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\$1.50 A YEAR

Death of Mrs. Dupcas

About seven o'clock Wednesday evening Mrs. Duncan, wife of B. H. Duncan, deceased, died at her home in this city after an illness of several weeks. She was confined to her bed when her husband died on December 18th, and never rallied from the shock. She was 71 years old and was a woman that has led an exemplary Christian life and was known and loved by many of our citizens for her many noble traits of character and the example of a well spent life set for others.

She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Jane Crawford, of this place, and Mrs. Johnson, of Ft. Worth, besides several grand-children, to mourn her death.

The funeral took place this afternoon and the remains were followed to their last resting place in the Masonic cemetery by a large crowd of friends, all anxious to show their regard for this good woman.

Union Mission Society

The regular quarterly prayer meeting of the Union Mission Society was held at the Baptist church yesterday afternoon and was led by Mrs. E. S. Bledsoe. The attendance was very good and quite an interesting meeting was held. The ladies responded well with scripture quotations and readings, also several interesting papers and some short talks that were real good.

New Industry for West Texas

Part of a new industry which is now about to be inaugurated in West Texas is secret—this is a fact in the question, what are St. Louis manufacturers going to do with fifty car loads, 21,000 pounds to the car, of bear grass.

This, however, has only a passing interest to us. It is sufficient that they want it, and H. M. Horton, who ranches only a few miles out east of town, returned only Tuesday from St. Louis where he made a contract with manufacturers of that city to deliver to them at various stations along the T. & P. east of Pecos, 50 car loads of this plentifully growing plant, which is found all over the South Plains country.

Mr. Horton will, of course, buy the plant of anyone who will take the trouble to haul it to a railroad station within his territory, paying therefor a price that will at once create a profitable industry.

Mr. Horton stated to us that he expects to fulfill his contract as soon as possible, so anyone may commence gathering bear grass as soon as they like, and be perfectly sure of a ready market.

The grass must be gathered, dried and baled. After being dried, freed from roots and other refuse, it can be baled in 100-lb. bales. The baling press will be of very simple construction at a cost of only three or four dollars each and every gatherer can own his own press.

It is not being of material interest yet what is going to be done with this bear grass, we have not gone into the matter, but suppose the manufacturers want it for the strong fiber it contains.

There are hundreds of thousands of tons of this grass on our western plains, and if it proves a successful industry, a commercial product, it will be one of large magnitude and of far reaching results. —Midland Reporter

G. M. Hall, of Baird, general foreman of the bridge and building department of the Rio Grande division of the T. & P., spent Wednesday here.

Coahoma News

W. W. Lay was in Big Springs Tuesday.

R. E. Martin, of "R—," was in Coahoma Tuesday.

Howell Carr, of Vincent, was here the first of the week.

Rev. S. C. Shipley, of Morris, was in Coahoma on business Tuesday.

D. C. Riley made a business trip to the county seat this week.

842 bales of cotton have been ginned at Coahoma to date.

B. G. Bly made a flying trip to Colorado Friday to meet his little three-year-old son, who was returning from a visit to relatives in Roscoe.

Jimmie Lee Hart, the popular and good looking cotton buyer of Coahoma is back at his post after spending the holidays abroad.

G. W. Yell, of R—, left last week for an extended visit to his old home in Tennessee.

J. R. Wheeler has returned from a prospecting trip to the trans-Pecos country.

J. E. Adams, Thal Hale and Percy Shive are spending the winter hunting and trapping on the Llano.

C. E. Kinard will leave in a few days for Denton where he will accept a position with a mercantile firm of that place. His many friends wish him much success in his new field.

S. and John Walker and Jim Yell with their families, have returned from their annual hunt in the Devils river mountains. They report game very scarce.

C. D. Keag is having a large number of fruit, shade and ornamental trees planted at his Wild Horse ranch headquarters, four miles north of here.

J. S. McCright, a former druggist of this town, has rented the Jesse Robinson farm and will make a close study of the dry farming system during 1911.

The road leading north from this place to the Big Springs and Colorado road—which has been six years in process of building, was recently cleared of wire fences, but there still remains a line of telephone poles which must be removed before the road can be considered completed. The poles are dangerous obstructions and should come down and out.

Meeting at Court House

W. A. Bentley, evangelist, J. V. Bounds, singer, will begin a series of gospel discourses at the court house next Sunday at 11 a. m. to continue several days, and we cordially invite everybody to attend every service and you will be doubly paid for your time and attention.

Respectfully,
J. D. McDONALD,
S. A. BACON,
C. B. SHIPMAN.

United Charities Disband

Wednesday afternoon was the regular time for the monthly meeting of the United Charities at the First Presbyterian church. There were only five or six present, and after due consideration the ladies, who have been doing the work of the association, decided to disband as there has been so little interest taken in the work by most of the members. There is still in the hands of the treasurer, Mrs. F. B. Gilbert, \$53.50 which will be used in relieving the worthy poor of our town when their needs are made known to her.

J. Y. Canon and wife, of Van Horn, visited relatives here, last week.

LEGISLATIVE LETTER

32nd Legislature to Develop the State's Resources

From our Austin Correspondent

On Tuesday, January 10th, Texas will take its 32nd degree in legislature. The goat has had such strenuous experiences in the recent past that the animal is thought to be thoroughly domesticated and no longer becomes frightened at a smokestack or shy at a locomotive.

