

Banner Leader

THE COKE COUNTY RUSTLER.

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ON WITH THE RAILROAD! ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION TO BE STARTED AT ONCE.

The directors of the Colorado Valley Railway Company held a meeting at their office here last Tuesday evening at which it was decided to start their engineering corps to Colorado next Monday morning for the purpose of starting from that place, on their arrival there, the final locating survey of the line for 25 miles this way. The laws of this state, we are informed, require that at least 25 miles of any proposed railway shall be definitely located before actual construction can be started.

We are informed that a large consignment of ties has been ordered shipped to Colorado at once and the construction company who have the contract for the construction of the road have been ordered to report at Colorado for active service at once.

From our information, official and otherwise, we feel warranted in making the statement that it will be a matter of only a few days until a leaf will be turned over and the ground torn up and the actual work of construction of the C. V. Ry. will be under headway.

Yes the Railroad is to be put through—the far famed Coke county railroad—the RUSTLER railroad—the Buchanan railroad, or the railroad by any name you may choose to call it, actually to be shoved through in the near future.

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But it is now high time for those who know a good thing when they see it—for those who are solicitous of their own as well as their neighbors interests to rush to the front and add their mite, it may be, toward forging our county and people to the front; toward introducing the outside world to the fair valleys, the gushing streams and imposing mountain scenery of this county.

Let our people, for once in life, enjoy a genuine boom and wear a feeling of sure enough prosperity. Let us have, as other counties have, a town of our county seat that will grow, build up and centralize the wealth of the community. All that is required to do this is a little unanimity at this time. Don't wait to be solicited, but voluntarily get in the push.

McKinley's secretary of the treasury, Mr. Gage, maintains that the election of a Republican administration has failed so far to bring prosperity. He claims, with ex-Republican Post Master General John Wanamaker, that the finances of the country is in a state of stagnation. These two gentlemen, one a financial authority, the other representing the business element, are supposed to be competent authority for their respective elements, and they believe that nothing short of actual legislation can restore prosperity to the people, notwithstanding all the boasted McKinley confidence.

Heavy Democratic gains is the most noticeable feature of the recent Illinois elections.

The Vat Taylor murder case went into to trial at Colorado on Monday.

San Angelo may not be able to "cut" a \$50,000 bonus but Colorado says she is—herself.

The San Angelo Enterprise remarks that there will probably be a post master imported for the Robert Lee office or the office discontinued. This reminds us of the fact that there is considerable talk in San Angelo of importing a post master for that office, notwithstanding the fact that the editor of the Enterprise is an applicant for the same. The chances are that no one will hold either office who has to take out naturalization papers for that purpose.

A. B. Blackwell was down from his ranch in the western part of the county, Thursday night.

Uncle Joe Gardner, of Edith, visited his daughter here, Mrs. D. T. Averitt, last Saturday night.

Pay Them Nickles.

I wish you would please pay me those nickles you owe me without me having to ask you for them as I need them in my business and that bad. So come on now and settle.

Yours for a settlement,
GRAND PA HAYLEY.

McClusky & Stevens received some new tools yesterday and are expecting more—say they are fixing up for blacksmithing.

Six hundred men who were recently thrown out of work at Wilmerding, Pa. have enough McKinley prosperity. When informed that they were thrown of work on account of hard times they went to the head-quarter office and tore up and trampled under foot McKinley's picture as advance agent of prosperity, saying: "Bryan was the real thing! We made a mistake, McKinley's prosperity be damned."

The San Angelo Press seems to have quit the railroad, cold. What a pity! What a fall! The wind blows first hot and then cold, these days.

I J. Good arrived yesterday with a car of cows and one of yearlings steers and the are for sale . . . Lee J. Good sold to S. Campbell 2 car loads fat steers—"quiet." Lee is a son of his pa—a hard man to pump.—San Angelo Press.



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Bronte Siftings.

Editor Rustler:

A few words from the famous valley. Health good. Grass fine and water plentiful. Crop prospects were never better. What more can we wish for—save the railroad.

There was a considerable colt show at Bronte yesterday.

