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Carry a complete line of Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, China, ware and Farming Implements.

A few of the many things we handle at Rock Bottom Prices.

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Full suits as dressy as any tailor-made outfit.

The celebrated Stetson and other brands of hats.

A big line of the well known Selz and Par Excellence shoes.

Also other brands of wide reputation.

We have on hand a big supply of Wright's Health Underwear.

If you need any heavy underwear we can fit you out with the best at moderate cost.

We haven't space here to enumerate all the things in our Dry Goods line that we wish you to know of, but we assure you we will take pleasure in showing you through and anything you want can be found.

Miscellaneous Articles.

Saddles, Harness, Soldier blankets, Tarp, All kinds of car-tyres, special assortment of shoes, and China ware.

Come to us for anything you want.

Gomez, Texas.

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has a

Wagon Yard and Feed Stable accommodations. Feed for sale by the bale or retail. N. E. corner sq. Gomez, Texas.

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Rooms, \$1.00 per day. Monthly rates known on application. Tables supplied with the best the market affords. Your patronage solicited. Gomez, Texas.

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Some choice lands for sale or to exchange for other lands or for cattle or horses or property of value. Write for terms. Lubbock, Texas.

Ware has accepted a job with ten miles North of Holmes. He competes with Big Ben and will begin work Monday.

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GROCERY DEPARTMENT

This department is fresh and complete. Everybody is interested in good, pure, wholesome food and those who patronize us may set an appetizing table.

We have the best grades of flour and meal and have a good full stock of bacon, sugar and all kinds of can goods. Jellies, both bucket and jars.

Pickles, potatoes, lard, salt, seven different kinds of bucket syrup. Big line of breakfast foods.

Also fresh dried fruits such as apples, peaches, apricots, prunes, etc.

Miscellaneous Articles.

All kinds of tobaccos. Big line of ropes.

Stock suit for sale in any amount.

Nails, saws, hammers, rain proof, tin buckets. Washing materials, such as potato, potatoes, and a variety of soaps.

Come to us for anything you want.

Gomez, Texas.

Unenviable Pre-eminence.

It is illustrative of the better skelter life in Chicago that 330 persons were killed in that city in the census year by steam cars and street cars.

Chicago has a population of 1,696,575. Its comparative road death rate is perhaps best illustrated by the fact that in the cities of New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Boston, Baltimore and Cincinnati, with an aggregate population of 6,449,913, the number of persons killed by steam and street cars in the same year was 333.

This shows that it is about four times as dangerous to go about in the vicinity of railway tracks in Chicago as in the other cities named.

Who killed the priest. The Rev. Mr. Hickie was a noted counsellor of Dublin. His body was the favorite haunt of bishops, clergymen of all creeds, professors and scholars generally in search of rare volumes.

A story is told of an owner Mr. Hickie had with a Catholic priest only a few days before he retired from his beloved bookshop to die.

A young priest called on him, and taking up a book, inquired the price. "Half a crown, father," said Hickie. "But," said the priest, "I can get it for a shilling and 6 pence from Mr. Blank."

"Of course," said Hickie, "but you see, 'tis a Protestant book, and I think you shouldn't buy a Protestant book, so I put half a crown on it that you might leave it behind."

Well, we were forced to retreat again. It was now 11 o'clock and I saw a way out.

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"I will tell how I and another boy robbed a bee tree. We were in the woods hunting and came to a dead elm tree around which a pile of trash had collected.

Through a small opening in the trash bees were busily passing in and out and we found on examination that their home was in the tree which was about eight inches in diameter at the largest part.

Our joy at finding such a prize was great and we skipped about for a short time like Indians at a war dance. The bees were mad on finding their passage way disturbed and each one emerging from the tree joined the throng buzzing about our heads until it looked as though all the bees in creation were right there threatening to sting us.

The fire completely destroyed the tree which contained an amount of honey even beyond our expectations and not a bite of it did we get.

That evening as the shadows of approaching night fell over the meadows, and the cry of the whistling was all that broke the silence of a summer evening, two weary, heavy-hearted boys with sore hides might have been seen slowly plodding along homeward, somewhat swollen in most respects, but with a bump of rashness considerably reduced."

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The manner in which last week's issue of the Voice was praised was gratifying. There is nothing sweeter than the knowledge that a people, for whose interests you are striving so hard, fully appreciate your efforts.

Business men will find the Voice without a peer as an advertising medium. It reaches the people and its location enables it to command a rich territory not reached by any other local paper. If you want the patronage of these people tell them so through the Voice.

Everyone who is interested in any way in the Plains country should be a subscriber to the Voice. If your name is not on our list have it placed there right away. You will get as good a paper as can be found on the Plains and it will only cost you a dollar a year. Ordinarily this is cheaper than a good paper can be published in this western country but we hope by securing a large circulation to be able to publish one at that price. Don't fail to subscribe.

Mr. Hobbs, the contractor from Gomez to Mex., on the new route, mention of which was made in last week's Voice.

Miss Allie Sawyer, who is attending the school here spent Saturday and Sunday at her home about fifteen miles in the country.

C. D. Garrison left Monday for Marado, Motly county where he is working on a ranch. I saw him last week with a head of cattle belonging to father who lives here in town.

Sunday was Rev. A. B. Roberts day to preach at the school house but he had Mr. Lane to fill his appointment, who made an interesting talk. Prayer service were held beginning at 8 o'clock in the afternoon.

Right about 500 copies of the Voice were printed last week in addition will be printed at least a hundred more that no paper ever printed in west Texas with such a circulation. A short time and 1000 mark will be reached.

Probably the most em medical forms in the world is the one at Abilene, Texas where rates are raised for the sake of their honor, which has a market value of several dollars an ounce. A hypodermic syringe is used to extract the poison from the neck once or twice a week. As the snakey venom is one of the most powerful heart poisons known, it enters largely to the preparation of maddie. To America belongs the distinction of raising the w of rates.

Our efforts were futile, however, and when we saw the tree was doomed beyond a doubt, gave up in despair and fell back to a distance.

The tree stooped at an angle of about thirty degrees. The fire crept up the upper side exposing the hollow as it went and when about seven feet above the ground the honey was reached. We drew nearer. Layer after layer of comb with cells overflowing with honey, melted loose and came rolling down into the coils and ashes. The sight was maddening to us. Grabbing poles we went up to the tree again. The bees were now flying high among the tree tops and did not bother us any more.

When the chunks of honey would roll down to the ground we would take desperately to get them out of the coils but succeeded in getting nothing more than sticky bits of ash.

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Literary Society Meeting.

The regular weekly program of the Gomez Literary Society, rendered at the school house Saturday night. All the readings were good and the program which followed them was one of the best and most interesting and hotly contested of any which had occurred. The question was "Affirmed, that money is a greater influence over man than does woman."

The speakers were: Affirmative—Messrs Smith and Longbreak. Negative—Messrs L. Florence and Watkins.

The decision was in favor of the negative side.

The next meeting will be tomorrow night and besides a program of resolutions there will be a debate.

Everybody come.

Send In The News.

In all the surrounding counties we want correspondents to send in the news of their respective localities. If you are unable to get a letter to this office, the news has grown old, the count of lack of small facts, then write along a general headline your letter as interesting as possible.

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HERALD BEGINS AT GOMEZ IN DECEMBER, 1903, AS 'TERRY COUNTY VOICE,' AND SPANS FIFTY YEARS

The Terry County Voice, predecessor of the Herald, was first published on Friday, Dec. 7, 1903, as a weekly newspaper devoted to the upbuilding of Gomez and the development of Terry County; and today, 50 years later, the paper is still working for the area's improvement.

Through the intervening half century a number of different newspapermen have been associated with the news dispensing business of this county, and a few issues have been missed during that time.

A. W. Long, who established The Voice, was also a dealer in real estate, so he hired D. B. Morrill to do the actual editing of the paper, although Long maintained the proprietorship. Before the first year ended, G. W. Long joined his father in the newspaper field, and became editor and compositor of the paper. July 15, 1904, was the last issue published at Gomez, and on July 29, the paper became the Terry County Herald, published at Brownfield.

In 1905, W. R. Spencer, who was also an attorney at law and insurance agent, became proprietor. F. B. Tanner joined the staff as editor in July of that year, and relinquished his job to Percy Spencer in February, 1906.

Percy edited the paper until September 7, 1907, and his uncle continued as its proprietor until Feb. 21, 1908, when Neil H. Bigger bought out the Herald and became editor and proprietor. The Neill Brothers are listed as editors and publishers for several months, and Bigger took over again as editor and proprietor until May 20, 1909.

A. J. Stricklin purchased the newspaper and put out his first issue as editor and proprietor on June 1, 1909. He has retained constant ownership since that time.

Stricklin married the following year and has been assisted in the publication of the Herald by his wife since that time, as well as by their children from time to time. Jack Stricklin, Jr., has worked with his father since he was a boy and is now business manager of the enterprise.

In January of 1919, the Herald purchased a linotype. Up until that time all type had been hand-set.

Mrs. Jack Stricklin, Jr., has also helped with the advertising aspects of the publication, and for this special Golden Anniversary Edition, has drawn up and sold all advertising.

Early Statement of Bank Finances Shows Growth of County

Probably no other factor more accurately reflects the tremendous growth of Terry County during the past several decades than a comparison of old and present financial statements. Printed below is the official statement of the financial condition of the Brownfield State Bank at the close of business on the 28th day of April, 1909, published in the Terry County Herald on the 8th day of May, 1909:

Table with Resources and Liabilities sections. Resources include Loans and discounts, Real Estate, Overdrafts, etc. Liabilities include Cap. stock paid in, Surplus fund, etc.

