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THE ANGORA GOAT AS BRED IN TEXAS

## Size in Breeding Angora Goats

It has ever been a contention of "The American Shepherd's Bulletin" that breeders of Angoras should have regard to size in breeding as well as density and fineness of covering.

It is, therefore, exceedingly gratifying to have in support of this proposition the dictum of such high authority as D. C. Taylor of the East Fork of Macho Canyon, near Lake Valley, Sierra-county, New Mexico, the man whose flock produced Lazarus, Andy Jackson, Axtec, Toltec and Cortez—bucks which, singly, brought higher prices than have ever been paid for a like number of American bucks.

In a recent pamphlet on Angora breeding, published in Spanish, which we presume was designed for circulation in our sister republic, this expert says in effect:

"My goats are of large size, which is a matter of the highest importance to the breeders of large lots, affording wethers of a size which have great sale.

"Many breeders of goats, in their anxiety to obtain very productive animals, have reduced the size of the creatures so that they have no value for mutton."

Mr. Taylor was born in Ohio, sixty-seven years ago. In early manhood he gravitated westward, reaching New

Mexico in the centennial year, eventually settling on the Bonito in Lincoln county, where he resided for several years.

During the sixtieth, he served for forty-two months in a Kansas cavalry regiment, which saw much service, both in the civil war and on the far western frontier. He attained the rank of captain and long before muster out had achieved a reputation as an efficient scout.

It was fourteen years ago that he turned his attention to Angora culture, having early noted the matchless opportunities which the topography, climate and flora of the New Mexican mountains afforded for its pursuit.

His first goats were derived from the Parish flock; they were very ordinary, had no hair upon their necks and would shear on the average no more than one and one-half pounds per year. Mr. Taylor smilingly informed us that his mohair this first year netted him 80 cents. However, he immediately commenced to improve his herd, procuring for the purpose bucks from Arnold, from Garst, and other breeders of recognized standing. He had among these one which for five years consecutively sheared twelve pounds. He had a Hoerle goat, for which he paid \$600, whose progeny

yielded in one year \$2,000 net. The hair of this animal sold at 30c@50c per pound.

In this connection, it should be remarked that Mr. Taylor, who is an original and strongly marked character, and by his neighbors deemed eccentric, has his own ideas in regard to the period of service during which a buck may be efficient. "I believe," said he, "in breeding to a certain extent, in fact, I would keep a good buck, regardless of time, till I could get a better one."

"In the breeding season, I put the bucks in with their harems at night. They are never with the does in the daytime!"

Cline Bull of California remarked one day: "Goats have a running season like deer; I have for years allowed my bucks to graze along with the does until a certain date previous to the breeding period and I never had a kid out of season."

Mr. Taylor is in this particular in accord with the previously named gentleman, he allows the bucks to run with the herd till Aug. 1.

It was eight years ago that Mr. Taylor commenced to raise sires for the home market, since which time, his product has been used to a great extent in the United States and Mexico. Indeed he has sold bucks in every state of the union in which Angoras are kept in considerable numbers.

He has always employed for breeding the most efficient bucks (from every point of view) and the highest standard does that could be obtained in the country or by importation (re-

gardless of expense), the breeding stock having been chosen by his own method of selection which has been developed by observation, by extensive reading and by personal experience.

In December, 1906, the firm of Taylor & Lockwood acquired two hundred and three goats, bucks, does and kids, for \$15,000; the does costing \$70, and the bucks \$150 per head.

Speaking of this South African stock Mr. Taylor observes: "Always after the best, I selected from the Hoerle importation, No. 29, Togo, one of the largest and finest individuals ever brought into the country. He is remarkably free from kemp and has absolutely no coarse back or neck hair. He now weighs 156 pounds and has just shorn (Jan. 15, 1907), a sixteen and one-half pound fleece, which had been on since March 1, 1906, or ten and one-half months; this is at the rate of seventeen and three-fourths pounds per year.

"This fleece varied from twelve to fourteen inches in length, and was as nearly perfect in style and character as I have ever seen. Togo is, of course, now, the head of the flock and to him my best does were bred.

"The young bucks of this breeding are strong, active goats with fine ringlet fleeces, and all wear the likeness of Togo."

Mr. Taylor saves in November one-half of his male kids; these are tentative candidates for the position of sires. In the following March (at shearing time), as a result of a second inspection, probably half of these will



## Colonel Poole Visits Scurry County

Editor Stockman-Journal.

I will now proceed to give you and your many readers a few dots from this country. I arrived in Colorado on Friday night, the train being late. It was almost 12 o'clock. I was soon in bed at the St. James hotel. I was out early next morning and engaged a seat in John Moore's hack that runs daily each way between here and Snyder. There were six of us aboard, including the driver, three drummers, one merchant and myself. We passed many beautiful farms on the route.

After a thirty-mile ride we arrived in Snyder in time for dinner. It had been almost three years since I was here. I was agreeably surprised to find such a wonderful change in the way of improvements. Yes, Snyder is one of the best inland towns I have seen in five years. It now has 3,000 inhabitants and is still growing at a rapid rate.

The roads are lined every day with freight wagons from Colorado and Lorraine, hauling all kinds of goods, lumber, machinery, etc. Four lumber yards are located here, all doing a rushing business. There are two oil mills in course of construction and three cotton gins are in operation during the season. The gins run both day and night last season. The two national banks here have deposits amounting to between five and six hundred thousand dollars.

The cotton crop in Scurry county last season was immense. All the farmers have nice bank accounts. Money is plentiful and everybody is prosperous. The merchants of Snyder all carry good stocks in their respective lines. The real estate firms and merchants are all busy as bees. Land is advancing in price all the time. The prices range from \$10 to \$20 per acre at present, according to location. Town property is also in keeping with the value of farm lands.

The new railroad from Roscoe to Snyder is graded, and is now ready for the ties and rails. I understand track laying is soon to commence with a big force, and the iron horse will soon be snorting into Snyder.

For a radius of twelve miles or more fine farming lands surround this town, which is sure to make it a cracker-jack place in a few years. The city is situated on the banks of the beautiful and sparkling deep creek, with everlasting water. Hundreds of windmills can be seen all over the town. Endless quantities of splendid water is obtained at a depth of from sixty to 125 feet, and in my opinion this place will be in a short time a very desirable point for feeding and finishing up cattle for the market, as this is one of the best cotton producing counties in the state.

Immense crops of cane, kaffir corn, dwarf milo maize and millet are raised here every year. I notice that the farmers all drove slapping good fat teams. A number of splendid mule colts were noticed by the side of their mothers. So you see the farmers in this section are raising their own work stock in good shape and will have some to spare to those who are not so fortunate to raise their own mules.

### CHILDREN SHOWED IT

Effect of Their Warm Drink in the Morning

"A year ago I was a wreck from coffee drinking and was on the point of giving up my position in the school room because of nervousness.

"I was telling a friend about it and she said, 'We drink nothing at meal time but Postum Food Coffee, and it is such a comfort to have something we can enjoy drinking with the children.'

"I was astonished that she would allow the children to drink any kind of coffee, but she said Postum was the most healthful drink in the world for children as well as for older ones, and that the condition of both the children and adults showed that to be a fact.

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"There's a Reason." Read the famous little "Health Classic," "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

I visited the ice and fuel plant, which is almost completed in the suburbs of Snyder. The building is 100 feet long, 30 feet wide, two stories 2 in height, with all modern machinery, and when completed will be one of the best in west Texas. It is located by the railroad track. The promoters expect to manufacture ice by the carload and to have their plant in operation by June 15. Three cement plants are running in full blast, making blocks to build all kinds of houses. It is claimed this material is equal to stone or brick for building purposes. There are several business houses and residences completed of this material, which are very attractive in appearance. The most of the cement used in manufacturing the blocks is shipped from Dallas, and the sand used in connection with the making of these blocks is obtained near town. These blocks are made any size desired, and are dried by the sun and wind in a short time. At first observation I thought the buildings were erected of stone, and inquired where they obtained such beautiful stone, when one of my friends said: "Come, take a little walk with me and I will show you the quarry." I soon found a number of men moulding these blocks in boxes like making brick. This was the first I had seen made. A fellow never gets too old to learn.

Another gin is under contract to be completed by cotton picking time, which will make three gins located in Snyder. Yes, this little city in Scurry county is getting a hump on herself. There are four nice church edifices here, and a splendid school building is in evidence. The school term will close Friday. There have been an average of 593 pupils in attendance during the past session, and it is expected next session will have 700 in attendance. Professor Ben W. Hudgins has been principal of this school for seven years, and he has been elected again for next session, which opens in September. Professor Hudgins is known far and wide as one of the best educators in all Texas.

The normal school for this district holds its session in Snyder this summer, with Professor Hudgins as principal.

There were six graduates for the 1907 term. Rev. B. W. Dodson, the Methodist pastor of Colorado, delivered the commencement sermon. It is said the sermon surpassed anything that has ever been delivered in this upper country. I had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Mr. Dodson. He is a pleasant, affable gentleman and a fluent talker.

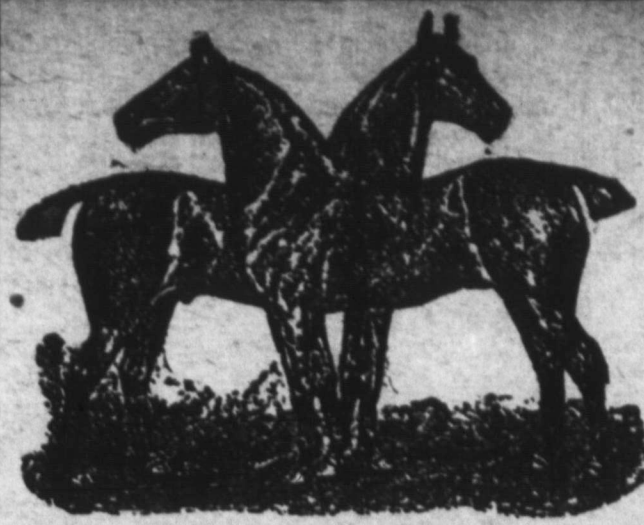
I had the pleasure of meeting many old-time friends in Snyder. Among them were W. J. Wilkes, who is a contractor and builder, who is doing a nice business. I desire to thank him for so many nice attentions. He quit his business for half a day and introduced me to all the business men in town, and said many good words in favor of The Telegram, besides planking down for it himself, all of which I appreciated very much. But Billy, as all the boys call him, wanted to make fair weather with me, as I met him at Menardville two years ago last summer, at the Confederate reunion, and he was making himself mighty agreeable among the ladies. I shall not say anything about it where his wife can "catch on."

I spent three days and night with my old friend Henry C. Hayter and his good wife. He is also a contractor and builder, and is always crowded with work. Mr. Hayter is an old Fannin county boy. What I did to that good grub that Mrs. Hayter set before me was plenty. Think of it, the balance of you hungry newspaper tramps; fried ham every meal, new Irish potatoes, peas, radishes and lettuce out of her own garden, and as good milk and butter as ever run down any man's neck. They keep their own cows and are never without milk and butter.

I dropped in on Professor Hudgins and his pretty young wife for dinner one day during my stay in Snyder. The same kind of grub confronted me again. Mrs. Hudgins had a big blackberry cobbler, made out of her own raising of berries. Blackberry cobbler is my long suit.

Professor Hudgins and Mr. Hayter have the finest orchards in town, and their trees, peaches, plums and apricots, are loaded down to the guard with fruit. Need not tell me that Scurry county is not a fruit producer. I know better.

I had the pleasure of again meeting my old and venerable friend, Judge G. Kin Elkins. He will soon be 75 years old. He lives twenty miles north of Snyder. Judge Elkins has been married three times. He has sixteen living children and I think four have died; forty-four grand children; twelve great grand children, as far as heard from.



