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THE GREAT PANHANDLE.

W HERE IS THERE A country like the PANHANDLE? The answer is, there isn't any. We can truly say that we never lived in a country where the people generally were so prosperous. No real poor people or people in need are living in this country. The people of the Panhandle don't really know what want is. They are all doing well and are making a good living and the most of them some money. In all the twenty-seven counties of the Panhandle there is not a poor house maintained at public expense. No such thing as a poor farm has ever been known in this country. All these things certainly speak well for the country. The very fact that nothing of this kind exists is evidence of the thrift of the people. In other countries where land is selling from \$100 to \$150 per acre the people are forced to maintain such institutions. In other countries where they boast of wonderful crops and plenty they have the poor always with them and beggars upon the streets of their cities. There is room in the Panhandle yet for thousands more. We want tillers of the soil to join the settlers of the Panhandle, assist in the cultivation of the soil and help us build up the country. Our country is prosperous, has always been prosperous and more people with more means will make it more prosperous. Land is cheap enough to induce good settlers to take hold and its producing qualities sufficient to remunerate them with a bountiful crop for their labor. The Panhandle needs more good settlers.

The eyes of the people of the east are now centered upon the state of Texas, and especially the Panhandle portion of it, as a place for investment. The fact that the lands of the big cattle companies of the plains have been offered in tracts to suit purchasers who desire to become settlers and has been advertised for sale has induced the populace of the crowded east to consider well the situation. One by one they visit our country and return to tell the story over and over again to those eager to better their conditions by coming to a new country. The east is full of people, they are wonderfully overcrowded. The trades are all overdone. There are more workmen than there is work. Men are hunting jobs to find that there are many others after the same job. The Panhandle hasn't enough people. We want more people. The trades need more workmen. There is more work than there are workmen to do it, more farms than there are farmers to cultivate the soil. No one has to hunt a job in this country, a job is always ready if there is a willing man to take it. The opportunities for the farmer are better in this country than in the east for the reason that the land is cheaper, it doesn't take near the capital to farm the land, and then again the farmers can handle more acres to a better advantage. The product usually is just as good and the prices received will aggregate as much upon the whole as the higher priced land in the east. The interest on the difference in the price of land will accrue to the farmer of the cheaper land in the west. The west will gladly welcome the surplus population of the east and the Panhandle of Texas has the land to furnish homes for thousands upon thousands to come here and improve which will provide them, with a

means of livelihood for themselves and families.—Higgins News.

THE NEW ELECTION LAW.

That spawn of the 25th Legislature known as the "Terrell Election Law," which becomes effective February 1, 1904, is a sort of a hybrid between what is known as the Australian ballot system and the laws now in vogue pertaining to the election of members of the British House of Commons. That portion of it which refers to the use of official tickets, the boxes or booths in which they are to be voted and the official aid to be there rendered to the sovereign in the making of his ticket as well as the proviso which seeks to purify the political atmosphere within one hundred feet of the polls is distinctively Australian; while those features of the law which get after the newspapers for accepting "anything of value" for advocating or opposing any one for an office, and requiring the candidate elect to file a sworn itemized statement of expenses during the canvass, smell strongly of the Liberal regulations across the Frog pond. But it would seem that a strictly hybrid of British-Canadian-Australian origin did not altogether suit the taste of the now immortal 28th legislature, it wanted to leave the impress of its own mind—make it spawn of its own species—and so it sought to eliminate from Texas politics, now and for all time, the independent ticket and the independent voter. Such was evidently one of the purposes in view, if not the leading one, when the bill was framed and if the law in its operation fails to carry out this design it won't be for lack of such intent upon the part of its daddy—the 28th.

If, as clearly indicated, by a careful reading of the law, the intent of its maker was to give the State into the keeping of "the machine" of the present dominant party, some healthy cheek, or brake, such as the independent forces have proven themselves to be in the past, should have been at least tolerated. The writer has always been a strong party man, a machine man, if you will, a democrat among democrats and by some even said to be of the "yellow dog" voting variety, but he loves fair play; would give the other fellow a fighting chance and then you know it keeps "the machine" in better order to serve the best interests of the country.

