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Good Rains Fall Over Texas--Cold

Saturday brought the worst storm of cold weather of the winter, accompanied most generally with sleet and rain. It was a true-blue old-fashioned norther, which made the optimistic citizen hunt cover, coal or wood in a hurry. It covered the country with an icy blast that was not good for stock or men who were caught in it.

Fortunately this, while not what would be called a wet norther, brought rain heavy in some sections and light in others, while in some parts of the country none fell. Rain fell quite heavily at Greenville and Corsicana, with some hail at the former place. At Italy rain fell almost all Saturday night, and will be of incalculable

benefit to stockmen and farmers in the black belt. A very heavy rain fell at Terrell and Kauffman for several hours. From Wise county it is reported that a good rain had fallen, which will benefit cattlemen, as little rain had thus far fallen this winter in that county. Rain did not neglect McKinney. Down at Thornton, in Limestone county, rain fell at intervals during the night, putting a good season in the ground, which was a great benefit to farmers, who had been compelled to stop work on account of the drouth. Slow rain at Mexia and the first for several weeks fell at Strawn, in Palo Pinto county. Ennis reports a good rain, but fears are entertained that harm has been

done to the fruit crop on account of the freeze. The good things in the shape of rain did not pass Titus county by, for Mount Pleasant reports a rain that continued incessantly from early morning to noon on Saturday. Hail, rain and wind struck Ranger, doing no damage of importance.

A much-desired rain fell at Killen in Bell county, while at Hillsboro a light, steady rain fell almost all night. Bonham, in Fannin county, received her share in the shape of a heavy downpour. Sunset received a rain, and also a snowstorm, while at Naples, in Morris county, it rained all day. The winter drouth was broken at St. oJe in Montague county, and a heavy rain fell in Smith county, as reported from Tyler. Collin county reports from

Wylie that a good rain fell, which was needed. Mineral Wells got her share of the good things brought by the norther, in the shape of a hard rain, which, while that town has plenty of water, was much needed and welcomed, as an additional evidence that that town is "it." The Chilli-cothe country, which is in Hardeman county, had a rain, but from farmers who came down it was learned that it was only slight. It also rained all night at Forrester, in Ellis county. The Plain country, including Abilene and the West Texas section, seem to have gotten plenty of cold weather, dust and high winds, but no rain of consequence. These conditions will probably be changed and more rain fall when the weather moderates.

MONEY IN HIGH-BRED HOGS.

My experience as a breeder of Poland-Chinas for more than twenty years has been that it pays best to raise pure-breds of the very best style and type for breeding purposes, and as a farmer and feeder for over thirty years I know it pays and pays well to raise the best for feeding purposes. They not only feed quicker and mature earlier with less feed, but they sell easier and at better prices than grades of any breed. A carload or a bunch of any number of pure-breds of any breed of any breed of a uniform style will always command a premium on the market.

Another advantage the farmer has in raising pure-breds is that he can select such animals as are suitable for breeding purposes from his own herd and of his own raising, and can produce thoroughbreds with much less expense than if he had to buy his breeding stock. And, besides this, there is always a good demand for pure-breds of good quality at better prices than for pork.

Another great advantage in favor of pure-breds is that they are of a more gentle and docile disposition, and are not vicious, as was the old-fashioned ramble about. The sires are usually easily managed and controlled, and are not vicious, as was the old-timer or even the grade sire of today. The pure-bred dams are generally of a quiet and gentle disposition and can be easily handled at traveling time, which is a great help in saving litters, especially when farrowed in bad weather in winter or early spring, when it is very essential that young pigs be looked after.

Still another great advantage in feeding pure-breds of the best quality is that they are ready for the market at any age. A pure-bred of from 200 to 250 pounds will often sell for more per pound than a heavier and older hog. If disease should get in your feed lots or in your immediate neighborhood your pure-breds are ready to

Stockman Journal Prize \$50.

The Stockman-Journal wishes to announce to its readers that it has donated a prize of \$50 cash for the Grand Champion Steer of the National Feeders' and Breeders' show, which will be held at Fort Worth beginning March 13 and continuing one week.

This prize is one of the most eagerly sought after of all the awards at the big National Feeders and Breeders' event which will this year be bigger than ever.

The grand champion steer last year was Leedale's Lad, bred, owned and exhibited by Lee Brothers of San Angelo, Texas, a Hereford. Who will take the prize this year is a matter of guesswork but it is known a number of breeders have their eyes on the coveted honor.

In addition to the \$50 prize, the grand champion steer of the show will be purchased for a fancy price at public auction after the exhibition closes.

Program Out for Cattlemen's Meeting

The program for the thirty-third annual State convention of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, which will open in Fort Worth Tuesday, March 16, was completed Saturday and includes prominent men from all parts of the United States.

The sessions will be held in Byers' opera house only in the forenoon, so as to allow the cattlemen an opportunity to visit the Fat Stock Show in the afternoon and the horse show at night.

This convention will be one of the most important, as well as the largest, held in many years. In the first place, it will be necessary to elect a new president, because of the emphatic refusal of Colonel Ike T. Pryor of San Antonio to accept the fourth term. Secondly, the threatened clash between the cowmen and sheepmen over the wolf bounty bill must be smoothed out. And the tariff question will certainly bob up.

Following is the official program for the convention:

March 16—10 a. m.

Convention called to order by President Pryor.

Invocation—Rev. B. B. Ramage.

Address of welcome—Mayor W. D. Harris.

Address of welcome—B. B. Paddock, representing Board of Trade.

Address of welcome—T. T. D. Andrews, representing National Feeders and Breeders' Show.

Music.

Reply to addresses of welcome—Hon. W. W. Turney, El Paso, Texas.

Annual address of president—President Ike T. Pryor.

Address—Governor Thos. M. Campbell.

Report of executive committee.

March 17—10 a. m.

Appointment of committees.

Introduction and reference of resolutions.

Address—Hon. Jos. M. Carey, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Address—Hon. James Wilson, secretary of agriculture.

Address—Hon. Sam H. Cowan.

Music.

Five minute talks by members.

March 18—10 a. m.

Introduction and reference of resolution.

Report of committees.

Discussion of resolutions.

Address—H. A. Jastro, president National Live Stock Association.

Address—Hon. R. L. Heflin, president Texas Cotton Seed Crushers' Association.

Music.

Address—Hon. Alvin H. Sanders, chairman American Reciprocal Tariff League.

Five minute talks by members.

March 19—10 a. m.

Address—Ed C. Lasater, "Past, Present and Future of Cattle Business."

Election of officers.

Appointment of executive committee.

Selection of next place of meeting.

Music.

Refreshments.

go to market at any age and they will always sell higher than grades of any

breed of the same weight.—E. E. Axline.

COST OF RAISING A CALF.

In an experiment to ascertain the cost of raising a calf, Prof. Shaw of Michigan station took a dairy calf and kept an accurate account of the expense of feeding for one year from its birth. The amounts of feeds used in that time were 381 pounds of whole milk, 2,568 pounds of skim milk, 1,262 pounds of silage, 219 pounds of beet pulp, 1,254 pounds of hay, 1,247 pounds of grain, 147 pounds of roots, 14 pounds of alfalfa meal and 50 pounds of green corn. The grain ration consisted of three parts each of corn and oats and one part of bran and oil meal. At the end of the year the calf weighed 800 pounds at a cost of \$28.55 for feed. The calf was a Holstein.

The exports of beef cattle from United States ports last year amounted to 277,536 head, as compared with 401,583 head in 1907, and exports of fresh beef in 1908 were valued at \$15,952,670, as against \$26,182,787. This decrease in fresh beef exports is attributable entirely to competition from Argentina. Exports of canned beef amounted to \$1,884,940, against \$2,352,226 in 1907, and \$3,492,189 in 1906. Exports of hog products do not show the same decreasing ratio, bacon increasing from \$22,344,365 in 1907 to \$27,829,273 in 1908, but lard was not bought as freely abroad, exports being valued at \$53,656,222, against \$55,518,079 in 1907. Exports of horses in 1908 were 18,516 head, valued at \$2,893,344, against 25,783 head, valued at \$3,608,719 in 1907, and 42,791 head, valued at \$4,014,999 in 1906. Exports of sheep in 1908 were 100,644 head, valued at \$605,792, against 121,197 head, valued at \$707,930 in 1907, and 148,952 head, valued at \$831,495 in 1906. The total value of horses, mules, cattle, hogs and sheep exported in 1908 was \$28,849,415, against \$39,651,661 in 1907 and \$45,614,748 in 1906.

Young pigs should be kept growing and making bone and muscle. If this is done fat can easily be placed on

Next Week—The Stockman's Hog Edition

Contest Candidates' Standing

Closely following upon the announcement of the candidates in the greatest popular voting contest ever conducted in the South, the friends of the candidates and the nominees themselves are beginning an aggressive campaign for votes. Some of them have made a splendid start, and the others are organizing their forces for the contest.

The contest today is divided off into six districts, and the candidate in each of the six districts who is so fortunate as to secure more votes by the close of the contest than any other candidate in her district will be awarded a three weeks' trip to California and have all expenses paid. great campaign.

Miss Katie Thompson of Fairbanks, Texas, starts off in the lead of the contest, but her lead is not great enough to give her the advantage.

Miss Maude Gamewell of Wortham, Texas, has cast the second largest number of votes.

Miss Annie Adamson of Mexia, Texas, stands well in the contest, she having cast the third largest number of votes.

Candidates should bear in mind that each district is a contest in itself, and one district does not conflict with the other in any way. Candidates may secure subscriptions to count in votes any place in the United States.

If you are a candidate and are anxious to win this grand 6,000-mile trip to the Golden West to California, start at once securing votes, for the sooner you get them in the more votes you will receive, as you will note by the voting schedule on another page.

The standing of candidates will be published again in next week's issue. Hustle for votes this week and lead in your district when the votes are published again.

District A—Texas.

Miss Willie Stinson, Kemp..... 1,000
Miss Exie McKamie, Kemp..... 1,000
Miss Sallie Wester, Wills Point 1,000
Miss Nannie Graham, Lamar county..... 1,000
Miss Bly Gresham, Point..... 1,000
Miss Mamie Raleigh, Avery.... 1,000
Mrs. Maud Ham, Detroit..... 1,000
Miss Eroe Biskit, Farmersville. 1,000
Miss Myrtle Brooks, Atlanta... 1,000
Miss Minnie Daniels, Denison, route No. 1..... 1,000
Mrs. J. J. Lovelace, Atlanta.... 1,000

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Miss Lillian Beale, Aubrey.... 1,000
Miss Synthya Parish, Leonard.. 1,000
Miss Ethel Richmond, Prairieville..... 1,000
Miss Avie Robinet, Klondike... 1,000
Miss Frankine Foster Argyle... 1,000
Miss Minnie Collins, Hawkins.. 1,000
Miss Ella Scott, Wolf City, route No. 4..... 1,000
Miss Mattie Rowan, DeKalb, route No. 5..... 1,000
Miss Cora Ryan, Winfield..... 1,000
Miss Lillie Bell Powell, Queen City..... 1,000
Miss Ila Bean, Mesquite..... 1,000

District B—Texas.
Miss Allie Gillespie, Seymour.. 1,000
Miss Willie May Hunt, Wichita Falls..... 1,000
Miss Lorena Mimms, Knox City 1,000
Miss Viola Haggard, Veratown 1,000
Miss Esther Dignowitz, Jackson 1,000
Miss Mary Liddeth, Scranton.. 1,000
Miss Ollie Dupuy, Sylvester... 1,000
Miss Grace Logan, Coahoma... 1,000
Miss Nora Baker, Rule..... 1,000
Miss Bessie Clark, Merkle.... 1,000
Miss Norma Merritt, Big Spring 4,300
Irene Spencer, Abilene..... 1,000
Miss Sallie Jenkins, Avoca.... 1,000
Miss Annie Clark, Abilene..... 1,000
Miss Kittie Kimo, Audra..... 1,000
Miss Vera Kendal, Rotan, route No. 1..... 1,000
Miss Lois Henry, Poet..... 1,000
Mrs. Lula McCartney, Bowie.. 1,000
Miss Charlie Sartor, Cottonwood..... 1,000
Miss Maxie Banner, Trent.... 1,000
Miss Verna Tompkins, Mineral Wells..... 1,000

District C—Texas.

Miss C. A. Thorp, Liberty Hill 1,000
Miss Buna McGuire, Comanche 1,000
Miss Viola McNalt, San Saba... 1,000
Miss Maggie Croston, Rising Star..... 1,000
Miss Emma Sheffield, Stephenville, route No. 6..... 2,200
Miss Vivian Hanna, Grandview 1,000
Miss Joe DornBlazer, Godley.. 1,000
Miss Lena McGoire, Stephenville, route No. 4..... 2,200
Miss Jennie Whitley, Eden... 1,000
Miss Lillie Cunningham, Hamilton, route No. 2..... 1,000
Miss Lyddia Evatt, May..... 1,000
Miss Anna May Gillilan, Stephenville..... 1,000
Miss Mattie Vaught, Gorman... 1,000
Miss Abbie Brantley, Ross.... 1,000
Miss Alice Bates, Lometa.... 1,000
Miss Sallie Nunn, Gap..... 1,000
Miss Sargent, Granbury..... 1,000
Miss Sallie Shuford, Fairland.. 1,000
Miss Minnie Brown, Tolar.... 1,000
Miss Eva Briley, Joshua..... 1,000
Miss Maggie Wood, Nine..... 1,000
Miss Ella Jordan, Hico..... 1,000
Miss Nell Frazer, Brandon.... 1,000
Miss Gladys Simon, Mount Sharp..... 1,000

District D—Texas.