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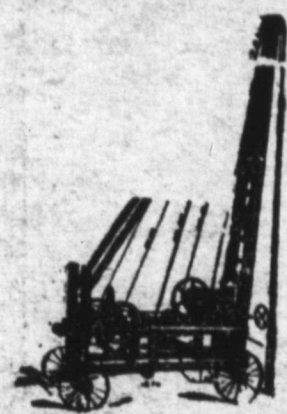
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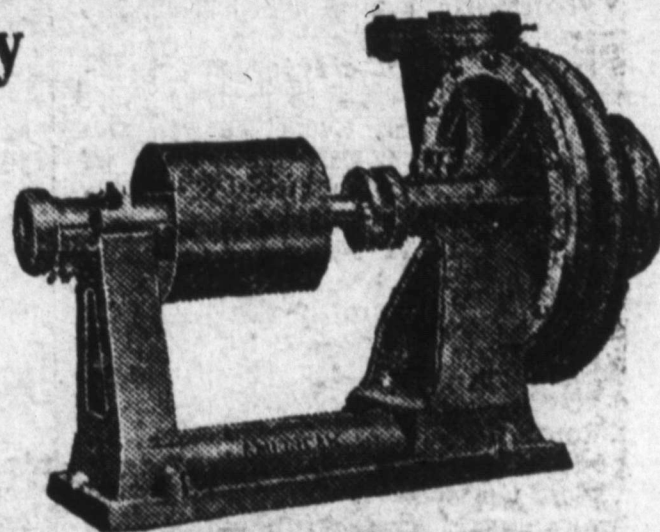


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Also met my old friend Thomas N. Nunn, who extended me a hearty welcome and coughed up the required amount for The Journal. He owns a big lot of town property and is well fixed financially, but is lacking one thing to complete his earthly happiness—that is a wife. I have undertaken to hunt him a wife on a commission, like I sell newspapers, and I am sure if I succeed I will get a big fee. I told him I would charge 5 per cent, and I am satisfied that after he has waited all these long years he will value a good woman at least \$100,000. Now if any of you sweet widows want him, drop me a letter care of The Stockman-Journal or The Telegram. I am anxious for this deal to go thru.

I was in Scurry county thirty years ago, when the buffalo, wild or mustang horses, antelope, deer and wild turkeys were in abundance. There was not a wire fence then nearer than Fort Worth. A man could ride two days and nights and never see a human being. There were only a few ranches then in this western country. Now what a change; all lanes, beautiful farms and homes in evidence every where; school houses and churches ever few miles. What will the next thirty years bring about? The way land is advancing in value it will only be a few years until a man that buys any dirt in this upper country will pay from \$30 to \$40 an acre for it.

The leading real estate firms here are H. J. Camp, J. B. Chambers, C. I. Broxson, Cornelius & McDowell and L. J. Nichols. There are some others, but I did not get their names on my little book, therefore do not remember them. I work on a commission you know.

Saying adieu to my many friends here, I again took the back track for Colorado. I desire to make mention of one more of my old friends who I have known may long years; that is Mrs.

Wilkes, mother of Sam C. Wilkes, W. I. Wilkes and Mrs. John W. Nunn. She makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. John W. Nunn, in Colorado. I paid them a short visit after supper. Mrs. Wilkes is a very interesting lady. She came to Texas in the fall of 1833. She knew General Sam Houston and many others of the old timers of that day, and she is now 86 years of age. She has pieced and made forty-four quilts by hand, needle work, the last four years for her children and grand children, and the quilts are beauties. Mrs. Wilkes is busy all the time making quilts, cushions for chairs and other ornaments, which I doubt very much if any of our younger women of this day and time could produce in anything like as nice work. She remarked to me: "Mr. Poole, I cannot sit down and be contented unless I am doing some kind of work." She is a noble, good Christian woman. God bless such noble women as Mrs. Wilkes.

Now, I'll quit, before you get to kicking like a bay steer at a long communication.  
**C. C. POOLE**  
Colorado, Texas.

### NEW INSPECTION

**H. G. Sadler Takes Amarillo-Plainview Cattle Territory**

A new inspector has been put in the field between Amarillo and Plainview by the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, as the work thruout that section of the country has been getting too heavy for one man to handle, especially in the spring, when a large number of northern shipments are made.

H. G. Sadler is the new inspector and his immediate charge is the territory between Amarillo and Plainview, on the new railroad. This territory is not, however, enough to keep him entirely busy, and he has been working thruout other parts of the Panhandle, wherever the inspectors have been rushed.

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## Last Of The Texas Longhorns

Of the million long-horned cattle which roamed the vast plains of Texas only one specimen of the type survives. This last survivor, a spotted steer, long since past the span of life supposed to be allotted to its kind, is an honored guest in the choicest pasture of Rancho de la Parra, in Cameron county, southwest Texas. This patriarch might well be overcome with amazement at the extraordinary advances in the business of cattle raising which have taken place in its life time, but as this steer is only a long horn, it merely chews its cud in placid content and lets others do the wondering. When old long-horn was a calf he and his kindred wandered at will as wild as the deer that shared the prairies with them. They scarcely saw a man from one year's end to the other, except at the annual roundup, and if they elected to stampede at the approach of that important function, they might run from the Rio Grande to Hudson Bay, so far as any human barriers were concerned. But now the entire range is cut up into little pastures of a few thousand acres each by means of smooth wire fences. Instead of once a year, longhorn and his grazing companions now not only see the vaquero every day, but the frequent guests come out and make remarks about his horns and take his photograph.

In his callow days old longhorn often knew what it was to suffer the pangs of thirst. The weaklings in the herd sometimes even died for want of water, for rains were rare and streams were rarer in that part of Texas. Now when he wants a sip of cool refreshing water he has only to step over to the nearest one of the artesian wells with which the whole face of the ranch is punctured and drink his fill. Longhorn of course has never been to market, but he has seen many generations of his fellows travel the trail from which there is no return. They took the place of the buffalo which were wiped out of existence in the late seventies. These cattle were apparently native to the southwest. They were of a peculiar breed, which seemed specially suited to the semi-arid and short grass region. Like the famous mustang horse, they had iron in their blood and could stand hardship and exposures that would have killed a better bred animal. The typical longhorn was long and lank and had wind and bones along with his other attributes. It was capable of being driven hundreds of miles to market without showing evidences of fatigue. On the contrary the longhorns seemed really to enjoy those long drives which Andy Adams has so cleverly described in his books on the old trail days. When they reached market they were often in better condition than when they started.

The average well bred animal now found upon a western ranch could not stand such a drive as its predecessors had to make. In those days the journey from Texas to the shipping point in Kansas was made on foot, anywhere from 5,000 to 25,000 head of cattle being driven in a herd. The Santa Fe trail, 40 miles wide by 700 miles long, was the most traveled highway of its kind the world has ever seen and danger, excitement and adventure might be expected in every mile. The old-time cowboys sometimes pine for the excitement that attended the round-up of cattle in the days of the old longhorns. It required expert horsemen and ropers to attend to the range work in those days. Now most any person who can straddle a cayuse may be a cow boy so far as rounding up and running the high bred cattle found upon the ranches is concerned. The cow punchers still know how to handle firearms, but thru the seventies and well up into the eighties this accomplishment as it is now considered was as much of a necessity in the business as ability to ride a broncho or swing a lariat. Even after the Comanches had been confined to the reservation at Fort Sill—where old Geronimo, the Human Tiger, still sulks in mock imprisonment—it was not unusual for a band of them to descend upon a cattle outfit, stampede the herd and scalp the cow punchers.

Altho the domain over which the cowboy reigns undisputed monarch of all he surveys is every year becoming smaller, yet it will be many years before he is driven from all that part of the public lands capable of being reclaimed by irrigation or by the industry of the dry farmer. In Routt and Rio Blanco counties, northwestern Colorado, is a cow country greater in area than the whole state of Vermont and Montana, Wyoming, Utah, the Dakotas, New Mexico, Arizona and Nevada contains districts almost as large,

utilized for no other purpose than for grazing. Some of these regions are doubtless doomed to remain forever arid and unproductive and probably never can be put to better uses than that of cattle ranges. On these narrow limits the range riders of the future will be confined—renascent descendants of the western centaurs, their calling deprived of the danger, excitement and romance that makes it attractive to the bold and enterprising, and reduced to a dull, prosaic, commonplace level in comparison with which the existence of an eastern farmer will be considered stirring and nerve-racking. The boys have even descended from their bronchos to wield the hoe in a beet field or to grow great forage crops with which to fatten the stock before sending it to market, which amply illustrates the great evolution.—Denver Field and Farm.

## WORK HORSES ON PUBLIC PARADE

### A Novel Live Stock Exhibition at New York

NEW YORK, May 31.—New York saw its first annual workhorse parade yesterday and liked it. The affair was a pronounced success. There were 1,900 horses in line distributed in forty-seven classes.

The first division was made up of entries from the police, fire, street cleaning, correction, health, charities and park departments and the city hospitals.

Next came a division of aged horses in two classes. Class A, open to animals not less than 15 years in the service of one owner, and class B for animals not less than ten years in the service of a single owner.

Then followed classes for brewers, bakers, truckmen, laundrymen and butchers. Every man in New York who owned a likely work horse had a chance to squeeze him into one of the classes and show him.

One class contained two pairs of twelve-hand ponies, who have been dragging soda water wagons thru the city streets for fifteen years.

In awarding prizes, animals that had been longest in service were favored.

### Reports Cattle Shortage

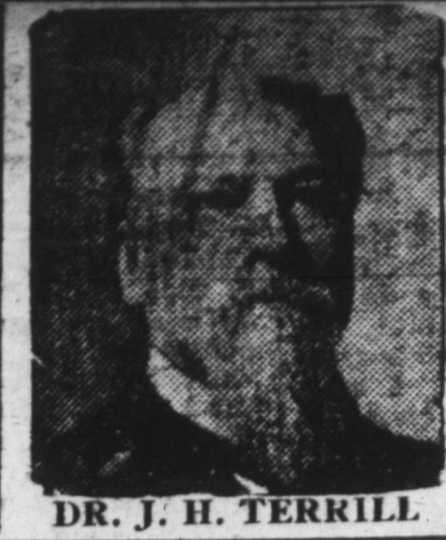
A. A. Hogan of Tullia, Texas, who came in yesterday from Virgil, Kan., where he left a string of 800 head of cattle on pasture, reports a great cattle shortage in the part of Texas where he is located, compared with other years. "We are fully a third short of last year's supply," said Mr. Hogan. "They have been disappearing all along, and the shortage can now be noticed. Instead of cattle, the land owners are farming more. They are raising grain of all kinds. All the small grain, and corn, are raised there now. When it comes to forage, we are also raising immense quantities. Every farmer raises kaffir corn, cane and other rough feed. Corn is now looking well, and if we get showers at the right times we will raise a good crop. The late wheat is looking very promising. The early wheat will be almost a total failure. Oats will be a little better than a half crop. We have not suffered for rain, but we need a shower now to keep the crops growing as they should."—Drovers' Telegram.

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# ECHOES FROM THE RANGE

## In Scurry County

**Snyder Coming West.**  
Colonel C. C. Poole, representing The Stockman-Journal of Fort Worth, was in the city last week. Colonel Poole has many friends in Snyder who are always glad to welcome him to our city.

## In Schleicher County

**Eldorado Success.**  
Eugene Mays bought of H. Street 150 head of stock cattle at \$12.25.  
J. N. Whitworth sold to some parties passing thru fifteen head of stock horses at \$50 for mares and \$15 for colts, and one saddle horse for \$90.

## In Irion County

**Sherwood Record.**  
Small showers have fallen in spots over Irion county during the past two or three days, and while these showers have not been of sufficient magnitude to do any good, they have given evidence that there is at least some moisture in the atmosphere, and local weather prophets think a good rain is due pretty soon.