THE GOVERNOR'S LETTER

The message of Governor Colquitt to the 32nd Legislature will soon make its appearance in the economic firmament and promises to eclipse in brightness anything now on the political horizon. Its contents are as much a mystery as who killed Cock Robin but taking the platform demands as a criterion it is safe to prophesy that the message will blow out the lamp of warning and place in its stead a light as inviting as a night full of stars. The state is blossoming with the hope that the message will widen our industrial horizon and give the state a backbone instead of a wishbone and that the 32nd legislature will do its best to make Texas the front-door step of all mankind. We have great opportunities howling for great men and the whole world is watching the legislative hour glass as it measures our material destinies. Texas has always been fortunate in having men who would respond to her heart throbs and we have them now and the pen of our statesmen will give us greater victories than has the sword of our patriots.

STAFF APPROPRIATIONS

All of our departments of state are clamoring for an increase in appropriations and most of them need more help. State Departments like individuals find it no disgrace to be poor but mighty inconvenient. Our agricultural department, the custodian of our fundamental industry, has a chest full of knowledge stored in its files which, if disseminated and utilized, would change jungles into smiling fields. The A & M college has become the birth place of prosperity and this splendid institution finds state dollars as rare as white blackbirds. The state was recently overtaken by wisdom and established a Department of Public Highways but this department has so far been as free from the influence of finances as an armful of daisies. Our mineral kingdom has been on the verge of prosperity for the past quarter of a century and we have been waiting with a fatal patience for an earthquake to open up our mines.

Our agricultural, mining and manufacturing industries are as essential to the progress as food and water are necessary to sustain life, but the most sensitive nerve in the human anatomy is the one leading to the pocket book and politicians have always shied at appropriations, except mileage and per diem, but the 32nd legislature is filled with statesmen and they will bring Texas into her own.

Association Inspector Andrew Allen yesterday received word that all district inspectors of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association had been temporarily laid off. This action by the association has been made necessary by reason of non-payment of dues by members. The lay-off is not likely to be for long. —Midland Reporter.

Death of Mrs. Taylor

Wednesday morning at 2:15 o'clock Mrs. Caroline Taylor, wife of Aaron Taylor, died at her home in this city after a short illness from pneumonia.

She had been a resident of Big Springs a good many years, coming here with her husband, who survives her, soon after the railroad reached this place. She was well known to most of the people and especially the older inhabitants and was respected by all who knew her. She leaves an aged husband to mourn her death and to whom the sympathy of his friends is extended.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon and the remains were laid to rest in the Masonic cemetery.

Texas a Corn Producer

When it comes to producing food and fodder for man and beast, Texas takes its position at the front of the procession. The Government reports on the Texas corn crop for 1910 have been made public and compared with 1909; it furnishes some interesting food for thought.

We raised in 1910 8,800,000 acres of corn and gathered 181,280,000 bushels, making an average of 20.6 bushels per acre, and in 1909 we raised 8,150,000 acres of corn which yielded 122,250,000 bushels, making an average yield of 15 bushels per acre. We have an increase of 650,000 acres; an increase in total yield of 59,030,000 bushels; an increase in yield per acre of 5.6 bushels. Our corn crop sold for \$114,206,000. In value of our corn crop we stand fourth of all states in the Union. We raised last year 2.3 acres per capita, making 50 bushels of corn per capita.

We have not only increased our acreage but are learning how to cultivate our soil. A dollar spent in increasing the efficiency of our agricultural departments will return a hundred fold to the prosperity of the state. To our Boys' Corn Club is largely due credit for this increase in yield; we need more corn clubs, more commercial clubs, farmers' institutes, demonstration and experimental farms to bring Texas into her own.

The Texas Steer

Uncle Sam has pinned the blue ribbon on the Texas steer. The November Crop Reporter quotes the average price of Texas cattle at \$4.00 per 100 lbs. Texas leads all southern states in high prices of her cattle and heads the list of states on the grass fed product.

The Texas steer that once went to market under its own steam now rides in palatial cars to the marts of the world and commands attention wherever he appears. This awkward animal which once roamed the plains and was headed by desperados with guns and spurs has become transformed into a thoroughbred and walks majestically in Packing House society chaperoned by proud owners with silk hats and fat bank accounts.

The progress of Texas is recorded in the advancement of the Texas Steer. This remarkable animal has survived yellow journalism, outlived the caresses of spring poets, overcome the jealousies of rivals and put down the prejudice of the consumer and all this has been accomplished by pure blood and solid flesh and he now faces the markets as sound commercially as the bank of England.

Texas is proud of her cattle; proud of her hogs and proud of her citizenship that has elevated our live stock industry to the top of the markets of the world.

Facts About Texas

To fully appreciate the wonderful resources of the state one should study the government reports. Uncle Sam seldom issues an official statement that he does not sing the praise of his imperial possession—Texas. In reporting on the oat crop for 1910 the Federal report shows we have had a yield of 24,811,000 bushels with an average yield per acre of 35 bushels. In 1909 the reports showed a yield of only 11,500,000 bushels with an average yield of 18 bushels per acre; an increase in total production of 116 per cent and an increase in yield per acre of 94 per cent. No state in the union can compare with us in per cent of increase in production and yield of our oat crop in 1909 and 1910.

These figures carry with them lessons in diversification, intelligent farming and scientific analysis of seed and soil and gives us a dim vision of the matchless possibilities of our soil and climate if we will only co-operate with nature in planting, cultivating and conserving our crops.

Our hardships are, after all, largely hysterical. When the harvest time rolls around we gather in the sheaves and the farmer finds he has profited according to the amount of brain he has mixed with brawn during the year.

Kaffir Corn for Bread

Friday of last week Barney Johnson was a caller at our office and brought along an envelope of Kaffir corn meal, also part of a loaf of bread made from the same. We find that the bread is of a much finer quality than corn bread and has a very delicious flavor. Mr. Johnson says they have tried it out and find it makes the finest of hot cakes as well as mush and fried mush. Not only is Kaffir corn a fine feed for the mule and swine but it is also a very fine feed for man so says Barney and he also states that they have been using it regularly in the different ways at his house for several weeks and every experiment has been a pleasant surprise, as to the nice baking qualities and the producing of a high-class food. —Crosbyton Review.

