

TEENAGER WAS VICTIM OF DEED OF BLOOD

The Wild Son of a Rich Ranchman Was Tied to One of His Yearlings and Dragged Almost to Death Because He Refused to Eat Dog Meat and Marry the Indian Maiden

MARBLE FALLS, Texas, Jan. 20.—Billy Jerome Lickins has recently returned from the Indian Territory to his old ranch on the Rio Grande a great deal wiser and a little sorer than when he left Texas a short time ago to look after one of his large herds of fat steers. For about 24 years Mr. Lickins has been considered a very fortunate individual. He was not exactly born with a silver spoon in his mouth, but he came howling into the world under a roof where silver and gold were abundant and where the deeds to vast leagues of land were reposed secure in old bureau drawers. From youth to young manhood Billy Lickins has had his own way. Old Thunderbolt Lickins is the richest man in the valley, and for acquaintance of the valley he has only one son to ride in any direction, sell high and sow gold and silver with both hands.

Fell in Sore With the Maiden

Young Lickins has always had a pretty high estimate of all his attributes of character, courage and power over the feminine heart, being as he considered his most prominent traits. All of this in the face of the facts that a pretty girl who knew as much of him and his million and his herds down for a cowboy, and a sheep-herder skinned him out of a fine flock during a single sitting by a nocturnal camp fire. Nevertheless, the cowboy said "Billy is all right; he spends Old Thunderbolt's money," and they were rather pleased when they learned that young Lickins was to boss the big herd in the Indian grazing lands. Billy had no sooner been pitched and the boundaries marked on the leased Indian pasture lands than Mr. Billy Jerome Lickins straightway proceeded to fall madly, wildly and violently in love with a pretty Indian girl who was circling about over the prairies mounted on a gayly caparisoned white pony. "Oh, ain't she a like of a paradise?" chuckled the young Texan, "the Indian maiden shot like an arrow between my eyes and the setting sun. Looks like she had a rind of beauty and a heart of gold, and she was streaming from her golden belt."

Not many days passed before the love-stricken tenderfoot from the land of the Lone Star found an opportunity to make the acquaintance of the beautiful beauty who had captured his soul and body, at long range. She proved to have been the only daughter of the famous old warrior chief, Sea Horse, or Eat 'Em Raw, who looked straight and naked savage of the Osage tribe. Eat 'Em Raw lived in a cabin in a dense forest, where few white men ever enjoyed his hospitality.

"Still Water Runs Deep"

Olena—better known as Yellow Rose or Little Stream of Love—did not share her father's ideas of isolation and seclusion. She had associated with neighboring white families, and being rather pretty and bright, every body learned to read and write and profit by the manners and customs of those who had long enjoyed civilization. More than once young Lickins had laid the trophies of the chase on the table of the charming Princess of the Osages, and it was well known that several cowboys had been deeply smitten by bright eyes and winning smiles.

White girls regard a woman as a tender hearted, imprudently little beauty of the forest possessing a sweet and amiable disposition. They little dreamed of the hidden volcano of rage beneath that calm exterior which the slightest wrong or imposition would uncover and transform this smiling daughter of old Eat 'Em Raw into a merciless avenging fiend.

As their acquaintance ripened the passion of the young Texan cattle king grew beyond all limitations. The lovers met often by the river, where they galloped about over the prairies free of all restraint, drinking deep of the hot passion that sparkled from each other's eyes.

The old Indian veteran who had helped to rope and brand the mavericks from which the Lickins millions had been harvested, said to a comrade "Hadn't he better send a Special Agent to see if the boy has got a notion of neckin' himself to that Red heifer." "Ef he was to act sich a darned fool I'd Thunderbolt would have fits and just a-cussin' of the red heifer."

Surrounded by Wolves

Mr. Billy Lickins happened to be in his ear-shot. "Rest easy, old pard," he said. "Splicin' for keeps ain't in my line just yet." An Indian guide in the employ of the boss herdsman overheard that remark and he doubtless stored it carefully away in his memory as a valuable asset or a sharp weapon to be used when the time came. Cupid should signal an onset for all the Indian maiden's lovers. That same evening when Mr. Lickins was about three miles from camp his horse shied and the next moment he found himself seated in the trail. On his left a band of cattle stampeded and the horse of the Texan went with them, his tail over his back and a Special Agent under his belly. On his right not twenty steps away sat a dozen or more lean, hungry, lobo wolves, grinning and licking their chops in evident satisfaction and eager anticipation of a feast on Lickins' flesh and the marrow of Lickins' bones. "You think I can't get in?" said Billy, "you yaller, call-atin' hides"—bang, bang, bang! "Now weller and kick. I expect you'll pack that eat up my thousand-dollar polled Angus two-year-old bull."

The young Texan was throwing the empty shells from the pistol when it suddenly occurred to him to examine his pockets. He did so, and to his horror he discovered that he possessed but a single cartridge. The lobos were tearing the dead wolves to pieces and howling like hell-hounds. Frequently casting ravenous glances toward the now thoroughly alarmed young man,

while bloody froth dripped from their red chops. Mr. Lickins started to yell "That won't do," he said. Two or three of the wolves had already begun to howl and trot toward the scared youth. The Texan courageously faced his foes and, presenting his revolver, he waited until they were circling around him almost within reach of his hands. When a monster lobo, snarling and showing his white fangs, sprang at his throat, he fired. The monster's dying wolf dropped in the trail others sprang upon him, some lapping the blood and others tearing his lean flesh to shreds. The young Texan now made a desperate effort to escape, but a lone wolf might gain a point of timber while his foes were feasting on the carcass of their kind. Mr. Lickins was running at the top of his speed when wolves suddenly appeared on either hand, and a little later others rose up in front to contest his flight. It was now plain that the beleaguered youth would be locked up at close quarters for his life. The odds were sore against him, but true to the teachings and examples of the fathers of the Lone Star he drew his knife, and, slashing right and left, he ripped gashes in the howling monsters, frequently inflicting death wounds. The wolves, with their long, sharp claws, cutting the flesh of the Texan, and his blood was flowing in streams. His strength was fast falling when he heard a pistol shot, and, upon turning his head, looked into the eyes of Olena, the fearless daughter of Old Eat 'Em Raw. She urged her foaming horse to the side of her sinking sweet heart, and bending over, she lifted him from the jaws of the pack into the saddle in front of her. As they galloped away his head sank upon her shoulder and he whispered: "You have saved my life, Olena, and by all the laws of romance I am yours forever."

Afraid to Marry Her

"It will be well for the white youth to remember that the child of the great War Chief of the Osages is not a plaything," said the Indian girl, bending low over the face of the rescued youth. "Little her dark eyes flashed deep meaning. "Mr. Lickins reached his camp in safety, where he spent many sleepless nights while his wounds were healing. One picture in his mind was particularly agitating. He saw himself approaching the big ranch house in Texas, leading an Indian girl. He could see his father looking straight toward him with curious, deepening interest.

Then would come the words, "Billy, what in h— have you got them?"

When Billy Jerome Lickins reached thunderbolt, this would set him to executing some very interesting and surprising somnambulist capers. After regarding the picture of the girl determined to venture upon the threshold of the father of his rescuer. He had never seen the old chief of the Osages, and he felt sure that the picture was just how Olena's father looked. He wanted to know what manner of man he would have to deal with in the event of trouble. He fully realized that he did not understand his own mind or heart. There were moments when he thought that he could not live without the Indian maiden who loved him so well and had sacrificed so much for him. He thought of the other periods when the idea of being united to her for life made him shudder. Knowing the trail, he rode straight to the cabin of the Osages. Old Eat 'Em Raw opened the door. "I know Lickins," he said, extending his hand.

Couldn't Eat Dog Meat

"Well, maybe so," said the naked savage, looking his son in sorrow until his people drive me away Injun—you eat dog all right—no cat dog, no good—fool Injin gal, Eat 'Em Raw kill Lickins." The amazed Texan, looking beyond the chief, saw the picture of despair. On a table in the center of the room was a smoking dinner—the main feature of which was a roasted dog. There was no mistaking the animal. Mr. Lickins turned pale and at the same time he turned toward his horse. When about to swing himself into the saddle the Indian girl grasped his arm. "As you going?" she said. "Yes, going; for God's sake think no more of me." "You know I will have to think of you; think of you in sorrow until my people drive me away in disgrace, and I will have to hide my shame beneath the dark flowing waters. White boy, don't leave Olena."

The agitated youth tore himself from the grasp of the weeping girl, and galloped away, his bosom, as he afterward said, "a very field of conflicting emotions."

When Billy Jerome Lickins reached camp he lost but little time in making hurried preparations for a quick journey to his home on the Rio Grande. But a few moments were consumed in dividing his effects. He swung himself into the saddle, shouting orders and instructions. "If anybody comes prowling around looking for me," he said, "tell 'em I have gone to Kalamazoo to hunt elephants—Bully boy, you fall here to my other shirt—I will leave Blue Dog at the station and I will send the old man up when the steers are fat—Adios." He disappeared in a cloud of dust, leaving the cowboys to gaze after him in wonder and amazement.

A Terrible Revenge

After he had vanished they looked into each others faces inquiringly, and one of them said, "Just wait, you will hear something a 'bellerin' pretty soon." Congratulating himself over his narrow escape from close relations with Old Eat 'Em Raw, Mr. Lickins was fairly flying over the prairie in the direction of the railroad when he suffered a very sudden surprise. A rope whizzed through the air and the startled horseman was jerked from his saddle and thrown sprawling upon his back in the trail. Manning to turn his head he looked into the fixed merciless face of the Indian girl, whose love he had scorned. "Why, Olena," he dropped from his lips, "speak not bad man," she said. "I ought to take out your black heart, but I will let you live to suffer as Olena must suffer." The noose was over the Texan's arms and the pony held him as he would have held a steer. As the Indian girl remounted she held a cocked revolver toward her victim. "I am at your mercy," said the alarmed Texan. "Do you intend to murder me?" "No, you are too wicked," replied the girl. "It did not take long for the mad maiden to disarm her victim and bind his arms to his side. She dragged him to a point of timber where the Texan saw one of his horses tied close to a tree. The mad girl had prepared for the deviltry she had in mind by turning loose a yearling that had been necked to the one she had tied. Dragging the tree toward the yearling, the steer she seized the iron bar and quickly fastened the chain about his neck. "Now go and suffer," she said as she flashed the rope that bound the yearling to the tree.