Miss Myrtle York, Gladewater. 1,000
Miss Kittie Clapp, Patterson... 1,000
Miss Katie Thompson, Fairbanks..... 22,000
Miss Bertie Moore, Augusta... 1,000
Miss Ola Chandler, Palestine, route No. 4..... 1,000
Miss Ada McQuary, Lott..... 1,000
Miss Effie Johnson, Glendale.. 1,000
Miss Nellie Horton, Fort Worth 1,000
Miss Nora Boyd, Waller..... 1,000
Miss Maggie Ullrich, Houston, route No. 4..... 1,000
Miss Julia Anderson, Hallville. 1,000
Miss Maud Gamewell, Wortham, route No. 1..... 15,400
Miss Charlie Holland, Collinsville..... 1,000
Miss Lillie Skieles, Garden Valley..... 1,000

Mrs. P. Kindsfather, Nocona, route No. 3..... 1,000
Miss Bessie Spilla, Esperanza.. 1,000
Miss Iva Saddler, Grapeland... 1,000
Miss Lea Griffin, Frost..... 1,000
Miss Linnie Pevehouse, Frost.. 1,000
Miss Annie Adamson, Mexia, route No. 3..... 10,200
Miss Mary Slaughter, San Augustine..... 1,000
Miss Nona Mosely, Longview... 1,000
Miss Edna Magee, Groveton... 1,000
Miss J. A. Ivy, Muldoon..... 1,000

District E—Texas.

Miss Sallie Woodrome, Yoakum 2,200
Miss Maggie Rudinger, D'Hains 1,000
Miss Minnie Lorenze, Gillett... 1,000
Miss Lottie Lee Billstein, Inez 1,000
Miss Annie Langlotz, Caldwell. 1,000
Miss Annie Wenske, Moulton.. 1,000
Miss Lillie Hudgens, Kingsbury, route No. 2..... 1,000
Mrs. T. B. Drury, Stockdale... 1,000
Miss Myrtle Morris, Yoakum.. 1,000
Miss Dora Conn, Stockdale.... 1,000
Miss Alice McCall, Hondo.... 1,000
Miss Ida Adkinson, Tanglewood, route No. 1..... 1,000
Miss Artie Henry, Floresville.. 1,000
Miss Mealie Holzhauser, Victoria..... 1,000
Miss Mattie Tiner, La Vernia.. 1,000
Miss Amita Goetz, Seguin.... 1,000

District F.

Miss Mary Roach, Bernice, La., route No. 3..... 1,000
Miss Lizzie Hamilton, Rienzi, Miss..... 1,000
Miss Irene Booty, Mount Point, La..... 1,000

SAN ANTONIO PICKINGS.

J. A. Martin of Del Rio, who is interested with T. B. Jones in the sheep business, is rallying nicely from an operation performed last Thursday at a local hospital. His trouble began a week or two ago with an attack of grip and complications arose which rendered his removal to this city necessary. Mr. Jones, who is in the city, reported his condition much improved and says it will only be a short time until he will be out again.

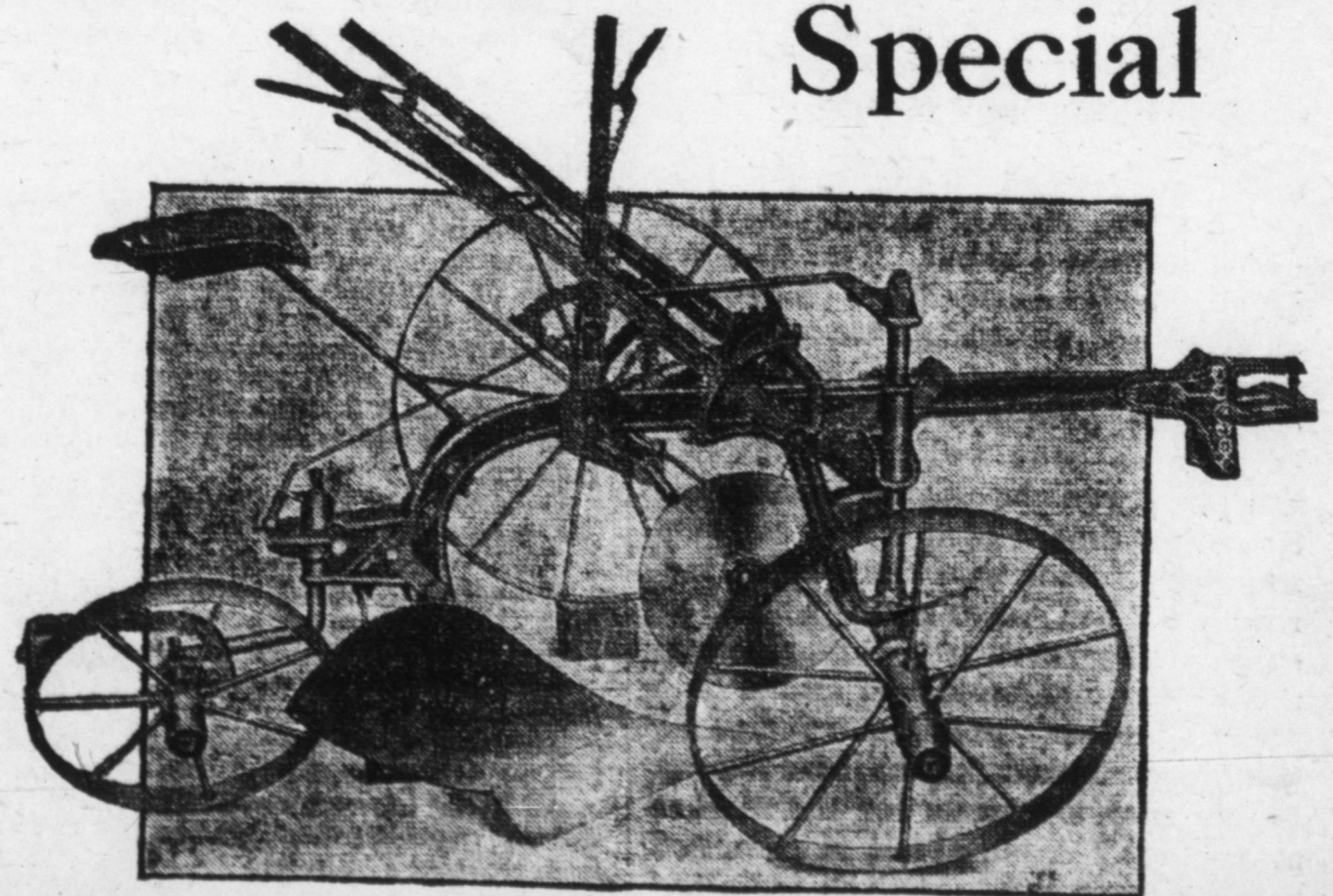
T. B. (Tom) Jones of Del Rio, now in the city and who is largely interested in both cattle and sheep, is inclined to regard the buying of live stock on

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the San Antonio market as a good omen. "There is no reason why San Antonio should not develop into a live stock market of great pretensions," said he, "and Southern Texas should be laying her plans right now to have enlarged packing house facilities within the next year or so. This may be accomplished by inducing home enterprise to take up the matter, or securing additional packing houses. San Antonio is not in a position to make a proposition to Armour & Co., or any other of the large packers, for the reason that South Texas is not showing enough energy in the matter of hog production. The alfalfa farms of the Lower Rio Grande country offer a splendid opportunity for the raising of hogs at a minimum of expense and in my opinion the packers who are calling loudly all the time for more hogs and San Antonio which is reaching out for enterprises to increase her tin bucket brigade should unite in the effort to encourage the farmers in the irrigated districts to plant hogs liberally. The wonderful growth of Fort Worth since the establishment of the packing houses there is an evidence of what they will do for a community. Just as soon as San Antonio can assure Armour, Swift, Cudahy or any of the large packers that they can kill hogs every day in the year there will be no difficulty in securing their attention. The fact that Armour & Co. are buying now on the San Antonio market is proof sufficient that attractive offerings are being made here now."

LAS VEGAS, N. M., Feb. 16.—Sheriff C. L. Ballard of Chaves county has taken James West to the territorial penitentiary at Santa Fe, where he will enter upon a four-year sentence for the larceny of a horse.

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San Antonio Pickings.

BY JOHN FORD.

SAN ANTONIO, Feb. 16.—Range conditions in Southern Texas are not fully up to the requirements of the cattlemen, but there is nothing alarming in the situation, and the prices at which grass steers have been selling in the Fort Worth and St. Louis markets the past week attest this fact. There is plenty of time yet for rain to revive the weed crop, and also make plenty of grass to insure a heavy movement, even if it is deferred until May or June. What interests the cattlemen down here most is in being able to get his fat stuff off his hands before it comes in competition with the grassers from Oklahoma in July and August, and he still feels confident that he will be able to do this. His present longing for rain is attributable more to the habit acquired early in life of howling for rain, rather than to an absolute necessity for the moisture. The movement is not so heavy now as it would have been had plenty of rain fallen six weeks ago, but the cattle are still here and will go to market later.

The resignation of Dr. J. H. Wilson from the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, while regretted generally among the cattlemen down this way, they are not so much interested in who will be appointed in his stead as they are that a man with a thorough knowledge of the needs of the live stock interests shall be selected by Governor Campbell. He must be a North Texas man, as the western district is represented by Ralph Harris of San Angelo, and the southern district by A. S. Gage of this city.

O. Pratt of Dimmitt county marketed 1,200 head of 98-pound ewes and wethers in Fort Worth Thursday, at \$5.15. These sheep were from the Uhrban ranch in Webb county. The ranch was sold recently and possession of the property must be given by June 1, and Mr. Uhrban will, after

shearing, market his entire holdings. This will mark the passing of the largest sheep ranch in this country, south of San Antonio. The number of sheep before any were marketed was estimated at about 20,000 head.

The failure of rain to come in time to induce an early movement of cattle leaves Nat Parks, the live stock agent of the Southern Pacific, and D. C. Smith, live stock agent for the Iron Mountain route, here with time hanging a little heavily on their hands as they are both very anxious to show shippers what record-making time their respective roads can make with a train of cattle through to St. Louis. Both roads propose to take them through on one feed, but only two or three trains have gone out thus far. The Southern Pacific is doing quite a little business with the cattlemen, who are generous patrons of the New Orleans market, through one and two car lot shipments. San Antonio expects within the next six months to increase the receipts of live stock on this market very perceptibly, and already an additional live stock commission firm, of which Nat R. Powell, a resident of Fort Worth during the eighties, is the leading spirit. Nat has prospered in South Texas, and while his ranch is near Pettus, in Goliad county, he spends his leisure moments here, where he also has interests.

One of the old time cattlemen of the San Angelo section, Col. R. K. Wylie, now of Mineral Wells, has just spent two weeks in San Antonio. His first trip to San Antonio was in 1866. He came down to buy horses, which he traded for steers in the country around Fort Worth, which was then occupied only cattlemen. Horses were scarce there, as was also a market for cattle. Col. Wylie trailed the steers through to Colorado and laid the foundation for the fortune he acquired in after years. He retired from the cattle business about a year ago.

Oklahoma buyers have been reasonably plentiful down this way during the past six weeks, and some important deals have been made. H. M. Stonebreaker of Kansas City has bought about 13,000 steers, most of them from Tom Jones of Del Rio, and J. M. Boren of Coffeyville, Kan., has contracted for the Charles Schreiner steers, numbering about 10,000 head, but as buyers are averse to giving out prices lest they find themselves handicapped in subsequent purchases, the figures are not positively known. Southern Texas cattle made some good records in the market last week. G. E. King of Taylor sold a load of meal-fed steers in St. Louis Wednesday at \$6 per 100, and Ike T. Pryor, president of the Cattle Raisers' Association, sold ten loads of grass steers from his ranch in Uvalde county at \$5 per 100. This may make the ranchmen of West and North Texas envious, but the Southern Texas cattleman seems to be so situated that he is compelled to market fat cattle the year round. William Connelly, the buyer for the Maier Packing company, bought the second train of grass steers from Mitchell & Blalock, the first of last week, and Fort Worth was thereby cut off from bidding on a very fine lot of steers. The steers were from the firm's ranch in Zavala county, and were shipped from Uvalde.

W. H. Jennings came up from Frio county and said the dust was laid by

showers down about Dilley, and that while he had heard of some showers elsewhere, he would prefer to have more personal knowledge of their extent before being quoted on the subject.

James Wilson, not the one who is at present at the head of the United States Department of Agriculture, but the one who has amassed several hundred dollars during the last decade in the cow business out in Brewster county, was down last week. "The cattle are just as fat as we would have them at this time in the year, for if they were real fat buyers would be out there bothering us in an effort to get hold of them, and, besides, some of the cowmen are trying their best to get married. George Miller has been down here from Marathon lately, and the report got back out there that he had bought an automobile. Then another report came that George had married. When Sam Harmon heard this last report he ordered an automobile by wire. The next day after he received it he got the news that Mr. Miller was not married, and now he is trying to trade his machine off for lumber. Sam is doing the best he can, and we hope he will be successful. His decision to embark in the lumber business was after he recalled that A. M. Turney was in the lumber business at the time he won the heart and hand of Mrs. Turney. Pat Murphy is another one of our cattlemen who is sewing on his own buttons, but he has bought him a nice horse and buggy and he don't stay around and watch the windmills run like he used to. Don't know what his idea is, but there are several people out home who would venture a guess at it, anyway."

Ike West had mounted the skull of a two headed calf, which is now on exhibition at headquarters, 10 Blum street. It is a curiosity in its way. The forehead is unusually wide with a well developed ear on each side and it has three eyes, two in their accustomed place and one in the center of the head, but below the line between those

naturally located. The lower part of the skull shows two well developed and natural looking mouths and noses. The mother of the monstrosity is alive and well, though the delivery of the calf required the services of all the veterinary experts on the ranch.

J. L. Borroum of Cedarvale, Kan., is down for a few days and to make a visit to his old home at Del Rio before returning. His cattle interests are in the Osage county, where he is wintering what he hopes will be a string of money makers next spring. "Oklahoma is in very good shape up to date so far as the live stock industry is concerned," said he, "and this is the result of the favorable weather so far this winter. We have had some right cold weather a time or two, but no cold rains. The high wind last week made us hold on to our hats with a steadfastness for a couple of days never known before, but beyond blowing away a few hay stacks no serious results followed in its wake." That was about all Mr. Borroum would say for publication and he side-stepped when reporters attempted to draw him out on how many cattle he expected to buy before he went back. He didn't exactly side-step, either, but remarked that after looking over the list of prices we wanted down here he didn't have money enough to buy anything. He is advised, however, that if he wants as many as 40,000 head we will shave the price a little.