Some Views

In our rounds one day the past week we stepped into Ward's drug store to see what was going on in there since New Year came in, and while waiting to get a chance to interview the head of the establishment, our attention was attracted to the large display of post cards which they have and especially to the local view cards. They have views of Main Street, T. & P. Shops, the elegant new Texas & Pacific Depot, the Big Springs, Moss Springs, the Methodist Church, Court House, Ward Building, Signal Mount, Y. M. C. A. Building, Dallas Fair Exhibits of Howard County Products, official Farmers' Union post card and Hughes Lake.

One group we consider especially attractive and very interesting to send to friends away from here, and that is the M. E. Church, Y. M. C. A. building, new Depot and the Big Springs, all on one card.

This is a good way to advertise the interesting points of our town and your friends in other towns will appreciate them.

These cards are cheap, too—only 2-1-2c each or 12 for 25c. Get them at Ward's.

Coldest in Twelve Years

The new year dawned upon us bright and pleasant Sunday morning but by ten o'clock a norther had reached us here and it continued to get colder. Monday the thermometer showed a temperature of 8 degrees above zero and Tuesday morning had gone to below, but the wind began to blow from the south and the temperature began to rise and soon got much warmer.

This is the coldest weather experienced here since February 1899 when a temperature of 10 degrees below zero was recorded.

A new year is here. It is a time for invoice. Business men take an invoice of their stock. Wouldn't it be business for you to take one of yourself. Life, each life, is a business. Have you gained or lost last year? Have you used the talents that have been given you so as to gain other talents. Is there any prospect of your being placed over ten cities or five cities or one city? Have you declared any dividends in the way of loving and helping others, and have you added anything to the capital stock of your character? These are pertinent questions that press us all for an answer. —Lubbock Avalanche.

The Regents of the University of Texas will ask the Legislature to order a special tax for the support of that institution in order to remove it from politics.

S. A. Hatchcock, Eminent Commander of the Knight Templars of Big Springs, desires that all members be present at the next meeting as officers are to be elected at that time.

Jno. R. Simms, manager of the oil mill and compress at Colorado, and Louise Hutto, of Coahoma, were in Big Springs Thursday night attending the Masonic lodge and had the Knight Templar degree conferred upon them.

An election will be held in Midland on the 7th to determine whether or not the incorporation of that town be dissolved, and the Reporter says the indications are that the proposition may carry.

"Roll Call" at the Christian church last Sunday was responded to by the largest attendance of members that has been present at any service in some time, and now the pastor wonders why they do not come out every Sunday.

J. T. Ford and wife, of Hermleigh, are here on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Jap Darby. Mr. Ford is a successful farmer of Scurry county, and says those who planted milo maize in his county last year made a fairly good crop, but that kaffir corn was a failure as it never headed.

Miss Mary Forshee, teacher of the sixth grade in our High School, who spent the holidays at her home in Terrell, was in a train wreck last week and so badly hurt that she has been unable to return to her duties here. LATER—Reports today says she is getting along nicely, which is gratifying, indeed, to her many friends of this city.

The Lamesa gin has turned out 208 bales of cotton this season; the Lou gin 237. It is estimated that 100 bales of Dawson county cotton went to Riley's gin in Lynn county, and probably the Sparenberg gin output, together with the few straggling bales yet to come, will bring the total yield up to 600 bales—twice as much as the estimate put on the crop at the opening of the season. —Dawson County News.

You Will Find

many articles of every-day necessity here. Come to us for the "little things" needful--toilet articles, soaps and the like. They are little to you but not us; everything is selected with the greatest care, no matter how small the price.

Biles & Gentry

Phone 87 Exclusive Druggists Big Springs

Patronize Home Industry

We are now in our new concrete building with ample floor space for all our up-to-date machinery, and are now prepared to do the Laundry Work for Big Springs in prompt and satisfactory manner. We are prepared to handle all work instructed to us and guarantee to turn out as good work as any laundry in the state. Visit us in our new quarters.

Home Steam Laundry

Phone 17 Big Springs, Tex.

Local and Personal

Go to Pool Bros. for Michigan salt.

W. M. Fletcher is here from his home east of town.

G. W. is attending the aviation meet at Dallas.

L. C. Able, of Ables, El Paso county, was a visitor here Saturday.

I want to buy young horses and cares and mules.

J. C. Billingsley.

Will P. Edwards was here Wednesday from his Glasscock county ranch.

Floyd Smith has accepted a position with A. P. McDonald & Company.

Floyd Jones, of Cisco, was mingling with Big Springs friends Wednesday.

W. S. Patorff and W. J. Sherwood, brakemen, resigned their positions and left last night for Fort Worth.

FOR SALE—Scholarship in Big Springs Business Academy for sale cheap or will trade for a good cow fresh in milk. Apply this office.

A Nice Present

Do you want a three-sheet wall map, containing the 1910 census of Texas by counties, towns and villages, with portraits of all the governors? One sheet contains a map of the United States and possessions with portraits of the presidents. The other sheet contains a map of the world, portraits of all the rulers of the world and flags of all nations. If you want one of these fine made free of cost call at this office and we will tell you how to get it. 154

R. M. Ellerd, an attorney of Plainview, was here Saturday on business.

Lum Hudson, sheriff of Yoakum county, was here Wednesday on his way home from San Angelo where he spent the holidays.

J. D. Earnest and family left yesterday for their home in Yoakum county after a ten days visit with relatives and friends here.

