

SUG ROBERTS LOVES THE RANGE

Often Feels Tempted to Take Advantage Of High Prices And Sell Out, But When He Visits The Ranch The Temptation Disappears-Other Stock Notes.

Col. A. B. Robertson, more commonly designated by his fellow cattlemen as "Sug," is too well known in the cattle and financial world to need an extended introduction. Whenever cattle have been "king" in Texas and the West, he has been and is well known, and his genial manner and pleasant greeting always make him a welcome guest in any crowd of stockmen.

Our farmers are all prosperous and have money in the bank. The opening of this market in Fort Worth has been the making of the farmers for now he can put his surplus feedstuff into hands and cattle and ready sale, when for years nothing of a surplus could be sold for a profit in the state. I had a neighbor, or rather have one, who shipped a car of hogs to Dallas recently and got 6 3/4c for them. I bought some of the same hogs from him and paid him six cents for them and shipped them here and made good money on the transaction. The Texas and Pacific has a bum service sure, as far as stock transportation is concerned. I started last night at 9 o'clock and only reached here this morning at 9:30. The distance is something like sixty miles. I deal in stock and have farms and meadows. Forney is famous for its hay meadows and I have some of them. I do not have time from my other business to farm myself, but have it done on shares. Of course hay is out of the question at this time of the year, but it will be long before it will be in good condition to begin operations.

Cattle Wintered Well
J. D. Letcher is an old experienced farmer and stockman who now resides in Scary county and has for a post-office the settlement of Light. Around this point there is a large settlement of substantial farmers who come from the Llano country and other sections of middle and south Texas.

His Cotton Offered
J. C. Anderson is a Forney man, a farmer and a stockman. "I buy and sell stock," said Mr. Anderson, "and am a farmer also. My stock are of no particular class and I buy anything that looks as if it would sell at a profit. I had corn and cotton last year, but my cotton did not yield as I had hoped from the fact that it grew too much and the weeds, and the bolls on the bottom rotted from the excessive moisture. We also had the boll weevil this year in addition to last year and they are certainly the worst of the cotton convention and the fat stock show."

Okla Stock Farming
G. F. Gossett is a young stockman and farmer who has his place of abode in Logan county, O. T., at Piedmont. "I farm, raise stock, feed and buy and sell stock. I am the president of the Eastern Elevator Company at Piedmont. Have had plenty of rain and plowing is going on and people are now ready to sow oats. We have truly fine conditions. There is not much feeding going on now and there are not many cattle in the country. Stock farming is now the main source of all prosperity in our section and it will increase in consequence of the high price of cotton was good and there was a world of it. There will be a larger acreage of it this year. Wheat is first-class and oats, too. The hogs this winter from the great trouble has been and is the facilities for transporting our stuff to market. The roads don't seem to be able and don't care after their stuff is loaded they do not hurry on the roads. Two or three men asked a negro porter if that was the Rock Island system, and he replied, 'No, boss; this ain't no system for carrying hogs. This ain't no system for carrying hogs. There ain't no system about it.' The drummers at a station where a train came in on card time around and raised a purse for the engineer. When it was presented to him, he remarked, 'You are off, gentlemen, this train is the day before yesterday's train, and we are twenty-four hours behind time.' I started with a load of hogs for this market and lost five dollars on the road. Two of these were killed at the yards and carelessness of the men who unloaded them. I got \$1.75 per hundred for the live hogs, and 50 cents for the dead ones, and as the weight was 1,450 pounds, it was quite a loss. If proper attention was given at the yards to the hogs this loss would not have happened."

By ranch interests are mostly up in Lubbock, Lynn, Crosby and Garza counties, also I have a ranch under lease in the northwest corner of Mitchell which extends over into Borss county, upon which there are about 1,500 or 2,000 head of cattle. My son, Guy, attends to this business. The ranch in the counties named above contain somewhat of the best of the land and is fully stocked with cattle. The range has been poor this winter and the cattle are thin and some are dying. The grass down below the plains country in what is called the Prairie Dog country is not good. It was plenty thick on the ground, so thick in fact that the grass was not to be seen, but it did not grow because it was milled and rotted. The cattle will not eat such grass, and in consequence, they have lost weight. The grass above is what is known as gramma grass, and it is very good and the cattle have kept up very well. I will ship a lot of hogs to Kansas, this spring on a pasture. This relieves the range down on the ranch and gives it a chance to recover and will be in better condition this summer and fall. Again, the stock on the Kansas range, when they get fat will be nearer the market.

Bad Railway Service
C. C. Rider, a stockman of Forney, who was on the ground when we were here, "It is getting very dry with hogs, but nothing has been hurt as yet. Farming is going on well. No wheat to amount to anything planted in our section. Fall oats are all right. Hogs are getting scarce, but this is due to the time of year. The marketable hogs have pretty well all sold and the coming crop is not of size to sell yet. In two or three months, probably, they will begin to show up on the market."