The State Live Stock Sanitary Board met in Austin Saturday when Dr. J. H. Wilson of Quanah, the North Texas member, and who has been chairman since the appointment of the new his resignation, as was forecasted in the news from the Capitol last week Ralph Harris, the member from San Angelo, was elected chairman and A. S. Gage, the San Antonio member, was elected secretary. The resignation of Dr. Wilson will necessitate the appointment of a member from North Texas by the Governor, but Mr. Gage who is back in the city, said that he was not advised as to who it would be

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SYNOPSIS OF OPENING CHAPTERS: There is a possibility of war. By certain coastal fortifications at Dover, recently enlarged, a motor car breaks down, and, the night being cold and dark, the sentry accepts the offer of the chauffeur of a draught of whiskey. The sentry, whose name is Collins, is thereby drugged, and a second man, taking a key from the marine's wallet, surreptitiously passes within the fortification.

Lady Mary Clyde has arranged a dance on account of her relative, the beautiful debutante, Lady Ena Carteret. Equally anxious to find a wife for her protege, Captain the Hon. Hugh Devigne, R.N., Lady Mary is delighted to see that they are partners in the ballroom and clearly charmed by each other's company. Suddenly Lord Marlow, first lord of the Admiralty, arrives and asks, with a grave look, that Devigne, who is his secretary, may be summoned immediately.

(Continued from Last Week.)

"It is rather a rare thing, do you know, Lady Ena, to find two people whose steps entirely suit one another; we must have another waltz later."

His initials appeared on her card more than once.

"I shall look forward to it," she answered, glancing up into his brown eyes with a glance of satisfaction, half retrospect, half anticipation.

"I consider myself lucky to have secured the supper dance," he said.

"Do you?"

Lady Ena did not say she had kept it for him, but it was true nevertheless.

She sat down; her fingers strayed to a small bunch of flowers, fastened by a ruby brooch in the white tulle of her dress. Devigne stood watching her, realizing what a beautiful picture she was, so pure, so sweet. Lady Ena had been gazing out into the open space of the ballroom wondering when her new partner would come to claim her, not anticipating it with satisfaction; she preferred to be where she was. This man's contiguity satisfied her. She did not analyze it to herself, but merely felt that any one else lacked something essential in comparison.

Suddenly she looked up, perhaps compelled by his ardent regard. When her eyes met his she read what was written there—his great admiration. A blush spread over her face, and dyed even her ears and throat. Then she stood up and moved to the entrance of the alcove. She could not have told why, but to have sat there any longer had become a physical impossibility.

"My dance, I think, Lany Ena," another voice said.

She gave a little nod backwards towards Captain Devigne and disappeared on the arm of Sir Harry Lester, a young man of considerable wealth and of an old family.

Devigne straightened his shoulders. Then he sat where Lady Ena had been a few seconds before. He did not appear to be looking at the figures immediately in front of him, as the couples about to take part in a set of lancers

took up their position. His eyes were dreamy; perhaps he was living again those moments of supreme enjoyment which are accorded to us here and there in life, to be stored up as priceless possessions in the treasure house of memory.

Lady Mary Clyde had seen the conclusion of the dance and had watched the pair disappear into one of her carefully-designed recesses. She had spoken to one or two people who were near her, carrying on an ordinary conversation, but had, nevertheless, not failed to mark Lady Ena's departure, when she was called upon, and the fact that Captain Devigne had remained behind. Probably the shrewd lady divined that he was enjoying the retrospect and did not wish to be disturbed.

The butler advanced toward Lady Mary Clyde, bringing Lord Marlow in his wake, with a certain empressment, denoting the quality of the guest.

Lady Mary turned to receive the First Lord of the Admiralty. She noted a look of worry on his intellectual but not over strong face.

"You are late," she said.

"I have been detained—business."

"I am afraid not pleasant business," she commented, with an incisive glance.

"Just the reverse," he answered. "Is Captain Devigne here?"

"Yes."

Lord Marlow glanced around the room. "I don't see him."

"I think I can find him," Lady Mary answered quietly.

"Then if I may trouble you," Lord Marlow relied. "I shall be glad if you will do so. I am most anxious to see him—at once if possible."

"I will bring him to you immediately," said Lady Mary, and she turned and walked toward the place where Captain Devigne still sat alone with his happy thoughts. "I wonder what terrible thing has happened to make his lordship look like that?" she thought. "I wish he had not come to spoil my little project and Captain Devigne's pleasure."


CHAPTER IV.

Lady Mary Clyde had left Lord Marlow's side, and, taking the circle of the ballroom, presently reached the recess. Captain Devigne had been some five minutes by himself; five minutes, during which time he revolved many things in his mind—wondered a little—doubted. A man's scheme of life is sometimes subject to violent changes of aspect. Devigne was not sure whether his own outlook was about to be affected by new considerations. Lady Mary Clyde had started a train of thought in his mind, the dance with Lady Ena had given the ideas thus suggested a fresh impetus. From being floating and abstract they had become, in a sense, concrete, individualized.

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into his thoughts had come a possibility—the possibility of woman represents a man's life. It was so new to him, so foreign to the trend of his thoughts, that it took him some time even to allow that his mind was open to an impression of this kind.

He sat there in the recess with a beautiful vision of the girl's personality, who had rested against his arm, clearly photographed on his mental retina; he could almost feel her soft body against him still, the pulsing of her throat, the delicate aroma of some scent which emanated from her dress. Once more, in recollection and imag-

ination, her luminous eyes looked up into his and fell before them; once more he saw the rich blood turning the lily of her face into rose. Young, sweet, fair, tender, infinitely attractive to his manhood; all these things he allowed Lady Ena to be, but that was the extent of his concession; he would not admit that she had awakened in him that sentiment we call love or that he had abandoned anything of the strict notions he had hitherto entertained about the claims the service had upon him.

Still he looked forward to the next

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MORE CATTLE IN KANSAS.

W. W. Gregg of Howard, Kan., thinks Kansas farmers will soon engage more extensively in cattle raising, says the Drovers' Telegram. He is of the opinion that when the great Southwest country becomes well settled, the open range will be destroyed and small stock farmers will become more numerous everywhere. "Take the average Kansas farmer who owns a half section, for example," said Mr. Gregg. "There is no reason why he cannot raise several carloads of stock each year. We have so much more cheap feed now than we had a few years ago, and we mature our hogs and cattle at so much earlier age, that we certainly can raise cattle at a profit. We find right now that these stock and feeding steers weighing around 700 to 900 pounds, are selling here on the market at \$5 and better. When we get right down to figuring this over, they are just a little too high priced for us to buy and take back into the country to feed. These advanced prices show that the settling of the open range is adding to the general cost of this class of cattle that were once cheap. With the passing of the cheap range, and cheap land, we must raise more of these cattle at home. The demand seems to be ahead of the supply. I was born and raised in Platte county, Missouri. In the early days I went to Jefferson county, Kansas, because the land there was cheap. Eleven years ago, for the same reason that I made the first move, I sold out there and went to Elk county, where I am now. Now Elk county farms are worth as much as farm-lands in Platte county, and I am at the end of my rope."

Cattle Market Rising.

J. K. Rosson returned to Fort Worth after an absence in Missouri where he was called by the illness and death of his sister. He was also in Oklahoma and says that the country never looked better to him than it does now at this time of the year and that people are seemingly all doing well and are in good shape. "The market for cattle is lifting day by day," said he, "and gradually getting to the higher regions where a stockman likes to have it. Meal-fed stuff sold today for \$5.15, which is pretty good. The conditions indicate no immediate change to a downward course."

ADAMS CATTLE SOLD.

DENVER, Col., Feb. 16.—One of the largest deals in cattle made here for some time was consummated in Denver last week, when the big herd of cattle formerly the property of the George H. Adams estate was sold by John J. Rhodes to H. H. Tomkins of the Tomkins Cattle company of Pueblo. The consideration was not made public, but it is understood to be large, as this herd is considered one of the very best in the State. The George H. Adams cattle are noted all over the country for their excellence. They are grade and pure-bred white faces. Mr. Adams, ever since he founded the herd years ago, used none

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but the best pure-bred bulls obtainable, and J. J. Rhodes of Texas, who purchased this herd a year or two ago, has pursued the same policy since he has had control of it. It is understood that the new owners will also adopt this policy of breeding none but the best, with a view to still further improving this noted herd. Many of the prize winners at the recent show, among them the grand champion feeders, were from this herd, having been purchased as calves. These steers sold at \$6.85 at the show, the highest price ever paid for feeder cattle. The Tomkins Cattle company has a lease on the old Baca grant in Saguache county, where these cattle are run, and will continue to run them there until this grant is sold off to settlers, when the herd will in all probability be moved to pastures of the Tomkins company at Pueblo. The cattle really constitute two herds, one a pure-bred herd, as the owners have always made a specialty of breeding pure-bred stuff, and the other a grade herd, though the latter, by the process of breeding up, has been made almost as good as pure-breds. The Tomkins Cattle company is to be congratulated on securing this noted herd, which includes over 3,000 head of cattle.

TOYAH HAPPENINGS.

TOYAH, Texas, Feb. 16.—Joseph Seay, whose ranch southwest of this some twenty-five miles comprises about 160,000 acres, and all under fence, has refused \$22.50 a round for his 2-year-old steers.

The report is current here that Mr. Seay has been made an offer for his ranch by a Fort Worth man.

Samuel Means of Valentine, Texas, the buyer for a Denver concern, was a visitor over night here Feb. 12. His trip from here is through the Figure 4 and M ranges, thence to Guadalupe, at which point he will take train. Mr. Means has bought about 15,000 steers in this section already this season.

While at this writing cattle on range which is not overstocked are wintering well, there being no section of the grazing country where climatic conditions exist more favorable, there is a great need for rain.

This cry comes particularly from the section southwest of this point, where there is some farming carried on for the purpose of producing feed-stuffs for some of the stock run on the ranges adjoining.

Messrs. Byers & Beal, the former of Kansas City, and the later of the Panhandle country, spent about three weeks in Western Texas in search of some particularly high grade steers. A week of this time was taken up in the Toyah community, visiting various ranches, but the grade required was not purchaseable in the quantity desired by these gentlemen.

This is a significant fact. Price seemed the least important factor and the men were anxious to buy. The demand for well-bred stock is steadily increasing.

A trip made recently toward the Guadalupe mountains in a northwesterly direction from Toyah, develops the fact that the range in that section lying from thirty to forty miles from the railroad is in excellent shape. Up among and between the cedar brakes are valleys rich in grass, in many places knee high, and the cattle correspondingly fat and sleek and wintering well.

The Journal correspondent visited the 100-section ranch of Sayles Brothers & McAlpine, on which the range seemed a feast for the eyes of a cattleman. While here a beef was killed and this range animal was fat.

Some of the ranches in this section have been seriously considering putting a few thousand sheep on their

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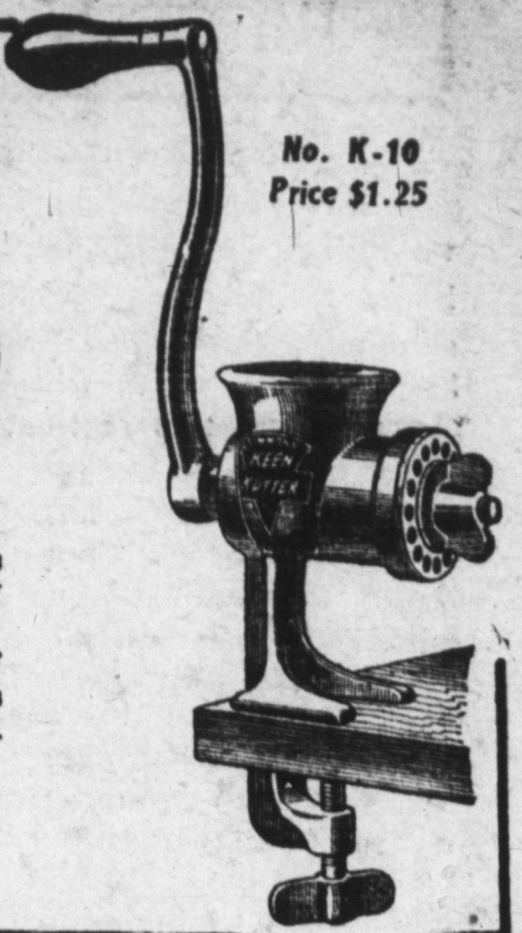
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ranches. This would be a new departure for the cattlemen of the country above described.

What has been known as the upper ranch of Charles A. Tinnin, located well up toward the Guadalupe mountains from Toyah, has been sold to Z. T. Brooks of Pecos county, the consideration being \$12,000. Mr. Tinnin is the eldest son of Mrs. S. K. Kendall, a very prominent personage in West Texas cattle business.

SWEETWATER NOTES.

SWEETWATER, Texas, Feb. 16.—F. H. Suarks has been appointed live stock agent for the Orient railroad, and will make Sweetwater his headquarters. Mr. Sparks is an experienced stockman, and is well known in West Texas.

W. F. MGAughy of Sweetwater, solicitor for the Crowley-Sutherland Commission company of Fort Worth, shipped two cars of cows Thursday to W. H. Martin, Fort Worth. Mr.

McGaughy also sold 112 3-year-old steers to E. Boatright, Mary Neal, for \$23 per head.

Several cattle buyers from the North were here this week, looking for feeders and stockers.

J. H. Murphy of Colorado City was in town last week, and he said that horses and mules were selling fast now, both in Snyder and Nolan counties. Mules were selling from \$150 a span to \$450, and buggy-horses from \$175 down. Mr. Murphy also stated that there were a number of good mules to sell for those who needed them.

Uvalde County.

