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ISSUED EVERY FRIDAY AT STERLING CITY, TEXAS.

Subscribers failing to get their paper on time, will confer a favor by reporting same to us.

We are authorized to announce De Davis a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sterling county subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. H. Allard a candidate for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sterling county subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Lewis E. Alexander a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk of Sterling County subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce John Purvis as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk of Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce D. C. Durham a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce W. E. Allen a candidate for the office of Tax-Assessor of Sterling County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce S. B. Wallace a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. R. Lane a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Sterling county subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Ed L. Gilmore a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Sterling County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce R. B. Cummins a candidate for the office of County Treasurer of Sterling County subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce B. F. Brown for re-election for County Judge of Sterling county subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce Leonce B. Cole a candidate for the office of County Judge, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce B. F. Roberts a candidate for the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce C. J. Copeland a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce the name of D. D. Davis as a candidate for Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, Sterling county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce J. S. Johnston a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Precinct No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

Every candidate is supposed to hand in his application to the County Chairman on or before the third Saturday in June. A small donation will also be accepted by said Chairman.

While Jake Wolters is an anti-state-wider, he is also an anti free raw material man. He does not believe in starving the farmer and stockman in order to make the manufacturer rich. From a bread and butter standpoint, Jake is a good senatorial proposition.

The Republicans, so far as we can learn, did not take action regarding their choice for President, in Sterling County. In our opinion, they showed good judgment in keeping out of the Teddy-Taft mess; for their interest in the good government of Texas and Sterling county is vastly superior to their national interest, and by their action they are free to join the Democratic ranks and help elect the best men for officers to rule over them.

ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE OF STERLING, IRION, SCHLEICHER AND TOM GREEN COUNTIES

After due consideration, and induced by the widespread support tendered me as a Farmer and Business man by our citizens, I have decided to submit my name as a candidate to represent this district in the next legislature, subject to the Democratic Primaries in July.

In making this announcement, I will briefly suggest a few, among the many subjects which I consider of the most interest, practically possible, and worthy of concentrated effort for accomplishment through laws.

FARMING AND STOCK RAISING
My life-long occupation as a Farmer and Stock Raiser here, has given me experience and knowledge which I will use for the benefit of the community and State.

The prosperity of every business and profession, the settlement of the land, and the growth of our cities is absolutely dependent upon the success of the Farmers. My intimate acquaintance and sympathy with our needs will enable me to represent all our citizens advantageously, when securing laws we farmers require for our advancement.

EDUCATION
Ignorance is the worst foe to progress and free government. The State has properly assumed the duty of supplying the people with facilities to get knowledge. Our present schools, their teachers, and the laws controlling them, are fairly good, and improving under natural evolution. The worst deficiency now is the lack of opportunity and capacity to accommodate numbers of children, especially in our rural districts. Thousands of children, in the homes of our best citizens who have limited means, are unsupplied with adequate school facilities.

I may say, without egotism, that my wide, friendly connection all over the State will give me strength to secure results far beyond the power of any unknown man; and I will expect to aid in accomplishing great, actual benefits to those most in need of help, by reason of their financial restriction.

Liberal funds should be supplied to support the Normal Schools, to run all the common schools nine months every year, and to supply proper instruction in agriculture. A law should be passed removing all schools and their boards of trustees from political interference of any kind.

LEGAL REFORM
Up to date, even the patriotic citizens who are members of the legal profession, have not interested themselves to secure for us proper judicial procedure, or to check the rapid deterioration of our legal system. It is necessary that we act with any of them who will join us for this purpose. We must have courts worthy to inspire respect and confidence in the people. When innocent men are tried they must be acquitted without being bankrupted; when guilty, they must be convicted even if rich. Civil suits must be promptly adjudicated. The highest, and all judges must be controlled by statute, which will clear away the fog of technicalities, wrong precedents and ignorance. The man with or without money, must be given equal justice and protection by the law.