Wise County Dry
A. A. Ross of Wise county, a leader in all farmers' movements and now a member of both the Farmers' Cotton Growers Union and the Educational Union, was among the arrivals in the city. "Wise county is not quite in such good condition as we would wish, and this is due to the fact that it is so dry that the planting of a crop is a matter of great uncertainty, and this puts us farmers at a disadvantage just now that planting time is coming on. However, conditions are not so serious as they might be worse. Stock of all kinds is in fair shape and as farmers have plenty of feedstuff there will be safety among cattle even if it gets dry. There is not much that is nothing much that can be related as to farm and stock proceedings. Wheat has been ruined mostly by the green bugs and people are doing well. It is 1,900 feet long and thirty-five feet deep, and is three solid rock. It will cost less than \$50,000 to get this work done."

Small Grain Needs Rain
J. J. Putnam is one of Tarrant county's best young stock farmers and is always up to date. "It is dry now and we are needing rain. Everybody is plowing or just thru their early plowing. Grass is showing up green. Cattle are doing well and horses and mule stock are in good condition. Green bugs are upon us and are giving us a bad turn in our wheat, but do not think that they will be as bad as we have had them in previous years. They are still working and will do serious damage unless rain comes. We have had no rain in three weeks. Oats are in as bad shape as wheat, that is, early or fall oats. We are pasturing heavily with all the stock we can get on the wheat and hope that this may give a remedy and check the depredations of the bug until a good rain comes. Good rains and then sunshine would do good now. We killed our meat last week, fifteen or twenty head—put them in pickle, as the weather made us doubtful if the meat could be saved."

The Merkel Country
T. J. Coggins, the well known stockman from Merkel, came in and hunted up his friends in the Live Stock Exchange. "No, I am not down here with any stock," said he, "that is the reason that you did not know me at office. I ain't got no cowboys rigs, as you can see. Everything is all right out our way. Cattle are doing fine and other stock in proportion to what is doing just as well. Lands are still in demand and no slackening of prices. Cotton is all the talk now and you will wonder at this, when you learn that to date our little herd has received and weighed 22,000 bales of cotton, not shipped in but hauled from the farms in wagons by actual farmers. Our country is great with a good class of improvements."

Talk With The Texas Stock Farmers
The Goldthwaite Country
J. H. Bennett came in from Goldthwaite with some mixed stuff consisting of cows and hogs. "I am engaged," he said, "in the stock and farming business. It is getting dry and need rain, but I am not suffering materially as yet. Oats and wheat are needing rain now. Plowing is going on and there is a crop of feed and also lots of cotton. The average of cotton in our section to the acre is about three-quarters of a bale. There is a good deal of cotton picked and I know of one field that has not had a lock picked in six acres. The receipts in our little town has reached 2,500 bales this year, which is a pretty good showing for a country recently turned to agriculture. There were 1,600 bales sold in bulk at San Saba from the Farmers' Union warehouse last week. They have held it for 11 cents and I suppose they got it, as they turned loose on the recent rise. I suppose such lot of cotton sold in bulk will net the farmer 10 cents more than if it had been sold in dribbles, which shows the wisdom of the farmers in holding. The alarm expressed by the friends of the exchange that bucket shops relative to the farmers being hurt if such a law was passed is now before the legislature abolishing these bucket shops is all floury. When cotton was down to 5c a few years ago these same institutions had full swing, and the farmers had nothing to do with fixing the price on their product but just had to take what these gentlemen said it was. There was no advantage in having exchanges and bucketshops because on hand to give the poor farmer any idea of what the price was except to the speculators. The farmer is now in a position to demand something more like what he should get than bucket shops. It has not become so thru any help from these exchanges and bucketshops by any means. As to the future, there is no reason to believe that the manufacturer and the producer of cotton should not deal directly with each other without the aid of these speculative middle men, and I am so anxious now about the dear farmer.

Still Picking Cotton
John W. Baker, president of the Farmers' Cotton Growers Union, was in the city in connection with the organization. "Matters out our way are in a very good condition just now," said he, "and cotton is being picked and having no fears for the next year, and I believe in the old saying that 'a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.' It is getting a little dry but nothing to hurt the crop. We are still picking and otherwise getting ready for the coming crop season. Our people are all in very good financial shape and have no fears for the future, if they can accomplish what they have started out to accomplish, namely, the organization of the actual farmers into a compact business order, which will stand for better prices for their products, especially that of the great southern cash crop, cotton. Yes, matters here are going along smoothly and with sufficient promptness since the Colorado meeting to indicate that success can be predicted. The delay that has been caused has been on account of the fact that it was necessary to get the recquisites of constitutions and rituals for the work. The work here at this meeting is all executive and there is no reason to believe that for some months you will have to get from the secretary, who alone is authorized to speak for the meeting. I am going to Brownsville to see that they get organized and a union. Grass out with us is pretty good, considering the season. People are still coming in and setting up the lands that can be had."