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The half wild and thoroughly frightened animal did not stand on the order, and poor Lickins, regretting the day of meeting the merciless Indian beauty, found that he also had a rope fast to his neck. The yearling ran as if the very devil was after him, and sometimes Lickins was down and sometimes up, turning somersaults. "I tell you," he has since said, "circumstances, that would make the fortune of the man who could put in on the stage." The lovers had parted forever, Olena, or Little Stream of Love, returned to the wigwag to nurse her sorrow and wrath, and Lickins was doomed to spend a night with his cattle, necked to a wild yearling. "I might have got along very well," he said, "but a fire broke out and the steers stampeded; heavens, how I had to run to keep up. At last a happy thought struck me, and I jumped on the yearling's back. I locked arms about his neck and repeated all the prayers I ever heard. Several times the flames singed my hair, but I did not think anything could catch us until I discovered that a pack of wolves had cut us off from the herd. 'Another horror,' I shouted as the howling monsters began to spring at my throat. They tore my pants to shreds, and cut great gashes in my legs, and they would have throttled us and stripped the flesh from our bones if that yearling had not had the good sense to have plunged into the herd. About that time I lost some of my teeth and my hair."

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PACKERS BEG ANOTHER DELAY

After Six Months' Delay, Beef Trust Cases Are Postponed

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—After six months of delay in the hearing of the beef trust cases, the question as to whether Commissioner Garfield violated the constitutional right of the packers in forcing them to produce records for the examination of his department, on which subsequently indictments were returned, was taken up today before Judge Humphrey.

Illness of Attorney

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—The trial of the beef trust cases, which was to have commenced today in the federal court before Judge Humphrey, has been postponed until Thursday because of the illness of one of the attorneys for packers.

HUNGRY SHEEP MAKES IMPORTANT DISCOVERY

He Ate Rubber Plant and Died—Corporation Formed to Exp.

DURANGO, Colo., Jan. 17.—Because a certain English ram in a herd of sheep near here was of an inquisitive mind, a hitherto worthless plant growing freely in the mountains has been found to produce a rubber quite as

FARMERS ARE FLOCKING INTO WESTERN TEXAS

Pushing Out Ranchman With His Herds

HOWARD CO. BOOMING

Big Springs Beginning to Become Live Farming Center of That Section

By a Staff Correspondent.

BIG SPRINGS, Texas, Jan. 17.—As the greater part of the county, a greater part of the county is suitable for farming. It is said there is not one section in the county without a farmer on it, and if this statement is true, it is a fact of no small importance. The county is being developed in even more rapidly than the ranchman advanced on the Indian, and from every indication his coming is to be permanent. Howard county is among the foothills leading up to the southern edge of the Staked Plains, Big Springs, the county seat, is located in a "draw," or valley, but its soil is rich and fertile. The draw is broken in places by stretches of plain.

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Youngsters Coming

The greater part of those arriving in Howard county are young men and women, and many of them are fairly prosperous and are either buying the land on which they settle outright or making cash payments of from one-third to one-half the purchase price. A few foreigners have yet come into the county, but every state in the South, as well as the majority of those in the north, are sending a part of their young men and women to Howard county. They are coming from all over the country.

It is a some-seeking rather than a fortune-hunting class of citizens which Howard county is thus acquiring and the result is a feeling of security and confidence. The county is being developed in even more rapidly than the ranchman advanced on the Indian, and from every indication his coming is to be permanent. Howard county is among the foothills leading up to the southern edge of the Staked Plains, Big Springs, the county seat, is located in a "draw," or valley, but its soil is rich and fertile. The draw is broken in places by stretches of plain.

Not a "Get-Rich-Quick" Plan

There is no prospect of young men starting on farms with \$200 capital and closing the season with \$10,000 in the bank, but there are plenty of actual instances in which good livings have been gotten from only the soil, and that in a country where the average rainfall has heretofore been around the 25-inch mark.

For three consecutive years the rainfall has been above the 30-inch line, but there is no indefinite guarantee of its continuance. There is some black soil in the county, but the greater part and probably the best is sandy, with a reddish clay underneath. This subsoil clay is sometimes three feet beneath the surface. It is good soil for small fruits, cotton, and garden vegetables. Water is gotten at a depth of from 20 to 160 feet. In some few instances the water is alkaline and there are also stretches of alkali soil in the county, but they are like the popular vote, hard to find.

The productive soil of the county has been proven suitable for the raising of crops that can be raised in

valuable as the famous para rubber of South America.

The ram was brought from England to improve the stock of sheep in this herd, and it was found that all the other sheep have persistently refused to touch and died as a consequence. But on cutting him up his stomach was found to be filled with a substance closely resembling rubber. Experiment proved that it was, indeed, a high quality of rubber.

COWMAN KILLED

Walter Masie Shot in Motley County. Ben Mitchell Surrenders

MATADOR, Texas, Jan. 20.—Details of the killing of Walter Masie, a well known cowman of this section of the Panhandle country, reached here today. A party of hunters in one of Masie's herds Tuesday were ordered out and later Masie came upon them with a shotgun in his hands. An altercation occurred and Masie was shot in the breast. The weapon was a shotgun and the charge of birdshot killed him almost instantly.

Ben Mitchell of Plainview, Texas, surrendered to the sheriff and stated that he was compelled to shoot in defense of his life.

In the hunting party besides Mitchell were Ben Hardy, Hal Wofford, Dave Price and a man named Carter, the first two being residents of Plainview, Texas.

What will mutton and wool sell at next year? Is the common question coming to our office. We can't tell, but it looks as if they will go higher than this year.

COWBOYS RAN AWAY FROM LIVELY COWBOYS

Graphic Stories of the Warm Old Days When to Shoot Up a Town Was Considered the Proper Thing, and to Wear a Plug Hat Was Always to Invite Grave Disaster

HIS MACHINE A SUCCESS

H. C. Harding, superintendent of Texas of the Seabury Live Stock Spraying Machine, left Thursday evening for Amarillo, where he goes to install one of his machines for spraying animals for the mangle.

Before leaving the city he gave the following interview pertaining to the results of the experiment made here upon the fever tick, and while for certain special reasons the experiment was not the success hoped for, still Mr. Harding was not at all discouraged, but was very optimistic with respect to the future of the machine and its operations.

"This experiment on the ticks with the Seabury spraying machine, while it was not an entire success, goes to prove that the machine will do the work, and will do it in a quicker and more humane manner, and with no loss or damage to cattle. You see, we were working at a great disadvantage on account of the approach to the machine, which was not built on correct lines and on account of the bottom sprays not working right until after we had put the twenty-six head of cattle through; then we were unable to get more cattle with sufficient ticks on them to make the experiment worth while."

"We got the bottom sprays in good working order and they threw the fluid to the top of the machine. We inspected the cattle again today. The six we put through the pure Beaumont oil were clean, but we found some five ticks on those we put through in oil and water, and in fact, these were found up in the pocket of the flank where we failed to get the oil on them."

"I am fully convinced that we can kill the ticks by spraying with pure oil and water, but we will make experiments further on that line. Of course we will have to do the work to the entire satisfaction of the government. This experiment is only preliminary and has been made under the supervision of Dr. Wallace of the United States department of the bureau of animal industry and I must say that I feel grateful to him and his associates for the assistance they rendered us in the matter."

"We expect to make another test during the fat stock show to be held here in April, perhaps sooner, but I am going to Amarillo to put a machine in the stock yards at that place to treat the mangle. We know that the machine will do the work for mangle, for we have tried on some thousand sand cattle at Fort Morgan, Colo., last June and they were afterward inspected and given a clean bill of health by the government inspectors. This machine is going to be a great saving to the cattlemen who have to treat their cattle. It does the work in so much less time with practically no injury to the cattle. A weak animal or cow heavy with calf can walk right through it and take a shower bath and never be injured."

"We can take the machines right out on the ranges and treat the cattle anywhere there is a branding corral."

The Denver Meeting
DENVER, Jan. 20.—A large attendance is expected at the approaching joint convention of the American Stock Growers' Association and the National Live Stock Association. The consolidation of these organizations will be effected on this basis:

First—The membership to consist of live stock producing and maturing interests of the country.
Second—The constitution and by-laws of the American Stock Growers' Association, with the addition of membership associations of live stock producers, as well as individuals, to be made the basis.
Third—Create a strong central committee, appointed by the association, to be formed, to carry on the business of the association.
Fourth—The association to cooperate with all interests through such subcommittees as may be appointed by the executive committee whenever the interests of said association and such allied interests are mutual.
Fifth—The objects of the organization thus formed will be to represent the live stock interests in all matters of general and public importance, and to conserve the interests, protect the rights, and to redress the wrongs of each and all of its members.

Among the important questions to be discussed are:
Federal regulation of railroad charges at Missouri river markets.
Proposed government control of grazing on the public lands.
Amendment of the twenty-eight-hour law to thirty-six hours.
Extension of foreign markets for our meat products.
Increased appropriations for agricultural experiment stations.

The land question—grazing upon the forest reserves or upon the public domain outside of the reserves—is a question that will elicit a great deal of attention at the meeting. Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture and Mr. Pinchot, chief forester of the agricultural department, expect to be here during the meeting. The same will be the consensus of the public opinion among the stockmen.

Hereford Stock Raisers
R. E. Hatwood of Rio Vista, Texas, one of the best known ranchmen in all that country, had in yesterday from his ranch near Canyon City, 160 head of extra good 775-pound stockers that sold at \$4.25 a head. But this is not high for Mr. Hatwood's cattle.

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as they are about as fine as can be produced. These registered bulls and high-grade cows are the best care of them. For several years Mr. Gatewood has topped the quarantine market here oftener than any other single shipper, and just as he furnished that division with several hundred head of extra good steers of his own feeding. He sold the highest price steers in that division for the month of July, the month which broke the record for heavy runs. His stockers are in good demand, and command the highest prices. The string sold yesterday were Herefords, and of the rich color.—Drovers' Telegram.

