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An Address,
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Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen: I am not accustomed to making speeches and I do not feel qualified to do justice to this occasion. I was born and raised in the state of Ga. until I was 20 years old, I came to Texas in '69 and settled in Grayson county, which was then undeveloped.

But, in the first place I want to say this: Not being informed that I was to make a speech, and not being accustomed to making speeches I haven't any notes, and if I did have I could not read them for I broke my spectacles. My wife told me to get me another pair as I came through Plainview but I forgot it.

I expect I am to represent the county from which I came, so will say that I came to Terry Co. eight years ago. I was the first settler in Terry county; I established the first postoffice in the county and sold the first goods ever sold in Terry county.

Of course, when I came to Terry county the cattlemen made a fight against me; but I have nothing to say against the cattlemen. I was in a small way, in the cattle business myself, but I stayed with them and I have this to say, that without the cattlemen we could never have settled that country. They came there first and put down wells and never did forbid us to get water, and since we got acquainted with each other we have been good friends.

I do not know just how many voters we have in that county. We organized in 1904. We

have a good court house 40x40 and 24 feet high; we have all the records; we have the court house square set out in trees; we have all the furniture we need, and everything we have is paid for and we have \$11,000.00 in the Treasury.

We have about \$18.00 for every scholastic in the county. We have a school house at Brownfield that cost us \$3000.00 and we paid for it out of our pockets.

We have ordered an election to vote bonds to add \$2000.00 more to the school house. We have at Brownfield 107 scholastics and about the same at Gomez.

We have subscribed to the Hereford and Gulf Railroad \$120,000 and we intend to pay it whenever they comply with their part of the contract.

When we first went to Terry there was one woman in the county. We settled about 23 miles from Lubbock. We put us down a little tent to hold our trunk and our grub and to keep our chips dry. We went to Lubbock one day and stayed over there two days. We had a little boy about seven years old and a little girl about 10. When we got back in sight of our tent my little boy looked up and I saw he was crying. He said "I don't like to live out here." I said "Why?" He said "Because no one will ever come to see us." I felt the moisture rise to my eyes, too, a little, but gentlemen, it was to our interest to make the sacrifice we were making.

I had four sons—two grown back where we came from and we took up 10,000 acres of that land—as fine land as is on the Plains.

I want to say this about Terry county: I think that some people

like to point it out as a sandy desert. One of these railroad promoters was out there sometime ago and got up some of it to send it back to Ohio. He said it was not sand; that it was soil; that it would sprout radishes in a bed and grow onions. I knew it for I had covered my seeds with it. We have no sand at all. We have thought of making brick out of the clay of that country, but we have no sand.

Now, I want to say to you, ladies and gentlemen, that this Plains country is the best cereal country that my eyes have ever rested upon. We raise the finest corn in Terry county that I have ever behold. I was raised in Ga, and lived in Grayson county, Tex. but we raise the best corn I ever laid my eyes on.

I let a man have three ears of the corn I raised in Terry county and he went to Abilene with it and took the prize for Jones county, he then sent these three ears over to Dallas and sold them for \$30.00.

Milo Maize and corn turn out here in Terry county like cockle-burs in Grayson Co.—no matter what time it comes up, it will mature before frost. In 1904 it never rained until June; we planted 100 acres in milo-maize and kaffir-corn and I never saw a better crop. We had fifteen head of horses that ran in the field the year round and where they would bite off a maize head there would come four in its place.

They were the fattest horses you ever saw. They would eat the maize and then go over and bite the sorghum. My hogs ran in the field all the time, too, and when we hauled it up and stacked it, they went into the stack.

I want to thank this little town and these people for the kind treatment they have given us. I think we have a town of about 400 people, but I don't believe they would do as well, for they are getting a little bit selfish.

I want to say another thing. We have one church house in our town. It is a Methodist church house. Now, I am not a Methodist; I am a squirrel eating Baptist.

I thank you for your patience.

MEADOW.

Herald Man Visits this Fine Little Burg and Spends a Pleasant Afternoon.