## In Llano County

**Llano Times.**  
Mr. Lewis Swanson returned Tuesday from Oklahoma, where he went to take some cattle to his brother, Oscar, who lives there. Lewis says that country is growing and that cattle are in fine shape. Plenty of rain and lots of grass. This is good news to the stockmen who are pasturing cattle there.

## In Donley County

**Clarendon Banner-Stockman.**  
A good rain Wednesday night is reported from the plains section of the country, while in and about town yesterday a good garden and growing shower fell. East of town the indications were that the rain was heavy, while south it is said to have been "just what the doctor ordered."

## In Mitchell County

**Colorado News.**  
C. S. Knott and son have leased their pasture in Howard county to J. S. Todd of Fort Worth for one year for \$2,304. The price paid was a handsome one, owing largely to the fact that their pasture goes to the railroad. Mr. Todd intends to ship his cattle from Morita, which is in the pasture.

## In Baylor County

**Seymour Banner.**  
The two packeries at Fort Worth are planning to spend \$100,000 in order to treble the supply of hogs which come to that market. The money is to be spent in educating the farmers to the value of hog raising. Baylor county farmers ought not to wait to be educated, but jump in and get the high prices.

W. P. Brady, a rising young lawyer

## Harness of All Kind



**R. T. Frazier,**  
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Send For Number 8 Catalogue

of Pecos City, was in town last week on a visit to his old collegemate, Pink Edwards. He says things are dry at that place and cattlemen are hoping that dry weather will discourage farmers from settling there.

M. Davis shipped nine cars of fat cattle to St. Louis this week. Jesse Robinson and Henry Word went along to accompany them. These are the last of his cattle fed on oil mill products.

## In Gaines County

**Seminole Sentinel.**  
On last night the quite extended drouth was broken by the fall of a heavy rain. The rain fell nearly all night and this morning the streets of Seminole were covered with water. This assures the farmer a fine season in which to plant and get up their crops.

## In Howard County

**Big Springs Herald.**  
J. F. Smith returned Tuesday from Kansas, having shipped some cattle there for pasturage. J. F. thinks that Texas is a paradise compared to the bewhiskered state.

Colonel George Reynolds of Higby, Mo., was here the first of the week with two cars of registered Durham and Hereford cattle. He sold 15 or 20 head here and shipped the balance to Alpine.

## In Childress County

**Childress Index.**  
Good rains fell in different parts of the county Thursday afternoon and night. Loco reports a flood. Tell says light rains fell out there. In the Kirkland community good rains fell, extending to within three miles of town. On the west rain fell almost to the city limits. It is reported this morning that the city lake, less than a half mile north of the court house, rose two feet last night. Nearly the entire farming section had good rains, but the town received only a sprinkle. Better late than never.

## In Tom Green County

**San Angelo Standard.**  
W. and E. J. Jemeyson of Christoval were in the city Monday with three fine shorthorn bulls, purchased of Louia B. Brown of Smithville, Texas. These shorthorns hail from one of the finest prize-winning herds of the state, and will make their home on the ranch of the Jemeysons, who own 12,000 acres near Christoval, which is about eighteen miles south of San Angelo, on the South Concho river.

From the herd from which these shorthorns come have also come aristocratic bulls that have reached the \$1,000 mark in auction sales in Texas.

## In Deaf Smith County

**Hereford Brand.**  
George G. Wright has come into possession of the Halsell ranch south of Bovina in Bailey county. This well known ranch consists of about 200,000 acres, all of which is fine agricultural land.

The negotiation of this deal, together with other large tracts recently purchased by him means that Mr. Wright and his extensive connections will continue to pull for the Panhandle for some time to come. We have not been able to ascertain at what price the ranch sold, but assuming that it was as much as \$10 per acre the deal would carry with it a consideration of nearly two million dollars.

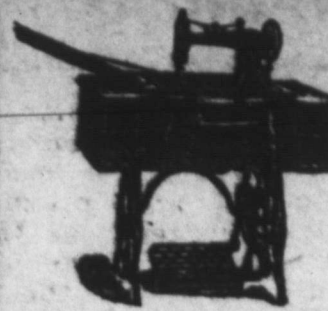
## In Taylor County

**Abilene Reporter.**  
Yesterday one of our well known stock growers, W. J. Faucett, made three sales of horses, two colts at \$150 and \$160, respectively, and one horse at \$500. Another breeder, J. P. Wooten, sold a neat young animal at \$205. There are a number of breeding farms near the city, including those named, that of Fred Wood, and "Oakwood Farm," Dr. W. L. Hollis' property. It has been demonstrated that his is one of the finest districts in America for breeding fine stock, especially horses and mules. Colonel S. N. Morrison, a few miles northwest of the city, has made a great success of mule raising for many years. Captain N. W. Gorsuch can show some very fine animals also.

## In Tom Green County

**San Angelo Press.**  
G. W. Barnes was in the city Saturday and drove out to the Hagelstein & Barnes ranch on Middle Concho thirty-five head of yearling mules, purchased on Lipan Flat, for

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which they paid an average price of \$65. Mr. Barnes was in Kimble county this week to look at a drove of 100 mules with a view to purchasing same.

Russell & Bevans, the big cattlemen of Menardville, report that they lost only about two hundred and fifty head of cattle out of the 35,000 head shipped to Oklahoma, instead of 500, as was reported at first. This is a very small percentage and friends will be pleased to know that their losses were no heavier.

## In Reeves County

**Pecos Times.**  
Popham & Wilson shipped out nineteen carloads of yearlings—1,014 head—Monday, and another train load—1,036 head—Wednesday, to White Deer, Texas. Dallas Capps went with the first train and Smith Wilson with the second. They were as fine a bunch of yearlings as have been shipped out of here for many a day.

B. R. Stine returned Monday from his ranch southeast of Pecos City. He reports that his cattle are in good condition, but says that a rain is needed badly in that section.

Leslie & Whorton shipped 500 head of two-year-old steers to Stradford, Texas, Sunday. They also shipped eight cars of Figure 4 bulls from near Toyah.

## In Presidio County

**Marfa New Era.**  
A nice shower fell here Saturday evening, and again Sunday it sprinkled, just about enough to lay the dust. Not enough fell to do grass any good. It seems that a very good rain fell out northwest of town. It is seldom that we all agree on one thing, but we have yet the man to see who would object to a good old-fashioned rain.

Bohart & Pauls shipped Monday to Kansas one train load of the best steer yearlings that ever left Marfa. They belonged to W. B. and F. A. Mitchell, A. M. Porter, Tom and Mrs. Crosson and Charles Jones.

## In Sutton County

**Sonora Sun.**  
Mat Karnes was in from the ranch the first of the week, and reports a good rain in his neighborhood last Sunday, the first in a long time; he says that Roy Hudspeth also got a good rain.

Oscar Drennan was in town Wednesday. He informed us that E. R. Jackson had moved 950 head of cattle from his Edwards county ranch to his Sutton county ranch, eleven miles south of Sonora.

R. Walter Davis was in from the ranch Thursday. He says that his range is good and he has had remarkably good luck with his cattle this year. He says he has not lost a single head, and his cows are all fat enough for butcher stuff.

Martin & Savell bought this week yearling steers from the following parties, at private terms, to wit: R. E. Taylor, sixty-three head; P. Hurst, four head; George Hamilton, ten head, and Giles Hill, forty-five head.

## In Carson County

**Panhandle Herald.**  
Judge Harrison and Mr. Patterson met with bad luck in their shipment of cattle from Riverton, Texas, which arrived Saturday and Sunday. The shipment consisted of about 2,000 head, and almost every car contained crippled and dead cattle. In one car of bulls only one animal was on its feet when they arrived here, and in many of the cars the dead had to be taken away before the live could be removed. Their loss will amount to several thousand dollars.

J. E. Wetherly of Granada brought in six fat hogs and delivered them to Judge Southwood Saturday. The pigs were farrowed last September and averaged 282 pounds each when sold. These were not grain fed, but just taken from his hog pasture and weighed out as stated above.

**Canyon City News.**  
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here from Hope, Ark., last Friday and left in the stock pens for several days, has proven quite an attraction for many of our people. Just how such an animal came to be in Arkansas was a mystery until the explanation was offered that it was the remains of a wild west show which had broken up there. Our W. H. Newberry is said to have fallen heir to the buffalo. This particular bison is rather undersized for his age, but there can be no doubt about his being the genuine article, thousands and thousands of which roamed freely over Randall and adjoining counties in the early '70s.

Cattle prices are advancing all over the state and in the opinion of the News nothing short of a diminished money supply will prevent an ascending scale for some time to come. In other words, we are clearly on the beginning of another cattle boom and nothing short of a money panic or very decided scarcity of that "needful" will stop it.

## The Alpine Country

**ALPINE, Texas, June 1.**—Jackson & Harmon sold to a Mr. Moffett of Kansas City 500 2-year-old black muley steers and 500 1 and 2-year-old off-color steers. The prices are private, but it is said they received the best price paid for steers here in some time, and that means something, as Brewster county steers always bring fancy prices.

Today dawned cold and cloudy, with good indications for a general rain. There has been some good rains in certain parts of the county, but a general rain would do untold good and is beginning to be needed.

Alpine will soon be shipping vegetables to the lower country—something unheard of or unthought of before. A local commission merchant, who is now receiving vegetables from San Antonio and vicinity, has been requested to ship all of his surplus here to those places, as when vegetables are just beginning to come on the market they are about exhausted down there. There will be a world of vegetables raised here this summer, provided they are not destroyed by hail.

Alpine continues to grow and many new business houses are under construction. The Southern Pacific road runs thru the town and it is expected that the Kansas City and Orient road will be thru by the end of the year 1908, as actual work is being pushed rapidly from both directions this way. Alpine is already a good town, but when the new railroad reaches here it will then be one of the best, if not the best town of its size in Texas. Our people are peaceful, law-abiding citizens, the majority of whom are quite wealthy. We have the best climate in Texas, the altitude being 4,460 feet. Our cattle are the fattest and best grass cattle raised anywhere and our fruits and vegetables are unexcelled in both size and quality. Our Irish potatoes, pumpkins, corn and apples took first prizes at the last San Antonio fair and they did not do justice to the county, owing to the fact that they were gotten together hurriedly and sent in at the last moment. We raise corn out here that grows seven-teen feet high and the roasting ears are unexcelled, altho they do not mature until about the middle of July.



**SWINE**

**Poland Chinas**

The Lone Elm Herd of Poland Chinas of McKinney, Texas, is a noted swine breeding farm, whose proprietor, William Rivers, writes as follows relative to the whys and wherefores of his preference for the Poland China breed of hogs. He says:

"I am not a skilled writer for papers, but I will try to give you a few items such as you wish to know. I think that the Poland China hog is nearest a perfect model we have today. For a brood sow I would pick out a well modeled growthy pig, push her well until eleven months old or one year, and then mate her to a good individual of the same breed. Keep her growing by feeding soft and green feed not feeding too much fat producing feed until farrowing time. Two days before she is due to farrow (which is usually 112 days), place her by herself in some good, dry quarters, that she may get acquainted with her surroundings. Feed lightly some soft food until she farrows.

"Never give anything but clear water the first day and let her be as quiet as possible, as she is apt to injure the pigs if bothered too much. The second day commence feeding a small ration of thin slop of bran, increasing daily for about two weeks. By this time the sow should be fed full feed.

"Care should be taken not to over-feed while the pigs are young, as it causes a flow of more milk than the pigs usually consume, causing milk fever, which brings on scours in pigs, usually proving fatal. When the pigs are one month old prepare a place at one side of the pen where they can be fed rich slop and soaked corn, never feeding too much at once; but let them consume all given at each meal, and then watch them grow.

"WILLIAM RIVERS."  
R. F. D. No. 4, Box 54, McKinney, Texas.

**More Poland Chinas**

"I have been in the hog business," said young O. B. McCoy, "for fourteen years, out near Birdville, in Tarrant county. I have tried all of the best and most popular classes of swine, such as Poland China, Duroc-Jersey, Berkshire, etc., crossed and recrossed them all, and I am now fully convinced that of all the hogs in the country, the Poland China takes the cake, for more than one reason, which I am prepared to sustain at any time.