But, the question arises, does the law knock out the Independent ticket and the independent voter?

In one sense it does—in name perhaps, but in another it does not. The law provides for an official ballot to be furnished by the county, and sets a certain date in July when all primary elections and conventions to nominate county, district and precinct officers must be held throughout the State and further says, "that the name of no candidate shall be printed on the regular official ballot for a general election unless he was voted for and chosen on that day." Now, under this reading of the law, if the independents want to come in they must organize a "political party;" any

old kind of a name will do, a citizens party, a law and order league, or even the well worn cognomen of "independent party" will do for the purpose. Even if the organization is to last but for one campaign it is, or can come in, under the new law as a "political party" and thus be entitled to an official ticket. This way and this way only is the only show—the one loophole—through which an "independent ticket" can get to the sovereigns at the next general election. So much for the independent ticket, and now as to the independent voter?

With no ticket of his class—Independent—before him in his voting box and not allowed to carry in any paper of any kind with names on it—not even his memorandum book if he has names on it which he desires to use in voting—he must use his memory; a hard bargain when it comes to the length of a general election ticket, or make up his ticket from the other official tickets. From this it will readily appear that the independent voter without his "independent" or "general ticket" can no longer cut much figure in Texas politics.

There are some good features in the law, which if tried alone, would have brought about a decided change for the better in our present methods of holding elections, but, taken as a whole with its undoubted unconstitutional features, its contradictions and inconsistencies it resembles more a "botch patch" emanating from the one-sided and weary brains of ward politicians rather than the well considered product of "the Representatives of the People."

Grain in the Panhandle.

J. J. Ward was a visitor at this office Monday and stated that he had finished his threshing contracts and that he had threshed 7200 bushels of wheat, oats and rye.

J. C. Womble was also in and stated that he had threshed 8128 bushels of wheat, rye and barley and 1572 bushels of oats, making a total of 8700 bushels of grain.

We understand that B. A. Keathly has threshed about 5000 bushels of grain, while Bates & Motts, another threshing outfit, have done well, but we could not learn the amount threshed.

This grain was all raised in Deaf Smith, Castro, Randall and Potter counties.

Verily, this is fast becoming a noted country for its grain producing qualities.—Searchlight.

NOTICE.

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Yours to Please,
J. A. WOMMACK.

Our school under the new faculty is getting along nicely; the number of pupils now attending is 250.

This issue the News publishes the new election precincts laid off under the new election law. Read carefully so you may know where to vote at the next election.

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Thousands upon thousands of old State people are coming to Texas in search of homes. Ten thousand tickets for the Lone Star State are reported to have been sold at St. Louis alone. All the railroads of the Southwest are making special low rates with stop over privileges coming this way and the crowds taking advantage of them are said to be unprecedented as to number.

Bro. Baten is now catching it heavy at the hands of some Amarillo officials and citizens. An article in the Evening Star of Sept. 18, over the signature of the County Judge, goes to extremes in abusing Rev. Baten; the language used is scurrilous and in no sense justified by what Mr. Baten has given publication, to concerning the unlawful liquor traffic in that town and its treatment in the only court having jurisdiction to try such cases. Rev. Baten is simply trying to do his duty, and all good citizens should uphold him.

Saturday, Messrs. Gordon and Pash with another gentleman, arrived in Canyon City from Amarillo, and engaging a hack here, left for Tulia, Plainview and Lubbock, to be gone several days. Gen. John B. Gordon is not coming, for some reason, and so will not fill his appointments to speak at these towns.

The News has information that a brick yard is to be established here before long. W. S. Pötter and G. B. Powell are the parties back of the enterprise. Good brick dirt has been found just N. E. of town on the Palo Duro. Our reporter did not see the bricks made to test the value of the material used but is informed that they passed muster as "good bricks" among experts. A business of this sort ought to "pan out" well in this country.