The L. S. Ranch
S. E. Terrill, an employee of the L. S. ranch in Bolson county, Texas, arrived here Thursday with four car loads of feeders and a car load of yearling heifers of the high-grade Hereford class. The cattle were en route to Washington, Ohio, to be delivered on the order. They were of extra good quality and just the right breed to please the Ohioans. Mr. Terrill stated that there were being wintered on the ranch about 12,000 head of cattle, most of which are young stock and cows. "A large amount of forage such as came was raised on the ranch last year," said Mr. Terrill, "and the stock is in good condition. There will be no shortage of feed in that country this winter."—Kansas City Drovers' Journal.

New Mexico Climate
Dr. M. H. Deacon, veterinary surgeon in charge of the horses of the Grant Construction company, working on the Bolson Santa Fe cut off at Willard, N. M., says that the climate of New Mexico has a serious effect on work horses. He declares that the losses from pneumonia in mules are in any other place where he has been. Two or three horses daily are constantly suffering from the disease. Last month the loss was sixteen horses which died of pneumonia. Mules are harder and stand the construction work better, but even the require careful attention to withstand the cold.

Importing Mexican Sheep
About 30,000 head of Chihuahua sheep, most of which will be supplied by the great Terrazas ranch, have been recently purchased for American markets. The Terrazas property, famous for its enormous extent, is the largest in the world owned by one man, and on its broad acreage roam a greater number of cattle than are owned by any other single individual in any country.

Cattle Getting Scarce
"Ever since I have been lately," said D. D. Cutler, of the Northwest, "there were fewer cattle on feed than at this time last year, and I cannot help but wonder where the future supply of cattle is coming from. Through Nebraska and in many parts of Iowa not many cattle are ready for the market, and choice heavy steers seem to be especially scarce. Corn in Nebraska is selling at 32c, which is pretty stiff for that part of the country."—Chicago Live Stock World.

The Wyoming Range
Late reports from Wyoming say that country is heavily stocked both with cattle and sheep. The ranges have been good for several years and the stockmen have done well. E. Myer of Rawlins, Wyoming, who has been ranching in that country for some years, was at the yards yesterday. He said the winter had been exceptionally good, and the stock of all kinds is in good condition. While there is a great deal of feed on the ranges, there is plenty of stock to eat it. There are a number of ranches in the present five, to whom important questions shall be submitted without the formality and loss of time involved in communicating with Washington. Dr. R. E. Ramsey, former secretary of the National Live Stock Association, has been appointed to the new place, with headquarters in Denver. He will have general supervision of the work, and questions arising between those in charge in the various sections of the west, between inspectors or between inspectors and stock owners, railroads and sanitary boards, will be referred to him. These questions and others which may arise and which require the attention of some one other than the inspector or agent in charge of a district, will be taken up by Dr. Ramsey, and decided at once. He also must be consulted before any new work or the extension of any work on hand is undertaken.

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Lease Price High
CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Jan. 20.—The lease price on lands west of the Missouri river in this state is from 10 to 15 cents per acre in Gregory county, according to location; in Lawrence 10 cents, in Stanley and Lyman 8 and 7 cents in all the rest of that part of the state. East of the Missouri river the rate runs from \$1 in Union county to 8 cents in the northern tier of counties. The terms of lease are three years in the southern and eastern parts of the state and five years in the western. The cattle men say that at this very small per cent per acre they have to pay an enormous tax for what they get from the lands. In the eastern part of the state where farming is carried on the leased lands prove very much more profitable and are eagerly sought after. The sale of much public school lands this past year has diminished the tract in the state greatly. In five years it is estimated there will be no more public leasing of lands.

Appealed the Case
The United States supreme court will pass judgment on United States Circuit Judge Bethes' recent decision in the case of the Interstate commerce commission against the Chicago Great Western Railway Company and eight Western railway corporations. Judge Bethes' decision was granted District Attorney Morrison's petition for an appeal. The case went to trial on a motion of the governor to secure an order suspending an order of the interstate commerce commission making it incumbent upon the defendant railroads to change their rates on live stock and dressed meats from Missouri river points to Chicago. Among the errors alleged in the proceedings are the following: That the court erred in deciding that the bill or petition of the interstate commerce commission should be dismissed. In not rendering a decree in favor of

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UP A NEW EMPIRE

Work of Railroad in Developing Wonderful West Texas

CITIES SPRINGING UP

Cattle Counties Are Now Becoming Populated With Actual Settlers

Staff Correspondence.
SWEETWATER, Texas, Jan. 20.—There are probably many people of Fort Worth who are better informed regarding the progress of the revolutionary movement among the peasants of the Russian steppes, than about the progress of building through one of the richest sections of their own state, a railroad system which will like the Pacific ocean with the central west coast of the United States to its eastern (or western) possessions in the Philippine group.

The assignment is signed by District Attorney Morrison and Attorneys L. A. Shaver and S. H. Cowan of the interstate commerce commission.—Chicago Drovers' Journal.

Cattlemen Are Pleased
While city folk grumble at the muddy crossings, the cattlemen of El Paso county and southern New Mexico are wearing broad and ecstatic grins. Moisture such as this is working wonders for the range.

The abundance which will follow the melting snow will irrigate the range and insure an abundance of early vegetation. The cattle are already taking on a prosperous appearance as a result of the prospect of abundant grazing facilities at no distant day.

With the storms prevailing in this county and adjoining counties, the east there had not been a sufficient amount of cold weather to injure the stock in the least.

"This is fine weather," declared W. W. Turner, one of the largest ranchmen of Brewster county and president of the state cattle growers' association. "It can continue for a month, and I won't care."

For the sheep growers of New Mexico, two or three hundred miles north of this city, the effect of the storm has been less beneficial.

From all sections in central New Mexico comes reports of heavy losses of sheep. The losses have been heaviest along the line of the Rock Island-Southwestern, where the snows have been deepest, and where storms have been raging at intervals for several weeks.

Because of the excellent condition of the range in some of the storm-bound regions, the losses have not been so much less than they would otherwise have been. Good grazing throughout the summer and fall had placed the stock in prime condition, and they were prepared to stand a severe winter. The loss of grass, from the drifting snow, has been a serious problem, however, and hay in several districts has been scarce. A winter of this kind, making it difficult for the ranchmen to feed their flocks.

From Carrizozo, N. M., for a distance of 200 miles north, the snow has been deepest and the death of the stock have reached a serious total. Near Corona, Pastura, Anecho and other points all the efforts of the sheepmen have been of no avail in warding off losses.

Near Alamogordo there have also been some losses. Efforts which have been made to move the sheep further south have been of little avail because of the deep drifts. Brush and the branches of small trees have been cut to serve as fodder for the sheep.—El Paso Herald.

Make Rapid Progress
The stock raisers of Mexico are making rapid advancement in the improvement of their herds. The importation of fine blooded cattle, both horses and cattle, is improving the stock of the republic very materially. The country is soon to be a competitor of the United States in the foreign markets.

The climate in the western part of the country is very fine for the cattle and horses and in the winter they are grazed in the low lands and, consequently, are not retarded in development by the cold of winter. The cattle of the country, also, are exceptionally free from fever and ticks. They are grown with little care and expense and with cheap transportation to the foreign markets. In abundance in the foreign markets. In a recent purchase of 500 head of horses the Lyke Bros. of Havana, Cuba, found the best horses for the price in the United States in the western part of the country. Our sister republic is coming to the front in the live stock trade.—Eagle Pass Guide.

Royal in October
The following directors were elected at the annual meeting of the American Royal Live Stock association, Kansas City: C. R. Thomas, Eugene Rust and William McLaughlin, Kansas City; Overton Harris, Harris, Mo.; T. J. Wornall, Liberty, Mo.; P. O. Cowan, Chicago; H. M. Elliott, Estill, Mo.; George Stevenson Jr., Waterloo, Kan.; Richard Brown, Lawrence, Kan.; M. Thompson, Nashua, Mo.; and George R. Crouch, Lafayette, Mo. After the meeting of stockholders the newly elected directors met and appointed the following officers: President, George Stevenson; vice president, Eugene Rust; Secretary-treasurer, T. J. Wornall; general manager, C. R. Thomas; superintendent of public lands, A. M. Thompson. The directors decided that the next show should be held in the Kansas City Stock Yards, Oct. 8 to 13, inclusive.

tain forks of the Brazos, together with a few creeks, are the only streams. There are a few stretches of broken country, but they extend for only short distances. North of Hamilton, in Jones, Stonewall and Haskell counties, there is a long stretch of level plain and the character of land surrounds Sagerston. The appearance of the country in the vicinity of the last named place much resembles that near Channing, on the edge of the North Plains.

Land Sells From \$12 to \$20 an Acre
The country is just opening up as a farming region. Cotton, thus far, has been the leading and most profitable crop. What the total crop will be is hard to estimate, as scores of fields are yet unpecked, while many others have been sown through only the first time. Labor is scarce, and much of the cotton will remain unpecked for several weeks. It is estimated that Haskell county alone will produce nearly 8,000 bales. Probably 6,000 bales have been ginned in the county already. At McCauley, in Fisher county, is one of the most modern equipped gins in the state. It has a capacity of fifty bales a day, and has said to have ginned more than 20,000 bales this season.

Cotton this year did well. The weather-stalk. Ordinarily the stalks in this section are rainy during the growing period, and much of the plant went to rot. This year, however, the stalks are short, but this season they attained unusual size. The staple is long, and practically all, it is believed, being of medium range from 10.50 upwards. Some fortunate farmers, who had large tracts of cotton, will be able this season to clear the entire cost of the land on which it was raised.

Old crops which have been raised successfully are corn, milo maize, Kaffir corn, sorghum, millet and wheat. Opinions as to the possibility of the region as a wheat country vary. There is no doubt about the ability to produce the Kaffir corn, milo maize, millet and cotton. G. W. Tanner, a farmer near Sagerston, raised 4,900 "bushels" of milo maize in ten acres. The average price of millet a bushel has been from 2 1/2 cents to 5 cents. An average crop for milo maize and Kaffir corn is fifty bushels per acre.

Summers Are Hot
The seasons are very favorable to the farmer. The winters are mild and the summers not excessively hot. There have been dry years, and they have had the effect of dry years produced in other parts of Texas. A farmer who has lived in Stonewall county sixteen years (and who does not have any land for sale) says that in that time the nearest his crop came to a failure was in 1892. He managed to get seven tons of cotton from forty-five acres. For the sixteen years he estimates the average yield of cotton at one-third bale per acre. Wheat has run as high as forty bushels per acre, but more often 15 to 25. Oats have not done especially well, although the grain weighed out heavier than it measured.