Early Town Site Owner Is Hanged By Masked Mobsters

Since Terry County was settled for the most part by home-loving, peace-loving men and women, not too many stories of desperadoes and mob violence mar the area's clean historical slate, but the fact that a man who once owned the section of land on which Brownfield now stands, was hanged through mob violence, created a flurry of talk up and down the streets of the town.

This story was carried in the April 24, 1909, issue of the Terry County Herald:

"Jim Miller of Fort Worth, a well known character in West Texas; B. B. Burrell of Duncan, Okla.; Jesse West, and Joe Allen, cattlemen of Canadian, Texas, were hung last Sunday night by a mob at Ada, Okla.

"On the 28th day of last February, Ex-United States Marshal Bobbitt was assassinated on the public road near Ada from ambush. Circumstantial evidence was strong against Miller as being the party who did the shooting, and against the other three parties as being accessories to the murder. Miller was arrested a short time ago near Fort Worth and taken to Ada. Burrell, West and Allen being arrested in Ardmore. They had a preliminary trial and were bound over to await the action of the grand jury without bail, and on Sunday night they were taken from jail by a posse of masked men and hung.

"Miller at one time owned the section of land on which Brownfield now stands and made several visits here. He had the reputation of being a very bad man, having, it is alleged, killed a number of men in Texas and Oklahoma."

City Has Cheapest Water Rate in Area

We have in hand a copy of the official publication of Texas Municipalities, handed us by the city secretary. At one place it gives the water rates of ten of the South Plains cities, giving the minimum rate of water, as well as to the large users, up to 200,000 gallons. Brownfield led the list on rates. However, while Brownfield had a minimum rate of \$1.50, Lamesa had a \$1.00 rate; but the Brownfield water user got 4,000 gallons, and the Lamesa user only 2,000 gallons.

Brownfield also led the march in cheaper rates on 5M, 10M, on up to 200M gallons. The last figure for Brownfield on 200,000 gallons was \$33.30. The highest was Post, being \$80.90, although several were higher than Post on the minimum, such as Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, Snyder, etc.

Tahoka gets 3M gallons for \$2.00; Lubbock 3M gallons for \$1.80; Slaton 3M gallons for \$2.50; and Big Spring the same.

Mrs. Effie Cooper, of Brownfield, will leave by plane, Monday, at Lubbock, for Spokane, Wash., where she will visit with her son, Kenneth and family, indefinitely.

Diamond sales have dropped 10 per cent so far this year.

Due to banks, etc. 14.86 Individual deposits 42,918.70 Demand cert. of dep. 5,332.75 Cashiers' checks 21.25 Bills payable & re-disc. 10,000.00

TOTAL \$89,661.77

The statement was sworn and subscribed to by M. V. Brownfield, president; and Will Alf Bell, cashier.

Struggle For School Land In 1903 Described by Participant

Purchasers Scramble For Number One Chair in Clerk's Office; Rivals Slip In By Night--To Catch Guards Napping

By A. M. Brownfield



In 1896 my father sent brother Almer in charge of a herd of cattle to Lynn county. My father and Sam Singleton, having bought what is known as the Singleton Pasture. I followed up and was with the herd when it arrived and was watered out at Singleton headquarters. After watering, the cattle were pointed west and turned loose on sage-grass range, the grass coming up to their sides and in places up to their backs. The country had not been stocked and the sage-grass averaged four feet in height. I thought it a glorious country—the kind I should like to live in.

But I was yet a school boy and deeply puzzled as to what should be my future aim in life. In the spring of '98 I was a sophomore at Texas U, and had narrowed my aims to one of these callings—a mathematician, professor, a lawyer, or a cowboy. And since I had no burning desire to leave my "footprints on the sands of time," I chose to be a cowboy. I decided to live close and work hard till I had accumulated a hundred thousand after which I could live in peace and be content.

My little ranch in Nolan County was a mountainous one, and no chance to ever make that hundred thousand; so I undertook to sell it which was not an easy job. But I was finally able to do so in March, 1902, in a covered wagon I drove to the Brownfield Ranch in Terry County, bringing my household goods, my wife and baby. I had sent my cattle the fall before with the herd my father had sent up. At this time I was worth about five thousand dollars. My father and Singleton had dissolved partnership, my father taking the east part of the pasture which is in Terry County. He also bought the Spence Powell lease which reached west to the east line of what is now the Gomez section.

Chasing the Pasture
The last night before reaching the Brownfield Ranch, while camped in the Singleton pasture. About midnight I heard a stamped of hooves. There was about three or four hundred of them, and they passed on both sides of the wagon going south. Back in the north about a mile I could hear a cow bawling. The bawling continued more than half an hour, getting weaker and weaker until it could no longer be heard. That noise reminds me yet. About sun rise the babes were howling up there.

I left my wife and baby at my father's ranch, and got busy trying to make that hundred thousand. Bird Rose was having trouble with the nesters sitting on his land in the Nun pasture, and had decided to chase out his holdings. My father was also having some trouble with a man named Howard. Howard had bought some patented land in my father's pasture including the Spence Powell section. Howard is now on

And Howard said he was going to have the school land as soon as father's lease expired. Well, I bought 16 sections of school land lease from Bird Rose, but found that Seitz and Foreman had bought the patent land and was going to try for my school land. But Foreman was a good man and said he wanted to get along with his neighbors, so he was willing to pay me double what I had paid on the school land and I let him have it.

My father had let Stephens and Perry have the 16 section pasture lying between what is now Brownfield and Gomez, and wanted me to take the eight school sections that was mixed with the Howard patent land. I did not want to take this because it was easy to see that somebody was going to have trouble with Howard. But not being able to get another lease near the center of the county, I did take this lease. Made a trade with Walter Groves to drill me a well, and I freighted lumber from Big Spring to build me a two room house. Howard had just before this built a half dugout on the now, Brownfield section, and told me not to build as he was going to file on my land.

Struggle for Chairs

This was in the summer of 1902, and the school lease would be out the coming February. About this time arrived on the scene one Brother Lane and son, Joe. They bought the Stephens and Perry claim and decided to stand by me in the school land struggle. Howard thought at first they would be with him as they belonged to the same church. But he learned his mistake in November when I sent John Lampkin, who was working for me, and Joe Lane to Stanton and took possession of Number 1 chair.

The rule at Stanton being that on days when school land leases expired the clerk would open the back door to his office and take all applications to purchase, offered by the party in Number 1 chair, file them, then take the applications offered from Number 2 chair, and file them, and so on down the line. The state law being that first application filed got the land. So you can see the necessity of holding number 1 chair, and why I put men in November to sit in this chair until the coming February. All went well for a few weeks, but John and Joe, not knowing their daily actions were under observation, took life too easy and decided that it was not at all necessary for one of them to sit in that chair continuously, and it being much more pleasant to lie on a pallet by the side of the chair at night, they thus indulged. But in the stillness of the night while they soundly slept, Howard and two of his sons walked over them and took charge of Number 1 chair. This was bad, very bad for us.

One man on my side thought that he could gradually work number 2 chair into number 1's place, but this led to an

argument, and Mr. Howard proved to be the quickest on the draw. But Lady Luck was yet to smile on us. Howard had taken others on his side, one being a Mr. Houston. About three nights before the land was to come on the market, John Lampkin & Vernon Seitz worked a plan to success. Houston was in Number 1 chair, Lampkin in Number 2, Seitz on a pallet in front of the chairs. The lamp above Houston's head shined in Seitz's eyes, so Seitz's said:

"Mr. Houston, please hand me my hat, the light bothers me."

Not thinking, Houston raised up to hand him the hat. When he did so, Lampkin slid into Number 1 chair. This caused a great commotion and Lampkin was pulled out of the chair. But the sheriff was sent for and he ruled that as Lampkin had not used force to get the chair it belonged to him. So my side held Number 1 chair when the time arrived to file. Word of this armed condition at Stanton reached Austin and the Legislature changed the method of awarding school lands by giving them to the highest bidder. But the law did not get into effect until I had my land.

What Became of Howard?

What became of Howard? He did some trading with a really bad man, one Jim Miller (who was at a later date, hung in Oklahoma). And Mr. Howard awoke to the fact that he had been swindled out of all he possessed. And since the fates seemed to have it in for him, he left Terry County. This was in the early part of February, 1903. A few weeks later I bought the Howard lands at \$1.50 per acre.

About three months later there arrived on the scene, two gentlemen from Parker County, one W. G. Hardin, the other A. F. Small. They were strangers to Terry County, also to the Brownfields and other clans therein. But they had a few hundred dollars in the bank, and a dream in their heads that if they could get a piece of land near the center of the county, they could turn these hundreds into thousands. They came by and I priced my \$1.50 land at \$3.00 if they would take the whole section. They went over about Gomez and was gone a day or so, then came back and took my offer.

We went to the little town of Lubbock, fixed the deed; I got their money and a note for the balance, and it was then up to them to plat and start the town. And there was more to do than merely plat a town, for only five miles west was Gomez, which already had the Wolf & Ware Store, and I believe also a saloon as well as a few resident shacks. And under the combined efforts of Brother Lane, Dale, Ford, and perhaps Gaines, was being boosted as the metropolis of the plains, and the future county seat of Terry County. So it was, Hardin and Small being tapped off behind, must get busy if their dream was to materialize. And they did so. Platted their town, decided to give every voter in Terry County a lot if they wished one, would call the town Brownfield since the Brownfield's were stock men and they needed the rancher and cowboy vote.