We have heard compliments past on Meadow, and the Meadow country ever since we have been in the county, and therefore we have always wanted to see this little village, so when Dr. Ellis came to us last Wednesday afternoon and asked us to take a spin up there and look around while he visited a patient, we fairly jumped at the chance.

We had Mr. Jno. S. Powell for company, and this being his first visit to the little town he was like ourselves interested and when we arrived we took in the town together.

POSTMASTER,

About the first gentleman we met upon our arrival was Mr. George Turner, the Post Master. We found him an affable gentle-

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The Terry County Herald has a new editor in the person of A. J. Stricklin, ex-devil and printer on the Herald force. We welcome Mr. Stricklin into the intrigue of journalism and give him "boost" as the pass word.—Seminole Sentinel.

A. J. Stricklin of Brownfield has bought the Herald at that place. The former editor, Mr. Bigger having higher "callings." Mr. Stricklin is the right man for the place, though young in experience, his long-headed business ability and sterling character will land the Herald in the front rank.—Crosbyton Review.

It is a well known fact that the Brownfield people take great pride in their public institutions. But there is one common piece of property that it seems is sadly neglected. We speak of the Brownfield cemetery. While we are making great advancements in providing for the living, let us not forget the dead. Let their last resting place be a decent one.

In most towns they have cemetery associations composed principally of the good ladies who go about raising money with which to fence the premises and to keep everything in order.

Now we know that the Brownfield ladies are not behind those of any place. Let the ladies lead the way, and the men will follow. The Herald columns are open for discussion on this proposition.

The Terry County Herald changed editors last week, Neil H. Bigger retiring and A. J. Stricklin stepping up from devil to boss. Mr. Stricklin gives us a good sheet his first issue and in one of his locals he states:

"Locals are a little skittish this week, but we will try to do better when we become used to our new stall. It's not so d—n easy to be an editor after all.

If an editor's chair is easy to fill anywhere we have not heard of it, but there are always some readers who are ready to tell an

editor of his faults or to tell others what they would do. Editors are like printers, few and hard to find. They are born to the trade.—The Demitt Plainsman.

Mark Twain's advice to a class of sweet girl graduates was not to drink, smoke nor marry to excess; but he did not go so far as to limit them to one drink, one smoke or one husband apiece.—Dallas News.

Mineral Wells Index: A Jacksboro man advertises that he will grind old fashion meal at his mill.

That man will fill a long-felt want if he does. The meal we get nowadays is nothing more or less than pulverized starch. We would not deery improved machinery, but have always thought the modern corn mill was over-doing thing.

Has the Jacksboro brother a water mill equipped with burr stones? If not, he cannot grind real old-fashion corn meal. This modern steam ground meal is all right for mush or fritters, but it likes the quality that is necessary for corn pone and dodgers of the first class.

We used to ride the old family horse three miles to an old water-mill that we could almost count the grains of corn as fast as they dropped from the hopper to the burrs. If there was three bushels of corn ahead, we knew we had a half day to use as we liked, and therefore cut pipes and pistols and other toys out of soapstone, or watched the ducks lave in the pond, but when our meal was finally ground, it was fit to eat.

A Dissatisfied Subscriber.

"I hereby offer my resignation as a subscriber to your paper. It being a pamphlet of such small consequence as not to benefit my family by takin' it. What you need in yure sheet is brains, and someone to russell up news and rite eddytorials on live topics. No menshun has been made in yure shete of my butchery a polen china pig weighin' 369 ponnds or the gapes in the chickens round here, you ingore that I bought a bran' new bob sled, and that I sold my blind mule, and say nothin' about it. Hi simpkin's jersey calf broke his two front legs fallin' in a well, two important chiverees have been utterly ignored by your shete & 3 column obitchuary notis rit by me on the death of grandpa Henry was left out of yure shete to say nothin' of the alphabetical poem beginnin'. "A is for And and also for Ark" rit by me darter. This is the reason yure papier is so unppular in town. If you kant rite eddytorials & ain't goin'to put no news in yure shete we don't want side shete. If you print the obitchuary in yure next i may sine again for yure shete."—Hudson Republican.

