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BROWNFIELD, TERRY COUNTY, TEXAS, SATURDAY, MAY 8, 1909.

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We have more than 150,000 acres of lands listed in Terry, Gaines and Yoakum counties. Price ranges from \$3 to \$15 per acre, according to location and quality. It will be to the interest of the prospectors to see or write us for prices and terms before purchasing. We take pleasure in answering all letters and will furnish accurate information about the country.

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Originality, quality and workmanship are put in the manufacture of Rose & Company's garments. We guarantee perfect fit and satisfaction. We offer the finest line of samples ever shown in this town.

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Also A Swell Line of Suitsings.

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We have one Brussels Art Square left well worth \$25.00. Special price, \$20.00.

The Store Where Your Money goes the Farthest.

## GOMEZ, TEXAS.

### To Organize Rebekahs

John W. Baker, Deputy District Organizer of the Rebekahs the Ladies auxillary to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows informs us that he expects to be ready to organize the lodge in this place Friday night. The Brownfield degree team has been invited over to do the degree work, and they have kindly accepted the invitation, and will be on hand on that date to assist in the organization of the order.—Lubbock Avalanche.

### New Pastor For Baptist Church.

The pastor recently called to take the place of Rev. B. F. Dixon, who resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church at this place, sometime ago, arrived in Lubbock last Friday, and preached his first sermon in this church Friday night. His name is C. A. Miller, and comes from Merritt, Oklahoma. His family has not arrived yet, but will be in next week, and will be at home in the Baptist parsonage.

The Avalanche welcome these good people to our town, and hope they will make themselves at home from the beginning, and trust their stay in this place will be beneficial to all and agreeable to them.—Lubbock Avalanche.

There is a man in Indiana who has made himself famous by the degree with which he excels his neighbors in the art of corn growing. He has made an acre produce 100 bushels, and when, under ordinary conditions, his neighbors get a yield of 40 bushels his runs from 70 to 80. His, also is the best corn—recognized as such in the markets. Wherefore, he was called the Corn Wizard until, having relished for a joke he explained that his success came merely from planting his with care and then cultivating them hard. In other words, instead of being a wizard, possessed of some mysterious secret, he is only a hard and intelligent worker. Work has a magic potency, but no touch of wizardry; but all of us; and especially those who cultivate the soil, are prone to envy the successful man as having been endowed with luck or some mysterious talent, whereas he excels us merely in his willingness to work. What is needed by the average man who wants more acreage is more energy.—Galveston News.

### Prisoners for Huntsville.

Penitentiary Agent W. H. Brown left yesterday morning for the state penitentiary with Wild Horse Hill, Austin Thompson and other prisoners brought in from Snyder, and all three will serve terms in that institution for their

wrongdoings.

Wild Horse Hill is a noted horse thief convicted in Sourry county. Austin Thomson is the youth who burglarized the Anchor store at Markel and the two stores at Nubia. Bill Davis who was convicted along with Hill for horse theft was carried along with the rest. The boys seemed glad to get away from county jail life.—Abilene News.

### Sam J. Rogers Wanted.

The following appears in the Shuqualak New Era and we reproduce same as some of the Plainsman readers may know Mr. Rogers address.

We wish to find the whereabouts of one Sam J. Rogers or his heirs who is supposed to have moved from the states of Miss. Tenn. or Ark. to Dimmitt of Texas, Castor county, about 1891, 1892 or 1893. Supposed to have two children, lived about three years in Castor county, he was a carpenter, any information will be liberally rewarded if you will address either:

Wm. Clearman Sr. Shuqualak Miss. or W. A. Tate, Dimmitt, Castor county, Texas.—Dimmitt Plainsman.

The Hill Hotel is a good market for fat hens. If you have any to sell take them there.

WANTED—Fat hens. Bring them to Hill hotel.

Terry County Herald \$1



**Terry County Herald**  
NEIL H. BIGGER,  
Editor and Proprietor  
Brownfield, Terry County Texas

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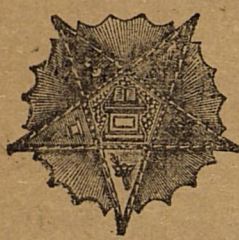


**BROWNFIELD CHAPTER NO. 309, R. A. M.**  
W. B. Spencer.....High Priest.  
L. W. McPhaul.....King.  
Ben Broughton.....Scribe.  
J. L. Webb.....Secretary.  
Meets second Saturday after the full moon each Lunar Month.