W. H. Rodgers took the ribbon on raising mule colt, Vaughn second best mule, Wince Fruit in front on horse colt, Dr. Key second. We think this a good thing. It will tend to create a better interest in raising good stock. We also have a permanent "Rabbit Club" at Bronte, so Mr. Editor if you chance to be at Bronte some Saturday evening and meet all of Brontes best men armed with double barreled shot guns don't get alarmed, it only means death and destruction to the rabbit family. The old reliable weather prophet W. W. M. is one of the captains and when he turns old betsy loose it is sure meat in the pot. We wish every community in the county would spend every Saturday evening in killing rabbits. It is fine sport, besides it would not be time lost but would be a great saving to the county.

Most of the boys spend Saturday evening ball playing. Now, we have told you how the boys and married men spend their Saturday evenings, now to the bachelors. They wont indulge in small affairs, and we think they are strictly matrimonial prospec-

tors. They are all splendid fellows and I will give some of their names as it might be a help to them: D. McKinley, Geo. Kelley, Ed. and Berry Merchant. Now, then it will take perfect model ladies and a jewel in society to catch either of these gentlemen. But the above described lady can catch either of them easy-EASY. Now boys as Last Chance is a special friend to you all, this advertisement goes free.

We have often heard it said that men never get enough money. That rule has an exception, for the Bronte merchants keep closed stores—judging from that, they had plenty of money. Now, then some men that wants to merchandise and has not money enough, would do well at Bronte, if he would only keep open doors.

Now Mr. Editor for fear this communication will reach the place it mostly deserves—the waste basket I will close, wishing success to the Rustler and its many readers. More anon.

Last Chance.

A Good Rain.

To the almost supreme satisfaction of farmers, stockmen and all an abundant, copious, gully-washing rain fell yesterday morning just before daylight. Then at about 9 o'clock yesterday morning another good rain fell, so there is now ample stock water and a fine son in the ground.

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LOCAL CHIPS.

Prof. Carter, of Valley View was seen on the streets Wednesday.

Arkansaw Smith is the only Cash Grocer in San Angelo.

Wily Byrd, the Hayrick sheepman, now drives a brand new bug.

L. C. Owen, a stockman, of the western part of the county was in the city Wednesday on land business.

Arkansaw Smith will sell seven packages of Arbuckles and 4 X Coffee for \$1.00.

A. K. Landers was in town last Saturday with peaches for sale and they were as fine we have ever seen.

Dr. Latham was called to see Mrs. Cawley, of Manistee Sunday night, who was very low, but now is said to be improving.

Go to J. F. Deats' Free Wagon Yard.

Send us the news.

Subscribe for the RUSTLER.

Arkansaw Smith pays CASH, and sells for CASH. See him before you buy.

Bos Motley, of Sterling county was in the city several days this week.

What has become of our correspondant at Edith. We haven't heard from him in many days.

Bud Stepp returned home from the Devils river country Tuesday, where he sold all his sheep, 1550 to Bedford Bros. at private terms.

If you want to put your tired team in the best kept stable in San Angelo, try J. S. Mile's Brick Front.

Call on Cox and Carter at C. Smith's, San Angelo for cheap Lumber and low prices.

Not a vacant house in town.

Mrs. Lizzie Dancer, little Tommie and Ruby, are visiting relatives and friends in Lee this week.

W. L. Lowe, of the Valley View community was in the burg Tuesday. He says he has his oat crop out and that an old grain man says he will make 100 bushels to the acre.

If it is blacksmithing you want, that is what we are here for. McClusky & Stevens.

Is Robert Lee going to celebrate the 4th of July. If she is it is about time she is preparing.

H. H. Hayley thinks he got tapped off behind last Saturday.

John Patterson was elected school trustee Saturday.

Constable Loss Mobley, of Valley View says they are going to have Justice court down there today.

J. W. Reed has on hand a full and complete line of first class shoes. Call and see them.

J. E. Stewart brought in new goods from the railroad this week.

The Ry. Surveying corps fitted themselves up with a new chuck box and other camp fixtures this week.

J. S. MILES is agent for the best buggy sold in Texas, "The Fines." Write him for prices, San Angelo, Texas.

Rev. McGavock is expected to preach here tonight and tomorrow.

We are informed that Prof. F. E. Thomas will probably teach the Roby school.

A. K. Landers had some nice peaches in town Wednesday.

The scarcity of news this week is appalling. The NEWS has decided to cease publication until something happens worth mentioning.—Sterling City News.

Notice To The People's Party.

A Convention called for Peoples party June the 15th 1897 to meet at Robert Lee. Business of importance to transact, and a county chairman to elect as I wish to resign.