Panhandle Stock Farming
C. I. Harris lives near Dumas, way up in the north end of the Panhandle, and is in one county between Beaver county, O. T., and Moore, the county he lives in, and only one between his county and New Mexico. He has a ranch in Panhandle, Denton county, and has been in the stock farming business all my life," said he, "but I am sure that where I am now is a much better place for me to make money at than business. I have 400 acres of good land and I raise Kaffir and milo maize along with it. I do not plant sorghum, although many do, and it does well. We are people here for cotton, and I am rather glad of it, for it compels farmers to give their time and attention to other things that will make more money and with less constant labor. I find that Kaffir and milo maize will make good grow and will produce just as good, if not better, results than corn or any other feed. I have fed hogs all my life and know something about the business, and I can safely say that Kaffir and milo maize are the best feeds for hogs. I don't feed any corn at all, and I never had hogs do better. I have friends down this way who laughed at me for attempting to raise hogs without corn, but I can prove that I was right and I want you to put it in the paper so that they can learn something about the matter. I am a country installer, and live where they live. It is one of the greatest of errors to imagine that nothing but corn will produce good results in hog raising. Now for the proof of what I say. I raised all the hogs I am talking about. I sold three a little while ago, not many days, three head of hogs to our local butcher, which averaged 536 2-3 pounds or a total of 1,610 pounds, and for which I got 6 1/2 cents a pound, or \$102.60. They were only 18 months old, had never been penned, and had never smelled corn. They had the run of a pasture and had all the Kaffir and milo maize that they could get. There were some Nebraska people in town and they saw the hogs and they said that they had never seen anything better in the corn belt. I brought down with me this trip eighty-one head, which averaged 267 pounds and brought me at this market \$7.15 per hundred. These hogs were my own breeding, but they hardly business too, but I sold one I do not think ours is a good country to raise such stock; it is too high and windy and cold. We can raise all kinds of crops to perfection, such as peaches, nuts, pears, beans, melons, pumpkins, kershas, and all vegetables of any sort. Potatoes, too. We have a fair in Dalfair in September, about the 18th, 14th and 16th, and four counties

are represented. Last year Moore county got the banner for the best exhibit and the whole thing was sent to Dallas and took a prize. I just wish you could have seen that collection of things. I will go to the fair at the fat stock show, but will not have anything on exhibition. I had a single steer that I thought I would enter. He weighed 1,000 pounds and was a country three, will be three in next July. I double wintered him. I never fed him particularly, but he weighed it on Kaffir and milo maize. It was a good one and always managed to get in the lot after the stock and been fed and picked up the leavings. I sold one last year for 1,200 pounds and was a country aim for a pretty good showing. I sold a pair of \$75. I sold fifteen mule colts for \$100 each and three mules broken for \$650 for the three. Our wheat last year made my neighbors and me a neck to the acre. The wheat this year is as fine as I ever saw. Farmers are just beginning to plant oats. It is not in bulk with the cotton, but it is broken and all the winter. I went out to Roanoke to see relatives since I have been here. The country is set in the friends of the exchange. A lot of northern people have come in and taken up lands, which sell from \$50 to \$100 per acre. Most of the people from the southern portion of the country are going down into our Texas or out west of Fort Worth and the western and northern ones are taking up the Panhandle. There are not many of our neighbors. Dalhart is our main market town."

Ranchmen Of That Section Are Quite Wealthy and Secretary Thomas Says The Demand From That Country Will Be Good For The Best Class Of Our Cattle

be fashioned largely after the American books. Every animal recorded in the English or American herd books is eligible for registration in both the records in South America. Mr. Thomas was invited to remain with them until the big Palermo show in September and to judge the cattle.

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Texas is constantly springing surprises, not only at home, but throughout the whole country. The latest is the Butler lift. The installation of this device at the city waterworks wells in this city, and at the Armour and Swift plants, in North Fort Worth, has surprised even experts, so great is the improvement in the reduction of power and the increase of flow caused by its use.

Levi Ray, accompanied by five others in a party, came in and looked over the stock yard and change. The gentlemen are from Hutchinson, Kan., and are large feeders of cattle and dealers in stock of all kinds.

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A Tame Stork

A tame stork has been known to join children playing hide and seek, and to distinguish the child who turns it on to pursue the rest so well as to be its guard along with the others. The Germans and Dutch esteem it a good omen when a stork lulls its coarse nest of sticks on their housetops.

Salting the Farm

While salt furnishes no food properly for plant life, its effect upon the soil is highly beneficial. Chlorine, which composes two-thirds of the constituents of salt, is a solvent twenty times as powerful as rain water, and is the most potent agent known for breaking up the soil and freeing its constituents for plant food.

Cutting Back

No matter how carefully the trees were pruned the previous season and the branches propped as the fruit bore them downward, the peach orchard, after the production of a heavy crop always presents a scene of greater or less devastation. As soon, therefore,

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FAT YEARLINGS ROAR IN CORRAL

Bovinians Seek Out Suitable Specimens for Herd

RITUAL IS REALISTIC

Most Solemn Moment Making Twenty-one Mavericks Acquainted With

Mystic Knights' Mysteries

Round up of the Bovinians Saturday night was the best, biggest and most instructive Saturday night meeting of the herd ever held, and outside of important business transacted the ritual work was up-to-date in every respect, especially that feature where Stuart Snow, the freshest maverick ever herded off the green grass, kissed the blarney stone.

