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CHUTE SYSTEM

Col. Mobley, Who Was Clerk in Lubbock, Describes the Events Marking Land Filings While He Was Clerk

A MATTER OF NECESSITY

Claims Incidents Attending the First Three Filings Made Its Adoption Requisite to Preserve Peace and Fairness in the Allotments

Discussing the Texas land laws and methods of filing, Mr. J. R. Mobley of Lubbock, says:

"In Stockman-Journal of 14th I saw an article entitled 'Land Trouble,' from Austin, dated September 7.

The writer criticizes the chute method adopted by the clerks, but he does not suggest a better method. In November, 1898, I was elected clerk of Lubbock county and was re-elected November, 1900, serving four years and being one of the clerks who took the files which disposed of a vast amount of the state school lands, thus getting the curses of the settler and cowman alike, with my fellow clerks. There was no method made by law in which to handle the business, and all the responsibility was thrown on the clerk. The reasons for the adoption of the chute were as follows, which I will give by the filings that took place during the rush of 1902:

"At the first filing in 1902, one J. W. Jarrott got control of the vacant lands in Hockley county through the land commissioner of the state of Texas. Jarrott to pay the expense of surveying. The state surveyor made the survey and Jarrott sold each survey for \$50 to \$200 to settlers and having alone the knowledge of the location of the lands by a map supplied him, placed his men on guard around the clerks' office about a week before I received the list of lands for sale. The list came in April and the morning of the sale, at office hours, we proceeded to take files. There was a cowman who wanted some of his cowboys to file on the lands in his pasture. He made out his papers from a sketch map taken over the telephone, which was far from correct, and Jarrott with his knowledge had all the papers of his men made out correctly, while the others were filing in the dark. The files were taken through a window, one file at a time, each man filing for himself one file for his home survey and one to three files for his additional. The price of the land was \$1 per acre.

"The commissioners, by pressure from the opposition to the Jarrott control, issued a new classification and appraisal for the second filing, raising the lands sold by first filing from \$1 to \$1.50. A rush of new settlers was made and telegrams from Austin were sent to Jarrott notifying him that a new appraisal of the land was made and would get to the clerk, so that he could be prepared with his men to again make their files first. Jarrott was away and did not get the news in time and on Sunday night the hallway of the court house leading to the door of the clerks' office was in possession of a new crowd. When time came to file there was a strong force of Jarrott's men lined up to go in, too. Then came a struggle as to who should get in first. As I had stated I would take only one set of applications at a time, treating all alike. The sheriff was inside, to open the door for the applicant and his deputies took charge outside to keep order. When a man started in if he was a Jarrott man he was stretched out by

collar and foot like a rabbit between two dogs. If he was a Beatty man the same thing occurred. One of the Beatty men, Dr. Blake, came through the door and collapsed from exhaustion, having been choked until his life was nearly gone. The new crowd thus got their filings in first and this made two sales for the forty surveys, one at \$1 and the other at \$1.50 per acre.

"For the third filing land in Lynn county surveyed under direction of the land commissioner was placed on the market. Applicants for the land crowded the office and when the list was recorded the papers of two applicants for the first tract was thrown at the clerk, both at the same time and bedlam broke loose, the crowd, howling 'Thad filed first, 'Bill filed first.' I, as clerk, had to decide whose papers I should file first. I could not under oath say whose papers had been thrown to me first, as both fell together at the same time. I refused to settle the question and told them to get out of the office and that one applicant at a time should file in next morning. Then came the tug of war. One man had the strongest crowd behind him. He grabbed the knob of the door and when the struggle ended he was first man at the door and pulled it shut with all the crowd out side. He had three persons with applications made out for him so as to have four chances against the other man. In fact he did not tender his application but had a stout young man inside the office tender it and he held to the door knob. Next morning I took files and when the first party came in he filed an application, paid his money and went out the other door. After the filings had been completed the first applicant had filed an application that was not in proper form and which made it fatal to his hopes. All these filings had engendered much bad feeling.

"At Big Springs, Stanton and Gail, my fellow clerks, were going through the same strain. While striving to do our duty as officers, we were accused of being bought by one side or the other. There was more anger shown towards the clerks than towards opposing applicants. Every man thought he should receive some special advantage from the clerk because he had supported him in elections or had done something to give him prior right or he had land that he had leased and wanted his friends to settle, or because he was a poor man and the clerk should help the poor man.

"The opportunity for taking files and fixing things for the most money was plainly open to the clerk, but I do not believe a clerk of West Texas accepted a cent but his legal fees.

"Now, with the experience of the filings above given I will proceed to the big Jarrott filing August 23, 1902. Interspersed between all these filings there were filings made quietly on regular school surveys. The excitement occurred on lands that had been vacant or unappropriated public domain.

"The fourth big filing occurred Monday, August 19, 1902. I went to my office to open it for business and found my way barred to the door by about sixty men. I had not been notified that any lands were to come on the market, but knew that surveys had been made some time before to a large amount of vacant lands in Cochran county. With the experience of the past before me and believing that the law contemplated that to the most diligent the land should go, provided he made application according to the law, I decided to take the bull by the horns and fix it as nearly as I could to stop the rough and tumble free fight for possession of the door. I called in a carpenter and paid him out of my own pocket to build a chute and told the men in it that if they lost their place in it they would lose it for good, but that through the chute as they stood I would take their files and that there would be no trickery or hidden methods used.

"There was considerable outside anger shown by strangers who had not got there first and one man made the threat that he and his crowd of about eighteen or twenty men would tear down my chute, as I had no law for it, I told him to tear it down if the sheriff would allow him, but I was backed by a sheriff and a full corps of good deputy sheriffs and he let the chute alone.

"On August 23, I took the filings. In the chute were old cowboys and settlers. All were friendly and I must say that all the settlers that have taken up lands in Hockley and Cochran as a whole are as good as any community

you can find in any part of Texas. In the last filings there was a party in the chute who was beaten out of his lands by scheming. He showed much anger, but he was the only one dissatisfied of about sixty applicants. Papers were swapped on him.

"About August 27, J. W. Jarrott was killed, but do not believe and will never believe until proved beyond a reasonable doubt that he was killed on account of the land business. From the building of the chute I never allowed a file except through that door. As soon as the rush was over, unless there was one near at hand, I tore down my chute and when a big rush was coming I built it ready for use. If I had ten thousand applications to receive I would adopt the chute.

"The lawmakers should have had more judgment than to have made a law and no plan for its execution in a respectable manner. A great many 'smart clerks' come forward and condemn everything the clerks have done unless it turned out to their benefit or the benefit of some friend. If he was in the chute first and the clerk was honorable he was safe.

"The writer of the article from Austin says, 'Oh, but they stand in the chute for days, weeks, months and some a year.'

"Has he not just as much right to the land as the man who can wait until the day the land comes on the market? Who is he robbing? Is not his money to the state just as good as Jones' or Smith's, provided he makes a legal settlement and a lawful file, getting it in first? Does it not prove by his actions that he is anxious to secure the land for a home by being diligent, waiting many days at discomfort and often heavy expense paid to a public school land speculator who has taxed him \$50 to \$200 and even \$300 per section for information that he can not get through any other source from the fact that the clerk is as much in the dark as he is and can't give him the information desired?

"As to the speculator in positions in the chute, that is the only bad feature and after a big filing all the clerk has to do is to tear down his chute and have the sheriff clear the court house. If the sheriff and the clerk wish to fill their offices honorably the chute gives them a less disagreeable method than any tried yet.

"Ask the old clerks of Borden, Howard and Martin and they will tell you that brute force was used outside of the chute and a strong crowd would take the small crowd out and sit on them until one or two men did all the filing, or rather tender the applications for filing for the strongest crowd. It is a remarkable fact that there was not a good death list recorded by other counties and Lubbock county came through with a clearer record than most of them. Some may think that the clerk could have thrown open his office and took the applications for land the same as accepting deeds to record, but it is another proposition for a rush would have been made and if he should have been fully insured for the hereafter, he would soon have been a subject for a wooden shirt and a little claim.

"With no method made by law, I believe that the chute was and is the fairest, letting the man who shows the most diligence, have protection regardless of whether he be cowman or nester, friend or foe."

SHEEP IN ARIZONA

If a man ever had a kick coming, it is the sheepman of Northern Arizona who, on becoming alarmed over the dry weather of the summer, sacrificed his flock of 12,000 sheep at about 27 cents per head. Three days afterward it began raining and has rained ever since. The purchaser was a sheepman who had a bunch of 5,000 head, and who was in as bad a shape for feed as was his fellowman, but he concluded to gamble a little and risk all; he bought the flock and in three days had something upwards of \$30,000 to the good as a result of the deal. He fully believes that it is better to be born lucky than rich.

TEXAS SHEEP RAISERS

Sheep raisers in Texas have a little advantage over sheepmen in northern states and territories. All over the southern part of that state the regular fall shearing is now in full blast, and the fleeces are said to be of unusually good quality and heavy. Clipping twice a year is beneficial to the sheep, and at the same time it brings in a little cash along at a time when it is very acceptable.

THE CORN BELT MAN

J. G. Imboden, a Prominent Feeder, Gives His Impressions of Things as He Saw Them on a Recent Trip

I. G. Imboden, a prominent cattle feeder of Decatur, Ill., recently made a trip to the Texas range country and gives the following impressions of his trip:

Accompanied by Mrs. Imboden I left Decatur August 6, spent a day in St. Louis and arrived in Fort Worth on Wednesday morning, and then from there to Dallas and on to Waco. Our first stop to look at cattle was made at Quero, where we saw a high grade herd, in which only registered bulls have been used for many years. We arrived at Beeville on Friday afternoon, and while there were very pleasantly entertained at the home of J. W. Cook. Mr. Cook's cattle are doing nicely, and there is enough grass now on the range to insure good winter grazing, if they do not get too much rain. They have had rain enough and now prefer dry weather.

Conditions here as regards the tick and screw worm I found much better than a year ago. While these pests were giving the cowmen much trouble conditions in August were getting more favorable. The cotton crop in many sections about Beeville is quite a disappointment to the farmers, owing to the work of the boll weevil. Cotton is competing with cattle for much of the land, in Central and West Texas, and at Stamford I understood the yield about there would be 50 per cent in excess of last year.

Many ranches in Coleman county are being cut up and sold to the farmers at \$7 to \$12 per acre. It is very evident to me that land which is worth \$5 per acre in Texas is quite high to carry cattle on profitably unless conditions change, and they are changing in that ranchmen are each year growing more feed and better and carrying their cattle through the winter. From Beeville we went to San Antonio and then to Coleman. We were met there by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boog Scott. We arrived at Mr. Scott's ranch on the evening of August 17. Mr. Scott is breeding some high class Herefords and his neighbor, Mr. Cresswell, some high grade Angus. These cattle will be heard from in the show and sale ring this fall.

I was not long in Texas until I learned I had laid out a sixty-day trip, which I wanted to make in twenty days. I told Mr. Scott where I wanted to go; he said I had not the time if I depended on the trains, but he would drive me. I told him I could stand as much driving and as much August-Texas heat and sun as he could. He gave me a trial and at the end said I was as good as my word. We left Mr. Scott and Mrs. Imboden to run the ranch and on Thursday night at 11 o'clock we again reached Coleman. Next morning we started out with fifty pounds of ice well packed, a jug of tea, some lemons, crackers, canned meats and fruit. With three teams we drove about 350 miles in six days and did not see many cattle, either.

It is surprising how few cattle can be seen from the train or by hurriedly driving over the ranches of Texas. We visited several herds of good cattle, seeing only one in each herd. When we came to the Colorado river on Friday afternoon I found a young man in midstream with watermelon seeds for an eastern big-house. His employer had contracted, but 600 pounds of seed and had a thirty-up patch of melons he was rowing up the that contract. A few seeds they will not be delivered on contract; they try them at Wayside next season. Saturday night we spent with Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy on their ranch in Menard county. We left early Sunday morning after Mr. Kennedy had replenished our jug with tea. Our ice lasted three days and I never enjoyed iced tea more than I did on this trip. I was footman on our drive, and about 8 o'clock Sunday night I asked if I was not through opening gates. Mr. Scott said that I had just two more to open, when he would be at the Busk ranch headquarters south of Coleman. We then entered a 17,000-acre pasture, and reached headquarters a little after 10 o'clock. The next evening we again reached the Scott ranch.

Next day we drove to Baird, and took

the Texas and Pacific as far as Colorado, next day back to Baird, where Mr. Scott left me. I drove from Baird to Moran on the Texas Central, was there met by Mrs. Imboden and we reached Stamford Thursday evening, where we were met by Frank S. Hastings and while at Stamford we were pleasantly entertained by him and his good wife.

Range conditions about Stamford are very good—plenty of grass, cattle doing well. The S. M. S. calves are doing nicely and should be in strong condition during the first half of November. I found same conditions existing on the L. S. ranch in Oldham county, William Lingenbrink, manager; their cows are in strong flesh and their calves doing well. The Panhandle country was quite dry until about June 1, since which time conditions have been very favorable, and it is surprising how well cattle have done since that date. The S. M. S. and L. S. people are growing plenty of feed and will carry their herds through the winter in good shape.

While range conditions over the state generally were not good until the latter part of May, since that time they have changed wonderfully. Cattle are now doing well and very little more rain is wanted to make good winter feed. I saw evidence on all sides of the very high water that came in June and July. It reminded me of the story the old lady told. She said she believed the Lord was angry with them; He would not give them any rain until they nearly burned up and then He would throw it at them.

OF INTEREST TO The STOCKMEN

There is considerable reference in the west Texas papers to the large number of sheep now being trailed into that section that have been bought in New Mexico by Texas ranchmen. The general opinion is that it is the largest number ever known in the history of the country, and it clearly indicates a very great revival in the sheep and wool industry of this state.

Russell Hamilton, of the firm of Hamilton & Cauthorn, has purchased 3,000 head of sheep near Roswell, which he will winter near Del Rio.

Coleman Whitfield has purchased 1,500 sheep near Roswell, which he will winter on his Sutton county range.

R. W. Prosser of Comstock has purchased 20,000 sheep in the Pecos Valley country of New Mexico, which are being trailed to his Texas ranch.

John Kelly of Del Rio has purchased 16,000 New Mexico sheep, which he will winter on his ranch.

G. S. Long of San Angelo has purchased 6,000 sheep near Roswell, and will run them on a ranch he has recently leased in Crockett county.

J. B. Wilson of Dallas has purchased 4,000 fine Shropshire sheep near Roswell, which he will feed at Dallas.

Garrett & Godair have purchased 10,000 sheep near Roswell, which they will winter near Midland.

George W. Webster is feeding 15,000 lambs for market on his ranch near Carlsbad, N. M.

Joe Williams of San Angelo is pasturing a big string of steers in the Osage nation, which are now about ready to go to market. In discussing conditions, Mr. Williams says: "I never saw better pasturage than we have had in the Osage nation, and the cattle there are fat and in fine condition. But the cattle in the nation must be moved out during the next month, and from now on there will be a steady movement from there. At the present time there are about two-thirds of the cattle there, which shows that the heaviest run is yet to go out. In the San Angelo district the range is good, and cattle are doing well. Good rains all over that country during the latter part of summer have made grass plentiful, and the cowmen are in a position to hold their cattle until the markets get better if they see fit to do so. Up to the present time, of course, there have been but few cattle shipped out of that country, leaving the heavy movement to come later. It is likely that about the last of October and in November a good many cattle will be shipped from that section. And the cattle will go to market in fine condition."

F. S. Brooks, assistant live stock agent of the Santa Fe, is in the city, and has recently returned from a trip down on the Rio Grande, in the Eagle Pass country. He reports that late rains in that portion have made very fine grass, and that the cattle will go through the winter in fine condition. He reports that there are about 20,000 cattle ready to market in that section, but the owners are disinclined to hold them back in the hope of better prices. He says that in the Pecos country conditions are very favorable and many cattle will be ready to go to market about Christmas.

"In my section of California you will not find much hay. That is getting to be a great alfalfa country," says Julius Hauser, a big Los Angeles butcher. "What you would call a feeder here would be a fat steer in California. Most of the country is full of big ranches, some of them fifty miles long, and it is very seldom that we can get good killing cattle at home. It is the general opinion that Texas cattle are of an inferior grade, but I want to say that I never killed finer cattle than some of those that are shipped into California from Texas, and I believe they are as good as can be found anywhere, especially those that are fed on oil meal cake."

Dr. A. E. Behnke of Milwaukee of the

Federal bureau of animal industry and Professor Ostertag of Berlin, Germany, are in the city. The professor is at the head of the laboratory of animal industry in Germany, and the gentlemen are traveling through Texas to observe the condition of the live stock industry. They paid special attention to the dipping proposition out at the stock yards and were much interested.

It is reported here that Colonel Ike T. Pryor, the well known cattleman and vice president of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, has sold his ranch, located in Uvalde county, and embracing 90,000 acres, to a colonization company at private terms. It is said that 4,000 steers, 2s and up, were also included in the deal.

The executive committee of the American Hereford Breeders' Association will recommend an additional appropriation for the range show to be held at St. Louis in November, and Colonel B. C. Rhome of this city, who is a member of the executive committee, says the appropriation will unquestionably be made at the annual meeting of the association, to be held this month at Kansas City.

J. F. Hovenkamp, the well known Short Horn breeder of this city, has his show herd in San Antonio in fine shape for the fair soon to be held in that city, and from San Antonio they will go to St. Louis. Mr. Hovenkamp reports the demand for good bulls increasing, and says he has sold all his surplus stock.

The regular annual meeting of the American Hereford Breeders' Association will be held at the Midland hotel, in Kansas City, on Wednesday evening, October 19, at 7:30 o'clock. A full attendance is earnestly desired.

The management of the San Antonio fair has added a new feature this year which should be of interest to sons of farmers and stockmen. A first prize of \$50 and seven other smaller prizes, ranging down to \$10, are offered for the farmer's son or college student who makes the best record as a judge of live stock. Classes of horses, cattle, sheep and swine, similar to the regular exhibition classes, will be made up and the contestants asked to state how they would rate the animals were they doing the judging. Many Texas boys who have had good, practical training at home should be able to make a creditable showing in this contest. The judging will be done on Monday, October 24. Full particulars as to entry are given on page 63 of the catalogue, which can be obtained by writing the secretary, J. M. Vance, San Antonio, Texas.

A new racing association has been formed at Dallas, chartered under the laws of this state, as the Dallas Matinee Driving Club. The officers of the new association are Ralph Eastman, president; M. W. Stickland, vice president; Charles A. Mangold, treasurer, and Charles F. Mills, secretary. Five thousand dollars will be hung up for trotters and pacers October 11 to 15, during the grand fall festival of the Texas State Fair at Dallas. Among the directors of the new association are Colonel Henry Exall of Lomo Alto stock farm, and A. D. Aldredge of the Electioneer stock farm.

John W. Kokernot, a leading stockman of San Antonio, who has large ranch and cattle interests out in the Alpine country, says of conditions out in that section: "There are lots of fat cattle out there now, and we could furnish some number-one beef now if the market would offer any inducement. The range, however, is as fine as ever saw it, and it is a consolation to us to know that our cattle are in an altitude and on a range where they continue to grow and spread out until there is a demand for them." Mr. Kokernot says he has a letter from his ranch manager in Lubbock county, telling of the safe arrival of 2,500 yearling steers recently purchased in Brewster county, and stating that range conditions are very fine. He says a cotton gin is going up at Alpine, and several others within a radius of 100 miles of that place.

Jim Pulliam, ranching in the northwestern part of the state of Chihuahua, in Mexico, has sold 4,000 three-year-old steers to Walter K. Bowker of Calexico, Cal., and they are now being gathered for shipment. They are to be brought across the international boundary in bond and shipped on the Southern Pacific. It is said that Mr. Bowker is in the market for 10,000.

Wylie Moore of Bisbee, Ariz., is buying steers out in the Alpine country for his local market. The purchases made have been principally twos, and the price paid was \$18 around.

H. A. King, ranching out in the Alpine country, has recently bought 500 yearling steers from different parties in that section, to be used in restocking his ranch, and paid \$10 around for the bunch.