The majority of those who have had time to build clusters use rain water, or else that from surface tanks. But while water for domestic purposes, the settlers admit, is at a premium. Water for irrigation is not so plentiful. To produce crops is never lacking. Therefore they are staying and likewise prospering. It may be stated that no attempt has been made to irrigate this far west, and whether or not a good flow of water free from minerals could be obtained at a depth of 200 feet or more is still unknown. The country is rich in finking in settlements from Eastern and Young men, and experiments in artesian well drilling.

So much, then, for the railroad and the country it passes through. Here is what the Orient is doing for it: In household goods, implements and lumber as rapidly as equipment can supply the demand; hauling out cotton for shipment to all markets reached by roads running from Fort Worth; advertising the region, its literature being sent all through the north and middle west; offering special inducements to homesteaders in the way of rates and helping them find the kind of land suited to their needs; opening town sites all along the way and settling them; and settlement work the Orient is now doing along its sixty miles of track the same kind of development the Fort Worth and Denver city, the Frisco and other roads leading from Fort Worth are doing in other sections of the state.

Only last week the Orient opened a "land and immigration" office in Fort Worth and established an agent there whose duty it is to look after homesteaders coming into the Panther City and directing their attention to this section of the state.

Towns Opened by Barbecue
There are four growing towns already reached by the Orient. Sylvester in Fisher county, is twenty-one miles from Sweetwater. It was opened by a big barbecue July 4, 1905. Sylvester has a new two-room depot, a cotton gin in course of erection, a store, lumber yard, hotel and several dwelling houses. Arrangements for a water supply are being made by a dam, which will stop the flow of Plum creek on the south side of the town site and form a lake three miles long. Sylvester is eight miles east of Roby, the county seat, and although good roads between the two points are still lacking, it is expected they soon will be completed and a good traffic between the two established.

McCauley, also in Fisher county, was opened in August, 1905. It is growing in every direction. There are probably three hundred to four hundred residents in height. At McCauley there is a gin which takes care, as has been stated, of fifty bales a day. The cotton crop in the vicinity this year was large. There is a lumber yard, several stores, a restaurant, a postoffice and a public school. The postoffice at the present time is the mail limit north of Sweetwater on the Orient. It is expected mail service will soon be extended to Sagerston. Railroad engineers are planning a large lake to furnish McCauley's water supply. Between McCauley and Hamilton there is a long stretch of black land, such as would please a Central Texas farmer. Much of it is in cultivation and the harvested crops make a good showing.

Hamilton is in Jones county. It has a lake which supplies the railroad with water. It has a cotton gin, a few stores, and several dwellings. Hamilton is on the Orient.

Sagerston, in Haskell county, is the present northern terminus of the Orient. It is a town of only last week, yet there is a hotel, three lumber yards, several homes, and stores. Sagerston was named for W. M. Sager, a well known Stonewall county ranchman who still owns a large tract running up to the edge of the townsite. On his farms this year Mr. Sager raised good crops of Indian corn, some of which averaged nearly 35 bushels per acre. Sagerston is on the main

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Foundation of the City

Big Springs was founded in the early eighties, when the Texas and Pacific railroad pushed westward from Fort Worth and selected it as a division headquarters.

Ground Covered With Dead Buffalo

The buffalo knew of the water as well as the hunters. John Birdwell, now of Big Springs, who came to this country in an early day, says he has seen the bottom of the canyon covered with carcasses of bison after a stampede for water, after the surface lakes on the plains had been dried up.

Famous Feeding Ground

At one time the Big Springs country was probably the most famous feeding ground for buffalo in Texas. In 1877, the last year killing buffalo was profitable in west Texas, John Birdwell shot in the neighborhood of 3,000 for a Fort Worth hide dealer.

Early west Texas stockmen used Big Springs as a watering place after the buffalo hunters finished their work...

Principal Industries

The Texas and Pacific shops still furnish the principal industries. From 150 to 200 men are employed in the shops and roundhouse. The other industries of the town include a cotton gin, a concrete block factory and two new ice houses, which are to be built this year.

Pleasant Location

The town expects soon to have a stadium, which will supply one of the community's present needs. There are two harness and saddle manufacturers and two weekly newspapers.

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AN OUTLET MUST BE MADE.

There is no subject that so vitally affects the interests of the farmers and stockmen of the West as the question of how they can enlarge the foreign market for their beef and pork, according to Hon. W. A. Harris in an address before the annual meeting of the Iowa State Farmers' Institute. The salient points in his address are as follows: We must get in shape to increase the foreign market for our agricultural products on our live stock industry will be ruined. We must act without delay. At the present time a satisfactory deal can be made with Germany, but it must be a "give-and-take" deal; if we expect her to take more of our meats we must take more stuff from her.

During the past months there has been a flood of cattle going to the markets—so many that the packers did not know what to do with them. The Chicago market can absorb 60,000 head per week at profitable prices. The demand for meat products is sufficient to take care of this number, but when the supply exceeds 90,000 head there is a lack of demand for the surplus. There is no trouble with the demand for mutton, as the high prices which have prevailed show very clearly. The improvement of our sheep and the advance of knowledge in how to prepare mutton for the table, together with the scarcity of sheep, have brought about this very satisfactory market, but there is an oversupply, and has been for some little time, of beef and pork. The markets are glutted. On the other side of the water the very reverse is true. The world has been for some years in a period of war and prosperity is general all over the world. The armies in the field have made work for the people at home, and the demand for all kinds of meat products, combined with war, has brought a flood of gold which has operated to cheapen money and raise prices. The result has been general prosperity. Now, however, we are face to face with peace conditions; in the old country there has been no considerable increase in live stock, either in Great Britain or on the continent; in many countries a decrease. Population has increased rapidly, but meat producing animals have not increased in anything like equal proportions.

Prosperity has improved the consumption of meats. In all the old countries there has been a great increase in prices. On the continent meats average almost twice as high in price as in the United States, and in England almost 50 per cent higher. In Great Britain the consumption of meat is doubled and in the continent increased consumption has been greatly restricted by high prices. We have therefore in this country a great increase both in quantity and quality and in foreign countries a decrease. The job for the American stockman now is to find in the foreign countries a profitable market for our surplus. The trouble with this is our present tariff system. We have been selling Germany about \$2,000,000 worth of stuff per year and have been buying from her only \$1,000,000 worth. There is the root of the whole trouble. Commerce is mutual. We cannot expect to sell to foreign countries unless we buy from them. If we set up our tariff schedule to a point which shuts out foreign products we must expect reprisals. It was the intention of the present tariff to provide for reciprocal deals with foreign countries.

Under President McKinley's administration John A. Kasson negotiated a number of reciprocal treaties, all of which were killed by the senate. He negotiated a treaty with France which would have given us a market for immense numbers of our inferior cattle. One importer alone had made arrangements to ship 1,000 head of bulls and stags to France each week if the treaty had been successful it would have been worth \$10,000,000 every year to the agricultural interests of the country. It was killed by eastern senators, because it affected the small knit goods and brass jewelry factories of the East. It is no longer true that foreign countries are compelled to buy of us. We are meeting competition of the fiercest kind. The Argentine is developing rapidly. It is a great country, rich and fertile, the best cattle country in the world. They now have packing houses and refrigeration plants here and they are cutting into our foreign trade because they take foreign goods themselves and are consequently giving preference to a good deal of capital has been made out of the increase of our foreign business during the past year. If this increase is analyzed it will be found that it is caused entirely by the increased demand from the orient.

Apparently our foreign trade has increased \$57,000,000. The gain in Asiatic trade alone is \$67,000,000. We have lost in Great Britain and continental Europe. We cannot expect this Asiatic trade to continue so strongly unless the war has been settled between Japan and Russia.

Dallas is making big preparations for the meeting of the cattlemen in March, and promises to give them the

time of their lives. If Dallas imagines the cattlemen hold these annual meetings for the mere purpose of having a good time she is going to be disappointed. The Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas is a strictly business institution.

NATIONAL MEETING AT DENVER

The time is drawing near for the big meeting of stockmen at Denver, that is to result in the amalgamation of the two existing organizations. The indications are that Texas will be fairly well represented at this meeting, as there is a very general desire that the amalgamating process shall be conducted along proper lines. Following is the official call for the big convention:

To All Stock Growers' Associations and Stockmen: The annual meeting of the National Live Stock Association will be held in Denver Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1.

Matters of the utmost importance to all of you demand a representation from your state or local associations at this meeting. Among the reasons for your presence here will be the consolidation of the National Live Stock Association and the American Stock Growers' Association into one great live stock organization representing the entire live stock producing interests of the entire country; this organization will be effected upon the following basis which was adopted by a conference committee of the associations held in Denver, Colo., Oct. 20 and 21:

First. The membership to consist of live stock producing and maturing interests of the country.

Second. The constitution and by-laws of the American Stock Growers' Association, modified so as to admit to membership associations of live stock producers, as well as individuals, to be made the basis.

Third. One strong central committee, appointed by the association thus formed, to carry on the business of the association.

Fourth. The association to co-operate with all allied interests through such sub-committees as may be appointed by the executive committee whenever the interests of said association and such allied interests are mutual.

Fifth. The objects of the organization thus formed will be to represent the live stock interests in all matters of general and public importance, and to conserve the interests, protect the rights, and to redress the wrongs of each and all of its members.

(Signed) F. J. HAGENBARTH, President National Live Stock Association.

MURDO MACKENZIE, President American Stock Growers' Association.

The central committee of your association has put forth strenuous efforts in behalf of the reciprocity movement to open up the markets of the foreign countries that are gradually closing down upon us, and at present it looks as though temporary arrangements will be made with Germany, to be followed by a more permanent basis satisfactory to the interests of both nations. The extension of the twenty-eight hour law; the increased appropriation for agricultural and experimental stations and the inspection of meats, must demand the attention of every stockman.

The land question in which you are all interested—grazing upon the forest reserves or upon the public domain outside of the reserves—is a question that will demand a great deal of attention at our meeting. Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture and Mr. Pinchot, chief forester of the agricultural department, expect to be here and outline the government's policy both as to the forest reserves and the public domain and expect to be largely guided by the expressions of the stockmen at this national meeting—the same to be the consensus of the public opinion among the stockmen. This one question alone should be of sufficient interest to bring 5,000 stockmen to Denver.