"I find that the Poland China will succeed on less grass and less feed than any other variety. I am speaking from my own experience and know whereof I am speaking. I read in the papers that it was desired that the Tarrant county farmers meet in this city on some day and discuss Johnson grass as a feed for hogs, and whether its destruction would have any material effect injuriously, provided the other feeds, such as peas, peanuts, alfalfa and Bermuda grass, were cultivated as they should be.

"This is an important question, for if Johnson grass can be dispensed with it will result in great good to all classes of farmers. I am of the opinion myself that it can be dispensed with without injury as to the hog feed problem. It is also proposed to discuss other matters that are of great interest to farmers. I think that this is a good idea, and hope that farmers will take up with the notion and come to the meeting when it is called."

**Duroc-Jerseys**

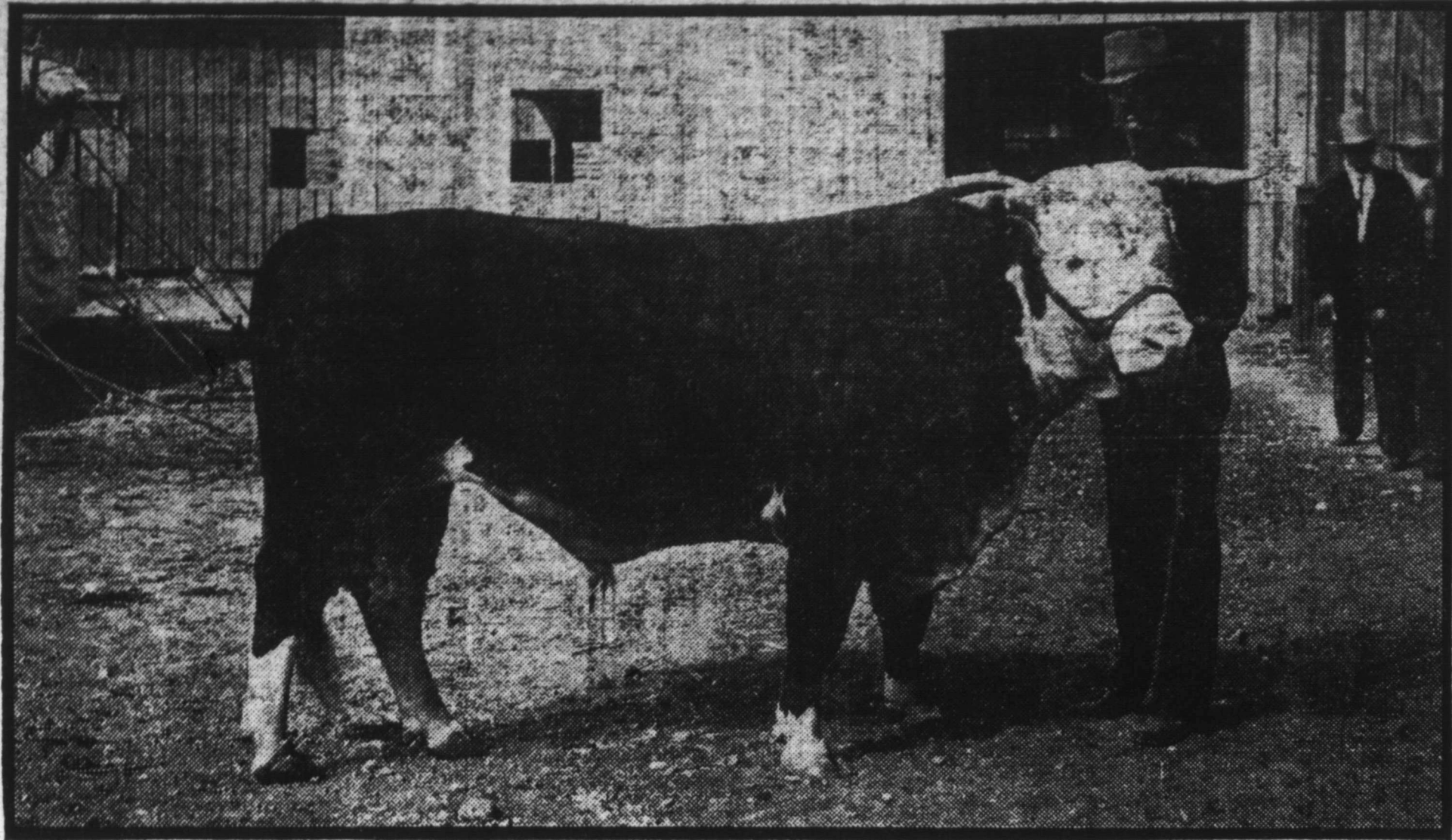
In answer to a letter requesting his views upon the value of swine breeding to a farmer, F. M. Hamilton, proprietor of the Bermuda Duroc-Jersey hog ranch, near Cleburne, Texas, says:

"I have never written for publication, but being in the business I am willing to trust my pen in giving your paper any information I can along the lines of your request. I wish, in the first place, to say that it is as nice an occupation as any farmer can follow; first, because it keeps a man's family out of the cotton patch and gives his children better advantages as to schooling.

"In the second place, he can build up his farm and make it better, instead of worse, and he can plant peas and peanuts for his hogs and pasture them out, and save the work of gathering that crop. It also improves the land more than any crop that can be raised.

"I think that a man going into the hog business should select the breed he likes best and then give them good attention, and they will profit him. He should always have good shade and plenty of water and pasture the year round, and have good farrowing pens and good shelter in bad weather.

"I prefer the Duroc-Jerseys, for their proficacy and condition, size and



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growth; and last, but not least, for their beautiful color and shape.

"I now have my hogs on Bermuda grass pasture and they do fine on a little feed each day.

"If this is accepted I will write again and tell how to plant and cultivate peanuts for hogs.

"F. M. HAMILTON."  
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**HORSES**

**Points a Horse Should Have**

George McKerrow gives his idea of what a horse should be like to suit his taste. This is what he says:

"First—He must have a good, broad flat knee and a wide hock. I am most particular about the hock joint of any on the horse; fully as particular as about the sloping pasterns. Why? The hock joint has to stand the hardest strain of any joint in your horse when you put him at hard work. I want it wide from the rear to the front. I want it comparatively thin, flat and clean the other way thru, especially free from any looseness of joint and from puffiness and meatiness. I want the tendons large both below the knee and above.

"I want him well muscled on the gaskins and up over the croup and I do especially want him well covered with muscle over the loin. To my mind the next place that receives the hardest strain after the hock is the loin. Besides there are two very vital organs over these loins, the kidneys, the kidneys that need to be well covered with muscles.

"I want a short back, but as you say, how is one to get a big solid horse with lots of weight and power and have him short? No, I would have him comparatively long from the point of his shoulders to the point of his hip, but I would have him short in the back, compared with his length on the lower line, and you can get that by having a pretty long hip and having a shoulder with some slope.

"Then I want a medium sized head with a large bold eye standing well on the outside of the head, leaving a good width between the eyes, which I would have well rounded out. I would have it full from the eyes up to the ears, giving lots of room for the brain, for we want brains in the horse as well as in the man or woman. I would have medium sized ears, pretty well apart on top of the horse's head."

When a horse is well coupled together on top and has a short back, he must have the length below from the point of the shoulder to the back of the thigh. When so built, he will stand the strain of drawing heavy loads much better than if he has a long, loose back.

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## POULTRY

### Bench Show and Field Trials

Will L. Sargent of Terrell, Texas, who has been appointed on the auxiliary committee to aid the executive committee in their efforts to build up the Poultry and Pet Stock Show of Texas, has been assigned to the department which includes the bench show and field trial of dogs. "We are all very enthusiastic," said Mr. Sargent, "over the outlook for a big show and it will not be thru any fault of the committee if there should be a failure even the most remote. We would be very much pleased if we could get the postoffice address as well as the names of every dog fancier and owner of good dogs in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and the four territories, the Indian, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona. We would also be pleased if the lovers of fine canines in the Republic of Mexico would come and join us in our efforts to improve the blood and breeding of the greatest friend of man. The object of the association is to build up and perpetuate in the huntsman's paradise an organization that will redound to the fame and the good of all parties interested. This will enable them to find good dogs and bring together the elements among the fanciers and huntsmen who have always heretofore been unorganized. Another strong feature of such an organization will be that they will see to it that the game laws are enforced."

Mr. Sargent is the owner of some very fine dogs. "Frank," his stud dog's sire and dam were direct out of the English Kent kennel, as good blood as there is among the pointer class.

He has one very fine bitch directly out of the George Gould kennel. He has several young dogs from the old one. His desire and intention is to raise some fine dogs, not for sale, but for the use of himself and friends. R. E. L. Roy has some very fine blood among his dogs and Mr. Sargent has bred his bitch to the Roy dog.

The interest is increasing every day and it is now certain that the show this next December will excel all others in the extent of the exhibits and in the good blood on show, that has ever been drawn to Texas.

### Poultry Notes

O. H. Nance, chief clerk of the auditor's office of the Rock Island, is a great chicken fancier, and has brooders and an incubator with which he is very much interested. He has

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hatched out something like 100 young chicks and expects a very large addition to the population of his hen house when the weather warms up a little. As a steady diet, there is nothing that beats chicken, and there are many other classes of citizens who approve of a good dinner of yellow-legged chickens, beside proverbial preachers.

On a farm or ranch owned by the Putnams, in the north part of the county, near the Wise county line, two youngsters have charge. Mr. Putnam says that when he was up there the other day the boys had hatched out 300 young thriving chickens. These boys will have a bank account soon if they keep up that rate of hatching chickens. It is a good business and makes money about as fast as any other way.

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There are many men and women in Tarrant county alone who are dear lovers of poultry of all kinds, and also of pet stock, and there is no doubt but that many of these would be glad of an opportunity to tell the world what beauties in these lines are to be found in their collections. There is no trouble in that connection to be alarmed at, for all any one has to do is to get paper and pencil and jot down what they know and think and send it in and space will be gladly given it. There is nothing like advertising and letting the people know what good things you have, and there is no way better to reach the eye-of-the-people than thru the columns of a newspaper.

### Raise But One Kind

"It is not so much the number as the quality that counts in making profits on chickens," remarked Judge N. B. Moore, secretary of the Poultry and Pet Stock Association. "For instance, I have reduced my holdings to one dozen black Langshans and one rooster. Of the twelve, two hens have hatched chicks. The other ten are laying and are paying me \$20 a month from their eggs alone. There is one setting now in that basket, of fifteen eggs, going to Clifton, Texas, which I have sold for \$3, which is the price I get for every dozen, and I have orders ahead for them. I have thirty fine chicks as big as quails. I cull the chickens and when I find one with any fault off goes his head. My rooster weighs thirteen pounds and the hens will weigh dressed eight pounds."

### SUIT FOLLOWS BIG RANCH DEAL

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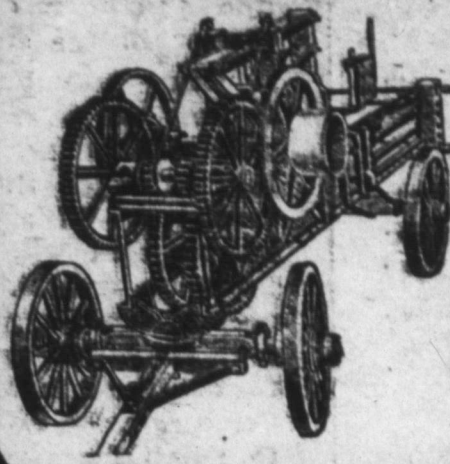
AMARILLO, Texas, June 1.—Suit for \$63,750 has been filed in the district court of Potter county against the Espuela Land and Cattle Company, to recover that amount as a commission alleged to be due for the sale of the Spur ranch in February to E. P. Swenson. The suit is brought by Fred Horsbraugh, and an attachment has been served on the land in his favor.