About 50,000 head of sheep have been purchased in New Mexico by Texas men, and the sheep are now being trailed into the western portion of the state. The largest purchaser so far is R. W. Prosser of Comstock, who bought 14,000 head from Bob Owens of Carlsbad.

Information comes from the south Texas range country that conditions are better than they have been for years, and cattle are going into the winter down there as fat as butter.

Judge O. H. Nelson of Amarillo, who

is engaged in the work of furnishing Panhandle calves to eastern corn belt feeders, says: "With plenty of grass and plenty of water, with the best corn crop ever raised in the state all safely made, and cotton conditions fair, Texas farmers and stockmen have little cause for complaint. The supply of young Texas cattle for the northern feed lots is fairly good. In our sale of 2,000 at Fort Madison next month we shall have 750 steer calves, 250 heifer calves, 400 yearling steers, 300 two-year-old steers and 300 three-year-old steers, showing quite an assortment. As to how good they are, I don't suppose all of the yearling steers would make cattle as good as the Texas yearlings sold last week in Chicago at \$5.50 to \$6.05, and not all the heifers would be equal to the Texas raised yearling heifers sold there recently at \$5.30, but there will be plenty of good ones, and doubtless some of the bargain counter class among them."

A cattleman from the Sierra Madre mountains country in Mexico, says that the cattle in the Sierra Madre range country are in splendid condition, fairly rolling in fat, grass is high and plentiful and the streams and water holes are full. Sonora cattle were never in better condition than they are at this time. Owing to the quarantine on Sonora cattle, there is no immediate market for the stock, and the herds are rapidly increasing in consequence. The cattlemen down there feel keenly the effects of the quarantine and now that they have a good year it is very discouraging not to be able to go to the best market with their stock.

M. S. Shook, a Haskell county stockman, is in the city, looking after some business matters, and says his section of the state has been blessed with good rains, sufficient to insure plenty of both grass and water for the winter. Mr. Shook says that the cattlemen of that section are cutting down their holdings closer this year than ever before, and there is a great deal of stuff in that section that will be shipped out to market before the close of the season.

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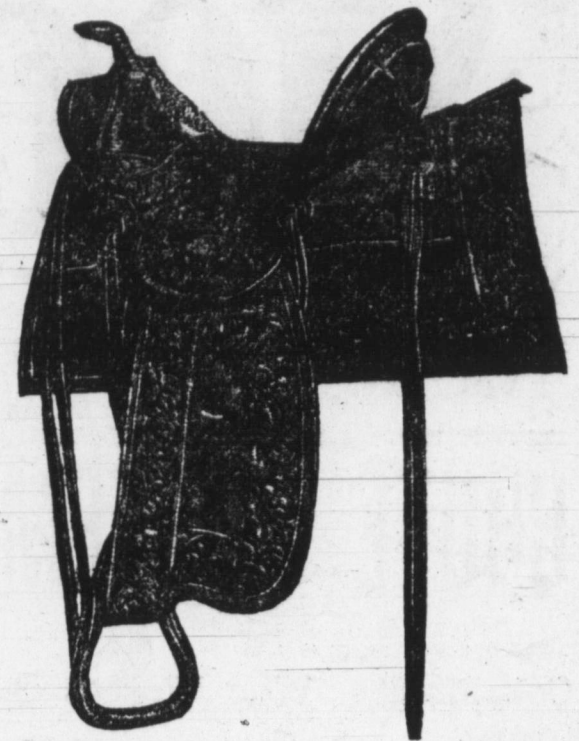
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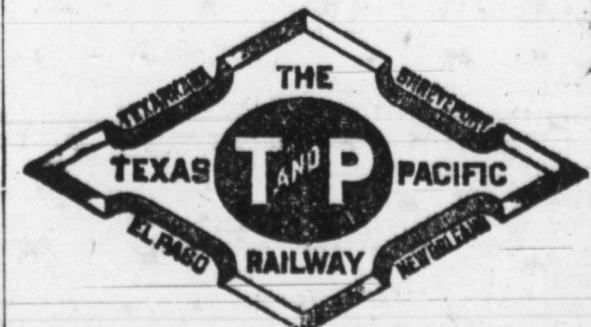
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Five years ago wool was selling at 5 to 7 cents per pound. Today eight-month clip is bringing 14 to 16 cents, and twelve-month clip 17 to 19 cents per pound. Five years ago mutton shipped from this section would not pay freight, selling as cheap as 65 cents per head. Today the same class of stock is bringing \$3.

Within the past month there has been an increase of 50 cents per head in the price of sheep. And why?

Because there is a great shortage in the stocks of the eastern wool manufacturers and because the relation between supply and demand justifies present prices. Ten million pounds of wool are being bought each week, and stock of the eastern mills are so nearly exhausted that the highest inventory of some places the amount at one hundred million pounds, or only ten times the volume of sales for one week.

The manufacturer of woolen goods in the east now realize that the long expected shortage is at hand and that he will have to look abroad for a supply to run him until the next clip is ready for market, which will be about June 1.

It is predicted by some of the best posted wool men that something like 20 cents will be the price of twelve-month wool next spring.

The demand for sheep is greater now than at any period within the past ten years, not only in this section, but throughout the west. This demand is, of course, principally for breeding sheep.

It is a noticeable fact that raisers who have been out of the business for three, five, even ten years have again joined the ranks of the sheep raisers all of which is evidence of the belief of these "old timers" that there is much better profit in the industry now than at any other time during their experience.

The demand for ewes is causing a corresponding big demand for bucks. In fact, it seems it will be impossible to find a sufficient number of bucks in this country for this fall's use.

R. S. Campbell arrived from Ohio this week with two cars of choice Delaine bucks, which breed won more prizes in 1903 than any other Merino flock in the United States. These Delaines were bred by the prominent breeders, Critten, Dickinson & Griffen. The most successful breeders in the state of Ohio claim that for range purposes these Delaines, as well as the Rambouillets, are the best sheep ever imported to the western states.

These rams shear twenty to twenty-six pounds of fine, light, staple wool per head each year, have hard constitutions and are rustlers. Since Mr. Campbell's arrival he has sold 240 of these bucks, realizing from \$15 to \$50 per head for same.

George and James Richardson bought forty of the one and two-year-old Delaines from R. S. Campbell at \$45 per head. These will be bred to 2,000 of Richardson's choicest ewes. D. E. Sims of Concho county also bought a big lot of Delaine bucks from the same party, and P. T. Hurt purchased twelve head at \$40. Several large sales are now pending.

Yesterday a reporter met eight sheep raisers at the pen in the Caldwell wagon yard. Five of the men were raisers who had abandoned the industry several years since. They were buying yesterday. "Yes," said all of them, "there is money in it now, and we are going to try raising sheep again."

Last Saturday John Trent, representing A. G. Anderson, started a sale at Ozona with 300 bucks. In four days he had to wire for another shipment. He realized from \$10 to \$20 per head for these Rambouillets.

A good many of the pioneer cattlemen are converting large portions of their ranches into sheep ranges, anticipating bigger returns from their investments.

The question at once presents itself: "Will these good prices continue?" The best posted wool men claim that there is absolutely no obstacle in the way; that the prices of the finished products justify an average price of 16½ to 17 cents for wool, which prices would correspond with ten-cent cotton; that there is no substitute that can be offered for wool; and that there is no danger of over-production on account of the ever increasing demand for good, staple wool, and the diminution in the production abroad. (In Australia 40,000,000 sheep fell during the seven years' drouth, which ended in 1903.)

The fact that so many of these "old timers" sheep raisers are again entering the market for big lots of sheep is pretty good evidence of their belief in continued prosperity in this industry of the great west.

The above report was gathered from the remarks of a well known wool raiser of this city, interviewed yesterday by a reporter for the Standard.—San Angelo Standard.

THE SHEPHERD AND HIS FLOCK

Professor Thomas Shaw, in American Sheep Breeder, says that disease among sheep is vastly on the increase. These diseases are tapeworm, stomach worm and nodular disease.

Since these things are so, says the professor, they emphasize the importance of

first securing healthy animals on which to build future flocks. It may not be always possible to be quite sure on this score, as animals apparently healthy may carry the germs of any one of the troubles named. This at least is true of mature sheep. If the sheep are purchased in the open market the hazard of introducing such diseases is to some extent always present. But should they be purchased from the flock of an honest farmer who has kept sheep on his farm for many years without the introduction of material from without then the buyer can be pretty well assured that he is not introducing disease along with his flock that will give him serious trouble in the future.

Having once established a healthy flock, then by all means try to keep it so. This can best be done by barring out further additions to the flock. The only real danger of bringing in disease when this course is adopted is that which arises from the introduction of males which it may be necessary to purchase at certain intervals to avoid too close breeding.

With the introduction of such males there is usually an element of danger, but if these are chosen from flocks known to be healthy the danger is reduced to a minimum. Thus guarded the spread of those dangerous diseases would be greatly checked, and in time the losses from them would certainly grow less rather than more.

The practice combated in this paper is that of trafficking in sheep on the ordinary farm. The average farmer in the west at least is much inclined to carry on his stock business on what may be termed the bartering plan. He is ready to sell his whole flock or a part of it when a good offer is made for it. Then he goes out and buys again to replace it. The barter may seem profitable at the first, but suppose a healthy flock has been sold and it is replaced by one laden with disease germs, in the end loss will result. The farmer would have acted more wisely had he retained as many animals in the flock as were necessary for its maintenance and sold only those that could be spared.

SHEEP NOTES

At Boston last week 40,000 pounds of Texas wool sold at 16@18c per pound.

T. J. Lewis has bought the Zachry, Gearhart & Gerald goats, located in Uvalde county, and leased the Zachry pasture. This was considered among the finest flocks of goats in that country. Mr. Lewis recently sold to Harry Young of Edwards county 2,000 goats at \$2.25 per head.

It is reported that Colonel T. H. Zanderson has purchased two Pecos county wool clips now growing on the sheep's back. The price paid for this unshorn wool was withheld. This looks as though Texas sheepmen are in the swim, and it further indicates that nobody is fearing free wool right away, no matter how the election goes.

Concerning the wool trade last week's American Wool and Cotton Reporter said: The activity in wool continues and during the past week another large volume of business has been transacted. The buying has been chiefly by two concerns, however, one of which is understood to have taken about four million pounds, very largely territory, and the other a considerable amount of Montana as well as some fleeces. The medium sized consumers have bought only moderately. Prices continue strong on all classes of stock and the feeling in the trade is that they will be higher.

Bert Simpson, a well known cowman of the Monahans country, is in the city with a shipment of calves for the local market. He says the cattlemen of his section are preparing to market practically all their calf crop this winter, as a means of paying off their most pressing obligations. Mr. Simpson says that all the western range country has had good rains and the outlook for the winter is as good as any reasonable man could desire. Cattle are fat and will start into the winter months in much better shape than usual. He says there is a considerable amount of stuff to go to market yet from his section, but that it is expected much of it will go to California, as buyers from that state usually buy a great deal of the best stuff in that section every winter. Local buyers from El Paso, New Mexico and Arizona have been buying out there all the season, and Mr. Simpson says he has not sold a cow this year for less than \$18. Speaking of the outlook for the future, he says it is his judgment that the late market will show a very gratifying improvement over the prices now being realized, and by next year the cattle industry will be on its feet again. He also expresses the opinion that cattle would be bringing a good price now, were it not for the fact that the recent strike has held them back in such large numbers all over the country and compelled them to be marketed in bulk.

William Penn Anderson, live stock agent for the Pecos Valley lines of the Santa Fe, says that Panhandle cattlemen will make a fine exhibit of high grade calves at the Kansas City show this winter, in the expectation of doing considerable business with corn belt feeders. He has information that the feeders will attend the show in larger numbers than usual this year and will be in the market

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for a considerable amount of good young stuff. He says the Long S, XIT, SMS, LS and JA ranches are among the number that will have calves at Kansas City. Mr. Anderson says that the idea that the production of high grade beef cattle in the Panhandle is being curtailed by the changed conditions in fallacious, and predicts that his section of the state will from now on produce as much or more good stuff than ever before. The development of the stock farming idea is doing much for that section.

Rather an unusual accident happened at the Kansas City market Wednesday to a bunch of steers that were being marketed by Al Popham of Amarillo. The cattle had just been sold and were being driven up the viaduct to be weighed. After passing the last gate on the viaduct where the government inspectors are stationed, these officials detected a lumpy jaw in the herd and cut him back. As is customary in such cases, the gate was closed behind the cattle after they passed in. As soon as the steers reached the scale door they turned back and stampeded, and before the inspectors could open the big gate they crowded upon each other until ten good steers were crushed to death and many others were mangled and crippled. The steers averaged 975 pounds, and had just been sold for \$3.25, which at a fair estimate will place the total loss at about \$500.

A letter received here yesterday states that Grant G. Gillett, once the cattle king of Kansas and who is well known in Texas, especially among Fort Worth stockmen, states that he has succeeded in organizing a company with \$3,000,000 capitalization to take over the Quebridillas Grenadana and Iquana mines of the late and now practically defunct Pan-American Mining and Smelting Company, the \$15,000,000 creation of Dr. R. C. Flower of New York, who is also well known in Fort Worth.

Gillett's company is made up of himself and six or eight members of the old Pan-American company, and these claim to have subscribed \$300,000 gold to pay for and operate these mines.

Mrs. Amelia Storrs who put up large sums of money to help Dr. Flowers to exploit the Pan-American company, and who lost as much as \$100,000 in the deal, is also a member of the new company.

It will be remembered that Gillett was last in Fort Worth three years ago when the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association convention was held. He brought with him a famous cowboy band from Kansas and made himself quite prominent on that occasion.

Soon after this he failed for more than half a million and his creditors were among the heaviest financial companies in the west. Gillett went to Mexico and began speculating in mining properties. Dame fortune favored him and as a result he accumulated enough money in this manner to liquidate his entire indebtedness and is now a free man again.

His faithful wife aided him. She conducted one of the fashionable millinery establishments in the City of Mexico and every cent of profit above a bare living was turned over to her husband to help him in paying of creditors.

It will be good news to the friends of Mr. Gillett to learn that he is now out of the quagmire of bankruptcy and again on the road to affluence and wealth.

President Roosevelt's land commission, which met the cattlemen at Denver recently to talk over the land leasing proposition in the west, is back in Washington and has commenced its final meetings to prepare and forward its ultimate report to the president. It is expected the president will cover the matter in his annual message to congress in December, and will make some recommendations regarding the land laws. It is believed the commission will recommend but few minor changes, but will favor a new policy that will lead to an ultimate radical change in the existing methods.

Advices from Denver are to the effect that no successor has yet been appointed to the late Charles F. Martin as secretary of the National Live Stock Association, and it is not probable that a choice will be made for several days yet. It is considered very probable that Mrs. Helen Kennedy, who has been Mr. Martin's stenographer and is familiar with the work, will be made temporary secretary until the next convention meets. Mrs. Kennedy has been connected with the work of the association almost since its inception, and is thoroughly familiar with its details.

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"There are lots of cattle in my part of Texas," says Mr. Parkenson, who has ranches in the San Angelo country. "I pasture my cattle at Elgin, Kan. The cattle are being thinned out around Elgin now. Elgin used to be the biggest shipping point in the country, but other shipping points have sprung up and have taken a great deal of the business away from there. The San Angelo country is a great stock district. We raise lots of cattle and sheep and it is getting to be quite a horse raising district. The quality of the cattle is being improved each year. We have got to raise a better grade of cattle now, for there is no free open range left down there, it all being leased land. That country is being settled very fast. Farmers from the east and middle west are invading the country, and it is a rare thing to see a real wild and woolly cowboy."

Don't forget that the Fort Worth Horse and Mule Co. are spending thousands of dollars in advertising their sales in the East.

Echoes of the Range

IN BRISCOE COUNTY

Silverton Enterprise.

In the prairie dog election held in this county last Saturday there was only sixty-six votes cast, with only three votes against it.

Askey Brothers, D. G. Montague, R. W. Thomas and Q. E. Brown will ship fifteen cars of fat cows to the Kansas City market tomorrow.

Bob McMurry shipped three cars of fat cows to the Fort Worth market last week and came out well enough on them that he will ship three more cars from Clarendon tomorrow night.

IN BREWSTER COUNTY

Alpine Times.

Luther Yarbrow was in town Saturday and informed us that he and brothers had sold their ranch near Shafter to L. D. Bunton, except that eight sections out of the twenty-four were reserved by his brothers, Luther selling his entire interest. The sixteen sections leased land sold for \$3,000. Luther is now on a trade for a place near Haymond.

Wiley Moore of Marfa and Jeff Fisher of Douglas, Ariz., have been in and around Alpine the past two or three days, trying to buy some fat cows or steers.

Clyde Buttrill sold to Fred Newman of El Paso a car of steer yearlings Friday and they were shipped that night to El Paso.

J. D. Jackson was in Marfa Friday and bought three car loads of calves from Judge Bogel.

IN KERR COUNTY

Kerrville-Sun.

J. T. Dupree, a prosperous ranchman of the Paint creek country, was in Kerrville Wednesday, buying supplies for the ranch. He says that stock are in splendid condition to go into winter quarters.

Horses are bringing good prices at present, and the smallest pony brings as much

as \$25, while cattle prices are falling, but stockmen say that they will get back to the old prices again.

West Texas is gradually coming to the front in the way of farm and stock pursuits. Irrigation is being brought into use more every year and truck farming is getting to be a common thing nowadays. Fine Angoras are taking the place of the mountain goat and the cattlemen are stocking their ranches with full-blooded animals. In a few years this section will compare with any country on earth.

The recent rains have been the kind that do the most good. They have been slow, steady and soaked in wetting things good and deep. They are the kind for the farmer because they put a good season in the soil. They are the kind for the stockman because they make the grass grow. In fact both stockman and farmer have good reasons to wear that smile, you could not knock off with a stick.

IN SAN SABA COUNTY

San Saba News.

James Gunter has bought a 100-acre tract of land from C. C. Russell. Consideration \$800; also 200 acres from Mrs. Alice Brown. Consideration \$1,000.

T. B. Hart of San Saba has sold his ranch and cattle nine miles out on the Bend road for \$9,019. The 341 acres north of the road were sold to J. S. Ponton for \$1,705. The 1,263 acres south of the road were sold to Tom Williams for \$6,290 and the 128 head of stock cattle also were sold to Williams for \$1,024.

IN LIPSOMB COUNTY

Higgins News.

Henry Frass got \$3.70 for his steer yearlings at Kansas City last week.

Bog Price received \$2.50 for his steers and \$2.10 for his cows at Kansas City Wednesday.

T. J. Reasoner received \$2.60 for his

steers and \$2.10 for his cows at Kansas City last week.

N. H. Baldwin got \$2.25 and \$2.20 for a car load of cows, which weighed 825, at Kansas City.

O. M. Larson shipped twelve head of mixed stuff to Kansas City Saturday.

Robert Moody sent four cars of fine steers to Kansas City last Saturday. Charles Rynearson shipped a car of dry cows to Kansas City last Sunday.

T. L. Shahan got \$2.30 for two cars of good dry cows last week at Kansas City. Thirty-five cars of cattle went from here Sunday, shipped by John Douglas, Alex. Barton, A. King, Henry Barton, S. Burcham and T. O. Payne.

R. R. Pantcher shipped out five cars of dry cows Sunday.

William Ashby sent three cars of dry cows and fat steers to Kansas City Sunday.

W. H. Crites sent twenty-two steers and ten cows to Kansas City last Saturday.

A Leslie, who has been pasturing his cattle with Hiram Black, shipped ten cars of mixed stuff to Kansas City Saturday.

W. B. Rosser shipped eight cars of steers and cows from here Sunday.

J. T. Nealy got \$3.05 for his yearlings at Kansas City.

Engine No. 227 got off the track here Saturday and delayed the shipping an hour or so.

S. H. Nay shipped 160 head of cows to the Lee Company at St. Joseph Sunday. He brought them from H. Barton, A. King and William Ashby at from \$13.50 to \$16.

Thomas Waters received \$2.25 for four cars of medium grade cows at St. Joseph. Ed Walck, Mr. Payne and Mr. Bullard shipped several cars of cattle to St. Joseph last week.