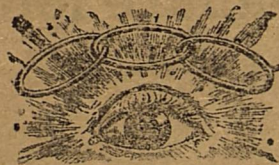
**Officers of BROWNFIELD LODGE A. F. & A. M. No. 903.**

W. R. SPENCER.....Worshipful Master  
R. M. KENDERICK.....Senior Warden  
GEO. L. STEPHENS.....Junior Warden  
A. R. BROWNFIELD.....Secretary  
W. R. HARRIS.....Treasurer  
C. A. McDANIEL.....Tyler  
WILL ADAMS.....Senior Deacon  
J. J. LANE.....Junior Deacon  
Lodge meets Saturday before the full moon in each month at 4 o'clock p.m.



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Of the Order of EASTERN STAR No. 317  
Meets at the MASONIC HALL, in Brownfield, Texas, on Saturday before the full moon of each month at 1:30 o'clock p.m.

Mrs. Carrie P. Spencer.....W. M.  
A. R. Brownfield W. P.....W. P.  
Mrs. Dora A. Ellis.....A. M.  
Mrs. Francis Bell.....Secty.  
W. J. A. Parker.....Treas.



**Brownfield Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 530.**

Percy Spencer.....N. G.  
R. P. Banowsky.....V. G.  
W. J. Byrd.....Treasurer.  
W. N. Copeland.....Rec. Sec.  
Geo. E. Tiernan.....Fin. Sec.  
Lodge meets every Friday night, at 8 o'clock p. m. in the Lodge Room in the town of Brownfield.

**Brownfield Rebekah Lodge, No. 329.**



Of Brownfield, Texas, meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the I. O. O. F. Hall at 7:30 p. m.  
Mrs. Maggie Hill N. G.  
Mrs. Jessie Randal W. G.  
Miss Dora Daugherty Secty



**Brownfield Camp No. 1980, W. O. W.**

Meets the first Saturday night after the full moon in each month.

R. H. Banowsky C. C.  
Percy Spencer, Clerk.

**Brownfield Grove, No. 462, Woodmen Circle.**

Mrs. R. H. Benoski.....Guardian  
Miss Dora Daugherty.....Clerk

**The Roadman's Guide...** A new book tells how to make money at Political rallies, Barbecues and Picnics with stands, Shows, Games, etc. Learns you how to make Hot Chili, Tomates, Candy, Orange Cider, Root Beer, etc., and how to get up shows and make games of amusements. Explains new plans and schemes for making money easy. A valuable book for information. Price 50 cents, post free. Send for it or write a postal for free circular. Address: J. C. DURROW, Publisher, 638 Fourth Ave., Louisville, Ky.

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E. S. Rowe, Abstractor, Plains, Tex.

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**Dr. J. W. ELLIS, Physician and Surgeon.**  
Brownfield, Texas.

**Official Statement of the Financial Condition**

Of the Brownfield State Bank at Brownfield, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 28th day of April, 1909, published in the Terry County Herald, a newspaper printed and published at Brownfield, State of Texas, on the 8th day of May, 1909.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, personal or collateral	\$46,654.02
Loans, real estate	17,082.99
Overdrafts	1,772.44
Real Estate, (banking house)	2,685.42
Furniture and fixtures	625.51
Due from approved Reserve Agents	12,510.47
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	3,289.29
Cash Items	32.55
Currency	3,725.00
Specie	1334.08
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89,661.77</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund	3,000.00
Undivided profits, net	3,374.21
Due to banks and bankers, subject to check	14.88
Individual deposits, subject to check	42,918.70
Demand certificates of deposits	532.75
Cashiers Checks.	21.25
Bills payable and re-discounts	10,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>89,661.77</b>

State of Texas, County of Terry.—We, M. V. Brownfield, as president, and Will Alf Bell as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

M. V. Brownfield, President.  
Will Alf Bell, Cashier,  
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 6th day of May A. D. nineteen hundred and nine.  
Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid  
Neil H. Bigger, J. P. and Ex-Officio Notary Public.  
Correct—Attest.  
A. M. Brownfield.—Director.