Meadow.

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whose prosperity will fill penitentiaries, paupers graves, slums and at last an everlasting hell.

On our way home, we had trouble with the car, but not anything serious. To save us we cannot tell just now what the matter really was. About all we know is we heard words that sounded very much like juberator, hyberator, vibrator, corberator, gasoline tanks, short circuit and outer name that would take a combination lingo composed of Chinese, Dago and sawed-off

Dutch to juggle them just right. We also know that when we got started, curves seemed to turn themselves, instead of us turning them, and flats melted into grades and vice versa, so fast that we constantly had a new panorama of country before us, and before we knew it, we were on an elevation overlooking "Beautiful Brownfield."

Thus ended one of the most interesting and enjoyable half-holidays we ever spent.

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 for 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.

To Sell or Trade.

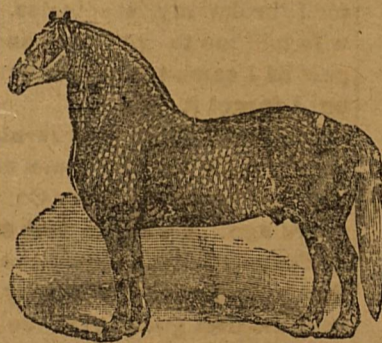
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Mr. and Mrs. Baugh were in town Thursday.

Messrs John Scudday Si. and Jr. were in town yesterday.

Better see O. M. Daniel and get that baby's picture.

Miss Bettie Clifford of Meadow, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robinson.

Miss Mamie Powell is visiting Miss Hattie Robinson in Lubbock this week.

Mr. Sid Frazee is out in the country painting a barn for Burnett Bros.

The Commissioners have been putting in good time this week equalizing taxes.

Lester McPherson went to Big Springs this week to bring one of Dick Brownfield's cars home.

Miss Flora Robinson is in Lubbock is visiting friends and relatives this week.

Mr. Cope, an insurance agent of Lubbock is down doing business with our people this week.

J. T. Streiklin, brother of the editor, came in from Tahoka yesterday afternoon and will remain here a few days.

A. E. Shepson of Marion S. C. returned from Dallas Thursday, where he has been attending a business college.

D. C. Byrd who lives about 6 miles north of Gomez was in town on business this week. Mr. Byrd reports his crop doing fine.

Mr. H. S. Boone, who has done considerable sign painting in Brownfield, left Tuesday for Demitt, where he has some painting to do.

Mrs. A. B. Bynum has returned home from Lamesa where she has been spending a couple of weeks with her daughter Mrs J. E. Garland, at Lamesa.

Chas. Copeland and Reg. Burnett were initiated into the mystics of Oddfellowism last night, but we can't tell that they look any more odd today than yesterday.

Mesdames Whitney and Gist were in Brownfield Thursday and Mrs W. A. Brownfield took them for their first auto ride. They said they liked it very well, but were just the least uneasy.

G. F. Higbee made a trip to Gaines county Thursday, returning by way of E. M. Groves' splendid farm, where he saw a large number of poland china hogs, horses, colts and 400 bushels of old corn, and a fine field of 150 acres in cultivation.

Mr. Sam Rathier, who has been making his home in Houston, Texas for the last five or six months, arrived in Brownfield yesterday afternoon, accompanied by his mother and sister who are directly from Costa Rica, C. A. This excellent family will remain in Brownfield for some time.

Mr. T. E. Cauthers, traveling salesman for the Plainview Nursey, was down talking nursery stock to our farmers this week. This property belongs to the well known nurseryman L. N. Dalmont and we are sure the people will get just what they buy.

Quite a crowd of Brownfield people were invited out to M. V. Brownfield's ranch to breakfast last Sunday morning. So at the break of dawn, their horses were quickly saddled and the jolly crowd were on the road. One and all report a royal time and a fine breakfast.

Notice: We wish to say to those needing dental work that Dr. E. A. Loag dentist, will be in Brownfield June 29, 1909 to remain five days. He comes highly recommended, there being several in Brownfield who have had him do their dental work for some time, and all speak highly of him.