Z. E. Combs took three cars of cattle to Kansas City Monday for the Gerlach bank of Woodward.

The Nay & Hopkins cows sold for \$2.40 and the bulls and canners \$2.10 at St. Joseph Tuesday.

IN HASKELL COUNTY

Haskell Free Press.

Mr. S. Beavers has sold his stock of cattle to a party named Ball of Bowie, Texas, and we understand, will only handle steer cattle on his ranch in the

future.

Sheriff J. W. Bell returned yesterday with Dudley Boone in custody, who was indicted here about a year ago charged with horse theft in two indictments. He was arrested in Gaines county, near the line of New Mexico by state rangers on notice and request by Mr. Bell. Young Boone had filed and located on school land there, from which Sheriff Bell got a clew as to his whereabouts, which he confirmed by communication with the general land office. Boone belongs to an excellent family and there is general regret on account of the trouble he has gotten into and a hope that it may turn out that he is not the guilty party.

IN BREWSTER COUNTY

Alpine Avalanche.

Yet there are some ranchmen like Oliver Twist—they want more.

Jackson & Harman have bought of L. F. Buttrill 200 Galloway yearlings.

S. D. Bishop shipped about 700 more calves from the Lochausen ranch yesterday.

Some of the old settlers say that the ground is wetter now than it has been in the last twenty years.

R. G. Chapman, a ranchman of Dryden, was here Saturday. He has recently bought the interest of his brother-in-law, E. G. Polly, in their partnership ranch, consideration \$8,000.

A. J. McElroy of Midland was here Monday offering \$9 for good yearlings and trying to persuade ranchmen that it was a munificent price, but we have not heard of anybody who was convinced by his eloquence. Now if he had talked cut-backs it would have been different.

S. D. Bishop Esq., who is winding up the business of the Lochausen ranch, with headquarters at Haymond, was here Tuesday. He authorized the Avalanche to quote him as saying that if there ever was any scabies in that range it has yielded to climatic influences and there is none there now. Mr. Bishop's opinion of this country has changed for the better during his sojourn among us. He expects to finish his work here about the middle of November.

I. W. Gourley, M. W. Jordan, T. M. Lease and Charley Simmons, who took the Ford yearlings to Odessa, returned Sunday and remained here several days. The only loss they sustained was a horse belonging to Mr. Lease, which escaped on the Baldrige-Gibson ranch but will doubtless be recovered.

IN HEMPHILL COUNTY

Canadian Record.

E. H. Brainard came in yesterday morning with a bunch of 500 two-year-old steers which he bought down in the Pecos valley country.

J. E. Corson, Canadian's contractor and builder, has the contract for the construction of a dipping vat on the 7K ranch in Lipscomb county and has a couple of men at work on it there now.

The following shipments of cattle were made from here Saturday night: H. L. Powers, two cars to Kansas City; Mathers & Dunn, 103 head; J. F. Houston, 32 head to Kansas City; J. N. Millhollan, 1 car; J. T. Payne, 2 cars. On Monday Abraham Finsterwald shipped 26 head and H. Hurn 30 head to St. Joe.

IN TOM GREEN COUNTY

San Angelo Press.

Lee Brothers sold to D. P. Kennedy 15 horses at \$50 around.

Lee Brothers sold to J. S. Todd and Moore Brothers 120 one and two-year-old graded Hereford steers at \$12 and \$17.

D. P. Kennedy was here last week buying horses for the Fort Worth horse and mule market. He made several purchases here and left for a trip through the Ozona and Sonora country in search of horses.

Jackson & Mitchell sold for George B. Rappleye to A. W. Newsom & Son, D. B. Newsom of Memphis, Tenn., the Rappleye ranch on North Concho just above Water Valley, consisting of 3,348 acres of land, ranch house, farm machinery and implements, a number of horses and about 600 head of cattle. Consideration, \$35,000.

Oscar Cain bought last week from Jim McMann, Henry Guthrie and Will, Cal and Tom Davis, of Sherwood, 120 fat calves at \$5 around and 10 fat cows from the Davis Brothers at \$13 a head.

J. S. Todd shipped last Wednesday to T. R. Todd, Summit, I. T., 10 car loads of stock cattle. Oscar Cain shipped 1 carload of fat calves and 1 carload of mixed fat cattle to St. Louis.

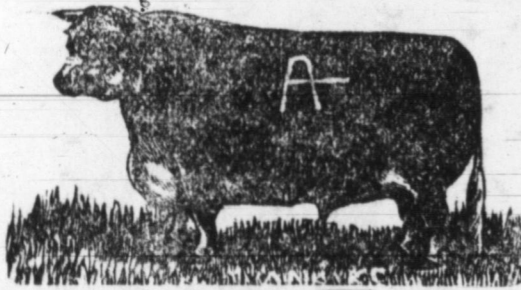
C. B. Metcalfe's troupe of highly trained mules, known as the Texas Mule Show, were shipped last week in charge of Professor Boyington to Dallas, where these intelligent animals will be exhibited as a feature of the Dallas carnival.

R. C. Ferguson of McKenzie & Ferguson, came in Tuesday from their ranch on the Pecos. Mr. Ferguson says the Pecos country is in splendid condition. They have had good rains down there. Grass is good and stock water is plentiful. The prospects are most excellent for fine winter range. From present prospect, it seems there will be plenty of weeds for muttons.

He said the Pecos country was in better shape now than it has been for several years. McKenzie & Ferguson will run only muttons and Mr. Ferguson thinks that the muttons run on the range will do well this winter and

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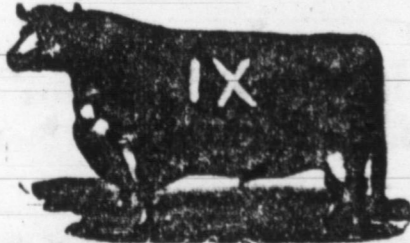
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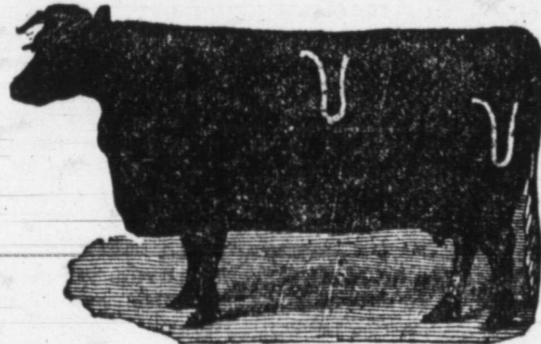
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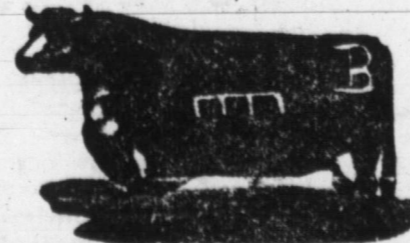
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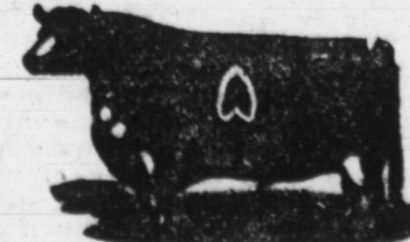
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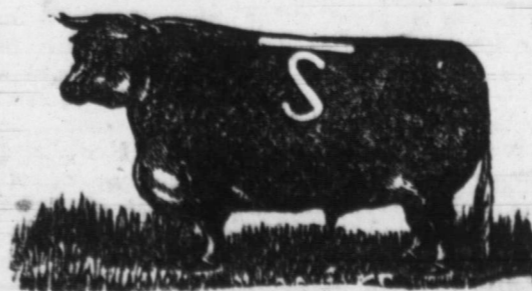
Ranch in Scurry County, Texas. Steer brand, — on left thigh. Postoffice address: Snyder, Texas.

S. A. PURINTON



Ranch located in Pecos county, Texas. Garter above knee and left foreleg. Ear mark, split each ear. Postoffice address: Longfellow, Texas.

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bring a good profit on next spring's market.

Woodward & Perry are having all their mules sheared. There are 600 of them in the pasture 12 miles below town and they are being sheared at the rate of 66 a day.

Hector McKenzie of the big sheep firm of McKenzie & Ferguson, is still in New Mexico buying muttons. He has purchased 5,000 around Roswell and Eddy, paying around \$5.50 a head for them. These sheep were started across the country last week for the ranch on the Pecos.

Sol Mayer purchased from the Val Verde Land and Cattle Company from A. F. Clarkson, R. F. Halbert, J. E. Mills, Dud Swearingen and J. F. Col-

lins, 3,000 head of 1 and 2 year old steers, paying \$10 for 1s and \$15 for 2s. These cattle will be wintered on the Howard Wells ranch. Mr. Mayer stated that his brother, Max, had purchased for another cattleman 1,000 head of 1s and 2s around Sonora. He also said that conditions down through his country could not be better. They had had good rains and grass was fine. In fact, he said, the whole Devil's River country was in as fine shape as he had seen it in ten years "and everything looks mighty good except the market." John Huffman sold for F. Beck of Coleman, 20 Delaine bucks to Bob and Will Mires of Sutton county, for \$210.

IN IRION COUNTY

and lazy. Perhaps it is whisky, tobacco, coffee, women, gambling, or some other form. The intent and purpose is to level him. Keep him from evolving too far ahead of the masses.

A nation becomes prosperous and great like ancient Rome. If no leveling influence set in she would dominate the world perhaps for all time. But dame nature sets her army of "levelers" at work. Luxury, over-eating and drinking, licentiousness, waste and extravagance, indulgences of all kinds, then comes the wreck. Sure, sure, sure. The law of the unit is the law of the mass. Man goes through the same process. Weakness (in childhood), gradual growth of strength, energy, thrift, probity, prosperity, wealth, comfort, ease, relaxation, self-indulgence, luxury, idleness, waste, debauchery, disease, and the wreck follows. The "levelers" are in the bushes along the pathway of every successful man and woman and they bag the majority.

Only now and then can a man stand out against these "levelers" and hold his fortune, fame and health to the end.

So the creator has use for whisky, tobacco and coffee to level down the successful ones and those who show signs of being successful, and keep them back in the race, so that the great "field" (the masses) may not be left too far behind.

And yet we must admit that same all wise Creator has placed it in the power of man to stand upright, clothed in the armor of a clean cut steady mind and say unto himself, "I decline to exchange my birthright for a mess of pottage."

"I will not deaden my senses, weaken my grip on affairs and keep myself cheap, common and behind in fortune and fame by drugging with whisky, tobacco or coffee, life is too short. It is hard enough to win the good things, without any sort of handicap, so a man is certainly a "fool trader" when he trades strength, health, money, and the good things that come with power, for the half-asleep condition of the "druggier" with the certainty of sickness and disease ahead."

It is a matter each individual must decide for himself. He can be a leader and semi-god if he will, or he can go along through life a drugged clown, a cheap "hewer of wood or carrier of water."

Certain it is that while the Great Father of us all does not seem to "mind" if some of his children are foolish and stupid, he seems to select others (perhaps those he intends for some special work) and allows them to be threshed and castigated most fearfully by those "levelers."

If a man tries flirting with these levelers a while, and gets a few slaps as a hint, he had better take the hint or a good solid blow will follow.

When a man tries to live upright, clean, thrifty, sober, and undrugged, manifesting as near as he knows what the Creator intends he should, happiness, health and peace seem to come to him. Does it pay?

This article was written to set people thinking, to rouse the "God within" for every highly organized man and woman has times when they feel a something calling from within for them to press to the front and "be about the Father's business," don't mistake it; the spark of the infinite is there and it pays in every way, health, happiness, peace, and even worldly prosperity, to break off the habits and strip clean for the work cut out for us.

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Sherwood Record.

Judge W. H. Blanks sold to George Hagelstein for J. D. Sheen 2,217 acres of land at \$7.00 per acre. This land lies along Spring Creek one mile north of Sherwood. Mr. Hagelstein expects to put from four to six hundred acres under irrigation and will plant it in cotton next season.

He will irrigate by means of pumps, securing the water from Spring Creek. This will be a big thing for Sherwood. It will enhance the value of property and help the entire town take on new life.

Some little excitement was stirred up here yesterday and today over a land rush for one section of land that came on the market. Yesterday about 10 o'clock a lady and her husband took possession of the window that the clerk had prepared for filling the applications through, and refused to come down all day. They had the other contesting parties guessing as to who would get possession of it. However, during the night she decided to come down and Buck Whitley filed his application this morning without opposition.

IN HOWARD COUNTY

Big Springs Enterprise. W. F. Cadder of Glasscock county left Sunday for Kansas, where he goes to ship some cattle he has on pasture to market. He will attend the World's Fair when he has disposed of his cattle.

A. B. Jones returned Monday from a visit to the World's Fair. He says it is a great show, but the thing that attracted him most was the cattle show, which was the finest he has ever seen. The Herefords carried off the grand champion sweepstake prize as the best beef breed over all other cattle. Mr. Jones is much pleased with this, as he is a breeder of registered Herefords and has some very fine ones on his farm one mile west of town.

A 14-year-old boy by the name of Myers was lodged in jail Sunday on the charge of horse theft. The boy was in the employ of P. S. Morgan, and while that gentleman was in Big Springs last Friday the boy saddled one of Mr. Morgan's horses and left. He came to town Saturday, bought a suit of clothes, which he had charged to Morgan, and went out into the Coahoma country to spend the night. He offered the horse for sale to several parties at a very low price, which aroused the suspicions of some of those the boy tried to sell to, and the matter was reported to the sheriff's office and a search was made for the boy and horse Saturday, but they were not found. Mr. Morgan came to town Saturday night and reported his loss, and Sunday morning in company with Deputy Sheriff Ed M. Mobley went out to Mr. Hull's, nine or ten miles east of town, and found the boy and horse. The boy was placed in jail to await the action of the district court, which meets Monday next.

IN POTTER COUNTY

Amarillo Herald. Mrs. J. W. Gorman will ship one car of cat cows Saturday to Kansas City.

H. Dillon and son shipped three cars of fat cows Saturday to Kansas City. George Tucker and H. M. Beverly will ship two cars of fat cows to the Kansas City market next Saturday.

A. S. Bassett on Wednesday bought of W. A. Campbell 100 high grade Hereford steer and heifer calves.

Molesworth & Lewis of Canyon City shipped eight cars of fat cows to Kansas City and two cars of veal calves to Pueblo on Monday.

On account of next week being carnival week at Kansas City, it is expected that shipments to that market will be light during this time.

IN TAYLOR COUNTY

Abilene Reporter. Albert and George Glasscock and John S. Northington left Tuesday for Alpine, going overland to inspect a ranch which George is on a trade for. George sold his store in Sulphur, I. T., for East Texas land and is now trading it for the Brewster county ranch, if it suits him.

William Cranston is back from a ten days' visit to the World's Fair. He thinks the stock exhibit is, without doubt, the finest ever gotten together in the history of the world, and as there is no better posted man than Mr. Cranston, he is, no doubt, right.

IN DONLEY COUNTY

Clarendon Banner-Stockman. W. D. Jordan, the Federal inspector from Quanah, was here yesterday.

A. V. Lipe, three miles east of Clarendon, wants from one to two hundred head of cattle to winter.

Gatlings & Van Eaton sold on Thursday's Fort Worth market one load of fat cows at \$2.85; average 915 pounds.

Buster Culwell has bought recently 146 fat cows from different parties, paying \$10 to \$16. Also fifty calves at \$7 and \$8 per head.

G. W. Smith sold a couple of Panhandle "pigs" to the cold storage market, one of which tipped the beam at an even 500 pounds.

John Browder shipped calves to Kansas City Sunday, but found no market and had to take them to St. Louis before selling them.—Hall County News-Leader.

Ten cars, mostly cows, belonging to different parties, were shipped from Esteline Saturday to St. Louis. George Bugbee, representing Campbell Brothers & Rosson, handled the shipment.

CATTLE SHOW CLOSED

The cattle exhibit at St. Louis closed Friday afternoon with the ceremonies attending the award of premier championships. There were two sets of these, one

to the largest exhibitors and one of the breeders most largely represented in the show stock. The following were declared premier exhibitors:

O. Harris of Harris, Mo., in Herefords; D. R. Hanna of Ravenna, Ohio, in Short Horns; W. A. McHenry of Denison, Iowa, in Angus; Brookside Farm Company of Fort Wayne, Ind., in Galloways; Andrews Brothers of Cedarville, Ohio, in Red Polls; A. C. Wood & Son of Pendleton, Ind., in Polled Durhams; F. R. Hazard of Syracuse, N. Y., in Brown Swiss.

The same list were declared premier breeders with two exceptions, namely:

In Short Horns, J. G. Robbins & Son of Horace, Ind., were given the honor and in Polled Durhams it went to J. H. Miller of Peru, Ind.

HARD ON SHEEP

Eight single-deck cars of sheep came in last week from Odessa, that will be fed by Marion Sansom at his farm near the stock yards. Of the 1,023 head twenty-two were dead and fifty-three crippled. They were large woolly sheep, and being closely crowded the unusually warm weather was more than some of them could stand.

RANGE CONDITIONS FINE

The range conditions of this county at the present time are better than we have had for years at this time of the year. In most parts of the county grass is as green as a wheat field. All stock are fat. There are a few local buyers in the county paying from \$10 to \$12 per head for barren cows.—Matador Maverick.

SHORTHORNS IN AMERICA

The number of shorthorns in this country is estimated to be 250,000, but I think there are not more than 100,000 all told. People fail to take account of such periods as 1886-1896, when the pure-bred cattle business was at low ebb. Hundreds of breeders, finding the business of breeding unprofitable, sold their stock as grade cattle and let them go for beef purposes. Whole herds in Kansas, Missouri, Iowa and Illinois were disposed of in that manner and were abandoned. Thus many were lost to record altogether. Another thing to be taken into consideration in regard to the supply of shorthorn cattle in this country is the fact that the life of an active pure-bred shorthorn bull, when allowed to run with grade herds, is very short, usually not over four years. After that time he generally goes to market fat and his career as a producer ends then and there. It is merely a guess, and a mighty vague one at that, to estimate the number of shorthorns in this country. W. A. HARRIS.

STATE BUYS MULES

A good sale of mules was made at the yards last week. S. M. Fry of Fort Worth, one of the penitentiary commissioners, bought fifty-four big sugar mules at about \$170 a head, the total price being something over \$9,000. These mules are for the state sugar farm on the Brazos river.

Mr. Fry says they now have 180 mules on this farm, and the late purchase increases the number to 234 head. These figures indicate the magnitude of the business done by the state of Texas by state convicts, at times giving work to as many as 400.


COWAN PRESENTED CASE

Judge S. H. Cowan of Fort Worth was here on his way to Washington to present arguments on behalf of the interstate commerce commission in the matter of more equitable grain rates. Concerning the Denver hearing in the interest of cattlemen, Judge Cowan said he felt that great good had been accomplished in getting the railroads to admit that stockmen should have much better service.—Chicago Live Stock World.

OKLAHOMA QUARANTINE MATTERS

The Territorial cattle inspection of Oklahoma, and the Federal cattle inspector, who made a visit to some of the quarantine pastures in Canadian county, Oklahoma, a few days ago, have issued an order forbidding the owners of certain herds of cattle in that county from shipping their cattle therefrom. The inspectors found that some of the owners of the quarantine herds had been disobedient of the rules, and for this reason placed their herds in the hands of the sheriff. Other similar examinations are to follow in other parts of the territory where cattle are under quarantine regulations.

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THE WAR NEWS

Manchurian Headquarters of the Japanese Army Reports That Scouts Had an Engagement and Routed Russians

SITUATION UNCHANGED

Vladivostok Is Quiet—Reports From the Front Show That Little Activity Is Noticed—Armies Are Resting—Fighting Between Scouts

TOKIO, Oct. 4.—The following official report has been issued: "Manchurian headquarters reports by telegraph that a body of scouts sent by our advance detachment on October 2 consisting of a company of infantry and a troop of cavalry, attacked and routed a detachment of the enemy's cavalry, sixty strong, occupying Paoshingtung, thirteen miles north of Liao Yang and nine miles west of the Mukden road. While further reconnoitering in the vicinity, a force of Russian cavalry, 230 strong, attacked the Japanese scouts. After fighting for some time the Japanese returned. The enemy's loss is about thirty. We sustained no casualties. State of affairs at the front with our army remains unchanged."