EQUAL CITIZENSHIP
Our good women of Texas have the same natural rights as the men; they are entitled to full recognition of these rights before the law. So soon as they are willing to assume the responsibilities and duties of full citizenship, a constitutional amendment should be adopted striking out the word "male" from the instrument. Our mothers, sisters, sweethearts, wives and daughters are fully as intelligent, virtuous, wise and capable of being good citizens as we are. The men of Texas will gladly make legal acknowledgment of the fact whenever our women desire it.

IN GENERAL
I will use my best judgment in all matters involving the interests of our great State and my home District in the West, which is the best part of it, (in which I have lived) and in which I expect to die. My course will be uninfluenced by any factional controversies or "fights," but wholly progressive and constructive. I will loyally support, without prejudice, the government the people elect, and cast my vote in the legislature for the candidate for United States Senator the Dem-

ocrats of my district nominate, without regard to my personal preference.

FINALLY
I have no ax to grind, and if the people elect me, I am willing to contribute to the general good, the sacrifice of time and money it will cost me. I certainly appreciate the compliment paid me by so many of my fellow citizens in the District who have solicited me to represent them and proffered me their support. I assure everyone that I will do my best to deserve their confidence; and that when I go to Austin the State will know there is one Farmer in the Legislature, work for the good of the country without fear or favor; and that he comes from the district composed of Sterling, Irion, Schleicher and Tom Green counties, in the mighty West.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES B. METCALFE
CITIZEN & FARMER

Resolutions of Condolence

Whereas, it has pleased our Father in His wisdom to remove from this world the mother of our sister, Mrs. N. L. Douglas;

Whereas, Mrs. Douglas has been called upon to give up the dearest and best of earthly friends, may she in this sad bereavement walk by faith in God's promises, always realizing,

"That there is no death;
"What seems so is transition;
"This life of mortal breath
"Is but a suburb of the life elysian,
"Whose portals we call death."

AFFIDAVIT OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT

To Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

In the Matter of the Quarterly Report of Ed L. Gilmore, County Treasurer of Sterling County, Texas, and the Affidavits of the Commissioners of said County.

We, the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Sterling county, and the Hon. B. F. Brown County Judge of said Sterling county, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said county, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 16th day of May A. D. 1912, at a regular quarterly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of Ed L. Gilmore, Treasurer of Sterling county, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 1st day of Feb. A. D. 1912, and ending on the 11th day of May, A. D. 1912, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered, upon the Minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Sterling county, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since his last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 11th day of May A. D. 1912, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Article 567, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an Act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas, at its regular session, approved March 30, 1907.

And we, each of us, further certify upon our oaths that we have actually and fully inspected and counted the amount or money in cash and other assets in the hands of the said Treasurer, belonging to Sterling County, on this day and date and found the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND, 1st Class		
Balance on hand last report	535.04	
To amount received	32.18	
By amount paid out		210.92
Amount to balance		356.30
Balance	\$567.22	567.22

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, 2nd Class		
Balance last report	4439.71	
To amount received	43.49	
By amount paid out		2481.90
Amount to balance		2401.30
Balance	\$2901.30	4483.20

GENERAL COUNTY FUND, 3rd Class		
Balance last report	5036.52	
To amount received	59.43	
By amount paid out		1448.04
Amount to balance		3652.91
Balance	\$3652.91	5095.95

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND, 4th Class		
Balance last report	797.57	
To amount received	0.76	
By amount paid out		18.52
Amount to balance		789.11
Balance	\$ 786.11	804.63

SINKING FUND, 5th Class		
Balance last report	5505.02	
To amount received	226.11	
By amount paid out		1033.21
Amount to balance		4697.92
Balance	\$4697.92	5731.13

JAIL SINKING FUND		
Balance on hand	910.57	
To amount received	7.79	
By amount disbursed		359.46
Amount to balance		528.90
Total	918.36	918.36
Balance on hand	\$528.90	