Lon Peeler, who has been looking after ranch interests here the past week, returned to his home in Campbellton Saturday.—Sabinal Sentinel.

Terrell County.

Doc Anderson has been in from the ranch several days past.—Sanderson Times.

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Range News

Tom Green County.

J. E. Henderson, who has been fattening quite a lot of steers at the Balinger oil mills since last fall, began shipping a short time ago and is marketing some of the heaviest steers shipped from this section.

Mr. Henderson made the following steer sales Friday: Through the National Live Stock Commission company of St. Louis, two cars, averaging 1,045 and 1,050 pounds, at \$5.10 per 100; one car, averaging 1,030 pounds, at \$5.35 per 100; one car, averaging 1,114 pounds, at \$5.30 per 100; one car, averaging 1,050 pounds, at \$5.35 per 100; one car averaging 1,045 pounds, at \$5.30 per 100. Through the Evans-Snyder-Buel Commission company of St. Louis, three cars, averaging 1,000 pounds, at \$5.10 per 100; two cars, averaging 1,004 pounds, at \$5 per 100. Through George R. Barse Commission company of Kansas City, two cars, averaging 1,080 pounds, at \$5.10 per 100; four cars, averaging 1,050 pounds, at \$5.25 per 100.

J. M. Boren, a cattle king from Caney, Kan., who reached San Angelo ten days ago, after purchasing 10,000 steers from Charles Schreiner at Kerrville for \$250,000, placed his order last week with the Santa Fe for 190 cars for March and April shipments, which means that he expects to ship from San Angelo this spring about 6,000 head. The cattle bought at Kerrville will be loaded out from Brady. Mr. Boren, since coming here, has purchased from the Berrendo Cattle company, through L. L. Farr, 500 2 and 3-year-old steers, now on the Door Key ranch. He has also bought from A. M. Hicks 400 steers, 2 and 3 years old. The 900 head of cattle will be delivered at the Santa Fe stock pens here on March 27, and shipped to the Osage country, where the purchaser has large holdings. Both deals involve \$20,000 to \$25,000.

J. D. O'Daniel shipped two cars of bulls and three cars of cows to St. Louis last week, which were sold through the National Live Stock Commission company. The bulls averaged 1,378 pounds and sold for \$3.75 per 100 pounds. The cows averaged 935 pounds, and sold for \$4.30 per 100. Last week Mr. O'Daniel shipped two cars of cows to Fort Worth, which averaged 1,046 pounds, and were sold at \$3.75 and \$4. Mr. O'Daniel has been feeding about 1,500 head of cattle on off mill products and began shipping two or three weeks ago. Since his shipping began he has bought other cattle, which he has put on feed. He will make shipments of probably three or four cars a week during the season.—San Angelo Standard.

G. W. Forbes was in the city Friday, en route from the Harris ranch in Crockett county to Austin to attend to some business there this coming week.

Abbott & Martin, commission men, sold for Judge Witten of Eldorado, 700 coming 2-year-old steers; also for Mr. McCormick of Eldorado 200 3 and 4-year-old steers. The purchasers are Clark & Cawley of San Angelo. Terms private.

Sam Hill, a well known stockman who lives out near Christoval, has just finished building a large new barn on his ranch.

L. R. Gray, a prominent ranchman near Arden, was in the city Monday and paid the Standard a pleasant call. Mr. Gray, like many other cattlemen, has decided to go into the sheep business and will buy a ranch in the spring.

O. E. Shultz of Llano, who purchased Berry Ketchum's entire lot of cattle, about 3,500 in number, a short time ago, for approximately \$50,000, has sold 2,500 head of the bunch to Charlie Broome for a consideration of \$37,500 to \$40,000. Mr. Shultz sold only the stock cattle, retaining the 2, 3 and 4-year-old steers, and on the 2,500 head he made a good profit. Mr. Broome will ship these cattle, with others he has purchased recently, to Oklahoma in the early spring.

R. L. and J. W. Carruthers, this week, sold to R. S. Brennan of Colorado City, their fifty-section ranch (railroad and school land) on the Pecos, for \$10,000 cash. The land is located in Crane, Upton, Crockett and Schleicher counties.

Messrs. Carruthers have leased 25 sections in the Pecos country near their former holdings, from L. C. Smith, and have moved their four flocks of sheep, of one thousand to one thousand five hundred head in each, on the tract. Mr. Brennan has moved about 13,000 head of sheep from the land he had leased from J. M. Shannon of Crockett county, to the fifty sections purchased from Carruthers Brothers.

The number of cars that have been engaged by stockmen for the coming spring indicate that an enormous lot of cattle will be shipped from San Angelo to Oklahoma from March 1 to the expiry of May. To date, orders have been placed with agent H. E. Everheart for 1,100 cars. This number of cars is sufficient to transport 33,000 head of cattle. One of the most recent orders was placed by J. M. Boren, who engaged one hundred and ninety cars. It is expected that 1,500 cars, or 45,000 head of cattle, will have been booked for Oklahoma by March 1. Most of the stock shipped from here go to the Osage country.

Last year it required something like 1,400 cars to handle the spring shipments.—San Angelo Standard.

Dry at Sweetwater.

Sweetwater, Texas, Feb. 15.—Your correspondent interviewed some cattlemen here this week, and they stated that cattle were doing well in this section, and that grass was in fair condition.

There has been no rain here for two months, consequently water is getting scarce and grass is getting dry. A good rain would be a great blessing, both to the farmers and stockmen.

Several cars of cattle were shipped to Fort Worth last week, but shipping cattle are scarce just now. There are, however, 800 cattle being fed at the oil mill pen by J. Lovelady and G. Cauble, which will be ready for shipment in about ten days.

Sutton County.

Ira Wheat was in Sonora Friday. He has not sold his steers.

Abe Mayer bought from Peacock & Savell of Sonora 125 yearling steers at \$15.

John Smith of Sonora sold to G. A. Kellis 300 head of stock cattle at \$12 per head.

R. H. Martin bought from W. E. Dunbar of Sonora 450 head of two-year-old steers, May delivery, at \$21.

D. B. Cusenbary sold to W. T. O. Holman of Sonora 150 head of year-

ling steers at \$15.

Peacock & Sayell bought from Sam Stokes of Sonora thirty head of yearling mules at \$1 p. t.

Sol Mayer sold to Hige Smith of Sonora two grade Poll Angus bulls at \$50 each.

W. T. O. Holman bought 100 two-year-old steers from Jim Cauthorn of Sonora at \$19, immediate delivery.

George S. Allison of Sonora sold to H. P. Cooper 700 steers, 3's, 4's and up, at \$30, delivered at Brady. More than half were 4's up.

Peacock & Savell of Sonora sold to Ira Yates of San Angelo 200 head of stock cattle at \$15, delivered at San Angelo in May.—Devil's River News.

Sutton County.

R. H. Martin of Sonora bought from J. S. Brown 130 2 and 3-year-old steers at \$20 and \$23.

John T. Cooper of Sonora sold 2,700 bred ewes to Loftin Henderson of San Angelo at \$4 per head.

Ed Robbins of Sonora sold to Irvie Ellis of Menardville, 400 head of 2-year-old steers at \$20.50, to be delivered at McKavett in April.

The horse will be less in demand because of the motor cars, and the interest in their breeding will slacken, but the wise-horse owner will be more particular in the selection of sires and raise nothing but the best in their representative classes. Now is the time to think about what sire you will use this year.

Texas cattlemen are looking forward to good prices and a general advance in prices for all classes of cattle, provided the spring is early and the rains abundant. In the past two years it is reported that 1,000,000 head of calves, mostly heifers, have been marketed, and there's where the shortage comes in.—Devil's River News.

Val Verde County.

Martin Gray, an erstwhile West Texas cowboy, but now of San Antonio and Chicago, was in Del Rio last Friday.

G. W. Whitehead sold 1,000 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers to Bob Russell of Tom Green county, for \$27 per head.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves of Missouri, relatives of Mrs. L. Rust, who have been visiting here the past week, have gone to Kansas City, where they will spend a few weeks, after which they will return to their home.

T. B. Jones sold this week to Lee L. Russell of Fort Worth, for Oklahoma parties, 2,000 head of big steers at private prices.

Mrs. E. A. Hearn and son, Wylie, of Rock Springs, arrived in the city yesterday on a visit to her brother and sister, L. M. Huffman and Mrs. N. J. Nanney.—Del Rio Herald. . . .

Schleicher County.

Judge G. H. Garland of San Antonio spent last week here visiting his son, Halbert, and looking after his cattle interests here. The judge has 600 coming 3-year-old steers, and expects a fancy price for them next spring, as steers of that age are very scarce, and buyers are on the lookout for such steers. The judge's steers are probably the best bred bunch of steers in this country.

Will Adams, wife and son, from the Rudd neighborhood, were visiting friends in our city the first of the week. Will was also a jurymen for the county court. Mr. Adams reports selling his yearling steers, thirty head, at \$15 a head, and his 2-year-olds, sixty head, at \$21.50. He sold to W. B. Silliman of Eldorado.—Eldorado Success.

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Tankersley of Knickerbocker a bunch of about 500 three, four and five-year-old steers to Blackstone & Slaughter, Oklahoma cattle buyers, at \$26.50 around, making a total consideration of approximately \$13,250. The steers will be delivered at the San Angelo stock pens April 5, and shipped to Oklahoma by the purchasers.—San Angelo Standard.

Blanco County.

Emil Elbel and Fitz Koch have taken a fine bunch of cattle to San Antonio, the former also taking a load of chickens and turkeys. Willie Gass joined them with cattle at Spring Branch.—Blanco News.

Dry in Southwest Texas.

Sixto Garcia is a stockman from way down near Hebbbronville, in Southwest Texas. He was on the market with five cars of grass stuff, which he said he had collected from several ranches. "Cattle are very scarce which are any way fit for market down our way. I had to cull from several herds before I could get as many as 200 that were fit to ship. It has been very dry, which has not been of benefit to the fattening qualities of the stuff that cattle fatten on. It sprinkled some down there but not enough to do very much good. Of course it looks like it was going to rain all the time, but it don't, as all old Texas cowmen who have lived down our way know to their sorrow. This is my first trip for some time to this market, but I am satisfied and will return sure, soon."

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Questions and Answers.

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THE QUESTION EDITOR.

Cattle for Feeding

"What weight cattle would you advise me to buy for feeding?" asks a subscriber. "I want to buy say a hundred head, grass them till summer and then feed them for market. Would 500 or 800 pound steers be the best for me?"

Will some subscriber please answer from his experience the question asked above. Being a simple question of policy it should be determined by someone who has fed and is familiar with the conditions that are necessary

for the best results. There are plenty of men who read this paper who are feeders and who have had vast experience with all kinds of conditions. Will some one of these answer?

Food in Corn Cobs

Here is a question that is often asked but as it is a very important one for stockmen who feed all answers will be welcome for knowledge is power even in feeding stock.

"Does it pay to grind cob with the corn for what there is in it, and is there any danger of overfeeding when the ration is thus mixed?"

What is Hog Cholera Cure

From a reader of the paper comes this question: "What in your opinion is the cause of the origin of hog cholera, is it infectious and does it anywhere or is it brought in through contact with other animals?"

The disease known as hog cholera has been with from time immemorial almost, and has been discussed from seemingly all standpoints, and yet there is no unanimity of opinion on the question as to how it gets into a herd of swine. C. D. Hughes, a well known farmer and breeder of hogs who lives seven miles out of Sherman has expressed himself publicly in a meeting of his fellow farmers, recently as decidedly of the opinion that hog cholera is produced by climatic conditions and that it is likely to originate in any section or locality when conditions are ripe. In other words he believes that the germs of cholera like most everything else are present every where and when certain climatic conditions prevail, such as a wet warm spell the germs will produce veritable cholera. That is his opinion but at the same time he stated that no one absolutely knew whether hog cholera brought about by contagion. Some farmers and breeders who lost swine at the Dallas Fair this last year, held that the disease was contagious and was brought from Oklahoma. Both

sides have numerous supporters and now as in the past the question is an unsettled one. The editor of this column will be glad to have all the advice he can get on the question from men who know or who have had experience.

Queries on Various Subjects

A subscriber who has Johnson grass and intends to add a hog pasture to his farm asks:

"Would you kindly give me your opinion relative to the value of Johnson grass as a pasture for hogs. I have a small patch and think if it will pay I will add to it, as I desire to use green pasture, wherever possible in raising hogs."

There are several opinions as to the desirability of this grass as hog feed and the difference is so radical that it is not possible for this paper meeting at Sherman in January, Mr. J. J. McLain of Anna, Collin county, a practical hog breeder held that hogs under no conditions were partial to Johnson grass and that as a paying proposition hogs on Johnson grass was the poorest. Others held the contrary. From personal knowledge the editor of this column can only say that he has seen hogs follow the plow in a Johnson grass field and eat clean all the roots turned up, and has also noted them on the grass and they eagerly eat it. Can't say as to fattening qualities compared with Bermuda, Burr Clover and other pasture grasses so would be glad if some of the readers of this paper would write and give their experience on the subject.

Best Variety of Corn?

A young man who is just beginning farming on his own account writes as follows:

"What kind of corn would you advise a beginner to plant, what color I mean. Some people have advised me to use this that and the other until I was almost tempted to use all varieties at once and produce a corn of my own. What in your opinion is best?"

A man's taste in the matter of seed generally governs him in the selection

of the corn he shall make his chief delight. The column is speaking now of course of those farmers who use Singleton, of McKinney, Collin county, raises only strawberry corn, and makes a success of that variety. He told the editor that he had used it for many years and wanted no other. Garrett, another farmer who lives in Kaufman county sticks to pure white corn and has made a big success of it. McGalliard of Denton county makes his specialty red corn and at the last corn show took first prize for north Texas. As was said at first it is a matter of choice for all varieties are good and produce equally as well. If you want corn for home use as bread plant white corn, if for the northern or foreign export trade, then plant yellow. If you want to get the best price from the millers in Texas, then confine yourself to getting a pure white corn of a uniform grade that will show white all the way through without a stain. For feed any good corn will do, as stock will do as well probably on one as the other, although some say that yellow corn is stronger in feed qualities than white. The best thing for you to do is to make up your mind what kind will suit you best and then select the best seed of that kind.

