his death.)

D. C. Kieth was one of the first settlers in Dickens County. He went to Soldier Mound on July 12, 1882. He was one of the first men to build a house on Duck Creek, it being located just east of Spur.

Mr. Kieth married Ella Cribbs in December of 1891, establishing a precedent in Motley County, since he was the first groom, and Mrs. Kieth was the first bride.

At that time just a few other people were there. Tom Harrison was working for the O. S. Ranch

at that time and was located at the mouth of Yellow House Canyon. Jake Rains was working for the Spur, which at that time was owned by Jim Hall, and had headquarters located on Big Red Mud. Lum Collett, now living at Roaring Springs, was one of the men who was on the works with Mr. Kieth.

In 1883 Mr. Hall sold his interest to Lomax, Britain, Stephens and Leonard of Fort Worth. In 1885 Lomax went to England and Scotland and sold a half-interest in the property to a Scotch syndicate and C. L. Gross became the ranch manager.

W. R. Dirickson, who died in Oklahoma last February, saw service as a cowboy on the Matador and other ranches in this section in the early days.

All legal business for Motley and Dickens Counties, in the early days, was transacted at Estacado, in Crosby County, which was settled by a colony of Quakers.

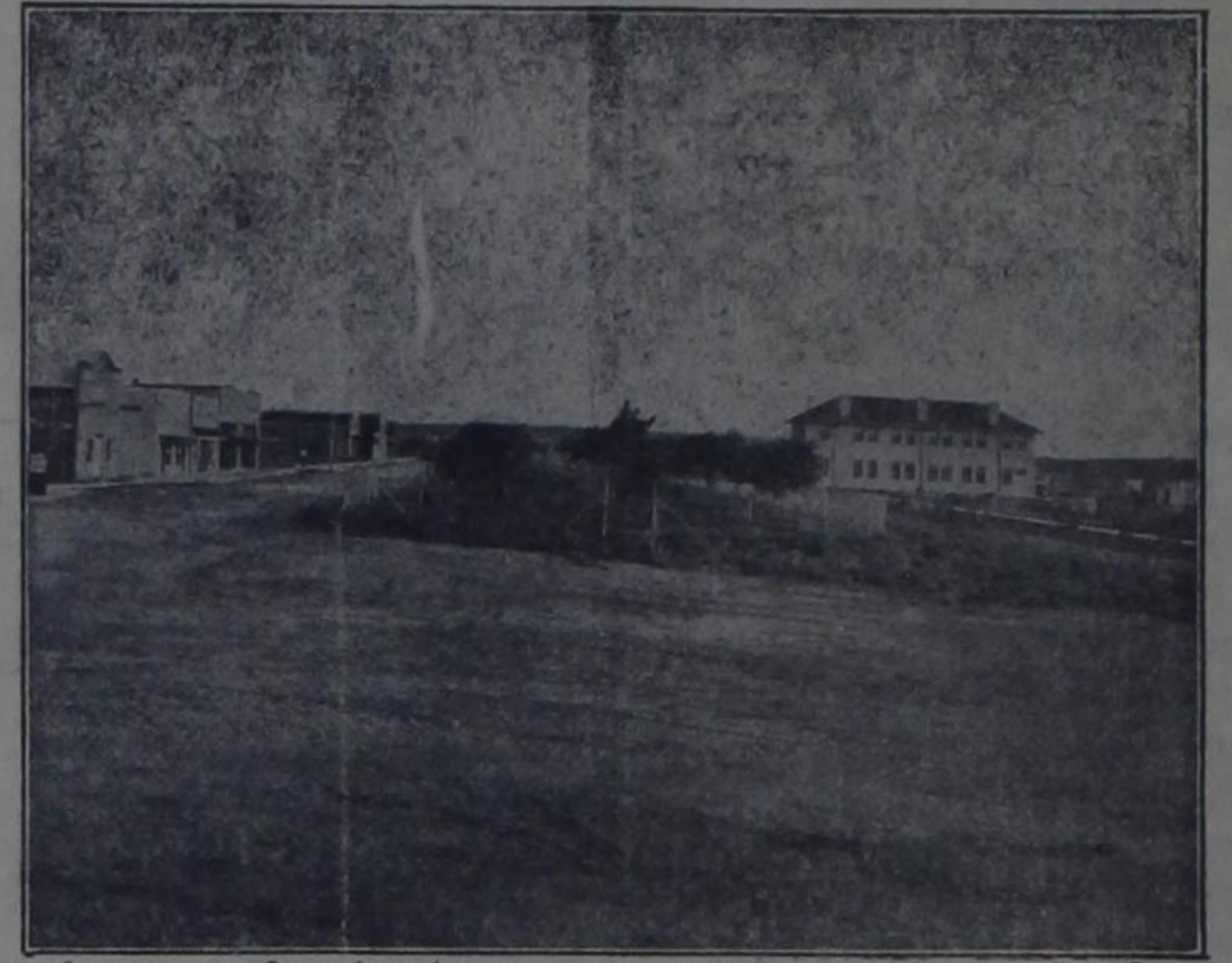
MR. AND MRS. L. A. STEARNS

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Stearns moved to Motley County from Floyd County in 1898, accompanied by two sons, Arthur and Elmer. They had come to this section two years previously from near Wichita Falls. Settling near Flag Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Stearns farmed here for many years. Other sons, who were born here, are Alvin and Claude. The elder Mr. Stearns is a large landowner in this county, and all of the sons are prominent.

MOTHER BURLESON

The only surviving charter member of the Matador Baptist Church, Mrs. A. D. (Mother) Burleson was honored last March by a community-wide celebration of her eighty-fifth birthday.

STREET SCENE



Above is an early street scene, taken at Rearing Springs, looking north down the main street, the depot. On the right is the hotel, and across are several small store buildings. The parkway is shown, fenced in.



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