ADVANCE MARINE RATE

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Marine underwriters here are putting up rates on steamers carrying railroad material for Japan. The rate recently current has been three-quarters of 1 per cent. This premium has now been raised to 2½ per cent for a steamer to go by way of the Cape with rails and locomotives on board. This change in the insurance situation has caused several of the China and Japan lines from this port to announce that they will omit Japan altogether or refuse railroad material if the steamers make Japanese ports.

AN ATTACHE RETURNING

TOKIO, Oct. 4, 10 a. m.—Lieutenant Granville R. Fortescue, an American attache, who was with the besieging forces at Port Arthur, has arrived at Tokio, en route to Washington. He will sail on the steamship Doric. Lieutenant Fortescue witnessed the operations of August and September at Port Arthur. He is returning home on account of the expiration of his leave. He is pledged to secrecy relative to his observations at Port Arthur, pending the fall of the fortress.

A number of American nurses will sail from Nagasaki to San Francisco October 21.

COMPLAIN OF ILL TREATMENT

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 4.—A special dispatch from Mukden, dated October 3, says the population of that place has been greatly increased by arrivals from all quarters. Chinese who have fled from the south say the Japanese are administering affairs in Southern Manchuria with a high hand and many complaints of ill treatment of the natives by them are made. There is a great scarcity of provisions among the Chinese population.

JAPS ARE FOREMOST

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 4.—Among the passengers arriving on the liner Mongolia from the Orient, Major Lewis L. Zaman, surgeon in the United States engineer's branch army, who has been learning the Japanese methods of surgery in army camps. In his opinion the Japanese are far ahead of all other nations of the world in the organization of her sanitary branch of the army and have been the first to anticipate and take measures against the fact that a great number of deaths in war are caused, not by bullets, but by disease.

VLADIVOSTOK IS QUIET

VLADIVOSTOK, Oct. 4.—The town is quiet and many families which fled to the interior earlier in the season are returning. It is an excellent fishing season. But there is a considerable scarcity of salt. Navigation on the Amur will close this week.

THE JAP REFUGEES

BERLIN, Oct. 4.—Seven hundred Japanese refugees from Russia arrived in Berlin today. They will not leave the two trains which brought them here, the cars being side tracked at a switching station until a change of engine was made. The Jap minister and other members of the legation, the council of the Japanese committee of the Red Cross Society and missionaries with New Testament in the Japanese language gathered at the yard to greet the refugees, but were not allowed to approach the train, the railroad authorities affirming that it

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is contrary to the regulation to permit non-employees to cross the tracks. The travelers were greeted by their fellow countrymen with prolonged cries of "Bansai," and the Japanese minister waved his hat. The refugees will sail from Bremen for home October 20.

TWENTY MILLIONS IN TAXES IN ONE DAY

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—All records for the amount of taxes paid to the city in one day have just been surpassed. Those who went to the tax receiver's office in person were so eager that officials appealed to the police to hold them and their money in line. The city treasury was nearly fifteen million dollars wealthier when office hours were over than it had been in the morning. It is thought that, including the piles of checks and currency which there was not time to enter, the total receipts were not far from twenty millions. The earliest tax payers appeared at 4 o'clock in the morning and inside of a few hours more than 2,000 persons were in line. The largest amounts received came from the New York City Railroad Company, and from the Vanderbilt family. The amount in each case was \$40,000.

SULLIVANS CALL ON HIM

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Timothy D. Sullivan, representative in congress, and Timothy H. Sullivan, vice chairman of the board of aldermen, both of New York, spent a half hour with Judge Parker today. Representative Sullivan said he told Judge Parker he is wasting time in New York; as the city has nothing but democrats.

Among other callers upon Judge Parker was former Governor Campbell of Ohio and former Treasurer Morgan.

WACO, Texas, Oct. 4.—Herry Lewis, of Lorena, this county, was killed here last night. His horse ran away and threw him from the buggy and he struck on his head. He leaves a wife and one child.

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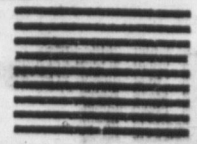
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Hog Department

BARLEY AND RYE FOR HOGS

We are having an unusual number of letters in the last week or two from farmers, asking practically the same question: What is the relative value of corn, barley and rye for hog feed? The supply of corn is very short in the country and the price seems very high to farmers. They are wondering what substitute can be obtained.

The relative value of corn, barley and rye for hog feed depends largely on the size and age of the hogs you have to feed. There is not much difference between the feeding value of 100 pounds of barley and 100 pounds of rye when fed to the same kind of stock at the same age. The rye is a little better, partly because it has more flesh-forming material and partly because it has a better flavor. In other words, the hog likes it better. This is always an important consideration. What we like usually digests well, and what doesn't taste good don't usually put much fat on the ribs.

Professor Henry reports the average of eleven experiments with 110 animals in Denmark, where rye and barley were fed against each other, showing that the barley fed hogs made a gain of .856 pounds per day, where the rye-fed ones gained .873 of a pound, and remarks that the results indicate a practical equality between the two feeds for pork production. He also made a number of experiments in Wisconsin, comparing barley meal with corn meal and found that it required 8 per cent more barley meal to produce a given gain.

These results coincide with the Copenhagen experiments; and we might say here that there is no nation that has done more careful experimenting in the line of pork production than the Danes. We think we might therefore safely say in reply to our correspondents that for young pigs, say weighing from forty to fifty and sixty pounds, rye should be preferred to barley and either of them to corn. Better results, however, will be obtained by feeding rye, barley and corn, one-third each, than by feeding any one of them exclusively. Bear in mind that in all this we are not thinking of bushels, but 100 pounds. In fact, it is only on the pound basis that farmers should ever compare feeding stuffs.

As hogs approach maturity and are being finished for market corn would be much preferable to either rye or barley and ordinarily much cheaper. We must not only consider pounds but price. If we had a lot of pigs of that kind on hand and could get either rye or barley at the same price per 100 pounds as corn we would use it freely, but not exclusively. In fact, we don't think there is any grain that tastes quite so good to the pig as a grain of corn, and therefore corn should be a part of every pig ration, even if we had to buy it at a somewhat advanced price. It should never, however, furnish the exclusive ration for a young and growing pig.

Our advice to farmers who are short of corn is to buy some old corn, even at present prices, with which to improve the ration, and to put off using the new corn until it is ready to cut up. A limited amount of corn in roasting ears will be relished by the hogs and will no doubt do them more good than the same amount of dry matter of old corn. But remember that when we feed corn in an immature state it must do a great deal more good than the same amount of old corn in order to pay.

TAKING TO HOG CULTURE

A careful review of the situation in Texas as to hog culture develops the fact that while the town of Sherman as yet can establish its claim to distinction of being the hog center, there are dozens of competitors for that honor, and truth compels the admission that some are close seconds. C. D. Hughes, who last year left the Dallas state fair with \$1,300 to the good in awards and sales, and who is a student of the hog industry, said to a Dallas News representative recently:

"The outlook is fair; in fact, it is, conservatively speaking, good. Interest in hog culture is rapidly increasing, and within the last five years it has, I think I can safely say, increased tenfold. Fine herds are now reported from scores of places where but a short while ago improved herds were unknown. Importation of fine stock is practiced, of course, to some extent, but it is becoming less and less necessary each year, and Texas is becoming an exporter. It is a source of gratification to all connected with the industry that they are entering upon the fall and winter months with the finest assurance of a feed supply they have had in many years. Fine crops of barley, alfalfa and corn are the rule in the hog area, though all these are commanding good round prices."

Last year the seven Texas herd owners who exhibited at San Antonio lost in round figures \$10,000 from an infectious plague brought there by an out-of-state exhibitor, and in the time of its ravages fears were entertained that it might make its reappearance in the fall and winter of this year. That is dissipated, however, and when questioned on that point Mr. Hughes said: "There is not the least indication of a reappearance of the plague. So far as I know, locally or through correspondence, no one has noted anything to cause dread. Cremation was the method adopted last year to destroy the germs."

Inquiry shows that Poland-Chinas are still the favorites, with Berkshires and Duroc-Jerseys very popular in the order given.

PROFITABLE SWINE BREEDING

Heavy stock is rapidly decreasing in demand. Its place is taken by pork from early maturing animals of medium weight. Six or seven months' old pigs of well bred, well fattened stock, is the kind to top the market. This is also in the interest of growers, because the greatest profits are made on the growth of young stock.

The food given to young animals in an immature state produces greater gains in weight than the same amount of food given at any other time. Well bred pigs farrowed in early spring and pushed from birth by careful and intelligent feeding pay better than pigs wintered and fed for longer time. This is no argument against winter feeding, but winter fed pigs should be farrowed in the fall, wintered in a dry, warm, well-ventilated hog house on farm roughage helped out with a little grain and the warm separator milk from a good winter butter dairy. The profits from winter fed pigs may be almost as much as from those grown in summer, but of course conditions must be right. It is a difficult matter to feed pigs profitably in cold weather when they are housed in a snow bank.

Whether the season be winter or summer there should be proper facilities for cleaning the troughs, feeding floors and yards, and they should have raised dry wooden platform to sleep on. A box of ashes, charcoal and salt is a necessity for growing pigs; it should be constantly before them. It is a mistake to feed much corn to young pigs as it makes them too fat and retards the development of bone and muscle. Wheat middlings fed in thin-sloppy condition is one of the best feeds for summer growing pigs, but there are many other things that work in to advantage. Protein feeds are valuable whether in the form of roughage or concentrates. It is growth we are after first with a little fat towards the end of the feeding period.

Pigs at six months of age have been made to weight 250 pounds, but this is the extreme. From 180 to 220 may be confidently expected when conditions are right and the proper care given. No one should be satisfied with a gain of less than one pound per day from zirth to maturity, and this should be obtained with an average of about three pounds of grain, middlings and bran.

HOGS NOTES

Sour slop has been found to be injurious to sows having young pigs. It is well to feed them slop, but it should be fresh.

Small potatoes cooked and mixed with bran make good pig feed.

Hogs which are compelled to drink from the mud holes in which they wallow cannot fatten very rapidly nor be healthy.

Late in the season, when the sow will not bring another litter, it is sometimes best to let the pigs suck as long as the sow will permit.

The best results from hogs are obtained when fed corn and allowed to run on the pasture. They make a grade of meat which ranks highest in market.

McFarland & Co. are preparing to raise hogs on a big scale at Holdenville, I. T., for the Fort Worth market. Holdenville is at the crossing of the Frisco and the Choctaw railroads. They have inclosed 500 acres of good land with woven-wire fence that is pig proof. They will start in with 100 brood sows, from which they ought to raise 1,000 pigs a year, of the best quality. Alfalfa will be grown, and other forage crops, for the main reliance, but as this is a fine corn country, they will of course depend chiefly on corn for putting their hogs in prime condition.

BARGE OF RICE SINKS.

HOUSTON, Texas, Oct. 4.—The barge Nancy, loaded with six hundred sacks of rice at the San Jacinto rice farm, is at the bottom of the river. The barge was tied up last night preparatory to moving to this city today. A snag and a north wind caused it to sink. Captain Burdick was aboard asleep, but escaped by swimming ashore. It is believed the rice will be a total loss. A marine hoist has gone to raise the barge.

HOUSTON GETS IT.

HOUSTON, Oct. 4.—The council granted trackage privilege to the Otis Elevator company. It will locate here, Dallas, San Antonio and Beaumont were all bidding for the big factory.

SWAMP FEVER KILLS.

PARIS, Texas, Oct. 4.—Information this morning from the town of Grant, I. T., twenty miles north of Paris, is that a virulent type of swamp fever is raging. There were four deaths yesterday evening. Some physicians proclaim the disease yellow fever and considerable excitement prevails.

LEAVES FOR HOME.

MANILA, Oct. 4.—Major General Wade, retiring commander of the Philippine division, sails for home on the transport Thomas October 15. Pending the arrival of Major General Corbin, who succeeds to the command of the division, General Leonard Wood will act as commanding general.

BARNETT GIBBS

Former Lieutenant Governor of Texas Dies This Morning at Home in Dallas After an Illness of Some Length

PROMINENT IN POLITICS

Native of Mississippi—Came to Texas Without Anything and Accumulated a Fortune—Was Active in Memorable Prohibition Campaign

DALLAS, Texas, Oct. 4.—Former Lieutenant Governor Barnett Gibbs, prominent in business circles throughout the entire state, expired at his home early this morning. Governor Gibbs had been suffering from kidney and liver troubles for some time and his death was not entirely unexpected.

Barnett Gibbs was the son of Judge D. D. Gibbs and Mrs. Sallie Dorsey Gibbs of Mississippi. He was a grandson of General George W. Gibbs of Tennessee and was born in Yazoo City, Miss., May 19, 1851. He received his literary education at Spring Hill College, Mobile, Ala., and at the University of Virginia, and his professional education at the Law School of Lebanon, Tenn. He immigrated to Texas in 1873 and located in Dallas.

Colonel Gibbs was essentially a self-made man; both his fortune and position as a public man were acquired by his own unaided exertions, the former by the exercise of a remarkable business sagacity. He came to Texas a young man without means or prestige or influential friends, and with nothing but his profession, a strong constitution, a clear head and an indomitable ambition to rise in the world. He was worth \$350,000, invested in real estate, stocks, etc., and there was no man in Texas, not even considering his comparative youth, who was better known and respected in social, business and political circles.

The citizens of Dallas early showed their appreciation of his legal talent by electing him city attorney. This position he held six years. He was then elected to the state senate, from which position he was advanced by the popular vote to lieutenant governor of the state. This office he filled during the incumbency of the gubernatorial chair by Hon. John Ireland from 1882 to 1886. Colonel Gibbs was the youngest lieutenant governor Texas ever had and the youngest acting governor.

The active participation by him in the memorable canvass known as the prohibition campaign is a part of the history of the state. He was strongly opposed to the adoption of the prohibition amendment. He made the race for congress against Colonel Wellborn, but in a locked convention a dark horse won the nomination. He was a prominent member of the Odd Fellows.

In 1898 he took quite an active part in politics as an opponent to democracy, leaving the party which had honored him and which he had honored, because of an honest conviction that reforms were necessary. He made the race for governor.

In personal appearance he was no ordinary man. He was large and fine looking and a man of dignified mien. He was rather blunt in his manners.

SUPREME COURT MEETS

AUSTIN, Texas, Oct. 4.—The supreme court met this morning. Motions for a rehearing were submitted in the following cases and the court adjourned until Thursday:

Cameron Mill and Elevator Company vs. F. M. Anderson, from Tarrant county, City of San Antonio vs. Frank Talesco et al., from Bexar.

Mariah L. Clark et al. vs. W. W. Thayer et al., from Harris.

The court of civil appeals, Third district, met, disposed of no business and adjourned until Wednesday. At that sitting about thirty cases will be submitted.

A WOMAN FORECASTER

HANOVER, Pa., Oct. 4.—Mrs. Annie Greenwald, the only woman forecast official employed by the United States government, is dead at her home near here, aged 57 years.

For seventeen years Mrs. Greenwald kept on her husband's farm a complete station, record of weather conditions, and was regarded by the farmers of York county as authority.

Mrs. Greenwald was president of the National Science Club of Washington and editor of Earth and Air, a scientific journal.

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Horse Department

THE FOAL AND WEANING TIME

Having advised the farmers who have mares to raise colts from, such as are likely to produce horses desirable for use upon the home farm or for sale if not needed there, we feel that we can not do much better than to reproduce the following article from the *Maine Farmer* upon the treatment of the colt when it reaches the age of weaning. While the article is not signed, we think we can not be wrong in attributing it to Dr. George M. Twitchell, the former editor of that paper, who is recognized as one of the best authorities upon horse breeding and raising of colts in New England. If not from his pen the writer is undoubtedly a disciple of his, who can preach his doctrine:

"Weaning time is the most critical time in the life of a colt, and it is safe to say that more horses become runty and misdeveloped by neglect and unwise treatment at this period than from any other cause.

"A colt is much less self-reliant and able to rough it than are calves and lambs at a like age. The colt's whole world is centered in his dam's milk, and while he may nibble a little grass and sometimes munch a mouthful of grain from his dam's feed box at times without much encouragement, when left to run late with the dam, it is not common for a colt to get to eating in earnest of his own inclination.

"Our practice has been and advice is to wean colts at the age of five months and considerably younger if the dam is not doing well by the youngster. Make the weaning gradual, extending the process through several weeks. At the beginning stable the colt day times in a comfortable box stall, letting him to the dam three times a day. Provide him with a manger in which wisps of fresh grass and bright hay are renewed daily, also a sprinkle of salt kept fresh and in reach at all times. After some days of this treatment allow him to suckle the dam but twice a day. During the first week or two he may be allowed to run to pasture, or in a paddock with the dam at night. After a couple of weeks of this treatment the foal can well be allowed but one suckling a day which will increase his appetite for his other ration, and in the meantime the dam will be lessening the milk yield and the colt will hardly know he is being weaned, the change has been so gradual.

NO TWO-MINUTE TROTTERS

The present season so far has been a remarkable one, from the fact that there are fewer of what may be termed great trotters than have been seen on the turf in years.

There are a number of very fair trotters, like Sweet Marie 2:08½, Dr. Strong 2:08, Aristo 2:09½, Consuela S. and others, but of the new flight of trotters which are prominent this season there does not at present seem to be a trotter capable of a mile in 2:05 or which looks like a coming champion.

The Grand Circuit campaign is pretty well advanced and the trotters should show their best form, but of all the horses being raced in the big ring not a single champion capable of wresting the honors from Lou Dillon, Major Delmar and Cresceus is in sight.

So far the season has not been a sensational one as far as speed is concerned, and while the racing as a whole has been first class, outside of the performances of Sweet Marie and Dr. Strong among the trotters and Morning Star 2:05, and Gallagher 2:03½ among the pacers there have been no really sensational doings among the light harness horses.

Major Delmar trotted a mile during the Empire City meeting in 2:02½, probably the most splendid performance of his great career. He trotted the mile without the aid of a wind shield or a pacemaker in front, which is really the only fair test of a horse's speed, and the son of Delmar and Cresceus now jointly hold the world's trotting record without the aid of a pacemaker in front.

Major Delmar may succeed in lowering this record during the present season, but it is extremely doubtful, as to trot below 2:02½ without the aid of a wind shield is a very difficult task, and while no one doubts the extreme speed and superb courage of the handsome gelding he is not likely to trot a mile in two minutes this year.

He has been splendidly handled this year by Alta McDonald, there have been no mistakes made by his trainer and the horse is just beginning to show the result of long months of careful and patient training at the hands of a man who has no superior and few equals as a trainer.

Major Delmar has the make up of a real champion. Strong and courageous, he looks more like the successor of the lion-hearted Cresceus than any of the other trotters now before the public.

There is a great flock of fast pacers being raced this year, and while there are scores of side wheelers capable of 2:10 or better, not in the entire racing field does their loom up a pacer which seems capable of equalling Dan Patch, Prince Alert, John R. Gentry or any of the famous old champions.

The present outlook is that several pacers may close the season with a record around 2:02, but not a single horse is in sight which looks capable of a mile in two minutes.

TREATMENT OF HEAVES

In all cases of heaves it is desirable to change the ration for a time, and all water given the horse should be given before he eats. All food should be wet with lime water, and if considerable hay is used this should be well moistened before being fed. Use care in keeping the stall and manger free from anything which will create dust, and have the stable well ventilated at all times.

As a medicine give the horse one-half ounce doses of a solution of arsenic night and morning. This can be obtained at any drug store. An ordinary case of heaves will succumb to this treatment, but in bad cases add to the treatment advised ounce doses of glycoheroin, given three times daily in the mouth, using a syringe. If the combined treatment does not complete the cure the case is hopeless.

CURE FOR SCRATCHES

Equal parts blue stone, white vitrol and verdigris, grind together with as much soft soap and mix with warm water about the consistency of paste. Apply with a swab on the end of a stick about every second or third day. This is especially recommended for mules as scratches bother them more than anything else.

Scratches, however, should be prevented by feeding plenty of green stuff to keep the blood cool. Scratches are caused by a feverish condition of the system and all outward applications are more in the nature of relief than cures.