T. C. Baldwin,
Co. Chairman.

Jack Adkins was in town with load of peaches Wednesday and did the correct thing when he remembered this office with a full bucket of the sweet, juicy luscious fruit. Many thanks Jack.

Miss Edna Fair, of Comanche, Texas, who is well remembered here, and who has recently taught writing schools at Decker and Hyton, arrived here the latter part of last week and took up a writing school Monday.

A. C. Martin, W. A. Garrison and S. P. Reeves, of Desdimonia, Eastland county, were in the city several days this week. They were here looking for a location for some twelve or fifteen families, and seemed well pleased with our county. They went from here to Scurry county and from there they will return home.

Victor Hazelton was brought in town Monday evening from Lee Goods ranch, where a horse had run in the wire fence with him and cut him up considerably. He is under treatment of Dr. Latham.

Hon. G. W. Perryman of Robert Lee was in town Tuesday and Wednesday, seeking influential patronage of the present incumbent of the postoffice at Robert Lee. When asked if the other applicants were republicans, he said there was not a single individual of really that stamp up there. The major was informed that the administration would in all probability import a post master for Robert Lee or else discontinue the office.—San Angelo Enterprise.

Willie Green called in to see us last Saturday, wearing some brand new store clothes and looked as sweet as a peach. Girls, Willie informs us privately that he wants to marry.

The Will Weathers examining trial came up before county judge Chapman on last Monday, was continued on Tuesday until yesterday and will probably be ended today. From the evidence brought out so far the case presents many complications and it may yet develop something sensational.

We are informed that Prof. O. H. Gardner will probably be employed as principal of the the public school here for the next term. The town is to be congratulated on securing his services. The assistantship is yet unsettled.

L. W. Field informs us that he sold a hog to W. Lowe Tuesday for \$50 and besides that Mr. Lowe is to give him a pig from the sow. There is money in raising such hogs as that.

N. C. Lucas, one of Bronte's most prominent citizens and farmers was in the city Monday. He showed us a radish twenty inches long and twelve inches around. He says he has one at home several inches larger but he is going to save it for seed. Who can beat that.

Tutt, representing the Southern Manufacturing company of Dallas Texas, was here the first of the week taking orders of our merchants.

To The Public.

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The following parties will probably compose the surveying corps starting out Monday on the final locating survey of the C. V. Ry:—Irving Wheatcroft, George Moore, L. H. Brightman, J. H. Burroughs, W. F. Buchanan, Marvin Perry, Gid Graham, Jeff Davis, I. M. Bennick, J. H. Dancer, Tom Hennessy, and Mr. Hazelton.

Last Chance writes a good letter—writes the news well mixed with humor. Read his communication in this issue.

What is the matter with Coke county having a fair next fall? Think of it and work to that end.

M. K. Sheppard the prosperous farmer of Olga was in town Tuesday and called on the Rustler gang. He is a man who takes his county paper and pays for it. He does not tell us that he did not care for the Rustler, but that he wanted to help his county paper, but said he could not do without the Rustler.

Mr. J. H. Dancer, Misses Annie Dancer, and Minnie Buchanan, returned Tuesday from Coleman county, where they had been to see W. P. Dancer who is sick there.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The RUSTLER is 5 a copy.

From Union City.
Editor:—I will drop you a few dots from Union city—half mile north of Robert Lee.

Crops are looking fine.
J. W. Hall has got 5 and 6 squares to the stalk of cotton. Corn is silking and tasseling, and needing rain.

J. W. Hall has been sick for quite a while and is going to start to Ballinger the 10th of this month to see Dr. Marberry.
U. C. Post

Have the Colorado Valley Fair just before the Concho Valley Fair this fall and use the same exhibits for both fairs and the same exhibits will take all the premiums at each place.

A fine girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hayley on last Sunday. And now Bob drives the water wagon and whips his old mule up and down the back with a broad smile stretching out across his face.

Those who attended the singing at Bronte last Sunday report an enjoyable time had.

What a railroad would do for Robert Lee is somewhat indicated by letters of inquiry received by different ones concerning the road. They show conclusively that a great deal of capital will be poured into our midst when the question is settled; but there are some who are opposed to capital—don't want it around.

We are informed that Harve Chapman's wife is very low and is not expected to recover.
Later:

Harve Chapman was in town Thursday night after a coffin for his wife, who died some time Thursday evening, of a throat and lung affection.