History In Making

Well, history was in the making. One J. R. Hill accepted a lot and built a three room hotel where the Cobb's store now stands. The old man Rippeetoe took one and put in the first grocery store. It was about where the Collin's Dry Goods now is. Later J. L. Randal put in a drug store where the Brownfield Hotel now stands, and thus the town was started. And for the next year or two there was bitter rivalry between Brownfield and Gomez. It was presumptions of Brownfield to expect to be the county site, and the town should never have started so thought the Gomezites. A petition was circulated asking for an organization of the county. This I believe was in 1904. It got the required number of

signers, and the court at Stanton ordered an election for the county site and county officers. It also appointed temporary officers. And so the battle began for county site. At the Brownfield voting place I was made presiding judge, John Lampkin, W. A. Parker, Joe Lane, and Brother Roberts were the helpers. Everytime a cowhand from the Rose Ranch came up to vote, Joe Lane challenged the vote on the grounds that his home was not in Terry County. Brother Roberts would vote with Joe, Parker & Lampkin would vote to allow the ballot, thus making a tie for me to decide.

Well, I decided the cowboys knew better than anyone else where their home was, and I was willing to take their word for it, and thus allow the vote—much to Joe's disgust. The election was close, Brownfield winning by three or five votes. I'm not sure which it was. Gomez then went to court with it, but withdrew the case after a year or so.

Fifty Years in Terry County

I arrived at my Father's Ranch, about seven miles southeast of the present town of Brownfield, in March of 1902, in my covered wagon, bringing with me my wife, and baby Lois, also all I could get in the wagon of clothes, and bedding, and groceries. We did not travel fast, far or, reckless in those days.

Well as I have described in an early writing some of the events and happenings that took place from March 1902 through 1905. Will not repeat them here.

The county was organized and officers appointed in 1904. The town of Brownfield began its slow but gradual climb. It offered to move any buildings that were in Gomez to Brownfield free of cost to the owners. Only a few accepted the offer, a saloon and hardware store being among them. The court house, I believe, was finished in 1905. It cost between four and five thousand dollars, and was four rooms on the ground floor and court room overhead. It was a busy place every six months when the Grand Jury was in session.

The people were all good in a way, but must admit some of them couldn't tell their cattle from their neighbors, and would get into trouble with the Laws of the Land. Well there was no use having this courtroom idle for months at a time, so we just pushed the carpet back, made benches to one side and had an old fashioned square dance about once each week.

While Maupin, Uncle Joe Hamilton, Lee Allmon, and Charlie Boone were building the court house, Walter Groves put down the well in the northeast corner of the square, and a windmill was erected. Thus Brownfield had its first water works. A few years later the well and mill were placed in the southwest corner of the square.

Most people are never satisfied so a howl was soon heard to, "Let's vote bonds and put in a real water system." M. V. Brownfield, who was no believer in bonds and high taxes, then made the proposition that he would put in two inch piping and a thirty foot

concrete water tank. He did put in such a system which operated for a few years but not very satisfactory to the town or to M. V. Brownfield. Later bonds were voted and the city took over the job of supplying water. It has added to and continued ever since, supplying not only water, but power and lights.

Everyone so far as I know thought the children should have a chance to read and write and so a school house was erected in the west part of town. Mrs. J. L. Randal being the first teacher. This was about 1904.

About 1905 a few men, having unbounded faith in the future of Brownfield and surrounding country, got together and organized the Brownfield State Bank on a capital of \$10,000. It wasn't much, but you know the old saying, "Big trees from little acorns grow."

About 1908 everyone thought we must have a railroad. Some promoters from Iowa started out to build from Midland to Hereford by way of Brownfield. We had several meetings and most everyone subscribed liberally. The promoters went broke before the grade reached Brownfield, and the subscribers did not have to pay.

Some of the higher ups of the Santa Fe R.R. said they would build through Terry County at a later date. It was not until about 1915 that my father, M. V. Brownfield received a letter telling him to come to Chicago for a discussion. We called a meeting and all were in favor of his going to Chicago for a meeting to see what could be done. He went and they told him to guarantee the Right of Way and they would get busy with a line from Lubbock to what is now Seagraves, which was on land then owned by some of the Santa Fe officials.

M. V. Brownfield, A. M. Brownfield, George Neill, and Will Alf Bell was the committee that guaranteed to procure the Right of Way. They were called "The Big Four." John Burnett and five other men known as the "Little Six," were the committee to condemn or make compromise with any one that would not give Right of Way across their lands. Very few claimed damages, but two or three did. Also three or four houses on the Right of Way through Brownfield had to be moved. So our committees took up collections. Most land owners gave ten cents an acre and people in town made donations. In all, something over five thousand dollars was collected which took care of all Right of Way claims. Then in 1916 the road was built, but I believe it was about 1917 before trains were put on schedule.

The original town section was platted for a town by W. G. Hardin and A. F. Small in

Gulf Oil and Gasoline Distribution a Long-Time Bowers Project

In the early days after the railroad came, two young bachelors, Cleve L. Williams and Robert L. Bowers, came here from Tahoka, built a large warehouse on the track, and put the sign 'Williams & Bowers' over the front. They handled heavy groceries in wholesale lots such as flour, meal, sugar, salt, feeds, etc., along with wrapping paper, bags, twine, etc., and did a good business.

Both married a few years later, Williams to Miss Minnie Bryant, daughter of Uncle Joe and Mrs. Bryant; while Bowers married Miss Lizzie Wines, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wines. Both men have passed on, but their wives survive and still live here. The Williams had no children. The Bowers have three living, Robert and Marion and Mrs. Tommy (Bobbie) Hicks.

After their wholesale business was sold, Bob Bowers became the consignee of Gulf Petroleum Co., wholesale. At the same time he began to invest in farms, and in his later years turned most of the oil and gas business over to his sons and son-in-law, and spent much of his time looking after his farm interests. Robert, Jr., and Marion have charge of the Butane section of the business out on the Plains highway; and Tommy Hicks has charge of the wholesale gasoline and oil business, located on North 7th Street. Marion took officers' training, and was in the US Navy for several years.

They have a fine business, and a product they know they can stand behind 100 per cent. And it is a product that is sold all over the USA, the Gulf oil and gasoline being found on sale wherever you travel. All these young people are fine folks to deal with, always having the interest of their patrons at heart, and whatever they buy from the Bowers family, must suit them.

They are all progressive young

1903. Population at that time was zero. The present population in 1954, I should guess at eight thousand. The growth over the past fifty years has been gradual except 1950 and 1951, oil also as well as the oil companies jumped to the conclusion that a large part of the county would be an oil field. So many spent their money in Brownfield, and many new people moved in, and the town was on a boom for a year or so. It just about doubled in population. The oil field was smaller than expected, and the town has settled back to its usual growth.

What will the next fifty years bring? Many of us will not be here to see but we remain optimistic.

Your neighbor,
A. M. Brownfield

BROWN & DEAN PARTNERSHIP BEGAN IN 1944

Brown and Dean Nash Agency started in Brownfield as a repair shop in 1944, with Wayne Brown and L. H. Dean as partners. They took over the Nash Agency, Sept. 23, 1949, opening first at 720 West Main, which is now the Studebaker House, and moved to their present location at 701 West Main in February, 1950.

Dean was born in Illinois and came here in 1940. He and his wife, the former Miss Genell Auburg, who came here in 1943 from Quitaque, live at 205 East Buckley. He has lived in Sundown, Slaton, and Lubbock, and has always been interested in mechanics and cars. He was formerly a mechanic for Burl Hahn, and Brown was shop foreman. Mrs. Dean is the daughter of Mrs. Ruth Auburg and the late F. D. Auburg.

Brown came here from Mississippi in 1925 and married the former Miss Lura Hogue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hogue, in the same year. She came from Tyler in 1919, and they have one son, Wayne, Jr., who lives in Carlsbad.

Mrs. J. L. Randal, Miss Margaret Bell, Mrs. Gaster Spencer, and Mrs. W. A. Bell, all of Brownfield, filled the car up Tuesday and headed west for a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Eakin, Jr., and Ronny, of Brownfield, visited in Tulsa, Monday, with her sister, Mrs. Neal Jennings, husband, and son.

people, standing for better schools, churches, and clubs, and community betterment in general. In this they were always encouraged by their parents, who brought them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Fair Dept. Store Began in 1925

The first Fair Department Store originated in Lamesa in 1925 and the company now has ten stores, the eleventh scheduled to open soon at the old Dunlap location in Lubbock, having as its president R. N. Koyal, of Lamesa.

The local store was opened about ten years ago and has as its manager, F. S. (Doc) Burda, who has been working in the dry goods business for 24 years. He came here in 1947 from Waco and has been the local manager since 1951. Burda and his wife, who works in the store, have two sons, Chris, 20, pre-med student, and Donald, 14 years.