WHY HORSES "SLOBBER"

The excessive secretions of saliva, or slobbers, as it is frequently called, in horses, has a variety of causes. It may be a symptom of some other affection—of the mouth, teeth, throat, or stomach, or due to direct irritants in the food such as lobelia, pilocarpin, muscarin, tobacco, wild mustard, calchicum, garlic, and ginger. Brown or second-crop clover has seems also to induce an excessive salivary secretion.

The treatment consists in the removal of the cause. If further treatment seems to be necessary, simple astringent washes for the mouth may be used, such as vinegar and water, borax, borac acid, sulphate, or tincture of chloride of iron. Two drams of any of the above in a quart of water.

HORSE NOTES

A horse will not do well shut up in a tight box stall—he should have plenty of air and light at all times.

Bear in mind that shoes should not be left on too long. They should be removed at least once every thirty days.

In breeding be sure to select a male that is from a family better in your line of dairying than your herd.

So far as actual responsibility for the merits of the animal are concerned, the only person having any title to praise or blame as breeder is he who mates the parents.

When we begin to be as desirous to learn about the muscle, bone, vigor, strength and power of endurance in the draft stallion we breed from as we are about their pedigree and great weight, own horses of that type will begin to improve rapidly.

Next to old horses old sheep are among the most disappointing animals which are kept for profit.

IN MIDLAND COUNTY

Midland Gazette. W. Gates shipped 150 calves and thirty cows, subject to Fort Worth prices.

The San Saba ranch shipped 280 calves to St. Louis.

J. D. Handy bought twenty-seven head of select horses, shipping to Fort Worth. Jim Russel of Terry county, who shot Sam Singleton last spring, was in Stanton this week, awaiting the action of the grand jury. That body failed to return a bill of indictment against him, partly, it is said, on account of lack of complaint by Singleton.

J. M. Cowden came in from the ranch. He says that the cattle are doing better since the rains, but there will be a short crop on account of drouth. Their pasture had but little rain during the last two years, hence their losses this winter were heavy. We hope that the late rain will make up for their heavy losses.

On Tuesday morning last about 4 o'clock, a gentle but steady rain began to fall at Midland, and kept up the lick until about 9 o'clock, being at times pretty hard. It was the first good rain which has fallen for some months. The fall is estimated to have been about two inches, and, so far as we can learn, extended in all directions some fifty miles and up. Where grass is in proper shape to take advantage of this it will probably provide an abundance of winter range.

J. R. Houston of Gaines county, the bulldog stayer, who filed on four sections of land in Gaines at the same time of W. C. Sherrod et al., came off victorious at this term of the district court. He held that, after the decision of the supreme court in the Sherrod case that the Zinn lease in the Scott & Robertson pasture was on the market at the time Sherrod and plaintiff filed; that plaintiff had the only legal right to the land, having been absent only by reason of injunction. During the life of the injunction the land was filed on by innocent parties from Colo-

rado—W. E. Berry et al., to whom the land was awarded. Innocent or what not, the effect was the same to Houston. He entered suit in the district court for possession of the land. The awardee or defendants showed their good faith by acknowledging judgment by default. They have now filed on other lands, leaving no obstacle, so far as they are concerned, in Houston's way.

RAISING COTTON IN TOGOLAND FINE QUALITY

German Government Commission Is Guaranteeing Price for the Staple if It Will Equal the American Quality

BERLIN, Oct. 4.—Automobile trains are to be run on the wagon roads in Togoland and German East Africa, as feeders to the railway lines.

The colonial administration is now improving the roads and building bridges with this object in view. The autumn report of the colonial economic commission says 1,000 bales of cotton of as good quality as the American product has been delivered on the coast from Togoland, and also that a thousand bales of Egyptian quality has been marketed. In German East Africa a twenty-fold increase in production is estimated for 1905. The commission guarantees the price of 7½ cents per pound for cotton of American quality and 10 cents per pound for the Egyptian quality, delivered on the coast, it being able to do this through a development fund raised by German manufacturers.

IN EDWARDS COUNTY.

Rock Springs Rustler. M. Z. Weaver killed a large gray wolf at his residence in town last night. He had borrowed a shotgun to kill an owl that had been bothering his chickens, and hearing the chickens give an alarm, he went out and shot the wolf as he was leaving.

Ed Witt & Sons bought of Bob Jacobs his eight-section ranch on West Prong (the old McKerron ranch) for \$4,800, for ranch and stock, including horses, cattle and sheep. The sheep brought \$2.25 per head. Mr. Witt has moved 2,500 head of Angoras from Montell to his new purchase, and one of the boys is on the road from New Mexico with 1,300 head more.

IN CROCKETT COUNTY.

Ozona Texan. Homer Smith sold his ranch situated on Turkey Roost last Tuesday morning to Jim Laney for a consideration of \$4,300, cash. Mr. Laney last year purchased the Frank Lantz pasture in the same section and is now nicely shaped up.

Mr. Smith reserves the use of the ranch until spring. He contemplates purchasing another place in Crockett county.

It can truly be said that Crockett county range is in fine condition. Better than it has been at this season for several years. No better grass rains ever fell anywhere than have fallen here the past three weeks. The country is as green as a wheat field and is thoroughly wet now, which insures grass to grow until frost.

Cattle are going into the winter as fat as butter balls and will, of course, winter well.

Pleas Childress marketed steers in Kansas City last week at \$3.10 per hundred pounds.

A better market is predicted for cattle from now on. Every indication points that way.

M. H. Gilliam of Sonora, was over Monday, and while here he bought a buggy team from Dr. E. F. Comegys for \$95.

John Henderson sold 250 steers weighing 887 pounds, on the Kansas City market last week for \$3.10 per hundred pounds.

E. M. Dowdy of the H— ranch made us a pleasant and profitable visit this week. He reports his part of the country in fine shape.

The most prosperous looking fellows you run across in Crockett county now are the sheepmen.

They are all in a good humor, save when you find one who can't get his shearing done. If you ask one of them what wool is going to be worth, he will say:

"Oh, 'bout 17 cents."

And the commission men say themselves that wool is going up and will sell above 14 cents.

The sheepmen are going to be in the swim here this winter too. The range is in tip top shape and they will be able to get a reduction on pasturage of from 3 cents to 2 or 2½ cents. Three cents per head is the price they have been paying, and they say it is too steep.

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A GERMAN SCIENTIST IS GIVEN RECEPTION

A reception was tendered to Professor Robert Osterlag the distinguished German writer on meat inspection and hygiene, at the Hotel Worth this morning where he met a number of the prominent Germans of Fort Worth.

Professor Osterlag has been in Fort Worth for several days, accompanied by Dr. Behnke of the United States bureau of animal industry, with headquarters at Milwaukee, making an inspection of the local plants. He is a noted professor of meat inspection and hygiene of Berlin and has done much toward having more scientific inspections of meats made.

The distinguished gentlemen spent much time at the two packing plants and the stock yards studying the methods in vogue there. The dipping vats for freeing cattle of ticks especially appealed to them.

They left at 11:45 for Kansas City and the north. All important packing house centers are to be visited by them. Both of the men were greatly impressed with Fort Worth and its industries.

FOREIGN MARKETS

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 19,000; market steady; beefs, \$3.50@6.10; cows and heifers, \$1.50@4.50; stockers and feeders, \$2@4.35; Texas and westerns, \$2@5.55.

Hogs—Receipts, 9,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, \$5.60@5.85; good to choice heavy, \$5.80@5.90; rough heavy, \$5.75@5.80; lights, \$5.40@5.75; bulk, \$5.65@5.80; pigs, \$2@5.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; market steady; lambs, \$4.50@5.25; ewes, \$2.75@3.35; wethers, \$3.40@3.85.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,500, including 2,200 Texans; market steady; steers, \$4@5.25; stockers and feeders, \$2@3.45; Texas steers, \$2.50@4; cows and heifers, \$1.75@2.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; market lower; pigs and lights, \$4.75@5.60; packers, \$5.75@6; butchers, \$5.80@6.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,200; market steady; sheep, \$3.50@4.25; lambs, \$4.25@5.50.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 9,000; market opened strong and closed higher; beefs, \$3.90@6.40; cows and heifers, \$1.50@4.40; stockers and feeders, \$2.25@4.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; market opened strong and closed 5c to 10c higher; mixed and butchers, \$5.75@6.15; good to choice heavy, \$5.85@6.10; rough heavy, \$5.40@5.65; light, \$5.70@6.05; bulk, \$5.85@6; pigs, \$4.85@5.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 25,000; market slow; sheep, \$3@4.35; lambs, \$4.25@6.

THE DEFICIT IS GROWING

AUSTIN, Texas, Oct. 4.—The deficit in the general revenue fund went up with a bound yesterday from \$390,326.05 to \$429,928.18, an increase of \$39,602.13. The number of warrants registered yesterday was 1,729 and the total number registered to date is 11,705.

The receipts of the state treasurer last week from interest on land notes held by the permanent school fund was \$30,734.36, by days for the time as follows: Monday, \$2,633.67; Tuesday, \$3,366.39; Wednesday, \$1,933.93; Thursday, \$4,777.89; Friday, \$2,795.61; Saturday, \$14,226.87.

A NEGRO IS HANGED

WASHINGTON, Pa., Oct. 4.—James Callahan, a negro, was hanged here today for the murder of Moss Bays, also colored, at West Washington. Bays alleged intimacy with Mrs. Callahan, who is a white woman from Kentucky, was the cause of the killing.

BARTHOLDI, THE SCULPTOR, DIES
PARIS, Oct. 4.—Frederick Auguste Bartholdi, the sculptor, died at 8 o'clock this morning.

COLONEL POOLE ON THE WING

Editor Stockman-Journal.

Before leaving Odessa I had the pleasure of spending two hours with my friends, Dr. A. S. Rattan and family. They are old Parkerites and neighbors of mine in by-gone days. His daughter, Miss Rosa, is sweet sixteen and very pretty. My visit with them was a pleasant one indeed.

On last Monday I bade adieu to Odessa and boarded the Texas and Pacific cars, after a twenty mile ride I landed in Stanton. A number of old friends greeted me, among them Charles Glapcock, Judge B. J. Anderson, J. D. Self, C. Tom, J. H. Epley, J. H. Yates, Paul Kontz, John H. Good and Thomas Quinn. The stockmen report grass good. Mr. Quinn says his pastures are in fine shape. Cattle fat, but needing rain badly. I made the acquaintance of T. H. Gainer here, who resides at Gomez. He is in the land business and has all kinds of land for sale.

It rained almost all night Monday night at Stanton. The streets on Tuesday morning were lakes of water. Every one was delighted over the down-pour. I boarded the cars at 7:30 for Big Springs, still raining. On arriving at Big Springs the streets were flooded with water. Heavy rains all over this country.

The stockmen here are jubilant over the downpour as it insures a big crop of grass and winter weeds, which is fine for cattle and sheep, and horses, too, eat green weeds in winter. Big Springs is an up to date town of three thousand five hundred inhabitants. The merchants carry good stocks in their respective lines and do a rushing business. I had the pleasure of shaking hands with a number of the readers of the Journal here—J. N. Canble, C. E. Bell, Will P. Edwards, J. J. Pritchard, Judge J. B. Litter, John Roberts, Bill Robertson, J. C. Smith, L. S. McDowell, and E. W. Perminter, all are pleased with the Journal.

One of the best school buildings here in West Texas, of modern style, finely furnished.

On Wednesday morning I boarded the mail hack headed for Garden City, our road led almost a due south course. The roads were heavy and muddy. We passed over a beautiful prairie country. The land lays nice and is rich and fertile when the seasons are fertile.

Dwarf, milo maize, kaffir corn and cane are a success in this locality, as there is rainfall enough to make these crops every year. Howard and Glasscock counties are fast developing into a stock farming country. The time has come that fewer and better stock is the watchword. Horses and mules are coming to the front as a paying ranch business and the ranchers are raising good ones. The old broom tailed mares are a thing of the past. First class blooded stock have taken their places. Fine imported jacks and stallions are here on all sides. It does not require any more grass to raise a fine horse or mule than a scrub, and the same rule applies to cattle.

I understand a great many people in this section are raising their own meat and lard. I should say a move in the right direction, saving a big profit from the packing houses, for they, the packing firms, are working the cattle raisers all over the United States to a finish and I can see no way out of it, only stand and take your medicine.

After a forty mile ride we arrived in Garden City, the seat of government of Glasscock county, at 5 o'clock in the evening. I soon found a hotel and set out to get acquainted with the people. I did not try to sell any papers that evening. After a good night's rest and sleep I unlimbered my battery on every man in sight and succeeded in making a good list here. My old friend D. M. Lovelace introduced me to every man that showed his face in town and said many good words for our paper. I know Mr. Lovelace long years ago in old Fannin county. Among the gentlemen who coughed up the required amounts to entitle them to read the great Texas Stockman-Journal were S. F. Wells, E. D. Nicholson, B. P. Lovelace, William Hanson, J. E. Weir, Judge J. W. Holder, W. S. Shank, W. E. Chaney, C. C. Carlton, J. W. Beaver, M. G. Scott and Mrs. J. B. Spearman.

W. S. Shank is the high sheriff of the county and is a jolly whopper, weighs 280 pounds. Big enough to yank a fellow out of his boots at one swipe. M. G. Scott is the postmaster and a very accommodating gentleman. My friend W. E. Chaney is an up to date stockman, county commissioner, school director and justice of the peace. Judge Holder ranches out eighteen miles west of town and reports fine rains and good grass, stock of all kind in good shape. E. D. Nicholson is an up to date rancher and reports his range and stock in fine shape; ranches twelve miles out west of town, but lives in town on account of schooling his kids. B. P. Lovelace ranches down the Lacy draw, fourteen miles, and he, too, reports everything lovely. Z. L. Bogard, who reads the Journal and ranches down the Lacy also, reports all the rain and grass they need.

I had the pleasure of being introduced to some elegant ladies in Gar-

den City—Mrs. E. D. Nicholson, Mrs. M. G. Scott, Miss Zula Lovelace, daughter of D. M. Lovelace; Miss Lela Francis, who is boarding with Mr. Lovelace, attending school.

My young friend J. W. Bearur has on a smile as long as the moral law every time he looks towards the Lovelace residence. I do not know which one of the young ladies "it is."

I stopped at the Spearman hotel while here, operated by Mrs. J. B. Spearman. Good meals, nice clean beds and nice attentions. Boys, when you come this way stop there. You will be glad.

I should not forget soon that good lunch you put up for my dinner on the road, in fact, it all tasted sweet. Mrs. Spearman had on her table home grown vegetables which was superb, cabbage, beets, tomatoes and sweet potatoes. Need not tell me Glasscock county cannot produce as good vegetables as are grown anywhere.

I had planned to go on to Stiles, the county seat of Reagan county, but owing to so much rain concluded to pull back towards the railroad. On Friday morning I again boarded the mail hack headed north. Mr. S. F. Wells operates this line. It leaves Big Springs and Garden City every morning except Sunday. Mr. Wells drives out of Big Springs and Mrs. Wells drives out of Garden City, meet half way and return each day. They are very obliging and make all their customers comfortable. Make good time. They are very deserving people. Mrs. Wells, besides being a good driver, is splendid, jolly good company. A young woman of fine sense. I should say a noble good woman. Garden City has another lady hack driver, Mrs. J. F. Butler of Sterling City, who makes the trip twice a week to Garden City and return. I say hurrah for good ladies who are not afraid to do honorable work to help their husbands make a living.

I saw several nice ranches and homes on the drive, good dwellings and barns. There is one part of the road eight miles long as straight as a line can be run with the compass. The road clean through is a lane. We landed in Big Springs on time despite the heavy roads. A big rain here again Friday night.

R. B. Cannon & Company are the leading land agents in Big Springs. A reliable firm. If you want anything in their line call or write them for particulars. They can fix you up with ranches or farming property.

W. A. Stewart, out three miles from town, claims his cotton will make a bale per acre, and J. W. Brooks claims his is equal to Stewart's.

I am stopping at the Carter and I am glad of it. Equal to any \$2 a day house in the west. Splendid meals, nice clean beds. Mrs. Carter and her pretty daughter, Miss Winnie, know how to make their guests feel at home. Yes, the Carter house will always catch me when I come to Big Springs.

My friend Colonel Dan McCunningham, federal quarantine inspector, is stopping here and Daniel is like myself, has an eye out for a house that dishes out first class grub.

More pretty girls in Big Springs than anywhere in West Texas. In fact, they are all good lookers, girls, widows and married ladies. Colonel Dan says he can't keep from looking at them, if it puts both eyes out.

Now, I'll quit you until next week.
C. C. POOLE,
Big Springs, Texas.

Texas cattlemen who have been in the habit of grazing stuff in the Indian Territory every year are up against a rather hard proposition in that direction for the future, as the allotment of lands is believed to have sounded the death knell of the cattle business on a large scale in that country. The Territory has long afforded an annual outlet for many thousands of cattle from below the line, but those good old days are now over. A. D. Morton, one of the largest cattle raisers in the northern part of the Territory, says of the changed conditions in that section: "I have had thousands of head of steers which have never seen an ear of corn until they were 6 years old, and were started off to market. We would turned the cattle loose on the ranges and allow them to graze at will until they were ready to be sold, and they lived and grew fat on the grass both winter and summer. But now it is different. Barbed wire fences, the great enemy of the cowman, and fields of corn, wheat and cotton have been placed upon the allotments. When this condition appeared the cattle began to disappear and last year I had difficulty in getting enough stock to place on my pastures. This year I have found it impossible to obtain the cattle, and the grass on my range is knee high, with few cattle to feed upon it." Mr. Morton explains this condition of affairs with the statement that this is the transition period in the cattle business of the Territory. The day of the big cattle raiser has passed, and the time is not yet ripe for the stock farmer who will pasture his cattle in the summer and feed them in the winter. There is not yet sufficient feed produced in the country to supply the local demand. Another feature militating against the cattlemen is the difficulty in securing leases from the Indians to whom the land has been allotted, as the leases have to also be approved by the interior department at Washington, which usually involves a long and wearisome process.

"The cattlemen of Texas can not afford to raise cattle and sell them at the present prices," says L. H. Hillger, a prom-

inent ranchman of Garden City, Glasscock county. "The prices we have been getting for our cattle are too small to pay for the time and expense of handling a bunch of calves until they get large enough for market, and the cattlemen as a whole are getting discouraged and beginning to sell out their holdings pretty close. The cattlemen of our part of Texas do not live a life that is at all inviting at the best, and when they begin to see what they have already gained getting away from them it is the time for them to change. Our nearest neighbors are often ten miles from our homes and we sometimes have to go for a week without seeing any one outside of the family. We

can stand that if we are making money and getting in a position where we can soon get out of this kind of a place, but when prices are so low as they are now and we commence going backward, the cattleman has good reason for letting his holdings get down to low tide, and that is what the Texas stockmen are doing now. In our district they are selling off their cattle closer than they have done for years and will try some other kind of work. I am optimistic enough to think that conditions in the cattle world have gotten to their low ebb now and will begin to improve after this year. It is to be hoped so at any rate, for the cattlemen need encouragement now."

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THE BEEF SITUATION

In a review of the beef situation, the National Provisioner of New York says: The trade is approaching a critical time in the native cattle situation. A careful survey of the field from a feeder's point of view discloses the fact that prime natives will be scarce. The same search over the ranges, the farms and the feed lots shows a plentiful supply of thin cattle, such as the trade has wished to show for some time. The grasser is in abundance. The Texan is in fair available quantity, and the corn-fed steer will be as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth.

Grass cattle will make cheap, flabby, soft, unmarketable beef, and plenty of it. The native will command his price for export trade, leaving the medium grade and the "skates" for the general home trade. The exclusive trade will pay the price and take off the prime stuff that will be left for American consumption. Feed lots are virtually empty. Many are feeding, but not the herds which occupied the farms three years ago.

Not a third as many beefs will be fed this year as were in 1902, and the number will be a third less than last year, which was scant. Wheat is high, corn is high, cotton seed meal is high, hulls are high, hay is high, transportation is higher, and beefs—finished beefs—are lower than they were on the average when both finished cattle and carcass beef sold at 50 per cent more than at present. Beef is dear enough when compared with the market price and demand for beef, but not high enough when compared with the price of feeds and the cost of feeding.