Twenty-one new names were added to the herd book roll, as follows: Stuart Snow, M. A. Martin, J. D. Davis, J. P. Grant, O. C. Thomas, J. R. Gaff, J. A. L. Reddick, W. B. Barkedale, John Dyer, W. H. Gilmartin, R. L. Castor, Marshall Spoons, W. P. Roy, E. W. Widener, T. H. Berge, D. B. Gardner, W. S. Mooney and C. Von Carlowitz.

The most solemn ceremony of taking the obligation on banded knees was another impressive feature of the meeting and the solemnity of it was so intense that Snow was overcome and had to be taken to a hydrant.

HOW SPIDERS SPIN

The spider is able to secrete at least three colors of silk—stiff—the white, which forms the web, and the enswrathing of captives and the egg-coocoen; the brown, which fills the cocoon interior, and the flossy yellow between that and the inside of the sac. The glands end in minute ducts which empty into spinning-spoons regularly arranged along the sides and upon the tips of the six spinners, or "spinning-manipulators" or "spinning-fingers," which are placed just beneath the apex of the abdomen. The spinnerets are movable and can be very wide apart or pushed closely together, and the spinning spools can be managed in the same way.

Subordinate Committees

Badges—Stuart Harrison, chairman; S. D. Triplett, E. P. Mitchell. Finance—B. H. Colby, chairman, and the others to be appointed. Smoker—James O'Dowd, chairman; James Liston, Charles Newlin, H. H. Colby, Thomas F. Holling, William Mayfield, Julius Bothe, W. H. Ward, Will Lowrie, William Mueller. Address by J. W. Bailey, Committee.

Cackles From the Henhouse

Provide plenty of protein in the feed of the laying hen. Flocks of eggs are now beginning to be found on the market.

Simple Remedy for Canker

Mrs. Ida M. Cooke writes "Farm Poultry": Having read of several cases of canker, I decided to send in a positive cure.

as the leaves begin to fall trimming up and shortening in are in order.

Scars and injuries where branches have broken require smoothing off and where the bark has been stripped down a plaster of wet clay or manure, secured by a cloth bandage, will help to retain the moisture that accelerates the formation of new sapwood and bark.

The most experienced peach growers advise cutting back the season's growth at least one-third. This will concentrate the remaining wood and insure the better development of the fruit buds and covering scales for the crop of the succeeding season. Besides the shortening process removes all the small and weak inside branches and twigs.—Exchange.

Heart of the Tree

The heart of the apple tree is dead wood, still it is important that it is not rotten wood. If it is rotten, it is usually full of borers and the strength and vitality of the tree are greatly impaired. If the heart of the tree is free from these pests and is in a state of perfect preservation, it stands a much better chance of bearing fruit long after the tree with the rotten heart has died.

Now is a good time to be looking to the preservation of the hearts of your apple trees. Many times a great number of the borers can be located by a little search now and some of them at least can be dug out and destroyed.

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The silk glands are enfolded in muscular tissues, pressure upon which at the will of the spider forces the liquid silk thru the duct into the spool, when it issues as a minute filament, since it hardens upon contact with the air. One thread as seen in the web may be made up of a number of filaments, and is formed by putting the tips of the spool together as the liquid jets are forced out of the ducts. When the spinnerets are joined together the spools are emptied at once their contents merge, and the sheets or ribbons are forced, which one sees in the enswrathing of a fly, or in the web again the whole, with unfailing deftness and a mastery complete.—Harper's Magazine.

SANITARY BOARD IN SESSION HERE

New Members Effect Formal Organization

QUANAH MAN CHAIRMAN

None of Former Members Re-appointed by Governor Campbell—Meeting to Be Continued

An organization meeting of the newly appointed members of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Texas was held in the offices of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association at the corner of Ninth and Main streets today morning. The new members of the board met here by appointment and organized, electing J. H. Wilson of Quanah, chairman, R. H. Harris of San Antonio, secretary.

How to Sell Goods

How to arrange a sales force. How to train a sales force in dull territory. How to manage and develop and coach a sales force. How to win the dealer's cooperation and support.

How to Buy at Rock Bottom

How to trap a flying salesman. How to close big transactions. How to prevent extravagant purchases. How to handle men and make them buy.

How to Collect Money

How to judge credits. How to handle "loosey" customers. How to be a good collector. How to organize a credit and collection system.

How to Stop Cost Leaks

How to detect waste. How to make an inventory. How to figure "overhead" expenses.

How to Get Money by Mail

How to write ads. How to begin a letter. How to turn inquiries into orders.

How to Manage a Business

How to keep track of stock. How to make a business plan. How to hire and direct employees.

BIG SPUR RANCH SOLD FOR \$2,500,000

New York Firm Buys From London Concern

The largest sale of property in west Texas has been made in the sale of the 480,000-acre of the Spur ranch, situated in DeWitt, Kent and Crosby counties, with 40,000 head of cattle, for \$2,500,000 cash.

The ranch was purchased by S. M. Swenson & Sons of New York, prominent bankers. They also own the large S. M. S. ranch. It was sold by the Espuela Land and Cattle Company of London, England, a company consisting of American and English stockholders who have owned the ranch since 1838, paying \$1,250,000 for it at that time.