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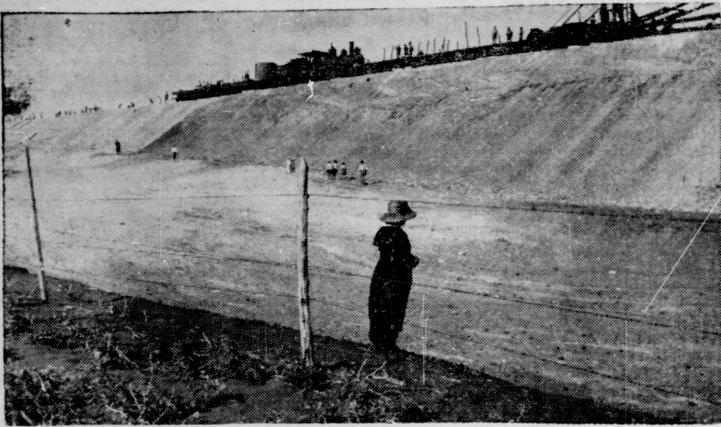
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V. F. W. AUXILIARY TO HAND BROS. POST NO. 6794 HOLDS INSTALLATION

By MRS. H. B. PARKS

On May 27, 1947, the Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to Hand Bros Post No. 6794, received their obligation. The meeting was called to order by President Bennie Jackson of Lubbock, Texas. The following officers were installed by Ruth McDonald, department junior vice president, who declared the Auxiliary duly instituted and installed: President, Mrs. Pate (Oneida) Collier; senior vice president, Mrs. W. D. (Ann) Dugger; junior vice president, Mrs. Gay (Ethel) Price; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Odell (Louise) Sears; chaplain, Mrs. H. B. Vergil (Bernice) Crawford; conductress, Mrs. Joe Frank (Ferol) Krizek; guard, Mrs. H. L. (Faye Marie) King; Trustees: 1 year, Mrs. E. E. (Joyce) Baker; 2 years, Mrs. Harmon (Kathleen) Howze; 3 years, Mrs. Homer (Doris) Lackey; color bearers, No. 1, Mrs. E. E. (Joyce) Baker; No. 2, Mrs. Harmon (Kathleen) Howze; No. 3, Mrs. Oscar (Dorothy) Decker; No. 4, Mrs. Homer (Doris) Lackey; flag bearer, Mrs. Leon (Nellie Marie) Proctor; banner bearer, Mrs. Sam (Billie Jean) Brian; historian, Mrs. K. D. (Beryl) Sadleir; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Allen E. (Oris) Criswell.

Charter members were Mrs. E. E. (Joyce) Baker, Mrs. Sam (Billie

Jean) Brian, Mrs. Pate (Oneida) Collier, Mrs. H. B. Vergil (Bernice) Crawford, Mrs. Allen E. (Oris) Criswell, Mrs. Oscar (Dorothy) Decker, Mrs. W. D. (Ann) Dugger, Mrs. Harmon (Kathleen) Howze, Mrs. H. L. (Faye Marie) King, Mrs. Joe Frank (Ferol) Krizek, Mrs. Homer (Doris) Lackey, Mrs. Gay (Ethel) Price, Mrs. Leon (Nellie Marie) Proctor, Mrs. K. D. (Beryl) Sadleir, and Mrs. Odell (Louise) Sears.

The first president, Mrs. Pate (Oneida) Collier, asked for a motion to establish a night for the meetings of the Auxiliary. The motion was made and carried that the meeting nights of the Auxiliary would be the second and fourth Tuesday nights of each month. The meeting nights are still scheduled as originally set, the first meeting of the month being a business session, and the second meeting, a social meeting combined with the members of the VFW. Commander Tom Everhart, of Post No. 2466, Lubbock, Texas, congratulated the new Auxiliary and instructed the newly instituted organization in the correct manner to give "Parade Rest." Cecil Hill, the Commander of Hand Brothers Post No. 6794, Brownfield, Texas, pledged support of the home post to the Auxiliary.

The Western Grain And Farm Store

The Western Grain Store was started in 1951, when Mr. and Mrs. Joe Christian moved to Brownfield from Lubbock. Mr. Christian had been connected with a feed store in Lubbock, and of course knew all about the proper feeds for both livestock and chickens. The firm was first known as the Western Grain Store and Chicken Hatchery. It was located in the Joe Chisholm building on the Lubbock highway.

In January, 1952, Christian bought the Val Garner Feed Store and Grain Elevators at Fifth and Stewart streets, and re-named it the Western Grain Co. and Farm Store. Christian was reared in Seagraves, and his wife, the former Miss Addie Lee Terrell, was reared in Lubbock, and both are products of Texas Tech. They have two daughters, Mary Jo, 13, and Gene, 12. The family resides at 315 E. Oak.

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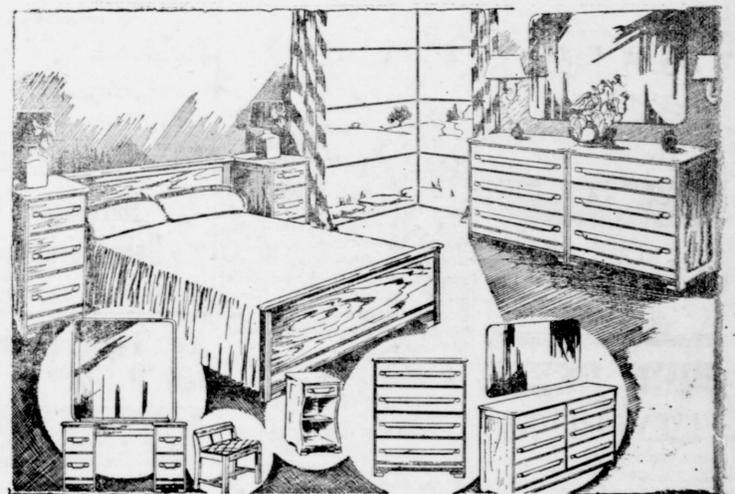
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—Terry County Herald.

Terry Posse Rides In Spur Parade

Terry County Sheriff's Posse was among area groups riding in the parade Wednesday at Spur, which opened the four-day Spur Cowboy Jubilee. The Terry group competed against the Fisher County Sheriff's Posse, Wednesday night in opening the first of the nightly palmetto polo games.

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But Henry returned to town in 1939, and put in a store where the Kyle Grocery is now located, but in 1944 he sold to J. B. Stevens, and returned to the farm for two years, 1945-46. In October, 1946, he bought the Drew Hobby Grocery at Broadway and First, where he remained until 1950.

Four years ago, he moved into his present location at the southeast corner of the square, in the

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Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Spencer and daughter, Sydney, of Lubbock, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wier, 905 East Lake, Thursday.

Mrs. Lorane Casey is a new resident of Brownfield, having moved here from Waco. She is employed as an operator at the Cinderella Shampoo Bar, and lives at 219 W. Stewart.

POLITICAL

The following are candidates for the Democratic Nomination for the various offices at the primary, July 24, 1954:

For Representative, 19th Congressional District:
GEORGE H. MAHON

For State Representative, 98th District:
J. O. GILLHAM

For District Judge, 106th Judicial District:
JUDGE LEWIS B. REED

For District Attorney, 106th Dist.:
VERNON TOWNES

For County Attorney:
MORGAN L. COPELAND

For County Judge:
HERBERT CHESSHIR

For Sheriff, Terry County:
W. L. (Chick) LEE
ROY FLEMING

For Assessor and Collector Taxes:
DON CATES

For County Clerk:
WADE YANDELL

For County School Superintendent:
ELMER BROWNLEE

For District Clerk:
MRS. ELDORA A. WHITE
MRS. THEDA BAGGETT

For County Treasurer:
MRS. O. L. (Oscar) JONES
PRECINCT OFFICERS

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1:
EARL MCNIEL
W. L. (Doc) BENTON

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:
CARL STEPHENSON

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:
MRS. B. R. (Anne Bell) LAY
ELDON CORNELIUS

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4:
R. L. (Bob) BURNETT
E. D. (Edd) DUNCAN

For Constable, Precinct No. 1:
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For Justice of Peace (Brownfield):
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Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mosier and three children, from San Diego, Calif., are visiting this week with his sister, Mrs. Dick Chisholm, and other relatives. The Mosiers were former residents here about 14 years ago.

Miller Is Candidate For FFA Lone Star

Max Miller, Brownfield Future Farmer of America student, and Area Two's candidate for State Lone Star Farmer, is among FFA boys from all corners of Texas attending the FFA annual state convention at San Antonio, which began Wednesday and is continuing through today, Friday.

Highlights of the convention were downtown parade, fun night at the Plaza Hotel, and individual sightseeing trips, with business sessions and educational exhibits being at the Plaza Hotel.

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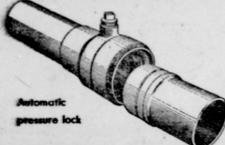
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In accordance with the provisions of Article 212 of the Texas Election Code, notice is hereby given of the hour and place for holding precinct conventions in and for Terry County, Texas, for the Democratic Party of said county.

All precinct conventions will be

held at 2:00 o'clock p.m., on July 24, 1954.

The convention for Precinct No. 1 will be held in the District Courtroom in the Courthouse at Brownfield, Texas.

The convention for Precinct No. 2 will be held in the Assembly Room at Jesse G. Randal School, Brownfield, Texas.

The convention for Precinct No. 3 will be held in the basement of the Courthouse in Brownfield, Texas.

The convention for Precinct No. 4 will be held in the Grand Jury Room of the Courthouse in Brownfield, Texas.

Each precinct is allowed one vote in the County Convention for each 25 votes, or major fraction thereof, cast for Governor in the last General Election, and may elect one delegate to the County Convention accordingly.

The precincts will be allowed the following delegates to the County Convention:

Precinct No. 1—56 delegates.
Precinct No. 2—37 delegates.
Precinct No. 3—14 delegates.
Precinct No. 4—19 delegates.

The Terry County Democratic Party Convention will be held in the District Court Room at the Courthouse in Brownfield on the 31st day of July, A. D., 1954, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

BURTON G. HACKNEY,
Chairman Terry County Democratic Executive Committee.

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas—
GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Terry County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To: Mary Jane Ramirez Perales, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY Commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court of Terry County, at the Courthouse thereof, in Brownfield, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 6th day of September A. D., 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 2nd day of February A. D., 1954, in this cause, numbered 4314 on the docket of said court and styled A. C. Perales, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Jane Ramirez Perales, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce on grounds of adultery, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court at Brownfield, Texas, this 20th day of July A. D. 1954.

Attest: **ELDORA A. WHITE,**
(SEAL) Clerk, District Court,
(41) Terry County, Texas.

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Sexton Drapery And Upholstery Covers Wide Area

The Sexton Drapery and Upholstery Shop was opened in a small building at 921 West Main, September 4, 1950.