The Associated Press service has been secured for Fort Worth. It will start with the first issue of The Record about Oct. 1st. This paper, The Record, with Clarence Ousley as editor, will succeed the Register and with the same press service which goes to the Dallas News it will not be long before it vies with the Dallas News as a competitor for the patronage of north and northwest Texas.

It seems that the Populist party is going to suffer a resurrection, judging from the call of the executive committee for a meeting in Dallas, Oct. 6. The Populist party has been dead so long that its corpse would frighten Carrie Nation when she was fully equipped with a full complement of hatchets.

TO TRADE FOR FEED:—A 4x5 Camera and outfit; a breech-loading Shotgun; a 22 cal. Winchester; a good stock saddle; an Avery plow and several other farm implements, at this office.

Mrs. John Rusk has returned from Denver, Colorado, much improved in health.

Store News

PATTILLO & GAMBLE

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The Latest Waisting Mercerized Oxford..... 75c, \$1.00 Yard.	Our FALL Line of Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats and Notions are ARRIVING DAILY. We can show you the latest novelties at PRICES to suit the purse of everybody.	Nice Line of Fancy Flannelettes..... 8 1-3 to 16 2-3c yd.
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Latest Novelties in Neck Ribbon, Persian effect..... 45 to 50c yard.	REMEMBER All CALICOES, except OIL COLORS go at 4 1/2 C.	Handsome Line of Ladies' Lace and Stock Collars..... 60c to \$2.00.

PATTILLO & GAMBLE

The Santa Fe was short nearly 900 cars on orders for last Sunday and Monday. Taking all the roads tributary to Kansas City and the shortage on cars to fill orders for the two days stated amounted to 2,500. Had these cars been forthcoming some 50,000 head more cattle would have been dumped upon what might be termed an unwilling market.

Wm. Crawford of Denton county, and father of Will and Mack, has sold out in Denton and is going to invest in Swisher county lands. Mr. Crawford is an old pioneer and he knows what a good country is. He says that after seeing Swisher county and realizing that he could buy ten acres better land here for what he could sell one there, as a simple business proposition he could not afford to let the opportunity pass. Tulia Standard.

LOST—At the Baptist Ladies Aid Society oyster supper, last Friday night, a solid silver spoon, belonging to Miss Vera Hall. This piece was part of a neat Chocolate set which was presented to Miss Hall by the Whitesboro B. Y. P. L., and is highly prized in consequence. The finder will confer a great favor on the Aid Society as well as this young lady by returning same either to owner or this office.

L. K. Egerton, a nurseryman of Clarendon, was in town Tuesday. He was here looking for a location for a nursery, and on Wednesday morning went out with Judge Lair to see some of the "Block" lands. He desires from a quarter to a half section and says he will move here provided he gets what he wants at a fair price.

Highly Flavored.
A south Texas paper tells the following story of a wonderful discovery, which, in a county like this where water melons are large and plentiful and whisky scarce it might be of considerable advantage to know. This paper says:—
A fellow down in Nacogdoches says he discovered a plan by which a water melon can be flavored with whiskey or any other fluid. He cuts off the vine between the melon and the root and sticks it into a bottle which is kept full of water until the melon is about ripe, when whiskey is substituted. He sells the melons in prohibition districts at ten cents a slice.

Our August Rainfall.
Many of our eastern friends are skeptical about the amount of rain we get on the plains during the summer months. From the Livestock Champion we take the following official report of the U. S. Weather Bureau at Amarillo, showing the rainfall for August 1903, and for the same month back to 1892, also giving the average for the 12 years. As this station is only 18 miles N. E. from Canyon City the figures apply here as well as there and the News asks its eastern readers to examine them carefully. They read:

PRECIPITATION.
Total this month in 1892, 1.93; 1893, 2.67; 1894, 3.41; 1895, 3.87; 1896, 0.63; 1897, 2.71; 1898, 4.03; 1899, 0.51; 1900, 0.53; 1901, 3.03; 1902, 2.38; 1903, 4.67. Average of this month for 12 years 2.55.
No. of clear days 15, partly cloudy 16; on which .01 inch, or more, of rain fell 8.
Rev. J. T. Burnett moved his household goods in Wednesday and is now a citizen of our town.