**Official Statement of the Financial Condition**

Of the Gomez State Bank, at Gomez, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 28th day of April, 1909, published in the Terry County Herald, a newspaper printed and published at Brownfield, State of Texas, on the 8th day of May, 1909.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts personal or collateral	\$10,905.89
Loans, real estate	6,771.86
Overdrafts	891.23
Real estate (banking house)	1,700.00
Furniture and Fixtures	789.57
Due from approved Reserve Agents	4,316.01
Due from other banks and bankers subject to check	1,004.55
Currency	1,641.00
Specie	487.79
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,507.93</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Surplus Fund	2,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	70.88
Individual Deposits subject to check.	16,218.81
Cashiers checks	218.24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,507.93</b>

State of Texas, County of Terry.—We, J. J. Lane, as president and R. M. Kenderick, as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

J. J. Lane, President.  
R. M. Kenderick, Cashier.  
Sworn and subscribed to before me this the 5th day of May, A. D. nineteen hundred and nine.  
Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid,  
Henry George, J. P. and Ex-Officio Notary Public, precinct No. 3, in and for Terry County, Texas.  
Correct—Attest:  
J. T. Gainer.—Director.

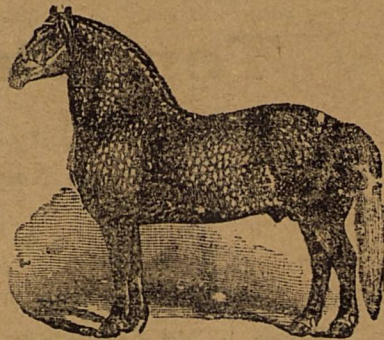
**Special Offer**

For the next three months parties who reside here and want to send the Terry County Herald to relatives and friends in other parts of the country can do so far 75 cents per year. We are making this liberal proposition in order to assist in advertising our wonderfully fine country and we hope that many of our good people will take this opportunity of letting their friends and relatives know what they can find on the Plains of Texas.

WANTS to list some bargains in Terry and Yoakum counties lands for cash. We will soon have some parties here to buy lands if quality, prices and terms suit. If you can't come to see us, write us telling us what you have to list.

Moore Bros Land Co.

**NERO**



My fine registered Percheon stallion, lately brought to this country from Iowa, will stand at my place the present season. NERO is a solid, black with the exception of a white streak face; weighs 1700 pounds, and is six years old. He brings with him as good a record for siring colts as any horse ever brought to this country.

He is a first-class horse in every respect, and those wanting to breed to a horse of his kind and record are invited to come and see him. He will be let to mare to insure foal for \$15, money due when the mare is known to be in foal.

**Joe Fisher,**

Seven miles northeast of Brownfield.

We have a telephone system in a good town, valued at \$14,000 to exchange for land. This is a splendid proposition for the right party.

Bigger & Hill,  
Brownfield, Texas.

**Called Meeting**

Of the Stock-Holders of the Gomez State Bank, of Gomez, Texas.

Gentlemen:—Whereas it appears that a majority of the stock holders of the Gomez State Bank are desirous of increasing the capital stock of said bank, and also of amending the charter. Now, therefore, we the directors whose names are attached to this instrument, do hereby call a meeting of the stockholders of said bank, in accordance with Section 64, of the Banking Laws of the State of Texas, to be held in the office of said bank on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1909, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4 p. m., for the following purposes to-wit: First: To increase the capital stock of the Gomez State Bank, to fifteen thousand dollars, (\$15,000.00

Second: To strike out the first clause, in the charter, and insert in its stead the following clause, to-wit: The name of this corporation shall be, "The First State Bank of Plains, Texas."

Third: To strike out the Second clause, and insert in its stead the following clause to-wit: "That the bank shall be located at the town of Plains, in the county of Yoakum, and the state of Texas.

Yours Truly,  
J. J. Lane, —Director.  
R. M. Kenderick " "  
J. T. Gainer " "

Dick Brownfield sells Buick autos in Terry, Lynn and Yoakum counties.

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We have a large list of Terry and Yoakum county lands for sale in all sized tracts and on the best of terms. We also make a specialty of exchanging Plains land for Eastern and Central Texas property.

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Brownfield, Texas

MRS. J. R. HILL, Prop.

This Hotel is well furnished, and its table supplied with the best the market affords.

Patronage of the Public Respectfully Solicited

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General Merchandise

and Undertakers Supplies

Brownfield, Texas



# Local & Personal

Happenings About People You Know.

J. T. and W. T. Gainer of Gomez, have purchased a new 1909 model Buick auto.

J. E. Everett, of the Salt Lake neighborhood, was looking after business in town yesterday.

I will begin a primary school at the public school building Monday May 10th.