Mrs. Ina Sexton had lived on the farm four and one half miles northwest of town with her husband, T. G. Sexton, and they had raised their four children to adulthood.

All were married now and Ina just had to put her driving energy into something. "Just had to get busy making things." None of her family agreed to her starting to work, but as she said, "she just had to." She had always been of an artistic nature and had a natural talent for interior decorating.

so she started making custom drapery for some of her friends. One thing led to another and she finally got into the business full swing—at last she had a chance to express herself in her work.

Today she is located at 102 East Tate and even though the building and location is quite nice, she just doesn't have enough room to take care of her business. She has an office in Lovington, N. M., and goes over there regularly every Tuesday. Some weeks, she spends several days there to fulfill her appointments. She has decorated many lovely homes in Lovington, Hobbs, Seagraves, Seminole, Denver City, and Dimmitt, to say nothing of the work she has done here in Brownfield.

Her personnel consists of Mrs. E. M. McBe, Mrs. T. A. Wartes, Mrs. Doyle Crowder, and her husband, T. G., helps her a lot and is happy about her work now.

The shop features everything in the home decorating line, such as carpeting, wall paper, cut glass, milk glass, bamboo drapery, pictures, custom drapes, curtains, bedspreads, pillows, etc.

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LAST, BUT NOT LEAST FOLKS, here are the Offsprings—We thought it was going to be rather hard to get 17-year-old Jack Taylor Stricklin to pose for a photo with his little brother, sister, and cousin, but we made it OK. We wanted the second generation of the Herald family, to show the readers. Left to right, are Master Robert Stricklin, 7; Sara Beth Trigg, 4 on August 5th; Jack Taylor Stricklin, 17; and Mary Ann, 5.

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TV Schedule for
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US approves commercial flights
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SIAMESE TWINS HERE JULY 27-28

HILTON SISTERS OF SAN ANTONIO will appear in person at the Rustico Drive In, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, in connection with their starring movie, "Chained For Life." The twins are on their 28th tour of the US and have appeared in every country except Japan, China and Russia. They are both married, but their husbands are not on tour with them. Violet is the brunette and Daisy is the blond, and although welded by a caprice of nature, the girls are two completely different personalities. But two things that they do have in common are that each likes to get up early in the morning, usually at 7, and both like to walk, which they do surprisingly well together.

Brownfield Bargain Center Has Expanded Greatly Since 1935

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kirschner, of Kansas City, Mo., moved to Brownfield in 1935, and opened the Brownfield Bargain Center in the building on the southwest corner of the square, later known as the Factory Outlet Store.

In the spring of 1951 they remodeled and moved to their present location on the corner of Sixth and Broadway.

In 1943, their son, Martin Kirschner, who had practiced law for 13 years in Kansas City, joined the firm and helped manage it until he moved to Stamford, Texas, in the fall of 1945, and opened

Martin's Department Store there.

In April, 1946, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kirschner moved to Brownfield. He had been in the Army for six years, and had served overseas in the Pacific and Philippine theatres. He had reached the rank of Lieutenant Colonel of an artillery unit. Prior to the army career he had practiced law for five years in Oklahoma City.

In 1948, Martin's Dept. Store opened in Lamesa. In 1949 Martin's Department Store opened in Plainview. In 1951, Lane's Department Store opened in Littlefield. And in the spring of 1955, Martin's Department Store opened in Tyler, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kirschner have made their home in Lubbock since 1950. Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kirschner also live in Lubbock. The office of the chain of stores

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87th Birthday Celebrated By Mrs. Abernathy

Mrs. Winnie Abernathy observed her 87th birthday, July 15, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jim Griffith, and husband, 208 W. West Main. Her son, Melvin Abernathy, and wife, and Mrs. Ruth Abernathy, wife of Marvin Abernathy, who died last month, were

in Plainview, in the same building with the Martin's Department Store branch there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kirschner reside at 504 East Tate. They have two daughters, Barbara Kay, 11, and Sherril Jane, five and a half. Jerry Kirschner received his AB degree at the University of Oklahoma, and his law degree at the University of Missouri. Mrs. Kirschner, Dorothy, to her friends, also attended the University of Oklahoma.

There was a shower of gifts and

cards from other relatives and friends, making it a nice birthday.

Mrs. Abernathy, who had been living in Coleman County since 1908, and recently made her home with another daughter, Mrs. Mary McKee, is now living with the Griffiths in Brownfield. She was born in Alabama, but came to Texas as a child. She and her late husband, M. C. Abernathy, raised nine children and took part in the betterment of community life, especially in the public schools and church. She was a teacher in the church school of the Baptist Church and he a deacon for about 30 years.

She still goes to church and ever advises her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in the straight and narrow way of Christian living. She has suffered a fractured hip twice, taking grave determination ever to walk again.

Her main hobbies are knitting and crocheting, writing letters to her big family, and recently is playing dominoes with family and friends. She very strongly believes that a fellow should keep working at something, and too, it affords

John Brown Sends In Buck For a Paper

Had a letter this week from John M. Brown of Amarillo, who seems to be working for the J. C. Crouch Grain Co. Brown grew up in old Meadow, later Prairieview community of old Terry, and wanted a copy of the 50 Anniversary edition. He enclosed \$1.

Many of the old timers will remember the Brown family. He stated he went to school to our brother, J. T. Stricklin, "the best teacher I ever had," he stated. Well, here she comes, John.

The number of cattle and calves slaughtered in Texas for the first four months of 1954 is higher than for the same period in 1953, while hog slaughter was down.

First US combination ore-oil ship goes to owners.

Hydrocortisone is found to repress growth of cells.

her a lot of gifts to others, which she enjoys.

SAM WHITE

Will Appreciate Your Vote
Tomorrow . . .
FOR
Justice of Peace

McNIEL THANKS THE VOTERS

I take this means to thank the voters of Commissioners' Precinct No. 1, of Terry County, for their help and co-operation in the past. I hope for a continuation of your help, as well as your vote Saturday, July 24th.

Have tried to see all the voters of the precinct, but if I have missed you it was not intentional.

EARL McNIEL

NOTICE

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MORE DETAILS GIVEN ON ACTUAL ORGANIZATION OF COUNTY GOV'T.

A meeting of the citizens of Terry County was called at Gomez on Jan. 30, 1904, for the purpose of discussing and acting if necessary, on the question of officially organizing the county.

House was called to order and the object of the meeting was stated by J. T. Gainer, after which the group elected W. H. Gist as chairman, and W. P. Florence as secretary.

Speeches on the subject of organization were made by Messrs. Gainer, McPherson, and Ford, all of whom were of the opinion it would be to the county's advantage to organize at an early date.

A motion was made that the consensus of the group's opinion be taken on the question of organizing Terry County about June 1. Result of the vote was 42 favoring and 18 opposing.

After the initial meeting on the organization question, controversy raged throughout the area. Representative of the opposing faction was the following letter from E. S. McNairy, who resided at Siam, Texas.

Jan. 31, 1904.

Terry County Voice:

"I send in a short communication as per request I attended the mass meeting at the school house and heard some interesting talks made on the subject of the early organization of Terry County. Now, while I may differ from those parties who spoke in favor of same, yet it is with utmost deference to their opinions. As I simply attended to hear the people that were in favor of such action express themselves on the subject, I was contented to be silent and listen to what was said, and I certainly gave those parties credit for a fair presentation of the question as they see it. The only point on which, as I see it, they were particularly in error, is that the affairs of the newly organized county could or would be run in such a way as to not necessarily increase the burden of taxation, and on this point I am obliged from past experience to differ. This being the only lamp by which I think we can safely be guided. I have been a resident of what has been termed western Texas for more than 30 years, with the exception of three years that I was snow bound in Montana and South Dakota, and have witnessed the first settlement and organization of several counties in the intervening time, and so far have never known of an instance where

the increase spoken of was abbreviated, and don't flatter myself that this instance will be an exception. However, if there are 150 legal voters, who think that the conditions are auspicious for such a move, I shall acquiesce, as I am a staunch believer in the majority rule. Let every one give this matter due consideration, after which he can decide intelligently, and then be governed by his own judgment in the premises and not another's.

"With best wishes for the Voice and speedy return of prosperity to the people of the great west generally, I am fraternally yours,
E. S. McNAIRY."

Staunch supporters of the organization movement spoke out to air their views, and one article by C. W. Duke was carried in the Feb. 19, 1904 issue of The Voice under the heading "Shall We Batch, or Begin Housekeeping?"

"Since organization now seems to be the leading topic in the minds of the people of Terry County, I will contribute my mite.

"The only objections I have heard thus far to organization are: an increase in taxes, and a possibility that within twelve months a railroad might build through our county, move our County Site and thus incur double expense. Whether or not organization would necessarily increase taxation is a mooted question, but granting this contention, would not the benefits accruing and to accrue from organization far outweigh the extra costs? I think so. As I see it, organization is the proper step toward progress, development, the building of schools and churches, and all tending to a higher civilization, and it seems to me that those opposing are consciously or unconsciously placing themselves on record as enemies of these laudable objects. If the benefits of organization are not worth the extra costs it might entail on Terry County, then it is reasonable to infer that the same is true of all other counties in Texas, and hence, we shall make haste to advise all these counties to disband and go to Austin to transact their business. But if this is a good fiscal policy for a county, then why not for a state? So why not do away with all home government and go to Washington and be done with the whole matter? Perhaps our opponents will not care to carry the matter quite so far, but under their premises

where can they stop short and still be logical? If it is a bad fiscal policy for Terry County to organize anytime in the future, and yet we are very likely soon to be paying extra taxes to help build a courthouse at Stanton.