Amount claimed by Horsbraugh for commission is the largest ever made in this state on a single deal. The total amount involved in the sale of the Spur ranch was \$2,550,000, the largest deal for Texas land ever recorded. The sale included 500,000 acres of land and 30,000 head of cattle and was concluded between the Espuela Land and Cattle Company, most of whose members reside in England, and E. P. Swenson, February 20, 1907.

In his petition Mr. Horsbraugh states that in 1904 the defendant decided to sell the ranch and cattle and authorized Horsbraugh to find a buyer upon which he communicated with E. P. Swenson and interested him in the proposition; that he took Mr. Swenson upon the property and spent several days there with him and also made a trip to England besides other shorter trips, expecting that a commission of not less than 2½ per cent would be paid to him when the sale should be accomplished. On February 20, 1907, he declares he made an agreement with E. P. Swenson, which was confirmed by the shareholders the same day. This contract it is set forth was made between the defendant and W. O. Wetherbee, trustee, as purchaser for and on behalf of E. P. Swenson.

According to the terms the cattle have been delivered and part of the purchase price paid. The land has not yet been conveyed to E. P. Swenson as he is having the titles examined. In his petition Fred Horsbraugh states that in case of the transfer of the land

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the Espuela Land and Cattle Company will own no other land in the United States and that the defendant tho often requested has failed and refused to pay the plaintiff his commission at 2½ per cent, amounting to \$63,550.

The land of the Spur ranch is located in Dickens, Kent and adjoining counties. The suit for the plaintiff has been filed in the district court here by his attorneys, Cowan and Burney of Fort Worth.

The Espuela Land and Cattle Company has no offices or agent in the state of Texas upon which service of

process can be had. William McEwen is the secretary of the company and maintains an office in London, England.

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A freak steer with his heart in his neck was discovered the other day at the Kansas City stockyards, just in time to prevent his being slaughtered. The animal is said to have two heart cavities, the natural one being unoccupied, the heart being located just above the brisket. The steer was bought by the Western Veterinary college at Kansas City and will be kept on exhibition at the school.

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## MARKET FOR SOUTH TEXAS

South and Southwest Texas, according to the San Antonio Express, are furnishing the bulk of the stock received at the Fort Worth market, and the assertion is amply backed up by the official figures. The Express says:

Although the day of stock ranches bigger than some of the eastern states has gone forever in Southwest Texas, that territory is still the greatest breeding ground in the world for cattle. The section is of such vast extent and the grass on the feeding grounds is so succulent, even after all the almost limitless ranches have been cut up into small farms, Southwest Texas will still produce the best cattle in the universe. The farmers will feed their stock and send them to the Fort Worth, Kansas City, St. Louis or Chicago markets and swell their own bank accounts with the splendid receipts for the same.

Of the 837,884 head of cattle sold on the Fort Worth market in 1906 over 500,000 of them or fully 60 per cent came from Southwest Texas, the other 40 per cent being supplied by the remaining portions of Texas and Indian Territory. Take the low average of \$20 around and it means that over \$10,000,000 comes back to Southwest Texas from its Fort Worth cattle sales alone.

Every county in the Southwest Texas area is to a greater or less extent a breeding ground for cattle, and while perhaps 2,500,000 acres have been taken from the ranches, and sold to farmers in the past three years, it has had little apparent effect on the production of stock. Between 2,500,000 and 3,000,000 cattle were rendered for taxation in this territory in the past year. This comprises about one-third of the whole number of cattle rendered for taxation in the entire state of Texas.

The day of the wild and woolly cowboy of

the plains has gone from Southwest Texas forever. The cowboy of today in this section is a self-respecting individual, who minds his cows, saves his money and in a comparatively short time becomes a prosperous citizen. He is a law-abiding citizen, as well dressed, as firm a believer and upholder of law and order, as any peace officer in the state.

They may build truck farms and cotton plantations all over the Southwest Texas, but there will still be room for cattle, hog and goat raising, three of the former great industries of this territory. This will be more evident when it is known that what is called Southwest Texas contains an area larger than several of the eastern states. Cattle raisers from other states need not fear they will not find room in Southwest Texas to continue in the business. More millions of acres may be and will be sold in Southwest Texas to small farmers, but the cattle business will go on forever. It is a business that needs industry and good judgment as much as the sowing of cotton or the raising of truck and its profits are healthy and plenty.

The people of south and southwest Texas do not market their livestock in Fort Worth as a matter of sentiment, but purely as a business proposition. They have found the Fort Worth market the best for their purposes, and that \$10,000,000 paid out here for that stock goes to show that Fort Worth is making good in the matter of furnishing a market in Texas for all Texas livestock.

There was a time when the idea of a great Texas market in Fort Worth was laughed at from one end of Texas to the other, but that day is happily past. A market that is handling approximately one million head of livestock annually is not a proposition to be longer sneezed at, and Fort Worth will continue to grow and develop in that direction until it has become one of the leading and most important livestock centers in the entire United States.

As yet we are but in the very infancy of our development in that direction, but we are growing with mighty bounds. South and Southwest Texas are finding us good people to do business with and from all over Texas good shipments of all classes of livestock are steadily finding their way to this market.

Fort Worth is making good in the matter of a Texas market for all Texas in the matter of livestock. Let our Southwest Texas friends remember that all they have to do is to produce the stuff and get here to market. Fort Worth will do the rest.

## FIGHT WITH THE PACKERS

The fight that is now on between the packing interests of the country and the commission men and livestock growers over the post mortem inspection of cows and heifers, is attracting a great deal of attention. The commission men, who are engaged in selling the cattle of the producers to the packers, are leading in the fight and express themselves as confident of their ability to win out. So far the only assistance they have asked at the hands of the producer is to hold back all she stuff until conditions are more favorable, and there is, a strong tendency in the range section of the state to comply with the request. The average ranchman in Texas has no love for the big packing interests, the beef trust investigation being too fresh in their minds. Sympathy is almost entirely with the commission men, who have sent out the following explanation of the situation:

"Pursuing its long established policy of insisting on the rights of the country shipper, the livestock commission interest proposes to resist the unjust and preposterous demand of the packer that female cattle be sold to him subject to post mortem inspection. It is up to the shipper to lend his aid. There can be no evasion of the meshes laid by the packer for the shipper. Notice has been given that the rule will go into effect at all markets simultaneously.

"There is no earthly use in discussing the packers' attitude. It is arbitrary and assumed without any justification whatever. The step was taken without consultation with the commission interest. The so-called conference was merely a summons to receive notice. Packers have at their command adequate means of protection. Facilities for inspection on the hoof are ample. Both federal and state inspection machinery is thoroughly equipped and competent to determine this

side of the scales whether an animal is infected with tuberculosis or not.

"In trade circles a suspicion is rapidly gaining ground that this move is merely a subterfuge on the part of the packer; actually his motive is the desire to eliminate competition. The packer cannot afford to have this suspicion become grounded. The commission man stands for an open market, and he will resist any and all efforts to crimp it to the last ditch. Livestock trade has always been on a cash basis and must remain there. Shippers pay cash when they buy in the country, and should be reimbursed when his goes over the scales at the stockyards.

"The system proposed by the packer would make possible many varieties of crookedness. It will be noticed the packer does not propose to have any part in the disposal of his property after it goes over the scales. If packers have their way, the shipper must take somebody's say so, and be satisfied. Here is what the edict of the packers means, in trade opinion, provided they can enforce it:

"It would wipe out the time honored cash market feature of the trade. Remittances would be delayed 48 hours at best on scales to packers, and 10 to 14 days to eastern shippers, unless the latter were discriminated against. It would leave the final value and also the identity of condemned animals to be determined by the packers. Owners would have to take the word of interested purchasers as to the value of the stock; the price on the hoof affording them absolutely no guide.

"It would open a possible avenue of cheapening dear purchases on the hoof that would cause abuses under the hog dockage system, before the exchange was organized, to pale into insignificance. It would discriminate in favor of the few principal packers and give them power to eliminate competition of traders, city butchers and shippers. It would be merely an entering wedge, if successful, and soon be extended to steers, hogs and sheep.

"There is but one method of defeating this unjust propaganda—a moderately supplied market. The commission man, in the stand he has taken to protect the interest of the shipper, must have the shipper's support. Ship few cows and heifers. New outlets are not developed in a day. The commission man must find a way out, and it is no easy task.

"Let it be understood that the government is protecting the packer. It has given him at public cost an effective inspection, thereby branding his products as pure. When the packers' business was menaced, the producing element rallied to his aid and insisted on inspection at public cost. Is the packer reciprocating? The nub of the whole matter is that the packers have taken an arbitrary stand, neither wise, just nor dictated by good policy. It is inimical to a competitive market, which the commission man is determined to preserve, if it can possibly be done."

If Jupiter Pluvius is carrying any more showers around in his handbag he is advised to carry them on out west of the Pecos. That section will hail his advent with rapturous delight, while the balance of the state will speed his mission with joyful acclaim.

East Texas papers are referring to spots in West Texas where no rain has fallen in eight months. They doubtless have reference to some cave or subterranean chamber not open to precipitation.

## LEGISLATORS OUT FOR BLOOD

The bedbug season is now open. It is passing strange that the state legislature adjourned without imposing some kind of a penalty on bedbugs.—Fort Worth Telegram.

Probably the legislators considered the bedbugs' methods similar to their own.—Big Springs Enterprise.

## LEGISLATORS ARE AWFUL WINDY

There is not much danger of Austin going dry. Cities of that size in Texas have never yet been carried by those who favor local option.—Fort Worth Telegram.

Austin will never be dry as long as the legislature meets there.—Big Springs Enterprise



# LITTLE MAVERICKS

Terse Tales of the Movements of Cattlemen All Over the Great Range Country of the Entire Southwest

## Farmers Buy Bulls

H. C. Duncan, breeder of registered Shorthorn cattle at Osborne, Mo., was at Kansas City and said that so great has been the demand this spring for registered bulls that he finds he is compelled to look around and buy a few to fill out with.

"Farmers are now breeding up on cattle more than at any time during the last few years," said Mr. Duncan to a representative of The Telegram. "Two farmers frequently buy together a registered bull in order to keep up the grade of their cattle. The demand is widespread, coming from all over the country."

## Freak Calf in Iowa

On the farm of William Harms, in Monroe county, Iowa, is a live two-headed calf, says a dispatch from Dysart. The freak of nature was born on May 6 and appears to be singularly robust. It has the usual number of legs and but two ears. The division of the heads comes at the forehead and the calf has four eyes and two distinct mouths. It eats with both mouths at the same time, but has been seen to drink with one and eat with the other. Many two-headed calves have been born heretofore, but the freaks either were dead at birth or lived but a few days.

## Encourage Hog Raising

The packing houses at Fort Worth are to spend several thousand dollars in educating the people to raise more hogs.

It is said that the packers are willing to pay \$5 per head for fine boars and distribute them among the stock raisers to help increase the supply. The demand for hog products is very heavy at all times and the packers make use of them in almost every carload of meat sent out, as the small carcasses and the other products fill in between the larger pieces of refrigerated meats, thus preventing waste of car space.—Abilene News.

## Sulphur for Ticks

It is a very general belief in all sections where cattle are infested with ticks that the administration of sulphur internally will keep cattle free from ticks, but in investigations carefully carried out by the bureau of animal industry and other investigators, cattle receiving sulphur became infested with ticks as readily as other cattle under exactly the same conditions except that they did not receive any of the drug. The writer has also frequently found infested cattle which had been given sulphur for some time to free them from ticks. There does not seem to be any basis in fact for this belief, and the results will be disappointing where sulphur is depended upon to eradicate ticks.