Miss Fay Bynum. Many of the cattlemen are complaining of a scarcity of grass caused by continued dry weather.

Will Skyles, of Dawson county, spent several days here this week visiting his old friend, Uncle Jack Coble.

Don't fail to see "The Miller's Daughters" at Gomez, May, 13, 8 p. m. Admission 25 cents; reserved seats 35 cents.

Any one having, good horses or mules they want to trade for good Brownfield residence or business property, would do well to see W. J. Head.

See the program of the fifth Sunday Baptist meeting to be held at Gomez, published in this paper. It will be an interesting meeting and all who can should attend.

I. J. Osborn, J. B. Richberger, D. Allison, and W. L. Vaughan, of Lubbock, and W. A. Turner of Texhoma, came down Thursday night and spent yesterday in Brownfield.

Jack Head and family came up from Big Springs the first of the week. If Mr. Head can properly arrange his affairs, he will move out on his land and become a stock farmer.

We have a half section of very fine school, land situated five miles from Brownfield. All fenced, good new four room house and well of fine water. Price \$11 per acre bonus; \$1.60 due the state. This is a bargain considering distance from town, quality of land, etc.

County Court convened Monday morning, Judge Geo. W. Neill on the bench. There was only one case on the docket styled W. H. Nelson vs. Ben Glasier. The case was tried Thursday by a jury, which resulted in a verdict of \$112 in favor of Plaintiff.

A first class section of patented land within six miles of Brownfield for sale at \$7 per acre. One half cash, balance in five equal annual payments. The best bargain in Terry county, Call on or write us at once as it will only be on the market a short time.

Bigger & Hill. Brownfield Texas.

W. A. Turner, of Texhoma, bought section 55, block T, situated in Joe Fisher's pasture yesterday for a consideration of \$7 per acre the deal, being made through the land firm of Bigger & Hill, of Brownfield. This is a patented section and is very fine land, and was bought at a great bargain.

Mr. R. H. Bownosky has bought Mr. M. V. Brownfield's half interest in the Brownfield Mercantile establishment, and the new firm will be Powell & Bownosky. The deal includes the stock of goods and the building. Both Mr. Powell and Mr. Bownosky are energetic young men and will conduct a first class mercantile business.

At a regular meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star chapter last Saturday afternoon the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Carrie M. Spencer, W. M. Miss Orell Harris, A. M. D. Robinson, W. P. Mrs. R. Robinson, Secretary, E. T. Powell, Treasurer, Mrs. Allie McDaniel, Conductress, Mrs. Morris, Associate Conductress.

## RAILROAD NEWS.

Mr. H. Robinson, of Hamilton, Ohio, L. Hassager and L. Lewis, of Chicago, and C. C. Eastman and G. W. Irwin, of Hereford, arrived in Brownfield last Sunday night and left Monday morning for Lamesa, Stanton and Midland. They returned here Tuesday night and met quite a number of Terry county citizens at the court house and short talks were made by Messrs. Robinson and Hassager in regard to building of the C. H. & G. railroad. Mr. Robinson stated that his company had decided to resume work on the road as early as possible, which would be between thirty and sixty days. Mr. Hassager, the contractor who will build the road, stated that he will be ready to commence the work of construction as soon as the company carriage matters with him. That the company he represents is willing to put up a forfeit that they will have the grading finished and steel on the track as far as Brownfield in twelve months from this time.

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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6. Joint Resolution to amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act when the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:

Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.

Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purposes shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.

At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution."

Sec. 3. That \$5000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

(A true copy.)

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution in regard to Formation and Taxing Power of School Districts.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3. House Joint Resolution to amend Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings herein, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 10 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax heretofore authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

Sec. 3. That \$5000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

(A true copy.)

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Validating School Districts and Their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to Pay Such Indebtedness.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5. House Joint Resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 3a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 3a, which shall read and be as follows:

Sec. 3a. Every school district heretofore formed, whether formed under the general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and lawful district.

All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been, issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of this State, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized to, and shall, annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to pay the interest on all such bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts, with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successor shall be duly elected and qualified as is or may be provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

Sec. 3. That \$5000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

(A true copy.)

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

FOR SALE—A good 4-inch tire wagon. Would trade for good young work horse. Call at Herald office.