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Local.

Canyon City will on Saturday organize a board of trade.

J. L. Crawford is just back from a visit to his sister who lives in Clinton, Missouri.

O. C. Davis is improving some about his residence property—an addition and a general renovation being the order of the day.

Mrs. George Foster, who has been stopping at the home of Uncle Tom Foster for the past three weeks, was stricken last week with paralysis and is in a most dangerous condition.

The ladies of the Home Mission Society will serve a dinner and hold a bazaar in connection, on Thanksgiving day.

Committee.

Miss Jessie Sullivan, of Pilot Point, is here visiting her old schoolmate, Mrs. J. P. Crawford. Miss Sullivan has spent some time past visiting friends at Hereford.

Judge Buie, wife and little daughter spent the first of the week in Hereford, the Judge being engaged down there in the courts of justice.

Rev. H. G. Goodman, the newly appointed general Missionary for the Panhandle, will hold an Episcopal service at the M. E. church tonight. (Friday)

Among those who attended the Roswell Fair from this point were H. E. Hume, J. D. Gamble, Oscar Hunt, Travis Shaw, R. W. Foster, Joe Allen, W. H. Bates, Robert Bates, Newt Reeves and George Reynolds' two sons, Mes James G. C. Long and Reeves.

J. W. Ansley, of Itasca, Hill county, an uncle of Mrs. J. E. Stephens, came in last Friday for a short visit with Rev. Stephens and family. He in company with Rev. Stephens went down to Portales, N. M., last Monday where they visited old friends.

Dr. Stewart, Sr., of Argyle, who has been here for some time visiting his son and other relatives, left yesterday evening for his home. Though the Doctor is fast approaching the age when mankind feels that their work here on earth was done, he nevertheless contemplates selling his property interests in east Texas and seeking a new lease on life in the Panhandle where Ponce de Leon in his search for the fountain of perpetual youth could have realized the blessing in a miniature measure.

John Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Howell, returned from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., last Saturday where he has been attending college. This year at college finished Mr. Howell's education as far as the classical teachings are concerned and he will now begin the earnest battle of life fully equipped for its many emergencies. An uneducated mind is oftentimes compared to the rough diamond that spreads no rays of light, but when polished and set, then they give lustre.

Bro. Harter and wife were made the happy recipients of a baby girl last Saturday evening. There is a remarkable bit of history connected with the Harter family, of which Bro. J. R. is a son, which consists of 6 children, there being an equal number of grand children, equally divided in both generations by the two sexes—3 boys and 3 girls, all hale and hearty. The younger member of the first generation is 41 years of age that of the grandchildren the little babe which arrived last Saturday. Bro. Harter himself is 43 years of age and is at present enjoying the reputation of possessing the brawn to fit him for one of the best blacksmiths on the plains and at the same time perpetuate his species.

In County Court on the 23rd inst., Charley Rowan, 30 years of age, was adjudged a lunatic and application has been made for his admission to the State Insane Asylum at Austin.

Commissioners' Court met in special session Saturday for the purpose of awarding the contract for building a wooden bridge across the Terra Blanco, 2 miles east of Canyon City. There was two bids, one by L. A. Robeson and the other W. D. Kirkland; the latter one being the lowest by \$75.00, the contract was given to said Kirkland for the sum of \$950. The bridge is to consist of one span of fifty feet resting on concrete piers with an approach of thirty feet on the west side and is to be completed within 90 days. The court at this session also adopted a new official map of Canyon City, made by the Randall County Land and Abstract Co. This map is a good piece of work and far superior in every way to the one heretofore used and should be adopted generally as a basis for description of town property.

STOCK SHIPMENTS.