The schools of our town reopened Monday morning after a two weeks holiday with a fairly good attendance considering the cold weather.

Lorin McDowell, who is a student in the Western Military Institute at Upper Alton, Ill., spent the holidays here with his parents, L. S. McDowell and wife.

Miss Francis Matthews left Tuesday for Belmont College at Nashville, Tenn., after spending the holidays here with her parents, R. D. Matthews and wife.

EVER WATCHFUL

A Little Care Will Save Many Big Springs People Future Trouble.

Watch the kidney secretions. See that they have the amber hue of health; The discharges not excessive or infrequent; Contain no "brick-dust like" sediment. Doan's Kidney Pills will do this for you. They watch the kidneys and cure

Frank Pollock, of Big Springs, Texas, says: "It was two years ago that I first used Doan's Kidney Pills. I was then working in the shops, and from drinking too much ice water, my kidneys became disordered. The most severe pains often darted through my back, causing me intense misery, and the kidney secretions were too frequent in passage. I was unable to find any thing that would relieve me until I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Ward's Drug Store. After taking a few doses I felt better, and the contents of two boxes made me as well as ever. Whenever I have the least symptom of kidney complaint I use Doan's Kidney Pills and am soon all right."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agent for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

SEE

J. D. McDonald for all kind of notions at the new and second-hand store east of court house. 15

Gumption on the Farm

Do not try the patience of the good housewife by giving her green wood to burn.

Many a man wears himself out trying to keep up with his good intentions.

The funniest thing about a big man is that he is apt to have a little wife.

Whitewash your barn, but never undertake to whitewash a crooked politician.

You are better than you seem; better than you believe yourself to be. So don't give way to discouragement.

There are more people dying for the lack of a kind word, a pat on the back and a little encouragement, than there are from disease.

Hot water on the grind-stone will spoil it after a little so that it will have no grit. Use warm water, not hot, for taking the frost out of your stone.

What a lot of strength there is wasted in chopping with dull

Ahead of All!

Is the Grocery store kept by Pool Bros. It is progressive and aggressive, and all competitors realize that they have to hustle in First-Class goods and in great variety to keep up with the

Pace We Have Set them

The After-Holiday Clearance of odds and ends may result in many bargains for you. Come in and see. With sincere thanks for your past patronage and hoping to merit a continuance of the same, we wish one and all a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS 1911

Pool Brothers

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If You Are Looking For The

Best

in a Business Education, attend the Big Springs Business Academy.

The school that stands for the highest in a Business Education.

May we enroll you with us for a New Year?

Big Springs Business Academy

axes! Spend a few minutes at the grindstone and see how nicely the world will go after that.

Some folks make themselves so lame kicking about things, that they tire themselves all out and make anything out of life. It doesn't pay.

The boys and girls get enough hard knocks out in the world without your being stern and harsh with them. Let your home be to them a shelter and a refuge from the storms of the world.

Why Country Editors Get Rich

After a great deal of worry and study we have at last figured out how so many country editors get rich. Here is the secret of their success. There is a child born in the neighborhood, the attending physician gets \$10, the editor gives the loud lunged youngster a great sendoff and gets \$0. It is christened, the minister gets \$5 and the editor gets \$00. It grows and marries. The editor publishes another long-winded flowery article and tells a dozen lies about "the beautiful and accomplished bride." The minister gets \$10 and a piece of cake; the editor gets \$000 and a request to carry the groom's subscription account another year. In the course of time she dies. The doctor gets from \$5 to \$100, the minister gets another \$5, the undertaker gets from \$5 to \$100, the

editor publishes a notice of death and an obituary two columns long, lodge resolutions, a lot of poetry and a card of thanks and gets \$000. No wonder so many country editors get rich.--Exchange.

Have you a weak throat? If so, you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treatment too early. Each cold makes you more liable to another and the last is always the harder to cure. If you will take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the outset you will be saved a lot of trouble. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

Wanted

100 men to cut cord wood and ties at Bagwell, Red River county, Texas, and 15 teams to haul same one and one-half miles. Will pay seventy-five cents per cord for cutting and the same for hauling ten to fifteen thousand cord. Address J. O. Setser, Big Springs, Texas. 15-1

Oscar Lusk let the contract for the construction of a six-room residence to be built on McDowell Heights, work to begin next week.

Mrs. Z. R. Stephens, who has been dangerously sick for over a week, is some better.

You can buy more furniture for less money at Mortons Furniture Store.

OLD HATS

Cleaned, Blocked and made to look like new by J. W. Atkins the Hatter Located in Building Formerly Occupied by the Union Bakery.

Special Clubbing Offer

Every intelligent man wants to keep up with the news of his own community and county. Therefore he needs a good local newspaper. He also needs a paper of general news and for state, national and world-wide happenings, he will find that

The Semi-Weekly Farm News

has no superior. The secret of its great success is that it gives the farmer and his family just what they need in the way of a family newspaper. In addition to its general news and agricultural features, it has special news for the wife, the boys and the girls. It gives the latest market reports and publishes more special crop reports during the year than any other paper.

For \$2.25 Cash in Advance

Subscribe at once at the office of the paper.

Born to Jap Darby and wife on December 30, a girl, and since then Jap has been stepping very high. His friends think he will recover in the course of a few weeks.

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If you have an account with us, we thank you for it. If you have not, we would thank you for one. It is our desire to accommodate every customer needing any assistance. We guarantee to every depositor the safe return of their money. Visit this bank when you come to town. We are always glad to advise with you on any matters pertaining to your interests . . .

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To be prosperous, we must create prosperity, increase the value of property or transfer property into the state from outside its borders.

During the past two years twelve hundred students of the University of Texas have paid their expenses, or a large part thereof, by their own labor.