PASTURE HAS BEEN GOOD.

H. Kapps the Jacksboro stockman who raises, cattle, feeds a string generally and is a regular on this market, was in the city, but brought nothing this time. His ranch is down in the southwest corner of Jack county, partly in Throckmorton. "I have been up at home all this winter not deeming it good business to have anything to do with Oklahoma in the stock line this past year. I am going up there soon to look the situation over, with an eye to coming eventualities. We are alright up in Jack, and cattle are doing well. We had rain in the early fall which made the grass grow rank and it cured well on the ground and so thick that it is and has been green underneath all the winter and makes a perfect pasturage."

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THE OFFICIAL ORGAN

Fully appreciating the efforts put forth by The Stockman-Journal in furthering the interests of the cattle industry in general and the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas in particular, and believing that said Stockman-Journal is in all respects representative of the interests it champions, and reposing confidence in its management to in future wisely and discreetly champion the interests of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, do hereby, in executive meeting assembled, endorse the policies of said paper, adopt it as the official organ of this association, and commend it to the membership as such.

Done by order of the executive committee, in the city of Fort Worth, this March 18, 1905.

ADEQUATE APPROPRIATION NEEDED.

The importance of the Texas legislature making adequate appropriation for the use of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board in protecting the herds of this State against the importation of diseased cattle, will become obvious when it is known that the State of Illinois has been compelled to abandon its efforts to keep out cattle affected with tuberculosis, as the appropriation made for that purpose has been exhausted. This will work a great hardship on the cattlemen of that State. The Illinois Live Stock Sanitary Board is aware that many of the farmers and cattle breeders in adjoining States have learned to make the tuberculosis test themselves, and that as soon as they discover the appearance of the disease they hasten to sell them to avoid the loss they would sustain by having the State or government authorities put a ban on their movement. The board is powerless to prevent the introduction of diseased cattle and it looks as though all the money spent so far might just as well have been thrown away. Texas cattle are free from disease, or practically so, at present, and the legislature should heed the demand for an increased appropriation at this session. The sum of \$50,000 for the next two years would be little enough to set aside for the purpose of stamping out disease and providing for a rigid inspection of all animals coming into the State.

THAT HEEL-FLY PROPOSITION.

James Callan, in a letter to The Stockman-Journal, last week, seeks more information on the subject of the heel-fly, and his position that the "grub" from which the pest originates might be killed by dipping along late in the fall, seems to be well taken. At all events, the matter is worthy the attention of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, or its veterinarian. The heel-fly attacks cattle in the early spring, and their only relief is to hunt a mud hole. Cattle are always thin at that time and not in condition to develop the speed necessary to outrun the pursuer, though all cattlemen are willing to confess that a heel-fly in pursuit of an old, poor cow can persuade her to do her level best on the race course. If no one else will take the matter up, will not Mr. Callan, in the interest of himself and science, try the dipping process next fall, and report on results? Perhaps this would be impractical,

however, unless everybody else joined in the movement. There is no harm in agitating the subject, however, and The Stockman-Journal hopes to find that others besides Mr. Callan realize the necessity of applying a remedy if one can be found.

ALL OVER THE RANGE.

Secretary H. E. Crowley of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas said that since his return from California, where he had been in attendance on the meeting of the American National Live Stock Association, his office has received information from over most of the range country, the information coming from the cattle inspectors who have the interests of the association in charge. These reports indicate but little material change since the last reports came in, it being still very dry with only small showers over portions of the Southwest Texas country. In the main, however, stock are doing well only a few places showing thin cattle.

From one of the inspectors Capt. Crowley has received a letter stating that all the shippers he had seen had readily agreed to stand for the assessment of \$1 a car against all shipments for Northern markets. The fight that the Cattle Raisers' Association made against the arbitrary raise in rates made by the railroads has resulted in a victory for the cattlemen, and the rate has been reduced \$6.60 per car, under which rate the shippers are now working. The original case has been appealed to the United States supreme court for final arbitration, and the Cattle Raisers' Association thinks that in all justice all members of the association, and other cowmen, should be glad to stand the assessment of \$1 per car and thus aid in defraying the expenses of litigation. The shippers are now enjoying the result of the fight of the Cattle Raisers' Association in the reduced rate to all Northern points and they can easily give the amount asked and not feel it.

The weather continues dry with high winds in the Amarillo district—cattle are holding up well, however. The heel fly has put in an appearance and from all indications they will be very bad.

The Midland range country is still dry and rain badly needed, especially by the farmers, but grass is good and cattle are doing fine.

The Victoria section, including Goliad and its surrounding territory, is reported as still in good shape and weather ideal for this time of the year.

Beeville and surrounding country retain the same good range and weather conditions, dry and fair, while from Hebronville, San Diego, Alice and Brownsville, range is reported short with light rains. These late rains will start the weeds in that section, which means much in the early spring.

The weather in the Refugio and Kingsville section continues about the same; still in need of rain, although some rain had fallen from Robstown to Brownsville, not enough, however, to do grass much good.

Cattle are still doing fine; some, however, on the Branch line and up on the river are a little thin, but no deaths reported.

Laredo has not changed, the range being still in the tolerable condition it was last report, with excellent weather. Some rain had fallen, but not much.

Cotulla and the country along the line of the International & Great Northern railroad southwest of San Antonio has had little change. No rain has fallen, but indications looked good for a downfall. Weather warm

and stock holding up well, while the Uvalde section just north of Cotulla reports no material changes either in range or weather. Very light shipments of stock, only 143 cars of cattle and horses having been sent out over the rails.

THAT STERLING SITUATION.

Writing to the Stockman-Journal regarding its recent remarks concerning Sterling county and the quarantine, W. R. McEntire & Son say:

"The stockmen of Sterling county have signified their desire to be placed below the quarantine line by a petition which a delegation carried to the last state board meeting. Practically everybody wants to go below the line or some place else besides where we are. There is not a clean pasture in the county now.

"Letting a county go below quarantine line doesn't look much like tick eradication or a good fat appropriation by the legislature to furnish good salaries to the inspectors to superintend the cleaning process, etc.

"We have to dip our cattle in order to ship them to Fort Worth (below the line) for immediate slaughter. The dipping benefits no one. It does not clean up because we never dip anything except what we ship.

"The cattle on their way to Fort Worth from Sterling county do not come in contact with any clean ranges. Cattle from points below the line can be shipped to all markets for immediate slaughter without dipping and this is why we want to go below the line. But we have a rough and rugged road because it is not in line with tick eradication and the appropriations."

As the Stockman-Journal remarked in its last issue, the only way out of Sterling's difficulty seems to be for all the stockmen in that county to begin dipping and cleaning up their pastures. This is a slow process and it would take several years before Sterling could get above the line permanently. But such a goal is attainable, while to go to the other extreme and get below the line seems impossible at this time.

The start will have to be made somewhere toward getting all Texas counties above quarantine. The area of non-infested ground is steadily increasing all over the South and time may see the entire state above quarantine. But such a condition is a long ways ahead and Sterling cowmen are not to be blamed if they grow somewhat impatient with conditions as they are now.

J. D. Jackson of Alpine introduced a resolution at the cattlemen's convention in this city, some three years ago, protesting against shippers paying freight on 32,000 pounds on interstate shipments of calves sent to other than the Fort Worth market. The Interstate Commerce Commission would probably take this matter up if the association would labor with it diligently, and it is to be hoped that Mr. Jackson will get busy with his resolution again at the meeting next month.

The sheepmen of the State are just a bit interested to know what became of the importation of *Carycul* sheep which reached this country about the time the foot-and-mouth disease caused it to be tied up in quarantine on the New Jersey coast.

Fort Worth has no live stock exchange because the attorney general said she couldn't. She is, to all appearances, moving along just as smoothly without one.

BEET PULP AS STOCK FEED.

Movement on Foot to Establish Market at Albuquerque.

Las Vegas, N. M., Feb. 16.—Sugar beet experts and others in favor of the erection of a sugar factory at Albuquerque, assert that by a proper effort in the way of interesting the farmers of that vicinity in the sugar beet industry, a sufficient quantity of sugar beets can be produced in the country immediately contiguous to the Duke City to supply a sugar mill of the first class and that would bring to that section, from abroad, every year, not less than a quarter of a million dollars, and at the same time save to the people of that section, in the way of feed for their animals, all the large sum which they are annually obliged to send abroad to pay for such materials. The pulp, alone, from such a mill would be the means of building up a large and profitable business at that point. There is even now, they assert, a strong demand for a great "feeding station" at that point, where cattle coming in thin, from the range, could be fattened up, and put in good condition for the eastern markets. There is such a positive demand already existing for such a place at that point that the situation has been prospected two or three times by eastern parties, who have been forced to give it up by reason of the matter of feed. But a sugar mill there, it is claimed, would solve that problem, because the pulp of the beets, after the sugar had been extracted, is one of the best articles that can be used for the purpose. One first-class mill, they claim, would supply all that would be needed for a good while to come and would be the means of laying the foundation at Albuquerque of what would inevitably become in the course of a few years the greatest cattle market between Chicago and the Pacific coast.

PURCHASE RANCH IN KANSAS.

DENVER, Col., Feb. 16.—F. B. Rhoda, a prominent stockman of Lyons, Neb., was here last week. Mr. Rhoda and J. C. B. Maryott of Fort Collins, who are the proprietors of the Maryott & Rhoda Land company, have just purchased the old Rockefeller ranch at McDonald, Kan., where they will carry on extensive farming and live stock operations. The ranch contains some 10,240 acres and the purchase price for ranch and live stock was \$175,000. Mr. Rhoda purchased a string of good feeding lambs here Wednesday to take to the ranch and expects to become a regular patron of this market in the future. He is very optimistic regarding the future of the live stock and agricultural business of the country and believes the next year will be a good one for these interests.

BUYING WOOL IN ADVANCE.

As a result of the establishment by sheepmen of a co-operative wool warehouse in Chicago, agents of Boston wool houses are said to be scouring the West and endeavoring to contract for the wool to be sheared next summer, before the growers have agreed to consign their clips to the Chicago warehouse, established for the purpose of bucking the Boston wool trust. According to information received here nearly all the wool to be sheared in Colorado or Wyoming this year has already been contracted for by the Boston buyers, or by representatives of the Chicago Warehouse company, and agents for Hecht, Liebman & Co., and Jeremiah Williams & Co. Leading Boston wool houses are still in the field contracting for every clip of which they have knowledge.

Around the Fort Worth Live Stock Exchange

Dry in Oklahoma.

W. I. Linton, a well-known stockman from Kingfisher, Ok., who is a regular shipper of good stuff to this market, which he prefers, was on the yards with a car of ninety-nine head of good hogs which brought him prices that were satisfactory. "It is some dry up our way," said he, "but work is going on just the same and we are looking for a renewal of the good times we have had in the past. Stock is doing well and the winter has been so mild that nothing has suffered."

Winter Has Been Open.

Snyder, Ok., sent to market a well-known representative in the stockman line, H. S. Lewis, who is a regular shipper to this market. He handles all kinds of stock, but appeared this time with a car of eighty-six head of some of Oklahoma's best swine, which, as the market is inclined to fly upward, brought satisfactory prices. "We are not kicking," said he, "you must remember, about conditions, but only remarking that it is some day up our way just now, but nothing is being damaged to any extent at this time. The winter has been an unusually open one and stock matters have held their own end up well in consequence."

Cattle Doing Well.

Cunningham & Burton of Comanche, Texas, were on the market with some mixed stuff, cows and steers, in a shipment of two cars. They are regular shippers and make it a practice to continually keep a lot of stuff on the road to meet demands. "While it is dry down our way," said their representative, "cattle are doing well and grass is comparatively good. Of course the dry times affects the agricultural interests and indirectly the cowman, but as yet neither are suffering as they will later should it continue to keep dry, which we do not expect."

Not Making Predictions.

Comanche, Texas, has a lot of good cowmen who handle in a year much stuff that finds its way to the Fort Worth market, and among them is Ed Blue, who is a prominent and bright young stockman. He appeared on the yards with a car of mixed stuff and was satisfied with the result as the market fixed it. "I can only coincide with the others that have spoken to you as to conditions down my way," said he, "and that is some dry just now. Being raised in Texas I don't take any liberties with the Texas weather, so will only say that we all hope for an early cessation to this dry spell."

Not Dried Out Yet.

Robert Wilson of Point, Texas, was among the shippers who showed up on the market with some Texas-grown stuff. He had a car of thirty-six cows, not heavy, stall fed or stuffed with alfalfa, but very good stuff considering the season, which sold for very satisfactory prices. "Stock is doing very well for the winter weather, although it is a little dry, like it seems it is everywhere in Texas at this time. Farmers, of course, need rain more than the stockmen, but as yet they are not dried out by any means," said Mr. Wilson.

Hogs From East Texas.

East Texas has gotten into the habit of sending to market some of her stock as well as Elberta peaches and other truck, and this time her representative came on the yards in the shape of W. L. Freeman of Palestine,

who had with him eighty-five of the swine of that section of the state. This was his first trip, but he was so pleased with the results that he declared it would not be the last, by any means. "I like this market," said he, "and shall come again just as soon as I can get a shipment together. It is dry with us, yes, but not to hurt as yet. It will probably set in to rain in March or April sure, and East Texas can pull through from then on with but little loss."

Stock Doing Well.

Oklahoma has a Comanche town, too, which also sends good stock to this market regularly and will continue to do so as long as they get as fair treatment from the commission men as they do now. Among the arrivals from that thriving part of the youngest state was Daniel Greene, who brought in a car of ninety-six swine. He is a regular shipper and never kicks if things go a little against him, taking the good with the bad with equanimity. "Nothing much to relate from our country," said he, "we are all getting along very well and all kinds of stock are doing well. Of course the range stock is not in condition for the market at this time of the year, and things will not open materially along those lines until after grass has come for good."

Hogs From Whitesboro.