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

If you want a nice clean shave go to the  
**Modern Barber Shop**  
Brownfield, Tex.  
Shampoo, Shaves, Haircuts,  
Hot and cold  
**BATHS.**  
Agent for Rose & Co., Tailors,  
Chicago, Ill.  
H. S. Chandler, Proprietor

**C. J. Parke,**  
**Hotel Denver,**  
Clarendon, Texas.—Live  
Stock Commission Merchant.  
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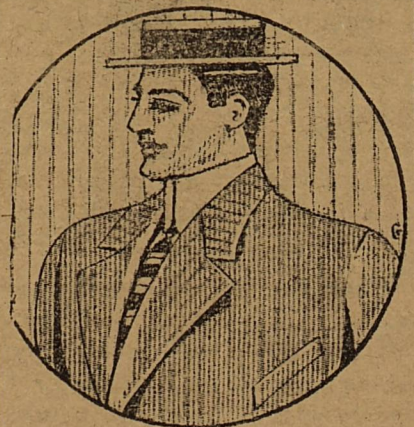
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All work at the usual  
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Will keep constantly on hand a complete and selected stock of groceries which will be sold at  
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# A True Description of Terry County, Texas.

## Where Corn Grows.

TERRY COUNTY is 30 miles square, situated in the heart of the Great Plains of West Texas, about 80 miles S. W. from Plainview, terminus of the Santa Fe, and 80 miles N. W. from Big Springs on the T. & P. Ry. Organized in 1904, now has 2,000 population, ALL WHITE, over 300 homes, mostly farmers and stock farmers, 400 school children. A school in reach of every community, average seven months term of free school every year. One country school runs 9 months; school fund of \$15 per scholar.

THE SOIL is a mixed sandy loam, with one-half of the county mixed hard land, with enough sand to plow well, level and smooth, portions covered with short grass (catclaw and mesquite,) and some with sage grass, catclaw and mesquite and some with sage and shinary, while a great deal is mixture of both, all having a clay foundation, loamy and fertile land. The county being level, no running streams creeks or rivers or mountains, the land catches every drop of rain that falls, none is wasted.

THE GRASS is splendid grazing for cattle and other stock, and thousands of head are raised and shipped from this county every year.

THE LAND produces fine large, well matured corn, kaffir, maize and sugar cane, in extraordinary yield, and cotton average with Central Texas, and Oklahoma, per year and per acre; mellons, potatoes, onions, vegetables, and vines of all kinds are superior to those of either place. Fruit is being successfully grown here, and many orchards are bearing. Trees of every description that have been planted are growing rapidly.

THE RAIN FALL is not measured by the inch, but by the bushels and tons of crops that are produced, which by the evidence of the oldest farmers here, has been sufficient to produce crops of all kinds planted, in abundance every year, on an average with Central Texas and Oklahoma.

THE WATER is pure, free from alkali, gypsum or salt, and may be had in abundance at from 60 to 120 feet. A sheet of water underlies the county.

THE CLIMATE is dry in winter and early spring. The winters are mild and favorable to stock. The spring (during Feb., March and April) is generally windy, and but little planting is done before May, when the summer rains set in and continue throughout the summer, bringing the crops quickly to maturity, and we gather about the same time as Central Texas. The late spring, summer and fall are noticeably pleasant, for their coolness, and fresh pleasant air.

THE WIND at times blows rather hard, and the sandiest of the land will blow where it has been trapped, but this is not the case with all the county, but it never gets muddy or boggy.

FUEL is obtained from the mesquite stumps and grubs, which are extra large, in places as large as a stove pipe, and some times eight feet long, while some use coal.

ONE MAN can cultivate 100 acres of land as easy as he cultivates 50 in Central Texas or Oklahoma or any eastern or northern state.

LAND PRICES:—Lands adjoining town unimproved at \$15 to \$30 per acre. Unimproved lands 4 to 6 miles away, \$8 to \$12 per acre, and 10 to 15 miles away, at from \$5 to \$8 per acre. Improved places are priced higher in accordance with the improvements thereon, but one can get improved places in the county, with house, well and windmill, fenced farm, etc.—a ready made home, for from \$6 to \$12 per acre. These are either patented or school lands, with the time lived out, and title good, and can be had on terms of 1-3 or 1-4th cash, and with 3, 4 and 5 years on balance, at 8 per cent interest. These lands are owned by many different people, no one man owns this county, it is the small farmers country, and any sized tracts can be obtained.