News of the sale was received by Postmaster Burley Wednesday afternoon in a telegram from the former manager of the ranch, who lives in Amarillo at the present time. He received a telegram from the east stating that a cable had come from England confirming the sale of the property.

The ranch is located about forty miles from a railroad. Plainville, in Hale county, the terminus of the Pecos Valley line is northwest of the ranch. Dovel, the western terminus of the Texas Central, about forty miles east. It is said, however, that the Santa Fe and the Texas Central are about to begin operations in extension of their lines thru this property. The Swensons are heavy stockholders in the Texas Central.

Two loads of hoes were received from Carthage of Longview Junction Saturday. One load of fifty-three hoes averaged 208 pounds and sold at \$6.35, and the other of thirty hoes averaged 198 pounds and sold at \$5.25.

OALLAHAN COUNTY IS REJOICING AT RAIN

Farmers Ready to Plant Welcome Precipitation—Weather Is Also Somewhat Colder

BAIRD, Texas, Feb. 25.—A northern blow up here and the thermometer today registers 26 degrees above. Rain also fell. It may get colder tonight, Birge Walker, who drives the daily mail back from Baird to the relay point between Baird and Cross Plains, says the farmers along the route are ready to go to planting.

Burnett Welcomes Rain

BURNETT, Texas, Feb. 25.—One of the best rains that has fallen in this county probably in a year fell here last night, entirely relieving the hard-pressed conditions of a continued drought. Retarded farming operations are renewed with a vim, while live stock interests were never more flattering.

McLennan County Relieved

WACO, Texas, Feb. 25.—The rain which began falling yesterday was generally welcomed, as it was very dry and small grain was really suffering. The dust had become very bad in the city, necessitating the putting on of the sprinklers, a step not usually taken before summer. The rain will do good in many ways and was welcomed.

First Rain Since Feb. 9

MEXIA, Texas, Feb. 25.—A good rain fell here yesterday, and it will be a great benefit to gardens, oats and corn. This is the first rain since Feb. 9.

Stock Farming in Bosque

E. A. Lumpkin has his home on a farm in Bosque county near Meridian, Texas, and he makes it a habit to do stock farming business, raising lots of feed and putting it into good stock

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Early Planting This Year J. H. Slaughter lives in Navarro county near Dawson. "I am engaged in the stock business, buying and selling any kind of stock that will yield a profit. We are needing rain down our way. Plowing is going on all right, but a good rain is needed to wet the soil and prepare the way for grass and crops.

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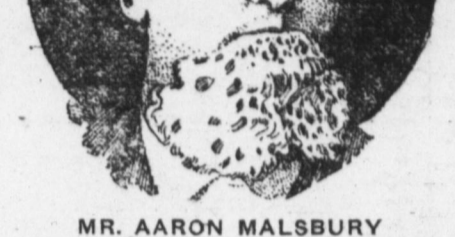
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est state land title suits that has been filed for a long time. It involves 116 sections of land in the counties of Val Verde and Terrell.

OPENING PRICES FOR CATTLE UP Good Advance Over Last Season Is Predicted

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ECHOES OF THE RANGE Weekly Compilation of Interesting Ranch and Stock News from All of the Great Range Country of Texas

In Hardeman County Quannah Tribune-Chief. Monday evening we accepted an invitation from Elvin Perry and, accompanied by W. E. Oliver and John B. Wood, drove out behind his high-stepping stallion to the stock farm of M. B. Perry & Son.

A Sure Cure for the Blues The Remedy is Easily Obtained and It Doesn't Cost Much It's a Victor TALKING MACHINE. Place a Victor in your home and when you are threatened with an attack of the blues and you begin to feel as though you hadn't a friend on earth.

In New Mexico Roswell Record. G. W. Kelly returned Monday night from a buggy trip to Sunnyside and reports that at John Shaw's ranch, 63 miles north of here, he heard the thrilling story of how R. L. Moss, a former Roswell business man, killed a job wolf in a hand-to-hand fight.

In Presidio County Marfa New Era. Four cars of calves were bought of Sowell Bros., near Valentine, by Smith & Wadenpool, who will ship them east.

In Sutton County Sonora News. Ira Wheat bought from Ed Deede 200 steer yearlings at private terms.

In Lampasas County There will be a horse and colt show here at week from next Monday, and the Leader hopes that every stallion and jack in the region of Lampasas will be brought to the public square here.

In Fisher County Roby Banner. L. Haynes of old Mexico and J. L. Robinson of Sweetwater were in town last week.

In Mitchell County Colorado News. A. B. Robertson returned this morning from his ranch on the head of the Colorado river.

In Crockett County Ozona Kicker. Tom Scarborough brought in four prize porkers for the local market of Augustine & Laney.

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POULTRY SHOW PLANS SHAPING Elaborate Plans for Part of March Exhibition OFFICERS MEET HERE

A. R. Davis of Farmersville to Be Judge of Entries at Events Being Arranged

Officers of the Fort Worth Poultry and Pet Stock Association held a conference Saturday afternoon at the office of the secretary, Judge N. B. Moore.