JAIL BUILDING FUND		
Balance on hand		
To amount received	1034.55	
Amount disbursed		572.87
By amount to balance		572.48
Total	1034.55	1034.55
Balance on hand	\$572.68	

WITNESS our hands, this 14th day of Feb'y 1912.
B. F. Brown, County Judge.
B. F. Roberts, Commissioner Prec't No. 1.
E. F. Atkinson " " " 2.
C. J. Copeland " " " 3.
J. S. Johnston " " " 4.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by B. F. Brown, County Judge, and B. F. Roberts and E. F. Atkinson and C. J. Copeland and J. S. Johnston County Commissioners of said Sterling County, each respectively, on this, the 18th day of May, A. D. 1912.
(Seal) Leonce B. Cole, Clerk County Court,

MRS. McDAVID IS DEAD

The news was received here last week of the death of Mrs. P. A. McDavid, mother of Mrs. N. L. Douglas, at her home at Lancaster, Texas. Mrs. Douglas was at the bedside of deceased when dissolution came.

We offer our sincere sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Letter to J. W. Tweedle
Sterling City, Texas

Dear Sir: Mrs. S. C. Ashe's house in Yorkville, S. C., was painted Devoo 21 years ago and hadn't been painted since; it is a handsome house and the paint was in good condition when we were there three years ago.

Do we therefore say that Devoo wears 21 years in South Carolina? No; on the sandy coast, where the sun is hot and the sand cuts the bark off trees, Devoo is the only paint that wears more than one year.

Localities differ; Devoo doesn't differ. It is the paint that takes less gallons to cover a job and makes least cost and wears longest; how long depends on sun wind sand etc. 63
Yours truly,
F. W. DEVOE & CO.
P. S.—Butler Drug Co. sells our paint.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE

All members of the Farmers Institute are requested to meet at the court house June 1st, 1912, at 2:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the State Institute, which will meet at College Station, Texas, July 29th, 1912.
Lewis E. Alexander, Chairman

NOTICE TO HORSEMEN

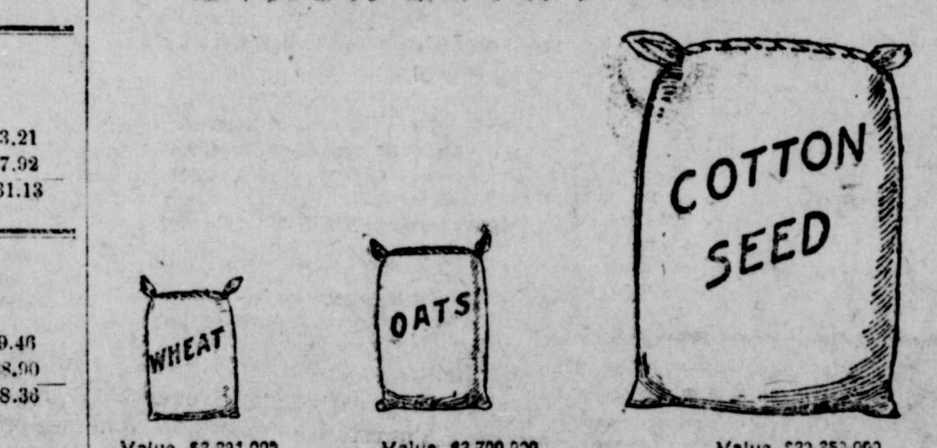
Please Remember that the German Coach Horse EPOS 3221

Is making the season of 1912 at the Rogers Ranch at the low price of \$15 to insure

This making his fifth year in Texas, he ought to give better satisfaction than ever before, as he is now in the prime of his life and is showing up nice, large colts all over Rannels county. Those interested in this class of stock can't beat him the country over. I will take best care of mares, but not responsible for accidents.
Yours for business and Satisfaction,

Ira E. Rogers,
Sterling City, Texas.

Cotton Seed Products



THE VALUE OF COTTON SEED IS FIVE TIMES GREATER THAN THE WHEAT AND OAT CROP COMBINED.