Some people are born wealthy, some acquire it and others have it thrust upon them, as real estate values are increasing at the rate of a million dollars per day.

A good farm without a railroad or a public highway is almost as unprofitable as without water and the necessity for good roads is as old as farming itself. Build roads and get in touch with the markets.

Texas is growing. Everywhere there is evidence of industrial activity; buildings are springing up; factories are being built and the year 1911 promises an era of unprecedented prosperity. Move to Texas and grow with the state.

To the frozen regions of the North where the soil lies dormant half the year and the merciless winds drive the stock to shelter and the farmer to the fire-side, Texas offers a perpetual harvest and a land of sunshine and flowers.

Among other accomplishments which Texas justly claims there are 325,000 unmarried women between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five years in the state and any one desiring a wife should not fail to investigate our opportunities and advantages along matrimonial lines.

Every dollar of new money coming into Texas gives added value to the property already made. The money which is flowing into our state will triple or quadruple the price of land and the investor is sure of a comfortable fortune through the natural increase of land without effort on his part.

Improved machinery reduces the cost of farming, manufacturing, mining and transportation service without reducing the profits of the producer, but when we reduce prices by glutting the market then we take money from the producer. To develop our land we must first develop our men, and Texas presents glorious opportunities for bright young men who think as they work.

Texas needs capital to develop her resources, and transportation capital at that. We need a billion dollars to build railroad lines as demanded by the commercial clubs of the state.

The eyes of the nation are upon the 32nd legislature of Texas. The sovereign voters of the state have declared for a halt in legislative adventure and that immortal document known as the Democratic Platform has actually demanded legislative rest.

The Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association has prepared a Roster of members of the 32nd legislature elected on November 8th. The information is printed in pamphlet form for free distribution and any one desiring a copy can secure it on application to the headquarters of the organization.

The material for building an empire is on the ground and the workmen are ready and all are awaiting the plans and specifications of the architects. Industrial enterprises that are storm tossed in other legislative seas should seek our quiet waters. Texas is a safe port for capital and a good place to live.

In a special article recently prepared by Judge Ed R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture and published in the Atlanta Constitution, the Texas Commercial Secretaries' Association is mentioned as a great agency at work for the upbuilding of Texas. This splendid organization is well worthy of state recognition for its valuable service in inviting the homeseeker and encouraging capital to come to Texas. The name of the organization is synonymous with prosperity.

Ability is largely mental. No one can do what he believes he cannot do. One cannot even try to jump over the moon. Everet originates in the mind. If thought is little the act will be little. If the will is weak the act will be weak. It comes to pass, also, that thought recurring in the mind, in the same form, over and over, creates a habit of thought, which in time becomes fixed. If it is a good thought the habit will be helpful. If it is not good, the effect will be bad. Baptist Standard.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They do the work whenever you require their aid. These tablets change weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, gloominess into joy. Their action is so gentle you don't realize they have taken a purgative. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

W. F. Calder, of Glasscock county, was here Wednesday on business.

Inviolable Accuracy!

This is the Point

There are people throughout West Texas who know of this store most favorably as the place to have done the best and most reliable

Watch Repairing

And not only watch, but clock and jewelry repairing. There is no emergency within the compass of this line of work to which we are unequal

For Quick Service, for Time Saving, for Results

For unimpeachable business honor and inviolate accuracy, please remember Park, the Jeweler

L. H. Park, Jeweler

Established 1890
Watch Inspector T. & P. Railroad

If you want to see your town or community grow and prosper, by all means patronize every worthy enterprise. If you are anxious to see the mail order houses prosper at the expense of your home place send to them or your purchases. No business can prosper without patronage, in the same way no town or community will ever amount to much without the home enterprise. Take away all our public enterprises and your land and other property soar downward in value. Sweetwater Reporter.

Fire destroyed a lumber yard at Monahans yesterday.

Telegraph and Telephone Lines

To save time is to lengthen life, and the greatest time saver of the age is the telegraph and telephone. According to the report of the Tax Assessors there are 27,593 miles of poles over which telegraph and telephone wires run in Texas. This mileage, single wire, is equal to 450,000 miles, and is sufficient to encircle the globe eighteen times.

The scientist in giving the farmer improved varieties of products, and the inventor in giving us machinery that reduces the cost of production, has performed a great service to the farmer, but the telephone, warm from the creative mind of the inventive genius, is destined to companion in utility and convenience all human accomplishments.

The telephone is the improved highway of information and is as valuable to the farmer in selling his products as good roads are useful in hauling his products to the market. The cut below illustrates the farmer phoning the markets of the world for prices on his products:



Farmer Phoning Market. The telephone eliminates time and space and enables the farmer to personally visit the markets and talk with buyers without the inconvenience of travel or loss of time.

To talk with the weather man as he listens to the clouds whisper their plans for the future is one of the startling and valuable uses of the telephone. Advance intelligence enables the farmer to successfully combat the Frost King and to shelter his products from the storm and rain, and the telephone is a powerful ally of the farmer in dealing with the elements of Nature. The following cut illustrates the use of the rural telephone in battling with Jack Frost.



Getting Information About Jack Frost. Experience has proven that human intelligence and ingenuity can ward off the evil effects of weather and minimize the loss which annually occurs to the farmer through the eccentricities of Nature.