The Fort Worth Poultry and Pet Stock Association was organized for the purpose of co-operating with the National Feeders and Breeders Show.

The different makes of incubators and brooders, with all the appliances, special feeds and remedies for diseases, will also be shown.

The association is upon a permanent basis and will annually co-operate with the National Feeders and Breeders Show.

The cattlemen's convention, which convenes at Fort Worth on March 18, will bring together the leading stockmen of the southwest.

This year no charge is made in this department for entrance for exhibition in competition for prizes.

"No ten and not one drop of coffee," ordered the doctor—and I rebelled. But alas, with nerves that saw, felt and heard things that were not, rebellion was useless.

"My nerves were some better, but breakfast without some warm beverage grew worrisome, and bid fair to be entirely slighted.

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Phenomenal Boom ROTAN, Texas, Feb. 21.—This place is the terminus of the Texas Central railway extension, and is enjoying a phenomenal boom.

Farmers' Union Warehouse LOMETA, Texas, Feb. 21.—The Farmers' Union warehouse at this place is now under construction.

An article that a large number of wise horse breeders would not think of getting along without, and one that every breeder ought to possess, is a good impregnator.

J. R. Taylor's shipment of sixty-two hogs sold on Saturday's market at \$7.12 1/2. Evans-Montague Commission Company were the sellers.

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**USE FOUND FOR
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 Factories for Denatured Alco-
 hol in Texas

Latest use for west and southwest Texas lands is the manufacture of denatured alcohol. Since the passage of the act allowing for the untaxed denatured alcohol, owners of land on which a great deal of the almost unusable cactus grows, have been figuring on its sale for the manufacture of this new fuel. If an establishment for the manufacture of the liquid from cactus, a process which is said to be possible if sufficient cactus is supplied, is placed in Texas, it is undoubted that many farmers and ranch owners will avail themselves of the opportunity of selling the cactus leaves with their obnoxious spines.

The most probable method for manufacture of the denatured alcohol will be the establishment of roving stills which will go to the cactus instead of having it hauled to the still. It is said that the cactus is the cheapest and most abundant material for the process. Denatured alcohol will undoubtedly increase in jumps in its manufacture as soon as the people of the country get used to it as a fuel. Considerable of the denatured alcohol is at present on sale in this city, and is gradually becoming more and more popular, as patrons who once use it see its advantages.

**AN OLD ADAGE
 SAYS**
 "A light purse is a heavy curse"
 Sickness makes a light purse.
 The LIVER is the seat of nine tenths of all disease.
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 Take No Substitute.

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THERE'LL BE SOMETHING DOING ALL THE TIME, TOO, FOR THE AMMUNITION FOR THIS PURPOSE IS INEXHAUSTIBLE AND SMOKELESS POWDER WILL BE USED. WATCH THE AD-MAN'S CORNER ALL THE TIME.



Adman's Corner

Buckbee's Seed and Plant Guide for 1907, which has just come to our desk, is one of the handsomest and most complete that we have seen. It is filled from cover to cover with new and standard varieties of everything for the garden, whether it is a home garden, market garden or farm. Not only do they give a complete list of garden seeds, but also have an extensive list of field seeds, flower seeds, plants and bulbs of all descriptions, poultry supplies, onion sets, small garden machinery, and in the overall thing in the general seed line that one could possibly want.

For thirty-seven years Buckbee has been in business and supplied the most critical buyers with their seeds, and the mere fact that over three-fourths of his 500,000 customers come back year after year with another order is a pretty sure guarantee that his seeds and plants are thoroughly reliable and "fall of life." They have a well equipped plant and are in shape to handle an order of any size, whether it amounts to but a few cents or up to the hundreds of dollars. Their advertisement appears in these columns every season and we advise all our readers to send for their catalogue and get their seeds of Buckbee, as we are sure they will have splendid results by so doing.

THE ADMAN.

The Stockman-Journal

The Stockman-Journal is in receipt of a very fine catalogue from Frank Iams of St. Paul, Neb. This is a very beautiful catalogue, finely illustrated with cuts of fine Percherons, Royal Belgians and German Coaches. It is a book of 150 pages with an illustration on every other page. The balance being occupied by a description of the various breeds of animals imported and bred by Mr. Iams, and about the in the hands of every man who is interested in this class of horses. The Adman advises any interested party who has not yet seen this catalogue to write to the owner, Mr. Frank Iams, in St. Paul, Neb., who will not doubt send a copy to any one asking for it.

The catalogue, besides from descriptions and illustrations, gives in a general way the prices and terms of the different kinds of horses he has for sale.

**RAILROADS WILL
 FIGHT REDUCTION**

**Missouri Lines Are to Take
 Concerted Action**

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 23.—A preliminary meeting of railroad men, representing a number of roads in Missouri, was held yesterday in the office of President A. J. Davidson of the Frisco system, with a view of instituting concerted action against the new 2-cent rate law just passed by the legislature. No definite course was agreed upon owing to the absence of representatives of several roads from the conference, and the meeting resolved into an informal discussion of the effect the new law probably would have on passenger service generally.