It is reported to the Rustler gang that a squad of Mexicans who camped near the town a few nights since, went to W. L. Clawson's chicken house, while Mrs. Clawson was at home alone, and deliberately caught a number of chickens and carried them off and her standing looking at them, afraid afraid to try to stop them. Since there has been a club organized, known as the Coke County Club, the object of same is to prevent Mexicans and Negroes retelling in the town or county. And they publicly give notice that it will be death to Negroes or Mexicans who attempt to leave in the county.

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Remember the Central Yard.

Commissioner E. C. Rawlings and family visited J. M. Perry and family, Thursday. Ed says the Kickapoo is alright.

J. R. Purell passed through the city with a bay bailer. He says it is not a fine corn crop he has, only a fine prospect for one.

J. F. Deats is still in the push when it comes to groceries and grain.

N. C. Lucas, of Bronte, while in the city the other day called in and subscribed for another copy of the Rustler. He says he thinks every man in the county should send off several copies of the Rustler and show the outside world what we are doing. We think so too. So come on, Lew and don't be backward.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY COKE COUNTY.

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J. C. Newton - " 3
J. H. Campbell - " 4

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Coke County Church Directory.

Robert Lee Mission, M. E. Church South; services as follows:
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Rock Springs, 2d " 11 a. m.
Hayrick, " " 4 p. m.
Robert Lee, 3d Sunday, 11 a. m.
Sanco, 4th " 11 a. m.
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Divine Healer Schlatter is dead

Jinks Johnson who has recently located above here on the river got his shoulder broken by a horse falling on it. He is well known in Coke county having moved from there here. Colorado Spokesman.

First we've heard from Jinks for some time, but it sounds as natural as life. Jinks we will see that your girl shed the correct number of tears while she weeps on some good friends shoulder.

J. W. Reed says the following from the Colorado Spokesman was evidently intended for Robert Lee;—

There are a few pessimists in Colorado; They are nothing new under the sun. God created them as he did the rest of mankind, and they are doubtless here for a purpose. Not perhaps for us to heed their advice but to give variety and to establish us in the opposite course. They may be here on the principle that "sin abounds that grace may much more abound. They represent the dark side; say "it is no use trying to do anything" it will not do any good." They never see beyond the end of their noses, are eternally sour opposed to progress, say and do nothing good in the world, generally die of dyspepsia and in this last act confer upon humanity the greatest favor of their lives.

There are those who continue to say, that if the Ry. Co. would do this, or if they had done that, if they would go to work in what I think a business way, I would subscribe to the enterprise. The fact is they would not do any such thing; they have never intended to do anything and do not now, no matter what turn the company or any one else may make, help one cent to secure the road. All this kind of stuff makes us tired. What difference can it make to them how the road is built, the fact is it can, and does make none but these chronic kickers are going to kick in spite of h—l. That is all that there is of it.

Wanted—a friend who will recognize me when I am compelled to wear patches; who will take hold of my hand when I am sliding down hill instead of giving me a kick to hasten my decent; who will lead me a dollar without two dollars security; who will come to see me when I am sick; who will talk of me behind my back as he talks to my face; who will pull off his coat and fight for me when the odds are two to one; Such a friend is wanted by ten thousand human beings throughout the whole world.—Ex.

An Editor should not be expected to know the names and residences of your uncles, aunts, and cousins even if he should see them on and off the train. Tell us about it. Its news that makes a news paper, and every man woman and child in the neighborhood could be associate editor if they would.—Ex.

Willie had swallowed a penny, and his mother was in a state of much alarm. "Helen!" she called to her sister in the next room, "send for a doctor; Willie has swallowed a penny!" The terrified and frightened boy looked up imploringly. "No, mamma," he interposed; "send for the minister. The minister?" asked his mother incredulously. "Did you say the minister? Yes; because papa says our minister can get money out of anybody.—Ex.

J. T. Hamilton made a trip to San Angelo, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Ft. Worth Live Stock Reporter, of June the 4th, arrived at this office grown all out of proportion to its usual size—fourteen page 6 column paper. Pretty good for an infant.

Newspaper men are blamed with a lot of things they cannot help; such as using partiality in mentioning visitors, giving news about some folks and leaving out others, etc. They simply print the news they can find. So if you know any news tell us about it.