If some day the newspaper man should print the contents of his waste basket there would certainly be a riot, says an exchange. True, there would be trouble in many homes, arrests in some direction, shotguns in others and trouble all around. But the patron never sees the waste basket. He only glances at the printed pages, complains if one letter in fifty is up side down, growls his head off if one name in five hundred has happened to go wrong, kicks because his communication signed "Tax Payer" had been condensed into respectable English, frowns because the editor didn't take his advice about publicly warning his neighborhood against throwing rubbish in the alley and is generally disgruntled because of what he fails to find. He knows his share of the waste basket but if he could have one look at the contributions made to that receptacle by his neighbors and friends, he would thank God for the existence of a man with sufficient courage not to print all he knows and to temper that which he does not print.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a very valuable medicine for throat and lung trouble, quickly relieves and cures painful breathing and a dangerously sounding cough which indicates congested lungs. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

One of the beautiful intricacies of the law is exemplified in a case before the courts to decide which of a man's divorced wives is entitled to his life insurance money.

It is reported that bacon is getting cheaper and that a hungry man can now get all the bacon and eggs he can eat for about thirty dollars.

The average man should bear in mind that football is about the only game in which he can accomplish anything by kicking.

For Sale

A nice home, situated five miles southeast of Bonham, Texas consisting of one and a half acres of land and nice six-room cottage. Have on this property an everlasting well of the finest water to be had anywhere, also, a good two-story barn. Property is unincumbered and can give perfect title to same. I desire to sell or trade it for Howard county property and it will be to your interest and will pay you to investigate. Inquire at this office.

GHURGH SERVICES

Methodist Church.
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m.
Junior League at 4 p. m.
Senior at 5 p. m.
Preaching at 7:15 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8:15 p. m.
Choir practice Thursday night at 8:15 p. m.
Come and bring some one with you.

CHAS. W. HEARON, Pastor.
At the Christian Church
Sunday school at 9:45.
Preaching at 11 a. m.
Preaching at 7:30 p. m.
All are invited to attend.
E. S. BLEDSOE, Pastor.

Baptist Church Services
Sunday school 9:45 a. m.
Preaching 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.
Sunbeams, Mrs. Morrison 4:30 p. m.
Sr. Union 4:00 p. m.
Jr. Union 5:30 p. m.
Don't forget that you are invited to all these services.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church
Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Children's Band at 4 p. m.
Prayer-meeting Tuesday night
Everybody invited to attend the services.

Episcopal Church.
Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.
Preaching at 11 a. m. and night service at 7:30 p. m.
Rev. D. A. Sanford, Rector.

Do you want an Up-to-Date Map of Texas containing the 1910 census, giving the population of the state, each county, town and village?

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Come to this office and we will tell you how to get one **FREE!**

R. L. McCamant

The Rexall Store

It is not the price alone—but "what you get for the price."

The Goods—the Service—the "HEREAFTER."

We give you the BEST goods—quick Service and Right Prices.

"IT'S DOG-ON GOOD FEED."

Comments the customer as he notices his horses and cattle becoming sleeker, healthier, happier every day. Then he realizes that our statements about the quality of our hay, oats, corn, bran, alfalfa and "trico" are not mere idle talk, but facts. Follow his example and note results.

C. F. Morris Phone 250

Dr. E. H. Happel
DENTIST
Office over First National Bank.
Big Springs, Texas?

DR. E. SMITH
SPECIALIST
EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT, GLASSES FITTED
OFFICE HOURS:
9 to 12 A. M. 1:30 to 5 P. M.
OFFICE NORTH OF COURT HOUSE
BIG SPRINGS TEXAS

CITY CHILI PARLOR
Chili, Kachiladas, Chili and Eggs and Nice Treats
Every Day.
M. GONZALEZ Proprietor

C. E. Bell was here Wednesday from his ranch eight miles south of town.
T. B. Davis is preparing to move to Roscoe where will engage in the real estate business.

See Burton Lingo Co.

M
For All Kinds of Building Material.

W
All our lumber Is Under Sheds

J. C. Horn, who has been sick about two weeks is reported to be improving.
H. A. McFarland, who has been sick for three weeks, is improving.

Phone 264 and

Start 1911 Right

by beginning to use Royal Owl Flour. No use asking you to keep it up if you are already using it. New car just in.

Hill Grocery Co.

PHONE 264

Big Springs, Howard County, Texas

Big Springs, the County Seat of Howard county, being a division point on the T. & P. railroad, 270 west of Ft. Worth and 330 east of El Paso. Having an altitude of 2300 feet. A happy medium, neither too cold or hot. The T. & P. railroad company have located their shops here at a cost of half million dollars, with pay roll of over \$40,000 per month; a \$50,000 ice factory and bottling works, two gins, \$20,000 electric light and power plant, the best telephone system in the country and equal to any city in the state; an abundant supply of the finest water in Texas, furnished by the Big Springs Water Co.; one of the best equipped Steam Laundry in the west; \$24,000 High School and two \$10,000 Ward school buildings; \$12,000 City Hall, \$40,000 Court House, \$20,000 fire-proof jail and \$20,000 Y. M. C. A. and the T. & P. has just completed a \$50,000 depot, and all the religious denominations have nice, comfortable houses of worship, the Baptists have just completed a \$20,000 brick church and the Catholics have now under construction a brick church to cost about \$16,000. The Masons have one of the finest halls in the state and other orders have flourishing lodges, besides her mercantile and banking institutes which are unexcelled. In our three banks there is on deposit about one million dollars. Besides all of these good things, we are surrounded by one of the best all-purpose countries on earth, farming, stock farming, horses, cattle, mules, hogs, sheep and poultry. There has never been known such a thing as an epidemic of disease among stock in this part of Texas.

640 Acres

18 miles northeast from Big Springs and 10 miles north from Coahoma, 150 acres in cultivation, 3 room house, barn, lots and well, mill and also 2 room house, sheds, lots, all fenced in convent pastures, more than 75 per cent as fine sandy catclaw and mesquite valley land, balance good grass, lots of big mesquite for wood and pasture. Price \$5500.