It is stated it is likely a conference of the presidents and general managers of the various roads in Missouri will be called at an early day and a plan of action be outlined.

Hereford Wishes Depot

HEREFORD, Texas, Feb. 23.—A movement is on foot here to induce the Santa Fe railway to construct a new depot at this point, and it is believed the movement will be successful. Hereford is one of the greatest shipping points on the line and growing faster than any other town in the Panhandle. The present depot facilities are entirely inadequate, and have long been an eye sore to the progressive citizens of the town.

A FRIEND'S TIP

70-Year-Old Man Not Too Old to Accept a Food Pointer.

"For the last 20 years," writes a Maine man, "I've been troubled with Dyspepsia and liver complaint, and have tried about every known remedy without much in the way of results until I took up the food pointer. A friend recommended Grape-Nuts food, after I had taken all sorts of medicine with only occasional, temporary relief. "This was about nine months ago, and I began the Grape-Nuts for breakfast with cream and a little sugar. Since then I have had the food for at least one meal a day, usually for breakfast. "Records fail to express the benefit I received from the use of Grape-Nuts. My stomach is almost entirely free from pain and my liver complaint is about cured. I have gained flesh, sleep well, can eat nearly any kind of food except greasy, starchy things and am strong and healthy at the age of 70 years. "If I can be the means of helping any poor mortal who has been troubled with dyspepsia as I have been, I am willing to answer any letter enclosing stamp." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in packages. "There's a Reason."

**BANKERS
 MEET HERE**

Many Delegates Attend Convention Here

ADDRESS BY HARRIS

Papers Read and General Discussion Follows by Prominent Financiers

The annual convention of the Seventh district of the Texas Bankers' Association was called to order by Chairman A. B. Robertson of Colorado City, Texas, with over two hundred delegates present, many more coming in and taking seats during the opening exercises, until Greenwall's opera house was filled.

The number of delegates present at the convention this year was as large as in 1906, if not larger. The meetings of the Seventh district in Fort Worth are increasing in size and importance every year, owing to the tremendous growth of the country included in the Seventh district, including the counties almost all of West and Northwest Texas.

Rev. B. B. Ramage of St. Andrew's Episcopal church delivered the invocation. The address of welcome was delivered by W. D. Harris, mayor of the city of Fort Worth, who spoke briefly of the Seventh district in Fort Worth always has for the bankers. He said in part:

I am glad to welcome you to our city, which has, perhaps, in the past three years done more in the direction of attaining the status and point of a real city, of a metropolis than any other city in the southwest; that has perhaps had the most rapid growth and residences than any other city in this section of the country.

"I invite you to a city with packing establishments and live stock markets that build a city themselves. "We have here banks with a reputation of themselves and for themselves and with a personnel of officers, owners and managers that we rejoice to claim and regard as one of our greatest benefits.

"The character of men we know you must be and your appearance shows you to be gives me great pleasure in welcoming you to this city. The character of men who are the bankers can do more and more to protect and guard the country against the possibility of financial disaster than any other set of men. Whenever the men in the banks set their veto upon handling specious stuff, growing out of speculative transactions, it acts as a check to all others.

"Again I welcome you to our city and I hope your presence here will be most enjoyable. I am under the impression of a speaker to respond to the address of welcome, C. A. Beasley, president of the Texas Bankers' Association, made a motion to thank Fort Worth for the cordial welcome which was carried by an unanimous standing vote.

Following this A. B. Robertson, chairman of the district, made his address to the association.

Robertson's Address

Members of the Seventh District Bankers' Association of the State of Texas:

My appearance before you this morning in this capacity is not from choice, but from necessity. I do not desire to share the honor of making public addresses, and it was only after my arrival here yesterday that I was expected to make some kind of talk. As I am not much given to making public addresses, I shall necessarily be brief in the few remarks I shall make on this occasion. First, I desire to congratulate you on the general prosperity and development of the Seventh district, which we all have the honor of representing here tonight. This section of the state covers practically all of that great country lying north of the Texas and Pacific and west of the Fort Worth and Denver railways, comprising one of the largest districts in the state. We are essentially a West Texas and Panhandle association, and West Texas and the Panhandle are today the scene of the greatest activity in the remarkable progress and development that has come to Texas beginning about three years ago.

The large number of thrifty and prosperous immigrants that have settled in those sections of our state have wrought some truly wonderful changes. New homes have been established, new farms are being opened up, land values have enhanced until men who were land poor a few years ago are now becoming capitalists and are carrying large bank accounts. It begins to appear as if agriculture has come to West Texas and the Panhandle to stay. Some of the yields of cotton in this section of the state last year were truly remarkable, and Colorado City, the former home of the cowman and at one time one of the greatest cotton centers in the state, has become a wonderful cotton center. The receipts of cotton at Colorado City, my home town, for the season just closing will run something like 40,000 bales. During the last few years a big compress and cotton seed oil mill have been built there, and both enterprises are doing magnificently to the growth and continued prosperity of our town. In other West Texas and Panhandle cities and towns similar conditions prevail and every interest has become prosperous.