"As to railroads, it is 'possible' one might build through the county within twelve months. It is also 'possible' such a thing might not occur for twelve years; and if built it is 'possible' it might miss a county site if we had one, and 'possible' to pass through a county site if we had one. In short, if we postpone organization until the 'possibilities' of railroad corporations have been exhausted, then the people of Terry County are certainly to be pitied.

From all the foregoing and much more, I am heartily in favor of organization, yet right or wrong I am willing to submit to the decision of a majority of the people.

Respectfully,
C. W. DUKE."

It might be well to say for the record here that not all of the opinions expressed by the two factions were as logically and carefully expressed as these two examples. Tempers ran higher and higher, and foremost among the reasons for ill feeling was the proposed location of the county seat, if and when the county should officially organize. Gomez and Brownfield residents shared many heated arguments in the weeks ahead.

In the May 13, 1904, issue of The Voice appeared the short notice:

"At the May term of the Commissioners Court of Martin County an order was passed for the organization of Terry County. The election of the court house and the county officers will be pulled off June 28."

Published in the June 17 issue was the official election notice:

"Pursuant to an order of the Commissioners Court of Martin County, Texas, of date May 9, 1904. Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Tuesday the 28th day of June, 1904, in election precincts No's 1, 2, 3, and 4, at school house in town of Gomez, at school house near Meadow post office, at school house in town of Brownfield and at Tow hotel in town of Gomez, respectively. All in Terry County, State of Texas, for the purpose of voting for:

"County Judge, Sheriff and Tax Collector, Clerk of the County and District Courts, Tax Assessor, Treasurer, County Attorney, Surveyor, Hide and Animal Inspector, Commissioners for Commissioners precincts No's. 1, 2, 3 and 4, respectively; Contable for justice precincts, No's. 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively; and for location of the county seat."

The last phrase "for location of the county seat" was of more interest by far than the actual officer election. Several of the business and professional men who announced for office began to suspect that the hassle over the Gomez or Brownfield location was going to cause more unpleasantness and discord than they wanted to be a part of, and a number of candidates withdrew from the race.

In modern times, a newspaper would have carried banner headlines concerning the results of such an election, but A. W. Long, proprietor of The Terry County Voice at that time had no wish to incur the wrath of his fellow Gomez businessmen, so when the story appeared in the July 1, 1904, issue of the paper, it came out on page three under the unassuming title "The Election", as follows:

"We failed to get the vote of each candidate, so we give the names of those that were elected to office:

"For county judge, E. S. McNairy and W. N. Copeland tied; For sheriff, J. T. Bess; county clerk, W. T. Dixon; tax assessor, N. L. Nelson; treasurer, A. W. Long; hide and animal inspector, H. B. Parker; commissioner, Pre. No. 1, W. J. Peveler; No. 2, W. H. Gist; No. 3, no candidate entered; No. 4, J. J. Adams.

"And for county seat, Brownfield was elected by 5 votes majority."

This writer especially likes the sentence which follows the county seat statement with no column rule or break: "Another good rain fell here Thursday night," seeming almost to have been tacked on as a blow-soothing afterthought.

Proposals continued for a number of years on staging another election and possibly moving the county seat to Gomez. However, a courthouse was eventually erected at Brownfield, and although most of the old-timers who participated in the original dispute did not forget or change their original

Bynum Has Been Guiding The Shopper For Five Years

Way back when the town was much smaller than presently, Ralph Bynum finished or was kicked out of high school, and accepted a position with the Herald, where as usual in that day and time, he learned the business from A to Z. He remained with the Herald many years, but finally landed down about Pecos, where he labored many years.

At no time during his stay away from Brownfield did Ralph forget the smell of printer's ink, and for some time was foreman of the Pecos Enterprise. He returned to Brownfield some five years ago, and purchased the Shopper's Guide, and has done a general line of job printing in connection. You never have to wait long on a job of printing you take to his shop.

Right here, we wish to say that Ralph has rendered some mighty good help in the time of need on this Golden Anniversary Edition of the Herald. He has done this despite a heavy run of work, especially in his job department, on account of it being the closing weeks of the political campaign.

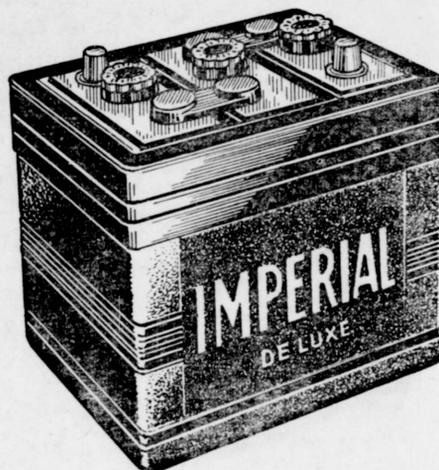
Dunlaps Put Store in Brownfield in 1953

Dunlap Stores have branched out to 28 locations in three states, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Texas. The first store was started in a small way at Eufala, Okla. There are now five in that state; five in New Mexico, and 18 in Texas. The area headquarters has been in Lubbock since 1943, with Mr. Retha Martin as president.

Dunlaps came to Brownfield in 1953, and located in the former Latham Dry Goods store building. In a short time they secured a lease on the Alexander building next door, and the partition walls were removed, giving them a 50x110 foot location, at 511 West Main on the north side of the square. After the remodeling process, this location made a very attractive store.

The present manager, Ken Plotner, came here from Denison, Texas, and has been with the firm six years. He and Mrs. Plotner live at 121 West Broadway.

opinions, time at least cooled the heat of the argument.



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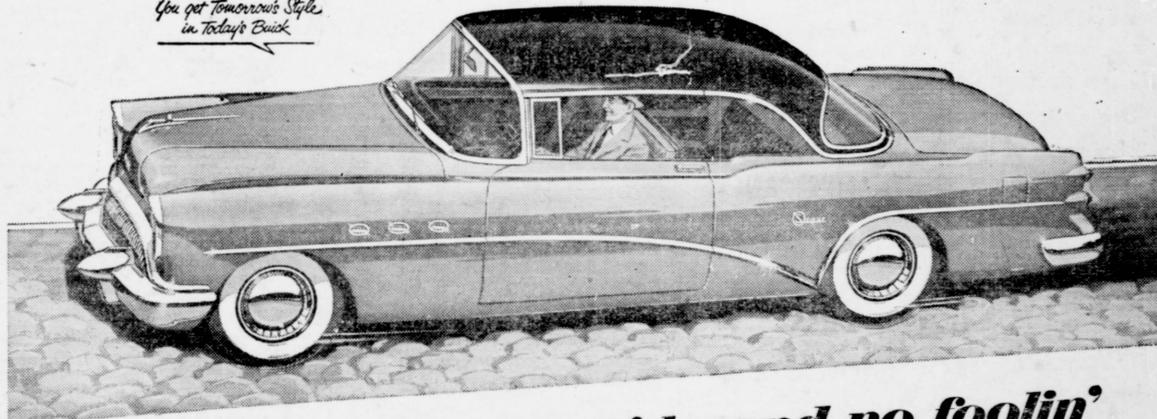
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Only thing for you to do, we believe, is to come try this miracle of motion—and we'll be glad to oblige.

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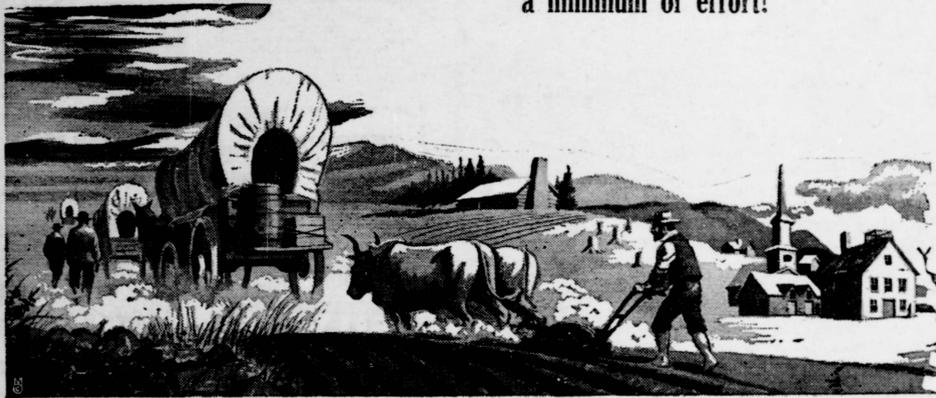
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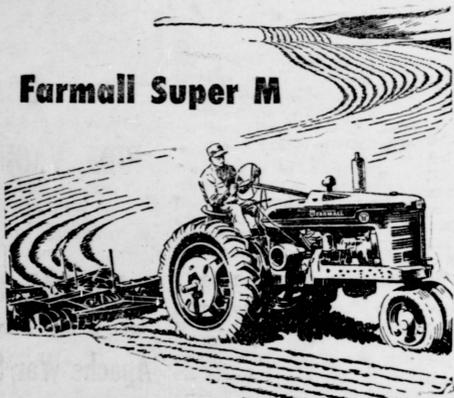
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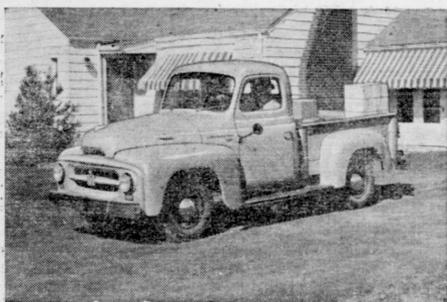
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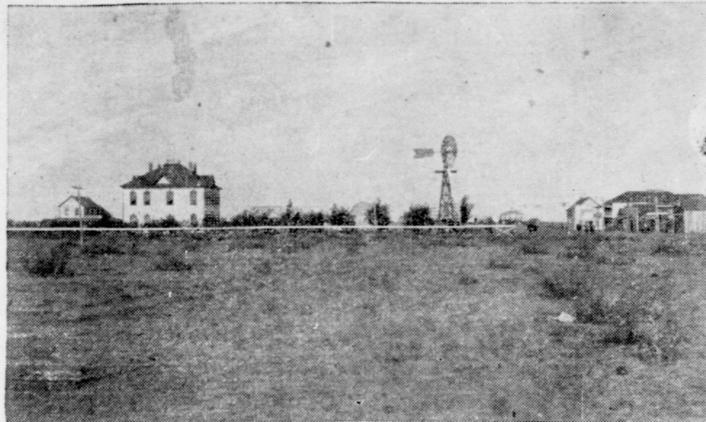


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401 LUBBOCK RD.