The following cars of cattle were shipped from this place last Sunday and Monday:

SUNDAY.	
W. R. Steele,	2 cars.
Cass Brooks,	9 cars.
I. A. Rosser,	3 cars.
Ed. M. White,	6 cars.
J. O. Turner,	4 cars.
G. A. Stratton,	1 car.
MONDAY.	
A. C. Sears,	3 cars.
G. A. Stratton,	2 cars.
J. B. Thomas,	2 cars.
Sam Cox,	4 cars.
Ray Price and Bevans,	4 cars.
Alden Montgomery,	8 cars.
H. W. Armstrong,	2 cars.

In the Sunday shipments about one half were feeders and the balance butcher stuff.

Of the Monday shipments Montgomery had 7 cars of 3 year old steers the other 18 cars run about half and half as on Sunday.

Jim Cox of Fanchon had 3 cars of stuff, half yearling steers, balance cows for which he was unable to obtain transportation Monday so he sold them to G. C. Long on p. l.

The Turner shipment, 4 cars, went to St. Louis; the White, 6 cars, to St. Joe; the balance to Kansas City. G. C. Long got 9 cars out of the Sunday shipment and 15 cars out of the Monday shipment which went to his house. The National Live Stock Commission, Co.

J. R. Dean and wife returned last week from Missouri. Mrs. Dean has spent the summer there with relatives and friends and about two weeks ago John decided he could no longer stand the suspense of so long a separation so he bled himself away to Missouri after his companion. A little niece of Mrs. Dean's came with them and entered the public school.

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THE COLLEGE CONTRACT.

Honest mistakes if explained in time generally result in good to all concerned. For some reason not now clearly apparent there is a good deal of misapprehension abroad, particularly at Claremore and Memphis, as to the exact terms of the contract between Canyon City and the Baptist College locating commission. The esteemed Memphis Herald has mitigated its charges somewhat but still talks of "strings being onto the Lester proposition" while the News of the same town says that "the town which got the College was to erect the building and equip it for business."

Now, for the good of all concerned and to promote harmony, which the News feels secure in saying that its brethren of the press of both Claremore and Memphis are anxious for as well as itself, we here publish the contract proposed by Canyon City and accepted by the college commission. It is plain, concise and to the point and susceptible of but one construction—that previously put upon it by the News. This contract, both on the part of the town and Mr. Lester, reads as follows:

"We, the undersigned real estate tax-paying citizens of Canyon City, Randall county, Texas, do hereby guarantee the sum of fifteen thousand dollars in money, to be paid in case the Baptist College is located in Canyon City, Texas. The same to be paid upon the terms and conditions set forth in the subscription heading herein copied as follows, to-wit:

"We, whose names are subscribed below, agree to give the several amounts opposite our names for the purpose of securing and to help to build a Missionary Baptist College at Canyon City, Texas, to be located by the Palo Duro Canyon Baptist Association in 1903, the building to cost not less than \$40,000 to \$60,000, and the subscription to be paid at Canyon City, Texas, as follows:

"One-third when the contract to erect said buildings is let and work commenced thereon; one-third when the buildings are one half completed and the remaining one third payable when the buildings are completed. (Signatures of guarantors.)

"In addition to the above proposition I, L. T. Lester agree and promise \$5,000 in cash to be paid according to statement in caption above. In making this offer I ask the privilege of naming the family name 'Lester' inserted as part of the name of the College.

"In addition to the above \$5,000; I agree to pay to the College within the next six years another \$5,000."

The land given as part consideration for the location of the College consisted of forty acres N. W. of town.

The foregoing explains itself and is the contract, word for word, as accepted by the commission at Claude, and from which neither Canyon City or Mr. Lester has ever varied in any particular and today stands ready to keep and perform.

Now one word with reference to the Lester "refusal" and then the News is done. Sometime after the deal was all closed and the college awarded to Canyon City, the commission within itself, decided that if the name "Lester" was given to the college that the whole \$10,000 must be paid down in cash otherwise that part of the bonus would be rejected. In answer to this, before the College board of trustees at Canyon City, Aug 27, Mr. Lester stated that he could not then see his way clear to do more than his contract called for, whereupon said board of trustees decided that the name "Lester" should not appear in the College title. As to the right of the commission to make this ruling after the contract was closed and without the consent of the party sought to be bound, the News will not say further than to remark, that it could not stand for one moment either in law or equity; and as to Mr. Lester's position why, he has simply acted the part of a Christian gentleman all the way through and to this our brethren of Memphis and Claremore, after reading the above contract are in duty bound to say AMEN!