Whitesboro is in a fine farming belt of North Texas, but at the same time has reserved enough pasture lands so as to furnish quite a good bunch of good cattle constantly for the Fort Worth market. It is a country of good hogs, too, which the books at the yards will show. H. C. Sanderson came down from there with a car of cattle, cows and steers and one of hogs, which a good market sold very satisfactorily. "Matters are all right up our way," said he, "dry, a little, but has not lengthened out long enough to do material damage."

Plowing in Limestone County.

Mexia, down in Limestone county, sent in a "jack-pot," consisting of a lot of cattle and hogs, which were under the charge of S. King of that place. Good stuff enough for any market. Limestone is a good stock and farming country and furnishes a good bit of stuff, consisting both of cattle and swine, for this market. The weather was reported by Mr. King as some dry, but plowing going on all the same and cattle getting along very well."

Stock Not Suffering.

Erath county, not to be behind her sister county of Comanche, sent in two cars of cattle, mixed stuff, in charge of M. H. Ross of Dublin, Texas. He is a regular shipper and a thorough stockman who appreciates a good market when he hits one, which he did this time. "It is dry down our way, as it is most everywhere that I hear of," said he, "but stock is not suffering any, but of course on the pastures are not more than holding their own, if that. We are all hoping for rain."

Few Grass Cattle Left.

Capt. John Dyer, well known in the circles of the stockmen for a description to be needed, came in from a trip down in the Williamson county country, where he has been looking at stock. "It is some dry down there," said the captain, "but nothing seems to be hurting much. There are very few if any grass cattle in Williamson county now, all the available land being now under fence and the plow.

However, there are large opportunities for feeding in the towns and there are a good many on feed now, which will come on the market later. The market is good and probably feeders will shove their stuff and take advantage of it."

Plenty of Time for Rain.

R. M. Cole from Sayre, Ok., a heavy shipper both ways, that is, to the Northern markets and to Fort Worth, had very satisfactory sales of the stuff he had on the market here, which hit the market right. "The country is in pretty good shape up our way," said he, "and we are looking with smiling countenances to the coming of the year's business. It is a little dry but that, at this time of the year, does not scare people to any extent, for there is plenty of time from now till March and April to cure all such defects as are now threatening us."

Breeding Duroc-Jerseys.

Yukon is a town that is situated in a truly stock farming section, being in Canadian county, Oklahoma, which is noted for its corn, cotton,

grain and fine stock. There are a number of big stockmen who feed for the market and others who in addition breed fine swine. Clark Wells of that ilk, who is a regular shipper to this market, came in with some good stuff and was pleased at the reception the market gave him. "I am now breeding fifty-five full-blooded registered Duroc-Jersey sows and expect to help fill in any long-felt want that the packers are always talking about in their hog receipts. Our country is in excellent shape at present," said he, "although it is somewhat dry. It will all work out right, no doubt."

A "Heavy" Shipper.

M. W. La Fore is from Bennington, Ok., weighs 298 pounds, is 31 years old, is well educated and is as active as a cat. He is mostly Indian and is a stockman of repute and wealth. He deals in cattle and hogs and brought along with him a load of the latter to substantiate the fact that he was a swine dealer. He is located in a good section of the new state and likes the Fort Worth market, to which he ships.

Our New Mexico Letter.

Las Vegas, N. M., Feb. 16.—The Pen-Mex. Angora company was formed recently in Silver City, N. M., for the purpose of stocking several thousand acres in the Pennsylvania mountains with Angora goats raised in this territory. M. L. Bugbee, secretary of the New Mexico Goat Breeders' Association, is president of the new company, and D. S. Hershey, of Pennsylvania, Eastern manager. It is the intention to use Mr. Hershey's range in Pennsylvania, consisting of several thousand acres as a transfer point through which the New Mexico Angora goat may be conveniently placed on the Eastern markets. If successful this venture will mean much to the Angora goat industry in New Mexico, which is now handicapped by a limited and weak market.

Will Ship Sheep to Colorado.

G. L. Pearl, of Wiley, Colo., has just closed a deal for 2,000 head of sheep in the vicinity of Anton Chico, this territory. The fleecy animals will be driven to this city within a few days and shipped to Colorado.

Upon the reconvening of the council at Santa Fe today, Mr. Mechem, chairman of the committee on agriculture, reported council bill No. 34, by Charles A. Spie, an act "to suppress and stamp out disease among live stock," recommending that the bill be passed as amended by the committee. The bill passed unanimously.

A meeting that promises to be of more than local importance has just been held at Cerro, this Territory, where the citizens, becoming weary of continuous raids upon their horses by rustlers, have organized an anti-horse thief association. For years past the citizens living near Cerro and Questa have been raising a number of fine horses and allowing the mto run wild near the base of the Ute mountains, each owner having his brand, but of late years many of these animals have been stolen and shipped to parts unknown. The association just formulated is pledged to co-operate with the civil authorities in its attempt to put down crime, and will assist in bringing to justice all such offenders

and to aid each other in recovering stolen property.

Charles Kohn of Quay county, who assisted in the compromise that settled the boundary question between Quay and Union counties at Santa Fe, says that sheep and cattle have wintered well, but the range on the plain is much broken up by homesteads—in fact, every tillable acre has been filed upon and the range is now confined to the hills.

Mystery still surrounds the fatal shooting of Seth Nesworthy, nephew of William Hughes, a prominent cattle owner of Roswell, this Territory. The identity of the man who did the shooting is still unknown, but one suspect, a Mexican, is under arrest at Roswell.

THAT LIVE STOCK GUESSTIMATE.

That no serious attention is paid to the annual guess on live stock numbers and values is evident. It is so rank a specimen of guessology that nothing else is possible. This is the way in which the Omaha Journal-Stockman views it:

"According to the department of agriculture's annual census of live stock the number of beef cattle in the country Jan. 1 was 694,000 short of a year ago, the number of hogs was 1,937,000 less than last year and sheep showed an increase of 1,453,000 head as compared with Jan. 1, 1908. If these figures were accepted by the trade as anywhere near correct they would produce considerable commotion in prices and market conditions. With a shifting population in the settled portions of the country and rapidly changing conditions in the western range country, it is manifestly impossible to secure anything like a trustworthy census of domestic animals. Enough information can be gathered to indicate whether the supply of animals is increasing or decreasing, but aside from this, the government's estimate seems to be of little real value to the trade."

A total of 31,944 feeding cattle were shipped out of Omaha during January, while sheep and lambs taken on rural orders totaled 25,467.

Opposing Free Hides.

Following is the text of a letter to the Ways and Means Committee of the House on the proposition of removing the present 15 per cent tariff on hides, by S H Cowan, attorney for the American National Live Stock Association and the Cattle Raisers Association of Texas.

I wish to present in opposition to "free hides" in addition to what I have heretofore presented:

1. The difference in cost of shoes and leather here and abroad is very small, hence a mere reduction of duty on leather and shoes will not reduce prices to the consumer, therefore would not justify putting hides on the free list to benefit customers as is adroitly proposed.

2. Shoe dealers—even retailers—are asking for "free hides." What benefit would accrue to them from free hides if leather is protected. The explanation of their action is that the leather and shoe men have combined against the live stock producers to get hides on the free list and to retain the tariff on their own products. They have established a press agency, or publicity bureau, at Chicago, and are carrying on a campaign through the newspapers and otherwise for "free hides" falsely asserting that the tariff is of no benefit to the farmer. Those leather and shoe men who came before you assenting to the removal of the duty on shoes and leather afterwards took it back. They now say "Give us a tariff but don't give it to the stock-raiser."

3. The profits of the retailers are from 25 to 75 per cent above the factory cost. Yet they clamor for free hides which would affect the cost not over one per cent or two cents per pair of shoes, and deprive the producer of hides of the little tariff that he has, on the false pretense of love for the consumers who pay these prices. How can two cents per pair change the retail prices of shoes.

4. Removal of the duty on hides and not on leather and shoes will not cheapen leather and shoes. It would simply legislate the hide tariff, as an item of the price into the pockets of the leather and shoe men. Hence their and retailers agree on retail prices? Don't they thus destroy competition and violate the law? Shall these men dictate the tariff?

5. While we oppose the removal of the duty on leather and shoes or hides, yet if you do take it off hides, against which we strongly protest, justice demands as compensation that you take it off leather and shoes.

6. The cost of producing hides is much more than 15 per cent above the cost of production in South America or Mexico. If the difference in the cost of production be properly considered for the manufacturer, as the shoe men claim, why is it not equally so for the stock raiser or farmer.

7. They say the packers benefit by the tariff on hides; grant it: the producer gets a share of it, often all of it. Leather and shoe men benefit from the tariff on their product. Is the tariff to be a matter of favoritism for the protection of some and punishment of others? That is their proposition.

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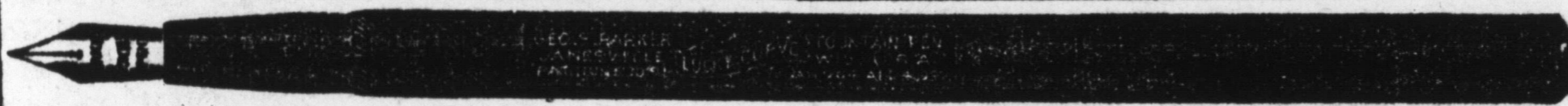
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Capt. J. B. Mitchell, well known among the stockmen who mingle with the animals on the yards, said relative to the hog market: "The market for hogs is good and has an upward tendency and I see nothing that can hinder it from reaching the 7-cent level. Today's top was \$6.60, and as things are strong, as I said, I don't see why 7 cents will not come for good hogs."

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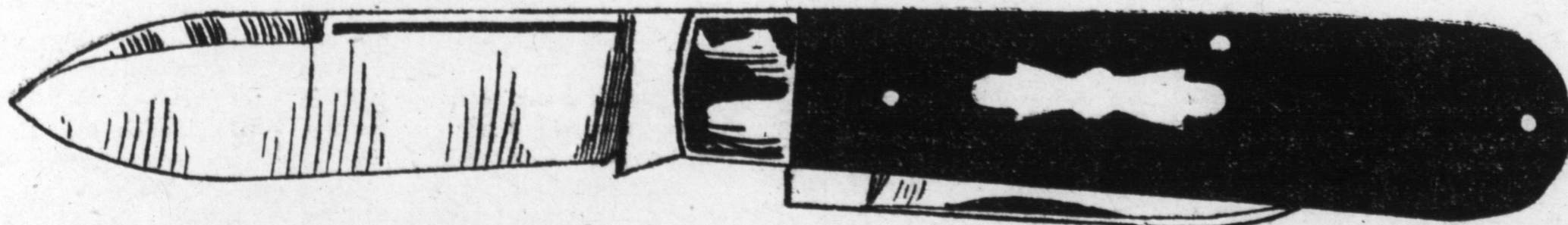


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Horses

CHICAGO HORSE MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Trade in heavy draft horses is showing less vim, consequent on a heavy supply, but farm stuff is acting well. Southern chunks and small mares meet brisk inquiry.

The market exhibits signs of unevenness, spots looking \$5 to \$15 per head lower.

A spread of \$180 to \$200 has taken quite a few big draft horses in the 1,600-pound class. One pair made \$420. High-grade stuff has held steady, but on average quality the market has exhibited a little weakness.

Light harness and saddle stock is selling at \$150 to \$350. By far the best feature of the market is the demand for farm chunks, mostly at \$130 to \$175. Good second-hand city mares are wanted to go to the country at \$75 to \$125.

	Poor to fair.	Good to choice.
Drafters	\$120@150	\$175@275
Loggers, feeders.	70@125	135@200
Chunks	75@ 85	115@175
Farm mares and small chunks...	35@ 78	80@140
Light drivers....	70@140	150@350
Actors and coaches	115@145	250@350
Carriage pairs...	225@275	290@650
Western (branded)	15@ 45	60@100

Kansas City Market.

Kansas City, Feb. 16.—Demand for horses last week showed little improvement. The quality was only slightly better than a week ago, and again a deterrent to activity at the auction. Eastern buyers reported improvement in the demand in the Atlantic coast states, and they were good buyers, but only of the horses with some quality, which were not plentiful. Western demand was good, California and Colorado buyers being on the market. These buyers are taking the best animals offered and they paid steady prices. Farm demand was reduced considerably, fewer buyers of this class being here, and the auction passed with declines of as much as \$10 in this class. Local traders were good buyers of the better grades of farm mares and chunks. Shippers are not discouraged over the farm demand, however, as a good business is looked for from this source when the season is at its height. Buying of horses by the South, while slightly better than the previous week, was not up to a year ago. Barely steady prices were paid for Southerners. Shippers were again complaining about prices, but commission men claim the prices they are paying in the country are out of line

with those prevailing here.

The range of prices follows:

Drafts, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., extra	\$155@200
Drafts, fair to good.....	125@150
Good chunks	110@130
Medium chunks	75@125
Drivers, fancy.....	150' up
Drivers, medium to good..	100@150
Southerners, common	40@ 55
Southerners, medium	55@ 75
Southerners, good to extra.	75@125
Plugs	10@ 40

MULES.

The volume of business transacted at the mule market the past week, while fair in comparison with recent weeks, was considerably reduced from last year. Quality of the receipts was mostly good. The slow selling at the commission barn is due to the reduced sales by dealers to the South, buyers of cotton mules not being here in very large numbers. From other sources demand was good, especially from the Western states. Buying by California, Washington and Colorado has been the feature of the market and improved over last year. The activity in construction work and in irrigation farming is helping this trade. Today's sales were mostly to Western buyers. Some of the dealers who have bought mules here the past week are in the mule rental business, contractors finding the renting easier than buying outright when their work requires the use of the animals only

a short time.

For sound, well broken mules, with good finish and plenty of quality, 4 to 6 years old, the following range of prices prevailed:

13½@14 hands high.....	\$ 65@ 90
14 @14½ hands high.....	75@105
14½@15 hands high.....	100@140
15 @15½ hands high.....	110@160
15½@16 hands high.....	125@175
16 @16½ hands high.....	140@180
16 @16½ hands high, extra good	185@225

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dance; to her pleasure in it and his capacity for according pleasure to her.