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the change in the Brownfield Merchantile Co's "ad." This company are going to put on a special sale next Saturday and it will pay those needing anything in their line to visit that store next Saturday July 3rd.

Mr. J. F. Holden has had his "ad" changed this week. He wants to let the readers know he keeps a fine line of groceries and in connection keep the only up-to-date cold drink fountain in the county. You will always find a lot of choice ice-cream on hand on Saturdays and Sundays.

The No. 3 school closed a very successful term last Friday night. A nice program was rendered consisting of recitations dialogues etc. This school has been under the able management of Miss Bettie Reagan who has given No. 3 the best school that has ever been taught there. She left Tues. morning for her home in Big Springs.

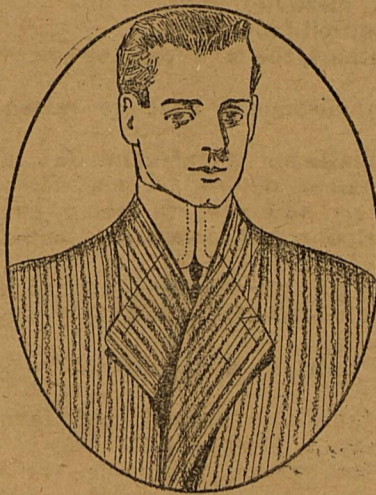
Whitehead brothers show will be in Brownfield Tuesday night June 29, to remain one night only. It will be remembered that this show was in Brownfield last year and gave a good show. They claim to be even better equipped this year, and we are sure they will give the people their money's worth.

A. M. Brownfield and wife came in from Big Springs Thursday with two of his cars and Lester McPherson arrived with the third yesterday. One is a large 2 cylinder car painted red, with black leather quarter top. The other two are four cylinder white cars. They have the latest improvements, and those needing a good car will do well to see Mr. Brownfield.

Judge and Mrs. Copeland made a flying trip to Plains Friday. They also went to Prof. McConnell's, and found the Professor and Willard out in the field and the good house-wife, Mrs. McConnell at the house looking after the young chickens and garden. After a sumptuous dinner they drove out to Bronco for the Professor's mail, where they found Mr. Manning, the Mayor of Bronco, doing a flourishing business. Pro. and Mrs. McConnell aim to come to Brownfield the 13th and 14th of August to take in the old soldiers' re-union.

Mr. G. W. Wilkins was in town Wednesday, and while here called in to see the Herald. Mr. Wilkins went pretty heavy on cotton this year having planted about 50 acres. He says the plant

is up to a nice stand and have 5 and 6 leaves to the stalk. He says his corn is nearly knee high and has been ploughed twice. We have not had time to get out and see any crops, and were somewhat suprised to hear that truck was so large, when it has not been so very long since our first rain.



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THE SOIL is a mixed sandy loam, with one-half the county hard land, with enough sand to plow well, level and smooth, portions covered with a luxuriant growth of mesquite grass, while some has sage grass, cat-claw, mesquite and shinnery. All has a deep red subsoil foundation, very rich and loamy. The county being level, with no running streams or mountains, the land catches every drop of water that falls.

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, well matured corn, kaffir-corn, milo-maize and sugar-cane in abundance. Cotton averages from 1-4 to 3-4 bale per acre. Millions, potatoes, onions, in fact vegetables and vines of all kinds grow superior to those of other states. Fruits of all kinds are being successfully grown here, many orchards are bearing. Trees of every description that have been planted are growing rapidly. The fruit is of a superior quality.

THE RAIN fall isn't measured by the inch but by the bushel, and tons of crops are produced, which by the evidence of the oldest farmers here has been sufficient to produce all kinds of crops 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. Therefore the winters are mild and favorable to stock. The spring (during Feb. Mar. and April) is generally windy, and but little planting is done before May, when the spring rains sets in and continue throughout the summer, bringing the crops quickly to maturity, and we gather about the same time as Oklahoma. The late summer and fall are noticeably cool and pleasant.