## Care of the Cow

If a cow is a very heavy milker and in high condition, it would be well to give her light feed for about a week before freshening, to thin the blood a little, as a preventive of milk fever. Keep close watch of her and put her in a box stall at night, so that when she does calve she may have her freedom. After calving give her a warm mash of bran, with a handful of salt scattered on top. Let the calf suck, and then strip her out and put her back in her stall, says a writer in Rural New Yorker. See that she cleans. Do not give her any cold water until after she has cleaned. Work her slowly on to her feed. I do not like to milk a heifer before calving. Let the calf suck once and if the heifer takes kindly to her milk and gives down her milk freely, she is just as well off back in her stall, but if she holds up her milk and wants her calf, let her have it; milk her at the same time of the calf sucking, until she takes kindly to her milker.

## Fences Improve Cattle

"The change that has come over the cattle business of Nebraska will surprise a man who has been out of the state for ten years," said Sheriff Dunkel of Hall county to a representative of the Omaha Bee. "A few years ago when feeders bought cattle for fattening they did not expect the cattle to begin to fatten for six weeks after the feeding began. As a rule the stock came from the open range, where they knew nothing of feed lots and fences,

and they would only eat enough to keep themselves alive until they were acquainted with their new quarters. Today cattle from the western part of the state are accustomed to fences and to rather close quarters. When they are placed in the feed lots they recognize the tanks and feed boxes as somewhat familiar objects, and the result is that the feeder has his stock ready for market at least a month sooner than in the earlier days."

## No Winter Losses

"Bob" Car of Whitewood, S. D., is in Texas, and says there will be practically no loss on range cattle in that country. They had some tough weather, but lots of feed. "The long line of homesteaders is the only thorn in the side of the old-time range cattlemen," said he. "However, when they get their cattle improved and begin to raise them and care for them on a different basis, there will be a good many more cattle to the section than there are now to the township."

## Cutting Big Pastures

ARCHER CITY, June 1.—The surveyors locating the route of the Wichita Falls and Southern railway from Wichita Falls, Texas, to the coal fields of Young county have located the route and have it crosssectioned up to Archer City. The contract is let for the grading from Archer City to Wichita Falls and 200 teams are now on the ground to commence active work on the grade this week.

Two large pastures, one belonging to H. J. Scott of Toronto, Canada, on the east of Archer City, containing 40,000 acres, and one to the west of Archer City belonging to J. W. Harris of Kansas City, also containing 40,000 acres, have been cut up into 160 and 320-acre farms and put on the market for actual settlers at reasonable prices.

The railroad and opening of these large tracts to actual settlers will undoubtedly make Archer City one of the coming towns of northwest Texas.

## The Osage Reservation

H. G. Ezell of Palestine, Texas, who is pasturing 2,000 steers in the Osage nation, near Foraker, Okla., came in yesterday. Mr. Ezell reports that at present the weather is very favorable and that grass is growing fast. "There have never been so many cattle on the Osage pastures as this spring," said Mr. Ezell. "The whole country is full of cattle, and in places it is so heavily stocked that the cattle have been keeping the grass down pretty short. This was largely due to the backward weather, which prevented the grass from growing. The cattlemen brought their herds in early and at that time the weather was warm, and the grass made a good growth, but when the cold spell came on the grass ceased to grow, and it was then that the cattle shrank a little. But at present everything looks favorable, and cattle will soon gain what they lost during the few weeks of cold weather."—Drovers' Telegram.

## Winter Fed Cattle

There is a constantly increasing demand for Panhandle calves that have been winter fed on kaffir corn and roughness," said William Penn Anderson, the live stock agent of the Southern Kansas and Pecos Valley lines, the other day during a conversation on Panhandle stock conditions. "Inquiries for this class of stuff comes from Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio and further east from the Cumberland valley in Virginia and the Genesee valley in New York. Feeders have learned that a Panhandle calf weaned from its mother or a yearling that has been cared for and fed thru the winter is the biggest money maker that a feeder can put into his lot.

"You see, some Panhandle cattle raisers are beginning to find out that cattle can be more profitably raised on high priced land than they could on low priced land under the old system. Five acres of land when part of it is in kaffir corn or some similar crop goes as far as twenty acres would go under the old open range plan. Under the old winter starvation plan you had to figure that a steer lost about five months out of every year during the winter when the range was short. By helping out the range with kaffir corn and roughness from part of the five acres the Panhandle cattle raiser can now keep the steer growing twelve months in the year and the result is



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wheat and small grain man yet, for the Panhandle, but I am a firm believer in kaffir corn and such crops, I know that by the use of them Panhandle cattle raisers can make money. The facts prove it."—Amarillo Daily Panhandle.



## Cattlemen Who Come and Go

### Thin Southern Sheep

A double car of two decks came in from Range in south Texas, loaded with sheep for market. There were 250 of them. They were rather thin and in consequence there was no sale for them at this market. Accordingly, they were shipped on to more northerly markets. They were mutton sheep but evidently the grass down in De Witt county did not build them up as rapidly as their brothers were out in Kinney county. These sheep were the property of J. N. Lincoln of the Runge section, and were in charge of a care taker only. He reported rain and a good season in the ground down south and grass growing fast. Stock of all kinds were picking up.

### Sheep Sold Well

From Burnet county came a lot of sheep which were in a very finished condition, considering they were grassers. They were 500 in number and were the property of J. B. Clement of Burnet, Burnet county, Texas. They were in good shape for market and being all wethers and mutton they were not hard to dispose of to the packers. They averaged 84 pounds and sold for \$5.30 per head. The care taker reported that rain had fallen in Burnet county and that grass was all right and getting righter every day. There had been dry weather earlier in the spring but now all the earth was moist and crops of all kinds, both animal and vegetable, were making fine progress.

### Extra Good Sheep

There was a pretty heavy run of sheep on the market and among the arrivals was a shipment of 500 wethers from Captain Hamilton, the big sheep breeder of Del Rio. A son of Captain Hamilton was along with the sheep and reported a very good trip. "These sheep were grass fed," said he, "but they were in good shape for the market. They averaged 95 pounds and sold for \$5.70. They were extra good. They were all bought by Swift & Company for slaughter here. We have had rain down with us and the grass is very good and the weeds, too. Our sheep are doing very well indeed and are a paying proposition at such prices as these brought."

### Selling Ranch Land

Among the stockmen who were in Fort Worth within the last few days was Colonel J. R. Dougherty of Sweetwater, Nolan county, Texas. His ranch is down in the southern part of the county and has been made more valuable recently by the Orient railroad passing thru it.

"I am here this trip," said he, "for the purpose of closing out a deal in which a part of my ranch is involved. I am selling two sections for agricultural purposes. I am gladly getting out of the business. I have been in San Antonio all the winter, as it is a pleasant place to live, with a fine climate. I hear that we have had rain down on the ranch, and that the stock are doing well."

### Cattle Doing Well

Captain Bill Waddell was in the city from his western holdings in his usual cheerful good humor and had no look of a man owning cows in a dry country.

"It is a little dry out with us," said he, "not too dry for a cowman, but a little dry for a farmer. Grass is not so bad as I have seen it and cattle are doing very well, that is, mine are. Calf crop is a good one this year and the market seems to be on the rise since the packers adopted the rule to kill before paying for an animal. Lands are still selling some out our way and the prospects are good. Of course the farmer who is to take our lands is too busy just now making his crop to give attention to anything else, but after he has laid his crops by then he will begin looking out for other locations."

### Plenty of Rain

J. J. Putnam, a stock raiser of Tarrant county, was in the city and reported rain:

"Yes, we have had plenty of rain," said he, "and we have a fine season in the ground. Grass is very good indeed and stock are getting along as fine as could be. We raise mules and have a fine jack and good mares. There is no kind of stock, or anything else, for that matter, that does as well as horses and mules in Tarrant county, and what we raise are as good as can be bred and grown in any part of Texas. Cotton in our section is behind hand and some will have to be replanted. Corn is moderately good and the early planting is very good. The late planting or that that was planted

on the land that was in wheat and oats but was devoured by the green bugs, is small and has not done well on account of the cool weather."

### Crockett Needs Rain

Captain J. W. Montague of Crockett county, where he is interested in a good big ranch of 100,000 acres of good grazing land, was in the city.

"It has not rained out with us yet and it is dry. Grass is tolerably good and some cattle are getting along very well, but others are not. My agricultural propositions are not doing well at all—dried up mostly. Cotton is coming up some, however. Cattle matters are not so good as we could wish, but there will be a turn possibly soon. Let us hope so anyway. You may say that I have just closed a trade thru which I sold 1,500 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers to be delivered on or about the 15th of June at San Angelo, for \$25 apiece. Witherspoon & Company were the buyers."

### Territory Needs Rain

T. S. Hendricks of Chickasha was in with some fed stuff for the market.

"I am a stock raiser and feeder," said he, "that is, I buy a lot of steers and run them on a pasture that I have leased. I do not make a practice of breeding cattle, too many varmints in the country that will destroy the calf crop. Grass is very good, but backward owing to cold season. Have had plenty of rain up our way but in parts of the country it has never rained up to the time I left home. I was down at Duncan a few days ago and grass was actually burning up. Corn and cotton are both backward up with us and it will take good warm weather steady for two months to bring it up to standard. Corn is in a bad way. On tight land there is no stand, but on the sandy it is much better and will make crop. Cattle doing good. I brought in a load of corn fed steers, 3-year-olds. Corn fed cattle are about all in now."

### Rain in Panhandle

Captain Tom Yarbrough is a thoro stockman, besides being a banker, and as he was born and reared in Texas, the cow situation comes natural to him.

"I hear from my neighbor," said he, "whose ranch joins mine in Childress and Cottle counties, that he has had rain, so I suppose that I have had my share also. It has been very dry for some time and everything was needing rain. Grass was short owing to the lack of moisture to make it grow, but now this rain will fix things all right. Cattle have been doing just as well as one could expect under the circumstances, and are not in bad condition. I had a big lot of wheat and it was just in the blooming stage and fine when the last freeze came and nipped it and that ended it. I had escaped the green bugs and other evils, but the freeze got me at last. Kaffir corn is the main dependence up there, sure, and it is good feed. I will go to the ranch on the first and will then be able, on my return, to tell you what is what."

### Robertson Did Not Sell

Colonel "Sug" Robertson, the noted cowman and banker of Colorado City, was in the city for several days and had his usual look of cheerfulness.

"We have had some rain," said he, "enough for stockmen, but not for the farmers. I have heard from there since I left and the rain that is annoying the agricultural population down this way has not put in an appearance there yet. Grass is very good and cattle are doing well and gaining flesh every day. Mitchell is a great cow country and always was. No, I did not sell my ranch. I backed out before the trade was consummated. I love the cow business and having a good bunch of cattle on the ranch, I could not make up my mind to get rid of them when I was able to hold and run them as well as the next man. Anyway, it is a good investment and if I had sold I would have had to run around some time before I could have found as good a one. I think the action of the packing houses will result in good in the end. People ought to be taught not to send cattle with the 'big jaw' and sick otherwise to market. It will cause some inconvenience just now, but probably matters will adjust themselves in a short time. Man is naturally conservative and hates to see old things and methods disturbed in any way. I am going home tonight."

### That New Market Rule

A group of stockmen and commission men were standing in the Exchange gossiping when the reporter



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dropped in among them and stirred them up by probing for information relative to what they thought of the recent order of the packing houses refusing to pay for stock until they had been slaughtered and inspected, thus saving themselves from loss in case inspectors should reject the carcass. There were many opinions variously expressed in different styles of language, but from the ruck the reporter was able to get this view, which looked reasonable.

Said one: "If the packing houses had agreed to have the animals inspected at the scales, or had the law required them to have it done so, it would have been better, I think, for all concerned, and less friction would have occurred and hard feeling. It is a little bit too early after the issuance of the order to judge accurately as to results, for the news has hardly gotten out among the breeders and ranges yet. There is one thing that looks good to me, and that is that the secretary of agriculture has said that in case the packers persist in their course, he would withdraw the inspectors and that would put

them out of business."