Commencing Monday, Jan. 29, the Western Live Stock Show is to be held here at the Union stock yards, and at the present time has every indication of being a splendid success. This is a western affair and one which is intended to show the improvement which has been made in the stock industry from the range standpoint and one which will be of educational advantage to every stockman present. Two thousand dollars in prizes has been hung up by the stock show and this has been duplicated by special prizes from individual stockmen and pure-bred record associations—so those who exhibit will be well repaid for the efforts they may put forth.

The citizens of Denver are putting forth every effort to entertain you while here and you should not miss this opportunity for coming into contact with your fellow stockmen from all over the country. There should be no necessity for urging your attendance for this is to your own individual interest. Please let me know at once what representation we may anticipate from you, their names and addresses, and when you arrive in Denver please report as soon as possible at headquarters, 211 Quincy building.

J. H. GWINN, Secretary.

Much of the range country of Texas is now suffering from rotting grass as a result of excessive moisture that has fallen this winter, but all kinds of live stock are reported in fine condition and going through the winter in fine shape.

ONLY ONE ORGANIZATION

The necessity for a strong national organization of stockmen was never so apparent as at the present time. Very much depends in the future upon the result of the meetings to be held here the last of this month. While the American Stock Growers' Association and the National Live Stock Association have agreed to get together into one body at the coming meeting, the consolidation must be perfected in such a way as to bring to the new organization the enthusiastic support of all stockmen in the country. The new organization must in fact represent the national stock grower. In the unfortunate difference of opinion that resulted in a split a year ago, there may have been some sore spots left on both sides. The time has come to forget all of those matters which resulted in friction and get together as one family. It is no longer a question as to who was right or who was wrong. The great mass of stockmen knew very little about the causes of the rupture and cared less. As long as it continued, the bulk of the stockmen would not affiliate with either branch of the organization.

Live stock organization has already accomplished a great deal, but much more can be accomplished by united action. At the present time the industry is looking for results and with a united, enthusiastic organization to lead, the stock growers will fall in as a unit and make a working body with weight and power enough to accomplish almost anything. The agreement adopted by the two organizations in October which is to be carried out at this meeting, is to form a united organization of live stock producing and maturing interests, based upon the present constitution of the American Stock Growers' Association, with a membership both individual and association. There is to be one strong central committee as a working body with sub-committees through which the co-operation of the allied interests may be secured where work is to be accomplished along mutual lines.

This is simple and should take up but a small part of the time of the convention, leaving time enough to discuss the many important propositions that will form the basis of future action—Denver Record-Stockman. It was the necessity existing for a strong national live stock organization that brought about the birth of the American. The old National organization had outlived its usefulness and degenerated into something that was extremely distasteful to that branch of the great live stock industry represented by the cattlemen of the southwest. Realizing that a change was imperative, these met and organized the American, which has done good work and answered the purpose of its organizers since the days it was first called into existence.

But too many live stock associations are equally as bad as no live stock associations at all, and with two organizations of the kind in existence it was but

natural that one should be continually getting in the way of the other. A little experience of this kind has been sufficient to bring about more of a spirit of toleration in the minds of all the stockmen, and a successful effort was made to amalgamate the two organizations. This has been done by the officers, and it now only remains for the members to meet and ratify the action taken, and peace and harmony will be restored.

As Texas led in the organizing of the American, it would be well for Texas to be well represented at the meeting which convenes in Denver Jan. 31, to see that the amalgamating process is carried out in the proper manner. This suggestion is not made to disparage the efforts already made along these lines, for no fault can be found with what has already been accomplished. But it will be a good idea to keep an eye on the indicator and see that only the proper thing is done in the union of the two rival associations. It is to be hoped that there will be a thoroughly representative body of Texas cattlemen in attendance upon this meeting.

TEXAS STEER FEEDING TEST

The Stockman-Journal is pleased to see the interest that is being manifested in the feeding proposition in Texas, even though feeding operations this season are only about 20 per cent of those of previous seasons. This interest, however, indicates that the Texas producers are looking at the situation with determination to ultimately master the feeding proposition and the time will come sooner or later when the great bulk of the cattle produced in Texas will be fed and finished for market right where they are produced. One of our readers asks us to furnish the conclusions reached by Texas experiment station, people, in some steer-feeding tests recently made at the Agricultural and Mechanical college. These conclusions are especially valuable to Texas feeders, and are as follows:

- 1. Rice bran added to a ration of cotton seed meal and hulls in two of three trials gave an increased rate of gain at a lower cost.
2. Rice polish added to a ration of cotton seed meal and hulls slightly increased the rate of gain at the same cost.
3. Rice hulls were not satisfactory as a substitute for cotton seed hulls, as the steers did not relish them.
4. Rice hulls fed with cotton seed meal, rice bran and molasses were unsatisfactory, as the steers could not be induced to eat a fair ration.

5. Sorghum hay in a ration of cotton seed meal and rice hulls gave about equal results to cotton seed hulls, as 1 in the former results equal to 1.02 pounds of cotton seed hulls. The daily rate of gain per head was slightly in favor of the hulls, being 2.98 pounds as against 2.35 pounds in the instance of the sorghum.

6. Cowpea hay was not found as satisfactory as cotton seed hulls in a ration of rice bran and cotton seed meal, as the daily rate of gain per head was 2.38 pounds in the instance of the lot receiving hulls and 2.3 pounds in the trial with cowpea hay. A pound of cowpea hay was equaled by .94 of a pound of hulls.

7. Feeding a very unsatisfactory feed with rice bran and cotton seed meal, owing to the fact that it was a very nutritive food, being too similar to cotton seed meal in composition to mix well with it.

8. Alfalfa hay was a very unsatisfactory addition to rice bran and cotton seed meal ration, for the reason that it was also rich in these constituents which are abundant in cotton seed meal, making the ration too nitrogenous.

Cotton seed meal and hulls make the most generally used ration in the cotton belt, while corn and alfalfa hay are most highly thought of as a ration in the corn belt. A comparison of these rations becomes interesting from these facts.

The steers receiving the ration of cotton seed meals and hulls ate daily per head 5.7 pounds of cotton seed meal and 2.4 pounds of hulls and gained 2.21 pounds. With the cotton seed meal at \$20 per ton and the hulls at \$4 per ton the cost of one pound of gain was 40c. The steers receiving the alfalfa and corn cob meal ate daily per head 11 pounds of corn and cob meal and 18 pounds of alfalfa, and gained 2.23 pounds. With the corn and cob meal at 40c per bushel and the alfalfa at \$5 per ton, the cost of one pound of gain was 41c. It will be seen from this that the cost of fattening steers under the very best circumstances for securing the most economical rations is very similar.

10. Molasses added to a ration consisting of cotton seed meal and hulls resulted in a greater and cheaper gain from those receiving it, as they gained 3.11 pounds per head daily, while those not receiving it gained 2.59 pounds.

Yearling steers in comparison with two-year-old steers on rations of cotton seed meal and hulls made about the same gain at a little cheaper cost. The two-year-old steers gained 2.59 pounds per head daily and the yearlings 2.21 pounds.

12. In feeding steers on pasture it was found that a corn and cotton seed meal ration gave better returns than corn alone. The substitution of 3,247 pounds of cotton seed meal for 3,438 pounds of corn gave an increased gain of \$31 pounds on the total of nineteen head.

HAS THE RIGHT RING

The Telegram is pleased to see so able and fair a newspaper as the Dallas News fall in line with the suggestion made in this paper to the effect that Judge Brooks and Commissioner Colquitt should resign the important offices they now hold since they have become candidates for governor. The News claims that the precedent established by other eminent Texans in that direction does not apply to the gentlemen in question, from the fact that there is absolutely no parallel in Texas politics for the position they now occupy. No man has ever been made governor of Texas from the positions they now occupy, and the News would keep the judicial ermine and the railroad commission out of the mire of state politics. In a well written editorial on the subject, the News says:

That is not all. The offices held by Messrs. Brooks and Colquitt are elective. The governor has authority to fill them by appointment when a vacancy occurs, and then only fill the next regular election, when the people shall be given an opportunity to select the men they want. Either Judge Brooks or Commissioner Colquitt should be elected governor. It cannot be said that a vacancy has "occurred" in the office of judge or of railroad commissioner. "Produced" would be a better word. The people would be deprived of their right to fill the office for two years. There attaches to the office of governor authority to appoint certain officials; but these officers are appointive by statute, and are not to be classed with the two under consideration.

The situation is that Judge Brooks expects to be elected governor and to create and fill a vacancy in the court of criminal appeals. Commissioner Colquitt expects to be elected governor, and to create and fill a vacancy in the railroad commission. Having designs to create a vacancy which the people have a right to fill, they ought to resign now and give the people an opportunity to exercise that right.

If they are not willing to do that, if they are unwilling so soon to separate themselves from their present offices, they should by all means announce the names of the men whom they expect to appoint in their stead. Then the people could pass upon these names as well as upon the platforms of the respective candidates. Judge Brooks and Mr. Colquitt, when previously candidates, declared that it was quite important who should be selected as judges of the court of criminal appeals and as railroad commissioner. Hence partly the desire now for informality as to what they have upon their sleeves in that line. The plans of these gentlemen seem to be somewhat similar to that of Chinese cooks who appoint their successors. It is, however, dissimilar in one particular—the Chinese cook invariably announces the name of his successor in advance.

Of course the very narrow view of one of the eager partisans of Judge Brooks and of Commissioner Colquitt, that anyone who believes it wise and proper for them to resign their present offices while standing as candidates for governor is necessarily their opponent, cannot be shared by these gentlemen themselves. They both understand that often a faithful friend is the very

WHILE THEY WORKED



MORGAN—"Deacon Belmont, did you hear about those awful bond forgers in Ohio?" BELMONT—"Yes, Brother Morgan. It pains me to see crime rampant in this godly world." GATES—"And the worst of it is, they caught 'em in the act."

person who advises one to do something which one does not desire to do. The points brought out by the News are well worth the serious consideration of the intelligent voters of Texas. Judge Brooks and Commissioner Colquitt both occupy important positions which they are trying to utilize as a stepping stone to something better. If either should be elected he would be afforded the right to name his successor, and while the election of either is quite improbable, it has developed a state of affairs that should be promptly remedied, whether the resignations asked for are forthcoming or not.