Brownfield As It Looked To A Bird's Eye, About 1907



HERE YOU ARE FOLKS—Can you imagine that Brownfield ever looked like the above scene? This view is from the east side of the square, then vacant lots, looking west at the courthouse. The building at the extreme left is the first Brownfield Mercantile building. You can see the dim outline of the few other buildings on the west side of the square, including the Alexander and Holden buildings, and the Longbrake Hardware. The building in the dim distance is the old school building, located about where Farmers Gin No. 2 is now located. The two 2-stories nearer, are the old Randal Drug and Postoffice, Hill Hotel, where Cobb's Store now stands, a land office, a small grocery, and the little old telephone office spoken of elsewhere in this paper in the telephone writeup.

ROSS HAS BEEN HERE 20 YEARS— HE STILL LIKES

You might say that mostly the road of C. E. Ross since he landed in old Terry 20 years ago, plus, has been smooth. True there has been bumps, and at times a bit rugged, but most business men expect such experiences. The worst part of the 20 years, according to Ross, as he reminisces back, was during War II, when parts for repairs were many times hard as heck to get. In some instances, he spent more for phone calls trying to locate a wanted part than the repair bill came to. But that was just one of the headaches that business men must face, occasionally.

As we understood Mr. Ross, he came here as a clerk, but the auto business had a pull on him like a magnet. He has handled sev-

eral makes of cars, but of course finally settled on the Pontiac, and GMC trucks. And he has been located at several places, first where Jack Hamilton's tire business is presently. Then down where the Brown & Dean Nash is now located. He then built and later sold the present location of Sammy Teague to the Teague interests, and built a larger place on the west end of the same 700 block on West Broadway. This was the home of Ross Motor Company for many years.

This year, this plant was leased to the General Telephone Co. for a warehouse for the western division, and Ross sought out a new plant on the Lubbock Road, where he would have plenty room to grow and spread. There was already a nice building on the north side of the large plot, for show rooms, offices and repairs. But since he shifted to that location, he has added another large building on the south side of the block. In between is the used car lots, and what have you? C. E. didn't

say so to us, but it appears he is permanently at home. Can't always tell, however. Some guy betted not offer him a good profit.

The fact that C. E. Ross, came, saw, stayed and made good, is all in the past, and most of us are well aware of that. Further, Ross is a likeable man, and has an excellent family. And while he is a good business man, he gets as big a chuckle over something laughable as the next man, and he's just so nice to one, that you naturally have a hankering to know him better. After his schooling, his son, Mack, decided to enter business along with his dad here in the old home town, and took on the management of Western Pump and Supply part of the business, and we want to say here and now Mack is making a wheel horse of a salesman and partner for his dad.

Finally, we might all that with his some 20 years of close attention to business, he has managed to accumulate, something other than his business and home. He is

Farmers Implement Company Moves Once in 16 Years

The Farmers Implement Co., was established at the corner of Hill & 8th streets, by T. C. Edwards as its owner and manager. It was located in what later was called the Money Price Building. In 1938, J. K. Applewhite of Tahoka, bought the business, and in 1943 moved the business to the present location at 401 Lubbock Road.

In 1946, Applewhite's two sons-in-law, Prentice Walker and Sam Privitt, both of Tahoka, bought out Mr. Applewhite, and continued as partners in the firm until 1950, when Walker bought the interests of Privitt and became sole owner. The Walkers reside at 617 E. Tate, and have two children, Jimmy 17, and Jill, 12.

Harold Stice has been with the firm for five years, as parts manager and bookkeeper. He is a student at Texas Tech College. He married the former Miss Claudine Garrett, of this city, and they have two children, Bobby Glenn, 7; and Cheryl Ann, 2.

F. A. Echols, the service foreman, has been with the company since 1945. Morris Pate has been with them for two years as parts and service man.

14-MONTH-OLD ROPES CHILD IS POLIO VICTIM

Esmerelda Juarez, 14-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Juarez, who live one mile west of Ropes, was diagnosed Monday, by Dr. Wayne C. Hill, as having polio.

She was rushed to the West Texas Polio Center at Plainview and at the time she was checked here, she was doing fairly well, but there was almost complete paralysis of both legs.

Sensors propose reducing or halting US aid to India.

presently a director and stockholder of the First National Bank, a working member of the First Baptist Church, a Mason and Rotarian. We are glad to add that he does not just have his name on these rolls, but is a working member of each of them.



THIS WAS THE "RAMBLER" THAT FIRST
CAME TO THE PLAINS

... BUT THIS IS THE ONE WE RIDE IN TODAY—

New 1954 Nash Rambler Four-Door Sedan



The completely new 1954 Nash Rambler four-door sedan shown above is a compact custom car on a 108-inch wheelbase. It is styled by Pinin Farina, foremost European designer of custom-built cars. The luxurious new model offers traditional Rambler economy, performance, comfort and ease of handling, with greater rear seat and luggage compartment

roominess. It is powered by the improved six-cylinder L-head "Super Flying Scot" engine, developing 90 horsepower. The regular factory delivered price includes an attractive continental rear tire mount; Weather Eye conditioned air system, radio, electric clock, directional signals, custom upholstery and trim, and other deluxe features.

BROWN & DEAN NASH CO.

701 W. MAIN



LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON—Ronny Daniell, pictured at right, and Roscoe Treadaway, have made the initial start toward a medical career, and continue the family tradition as both of their fathers are doctors. Roscoe, a sophomore pre-med student at Kemper Military Institute at Booneville, Mo., is the son of Dr. T. L. Treadaway, whose late father was a pioneer doctor here. Ronny, sophomore pre-med student at Baylor University, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Daniell. The two students are working at the Treadaway-Daniell Hospital during the vacation months to gain practical experience and both of them are enthusiastic about their future studies. They are shown above looking over equipment in the operating room of the local hospital. (Staff Photo.)

FIRSTS



By Mrs. A. Redford Smith

As I greet the Herald on this its half century of progress I am reminded of many first things included in the happenings of those first years. One would think that for a band of young people those days would be dull and lifeless. But reminiscing we shall see that they bravely arose to face the need for recreation and when the gang got together there was never a dull moment and they all contrived to make each occasion one to be remembered.

There was very little opportunity for church worship. The occasions being rare visits by itinerant ministers who seldom came this far. They were always received in a cordial manner and the young people rendered them what assistance they could.

The first religious service was held in the old Love residence. Of the older people the children and grown-ups there were 24 at the services, only 2 cowboys failed to come. These firsts will remain in our memory long after progress has erased the hardships of that day.

Our recreation consisted of parties, picnics, dancing and the good old fashioned barbecue. When the first courthouse was completed, old and young alike assembled upon the court house square to celebrate with a barbecue and the choice table viands which the ladies were so adept at preparing, and to dance, in which parents, children, grandpa and grandma took part.

When the first automobile came to Brownfield two furrows were ploughed from the courthouse in Brownfield to where the Methodist Church was in Gomez and the automobile followed those furrows. The late M. V. Brownfield was host on this occasion offering the young people rides. Quite a few took advantage of the invitation and rode almost 15 miles an hour on the speed demon, and got back safely. This was repeated on the first aeroplane to come to Brownfield. Many took the ride.

Once when the Jackrabbits had been destroying portions of the crops and the businessmen had offered to pay 25c bounty on each pair of rabbit ears. The boys and girls went out on the hunt for them and soon returned with one dozen scalps, which were readily

bought by Doek Powell, one of our local merchants. Out again went the minnows reportedly for more rabbit scalps, but it was learned that they had perpetuated a hoax on the merchant that he had paid them twice for the same scalps. When Doek went to place them with the others, they were gone. Then the hoax was admitted, the money was returned and a good laugh was enjoyed by all. Doek Powell included, who was also one of the gang, who was alone one of the gang.

Again having nothing to do they planned to have someone go in to buy a casket. The plan was to have some member of the gang to be in the casket and to raise up when it was opened for the purchaser's inspection, but when they were ready for the joke, it was found that no member of the crowd was willing to lie down in the casket. So as there were no takers the joke was abandoned.

The writer being the guitar player for a small band of musicians was often invited to parties, but always with the injunction to bring the git fiddle. I most always complied, but one night I purposely left it at the home of Mrs. Spencer, Hal Gambrell's aunt. As we lined up and started, down the line could be heard, "Dory, do whereupon Hal Gambrell found you have your git fiddle," that I had purposely left it behind, lifted me to his broad shoulders and carried me back to get it. He was a fine fellow but always forgot to go home at 10 o'clock. A company of girls were spending the night with him and after I had told him it was bed time and he wouldn't go, I began unlacing my shoes, whereupon he ran out, but he made noise enough that we knew he was there when we went to the door he was simulating his knuckles snoring (a favorite pastime of his). He was induced with the threat of a bucket of water to go home.