NOTICE

A Special Meeting of the Stockholders of the Colorado Valley Railway Co., is hereby called by order of the Board of Directors of said Company, to be held at the Head offices in Robert Lee, Texas on the 21st. day of July 1897, at 11 o'clock A M for the purpose of passing such resolutions as are required by law preparatory and prior to the issuing of bonds on the said Colorado Valley Railway and all its appurtenances and property, for an amount sufficient to continue the construction, and complete and equip the said Colorado Valley Railway, and to authorize the Directors and Officers to execute the Mortgage or Deed of Trust to secure the payment of said indebtedness, and to transact such other business as may be necessary and incident to this purpose.

WITNESS MY HAND at Robert Lee, Texas, on this the 15th day of May 1897.

W. F. Buchanan,
Secretary of
The Colorado Valley Railway Company.

Does not like dancing.

Edith Texas, May 28th, 1897.
Editor Standard:

You will please give me space in your columns to correct a mistake in reference to the entertainment I gave at the close of my school at Tennyson, which was at night and at Mr. Ainsworth's house. It appeared in the Standard, May the 22nd, over the signature of R, which stated that the dance was a part of my program. I say with all emphasis possible that the dance was not a part of my program. After my exercises were all over something was said about dancing. Mr Ainsworth said he would leave that to me, and I told them that I did not want any dancing, but they danced anyway. I gave my voice against it and that was all that I could do as I did not control the house. I consider that Mr. or Mrs R, he or she or whatever gender it may be has done me an injustice and is calculated to do me untold injury by stating that the dance was a part of my program. The supposition would be, if the statement was correct, that I had taken part in the dance, a thing I have never done in all my life. It would be a stain on my christian character and my parents who have raised me and I propose to honor them. It would not be in harmony with the free school system, and I propose to honor the law. And so far as dancing is concerned, if I had my wish it would be a thing of the past and would be forgotten among the nations of the earth, and R. should retract the statement in the columns of the Standard.

Edna Reed.
—San Angelo Standard.

The Sheriff of Glasscock county was here Monday with a crazy man, whom he tried to palm off on this county, but it wouldn't work and the sheriff and prisoner returned home Wednesday morning.—Ballinger Leader-Leader.

The following are those who have subscribed toward getting up the \$30,000 bonus asked of Robert Lee and Coke county to bring the Colorado Valley Railroad to Robert Lee.

J. H. Burroughs	\$500
J. A. Burroughs	25
W. F. Buchanan	300
Will Perry	25
J. G. McCulloch	25
J. B. Latham	100
Gid Graham	100
J. M. Perry	200
Don Green	100
J. W. Reed	500
G. W. Webb	25
J. L. Barron	100
J. E. Stewart	10
J. T. Hamilton	200
J. W. Barnett	100
H. E. Johnston	100
J. F. Deats	100
J. R. Finch	50
H. M. Bennick	100
J. D. Davis	300
J. J. Fry	50
E. C. Good	500
H. H. Hayley	100
J. W. Hall	100
C. L. Hughes	10
L. H. Brightman	100
T. J. Goss	10
J. H. Warren	20
I. M. Bennick	100
Pleasant Storm	25
I. W. Evans	15
E. Cartledge	1000
L. B. Harris	1000
G. W. Perryman	500
A. B. Scott	100
W. C. Merchant	100
M. H. Davis	50

There has also been real estate worth several thousand dollars subscribed, but as yet the value of the same has not been agreed upon.

The following is the very liberal contract:

The Colorado Valley Railroad Company.

Robert Lee, Texas Mar. 29, 1887.

We the undersigned in consideration of the benefits accruing to us from the construction of a line of standard gauge Railroad from some point on the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railroad to some point the Texas & Pacific Railroad via Robert Lee, Texas hereby agree and promise to pay the respective amounts set opposite our names as a bonus to the Colorado Valley Railroad Co., or their assigns, the same to be paid as follows to-wit:

When five miles of the road bed is actually constructed toward Robert Lee, Texas from either of the aforesaid Railroads, ten per cent of the amount herein subscribed shall be due and payable when ten miles of the road-bed is constructed an additional ten per cent shall be due and payable. When the Railroad is completed to Robert Lee, Texas and the first train run over the line from either of the aforesaid Railroads to Robert Lee the remaining eighty per cent shall be paid. In case the construction of the said new line of Railroad is not commenced within six calendar months from the first day of April, 1897, this obligation is to be null and void, but otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

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