FUEL is obtained from the mesquite stumps and grubs, which are extra large in places, while some use coal.

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

LAND PRICES:—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 land are higher in accordance with the improvements thereon, but one can get improved places in the county, with well and windmill, with fenced farm, etc.—a ready made home, for from \$8 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 to 1-4th cash, and with 3, 4 and 5 years on the balance at 8 percent interest. These lands are owned by many people, no one man owns the whole county, it is the small farmers country and any sized tracts can be obtained. Lands are yet cheap, but gradually increasing in prices, and will double and thrice when a railroad comes nearer. The only drawback to our county is the lack of railroad facilities to bring in material, and ship out our products. Land, health and water is surpassed by no country.

GOMEZ is situated one mile west of the center of the county, and has one exclusive dry goods store with \$12,000 capital; one hardware store with \$10,000 capital; one exclusive grocery store with \$3,000 capital; one drug store with \$2,000 capital; a bank with \$10,000 capital; two good hotels; one wagon yard and livery barn, a blacksmith and barber shop; and a two story, 8-room school building—best on the Central Plains—under the supervision of Prof. E. O. Coltharp and three assistants. The trustees will get out a nice catalogue in the near future, representing our school, which will be mailed to anyone on application. Gomez is noted on the South Plains as a school town. We have a population of 300 or 350 inhabitants. Telephone exchange, and auto lines running in all directions. Lubbock, situated 45 miles N. E. from Gomez, is certain for one railroad, and has prospects for another, pointing in our direction.

ALL inquiries about this county, or for other information beneficial to the homeseeker, address the secretary of this club, who is no land agent and has no land to sell.

Gomez Commercial Club.

J. I. Gainer, Pres.

Dr. M. T. Griffin, Cor. Sec.

Gomez, Texas.

man, ready and willing to give any information desired. He is real proud of the Meadow country and we don't blame him in the least. We are sure he is making his patrons a first class Post Master.

J. W. PEELER

We had met this gentleman once before in Brownfield, and knew he was strickly an Al merchant, for Terry county, first, last, and all the time. But a surprise awaited us when we entered his business house. In the first place, we expected to see a small stock of groceries, a hand full of hardware and a dozen bottles of patient medicine as country stores generally fit the above description with only a few exceptions, but on entering we found an up-to-now stock of groceries, a good line of hardware and in fact nearly everything one would expect to find in any first-class general store, and above all one of the cleanest stores on the Plains. He always keeps nice samples of Terry county products in his store, and takes pleasure in pointing them out to a stranger. Mr. Peeler has never sent out of the county for stationary during his whole business career, and says he never will. Oh, he's a Terry booster o. k.

MILL AND GIN

The writer, accompanied by Mr. Powell next took a short stroll about a quarter north of the post office to inspect the mill and

gin. We found one of the latest improved grist mills on the market, and while we never saw a sample of the meal, we were told that he turned out meal that tasted very much like that we used to get way back in Tenn., at the "little old log mill by the race," when we were barefooted boys, and that's complimenting it sky high, in our judgement.

Going upstairs we found a good three stand, Munger system, gin with revolving press. This property belongs to Mr. McClanahan,

METHODIST CHURCH.

Passing back through town we went over to view the new Methodist church, which is complete with the exception of seating arrangements and painting. It is 40 x 60 feet, well put together, and of graceful design. We have seen worse churches in towns of two or three thousand inhabitants. This church is an evidence that the citizens of this community are made of the right stuff, and are determined to have all that is coming their way, when it pertains to that which is useful and elevating, morally and religiously.

We were informed that they would start to work right away on a nice school building, and hoped to have to have an institution that they could point to with pride, by the time we made them another visit. We hope these good people ever succeed possible. Show us a community with good public schools buildings and churches, and we will show

you a community that will produce boys and girls that will make the world better for their having lived in it, and of which their country will be proud. Show us a community without these institutions and we will show you a race Continued on page 3.

Called Meeting.

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

Gentlemen:—Whereas it appears that a majority of the 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 61, 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. Kendrick "
J. T. Gainer "

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