The next legislature should by constitutional amendment provide against the creation of another such emergency. Make men who occupy judicial positions and members of the railroad commission ineligible for election to any other office until they shall have served out their respective terms and a decent interval has elapsed. Keep the higher judiciary and the railroad commission out of politics, and compel those who are exalted to those official positions to not only serve out their terms, but to devote their time exclusively to the duties of their position. When this is done we will have clearer political skies in Texas.

Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college seems to be one of the state institutions that deserves honorable mention and is doing a really good work for the state, as seen in what it has accomplished and put before the state, and also what it promises to accomplish in the future. It is a real training school for the young men who are to engage in agricultural and mechanical life, and commends itself to the confidence of these classes by its results. Its courses are now so adjusted that short terms can be taken by farmers and stockmen.—San Antonio Light.

The Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college is one educational institution in the state that is delivering the goods. It deserves hearty recognition at the hands of all our people and the encouragement it so richly deserves.

SOME TRUTHFUL TEXAS TALES

SOUTH ESOPUS, Texas, Jan. 20.—J. Zedekiel Anderson, a farmer living four miles south of here, thinks he has solved successfully the problem of raising cotton profitably during a wet season. For the past three or four years it has rained so much in the vicinity of South Esopus that the staple was greatly damaged in quality to the loss of the farmer. Early last spring Farmer Anderson made a number of cuttings from his wife's largest rubber plant and transplanted them at regular intervals throughout his cotton field. The result exceeded even his most sanguine expectations and by July he had a flourishing crop of tarapulus as could be desired. Later, when the cotton bolls began to open, Anderson used the tarapulus to cover the plants in threatening weather and thus protected them from the moisture. He says the rubber plant idea is a winner and that he is going to try it again next season.

CANYON, Texas, Jan. 20.—William Moonstone, local telegraph operator for the Plainview and Fredericksburg railroad at this place, has one of the most novel pets in the history of animal domestication. Late last summer, while the section hands were unloading ties, he dropped one of the timbers on the tail of a large rattlesnake. The reptile was fastened so that it could not move its tail and the section hands, not hearing the rattle, left the place without knowing it had been caught. Next day Moonstone, while passing the place, noticed the snake, and, being naturally kind-hearted, lifted the tie and released the rattle. The snake was so grateful it remained around the depot and finally Moonstone, having plenty of idle time on his hands, made a pet of it. It became so tame it would eat heated bread out of Moonstone's hands and afterward coil up on the table beside his telegraph instruments and go to sleep. By much patience and considerable ingenuity Moonstone succeeded in teaching the snake to rattle its tail so that it could spell out the letters of the Morse telegraphic code. It took him twelve weeks to teach the snake the alphabet, but after that the rattle's progress was rapid and it easily learned to spell out words. On dull days now the snake and Moonstone hold long conversations, although Moonstone admits the snake has never added any words to its vocabulary which he did not first teach it.

The annual report of the chief of the bureau of animal industry of the department of agriculture shows that more than 53,000,000 sheep were inspected and nearly 17,000,000 dipped in 1905. The inspectors of cattle were 14,835,267 and the dipping \$63,334. The bureau's inspectors at the different abattoirs and other places throughout the country. It is stated, inspect practically all the meat that enters into the interstate and foreign commerce of the country.—San Antonio Stockman.

The bureau of animal industry is doing a great work for the live stock producers of the country and a work that is now quite generally appreciated. Secretary Wilson is in close touch with the great live stock industry and gives every branch of it the most careful and conscientious consideration.

Things Worth While
How oft we hear it said each day,
"Ther's naught on earth worth while";
And then we turn our head and see
On baby's face a smile;
We gaze into the azure skies,
Clear, and bright, and fair;
And see the stars, the sun and moon,
All shining for us there.

"Naught worth while on earth," you say?
Ah, mortal, you're unkind;
The world is full of blessings that,
If you'll but seek you'll find.
Kind friends are worth the while to know;
And love! O, blessed be,
The laws divine that make it so,
And bring this love to me!

"Nothing on this earth worth while?"
Oh, turn your head and look!
See yonder flowers growing wild!
Hear song of Nature's brook!
Lend your ear and catch the strains
Of music, sweet and rare,
That comes from out the chapel walls;
And know that God is there.

"Naught worth while?" Come stand alone
With me beside the bier,
And gaze into that kind, sweet face
Of her whose life was dear.
Read in the marble features there
The deeds her life-work wrought;
Then tell me, was it worth her while?
Was her struggle all for naught?

Ah, friend, there's much to you worth while;
For, for which to live,
There's much in making others smile—
Much in life to give.
And were there nothing else to make
My grateful heart respond,
This thing alone is quite enough—
The hope of life beyond.
—Denver News.

"NOT FOR TODAY"

"Not for today or tomorrow, but for all time."—William Rainey Harper.
Men's lives are such scant things, forsooth;
A blown breath in eternity—
A backward glance from age to youth,
And then the eyes no longer see.
But this man had the farther sight,
The inner vision, which looks on
'Until it cleaves the veil of night
And finds the silver of the dawn.

His life is done? Ah, no! The shell
That cuffed his soul shrinks to the dust,
And muffled chant and tolling bell
Tell of our grief—for grief we must;
But as we know each marching star
Or fades or sends its light to earth,
Yet holds its pathway, near or far,
So do we know his work and worth.

"Not for today"—not for the time
The dial binds in puny round—
But for the years to come, sublime,
His firmer purposes he found.
His dreams are waxing into deeds;
His hope, with endless striving filled,
To something higher, grander leads—
So does a great life build and build.

No bounding lines of birth and death
Can compass his life and its course,
For it heeds neither pulse nor breath,
But surges on with growing force.
And now, though his white hands were fold
In God's great peace across his breast,
Still do we know that now they hold
More than before they have possessed.—Chicago Tribune.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A saucy girl is apt to make a sassy wife.
The boy with a faultless father is entitled to a lot of sympathy.
Poor variety shows are responsible for a good many hard frosts.
A satisfactory sweetheart doesn't always make a satisfactory wife.
Many a man who attempts to stand on his dignity gets a hard fall.
After being swindled some men say nothing but proceed to get even.
A man isn't necessarily deaf because he is unable to hear the voice of conscience.
A man may be able to take care of himself, but he isn't apt to realize it until he acquires a wife.
Honest men may be scarce, but there are a number who have been investigated and vindicated.
Every man has a little scheme of his own for making the world better, but it is difficult to induce others to take stock in it.

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ECHOES OF THE RANGE

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IN TOM GREEN COUNTY

San Angelo Standard.
Max Myer & Co. report the sale on Tuesday of 2,500 wethers for Over-Street & Sellers of Val Verde county to A. W. Mills of Crockett county at \$2.25 per head.

B. A. Jackson of Schleicher county received two cars of fine Angora goats from Stephenville Monday. The goats were taken the same day to the Jackson ranch.

L. T. Herriman has sold his stock farm of 42 1/2 acres and 15 acres to M. S. Stout. The property is located three miles west of the city on the Sherwood road.

Willis Johnson has bought the lease of the old Half-Circle 6 ranch and 1,000 steers from John W. Smith at private terms. Mr. Johnson refused to divulge just how much he paid for either the lease or steers, but said that it was all the money he had. The steers are coming 2-year-olds. The land is located at the head of Dove Creek. The ranch contains about fifteen thousand acres and has fine grass on it.

George Richardson and Captain William Turner have returned from the Richardson and Turner ranches in Sterling and Tom Green counties. Mr. Richardson reports that conditions were never better at the ranches than now and that the outlook for the coming year is all that could be asked for. "Stock and especially sheep is in the finest of shape," said Mr. Richardson. "Everything points to a better year ahead of us than the one just passed."

IN IRION COUNTY

Sherwood Record.
Will Bentley is fencing his four sections.

The Texas wool clip was slightly under 10,000,000 pounds for 1905, against 10,363,153 pounds for 1904. Tuberculosis, according to scientific research, is increasing to an alarming extent among cattle and hogs.

Nothing doing in stock circles out this way just now. It will take the spring business to start things moving again.

Edward Judsperth and R. A. Williamson, while at the San Antonio fair, bought 20 head of registered Durham bulls from Frank Reed of Runnels county at \$70 a head.—Ozona Record.

Sam Chisom of Fort Dodge, Kan., and W. E. Bass of Carlsbad, N. M., were under way prospecting Tuesday. The former has bought a half interest in the Williams ranch near Sierra Blanca, but he wants a horse-ranch school where he can educate his children. Both were satisfied with what they found here and left for their homes, saying they would return in the spring to locate permanently. Captain N. B. Means, who is acquainted with both, says they are good men and will make excellent citizens.

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IN SCURRY COUNTY

Snyder Coming West.
Will Thompson of Pecos was in town Friday and made this office an appreciated visit. Mr. Thompson informed us that Pecos was growing right along, a new store having recently been established at that place. Mr. Thompson is a stock farmer. He is still gathering cotton and has just sold a bunch of steers that brought \$45 around, a neat sum.

J. Wright Moore was down from his ranch Monday. A reporter of the Coming West sought an interview, but Mr. Moore said newspapers were too personal and failed to give out anything except that conditions out on his ranch were fine. He has just begun to feed grain and would be kept pretty busy for the next seventy-five days looking after his cattle. Mr. Moore thinks with the present season we should have early grass.

IN HOWARD COUNTY

Big Springs Herald.
We learn that Cook Brothers recently sold their twelve-section ranch in Gates county, retaining their cattle, and have the use of the ranch until June 1.

Probably the largest ranch deal in Glasscock county in some time was made a few days ago, when W. and J. E. Weir sold their ranch, ten miles east of Garden City, consisting of twenty-five sections, four windmills, two ranch houses, etc., to Cole & Biglum of Big Springs, for about \$14,000, possession to be given May 1. The Messrs. Weir have gone to look for a ranch in the Glass Mountains, Brewster county, where they will move their cattle May 3, if they buy. They have many friends in this section who regret to see them leave, but congratulate the company where they move on securing such good citizens.