"I am sorry to interrupt your thoughts, Hugh," an almost masculine voice interposed.

The captain's eyes had been resting on the ground. He looked up as the well-known tones fell upon his ears. Immediately he was on his feet, alert, prepared for anything; not inclined to show, even to his kind old friend, the preoccupation which she shrewdly guessed.

"What is it, Lady Mary? Am I Wanted?"

"Yes. Lord Marlow has just come. Don't mind me," she added, "if you want to swear."

Devigne laughed. "Are you a thought reader?"

"With limitations. I could guess your thoughts, perhaps."

He was standing by her side at the opening of the recess.

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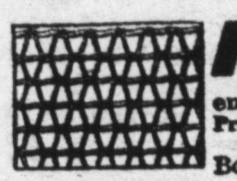
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kissed her white shoulder without her knowing it; an impossible act, of course, yet it occurred to him with a sort of half-humorous suggestion. He could almost feel her soft skin under his lips, so potent was the momentary imaginative act. He did not pause in his onward progress under the fine family portraits, which lined the sides of the ballroom, the faces of cavaliers, soldiers, statesmen, looking down on the gay throng of living men and women; the past surveying the present with cold, unmoved scrutiny.

Then it came to Devigne that he had never yet kissed a woman in love, in passion. He was thirty years old. Life! The life that was suggested by the movement of the ballroom; by the pulsing figures of men and women; by the meeting of eyes, the admiration of one sex for another, the natural affinity which God planted in the earth which He had formed to environ it—all this was a closed book to Hugh Devigne. He had never read a single page of it; never looked between its covers. Up to now he had been unconscious of his limitations, of his restricted outlook.

For the first time Devigne met his chief with some embarrassment, with something less than the whole-hearted attention he usually accorded to the matters they discussed together. In a moment this abstraction had passed; Devigne's will-power asserted itself, his mind concentrated.

"I am sorry to interrupt you at this unseasonable hour, Devigne, but the fact is, we have had unpleasant information; it was sent on to me from Permanent Secretary's office, after dinner this evening—you know Sir Reginald Harverson is away." Sir Reginald Harverson was the permanent Secretary.

"Lady Marlow and myself were out dining; I only received the communication on my return home, half an hour ago. I knew you would be here, and I came on at once."

"Not war?" Devigne asked, his pulses quickening. In spite of his knowledge of Lord Marlow's peculiarities, nothing less seemed to fit the Peer's evident disturbance.

"No, not that, thank Heaven; not yet, at any rate."

Devigne knew perfectly what that "not yet" means—"May I not be First Lord when that happens?"

Several people had turned round and looked at the two men. Rumors were in the air; the evening papers lived on the fim-flam of the "on dits" from every capital of Europe. The dancers asked themselves what this colloquy between the First Lord of the Admiralty and his confidential adviser meant. Devigne, more alert than his companion noted the inquisitive looks.

"Let us go into the morning-room," he said; "we shall have it to ourselves."

Linking his arm in that of Lord Marlow's, he guided him to the apartment indicated, and then switched on the electric light.

"You seem very much at home here, Devigne," the Peer commented.

"Lady Mary has been like a mother to me," the young man answered.

"Pity she is not thirty years younger," Lord Marlow said, with a laugh.

Lady Mary's strong masculine figure came up before Devigne's mental gaze; he contrasted it for a moment with another object, almost equally clear and distinct, but widely different.

"I prefer her as she is," he answered. "Now tell me, my Lord, your news?"

The Peer had settled down into a big leather chair; Devigne leant against the table. Lord Marlow knitted his brows, and put the tips of his fingers together; an idiosyncrasy of his, whenever anything of special import was at the back of his tongue.

"You remember that mysterious affair at Plymouth about a sentry being found dead at the foot of the cliff, with strong suspicions of being flung over?"

"Yes," Devigne replied. "It was never cleared up whether the blow on his head was given before he fell or resulted from it."

"We always had our suspicions," Lord Marlow went on, "because the Marine, under the new regulations, was guarding a freshly-constructed battery; it was fiendishly suspicious, any way. Now the suspicion has become a practical certainty. Some people are making it their business to find out the disposition of our defences."

Devigne did not say anything, but awaited Lord Marlow's further disclosures with eager attention.

"Last night," the Peer went on, after a pause, "a man named Collins, one of a draft just brought back from Malta, was on sentry duty east of Dover Castle."

"I know," Devigne put in; "the most important spot in the whole of England, Ireland, and Scotland."

"Exactly," Lord Marlow remarked, testily. "It seems to me utterly stupid that one man should have been alone on so important a duty."

"Of course, no one was aware of what happened at Plymouth," Devigne remarked; "all doubtful evidence was kept out of the inquiry, if I remember rightly. The Coroner's jury brought it in death by misadventure. The night was a dirty one, and it was supposed the man had been drinking before going on duty."

"That is just it; drink comes in again now. This man Collins was found stupefied with drink—drugged, in fact, by the side of the path he had been guarding. He had been tampered with, but how is not known at present; the man had not recovered sufficiently to answer questions intelligently when the news came to headquarters. A strict inquiry will be made, but the inference is obvious

already. Someone, perhaps more than one, is bent on probing our secrets to the bottom."

Devigne flashed a look at his chief; he began to understand the trend of the latter's thoughts.

"This matter must be investigated on the spot," he suggested; "more than that, if we can collar the rascals who are up to these little games, all the better. That is what you are thinking, my Lord?"

"Just so; the difficulty is to know a man cute enough to do it. Of course, we have some capable officers—very capable, I may say—in that district, but this matter is so totally out of the common, one hardly knows whom to select. Secrecy is vital to the whole affair; we do not want to own to the public—especially to the public outside England—that we are nervous. In one way, the man who gets at the heart of this conspiracy must be absolutely in our confidence, capable of holding his tongue, not afraid to strike if he deems it advisable, and when he strikes to do so with some purpose; yet all the while he must go about with kid gloves on,

(To be continued.)

purpose to find me?"

"You don't suppose he came to 'join the dance'?" Lady Mary remarked sarcastically; "he is not given that way; his figure, like mine, has passed out of the dancing stage."

Devigne was thinking that something important must have happened to make his chief come to a social function to find him; ordinary business would have waited till the following morning and the usual hour. On the other hand, Lord Marlow was fidgety; he sometimes magnified molehills until they resembled mountains. Devigne, therefore, discounted, to a certain extent, the First Lord's information.

"You will find Lord Marlow by the dais," Lady Mary directed. She nodded her dismissal, and went off in the opposite direction.

When Devigne passed that section of the dancers which lay between the recess and the dais, he was within a few inches of Lady Ena's back, as she stood waiting for a new figure to begin. She was unconscious of his proximity; he could have bent and

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- Syracuse, N. Y., \$500, New York State Fair.
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REMOVE CATTLE TARIFF....

Mexico ranchmen are staking strong hopes to the probability that the congress now in session will materially reduce or altogether remove the restrictive tariff now obtaining on cattle shipments made to this country, says R. F. Jennings, manager of a 500,000 acre ranch in Coahuila, Mexico.

"The obliteration of this tariff would mean more than anything else that could possibly be done in the development of the cattle industry in Mexico," said Mr. Jennings. "It would result in the flocking of hundreds of progressive American stockmen to our territory and the strides of the industry in a remarkably short time would be wondrous. With our fine grasses and finer climates—I speak of the elevated pasture lands such as ours—there would be no competing with us."

The ranch of which Mr. Jennings is manager is one of the largest of the American owned properties of its kind in the republic. The cattle raised by him have reputations extending throughout the country. The yearlings average in weight about 700 pounds, while the average Texas yearling weights only about 500 pounds.

The firm with which the visitor is connected established their famous ranch about twelve years ago, paying only 12½ cents an acre for the land. They attribute their success in the business largely to the elevation of their ranch and to the unusually fine quality of the grasses.

STEERS ON TEST FEEDS.

Las Vegas, N. M., Feb. 16.—Experiments in cattle feeding are now in progress at the New Mexico experiment station at Mesilla Park, and a report will be published on the results in a short time, which should prove of much value to the stockmen of the territory. Twenty-five ordinary steers have been selected for the work. They have been divided into squads of five and are being fed on different mixtures of carbohydrates and nitrogenous foods. The mixtures of corn, cotton seed meal, kaffir corn meal, corn stover and kaffir corn stover. The preliminary feeding is just now in progress, the steers having been on feed for two weeks. Each Friday they are weighed and their condition noted. Already they all show improvement, but as yet the different squads have not had time to demonstrate which combination of feed is likely to give the best results. The experiment station is interested

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REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—We have for sale, to close out quickly, one of the finest homes in Fort Worth, a home that has been constructed with every known convenience and comfort. It was built two years ago for a home and not to sell. It is located on the corner of one of the best streets on the South Side; lot is 100x205 feet; has beautiful shade trees and cement walks; the house has eleven rooms, all large, six of which are or can be bedrooms; there are enough big, roomy closets, twelve of them, the kind and location in the house, that would bring exclamations of pleasure to the tongue of any house-keeper. There are four bathrooms, two on each floor; three of the bedrooms have bath and dressing rooms adjoining. The entire house has hardwood floors and all halls and rooms are finished in hardwood. One room is finished in mahogany, several in birch, and one, the parlor, in sycamore—one of the prettiest of all finish woods. The barn is big and roomy, with chicken and cow pen, with stalls for two horses. The floors are cement and there is an automobile room with cement floor. There are two servants' rooms, one of which is finished for use. The property will be sold below cost. Payments can be arranged. House will be shown only to those who are able and will seriously consider purchase. John Burke & Co., Fourth street, Phone 2020.

FOR SALE—Ranch consisting of 7,450 acres in Throckmorton county; considerable portion of tract improved, portion of which is on the Brazos river. Title perfect. Tract unincumbered. Contains some of the finest farming land in West Texas. Water supply inexhaustible and well distributed. Timber supply ample. Natural pecan orchard, very fine. Fishing and hunting on the river as good as anywhere. Price \$6.50 per acre. Small payment, long term of years on balance. As a ranch proposition, nothing better in Texas. Address XYZ, care of Star and Telegram.

FOR SALE—Prairie farm of 182 acres, 12 miles from Hamilton, Texas, on rural route, near school. Will take cattle as first payment and give good terms on remainder. Four-room house in Hamilton, Texas, on same terms. Box 202, Midland, Texas.

in the development of a packing house in El Paso. Much attention will be paid to the finishing feed of the cattle, as the authorities recognize that prime beef in this section needs attention. How to produce this, getting a good, tender, juicy product at a price that would not be prohibitive, is the object of the present experiment with the twenty-five steers.

MISCELLANEOUS

CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES are paid well for easy work; examinations of all kinds soon; expert advice, sample questions and Booklet #94 describing positions and telling easiest and quickest way to secure them free. Write now. Washington Civil Service School, Washington, D. C.

AN EXPERIENCED Hereford breeder wants partner with money to put into the business; or trade good property for half interest in Hereford stock farm. Address Box 202, Midland, Tex.

SALESMEN WANTED to look after our interest in Mitchell and adjacent counties. Salary or commission. Address The Harvey Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

BRAND new side line (a dandy) for traveling salesmen only. Write Oro Manufacturing Company, 79 South Jefferson street, Chicago.

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Final Date for Grazing Permits.

Las Vegas, N. M., Feb. 16.—Feb. 20 has been designated by Forest Supervisor A. D. Read as the final date for the filing of applications for permits to graze cattle, horses, sheep and goats within the Manzano national forest during the season of 1909.



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West Texas Wool and Mohair Raisers Organize.

An important meeting was held at the opera house Saturday afternoon, says the San Angelo Standard. It was that of a representative body of the sheep and goat raisers of the Concho country and was well attended. The object of the meeting was the perfection of the organization of the Wool Growers' Central Storage company. The charter was ready for the signatures of all who wanted to enter the company, and everything was in readiness for the beginning of one of the most important movements ever inaugurated in this city.

The temporary chairman of the meeting was Judge Charles E. Davidson of Crockett county, and the temporary secretary was T. D. Newell of Sutton county.

The purpose of the meeting was stated, after which C. C. Walsh of the San Angelo Bank and Trust company of this city made an address in which he explained the workings of the plan and went into details concerning the company which was to be formed. At the conclusion of the remarks by Mr. Walsh there was had a discussion, which was entered into by a number of those present and which was animated and reflected the enthusiasm of those in attendance in regard to the plan.

A sort of experience meeting was held in which the subject for discussion was "Experience in the Sale of Wool and Mohair Clips." This discussion lasted for quite a while and was general. The man from Pecos was as much inclined to talk as the man from Sutton or Tom Green. Those who listened to the talks were very highly interested in the remarks of the men

who know the wool business and know from experience about the disposition of their clips.

All Sign Charter.

A call for signatures to the charter and it is said that every wool man in the house walked up and put his name to the charter.

As stated by this instrument, the purpose of the Wool Growers' Central Storage company are as follows:

This association is formed for the following purposes, to-wit: The construction or purchase and maintenance of public warehouses, for the storage of products and commodities; and the purchase, sale and storage of products and commodities by such public warehouse company; and the loan of money by such public warehouse company in general conduct of its business.

The specific intent and purpose for which this organization is formed is for the purchase and storage of wool and mohair grown and produced by the sheep and goat men of western Texas, and the purpose intent further being to enable such sheep and goat men to concentrate the wool and mohair in some central storage warehouse located on or near some railroad right of way, where the buyers of such products may assemble and make bids for the purchase of the same. And in order to further this plan of concentration of wool and mohair in some central warehouse it will be the further purpose of this association to purchase the products and commodities outright, or to loan money to the sheep and goat men needing such accommodations, pending the sale of such wool and mohair.

The following list of names as signers to the charter was read by the secretary:

Tom Green county—R. C. Ferguson, Hector McKenzie, A. M. Hicks, Dan T. Hanks, C. M. Rawls, W. A. Holland, B. F. Wheelis, J. R. Hamilton.