6080 Acres

The G. C. Cauble ranch, adjoins the town, more than 1200 acres in fine state of cultivation, \$20,000 worth of improvements, 90 per cent smooth, first class firm red and black sandy soil, abundance of fine water, mesquite wood, school on the ranch, land is worth \$30 per acre but it can be bought at the present time for \$18 per acre, for terms apply to G. C. Cauble or R. B. Canon & Co.

We have several residences in Big Springs for sale or trade.

See or write us for anything in real estate.

160 Acres

4 miles northwest from Big Springs, all smooth tillable land, no improvements. Price, \$12.50 per acre; good terms.

If you want money to build homes, or buy. See R. B. Canon & Co.

We have a 20,000 acre ranch, well improved, well watered, we can trade at \$4 per acre, and we have on the Concho River 1600 acres, 800 in farm, 600 acres irrigated, 150 in alfalfa, extra well improved, a bargain at \$50 per acre and will trade. See R. B. Canon & Co.

We have any size farm from 13 acres up to 1300 acres that we can sell now at a very low price.

Some Exchange Propositions.

BURK

No. 3. 210 acres smooth black land located 6 miles north of Hubbard City, Hill county Texas. 200 acres in cultivation, balance tillable, two sets of good improvements, will trade for western land or merchandise. Price \$7500 per acre. Incumbered for \$3000.00 loan.

No. 2. B. 800 acres 4 miles south of Blum Hill Co. 300 acres in cultivation, no incumberance. Price \$25.00 per acre. Will trade for smooth western land.

No. 3. 626 acres 2 miles west of Whitney, Hill Co. 500 acres in cultivation, 100 acres more tillable, 5 sets of good improvements, the land is black and sandy, very productive, incumbered for \$9000.00 in cash difference. Price \$60.00 per acre.

No. 4. 103 acres of black land 3 miles south of Blum, Hill county, 90 acres in cultivation, balance tillable, well improved. Price \$45.00 per acre. 100 acres 6 miles south of Blum, 90 acres in cultivation, no incumberance. Price \$35.00 per acre. 111 acres 3 miles east of Blum 50 acres in cultivation, 15 acres in orchard, all tillable land, well improved. Price \$50.00 per acre. 60 acres 3 miles south of Blum, 40 acres in cultivation, balance tillable, well improved. Price \$25.00. 18 acre orchard 4 miles east of Whitney, composed of Peach,

Plum, Pears, Apples and Berries, all productive. Price \$1200.00

208 acres 10 miles northwest of Whitney, 180 acres in cultivation, balance tillable, 3 sets of good improvements. Price \$40.00 per acre. One 6 room house and 2 lots rented and located in Whitney, \$1500.00. One 4 room house and two lots located in same place. Price \$1200.00. One 5 room house and two lots, same place. Price \$1500.00. One 9 room house and two lots located in the city of Waco on Columbus street. Price \$5000.00. One new liver stable and two lots located in Whitney \$3000.00. All of the above to trade for Western land or merchandise.

No. 13. B. 73 acres land 5 miles northwest of Whitney, Hill County, 50 acres in cultivation, balance good grass land, Price \$30.00 per acre, no incumberance, has a 4 room house and good water will trade for anything worth the money.

No. 28. B. 800 acres black land 3 miles south of Blum, Hill county, 300 acres in cultivation, 200 more tillable, balance good pasture land, 3 sets of improvements, no incumberance. Price \$45.00 per acre, will trade for Gaines or joining county land.

GREEN.

No. 1. G. 838 acres in Hays county near on the Blanco river black land, all under Hog proof fence improvements

worth about \$7,500.00. Incumbered for \$5.50 per acre, 1 to 6 ears at 7 per cent Improved farm, good title, Price \$25.00 per acre. Will trade or sell.

WALTON.

No. 1. W. 500 acres, 135 tillable, 85 cultivated, 400 in pasture, 200 fruit trees, black land good 6 room house, 2 galleries, granery, good well and windmill, one pasture sheep proof, good plank lots, a well improved farm and ranch. Price \$15.00 will trade for good western land worth the money.

No. 2. W. 600 acres, 225 tillable, 125 cultivated, balance pasture, nice 5 room house with hall, gallery and brick flues, ceiling papered and in a finished condition, plenty of water in pasture and at house in well. This is a desirable place to live, only one and half miles from Morgan, at the junction of two good railroads, fine school churches. Price \$25.00 per acre, will trade for good western land, with little or no incumberance. Want a good proposition made on these lands.

HUNT.

2220 acres half mile of railroad station, and six miles from Gainesville, this land is part black and part red, 700 acres in cultivation, 100 acres adjoining a creek, which runs through the land is timber, balance grass about 350 acres along the

creek is rough and rocky, but good grazing land, balance of the land tillable, 4 sets of improvements, one set cost \$4000, another set has seven room house \$2500.00 barn, and other good out buildings, 2 wells and windmills all fenced with Boarded posts everlasting water in the creek, price 45 per acre. Terms 1/3 cash, balance as arranged. No incumberance. Would trade for good cattle ranch of equal value or might osuama or pay some difference. This place is located between two german settlements and could subdivide and advantageously sold in smaller tracts to Germans, but the present owner has always decided to do so, desiring to sell as a whole or trade for a ranch.

ANDERSON.

7181 acres of land in Val Verde Co. about 45 miles north of Del Rio it is touching all-rated, said to be quite a large acreage of good level land on it and fairly well watered by springs and waterholes. Price \$1.40 per acre on long time, 6 per cent interest. Terms \$321.30 cash, balance one to six years \$1122.00 each. It is the best in Texas.

Watch this ad for it may contain just what you want. Read it every week.

100 Acres

18 miles north from Big Springs, all fine prairie land, absolutely in water belt. Price, \$12.50 per acre; best of terms.