Just now the public taste is running to pork and mutton or lamb. Just how long this partiality will last no one can tell. Best beefs are lucky to go at 6 1/4 cents. The same grade of cattle easily fetched 8 1/2 cents in 1902. They have been as low as 4 3-4 cents during the past year. The finest bullocks of 1902 went over 9 cents, and other carcass stuff fetched as high as 12 1/2 cents wholesale. The best price now is about 8 1/2 cents.

If there is any market at all, finished steers of prime quality will bring a good price this winter, because there are fewer of them. The feeding industry has retrograded. General conditioned beef will have the run for the better trade, because there are not the cattle in sight for any other kind of meat.

DIPPING SCABBY CATTLE

At last the bureau of animal industry at Kansas City has seen the light and

hereafter there will be no trouble over the dipping proposition. The Drovers' Telegram says:

"Dr. S. E. Bennett, inspector in charge for the bureau of animal industry, has received from Dr. D. E. Salmon, chief of the bureau, a ruling in regard to the handling of stockers and feeders from the scabies-infected districts, and today notified the traders at the yards that he has changed his regulations in accordance with the new ruling. Dr. Salmon's ruling allows commission firms to sell 'clean' cattle from the infected districts—cattle that have been inspected and found free from disease, and which have not been exposed to the disease—to speculators, and allows the latter to sell them to country buyers, who take them to feed lots or inclosed pastures. They are not allowed to sell them to go again upon the open range.

"This latest ruling by Dr. Salmon the stockmen of the infected districts have been contending for. The contention of the stockmen was that cattle that are inspected by agents of the bureau of animal industry and have been given a clean bill of health and have not been exposed to disease, should be allowed to be moved without restriction. Dr. Salmon recently ruled that such cattle, after coming to the public markets, might be sold to go to the country and be put on pasture in inclosed tracts. But it was held by Dr. Bennett that when the cattle were to be sold to speculators, mixed with other cattle and their identity lost, they must first be dipped. As most of the stockers and feeders pass through the hands of speculators, this worked a hardship not only on the owners of the cattle, but upon the speculators. As the situation now stands cattle from the infected districts having a clean bill of health, may be sold direct to country buyers, or they may be sold to speculators who may sell them to go to the country, without being dipped. The only restriction is that they shall not go back again upon the range. When commission firms sell cattle from the infected district to speculators, they are required to notify Dr. Bennett. This is the only restriction now placed upon the trade in these cattle. It removes a heavy burden from the cattlemen of Western Kansas, Eastern Colorado and other sections which have been denominated "infected", because of the prevalence of the scabies.

MEETS IN ST. LOUIS

The Interstate Commerce Law convention, an organization composed of some 300 commercial and industrial organizations scattered over the country, is called to meet in St. Louis, Friday, October 23, for the purpose of considering the situation and making arrangements to continue the fight for the amendment of the interstate commerce act. This organization was formed several years ago and has been fighting steadily ever since. The members were becoming discouraged when the cattlemen, through the Interstate Cattle Growers' Association, took up the matter, and the work accomplished has put the situation in the most favorable condition that it has yet been. At last the people of the country are commencing to wake up to the importance of this movement and there are indications that the work done will soon bear fruit. Strong pressure will be brought to bear to get the house committee on commerce to report out the Cooper bill at the short session, and if it can once be gotten before the house, there is no question but that it will speedily pass.

The stockmen of the country will be represented at this conference by delegations from the Cattle Growers' Interstate Executive Committee and the National Wool Growers' Association. Beside these, there will be a large number of important commercial bodies represented. The business element of the country is awakening to the absolute necessity of some action in regard to this measure, and it is expected that the meeting at St. Louis will be largely attended and will be enthusiastic.

W. H. Irwin of this city, accompanied by E. P. White, agent for the American Express Company of Fort Worth, left last night for Galveston, and on next Monday will sail for Manzanillo, Cuba, with a cargo of cattle. In the consignment will be 1,200 head and they are to be used on the ranges. This will make the second shipment made to Cuba by Mr. Irwin, who will make a third consignment from Texas to Cuba on October 23. The first shipment proved very satisfactory, hence the subsequent shipments.

The Spanish war of a few years ago depleted the ranges of all cattle and ever since that period efforts have been made to build up the cattle industry on the island by importing cattle in the main from Texas. It has been thoroughly demonstrated that cattle from this state do well in Cuba. Quite a number of stockmen from this state have also made shipments of cattle to the island with good results.

The membership of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas is showing a very gratifying increase, and by the time the next annual convention is held in this city it is expected that the roll will be one of the longest in the history of the organization. Applications for membership are coming in daily, and many of them without apparent solicitation.

September 30 was the last date on which entries for competition in the quarantine cattle show at the St. Louis World's Fair could be filed. It is said that Texas is about the only state that has manifested any interest in the event, and she will be well recompensed for her trouble if she succeeds in capturing all

the prizes. These aggregate \$9,500, divided upon between the Shorthorns, Herefords, Aberdeen-Angus, Galloways and Jerseys. Among the Texas breeders who will have stock on exhibition are Joseph F. Green & Co., J. F. Hovenkamp, J. W. Burgess Co., John R. Lewis, Howard Mann and David Harrell. The ground will be opened at the fair for the reception of cattle on Monday, November 7, and close on November 12.

There seems to be a general disposition on the part of many West Texas ranchmen to ship out their stuff very close this fall, and the fact that the markets are pretty badly demoralized seems to have no effect on the stream of stuff that is being rushed out from the range country. When cattle are low all ranchmen want to sell, and when they are high, they quickly veer around to the other extreme.

Texas breeders do not seem to be making much of an effort to cultivate and develop the Mexican field, notwithstanding the fact that the improvements that are being made in the herds of that country is affording a very good market for good breeding stock. It is a situation that should be looked into by our breeders.

All the Texas range country has had good rains during the past week or two, and the general expression from the ranchmen is that the winter outlook could not be better. If there could only be some improvement in the prices that are being paid at the markets, the cowman would soon begin to feel that he is a man of some importance again.

There is a wonderful revival of the sheep growing industry in Texas at this time, growing out of the good prices that have prevailed all the year for wool and mutton. If the movement continues as it has started out it is expected that Texas will soon be a great sheep and wool producing state again.

BIG SHORTAGE IN CATTLE

Joe Funk, the big cattleman whose ranch lies in the corner of three counties, says everything is in splendid condition out his way. He has plenty of good grass and his cattle are fat, and, so far as conditions on the range are concerned, the cattle business is in a flattering condition. The low prices that cattle bring on the market, however, constitute the "fly in the ointment" for the cattleman.

"But if a man has plenty of grass," said Mr. Funk, "he need have no uneasiness as to the future. I shall hold onto all my cattle until better market conditions come about and that will unquestionably materialize within a short time. The calf crops in Western Texas were short the past several seasons and the great number of calves shipped out of this country in the last year is bound to deplete the cattlemen's herds and bring about a shortage of cattle in the range country with the inevitable result that cattle must go higher in price. During the packing house employes' strike the only thing a man could realize anything on was fat calves and the consequence was that calves brought \$5 a head in the stock country, a much better price proportionately than was paid for other stuff and there were a great many calves shipped out to market. The country has been pretty well cleaned and there is now a shortage in steers. Of course there are some steers left in the country, but not many, and I believe there is going to be a shortage in steers in Texas, at least for the next two or three years.

"The market certainly will be better in time. However, I do not look for any great reaction until after November 1, but I believe the market, when it does begin to go up, will go up faster than it went down."—San Angelo Press.

QUARANTINE MATTERS

A dispatch from Austin says the governor has issued the regular annual live stock proclamation upon recommendation of the live stock sanitary commission. The first proclamation fixes the usual line and declares it to be in effect for the year beginning October 1, and then prescribes regulations for the inspection of cattle attempting to pass north of the quarantine line. It also covers all other cattle diseases, such as anthrax, charbbn, glanders, scabies, mange, itch and the splenic fever or tick fever. Mexico is quarantined against, as is Louisiana and Arkansas, for certain cattle diseases. The usual inspections are provided for, and a provision against cattle infected with tuberculosis being brought in for breeding or dairying purposes. The regulations of the secretary of agriculture of the United States are adopted in the most part in the Texas proclamation, both as to quarantine and regulations of railroads and imported cattle from Mexico. The document says that cattle may be crossed over the Texas quarantine line from October 1, 1904, to January 31, 1905, provided an inspector of the Texas live stock commission finds the cattle free of ticks and in a healthy condition.

The usual proclamation is issued governing the movement of cattle from counties into Baylor, Throckmorton and certain parts of Pecos county. Those counties are protected by the special proclamation from the cattle of other counties declared to be subject to tick or splenic fever. An inspection is provided from October 1, 1904, to January 31, 1905, and cattle permitted to enter those counties when free of ticks and in a healthy condition.

LEASES VOID IF THE INDIANS CLAIM THE LANDS

MUSKOGEE, I. T., Oct. 4.—An interview given out by Indian Agent Shoenfelt a day or two ago, in regard to land leases in the Indian Territory is creating consternation in the ranks of the trust companies, land agents and others who are holders of a large number of acres. In fact, a large number of men who are at present considered wealthy, will be completely ruined financially.

According to the Indian agent, if an Indian applies to him to be placed in possession of his allotment, the agent will see that he is given possession, regardless of the leases that may have been made by the Indian, and the man who has the lease can fight it out in the court. In the southern and central districts two federal judges have already expressed themselves on the lease proposition, and in order for a lease to hold good under their ruling, and also according to the way the Indian agent construes the law, the fact must be shown that a fair compensation has been paid the Indian for his allotment, or the use thereof.

To show this will be a hard matter with the most of those who hold the leases, from the fact that they have been secured for almost nothing. And as they were secured so cheaply, those who secured them took all they could get, or at least all they could pay for, and owing to their large holdings they will be ruined when the Indian asks to be placed in possession of his allotment, which they will do by the hundreds.

In some instances Indians were brought to the territory by the carload by speculators for the sole purpose of getting leases on their allotments, the speculators paying their railroad fare and other expenses. This class of persons will be the big losers, for they have secured and paid the small sums for the leases for a long term of years.

HALE COUNTY

Stockman-Journal: Have been rather quiet for several days, as was no news of interest.

Have just made a trip to Big Springs, and from Tahoka on 'twas very dry and lice had eat up most of the grass.

Had a nice rain Friday night and rained as far south as Lynn county and do not know how far north. Put out some surface water.

We are going to have two gins put up in Lubbock and Hale counties and will be in operation by the first of November.

Not much trading in cattle through this immediate section of the country.

Crops of all kinds are fine and the talk is that the cotton over Hale county will average about one-third of a bale should frost stay off a little late.

With best of wishes for the Stockman-Journal, I remain,

HALE COUNTY NEWS.

CHICAGO'S BIG SHOW

Stockman-Journal: Now that the atmosphere at the stockyards has cleared of labor troubles, all hands will turn their attention to promoting and insuring the success of the 1904 International. The railroads have granted the same rates as heretofore for visitors to attend this great annual event at Chicago, Nov. 26 to Dec. 3. Entries for cattle, hogs and sheep close October 15, as usual; for horses November 1. It is advisable, however, in the interest of having everything properly classified, that entries be made as soon as possible before these dates.

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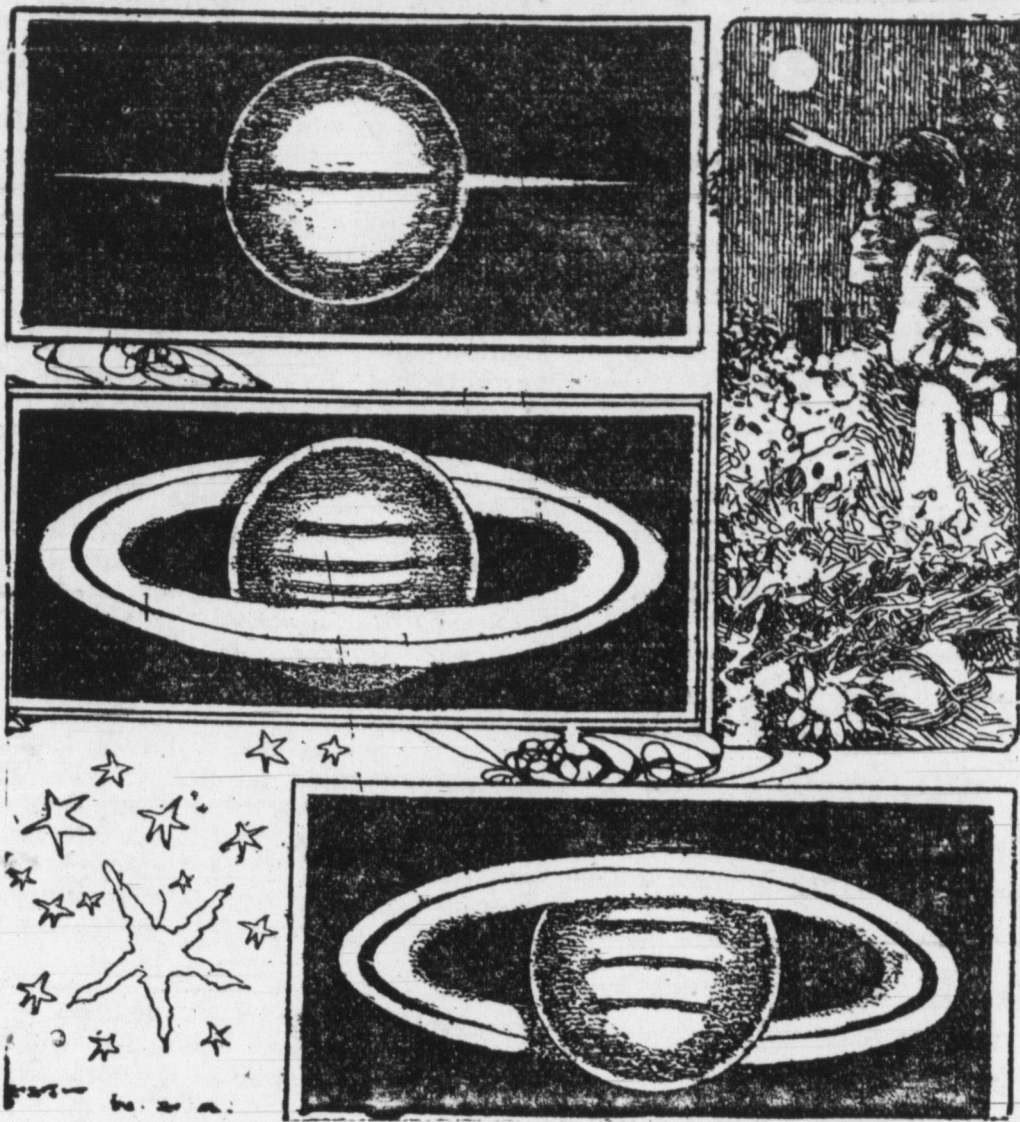
One important provision in the first proclamation reads as follows:

"And provided further that cattle from said infected territory (south of the quarantine line) may be shipped or moved over and across said line or from such infected territory at any time after having been dipped in a bath of Beaumont crude petroleum, under the supervision of an inspector of this commission or an inspector of the bureau of animal industry and receiving a certificate from such inspector that said cattle have been dipped and are free from tick infection, provided, however, that cattle so dipped must not be shipped in infected cars or stopped en route in infected pens or pastures."

The Japs don't have to cross that river just before them in order for the world to regard them as Huns. They became that from a fighting standpoint at the very beginning of the trouble.

With President Roosevelt fighting race suicide, and General Corbin contending for bachelors in the army, the thought is suggested that the administration should harmonize on the subject of matrimony.

NOW IS THE TIME TO SEE SATURN'S RINGS



VIEWS OF THE PHASES OF SATURN'S RINGS.

Have you ever seen the rings of Saturn? If not the month of October will furnish a fine opportunity, because this magnificently mysterious planet is evening star. Saturn now hangs conspicuously in the southern sky. His rings never appear more beautiful than at their present inclination as year by year they close up finally to stand edgewise to the earth and thus become invisible. The best time to indulge in this optical feast, say for those who live in the latitude of 40 degrees north, is between the hours of 9 and 10, or later or earlier, as the location of the observer may be. The rings are now inclined about 15 degrees to our line of sight, so that they ap-

pear in the form of a narrow oval, with the inclosed ball of the planet projecting on either side. A small-sized telescope will bring the rings into view. What the rings are is a highly debatable point, but the preponderating idea is that they are not what they appear to be, solid masses of matter, but are swarms of independent fragments of matter. In other words, a lot of little moons pursuing their way around the planet. Saturn revolves around the sun in a little under 29½ years at a mean distance of 886,000,000 miles. Its diameter is about 75,000 miles. The apparently little rings seen through the glass are almost 170,000 miles across.

WEST TEXAS FAIR

To say that the West Texas Fair will be better this year than ever before is putting it too mildly, for this is not a stereotyped, meaningless expression, but is used to convey the undisputable fact that this year the preparations were begun earlier, more time has been spent in furtherance of the move by our business men, more premiums by far have been provided, about one hundred having been added to the list by our business men since the catalogues have been printed. This will swell the premium list to about \$5,000, which supplemental list can be had by the asking. The exhibits and attractions, too, will

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ice cream supper at the court house in Baird tonight by the Methodist ladies. Several jurors and witnesses went from here to Abilene Sunday evening last to attend the Federal court, convening there last Monday. The county commissioners' court of Callahan county met yesterday to examine, approve and turn over to the tax collector the tax rolls of the county for collection. The district court of Callahan county will begin on the first Monday, the seventh day of November next. The Baird public school opened last Monday with a large attendance. The Baird College had previously opened its fall term. It is also well attended and is doing well. The little town of Clyde, six miles west of Baird, in this county, is on a boom. T. E. Powell and Fred Low, both of the Home National bank in Baird, have recently put up a bank there and will also soon have in one at Cross Plains.

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DELAYED TRAINS ARE PASSING THROUGH FORT WORTH

High Water Has Stopped Traffic Over the Regular Routes and the Detour Is Made by Fort Worth

The business at the Texas and Pacific passenger station today was something immense. Besides the ordinary travel at this time of the year on account of the ordinary trains in and out, both the Rock Island and the Santa Fe are running from three to four trains each in both directions over the Rio Grande division of the Texas and Pacific, owing to the high waters in the territories, New Mexico and west Texas.

Passengers on some of the trains are about exhausted. The Rock Island brought in a train this morning of eleven coaches, which has been on the road since September 23. The train started out of Chicago on that date, bound for Los Angeles, and has been on the road ever since. The trip ordinarily takes about three days.

High waters have stopped this train, as well as the other trains passing through here. The trip was successfully made to Herrington, Kan., without any mishap; then on to Santa Rosa, N. M., where they had to go back to Kansas on account of washouts. They then started by way of El Reno, N. M., and had to come back and go through Purcell, I. T., finally reaching here this morning.

The passengers have taken it all good naturedly, but many think they have gotten more than they paid for. When they reached Fort Worth this morning a rush was made for something to eat by almost every one of the three hundred passengers on the train. Hotels, restaurants, fruit stands and bakers were visited by the hungry travelers and every one of them did a rushing business. Many came up town to get some thing to eat, so great was the rush about the depot.

Officials of the Rock Island, among whom was Vice President and General Manager S. B. Hovey, were at the depot, doing all they could to assist the passengers, looking after their comfort and expediting the movement of the trains.

In the baggage rooms, the railway mail transfer office and the telegraph and express offices, all for a time was rush and bustle. The effort of properly handling the unexpected business took much work all around.

On the trains were many people who were delighted that Fort Worth was on the map, with no rain in sight. Many said they had seen about all the water they cared for some time to come.

MINERS WILL NOT SUBMIT TO THE OPPOSITION

R. Burdge of this city, who is identified with several claims in the Wichita mountains, has received information from Roosevelt, O. T., to the effect that the miners of that district have concluded to organize against the efforts being made to oust them from the district. A meeting of miners was called to be held at Sheridan yesterday at which it was expected that an organization would be formed having as its object the solidification of all their interests as against those of moneyed powers who have, according to reports from that district, been endeavoring to secure control of the mines of the district.