Sutton county—R. F. Halbert, W. E. Dunbar, R. W. Davis, B. M. Halbert, O. T. Word, W. H. Suttner, J. J. Ford, J. A. Ward, E. M. Kirkland, T. D. Newell, Howard Johnson, A. F. Clark, G. W. Irvin & Sou, O. A. Savage, J. L. Davis, W. F. Gonagill, J. R. Word, E. R. Jackson, G. W. Whitehead & Sons.

Crockett county—J. W. Friend, T. W. Patrick, W. L. Boerner, P. T. Robinson, J. R. Brooks, P. L. Childress, A. W. Clayton, L. B. Cox, Archie Cochran, S. E. Couch, M. H. Goode, T. A. Kincaide, Robert Massey, W. Payne, Elam Dudley, B. B. Ingham, W. D. Shattuck, J. W. Young, William I. Grinnell, T. D. Word, H. O. Word, J. M. Shannon, Jones Miller, Clint Owens, R. A. Williamson.

Schleicher county—S. S. Stanford, R. U. Taylor, W. W. & J. H. O'Harra, G. W. Parks, Ira McDonald, Frank Spencer, G. C. Roberts, Sam H. Hill, Dan W. Berry, Tom W. Palmer, Frank Douglas, J. H. Brannan, I. H. Elder, Jonathan Keeney, F. C. Bates Jr.

Pecos county—Edward D. Miller, J. M. Holmes & Son, N. C. Rogers, H. G. Carruthers, J. H. Phelps, T. F. Hickox, D. W. McKay, H. D. Carruthers, John W. Cannon, John Monroe, A. G. Anderson.

Reagan county—A. E. Bailey, M. D. Sutherland, W. A. Nix, P. W. Coats.

Schleicher county—Sam E. Jones, W. D. Ake.

Sterling county—W. L. Foster. Tom Green county—Joe E. Hall, Travis county—C. B. Hudspeth.

While these names were being read a number of people came in and a call for additional names was made, with the result that the following new names were added:

Schleicher county—W. H. Hill, S. E. Ratliff, W. F. Clark, S. I. Nix, J. H. Jackson, W. H. O'Harra, W. D. Ake, W. A. Cooper.

Sutton county—G. W. Stephenson, C. G. Stephenson, R. H. Chalk.

Terrell county—Alexander Mitchell. Coke county—W. P. Heanell.

The following committees were then appointed by the chairman:

On by-laws—J. D. Miller, A. M. Hicks, J. R. Brooks.

Selection of directors—J. D. O'Daniel, Bassil Halbert and O. C. Roberts.

On resolutions—J. R. Hamilton, O. T. Word, L. B. Cox, A. E. Bailey and Sam H. Hill.

The following are the directors selected by the committee and their report to the meeting was unanimously approved:

Tom Green—R. C. Ferguson, A. M. Hicks.

Schleicher—Sam H. Hill, Frank Spencer.

Sutton—R. F. Halbert, George W. Stephenson.

Crockett—Robert Massey, J. R. Brooks, W. L. Boerner and S. E. Couch.

Pecos—Edward Miller and A. G. Anderson.

Terrell—Alexander Mitchell. Reagan—A. E. Bailey.

Directors at large—O. C. Roberts, Schleicher county, and Alexander Mitchell, Terrell county.

Resolutions Passed.

The resolution committee reported the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted. In addition to these, there was one in which the wool growers assembled thanked C. C. Walsh for the interest he had taken in the matter and assured him of their lasting regard and affection for him. Mr. Walsh, with his customary modesty, asked that this resolution be not published. It was a pretty tribute to him and one which the people of this city would have indorsed:

Whereas, the sheep and goat men of western Texas are greatly handicapped for the want of adequate scab law and are thereby subjected to spread of the scab, and there exists a necessity for the passage of such a law. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the sheep and goat men of western Texas, in convention assembled, at San Angelo, Texas, on this, the 30th day of January, A. D. 1909, do hereby petition and memorialize our senator, Hon. C. B. Hudspeth, and our representative, Hon. Brown F. Lee, to introduce into the present legislature a scab law which will be adequate to fully protect the sheep men from the spread of the scab among the flocks of western Texas.

Whereas, the sheep and goat men of Western Texas have been and are now greatly annoyed and suffer much loss annually by the ravage of wolves and coyotes committed among their flocks, and

Whereas, there is no law adequately providing for the payment of sufficient bounties on the scalps of such animals to induce hunters and trappers to eradicate the same from the ranches of Western Texas. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we petition our senator, the Hon. C. B. Hudspeth, and our representative, the Hon. Brown F. Lee, to introduce in the present legislature a bill which will adequately compensate hunters and trappers for their services in killing out the wolves and coyotes of Western Texas, and that we urge upon our said senator and representative to use their influence in the passage of such an act.

Whereas, there is now no adequate law on the statute books of Texas whereby the sheep and goat men can protect themselves against herders to whom they have made advances in order to get them to tend their flocks, and who, after receiving such advances, abscond from the premises while indebted to the employer; now, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the sheep and goat men of Western Texas, in convention assembled, at San Angelo, Texas, on this, the 30th day of January, A. D. 1909, do petition and memorialize the Hon. C. B. Hudspeth and the Hon. Brown F. Lee, our state senator and our representative, to the end that they will present and have passed in the present legislature a law which will sufficiently protect the sheep and goat men against such herders who have received such advances who run off and leave their flocks, and that if in the opinion of our said senator and representative, the Bristow bill, which is now being introduced, meets their approval in this connection, and adequately covers the ground herein complained of, that they support the same and use their earnest endeavors to have it passed.

Whereas, there is now pending before the congress of the United States a bill to remove the tariff on wool and thereby greatly reduced the price of the products of the sheep and goat men of Western Texas. Now, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the sheep and goat men of Western Texas, in convention assembled, in San Angelo, Texas, on this, the 30th day of January, A. D. 1909, do hereby petition and memorialize our United States senators and representatives to oppose the reduction of said tariff on wool and to use their best efforts to see that the same is retained, for the more adequate protection of the sheep and goat men of this state.

Whereas, the sheep and goat men of Western Texas are wholly without an organization for their mutual benefit and protection and there exists a necessity for the same. Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the charter members

of the Wool Growers' Central Storage Company form themselves into a voluntary organization to be known and designated as the Sheep and Goat Breeders' Association of Western Texas, and that the officers and directors of the Wool Growers' Central Storage Company shall also serve as the officers and directors of this association for the first year. Be it

Resolved, that members be solicited from the actual sheep and goat raisers of Western Texas to join this organization, and that every effort be exerted toward making the same a strong and valuable association to the sheep and goat men of this section of the state.

Meeting of Directors.

After the organization of the Wool Growers at the opera house in the afternoon, the directors selected by that body met in the directors' room of the San Angelo Bank & Trust Company and elected the following officers of the association:

Robert Massey, president; W. B. Sayers, cashier and secretary; Sam H. Hill, Schleicher county; A. M. Hicks, Tom Green county; S. E. Couch, Crockett county; G. W. Stephenson, Sutton county, and E. D. Miller, Pecos county, vice presidents.

At night the members of the association attended a banquet at the Virginia cafe. C. C. Walsh was toastmaster.

BUYS BIG WAREHOUSE.

Western Rock Island Plow Co. Secures John Deere Building at Omaha.

The Western Rock Island Plow Co. of Omaha has made an important move in the purchase of the splendid building of the John Deere Plow Co., which that company is just vacating to occupy its new twin reinforced concrete building on another site.

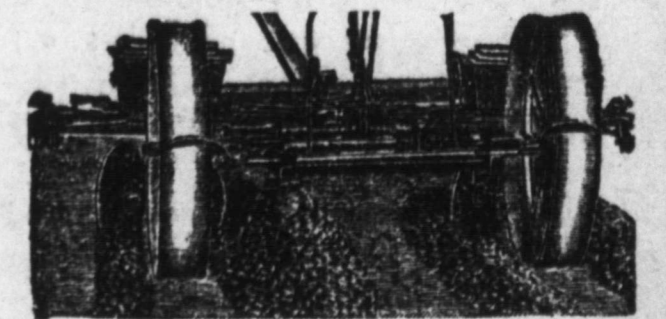
This gives the Rock Island lines an opportunity to expand, which was strongly demanded by rapid increase of the business. The building is of brick, substantially constructed, and is five stories high above the basement. It is 284 feet long by 80 feet in width at one end and 32 feet at the other. Excellent trackage and loading facilities are afforded, the location being close to the union depot, at Tenth and Leavenworth streets. Possession will be given by March 1, and possibly before that date.

DOUBLE SPACE FOR COLISEUM EXHIBIT

So great has been the demand for space in the department to be devoted to the displays of local manufacturers at the National Feeders and Breeders' Show to be held in this city from March 13 to 20 that it was decided on Friday to double the space allotted the first of the week.

Instead of having but one-half of the east side of the coliseum building, under the seats, this display will now have the entire side and arrangements have been made so that outside manufacturers, with local representatives, may secure space for displays. J. F. Shelton is in charge of this department and all inquiries are referred to him.

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For every subscrip- tion payment of...	Feb. 2 to Feb. 15, Inclusive, will count.....	Feb. 16 to Feb. 29, Inclusive, will count.....	March 1 to March 14, Inclusive, will count.....	March 15 to March 28, Inclusive, will count.....	March 29 to April 11, Inclusive, will count.....	April 12 to April 25, Inclusive, will count.....	April 26 to May 2, In- clusive, will count.....
\$10.00.....	9,900	9,800	9,700	9,600	9,500	9,400	9,300
9.00.....	8,900	8,800	8,700	8,600	8,500	8,400	8,300
8.00.....	7,900	7,800	7,700	7,600	7,500	7,400	7,300
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6.00.....	5,900	5,800	5,700	5,600	5,500	5,400	5,300
5.00.....	4,900	4,800	4,700	4,600	4,500	4,400	4,300
4.00.....	3,900	3,800	3,700	3,600	3,500	3,400	3,300
3.00.....	2,900	2,800	2,700	2,600	2,500	2,400	2,300
2.00.....	1,900	1,800	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,400	1,300
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After the Nomination of Candidates are made the Contest Territory will be divided off equally into six Districts, A, B, C, D, E and F, and the Candidate in each District who secures more votes by the end of the Contest than any other Candidate in her District, Will Be Awarded A TRIP TO CALIFORNIA, with All Expenses Paid.

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Before the management would inaugurate this great contest a representative went to California and made all arrangements for the party's entertainment, and we guarantee each and every one of the winners in this great campaign that they will have the trip of their lives, and one that would cost them several hundred dollars were they to take it themselves and have all the entertainment that will be bestowed upon the winners.

The winners will be brought from their home town to Fort Worth, and the itinerary of the trip will be as follows:

From Fort Worth to Denver, Colo., where two days will be spent sightseeing, and while there our party will be entertained at Denver's new and elegant hotel, the Standish.

From Denver over the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, which takes us through the world's famous Royal Gorge to Salt Lake City, Utah, where two days will be spent at this great historic city, and while there the party will be entertained at the Hotel Keugon, Salt Lake City's best Hotel.

From Salt Lake City over the great desert to San Francisco, Cal., where three days will be spent, and while there the party will be entertained at the Hotel St. Francis, the world's greatest hotel.

From San Francisco down the coast line to Los Angeles, Cal., where seven days will be spent, and while there the party will be entertained at the Hotel Angelus, one of the finest hotels in the world.

Many side trips will be given the party while in the different cities we will visit, the most important of which will be a fifty-mile ocean voyage from Los Angeles to the Catalina Islands.

Any lady is eligible to enter this contest and compete for the prizes.

The first list of those who have been nominated will be published at an early date. Send in the name of your favorite on nomination blank below, and the contest department will at once send her

sample copies, ballot books, etc., to start her campaign for votes.

The contest is open to ladies of the South.

You can nominate yourself, some friend or a relative. It costs you nothing to make a nomination.

The contest starts today and will end at 12 o'clock midnight May 2, 1909. The trip to California will be taken a few days later, which is the best time of year to visit on the Pacific coast.

Conditions of Contest

1. Read these conditions carefully and regularly, as this paper will make the same of greater advantage to candidates and their friends whenever possible to do so, as new ones will be added as necessity may require.

2. Two or more payments on the same or separate subscriptions cannot make the same of greater advantage to count more votes in accordance with the voting schedule.

3. In case of a tie vote between two or more candidates an equal division of the contested prizes will be made.

4. Any lady residing in the South is eligible as a candidate in this contest when duly nominated, except as hereinafter provided.

5. No employe of this paper or member of his or her family will be permitted to participate in this contest as a candidate.

6. The interpretation of all rules and conditions governing the contest—final decisions on questions or controversies that may arise and the acceptance of all candidates will be passed upon by the management.

7. We will not be responsible for typographical errors in contest announcements.

8. Subscribers when commencing new or renewing, are invited to vote by paying a subscription with the voting schedule.

9. Votes once cast for a candidate cannot be changed to the credit of another candidate.

10. Candidates and their friends can secure votes outside of their districts; that is, they have the privilege of securing subscriptions to count free votes to their credit in any district, town, State or Territory in the United States.

11. No votes will be cast for any candidate unless the name of the candidate accompanies the cash.

Nomination Blank

Cut out this blank and send it to the Stockman Journal, Fort Worth, Texas, with your name or the name and address of your favorite. A subscription with it is not necessary, but a good start means much.

Date.....

To The Stockman-Journal:

Gentlemen:—I hereby nominate

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Whose address is P. O.....
County..... State.....

My name is.....

My occupation is.....

Address.....

The names and addresses of people making nominations will not be divulged if so requested. Only a limited number of nominations will be accepted.

It is understood that for each candidate nominated only one nomination coupon will be accepted by the contest editor, which entitles the candidate so nominated to 1,000 votes.

Send in your nomination today. A delay endangers your opportunity. Names of nominees will be published at an early date.

Watch this contest for new and interesting developments. Address all communications to the Contest Department, The Stockman-Journal, Fort Worth, Texas.