BROWNFIELD is the county seat of Terry county, near its center, with a population of about 500 people, several stores, church, 4-room, 2-story school house, with an addition being added, new and comfortable, 8 months term of free school, well paid teachers with 1st grade certificates, good hotel, \$25,000 capital State Bank, newspaper, drug store, two nice barber shops, local and long distance telephone, good service, a nice location, clean, growing town of good moral and religious influences. An auto line from this place N. W. to Lubbock, East to Paboka, and Southeast to Lamesa and Big Springs, West to Yoakum and Gaines counties and a new one just finished North to Hereford. These autos run every day, and make passenger train time. We are more conveniently fixed for travel than if we had a railroad, because one can come and go at any time. Dailey mail route coming from three ways. The best fraternal lodge town in the State of its size, churches and Sunday school, libraries, lumber yard, etc.

OUR PROSPECTS are good for a railroad running through Brownfield within one year from this time, which will traverse the country north and south, and we have splendid prospects for another road within the next two years, running east and west. The rapid development of the county assures the construction of these roads and they will come. There never was a better time to settle in one of the best sections of the state than Terry county now offers the homeseeker, because choice lands are cheaper here at present than any where else in all the west. We are sorry to say it, but it is a fact that the land agents of other places through which you will pass to get here, will tell you many unreasonable and untrue descriptions of our county, and will endeavor to stop you from coming here from the fact that we have better and cheaper lands, and pure water, and other advantages over them that they will invariably KNOCK US. But we know our county better than they, and will ask you not to take their prejudiced opinion, but come and see for yourself, and then you will know.

ALL inquiries about the county or for other information beneficial to the homeseeker, addressed to the secretary of this club will have prompt attention.

## Brownfield Commercial Club, Brownfield, Texas.

### Baptist Association.

The following is the program of the South Plains Baptist Association to be held at Gomez, Texas, May 27-30, 1909.

Thursday night, Introductory sermon by B. F. Dixon.

Friday 9:30 a. m., Devotional service by L. L. Forrester.

Ten o'clock a. m., Evangelism, The best method of conducting evangelistic meetings.—M. C. Bishop and M. D. Williams.

The importance of personal work in Evangelism.—B. F. Dixon and W. D. Robinson.

How may we become Personal Workers.—A. L. Estes and J. R. Miller.

2:30 p. m., Missions. The Doctrine—J. R. Miller and Bro. Hatchet.

The Outworkings of the Doctrine—A. C. Miller and G. C. Watkins.

Sermon by J. R. Miller at 3 p. m. Saturday 9:30 a. m., Devotional Services by M. D. Williams.

Associational Missions.—A general survey of the field.—B. F. Dixon and Jno. W. Baker.

How best to meet the Needs.—M. C. Bishop and A. L. Estes.

Devotional Services—Prof. Huckelberry.

The Sunday School and its relation to the church.—A. C. Miller and J. R. Honea.

Be Officers and Teachers.

Geo. W. Neill and W. C. Cowan. Sermon at 8:30 p. m. by A. C. Miller.

Sunday 10 a. m. by Sunday School Rally conducted by A. C. Miller.

Sermon at 11 a. m. by M. C. Bishop.

Other services will be arranged for Sunday.

We are anxious to have a good representation from over the Association, and for a great spiritual uplifting in this meeting.

J. B. Garrison }  
E. O. Calthorp } Committee  
Edgar Owens }

### High Prices for Mules.

At a public sale in Missouri \$2,810 was paid for a jack, and thirty-one head brought an average of \$370. Ten states in this country and one state in old Mexico were represented by buyers. There was a crowd of a thousands at this sale, all of which gives evidence of the wonderful prosperity of the mule industry. The high prices being paid for jacks are due, of course, to the prices now ruling for mules. There is a country wide demand for hybrids that is almost insatiable. The supply of mules today is not equal to the demand.

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When you pull down the town in which is your home, your business you are pulling down yourself, and when you build up your own town, you build up yourself and your neighbor. Try and banish from your mind the mistaken idea that good things are away off in some other locality. Give your town all the praise it can legitimately bear. It will certainly do you no harm, and will cost you nothing, and above all, patronize home institutions. Be a booster.—Crosbyton Renew.

There never was a preacher or a president, poet or politician, who could please everybody. There never was a thinker or a tailor, soldier or a sailor who could suit all. Show us a doctor, a lawyer, merchant or an editor who pleases the multitude, The Lord himself and all the angels in Heaven have never half succeeded in comforting the human race, declares the Oxford (La) Leader. There is nothing on earth or anywhere else that meets the approval of mankind.—Ex.

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