Others took a similar view but others of the shippers said that it seemed to them a good thing in that it would teach the producer to raise better stock and take better care of them so that when they were sent to market they would be in perfect condition. The market for cattle was up but the hog market was way off.

### Dipping Causes Serious Loss

There is complaint from Wyoming that the dipping of cows and calves for mange in that state is causing loss of calves, for the reason that the dip prevents the cows from recognizing their calves and the calves from recognizing their mothers. Bovine animals depend entirely upon the sense of smell to recognize each other. The dip makes all smell alike and as a result cows fail to recognize their calves and the calves are starving to death. At one point a loss of several hundred calves from this cause is reported.



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Owing to the unusual demand for lots in Factory Place, Queensborough and fourth filing of Arlington Heights, and in order to get a wider distribution of residences over the property, the West Fort Worth Land Company has decided to offer the public another opportunity to secure valuable lots in these additions for \$200 on the monthly payment plan—\$10 down and \$10 per month, with no interest, and have therefore inaugurated a new "Oklahoma" sale, which includes the same number of lots as the one just closed out by this company. In this new sale we are offering a 1-300th interest in 318 lots and improvements, the latter being three \$2,000 residences. In other words, we are simply selling on this plan 300 of our very best lots at the uniform price of \$200, and throwing in eighteen additional lots and three \$2,000 homes for good measure. The property will be deeded to a trustee for the benefit of the purchasers on Dec. 5, 1907.

This company has now been in business 100 days, and during that brief period has sold over \$140,000 worth of their property in the additions above mentioned. The first "Oklahoma" sale was exhausted during the last week of May, proving beyond question that the investing public has great confidence in the future value of this property, and when it is considered that we have sold as many location lots thruout these additions as we have those on the "Oklahoma" plan, the importance and worth of this land operation can be appreciated.

In the new sale which we are starting the lots have been selected with great care, and every one of them is a fair average as to values of the entire tract. Also we have gone into our Arlington Heights addition and set aside nearly one-half of the total number to be distributed on this plan out of this portion of our holdings. Every person living in Fort Worth, or, for that matter, in North Texas, knows that no finer suburban residence sites can be had anywhere than in the fourth filing of beautiful Arlington Heights, Fort Worth's choicest residence district. In this addition the streets are eighty feet wide, lots are 50x125 feet to a 16-foot alley, and every one of them overlooks the business section of Fort Worth.

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"Yes," responded Mr. Davis, "I got a pretty good price for my hogs today and above the market price yesterday, \$6.17½. There has been rain every where, I believe, anyway it has rained every inch of the way down from Snyder to Fort Worth and I came by way of Vernon."

### Farmers Must Diversify

Joe Aston is a young man who helps his father on a stock farm near Farmersville, which is his postoffice. He is an intelligent young gentleman, and in the rush of events has nallied some correct views as to the future for farmers. "I and my father work a stock farm of 600 acres. It has been very wet, so much so that the farmers and merchants have both become very gloomy. It has rained incessantly and in our black lands the weeds are just tearing along, while the farmers will have to look on, grin and bear it. Cotton will have to be replanted which will make the third time. Cotton seed is scarce but the oil mills are coming to the help of the farmers. The speculators are trying to profit off of the troubles of the farmer and are charging as high as \$1 a bushel for the seed, but the mills are only charging cost. Corn is spotted and not a good stand everywhere. Stock are doing fairly well, but there are no pastures with us, the stock we get being the 'cow-pen' stuff of the farmers. Labor has become the great item in the economy of the farmer and he has got

to do something to relieve himself or he will go to the wall. My idea is that we will have to quit raising so much cotton and add several other crops to our business. It is poor policy to have but one money crop at a time. Feed should be raised and fed to stock and as we have a market at Fort Worth we can raise anything with the knowledge that it can be sold at any time. For the last two years our land that is valued at \$60 an acre and worth it, has brought us in less than 3 per cent. This will not pay, so while it hurts still it is a good lesson and will wake the people up and put them to work on something that will not require the help of negro labor and will at the same time bring in more revenue. If this is taught our farmers, then the rains have been good for something anyway, besides moistening the ground."

### Grass Very Short

"I live on Red river in Montague county, in the bend of the river known as the Spanish Fort bend, and about two miles from that noted spot up the river," said N. J. Howard, "and my postoffice is R. F. D. No. 5, Nocona, Texas. We have had plenty of rain and this includes all the county. Cotton is sorry, not a good stand; was planted over twice. Corn is small for the time of the year. Altogether the crops are not as good as they usually are this time of the year. I farm and raise hogs and cattle, and buy when I think there is anything in it. Hogs are pretty well exhausted now, but there will be a good many later in the year. Cattle are not doing extra well. Grass is very short, owing to the cold weather which stopped its growth at the very time it should have been humming along. Peach crop very good, berries fair. It rained all day Friday. I brought in a load of hogs."

### Result Is Good

G. N. Matthews was originally from Illinois, but is now of the I. T. "I am a southerner all right now, and believe in the Territory and Texas as the coming portions of the United States that have the biggest future before them. I live at Duncan, and it has been just seasonable enough to suit me. I am strictly a stock farmer. Stock are in fair shape and grass in fair condition, considering. Had rains the last few days and good ones, too.

Cotton backward, but up all right and growing. Corn growing slow, poor stand on an average. There is not much old corn in the cribs now. I brought in a mixed load of cattle. What do I think of the new rule made by the packing houses not to pay for cattle until they are slaughtered and inspected? Well, I think that it will result in much good in time. A man will learn that he has got to breed better stock, take better care of them and market them in better shape than is customary now. I believe, however, that it would have been best for the packers to have given us shippers at least nine months notice before enforcing the rule. However, as I said before, the business is now in the hands of the stock farmer and he can have no excuse for not raising a better class of cattle and keeping them better."

### Good Fruit Crop

J. F. Stephens of Cassion, O. T., came in with a car of hogs. "I am an old shipper here," said he. "I am a farmer to the extent of 25 acres near town but my chief business is buying and selling stock. We have had plenty of rain and it extended all down the line, everything being moist and seasonable now. Cotton is coming on well, but of course is backward. Corn looks pretty good. Stock of all kinds are doing fairly well. There is a good fruit crop despite all the cold weather. It don't seem to have hurt it much. I will have near 800 bushels of peaches for shipment this year. I sent some of my peaches down to a commission firm here last season and there were some of them which measured 14 inches in circumference. My trees are all budded trees. I brought in a car of hogs and they brought me in \$6.12½ per hundred. The market is off but I made money. In the hog business, as in all other stock, buying is the main point if you wish to get out with money every time."

### Feed and Cattle

M. P. Mauer and Company of Chickasha were represented on the market by the junior partner, D. M. Brown. "I live nine miles southeast of Cement," said Mr. Brown, "but do business in Chickasha, I. T. I am a stock farmer, raising feed and cattle and hogs. Crops with us are more forward than in other parts of the country for some reason. Cattle are in good shape and live stock generally is good. One who had been in our section some few years ago would be surprised now if he were to return, to see the fine quality of horse stock that is

being bred. I raise only enough for use but am in a position where I always have some to sell and not to buy. I brought in some feed stock, corn fed. They averaged \$65 and brought \$5.00 even, which was good."

### Cattle Are Scarce

I. S. Richardson lives in the neighboring county of Wise and gets his mail from Boyd. "Stock raising and farming are my vocation," said he. "Cattle and hogs are my stay, but I buy some when it is necessary to fill for a load to market. Cattle are very scarce with us at this season of the year, and the most we get anyway is the cow-pen stuff from the feeders. At this season the farmer has sold out about all he has to sell and it will be fall or winter before he has any yearlings to dispose of. Hogs are scarcer than I ever saw them, owing probably to the same cause that controls the cattle business mentioned above. Crops are fairly good. Corn is pretty good and in some fields is tasseling. Cotton is very backward, but there is a stand almost everywhere. I have sandy land which seems to be ahead of the black land under the same conditions. Fruit is fairly good, probably there will be two-thirds of a crop of peaches. The berry crop is not as good as usual, do not know why, unless it is the hard rains which have affected them."

### Sells Premium Stock

Dave Hill, as he is known among stockmen, is a skilled stockman and farmer who resides near Chickasha, I. T. "I raise feed," said Mr. Hill, "and hogs and cattle. I live a few miles from Chickasha, but do my business there such as comes in the feeding and shipping line. There has been plenty of rain all the way down this spell, even those places which had been very dry, such as Duncan, had their share this time. Corn and cotton are very backward indeed owing to the cold weather. We have had plenty of rain all the time but the sudden change in April to cool weather with some frost did the work. I sold some months back the car of hogs that brought the most money by the carload that was ever sold on this market. There has been more money on smaller lots of hogs taken, but there has never been a car of 69 head sold averaging 335 and bringing in \$1,426.21 for the load. Today I brought in a car of steers, 20 head, which averaged 1,394 and sold for \$5.50, the highest for any carload ever sold on this market other than show stock."



## COW STUFF IS UNDER BAN

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CHICAGO, May 31.—The executive committee of the American Meat Packers' Association, whose membership embraces 275 large and small packers in twenty-nine states, met here today and unanimously adopted a resolution asking all inspected slaughtering establishments to buy cows and other "she cattle," subject to a post mortem inspection by the United States government. A request is made that immediate effect be given the resolution. Secretary George L. McCarthy, of the association, said:

"Diseased cows to which we object come from dirty, filthy farms, and it naturally follows the dairy which comes from most of them is diseased. The danger to the public in consuming milk and other dairy products from tubercular causes and cows suffering from other diseases would be appalling if it were generally known. Farmers who are responsible for this condition of affairs have no incentive to keep their farms clean, and their herds free from diseases, so long as they are paid full value for diseased animals sent to market for slaughter."

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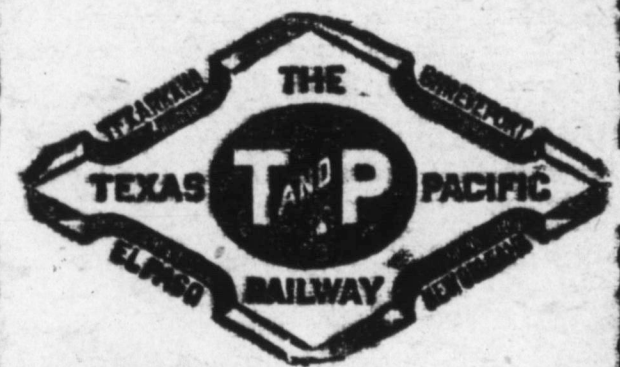
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## OWNERSHIP IF REGULATION FAIL

Sam Cowan Says Responsibility Is With Roads

### IS OFF TO WASHINGTON

Representative of Cattle Raisers, Grain Dealers and Southwestern Cities to Argue the Cases

Sam H. Cowan leaves Friday night for Washington, where he will represent clients from this city, other parts of Texas and Mexico in cases before the interstate commerce commission. Thursday afternoon Judge Cowan stated in an interview that if the regulation of rates by law proved to be a failure in his opinion government ownership of railroads would be demanded, while if the regulation and control proved efficient that there would be little more said about this phase.

Judge Cowan will act as the attorney for the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, the Texas Grain Dealers' Association, the Texas Millers' Association and the towns of Roswell and Amarillo in various cases. He said:

"June 25 argument of the case of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association will be finally submitted to the interstate commerce commission under the new law.

"In regard to the evidence which the Santa Fe is bringing forth, claiming that it shows that there is no profit in the cattle carrying business, there is no foundation whatever for the contention. The interstate commerce com-

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mission heard all that evidence prior to its decision rendered Aug. 15, 1905, and expressly held that there was nothing to the contention, and the commission found that that part of the business was profitable and desirable.

"I am surprised at a revival of the assertion that cattle don't pay when it has been demonstrated and found by the commission that trains carrying live stock pay very much more than trains not carrying live stock. They have more loaded cars and as much revenue tonnage on the average.