IN DONLEY COUNTY

Clarendon Banner-Stockman.
J. W. Kent and L. C. Beverly last

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warm trail Tuesday of some one who had slaughtered a beef some distance above town on the river a few days ago, but though a close search was made in the corral with no discovery. Also in a similar though entirely separate connection J. W. Bishop was arrested and placed under bond upon information to the effect that he had in a corral and claimed to own a calf that seemed mighty glad to suckle one of Bud Avants' cows when Bud turned the cow in the corral with it. Report also says that the cow seemed equally glad to see the calf.

IN DEAF SMITH COUNTY

Hereford Brand.
G. W. Robertson and R. N. Mounts are in Kansas City this week, each marketing two cars of fat steers which they have been feeding for some time, the feed used being the ordinary forage products of the Panhandle. The stuff was all well finished and every particular ready for the block, and will doubtless command a price which will amply repay both gentlemen for their trouble.

F. W. Wisely and C. W. Farwell of Chicago were in the city several days last week to open an office here for the settlement of the Syndicate lands. Mr. Wisely will act as general land commissioner for the syndicate and will have representative agents at each point along the large ranch. In conversation with Brand representative, Mr. Wisely said that they would place the lands at prices that would move them rapidly. This will throw about three million acres of fertile lands open for settlement, the best part of which is in the hands of the syndicate owners. Should the company succeed in selling their lands as they contemplate doing, it means that Hereford's volume of trade will be materially increased and Panzer county will be organized with Bovina the county seat.

IN REEVES COUNTY

Pecos Times.
Bud Avants, who was in charge of the range work in delivering the N. K. ranch and cattle to the purchaser, Mr. Linger, informed us a few days since that on date of which delivery was to be made Jan. 1, the count was 4,600. Mr. Linger also purchased the remnant, which will probably place the count beyond 5,000, though Bud is not our authority for the latter statement. Colonel Rusk, manager of the X ranches in Reeves county, was in just before leaving for the ranch and stated in the conversation that the ranch the Xs were preparing to plant fifty or more acres of land to feedstuffs, principally oats and sorghum, this year. There were some twenty-five or thirty acres already planted a year and the yield encourages them to a larger acreage this year. Colonel Linger thinks many others that with the present season in the ground there is no doubt that a good yield will be had.

IN HARDEMAN COUNTY

Quinn Tribune-Chief.
B. Poppe was in Fort Worth this week and bought a car of mules to take to Mississippi. However, he sold them while still in the pens, and gave up his trip consequently.

Senator Decker left Sunday for Fort Worth. Before leaving he reported they had sold one-third of the Wheeler county school land last Friday, at prices ranging from four to eight and a half dollars per acre. The school expected the balance of the land to be sold within a week.

W. B. Worsham's outfit, the R 2s and the OXs, at one time dominated Hardeman county, and were the ones who convinced that the country was theirs that several of the smaller cowmen, like J. H. Clemens, Aaron Norton and others had to organize a defensive organization, the Red Rose, and went to fighting the big outfits. Like the nest-egg of the small cowman had a hard time of it at first, but he is the one who by taking to stock farming, is usually possible for the farmer to stay.

IN LIANO COUNTY

The following stock have been shipped from Liano the past week: Taylor & Phillips, four cars hogs to Fort Worth.

Rouse & Co., three cars hogs to Fort Worth.

Shults & Moss, two cars hogs to Fort Worth.

Kothman, six cars hogs to Fort Worth.

Jim Wyckoff, eight cars hogs to Fort Worth.

J. D. Slaton, one car hogs to Fort Worth.

I. S. Phillips, two cars hogs to Fort Worth.

W. J. Rogers, one car cattle to Austin.

Mr. C. T. Moss bought last week from A. F. Moss, 400 yearlings steers. He will hold them for growth.

Charles Schreiner bought last week from Hohman Bros., over near Wilcox City, 200 yearlings steers at \$10.

IN WARD COUNTY

Barstow Journal.
A. B. Russell of Grandfalls, who was accused of appropriating to his own use a cow alleged to belong to W. W. Murray and who was given a preliminary hearing Monday before Squire Summers, was discharged, the prosecuting witness being unable to make out a case.

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IN HEMPHILL COUNTY

Canadian Record.
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IN HARTLEY COUNTY

Channing Courier.
J. M. Montgomery of Tacosas was here last Thursday. To see "Moh" reminds us of old days in this country, when he was an old ranger, and it was a long jump between ranches;

when the settler or homeseeker was so rare as to be called a tenderfoot; when the wolves, loafers and coyotes were most numerous and the antelope and deer at the ranch door; when the man who was good at farming was a crank, and cultivator plows were an unknown thing, while the beef steer was the unit of value, the plus ultra of the plains. That was long ago and we count time here—eight or ten years ago. What changes have been and are being wrought in the thoughts, desires and actions of farming men. By what process of mental calculator could a man of that day and time arrive at a true judgment of what his country would be today; and vice versa, by what manner of means can we judge of the wonders yet to be? Great is the future of the Panhandle, but no man yet knows its almost unlimited resources and its vast possibilities as an agricultural region.

ANGUS AFFAIRS ARE COMPLICATED

Revolt Among Breeders Who Want More Independence

The revolt in the Angus camp was not surprising. The only wonder is that it was so long in coming. Oligarchical control of the Scotch and of American institutions and sooner or later will be broken. The few who have practically dominated the Angus Association for years were warned of this danger. The servants of the proxy evil lies at the root of the trouble. In reality it was the only issue. For years the attendance of members on the annual meetings of this association has been dropping steadily so far as exerting influence on the conduct of affairs or the election of officers. A few men, generally if not always headed by the secretary, held their own enough to control. The servants of the association became its masters, and American citizens will not tolerate such poignancy. By the use of the same means so long employed to keep in power, the Scotch faction the opposition elected three new members of the board by what is said to be the largest vote ever cast for directors.

This is not the first revolt of this character, nor will it be the last. There is an innate antipathy in the American mind against minority control by means of proxies solicited and given without the consent of the holder. Absolutely at the pleasure of the holder. A number of breed associations have dealt a death blow to the proxy, especially in the hands of officers. The use of the proxy for the purpose of perpetuating officials in power has been the bane of our pedigreed register system, and the sooner it is wiped out entirely the better. The Angus Association, is merely an illustration and not the only one prominent at the present time. One of our swine pedigree registers has troubles of this character, and the powers of its secretary has not yet been broken. But the day will come when all officials of such associations will come to know and conduct themselves in a serviceable manner. The matter of the breeders whom they serve on salary.

It is said that an address will presently be issued to the members of the Angus Association proposing some changes in policy, including relief so far as possible from the control of annual meetings by solicited proxies. Such a condition cannot too soon be met. The Angus Association is an amendment to the by-laws unless the directors approve it. Despotism could scarcely go farther. This assumption of superior wisdom on the part of the directors is so repugnant to every sense of fairness and fitness that it is amazing that the members of this association have tolerated it. It seems likely that the directors will permit few men to keep firm grasp on the throat of the association. In its essence it is a curious harking act to the monarchial dogma that the people are not to be consulted in their own affairs, but that the few are entitled to rule the many. There will be grave disappointment if the right of the association to amend the by-laws is not given to the directors at its next meeting, and the conduct of affairs turned over to the members of the association.

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REAL DIFFERENCE IN SHORTHORNS

Interesting Explanation to Breeders of Scotch Variety

One of our Nebraska subscribers submits the same old question that has been answered in these columns many times in the past few years, as to the difference between the Scotch-topped Shorthorns and the pure Scotch Shorthorns.

The story is too long to enter into in detail, so we will try briefly that a Scotch-topped Shorthorn is one belonging to a family not derived from Scotch sources, but that has been crossed in recent years with bulls of Scotch-bred. The names of sires appearing first in any pedigree are spoken of as the "top" crosses; hence the use of the term "Scotch-topped" as indicating that recent use of bulls of that blood on cattle of other derivation.

The term "pure Scotch" is in one sense a misnomer. Strictly there is no such thing. The Shorthorn breed originated south of the river Tweed, so that every Scotch Shorthorn pedigree is at base English. Moreover many of the so-called "pure Scotch" pedigrees have crosses of English blood not many removes back. In common parlance, however, at the present time in this country the term "pure Scotch" is intended to indicate that the animal to which it is applied was either bred in Scotland, or if produced in America or elsewhere was derived from a sire and dam of the so-called "pure Scotch" breeding.

It will be seen from this that the term is by no means an accurate one. It is used chiefly in America to distinguish Scotch-bred cattle and their straight-bred descendants as distinguished from such Scotch cattle as have been out-crossed outside of Scotland with the blood of other Shorthorn strains. A Scotchman if living in Scotland can use any bull he pleases on his herd and his cattle remain pure Scotch, but the Scotchman in America who imports Scotch-bred cattle and who is not punished by those who are exempted by this "pure" nonsense.

For example, what would be called a pure Scotch Cruickshank pedigree, but which is in America a bull which is termed the Rose of Sharon strain. The progeny under present usage would not be entitled to be called pure Scotch. If this progeny were later and she and her descendants were in turn to be bred to so-called pure Scotch bulls they would still be entitled to rank under existing standards as pure Scotch-bred cattle, but the pedigree already mentioned remaining permanently in the pedigree of each descendant to the remotest generations.

Many of the so-called Scotch-topped catties are to all intents and purposes "all-Scotch." That is to say, an American-bred family carrying five or six crosses of Scotch blood at the top would analyze such an overwhelming percentage of Scotch blood that the other elements in the pedigree would virtually be eliminated. A Scotch-topped animal that would analyze 95 per cent Scotch blood is to all intents and purposes just as valuable as the so-called pure Scotch. When the percentage of other blood falls so low as to become a negligible quantity it is folly to take it into further consideration.

Nevertheless a little drop of other blood which no longer has the least practical influence as a breeding proposition is still a considerable factor in determining commercial values. It ought not to be sold, but it is so, and strange to say those who are chiefly responsible for this absurd situation are farmers and small breeders to whom an infinitesimal percentage of blood than the other Scotch, which they seek is not of the least importance. This folly is even carried so far as to influence the buying of men who are seeking bulls for use upon poor grass. It is almost universal, perhaps, that bull buyers who have the least practical experience but who have heard a lot about Scotch Shorthorns are the very ones who call for a sure Scotch animal and will take an inferior specimen to which the term "pure" can be applied at a higher price than they would have to pay for a far better individual animal of other descent.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Dr. T. M. Price of the Biochemic division of the bureau of animal industry has, after an experimentation of several months, discovered a formula for the emulsifying of crude Beaumont oil, which makes its use practicable for curing cattle mange and sheep scab as well as for the destruction of Texas fever cattle ticks.