FACTS FOR PROHIBITION.

The News is indebted to Bro. Jno. A. Wallace for having called our attention to the following article in the Texas Christian Advocate:

"Having studied the question of crime from the standpoint of prohibition, I submit the following facts:

There are twenty-three prohibition counties in Texas that have no convicts in the penitentiary, viz.: Armstrong, Castro, Coke, Collinsworth, Conroy, Crosby, Deaf Smity, Dickens, Dimmit, Crane, Ector, Glasscock, Hall, Hall, Hansford, Hutchinson, Lubbock, Ochiltree, Randall, Sterling, Throckmorton, Upton, Zavalla.

The following have only one convict each: Biscoe, Dallam, Fisher, Floyd, Hartley, Irion, Jasper, Stonewall, Swisher.

The following have only two convicts each: Foard, Jeff Davis, Jones, Knox, Roberts, Scurry, San Saba.

These thirty-nine prohibition counties furnish only twenty-three convicts.

Sauvignon County, with open saloons and a population of 10,277, has twenty-five convicts in the penitentiary.

Montgomery County, with saloons and a population of 17,067, has forty-one convicts in the penitentiary.

These two poor puny woods counties, dominated by saloons, have nearly three times as many convicts as the above named thirty-nine prohibition counties.

What makes this difference in crime? Answer: The saloon! Facts are stubborn things—go

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found them if you can. Collin County, with prohibition and a population of 50,087, has twenty convicts. Lamar County, with saloons and a population of 48,627, has ninety-six convicts within the walls.

Here are nearly five to one in favor of prohibition. Yet the anti say that whiskey does not make crime, but on the other hand have the malicious effrontery to say that prohibition increases crime.

Taking prohibition territory throughout, there is one convict to about 4500 population. In whiskey territory there is one convict to every 540 population. On this basis the open saloon is responsible for two thirds of all crime. These are proven facts and all papers and workers are at liberty to use them.

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NEW ELECTION PRECINCTS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RANDALL.

Be it remembered, that at the August term of the Commissioners' Court of Randall County, Texas, begun and holden at the Court House of said County, in the town of Canyon, on the 10th day of August, A. D. 1903, present and presiding, the Honorable A. N. Henson County Judge; W. J. Redfearn Commissioner Precinct No. 1; J. T. Service Commissioner Precinct No. 2; T. F. Gilliland Commissioner Precinct No. 3; F. J. Trigg Commissioner Precinct No. 4, the following proceedings among others were had, to wit:

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RANDALL.

In the Commissioners' Court, 12th day of August, 1903.

PRECINCT NO. 1.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 1 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the N. E. corner Sur. No. 12, Blk 6, I and G. N. Thence W. on section line 13 miles to N. W. corner Sur. 57, Block L. T. R. R. Co. Thence S. on section lines 13 miles to S. W. corner Sur. No. 136, Block B. 5. Thence E. on section lines 13 miles to S. E. corner of Sur. No. 204, Block 6, I and G. N. Thence N. 13 miles on section lines to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 2.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 2 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the N. E. corner of Sur. No. 4 Block 2, 2. Thence W. 5 miles of section lines to N. W. corner of Sur. No. 73, block 2 x T. R. R. Co. Thence S. 2 miles to N. E. corner Sur. No. 79 same block. Thence W. on section lines 7 miles to W. B. line of Randall county Thence S. with W. B. line of county 7 miles to S. W. corner of County. Thence E. about 12 miles with the S. B. line of county to E. line of Sur. No. 79 Block M. 6 S. K. and K. Thence N. on section lines about 9 miles to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 3.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 3 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the N. E. corner of Election Precinct No. 2 Thence S. with E. B. line of said Precinct No. 2 to county line. Thence E. with S. B. line of county 12 miles to the E. line of Sur. No. 63 Block M. 8 A. B. and M. Thence N. of section lines 9 miles to the N. E. corner of Sur. No. 72 Block M. 8 A. B. and M. Thence W. on section lines 8 miles to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 4.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 4 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the N. E. corner of Election Precinct No. 3. Thence S. on E. E. line thereof to S. line of county. Thence E. 7 miles on county line of S. E. corner of county. Thence N. with E. B. line of county to S. E. corner of Block 4, I and G. N. R. R. land. Thence W. on S. line 7 miles to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 5.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 5 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the N. E. corner of the county. Thence W. on N. B. line of county to W. line of Sur. No. 227 Block 2 A. B. and M. Thence S. on section lines 5 miles to S. W. corner