The association to be organized is for the mutual protection of all miners who have invested their small means in a hope that they would be able to develop that district, and also to devise ways and means by which the mineral interests of Wichita mountains might be advanced.

The statement is made that the fact has been developed that there is a gigantic influence in opposition to the present development of one of the richest mineral regions in this country.

A reduction mill has been erected at Remers' camp and it was expected that at the meeting to be held yesterday the first run of ores would take place.

The crisis is at hand, says the information received by Mr. Burdge, and

the miners are determined that they will not be thwarted by the strong organized influence to the development of the district, on the part of those who, it is alleged, are attempting to secure control of the district.

Mr. Burdge states that the miners are determined and if it needs be, will defend the property with their lives. There may yet be a serious conflict between the two contending forces.

IMMIGRATION MEN ARE TO RECEIVE ADDITIONS

Immigration Inspector W. H. Robb, who has just returned from a visit at department headquarters in Washington says that the immigration force in this state will be largely increased within a short time.

Commissioner General F. P. Sargent, who is now in San Francisco, has recently completed a trip through this section of the country from New Orleans to El Paso and has decided that an increase in the present force is necessary.

It is not known officially, but it is thought this increase is directly due to the recent discovery that many Chinese were "working" the government for free trips home by concealing their papers and being sent back and then returning by way of Mexico, securing their papers again and staying here.

In San Francisco Commissioner Sargent is working on a case connected with the Chinese concession at the World's Fair, a former employe of the government having been arrested on a charge of using the privileges extended for this purpose to import forbidden classes of Chinese.

Under special act of congress, Chinese were admitted to the Chinese village at the Fair, each being placed under \$500 bond. The village is at present crowded with such Chinese and still more are on the way. Many have signified their intention of escaping before the close of the fair and remaining in this country.

BOY MISSING

BONHAM, Texas, Oct. 4.—Sam Deaton, the boy who has been missing from his home near Ivanhoe for a week, has not yet been heard from. Every effort is being made by his people to gain some tidings of him. His mother is reported somewhat improved, but still suffering from the shock.

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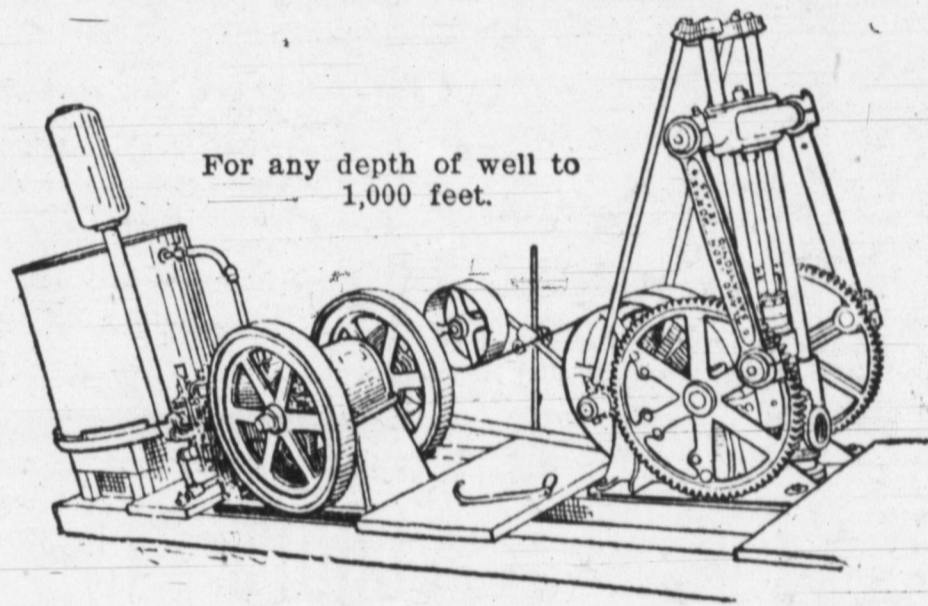
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ROSWELL IN DESOLATE SHAPE

ROSWELL, N. M., Oct. 4.—Roswell is a scene of desolation. The flood that started Thursday has receded. Damage is over \$100,000. For three days it was impossible to get telegraphic communication with outside points. The electric light plant is flooded and the city is in darkness. The water was three feet deep in the main part of the city and ran in streams through residences and business houses. The Roswell opera house and about fifteen business and residence houses collapsed. The dyke that was erected by the city washed out. There have been no trains since Thursday. Railroad bridges over the Pecos river have been washed away.

The floods in the west are the greatest in the history of the country, especially in eastern New Mexico, and west and northwest Texas, and as a consequence the railroads of these sections are washed out at many places, bridges gone and a general damage to lines is the result, entailing possibly hundreds of thousands of dollars and property damages and traffic losses are considerable. The roads the most damaged are the Rock Island, Fort Worth and Denver City and the Santa Fe, all of which have been waterbound for several days. The Rio Grande at Bernio is more than two miles wide, and the floods are rapidly spreading out over the country. The farmers will also lose heavily, as hundreds of tons of fine alfalfa are in the fields and will be a total loss.

At Rincon a second and higher flood is coming down the river and as a result there is great apprehension by farmers for the safety of their homes and crops. Communication across the river is reported impossible. This large volume of water is coursing toward Texas and at points along the river great damage is looked for.

Roswell, N. M., is reported under water and much damage has already resulted.

Nearly every railroad bridge that spans the Canadian river has gone down, and as a result railroad traffic of every description is being delayed indefinitely. The Denver road has made repairs on its bridge over the river, but other roads are still without means of crossing this river.

Heavy rains in the mountainous sections of Colorado have caused the floods which find their outlet over the plains country of northwest Texas and southwest Texas. It is said to be the worst flood that has occurred for many years, and has done heavy damage to railroad property everywhere.

The Texas and Pacific and the Southern Pacific are the only lines touching the west that are not interrupted by the floods.

BELGIAN MINISTER LEAVES

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Gustave Frencoette, Belgian minister of commerce and industry, will sail today for home, after a six weeks' tour of America. He traveled west to San Francisco and expressed delight over everything he had seen. "This is my first visit to America, and I am very glad I came," said he. "The exposition in St. Louis is wonderful. We are getting up an exposition of our own for next year at Liege, to commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the independence of the Belgians."

FANNIN COUNTY LIVE STOCK SHOW

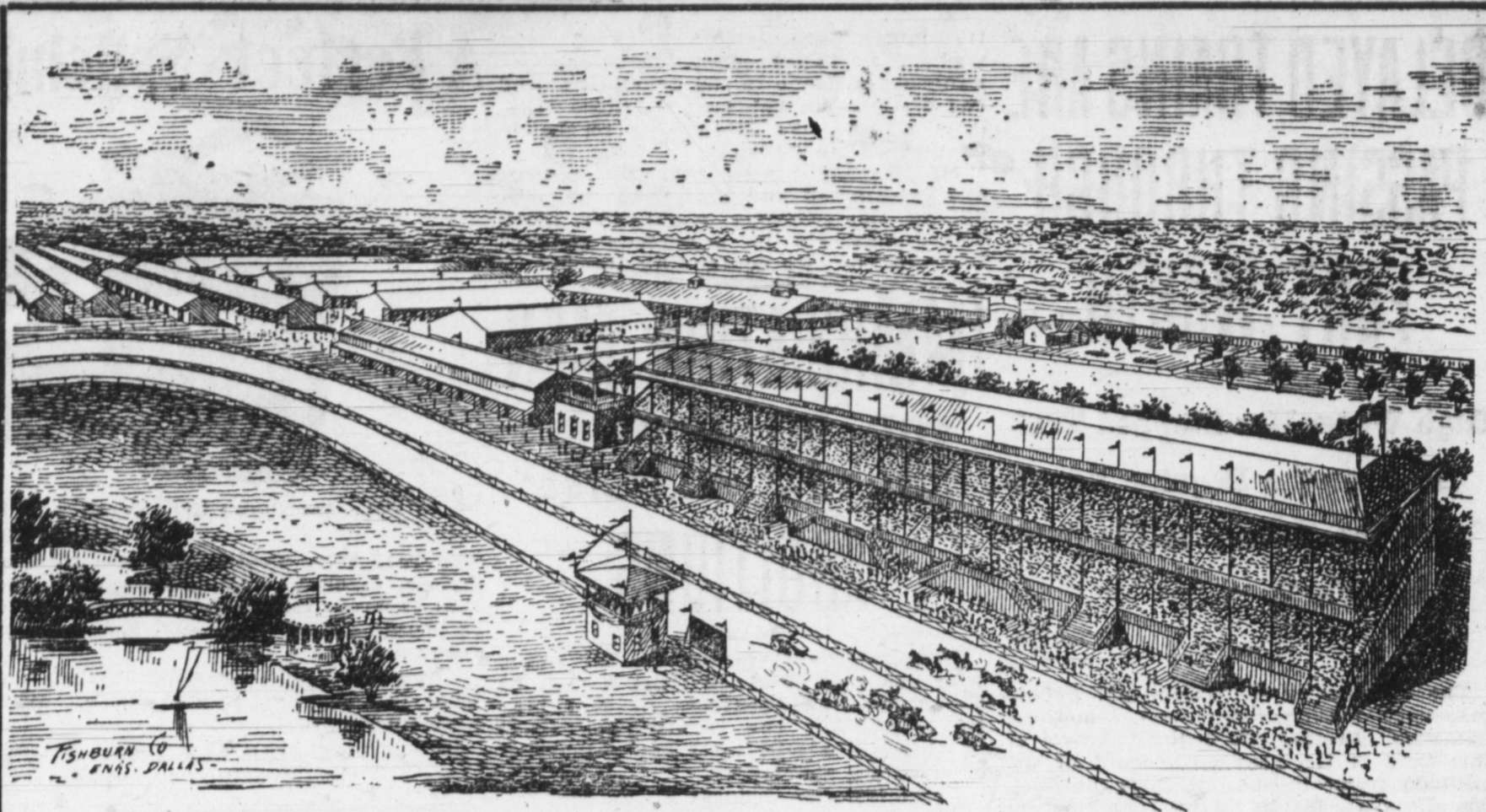
BONHAM, Texas, Oct. 4.—The fall exhibition of the Fannin County Live Stock and Poultry Association is set for November 3. The committee appointed to classify the exhibits and formulate rules and regulations for the government of the exhibitors and judges in placing the awards has made its report and the matter is in the hands of the association's officers.

The business men of Bonham have contributed quite liberally to the premium list, which is very encouraging to the promoters of the association, as they are thereby enabled to offer some splendid premiums.

The association membership consists of breeders and fanciers of all classes of live stock, poultry and pets, and prizes are offered in all classes.

At its first exhibition last spring the association demonstrated the fact that there is some splendid blooded stock in Fannin county, and was a great factor in giving a strong impetus to this industry.

Brice Frazier has been called to Alford by the serious illness of his father, J. C. Frazier.



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CROPS IN TEXAS

Cotton receipts at Terrell so far this year have reached over 11,000 bales. The prospects are good to have nearly 20,000 bales delivered before the close of the season.

The farmers who have co-operated with the government experts during the past season are to meet with the experts at a large meeting to be held at Houston on the 19th and 20th insts. A large attendance is expected and the meeting is so planned as to be of much benefit to all.

At Mount Calm so far during the season over 4,144 bales of cotton has been received. The yield to the acre in that community averages about a half bale.

The spread of the boll weevil in Grayson county since the latter part of September in the cotton fields has greatly alarmed the cotton owners and they are doing all they can to check the evil. Experts of the agricultural department have been sent there to investigate this new arrival of the pest and see if they can not find some way to stop the nuisance. Where they came from is not known and no reason can be given for their arrival this late in the season.

Farmers at Springtown are storing their cotton to await a higher market and better prices. This neighborhood is one of the strongest for the Farmers' Union. Five hundred bales of cotton have been shipped from Cleburne to the Pacific coast for exportation to Japan.

A new local of the Farmers' Union has been organized at Burleson, with a membership of twenty.

Fine progress has been made by the Valley View farmers in gathering the cotton. The weather has been ideal for that purpose the past two weeks.

Reports of the cotton on the stalk in the fields all over the state for the last few days is more favorable than ever before. In but very few communities has the rain or weather bothered the picking or damaged the crop.

The Farmers' Union is to have another cotton sale on October 20. This city stands a good chance to get the sale. However, this will not be known until the day of the sale. The members are not willing to give out the information until the last moment as to the exact location of their selling points. If the sale is held here it will mean the bringing to Fort Worth on the same day over 1,000 bales of cotton.

Preparations are being made to run special cotton trains over the Texas Midland road to assist in more speedily handling the cotton crop.

Reports from over the state would indicate that the pecan crop this year will be short, as about only one tree in every three shows a heavy fruitage.

Georgetown has so far received this year over 5,500 bales of cotton, against 1,620 bales at this time last year.

The weather of Monday was so hot in many parts of the state that it was almost impossible for the pickers to work in the fields. Not much cotton can be gathered in the warmest weather, as it is too hard on the pickers. Around Lub-

bock the cotton growers are uneasy lest the rains will damage the cotton in the fields. There as well as in other parts of the state the crop has either been benefited or damaged with the recent rains.

SOME NEW CHARTERS

AUSTIN, Texas, Oct. 4.—Charters of the following corporations have been approved by the secretary of state and filed for record in the state department:

Raccoon Oil Company of Beaumont. Capital stock, \$15,000. Purpose, establishment of an oil company with the usual rights and privileges. Incorporators, J. C. Walker, I. Block, J. F. Hoskan, C. W. Howth and R. C. McFarlan.

Texas Cooperage Company of Galveston. Capital stock, \$10,000. Purpose, transaction of any manufacturing or mining business. Incorporators, John W. Groce, W. L. Moody, Jr., and C. J. Hay.

CATTLE OVER DENVER ROAD

The fast cattle special train of the Denver road reached the city yesterday morning with twenty-five cars of cattle for the Fort Worth market. The cattle were mostly from points on the line between here and Amarillo, but a few cars originated off the Pecos Valley line.

These special fast cattle trains of the Denver road continue to grow popular with stockmen.

THE DENVER BRIDGE MATTER

It was thought at the general offices of the Denver road yesterday that the bridge over the Canadian river washed away by the floods would be repaired so as to be used this morning, but later information is to the effect that the first train will not be able to pass over the river before this afternoon.

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TERRITORY FLOOD IS RAGING

ARDMORE, I. T., Oct. 4.—The Canadian river is out of its banks on account of heavy rains at the source. It began rising yesterday. At an early hour this morning the Santa Fe station at Purcell stood four feet in water. Trains go no further north than Pauls Valley. The railroad bridge is intact. The wagon bridge between Purcell and Lexington, Okla., is gone. Loss of life is reported, but not confirmed. All wires are down. It is impossible to obtain definite information. Water reached a maximum height at 1 o'clock last night. Can not determine when transportation can be resumed. Heavy rains fell last night at Wynnewood and Thackerville.

WATER IN DEPOT

Later advices from the flooded district in the Territory state that the situation is growing worse and that water is now six feet deep in the Santa Fe depot at Purcell. Telegraph wires are down and anything like an authentic report of the situation there is out of the question. The Santa Fe has made an effort to detour its trains by other routes, but thus far the attempt has been futile. It is thought that by this evening telegraphic communication with the flooded district about Purcell will again be re-established when definite information can be had at Fort Worth.

Reports received at the local railroad offices this morning detail a deplorable condition in the Territories as a result of the high waters of the South Canadian river, which is reported higher than has ever been known.

A fourteen-foot rise in as many minutes is the report received at the Rock Island office.

The bridge of this company went out between Minco and Union City and instructions have been issued local ticket agents to sell no point beyond Chickasha.

The Frisco bridge over the Canadian river between Chickasha and Oklahoma City, on the Lawton division, has also gone, but the main line of this company from Fort Worth via Sherman and Denison to St. Louis, is intact. This line and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas are the only through lines to the north.

The local Santa Fe office received word this morning to sell no tickets beyond Pauls Valley and that tickets sold between Gainesville and Pauls Valley were subject to delay.

The river at Purcell is out of its banks and water is flooding the depot of this company.

One report was that the bridge at Purcell had gone out, but later advices show this not to be the case, although the situation at this point is serious.

The Santa Fe bridge over the Canadian river at Purcell is one of the best and most substantial bridges that spans this river, and local Santa Fe people believe it will be able to withstand the great pressure of the water.

It is stated here that the Santa Fe has lost by high waters during the past few years bridge property valued at \$2,000,000.

Reports received this morning state that it is raining in the territory country, which fact will add additional alarm as to the safety of bridges that have thus far withstood the floods, which give evidence of increasing force.

STONECUTTERS ON STRIKE

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—The Journeymen Stonecutters' Union has declared a strike in all the stone yards in Brooklyn. They have been on a strike for several days in nearly all of the stone yards of Manhattan and Jersey City, and the extension of their strike to Brooklyn will tie up the entire trade, and may in a short time throw large numbers of bricklayers and other mechanics idle in Manhattan. The union is a part of the building Trades Alliance.

CHALLENGE FOR GAMES

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—President Gordon of the New York American League Baseball Club has issued a formal challenge to John T. Brush for a series of seven games between the American and National League teams to settle the championship of the baseball world. The challenge contains the proviso that its effectiveness shall depend upon the New York American League winning the pennant.

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It Has Been Determined That Two Men Will Be Necessary in the Tower—Congestion on Storage Tracks

The new interlocker plant of the Texas and Pacific has caused a peculiar condition of affairs to arise in the local yards. Train crews find that they are delayed in the handling of their trains and the switching crews are unable to handle the switching with anywhere near the former rapidity.

On one day of this week one switch engine crossed the interlocker 240 times in twelve hours. This is not counting the passenger or freight engines, but just one switch engine. As so much of the trackage must be kept clear to properly operate the interlocker, the storage tracks are becoming congested and the work of switching in the yards has become a very serious matter, for with the slow progress being made now, when the freight business is not as heavy as it will be in two or three weeks, the yard men are looking to the time of the rush later on with no degree of pleasure. They see a genuine blockade of gigantic proportion.

It has been practically decided by those in authority that two men are necessary in the tower instead of one, and an order to that effect will probably be given in the next few days. One man is not able to handle the machinery of the tower and hasten the work of the yards, and this is now about to be remedied.

DENY THE STORY

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 4.—Authorities of the police department make an absolute denial of the story, published in Vienna, on the authority of Polish newspapers, of an attempt made to blow up a train on which Emperor Nicholas was traveling during his recent visit to Southern Russia.

ROSTOFF, Russia, Oct. 4.—The American jockey "Joe" Pigott, has been fatally injured in the races here.

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The system of inspectors for the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association recently inaugurated, is proving of inestimable value to the members of the association who desire to keep posted on the range and general condition of cattle over the territory in which the association has its membership.

Secretary John T. Lytle of the association today said that the regular weekly reports being received at headquarters indicate that the conditions are very flattering for the cowman throughout the association territory, which includes all of Texas and portions of New Mexico, Colorado, Indian Territory and Oklahoma.

The reports received for last week from the inspectors give assurance that the ranges were never in better condition than now, due to seasonable rainfall during the past week or ten days.

Secretary Lytle says that the cattlemen are now in better shape for winter grass than they have been for a number of years, and should cattlemen be forced to hold their fat stuff on account of low prices they will not be put to the usual expense of feeding their stock this fall and winter. He says that the conditions of the ranges in the south part of the state were never better than now, and about the same report can be made of the ranges in the Midland and Panhandle countries.

Sam H. Cowan, attorney for the association, and who was retained by the interstate commerce commission to represent it in the case now being heard in which the railroads and the grain men are interested, will conclude his arguments during today and will probably leave Washington for Texas tonight, coming by the way of Chicago. Mr. Cowan hopes to reach Fort Worth by October 3.

Secretary Lytle says that he does not look for the commission's decision for some time yet, and if it is in the interest of the grain men it will be of material aid in the hearing of the rate matter between the stockmen and the railroads.