That crude oil from the Beaumont field would destroy these ticks was determined more than a year ago, but while it was known to be an effective dip, the cost of the oil, when shipped long distances, and the injury which sometimes followed its use, were serious objections. Dr. Price's experiments were for the purpose of overcoming these objections. Concerning the result of these experiments Dr. Price says, in a report made recently to Dr. Melvin, chief of the bureau:

"As would be inferred, the reason for preparing an emulsion of Beaumont crude petroleum was to enable the bureau to determine whether or not it would prove to be as efficacious as the pure oil, for if an emulsion was found to be satisfactory the injurious effects which occasionally follow the use of the crude oil could probably be done away with, and in addition, the cost attending the use of Beaumont oil would be greatly reduced."

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PORT WORTH MARKET
Complete and Accurate Report of the Business Done in All Classes of Stock in This City

Weekly Review of Market
The supply of cattle on the Fort Worth market the past week has been only moderate...

Summed up the market, cow trading and lower steers has been a dragging one...

The steer supply opened for the week in a liberal fashion, some 25 carloads being on sale...

Feder steers have been in good supply, but packers have taken the major portion in lieu of the butcher stuff...

Cows were not on the market in sufficient volume during the week to supply the packer demand...

Bulls have sold more slowly than last week. Fat and heavy bulls are very steady...

Calves were in high favor for the early part of the week, but later lost strength...

Hogs
The record breaking run of hogs noted above was largely made up of light range and most hogs, under 170 pounds...

On well conditioned corn fed hogs, however, the market has been active and strong...

Most of the sheep on the market have come from local feed pens, and have sold lower...

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Calves 3,300
Hogs 3,800
Horses and mules 35

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LUZON, Texas, Jan. 23.—A prairie fire broke out near the line of Garza and Crosby counties and did considerable damage before it was put out.

Among our visitors yesterday, we were favored with a visit by Mark H. Young of Bastrop, Texas, who accompanied three loads of cattle, his accoutrements in the harbor of Campbell Bros. & Rosson.

Walter R. Bigham, who celebrates his invariable good luck in striking a good market for country from California buyers for both hogs and cattle from the Texas feed lots.

J. H. Stanford of Collin county, one of the first North Texas shippers to be numbered on our "roll call" was a representative shipper the past week with his cargo of hogs.

W. Wilson of Callahan county was represented on last Wednesday's market with a consignment of mixed cattle, "Butch," as he is familiarly known among his associates.

Among our St. Louis sales which Mr. Campbell made were three cars from T. Battle of Falls county last Friday. Twenty-one steers averaging 1,166 pounds at \$4.40.

P. B. Butler of Karnes county was a customer of our firm the past week, selling twenty-seven cars at \$2.10.

Mars & Murphy of Commerce, Texas, were represented on last Wednesday's market, their shipment consisting of mixed cattle.

We sold in Kansas City last week two cars of corn-fed Indian steers, weighing 1,114 pounds, at \$4.25.

Views on the Market

PORT WORTH STOCK YARDS.
Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 23.—Cattle—Receipts in all northern markets have been light this week and also in 10c to 20c higher on market.

Steers—Choice fat steers, 1,100 pounds and up, \$4.40 to \$4.50. Receipts in all northern markets have been light this week and also in 10c to 20c higher on market.

Hogs—Choice fat hogs, that is for Saturday, made a fair market. Receipts in all northern markets have been light this week and also in 10c to 20c higher on market.

Cattle—Choice fat calves, \$2.75 to \$3.00. Receipts in all northern markets have been light this week and also in 10c to 20c higher on market.

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MEAT FAMINE IN ALL GERMANY

Tariff on American Meats Makes Prices Prohibitive
Consul H. W. Harris of Mannheim, furnishes a report of a recent meeting of the chamber of commerce for the Pfalz, an important trade body.

As is known, during the past months the prices of meat have greatly increased until today for many families they are prohibitive.

Dellegates to Denver
John W. Kokernot is in receipt of notification from Secretary Lytle that he has been appointed a delegate to represent the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas at the joint meeting of the National Live Stock Association and the American Stock Growers' Association in Denver the latter part of the month.

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LOCAL LIVE STOCK

Talks with Stockmen Who Visit Fort Worth, the Great Live Stock Center and Market of the Southwest

PLOWED CORN ON RUSK STREET

W. K. Bell's First Job in Texas Was With Mr. Daggett

W. K. Bell, a son of "Bonnie Scotland," and one of the old time cowmen, who has lived in Palo Pinto county for thirty-four years, came to town yesterday to see his friends.

Reports Good Range

George W. Fort, a resident of Brown county, was at the stock yards yesterday, telling all about his section and the good things and people that were there.

Dallas County Feeder

J. W. Olliphant, Carrollton, Dallas county, was a visitor to the Fort Worth Live Stock Exchange and incidentally called to see his old-time friend Marlon Sansom, whom he had not seen for twenty-five years.

Injured the Range

Sterling P. Clark has just returned from Wichita Falls, and he says that the wet weather had hurt the range to some extent up that way.

Bosque County Range

A. W. Cooper of Clifton, Bosque county, was a visitor on the market Wednesday. Mr. Cooper was seen at the office of the Interstate Commission Company. He brought in a load of

Cancer Cured With Soothing Balm

Denison, Texas, R. F. D. 2, Oct. 25, 1905. Dear Doctors: I take great pleasure in giving you a letter of testimony. I am so glad that I can inform you that the place you treated over my eye is entirely well.

In tow one of my neighbors in the cow business, W. H. Green, Jr., so I will let him tell you the present and good condition of both range and cattle, and a few other good things he may think of.

West Texas Conditions

Sam C. Young, better known to his friends as plain "Sam," is in the city, but whether he came down with Dave Kauffman as a delegate to the Harness Makers' convention or not he would not say.

Range is Excellent

R. G. P. Killum of Valley Mills was rounded up in the office of the Evans-Bentley Commission Company, and being fresh from the range in Bosque county, was able to give the latest news.

Buying East Texas Steers

Z. T. Miller of the 101 ranch, located in Oklahoma, is still in the city. When seen today he said he was going into East Texas to buy steers, as he had seen several lots from that section of Texas sell on this market for \$11.

Feeding at Eastland

W. H. Green, Jr., an habitual attendant on the market, and who is a confirmed member of the stockman's guild, is again in the city, and as is usual with him, is looking for something good in the yearling line to take home to Eastland.

Cooke County Range

O. E. Clark of Gainesville and a nephew of Sterling P. Clark, the well known stockman of Tarrant county, came in Thursday. He has just recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia, but said he was ready to resume work.

South Texas Range

John Dyer, manager of the Evans-Montague Commission Company, returned Wednesday from the Val Verde county, west of San Antonio, going as far as Sabinal.

Fort Worth Conventions

By the middle of February Armour & Co. will have under construction in Fort Worth a cannery plant valued at \$500,000, which will commence operations within a few months.

Hill County Feeder

J. S. Newton, from Hubbard City, Hill county, was on the market Thursday. He is a feeder and believes in the cow business.

The Little Widow

A Mighty Good Sort of Neighbor to Have. "A little widow, a neighbor of mine, persuaded me to try Grape-Nuts when my stomach was so weak that it would not retain food of any other kind."

Eastland County Range

J. P. Martin, a citizen of Eastland county, who patronizes the post office at the county seat of the same name, came in Thursday morning with cattle.

FARMERS ATTENTION

To all who are contemplating entering into contracts with us for this year's lumber, please call at our office, foot of Monroe street, Fort Worth.

CATTLE UNHARMED BY SNOW STORM

Range Reports Show Little Damage Suffered. From reports of inspectors received to date by Captain John T. Lytle, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, it is learned that for the week ending Sunday, Jan. 21, everything has gone on nicely, with weather as good as could be desired.

Beville, Skidmore, Goid and Refugio Range good

Beville, Skidmore, Goid and Refugio Range good. Weather good. Five cars shipped. Ten cars shipped. Jno. E. Rigby, Inspector.

Chickasha, Ryan and Venden

Chickasha, Ryan and Venden. The past week has been very mild and pleasant. Weather good. Five cars shipped. J. W. Barkley, Inspector.

Landon, Estelline and Goodnight

Landon, Estelline and Goodnight. Weather has been exceptionally good the past week and cattle are looking better over the range. Five cars shipped. One from Donley county and one from Hall county. T. M. Pyle, Inspector.

Lawson and Winters, O. T.

Lawson and Winters, O. T. Weather good. Sunday 21st cold and cloudy. W. F. Smith, Inspector.

San Angelo-Cattle doing well

San Angelo-Cattle doing well. Weather warm and clear-looks like spring time. One car shipped. Lee Wilson, Inspector.

Victoria-Weather good

Victoria-Weather good. Range fairly good. Fourteen cars shipped. Chas. E. Martin, Inspector.

Pecos, Reeves and Ward counties

Pecos, Reeves and Ward counties. Weather warm and clear until Sunday, when weather turned cool, but clear. W. D. Swank, Inspector.

Ashtabula, Kessler and Englewood

Ashtabula, Kessler and Englewood. Weather fine. B. F. Harper, Inspector.

Fairfax, O. T., Ralston, Shawnee and Cushing

Fairfax, O. T., Ralston, Shawnee and Cushing. Fine weather. Five stock doing well. Three cattle thieves arrested. E. J. Noble, Inspector.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.

An outline of the attitude of the packers in their contention that they are immune from the criminal prosecution was explained to the jury before Judge J. Otis Humphrey by Attorney John S. Miller, chief counsel for the Armour people.

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One of the first things to be considered when depositing your money is the safety of the bank.

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COWBOY SADDLE BEING DISPLACED

Flat English Type Coming Into General Use. Inquiries among the saddle and harness dealers now in Fort Worth for their convention show that the little English saddle is rapidly displacing the big cowboy saddle of the southwest in the cities, though, of course, not meeting with sale in the plains country.

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