of Sur. No. 1 Block 2 A. B. and M. Thence E. to county line. Thence N. on E. B. line of county to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 6.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 6 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the N. W. corner of Election Precinct No. 5. Thence S. to the S. W. corner of said Precinct No. 5. Thence W. 9 miles on section lines to S. W. corner Sur. No. 137 Block, 9 B. S. and F. Thence S. on section lines to county line. Thence E. on S. boundary line of county to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 7.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 7 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the S. W. corner of Election Precinct No. 6. Thence S. to the S. E. corner of Sur. No. 24 Block 45 H. and G. S. Thence W. on section lines to W. B. line of county. Thence N. on W. B. line to N. W. corner of county. Thence E. on S. B. line of county to the place of beginning.

PRECINCT NO. 8.

It is ordered by the Court that Election Precinct No. 8 shall hereafter include the territory within the following metes and bounds, to wit: Beginning at the S. E. corner of Election Precinct No. 7 same being S. E. corner of Sur. No. 41 Block 5 H. and G. S. Thence W. with S. B. line of said Precinct No. 7 to W. line of county. Thence S. with W. B. line of county to S. W. corner of Election Precinct No. 2. Thence E. with S. line of said Precinct number 2 to the S. E. corner of Sur. number 71 block K. 4 T. R. R. Co. Thence north on section lines 9 miles to the place of beginning.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RANDALL.

I, J. H. Garrison, Clerk of the County Court of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the last order of said Court fixing the limits and designating the number and name of each Voting Precinct in the County for the year following.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 21 day of September, A. D. 1903.

J. H. Garrison, Clerk,
County Court of Randall County,
Texas.

By C. N. Harrison, Deputy.

Announcement is made by "The Denver Road" that on Sept. 12, 13, and 14th round trip tickets will be on sale to Ogden and Salt Lake City, Utah, at rate of One Fare; such tickets to be good for return as late as October 18th, and to be good for stop-overs in both directions at points west of and including Trinidad, Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Denver and Cheyenne. Tickets will be of Iron-clad, signature form, requiring execution at destination for the return passage, for which execution a fee of 25 cts. will be charged.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RANDALL.

Whereas, by virtue of an order of Sale, dated September 10th, 1903, issued by the Clerk of the District Court of Randall county, Texas, in case No. 62, wherein the Canyon Lumber Co., plaintiff, recovered judgment in rem against F. M. Coulter and E. Coulter, showing defendant F. M. Coulter was due the plaintiff \$269.82, together with a foreclosure of a Material Men's lien and an attachment lien on lots, eleven, twelve and thirteen in Block Fifty-eight in Canyon City, Randall county, Texas, said judgment rendered September 1st, 1903; I have levied upon said lots;

Therefore, know all men by these presents that I, E. A. Upfold, Sheriff of Randall county, Texas, will, on the first Tuesday in October, 1903, sell said lots eleven, twelve and thirteen in Block Fifty-eight, at the court house door of Randall county, Texas, for cash, to the highest and best bidder, in satisfaction of said judgment.

This September 10, 1903.
E. A. UPFOLD,
Sheriff Randall Co., Texas.

J. M. Vanant found a sack of oats on the Plainview and Canyon City road which he desires to return to owner.

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DON A. SWEET, Traffic Manager,
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