THE QUARANTINE LAWS

AUSTIN, Texas, Sept. 29.—The rules and regulations of the live stock sanitary commission, which the governor proclaimed in force from October 1, are in harmony with those of the national sanitary commission and provide for both state and interstate shipments. There is no substantial change in the rules promulgated and in force during the past year, except that cattle from an infected territory may be shipped or moved across the quarantine line at any time after having been dipped in a bath of crude petroleum under the supervision of an inspector of the commission or the bureau of animal industry, and receiving a certificate from such inspector.

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POULTRY DEPARTMENT

BUILDING POULTRY HOUSES

(By T. E. Orr, Superintendent Poultry, World's Fair, and Secretary American Poultry Association.)

There are a few principles in poultry house architecture that are so generally ignored that I desire to emphasize them. The worst death traps I have ever seen have been very expensive houses.

A house must be dry. It may not be possible to locate the house on a gravelly knoll with a southeastern exposure. This is not found on every farm.

Avoid a damp or swampy location; select one that has natural surface drainage if possible; but even if this can not be found the house can be made dry by setting it up two feet from the ground, so that the air can circulate under it.

Now this suggestion of mine generally meets with this objection: "If you raise the house off the ground you have a cold house." Perhaps a trifle colder, but the advantages gained, free from ground dampness, and a shady place underneath for your fowls in summer time, far more than compensate, provided you build your houses with an absolutely tight floor and then another floor laid over it and in some cases with a layer of paper between. In such a house, with an abundance of straw for litter, your fowls will not suffer with cold feet and they will be free from roup.

A house must be air-tight at the back. This sounds preposterous, but it is not impossible. Allow a carpenter to plan and build your house and you will have a bad house every time. Decide the way you want it and insist on its being built that way. Let your sills run lengthwise, of course. Let your studding rest on these and a plate run lengthwise on top of your studs. For every stud, front and back, there should be a pair of rafters, that meet, not over the middle, but about two-thirds of the way toward the front. The rear rafter is the important one. Do not let it project beyond your plate, but have it beveled and finished flush with the outer edge of the plate.

Having your studs and rafters in place, put your sheeting boards on the outside, running lengthwise, and put them on as smooth and tight as possible, beginning at the bottom. When you reach the plate make a smooth job of it, rounding the edge and continue your sheeting right on up over the pohn of the roof, rounding that too, and down to the front edge or eaves.

The idea of rounding the rear eaves and

the crown of the roof is that your tarred paper may fit smooth and not be torn or broken. Now put on your tarred paper, running your strips up and down, making one piece run from the ground at the rear clear up over the roof and down to the front eave. Now if you apply a coat of tar at once, another in November and one coat each succeeding November, you have a house that will be air-tight at the back and will remain so for at least ten years, provided you have used the best quality of three-ply tarred paper and have put it on well.

FANCY FOWL FAD

There are signs of a craze in the breeding of fancy poultry. The American Farmer recently recorded the sale of four chickens at Hope, Ind., for \$900, and the fact that the seller had a rooster for which he was asking \$2,500. Now comes a story that a breeder at Raceville, N. Y., has sold sixteen chickens—thirteen hens and three roosters—for \$3,400, to be shipped to Berlin. This is heralded as the record price of the world for the same number of fowls, but to a common layman it looks merely as a case of "gold brick" on the part of the German buyer. Of course, no poultry, fancy or otherwise, are worth this amount of money, and it is time a halt was called lest we run into a fancy poultry craze as fatal as Holland's experience with tulips.

The worst result of incidents of this sort is the tendency to send a lot of people rushing into the business without aptitude or qualification, in hopes of making great fortunes. Fancy poultry breeding is at best but a mere fad, but when it reaches the sensational point disclosed in this Raceville episode it becomes a pernicious craze. There is no justification for the business, no excuse for its being, except as it leads to improvement in the common breeds of fowls. If it does not lead to something commercially useful, it falls short of the chief object of its mission. It may be well enough for the idle and dilettante to breed certain fowls simply to look at and act as ornaments to the yard, but the real mission of a chicken after all is the griddle, the frying pan or the stewing pot.

It requires care to keep down expenses if you are to make money on eggs, especially in the winter. Cornell experiment station has given out some instructive figures on this point. In the seventeen weeks from December 1, 1901, to March 23, 1902, and in the similar period of 1902-3, in twenty-nine flocks representing ten owners and 5,200 fowls, the average daily production of eggs was 28.8 per one hundred fowls.

During the same period the average food cost of one dozen eggs was nearly eighteen (.177) cents. The flocks that laid most eggs during December and January laid most eggs also in March. The egg production of pullets was notably in excess of that of hens, particularly in the earlier periods when the price of eggs was the highest.

The average cost of feeding one hundred hens for seventeen weeks was \$35.33. The average value of product exceeded the cost of food by \$16.13 per one hundred fowls. The summary also showed that with all the five thousand two hundred fowls the average daily production during thirty-four weeks was one egg to nearly five birds. The average cost of the eggs (151,615 in number) was about one and one-half cents for each egg.

GRAIN AND MEAT FOR DUCKS

The New York experiment station has obtained some very instructive results relative to the feeding of grain and meat rations to ducks. Thirty-two ducklings were fed a mixed ration containing no animal matter. The same number of ducklings were fed mixed grain with animal blood. It is to be noted that both were well balanced rations. In the first ration the protein came from vegetable sources and in the latter about half of it was from animal sources. The animal fed birds gradually became thin. It was a contrast to see the grain fed birds with a trough full of apparently appetizing food, standing on the edge and scrambling in haste after the hoppers that flew above them while the meat fed ducks lay lazily in the sun and paid little attention to insect life. This showed the necessity of feeding ducks on a meat ration or its equivalent.

The meat fed birds lived and thrived, but at the end of the fifteenth week thirteen of the grain fed birds died and the

others were in poor condition. The remainder were then fed on the meat ration for four weeks and made rapid gains. The bulletin recommends that from 40 to 50 per cent of the protein should be supplied in rations secured from animal sources.

POULTRY NOTES

It will be found that young fowls are hard to fatten. The feed goes to make bone and muscle.

When poultry becomes diseased there is a cause. Remove the cause, and the disease will probably disappear. Or remove the cause and it may not come at all.

Good poultry food, judiciously used, is a good thing among a flock of fowls.

There are some hens that never appear old. Such have valuable qualities, and should be kept as long as possible.

Eggs should be kept in a cool, dry, dark place, in as even a temperature as possible. They should never become too hot or too cold.

Poultry are large water drinkers. Plenty of good fresh water should be kept for them, especially during warm weather.

It is the every day attention which makes poultry pay, and it needs to be by the same person. Hens are as timid and sensitive as cows. A new person in the hen house makes a panic.

SHIPPING IN ARIZONA

A goodly number of cattle are being shipped out of the southern counties of Arizona to pasture and feed elsewhere, all of which will be the better for the ranges, as recuperation will be the more rapid and substantial. While it is true that the range is not nearly so heavily stocked now as in former days, it is recognized that the lighter the range is stocked the more prompt it will be to respond to the present favorable weather conditions with increased benefit later on. Another favorable point is that the breeding stock left on the range will be the better for the thinning-out process, because it insures a larger percentage of young stock, and this is specially important on ranges where improved stock is now being introduced for breeding purposes.

PASSING OF LONGHORNS

For some time large shipments of fine, well bred cattle have been leaving here weekly for the Kansas City markets, and when there command prices with the best. Not very many years have elapsed since cattle in this section were the wild, long-horn species, on which nothing could be depended as a market animal. This evolution, while not accomplished in a single year, has been surprisingly rapid. The far-seeing stockman, alive to his future interests, saw years ago that the wild range cattle of Mexican origin were doomed to go to be supplanted by well-bred cattle, fewer in number but denoting the same outlay of capital and the same percentage of profit. He at once began to get rid of his scrubby and odd marked stuff and to procure a better grade of animals of both sex. As if in a well laid plan, the environments of the stockman have changed also. No longer do the boundless ranges exist, as they are cut up into numerous small ones; large forage crops are now raised for them, instead of leaving them on the plains subject to the mercies of wolves and severe storms; the old-time cowboy, with clanking spurs and swinging six-shooter, is gone and his vacancy is unnoticed as he is no longer needed. Very pleasing to the eye is the sleek herds of grazing white-faces which are seen on every trip in the country and people who see them are more fully convinced that this is the ideal stock country.—Higgins News.

ARIZONA LIVE STOCK

The returns for the several counties of Arizona to the territorial board of equalization, as recapitulated in that office, shows the following live stock represented on the assessment roll, with valuations:

	Number.	Value.
Cattle	23,7696	\$1,578,625 30
Sheep	339,815	123,710 00
Goats	65,689	23,701 00
Horses	37,072	772,052 00
Mules	1,482	36,018 90
Asses	1,218	7,140 00
Swine	7,736	16,993 50
Ostriches	900	40,000

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MARKET REVIEW

NORTH FORT WORTH, TEX., Oct. 1—There has been a liberal supply of both steers and cows throughout the week, while the receipts of calves have been lighter than for some time.

Steers—Prices of killing steers have ranged from \$2.40 to \$4.25 per 100, but the bulk of good fat steers have sold at \$3 to \$3.25, with fair to medium steers \$2.65 to \$3.

Feeder buyers have operated extensively, taking the bulk of those going at \$2.25 to \$2.80 per 100, though some have been sold to feeders as high as \$3.05.

Cows—Full loads of choice cows have sold as high as \$3 per 100 during the week but lists of sales show very few above \$2.50, though there have been far more than the usual number at \$2 to \$2.35.

Bulls—The demand from feeders has been better than for some time at prices ranging from \$1.65 to \$2.

Calves—Receipts have been light, but fully equal to the demand. Prices show little change, the bulk ranging from \$2 to \$2.75 per 100.

Hogs—Receipts for the week have been the heaviest for several months. The markets North have declined 15c to 20c per 100, and our market here has also declined about the same.

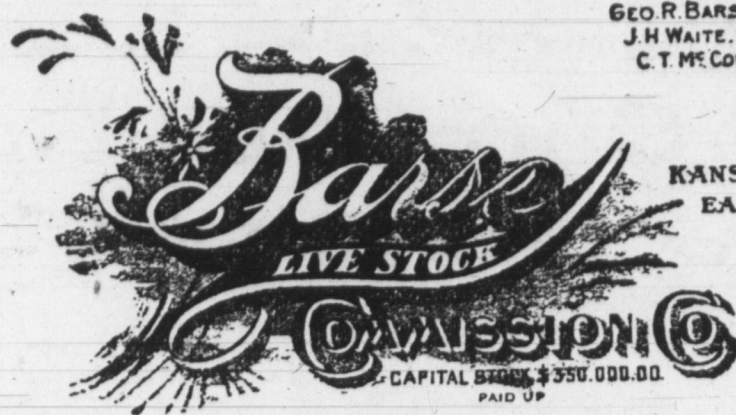
Sheep—The sheep market is in about the same condition as last week—market strong on good fat muttons. Wethers, averaging from 80 to 90 pounds, are bringing from \$3.75 to \$4 per 100; mixed wethers and ewes, fat, \$3.50 to \$3.75; lambs, if good and fat, \$4.50 to \$5.

Wednesday's Shippers

Table listing shipper names and their respective stock quantities and prices for Hogs, Cows, Steers, Calves, Horses and Mules, Sheep, and Cattle.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

Table showing representative sales for Hogs with columns for No., Ave. Price, and No. of units.



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OUR WEEKLY MARKET REVIEW

WE QUOTE THE MARKET AS IT IS.

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Hogs steady with tops selling around \$5.90.

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Friday's Shippers

Table listing shippers and their stock, including CATTLE, HOGS, and SHEEP.

Monday's Shippers

Table listing shippers and their stock, including CATTLE, HOGS, and SHEEP.

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Table showing representative sales for STEERS, COWS, and HOGS.

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Tuesday's Shippers

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Today Secretary John T. Lytle of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association received a report from Inspector T. A. Ray of Carlsbad, N. M., stating that cattle and range conditions in that territory were never better than now, excellent rains having fallen during the month. He states that fine rains came on the 19th, 21st, 24th and 25th, and as a consequence the range is looking well and cattle getting fat.

The recent interstate commerce hearing at Denver is already bearing good fruit, as the Union Pacific railway has agreed to reduce the rate on live stock from Cheyenne to the Missouri river from 33 cents to 29 cents per 100 pounds. The old rate was \$71.50 per car before the railroads put in the 33 cents per 100 pounds, and it was on account of this change that the stockmen made complaint. Now that the Union Pacific officials have decided to reduce the rate 4 cents per 100 pounds from Cheyenne, it must result in a like reduction from Denver, Belle Fourche and other points to the Missouri river. The reduction is equivalent to about \$10 per car, and is quite a victory for the cattlemen.

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The last sad rites over all that is mortal of Charles F. Martin took place from his residence Saturday afternoon. The service was conducted by Rev. Frost Craft of Trinity church and a male quartet rendered very effective music. The services were very simple but effective, and the remains were followed to Fairmount cemetery by a large concourse of friends, including a big turnout of the Gentlemen's Riding and Driving Club. The pallbearers were John W. Springer, George Goulding, Ralph Talbot and George W. Ballante, all officers of the National Live Stock Association; C. E. Stubbs of the Gentlemen's Riding and Driving Club and R. H. Graham of Fort Worth, Texas, representing the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association.

Owing to a sick wife, President Hagenbarth of the National Live Stock Association, who is in Chicago, was unable to be present. Among the mourners were George Martin of Kansas City, a brother; Mrs. Kate Stewart of Wichita, Kan., a sister of Mr. Martin; Mrs. Ingersoll of Pueblo, a sister of Mrs. Martin.—Denver Record-Stockman.

CONDITIONS OUT WEST

The late general rains having insured a good winter range for stock, there is greater activity just now among ranchmen and cattle buyers than has been witnessed for several months.

There is a good, steady demand for stock cattle of all kinds, and blooded cows are not lacking for buyers. There were not many actual sales made during the week, as most of the ranchmen prefer to buy rather than to sell. This condition has naturally sent the market on the up grade, and men who are in position to judge predict that much better prices will obtain ere the cold weather sets in.

Among the large stock movements of the past week was a shipment by Lord Beresford of 800 horses from his ranch in Mexico to Canada, where he is stocking a new ranch recently purchased by him.—El Paso Times.

CATLEMEN BUYING SHEEP

It is reported that the cattlemen in the vicinity of San Angelo, Texas, are making heavy purchases of sheep in New Mexico, and taking them to the grazing districts in Tom Green and other counties in Texas. The trading is done in Carlsbad, N. M., and the prices range from \$2.50 to \$2.75.

BOUGHT BIG STEERS

Todd and Moore of the Indian Territory, extensive cattle traders, have just purchased at Spring Creek, Texas, a string of 1,800 head of 2 and 3-year-old steers. The price paid was \$15 for the 2s and \$20 for the 3s, which are considered good prices.

DEMAND FOR MULES

The fact that there is a big demand for mules in Texas is shown in the sale a few days ago at Sherwood, that state, of 110 head of unbroken mules at \$65 per head. They were not of the large size, and sold very readily at these figures.

SAN ANGELO COUNTRY.

Live Stock Agent Conway, of the Santa Fe, has just returned from a trip over the San Angelo country and reports that there are worlds of fat cattle being held in that part of the state ready for shipment to market.

Mr. Conway says that the cattlemen are not going to move their fat stuff to market until prices are better than they are at this time, if they are forced to hold them until spring. He says they can do this if compelled to do so, because the range is the finest in years, and such action will be resorted to before they will sacrifice their stock at prevailing low prices.

Mr. Conway stated that grass was never known to be better than it is at this time, made so by the seasonable rains. He added that the number of fat cattle being held in the Brownwood county is much larger than last season.

"Cattlemen are on easy street in the Brownwood country, even if prices are destructive," said Mr. Conway.

Secretary Lytle of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association said this morning that he felt confident that the stockmen had much the best of the rate hearing investigation just completed at Denver by Commissioner Prouty of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and believed that when the final hearing of the case was ended a verdict against the railways would be rendered.

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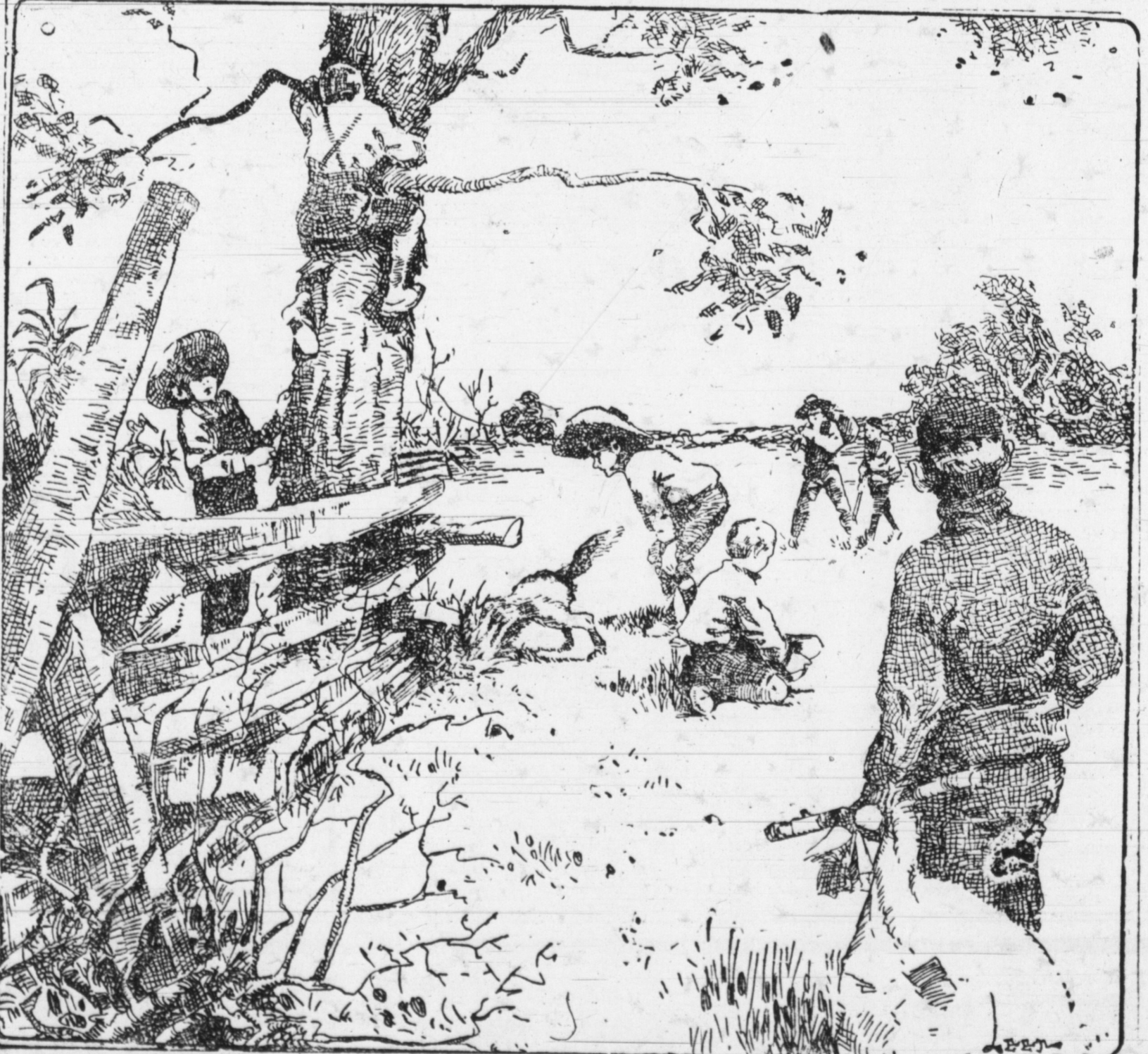
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FOR THE CONVENTION.

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 4.—A majority of the bishops and deputies who are to participate in the general convention of the Episcopal church, which opens tomorrow, arrived and have been assigned quarters which they will occupy while here. The Archbishop of Canterbury arrived today.

APPOINTED PRIVATE SECRETARY.

SHERMAN, Texas, Oct. 4.—F. R. Greever, of Bonham, has been appointed private secretary to Congressman C. B. Randell, succeeding Hilton R. Greer, who resigns in order to devote his entire time to the service of Texas papers, which he will represent in Washington.