"Take for example a train of twenty-five cars from Fort Worth or any place in Northern Texas having the Fort Worth rate to Kansas City and it will earn \$2,698.75. The distance is just a little over five hundred miles, and it does not cost the railroad for the total of its operating expenses of every kind and character more than an average \$1.25 a train mile for receiving and carrying the train to Kansas City. The originating and delivering expenses, expenses of cleaning the car and disinfecting will not exceed \$4 a car, which for the train would be \$100. A good part of the cars are returned loaded and the expense of returning empties cannot at most exceed \$200 or \$300. The loss and damages, of which there has been so much talk, will not, on the average, amount to more than a dollar or two per car, so that any way you can figure, the railroads make over 100 per cent net on the train.

#### Don't Lose Money

"It is all stuff to talk about losing money when you go to figure out what they get and what it costs them to do it. We demonstrated to the commission before that the figures the railroads made trying to show a loss were worthless, and we can do it again.

"Of course, some things pay more per hundredweight than cattle, but they haven't got so many hundred pounds. Our Texas rates on cattle shipments in the state are 90 to 40 per cent lower than the interstate rates. The claim of the Texas railroads of not making money is without foundation with some possible exceptions. They have enormously padded their expense accounts with items that are really for the payment of betterments and accumulative profit, and that reduces the apparent net money. But you can't keep your pie and eat it, too.

"It is not generally known, but it is a fact that during the present fiscal year up to this time the gross and net earnings of the Texas roads show an increase of 25 to 40 per cent or more over the previous year. The net earnings on every well-located railroad in the state today, if only real operating expenses be deducted from gross income, is greater than the profit produced by the use of most large and permanent investments. The public has the right to limit what the railroads shall earn to what is reasonable, and that is what the Cattle Raisers' Association is seeking to do, and that is what the grain dealers are seeking to do.

#### Government Ownership

"The virtue of the new interstate commerce act will within the next few months be put to the test. If the railroads and railroad rates can be regulated by the government, no argument in favor of government ownership will receive much consideration. On the other hand, if the railroads control the government and regulation by law proves a failure they will have but themselves to blame if an aroused public demands government ownership.

"Among other things which will come up on this trip will be the arguing of the case of the grain dealers and millers of Fort Worth and Dallas, wherein they intervened in a proceeding brought by the territory of Oklahoma and by the Farmers and Merchants' Association of Wichita, Kan., and joined in by the Kansas railroad commission, seeking lower rates on grain from Oklahoma and Kansas points to Texas. The Fort Worth and Dallas people have intervened to protect their interests as grain and millings markets, Fort Worth being the largest grain market in the state. The grain rates from equal-distant points between Fort Worth and Dallas on one side and Kansas City on the other now give Kansas City rates but little more than half the rates from the same points to Dallas and Fort Worth, and the same ratio prevails to other points in North Texas.

"I will also represent Roswell and other towns in the Pecos Valley, in New Mexico, in their case before the commission, seeking lower rates, both into and out of New Mexico points? The Amarillo case seeks to have the rates to Amarillo put upon the same footing as the rates to Texas common points from the north and east."

The rumor that Buffalo Bill's show will go to the Jamestown exposition to show how people were robbed by wild west bandits is positively untrue.

# IMPORTANT CROP FACTS

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## Weekly Review Livestock Market

The last week's receipts show moderate gains, except in the line of she stuff, due to the packers' recent ruling against buying any in this class except subject to post mortem examination. The week's total receipts were about 13,000 cattle, 3,300 calves, 13,000 hogs, 4,300 sheep and 180 horses and mules.

### Beef Steers

Approximately 300 cars of beef steers were received, the shipments being averaged thruout the week. Southern grass steers have been coming in more freely and have outnumbered the fed stuff. The class has been ordinary and but a few loads of strictly good grassers have been offered. All kinds of fed stuff has been offered, the shipments showing a wide range in quality.

The refusal of commission men at Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Omaha and St. Joseph to sell cows with the post mortem restriction imposed by the packers caused a more active demand at these markets for steers, particularly the light butcher grades. This caused an improvement of the trade here on steers, as well as cows and heifers.

The week's offerings included several loads of choice heavy corn-fed steers, which sold up to \$5.25 and \$5.50, a large number of good 1,050 to 1,200-pound meal-fed or cake and grass cattle, which sold around \$4.35 and \$4.60 and a few loads at \$4.65 to \$5. The top on straight grassers was \$4.50, paid Tuesday for a load of extra good 1,075-pound beefs. On Wednesday's high market a ten-car string of medium 875-pound grass steers sold at \$4.10, while twelve loads of plain \$34-pound grassers made \$3.90. Steers selling from \$3.60 down showed no advance during the week.

### Stockers and Feeders

Stock and feeding cattle trade has been quiet and featureless during the last week, with prices developing little or no change from the close of the preceding week. Demand has been of small volume and the bulk of the light steers at all useful for slaughter have gone to the killers at better figures than feeder buyers or pasture men were ready to grant. The best stock steer yearlings are selling around \$3, with the fair to medium kinds largely around \$2.50 to \$2.75.

### Butcher Stock

The trade on cows and heifers has been watched with more than usual interest this week, it being the first week in which packers have tried their plan of buying all she stuff subject to post mortem inspection. Locally the trade has gone on much the same as formerly. The proposed agreement among commission men to refuse to sell stuff under the "subject" plan of the packers being frustrated by the discovery of the fact that such action would be contrary to the state anti-trust law, sellers disposed of their holdings thruout the week to the best bidder without heed to the inspection rule, save that in a number of instances forward springers that were considered likely to be condemned were cut out of bunches and sold to outside buyers. Elsewhere commission men pledged themselves to sell no cows under the terms of the new rule, and with support from shippers in holding shipments of she stuff back, have been able to dispose of their offerings to outside trade, tho at very irregular prices. Being shut off from butcher she stuff at all large outside markets, packers were naturally good buyers of supplies here. Canner cows have shown little change any time during the week, and all grades of bulls have remained in about the same notch as at last week's closing.

### Calves and Yearlings

With enlarged receipts of calves this week the market has been active and prices again on the upturn, the market advancing 50c per hundredweight during the first half of the week on all grades of light veals and desirable medium and heavy weights, and holding the advance to the close.

### Hogs

The hog market has been subject to the most violent fluctuations this week that it has shown for months. Monday packers experienced little difficulty in taking 15c to 25c off values, all northern markets coming in lower on good runs, and the trade here not having

felt the decline which was shown at other points last Saturday. The drop put tons down to \$6.15, but nine loads were landed here at that figure, while less than two loads reached the price at Kansas City on that day. By slight advances on the three succeeding days tops were shoved up to \$6.17½ by Thursday, and Friday in a snappy session closing sales showed a further appreciation of 17½c to 20c, the advance putting the market back to a steady notch with the close of last week.

Tops today sold at \$6.32½, with the bulk going from \$6.27½ to \$6.30. The top last Saturday was \$6.35, and the bulk \$6.30.

### Sheep

The sheep market opened the week with an advance of a dime, choice clipped grass wethers of 95 pounds average reaching \$5.70 and a string of 90-pound fed wethers \$5.65. The advance was lost by the close. Two doubles of grass wethers in medium flesh had to sell at \$5.15 Friday, going to a feeder buyer.

### Prices for the Week

|                   | Top    | Bulk         |
|-------------------|--------|--------------|
| Steers—           |        |              |
| Tuesday           | \$5.50 | \$3.90@4.60  |
| Wednesday         | 4.70   | 3.55@4.35    |
| Thursday          | 5.00   | 3.85@4.50    |
| Friday            | 4.75   | 4.00@4.55    |
| Saturday          | 4.70   | 3.80@4.70    |
| Monday            | 5.50   | 3.60@4.15    |
| Cows and Heifers— |        |              |
| Tuesday           | 3.90   | 2.50@3.25    |
| Wednesday         | 3.55   | 2.10@3.10    |
| Thursday          | 3.35   | 2.35@3.10    |
| Friday            | 3.25   | 2.65@3.00    |
| Saturday          | 3.25   | 2.40@3.15    |
| Monday            | 3.40   | 2.40@3.25    |
| Calves—           |        |              |
| Tuesday           | 5.00   | 4.00@5.00    |
| Wednesday         | 5.25   | 3.75@5.25    |
| Thursday          | 5.00   | 4.85@5.00    |
| Friday            | 5.00   | 4.25@4.90    |
| Saturday          | 5.15   | 4.60@5.00    |
| Monday            | 5.50   | 4.25@5.00    |
| Hogs—             | Top    | Bulk         |
| Tuesday           | 6.15   | 6.05 @6.12½  |
| Wednesday         | 6.17½  | 6.10 ½@6.12½ |
| Thursday          | 6.17½  | 6.12½@6.15   |
| Friday            | 6.35   | 6.27½@6.32½  |
| Saturday          | 6.32½  | 6.27½@6.30   |
| Monday            | 6.27   | 6.25 @...    |

Receipts for the week by days were as follows:

|           | Cattle | Calves | Hogs  | Sheep | M  |
|-----------|--------|--------|-------|-------|----|
| Tuesday   | 2,448  | 379    | 2,375 | 1,043 | .. |
| Wednesday | 2,212  | 661    | 2,458 | 462   | 2  |
| Thursday  | 2,226  | 263    | 1,218 | 697   | 2  |
| Friday    | 1,920  | 550    | 1,427 | 1,032 | 52 |
| Saturday  | 1,000  | 250    | 1,000 | 115   | 36 |
| Monday    | 4,000  | 694    | 2,680 | 734   | 17 |

Receipts for the week compared with last week and the corresponding week last year:

|                  |         |        |        |
|------------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Cattle           | 13,290  | 11,893 | 12,904 |
| Calves           | 3,300   | 2,386  | 2,023  |
| Hogs             | 139,525 | 10,973 | 8,709  |
| Sheep            | 4,390   | 3,332  | 5,331  |
| Horses and mules | 183     | 527    | 38     |

## WEST TEXAS IS STILL TOO DRY

### Range Reports Show Little Fall in Pecos Country

Heavy rains are reported over a large part of the state and the Panhandle during the past week in the reports of the inspectors of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association received here at the headquarters of the association.

The far west has not received rains of any benefit yet, according to the report of C. Brown of Pecos, inspector in that part of the state.

A large number of cattle have been going out of the West Texas country during the past week to California and Montant points. From Midland west the shipments have been unusually heavy.

The reports are as follow: Midland—A few local showers during week; range dry; 125 cars cattle shipped; 48 by Nelson Morris, 77 cars by Criss Scarbauer, all to the Da-

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Notes. W. L. CALHON, Inspector. Amarillo, Dalhart, Stratford—Ranges not doing well. Weather remains cold. Country has had some good rains, but large parts are without. Twenty-nine cars shipped to Kansas and Colorado points.

### R. C. SOWDER, Inspector.

Pecos, Pyote—Weather dry and hot; cloudy the last of week. Ninety-eight cars cattle shipped to California and Montant points. Among shippers were Cato & Johnson, 22 cars; F. T. Thing, 17 cars; A. J. Nesbit, 48 cars; J. D. Archer, 13 cars.

### C. BROWN, Inspector.

Kingsville, Harlinger, Norias and Church—Weather fair. Rain Wednesday. Twenty-five cars shipped to Fort Worth and seven to Liverpool.

### W. B. SHEELTON, Inspector.

Victoria, El Campo, Smiley—Weather good, heavy rains Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Fourteen cars shipped.

CHARLES E. MARTIN, Inspector. Fairfax—Weather warm, cattle doing fine.

### F. W. CANTON, Inspector.

Beeville, Skidmore—Weather and range good. Eight cars cattle shipped.

### JOHN E. RIGBY, Inspector.

Dalhart, Texline—Weather and range fine. Fourteen cars shipped. E. Sanford to Colorado.

### J. E. M'CANLESS, Inspector.

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