See R. B. Canon or Z. R. Stephens if you want to buy or sell a farm.

8500 acres of land in El Paso county, 75 miles northwest of Van Horn, all level, good agricultural land abundance of water, unimproved; \$1.50 to state, price \$2 bonus; trade for merchandise or good revenue stuff or farms.

You can get this paper for a short time for \$1.00 a year

Let us know what you have to trade, we may be able to get you just what you are looking for. Tell us your troubles.

Come Where You Can Enjoy Health, Wealth and Happiness

R. B. Canon & Company

Lands

Texas Lands

MONEY TO LOAN

WE REPRESENT A LOAN CO

That has money to loan on improved farms and ranches, or extend vendor lien notes, and can get you money on short notice where everything comes up to the requirements.

R. B. CANON & CO.

It is easy enough in these days for any one to boast of being "connected with the best families"—by telephone.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never disappoints those who use it for obstinate coughs, colds and irritations of the throat and lungs. It stands unrivalled as a remedy for all throat and lung diseases. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

The business you didn't get last week—but ought to have had—correspond pretty closely to the advertising you didn't do last week, but ought to have done.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy isn't common, every-day mixture. It is a meritorious remedy for all the troublesome and dangerous complications resulting from cold in the head, throat, chest and lungs. Sold by Biles & Gentry.

F. Hechler, of Luther, was trading here Saturday.

People will welcome a reduced cost of living, come from what source it may; would welcome a decline in flour and meat, which are now on the downward turn, and cheaper bread, which the farmer, in common with other people, buys largely from the baker. The baker could sell a larger loaf for the same money without loss of profit and the laborer could work for less wages if it cost him half as much to live as now—and everybody would be benefitted by a lower level in the price of household commodities.

FOR SALE.—One Section of good agricultural land in Andrews county. Price 5.50 bonus 1.50 to state. Time lived up. Inquire at this office.

The University of Texas is a part of the public schools and, as in the public schools, tuition is free. This is one reason why the University has always been popular with the poor boy.

Bring us your job printing.

Postal Savings banks were opened in forty-eight different towns throughout the United States Tuesday. The banks were opened as an experiment and will be tried in the villages first.

Wants, Renters

Have 600 acres of fine land, good 4 and 5 room houses, good barns, wells and windmills, on the best ranch and farm in Howard county, and close to town.

Have 3 other fine farms to rent, well improved, from 7 to 15 miles from Big Springs, from 100 to 200 acres in cultivation to the farm.

If you want to buy or rent city property see me.

Good 4 room house close in at \$500.00 part trade and part time.

Good 5 room house between 6th and 7th street on Main street. Part cash and part time.

Have vacant lots to trade for any Old Thing.

Z. R. Stephens

3 of the best sections of land in the Big Springs country, extra well improved with fine water, at \$11 per acre, will double in price in one year. See R. B. Canon & Co.

J. G. Hughes, formerly of the Palace Barber Shop, now has C. P. Carroll's chair of the Thomas & Carroll barber shop.

If you want small irrigated farms at a bargain and on terms any one can pay. See R. B. Canon & Co.

Don't Overlook These

220 acres of land 7 miles northwest of town, all good sandy land 186 acres in cultivation, 5 acres in bearing fruit trees, good 4 room house and barn, watered with tank and 2 cisterns. Price \$3700. \$1500 to be assumed payable December 1, 1914; small cash payment down. Will trade for Big Springs property.

5 room house and 2 lots on Main street, 2 blocks from Court house. Price \$1800, terms on part of it, this place is now renting at \$15 per month.

Two lots 100x212 feet in Cole & Strayhorn addition close to good well. Price \$150 for one or \$250 for both.

640 acres 9 miles northeast of town, all good tillable land, over 100 acres in cultivation, house and barn, good well, windmill and tank. Price \$13 per acre, \$2400 to be assumed.

Good 4 room house, with hall and galleries back gallery screened, good cistern, barn and chicken house, lot 100x140 feet. Price \$1200; \$300 in cash or trade, balance \$12.50 per month.

I have a 4 room house, one lot, well located in Jones Valley, for sale, will take \$450 for it; \$100 cash and balance in monthly payments. See me at once if you want a cheap home.

640 acres 12 miles northeast of Big Springs, 150 acres in cultivation,

WHEN YOU WANT TO BUILD LET ME FIGURE WITH YOU

J. M. MORGAN CONTRACTOR

P.O. Box 615

Phone No. 379

2 houses and 2 barns, well and windmill, on public road one and half miles to school. Price \$8.50 per acre, terms on part.

Z. R. STEPHENS.

Michigan salt is best for dairy use. Try it. Pool Bros.

Mr. Pumphrey, of Ft. Worth, who owns a farm in the Merrick settlement, was here the first of the week looking after it.

J. D. Nowlin loaded a car with household goods, farm implements and horses Monday and left for Florida where he will make his future home.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting

All men are invited to attend the meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Ribbon Cane Syrup

We have pure ribbon cane syrup in 3 and 5 gallon jacks, and in 16 gallon kegs and half barrels. Try it if you want a first class article.

Pool Brothers.

If you want money on land or notes extended, see

R. B. Canon & Co.

Use Michigan salt if you want the best. Pool Bros. sell it.

O. C. Roberts, of Iowa Park, was prospecting here the first of the week.

For Sale—Double shot Eastman Kodak, for sale cheap, apply at this office.

The Christian Woman's Board of Missions met with Mrs. E. L. Bacon Monday afternoon and held a very interesting meeting.

Miss Verbena Barnee, who is attending school in Nashville, Tennessee, arrived here Wednesday morning to see her sister, Mrs. Buskill, who is quite ill.