From the manner in which lint cotton has conquered its rivals in the field of production and consumption, one would think the victory complete, but the half has not been told. Cotton seed, a quarter of a century ago considered a poisonous product has demonstrated its merit as a food for man and beast. The Federal Agricultural Department recognizes sixty commercial uses for cottonseed and its by-products. Twenty-four per cent of the cottonseed crushed in the United States is harvested in Texas.

The Texas Welfare Commission will investigate the production and marketing of cottonseed and its by-products. R. E. Huff of Wichita Falls is chairman of the sub-committee having the subject in charge.

Compensation of Employees for Casualties Occurring in Course of Employment,



THE TEXAS CASUALTY LIST IS APPROXIMATELY 9,000 PER ANNUM.

There is no responsibility resting more heavily upon civilization than the care of those injured while turning the wheels of progress and the maintenance of those dependent upon employees killed in the pursuit of industry. There are killed during a year 350 people and 8,650 injured while in the employ of business and our industries bear a personal injury burden of a half million dollars per annum and it is reliably estimated that one-half of this amount goes to the damage-suit lawyers.

The Texas Welfare Commission will consider the subject of compensation to employees for casualties occurring in course of employment and Tom Finty, Jr., of Dallas, is chairman of the committee having the subject under consideration.

EDUCATION.



He—Do you think you could learn to love me?
She—I think I could if you had money enough to spend to educate me.

TYPEWRITERS GIVEN AWAY

The Emerson Typewriter Company of Woodstock, Ill., have recently given away over 400 of the highest grade, wholly visible Emerson typewriters, made in the world. They have gone into every state and territory in the United States. There may be some in your town. They are giving them away everywhere to men, women, boys and girls, over 18 years of age, on surprising liberal conditions.

If you can make any use of a \$100.00 typewriter, providing it does not cost you even one cent, then in a letter or on a postal card addressed to Frank L. Wilder, President, Woodstock, Ill., simply say, "Mail me all your free offers," and by return mail you will receive their Free Offers, the names of over 400 who have recently received typewriters free, and you will learn on what easy conditions you can get one of their typewriters free right away.

The Emerson Typewriter is one of the highest grade, wholly visible typewriters made in the world. Many who have used the "EMERSON" and other makes have pronounced the "EMERSON" superior to any \$100.00 typewriter on the market. It is a wholly visible machine, has every new, up-to-date feature, looks like other high grade \$100.00 typewriters, though it sells regularly for less and on terms of \$1.00 down and 10 cents a day until paid for. The "EMERSON" has every new improvement, universal keyboard, back-spacing, tabulator, two color ribbon, everything the best; is the ideal machine for beginners as well as for the most expert typists and stenographers; just the typewriter for the smallest or largest office.

If you could possibly make any use of a high grade typewriter, even though it don't cost you one cent of money, then be sure, on a postal card or in a letter addressed to Frank L. Wilder, President, Woodstock, Ill., say, "Mail me your Free Offers."

ACCOMMODATING.
"Cynthia Brown has such a nice young man," confided the postmistress at Bacon Ridge. "He is much better than that other beau she used to have."

"Have you ever met him, dear?" asked old Mrs. Scribbs, who came with a bucket of eggs.
"Er—no, but he writes all his love letters right on postal cards, and I don't have the least bit of trouble to read every word of them."

KILL OR CURE.
"Did your wife feel better after she got the medicine?"
"Well, hardly. Soon as she read the wrapper she got three new diseases."

UP IN THE AIR.
Redd—I see the test for ballooning is to stay up in the air the longest.
Greene—Well, if that was the test in horseback riding you'd win, tight.—Yonkers Statesman.

WAS JUDGE OF POETRY.
Queen Victoria is now known to have been a better judge of poetry than she is usually given credit for because of her naming Alfred Austin poet laureate. But it seems that she had asked others, among them Swinburne, but no one except Austin was willing to write verses at the royal command.