West Texas Prosperous

Our banks are all carrying the largest deposits in their history, and from a class of people in many instances who have not heretofore been very familiar with bank accounts. In my opinion the greatest reason for this is that West Texas and the Panhandle are now undergoing the cattlemen, who is being so largely displaced by the farmer, and the farmer is so great a sufferer as many uninformed people might imagine, for the same prosperity that has come to the land owner goes to a feeling of compulsion at the ranchman who in many instances has owned and controlled large bodies of land. Many of the large ranches that have been famous in the past in the West are now being cut up in small tracts and sold to farmers and stock farmers at prices that serve to largely reimburse the struggling cowman for the losses they have sustained from other sources during the past several years.

Hundreds of ranchmen in our district who purchased land a few years ago under a feeling of compulsion at the time, have awakened to the fact that it was one of the most fortunate investments they ever made. Values of land values in many instances appear high in comparison with the prices that prevailed a few years ago,

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These horses are highly bred and registered, perfect in conformation, and SOLD UNDER A GUARANTEE by us. We made arrangements for these stallions last season late, and got a special low price on them. We would say they are the twenty-five hundred dollar kind at a much less price. Intending buyers would do well to "get busy." Come and see us if you are in the market. They will be higher after these are gone.

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Dr. Moore wants all men who are suffering from any disease or special weakness to feel that they can come to his office freely for examination and explanation of their condition, FREE OF CHARGE, without being bound by any obligation whatever to take treatment unless they so desire.

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STRICTURE We cure stricture without the knife or instrument by an application which acts directly on the parts affected, dissolving the stricture completely by our galvanic-electrical and medical treatment. Our treatment is painless and in no wise interferes with your business duties.

LOSS OF MANLY VIGOR You may be lacking in vitality. If so, we will restore to you vim and vigor, the loss of which may be the result of indiscretions, excesses and unnatural weakness.

Consultation and Advice Free or by Mail The physician who has not sufficient faith in his ability to cure his patient first and receive his pay afterward is not the man to inspire confidence in those who are in search of honest treatment and is skeptical of his own methods and treatment. NOT A DOLLAR NEED BE PAID UNTIL CURED.

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yet it is not believed they are in any degree inflated or disposed to fall below their present ratio. Our West Texas and Panhandle lands are good and safe investments at present values, and will continue so as long as they remain in the hands of experienced farmers and stock farmers. In my opinion the state we are not encouraging the land speculator, from the fact that we believe speculation at this juncture would result in serious detriment to the continued progress and development of the country.

Speaker Is Optimistic

Unlike J. J. Hill, the celebrated financier and railway magnate of New York, I do not believe there will necessarily be any recession in the general prosperity of our common country, or any falling off in our annual volume of business. The business interests of our country are upon a solid and rapidly expanding basis, and no dangers are to be apprehended except in the case of the individual who develops an inclination to overreach himself. There must be conservatism practiced even in periods of great prosperity, and the conservative business man or investor has nothing to fear from the future, except it be something in the guise of adverse federal or state legislation. We are traveling a too rapid gait in those directions, and I fear we are attempting

legislation we had best leave alone. Along with the general improvements that have come to our country, we are enjoying great improvements in our banking facilities, there having been established good strong banks all over the district, both national and state, and all who are reasonably entitled to credit can borrow money at this time at from 8 to 10 per cent, whereas only a few years ago the rate ranged from 12 to 18, and in some instances as high as 24 per cent. This reminds me:

In 1872 I was placed in charge of a herd of cattle with instructions to drive them from Coleman county, Texas, to Coffeyville, Kan. The owner basted me off without any funds, but told me I would pass near Fort Worth, Texas, and that when I reached the nearest point to Fort Worth to ride into town and borrow \$300 for thirty days. I came to Fort Worth according to my instructions, and applied to a man who was then in the banking business here, and who even now is regarded as one among the best bankers of the state and still in the banking business here, for the desired loan of \$300. He readily assented to grant the desired accommodation, had me sign a note for \$300 payable in thirty days, and counted me out the sum of \$325. This you will readily see, was 5 per cent per month, or 60 per cent per annum. Now, it may be that he charged me this for what the bankers

called "the risk." But even this did not discourage me, because I have not only borrowed a great deal of money from the same individual, but from many other bankers as well, but at a different rate. I cite this instance merely to illustrate the difference between the present and the days that are gone.

It is all right to borrow money, for there are but few men who achieve the pinnacle of financial or business success without having at various times negotiated assistance from some accommodating banker. And bankers delight in extending such accommodations to men who prove themselves successful without having at various times negotiated assistance from some accommodating banker. And bankers delight in extending such accommodations to men who prove themselves worthy their confidence and trust, who are reliable and prompt in meeting all their obligations.

I thank you for your kind attention. Crowell Rapidly Growing CROWELL, Texas, Feb. 23.—As an evidence of the rapid growth of this town Banister Brothers and Johnson, local contractors, have recently completed twenty-two good residences and now have seven more under course of construction. New buildings are going up in every direction, and in the country adjoining the town the traveler is never out of sight of a new home. Harry Green was on Saturday's market with a load of seventy-one hogs. The load averaged 232 pounds and sold for \$7.175.