For one occasion I had a new dress with white polkadots and was unable to get a pair of white shoes at the store. I purchased a pair from the wife of the post master. These had been her wedding shoes, size 2, (my feet were No. 3). Not realizing that my feet were hurting until I came over the steps to the old courtyard, I told Luke Robinson who had asked to carry my git fiddle home for me, that my feet were hurting and he said his were too and proposed that we both take our shoes off and go barefoot. So we did.

I never liked my name so I was affectionately called Dory. Many times when any mischief was perpetuated and the culprit was sought all down the line, you could hear them call Dory.

When the Maids and Matrons decided upon a name for the club, the only Maid was Dory. Two other girls who had promised to be in the organization got cold feet and failed to show up. So there were eight matrons and Dory. Ed and Elina Neil and myself worked on the first Herald fesse. I was also the first County Treasurer of Terry County.

Then the first train to run

into town was met by our motly but much loved gang. There was the time when we ordered 800 pounds of ice and were to have ice cream. The ice, by the time it arrived, was all about melted and we had to settle for lemonade.

As has been stated before, Mrs. J. L. Randal was the first teacher in Brownfield.

Yes, and there was a first wedding and having no church building at that time, the ceremony was performed in the school building and as there were no flowers or ferns with which to decorate, the altar was quickly improvised and the boys cut bear grass and placed around the rostrum while the girls borrowed some floral garlands from a nearby millinery store and they festooned them around the top of white curtains draped so as to hide the roughness of the walls. The effect was pretty and proved that even with that modest setting they could be just as happily married as they of these modern times.

4-Year-Old Girl Is Victim of Polio

Jo Ann Kerrick, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lon C. Kerrick, of Plains, was taken to the West Texas Polio Center at Plainview, Tuesday morning after she was diagnosed by Dr. T. L. Treadaway as having polio.

Doctors at the clinic informed the parents that the child had some paralysis of the right side of her face, and stiffness of the neck. When the parents left the clinic the doctors stated there was no evidence of paralysis of the child's arms, legs, or any other part of the body.

Her parents and two sisters, ages 6 and 8, were inoculated with gamma globulin, Wednesday.

To The Voters of Precinct No. 4:

To the Citizens of Terry County, and the voters of Precinct No. 4: I wish to take this means of expressing my thanks and appreciation to the citizens of Terry County for their cooperation the past two years while I have served you as Commissioner of Precinct 4. I appreciate very much the courtesies shown me by all the people of Precinct No. 4 while canvassing for re-election.

If you see fit to re-elect me as your Commissioner for another term, I assure you it will be appreciated, and I will continue to serve you to the best of my abilities. Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

R. L. (BOB) BURNETT.

NOTICE!

We are sorry we were compelled by lack of space to leave out several articles and pictures scheduled to go in this edition, but we will have a supplement next week, which you may add to your copy of this Golden Anniversary edition.

Miss Ida Doss, of Mineral Wells, dropped in to see us for a few minutes, yesterday. She is visiting her brother, Tom Doss, and sister, Mrs. J. R. Garrison.

Louise Brough and Hoad take London tennis titles.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, ESTABLISHED IN 1919; NOW UNDERGOING EXPENSIVE 'FACE-LIFTING' JOB ON BANK BUILDING

(Written in 1937)

The first National Bank of Brownfield was organized in 1919, and is housed in a well-built brick building.

R. M. Kendrick, president, first came to this section of the country in 1903 from Bosque County, "just hunting a good country," as he expressed it. For several years he farmed in Yoakum County on bonus land, which was school land that had to be settled and developed for three years before ownership was possible. After farming for several years, Mr. Kendrick taught school at Scudday for a year, being the first teacher of that school. In 1908, Mr. Kendrick married Helen Cunningham, a member of one of Terry County's pioneer families.

Mr. Kendrick began his banking career in Gomez at the Gomez State Bank in 1903. In 1909, following the depression, this bank was moved to Plains by a change of charter and name, and was called the First State Bank of Plains. This bank continued until 1924 when it was liquidated and its depositors paid.

In August, 1919, the First National Bank of Brownfield was organized. H. H. Longbrake was president and Mr. Kendrick was active vice president and cashier. It was organized with a capacity of \$25,000. Temporary quarters were taken in the building where Burnett's Bakery is now located. In the following January, Mr. Kendrick was made president, and in March the new brick building, which now houses the bank, was built.

First directors of the bank were Mr. Longbrake, Mr. Kendrick, J. F. Winston, D. J. Broughton, and J. C. Scudday.

Tom May was the first depositor in the First National Bank of Brownfield.

Personnel of the bank includes W. R. McDuffie, cashier; Clovis, Spencer, and Richard Kendrick, sons of Mr. Kendrick, and Barton McPherson.

Since eastern New Mexico is without banking facilities, many people in that section, as well as in Lynn, Dawson, Gaines, and Yoakum counties do their banking with the First National Bank here.

Mr. McDuffie, cashier, began his banking career in Dallas during the war. He was connected with the Dallas County State Bank, and later was with the First National Bank in Breckenridge, and the First National Bank in Ranger. He came here from Ennis, in Ellis County, in 1924, with six years of banking experience. Since his years spent here he now has a total of 18 years banking experience. Mr. McDuffie is active in civic enterprises and is a member of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Masonic Lodge and the Rotary Club.

The First National Bank of Brownfield is a modern banking institution, offering reliable service to the people of this area. Because it feels itself a part of Brownfield's recent development and because it is grateful for courtesies extended, the Bank and Mr. Kendrick and Mr. McDuffie take this opportunity of congratulating Terry County on its marvelous growth and progress.

The First National Bank Since 1937

In 1937, deposits were \$750,000.00 and capital structure was \$100,000.00. In 1938, John J. Kendrick and R. V. Moreman were employed. During the war years several other employees were added, among whom were Lorelle Bailey, a former employee; Ruth Ramseur, Maude Bailey and several others.

In 1946, Spencer Kendrick, son of the founder of the bank, died, and in 1950, his father passed on. The present board of directors are: C. K. Kendrick, chairman; Frank Ballard, Bobbie Field, John J. Kendrick, executive vice president; Dennis Q. Lilly, vice president; Jess H. McWhorter, L. J. Richardson, Jr., cashier; L. E. Ross, and W. B. Tudor, president. Other officers are S. J. Dixon, inactive vice president; Leonard M. Ellington, assistant vice president; Lillian Cameron, Frank Gorton, and Pat McMillian, assistant cashiers.

The bank is present improving and modernizing the building's exterior, and on August 9th, will celebrate its 35th anniversary. The First National Bank has a capital structure of \$450,000.00 and deposits of \$7,000,000.00. A high in deposits of \$7,000,000.00 was reached in the fall of 1951.

Shelton's Has Made "Quality Apparel" Store's Chief Aim

The firm of Shelton's Quality Apparel was first opened in February of 1946, at 121 North 5th St., across from the post office by Mrs. Joe Shelton, a resident of the area for many years, who was Ida Mae Pippin before her marriage.

In February of 1952, the business was moved to the present location at 406 West Main with much larger quarters, and the stock was increased in the ladies and childrens and infants lines to around \$25,000, as compared with an opening stock in 1946, of \$4,000.

Former employees of the firm are Dorothy Bynum, Mrs. Ray Halley, Mrs. O. D. Rhea, Mrs. Eula Lewis, Mrs. Ethel Tucker, Mrs. T. M. Drennon, Mrs. J. C. Hunter and Mrs. W. R. McDuffie. Present personnel of the firm consists of Mrs. Hattie Bish, Yula Beaver, and Mrs. Horace Fox, and the owner and manager, Mrs. Joe Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelton reside at 910 East Broadway and have two children, Lyle, who is a senior student at Texas Tech, having attended two years at Texas Western; and Joan, who attended Texas Christian University one year.

Plumber Severely Burned By Heater

L. G. Green, of Seagraves, is recovering at the local hospital from severe burns he received on July 13, while working on a butane hot water heater in Seagraves.

Green, a plumber, thought that the butane fumes had had time to escape, but when he struck a match, the heater exploded, burning his hands, arms, and face. He was rushed to the local hospital by his wife and it is not known when he will be able to leave the hospital.

"Hoiman" Wheatley Has Green Peas and Beans On His Farm

V. H., or as we call him, "Hoiman" Wheatley, of Brooklynside it a bit, was in this week to get an ad in the Herald, stating he has plenty of green peas and beans at his farm, one mile north of Johnson—but you have to gather them. Herman irrigates, and always has some mighty fine "rosenyears" but stated his corn was not so hot this year.

He also works the land belonging to the Hansbergers, of Columbus, Ohio, near his place. While this is a dry land farm, Herman stated they had a fine crop on the Hansberger land this year.

CORRECTION

We would like to take this opportunity to correct the statement made in the July 16 issue of the Herald concerning the effective date of the increase in local telephone service. The new rates are to go into effect with the July 21 billed in advance, the first bill billed in advance, the first bill on the new rate will cover the period from July 21 to August 21, according to Paul Farrar, district manager.

Nick's Cafe Is The Meeting Place For Local Civic Clubs

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Nicholson, owners of Nick's Cafe, moved here in 1945, from Odessa, where he formerly worked for Sargents Engineering Corp.

In 1949, they bought the Bar-B-Q Pit Cafe, and in 1952 purchased the La Mecca Cafe. In 1953, they bought the corner building at 201 West First, to enlarge the La Mecca, and the name was then changed to Nick's Cafe, and both buildings were remodeled.

All civic clubs hold meetings at the cafe in the banquet room, which was formerly the La Mecca. At present the Nicholson's employ 11 persons, and Mr. Nicholson manages the cafe and Mrs. Nicholson is cashier.

The couple have two children, Don, 25, of Hobbs; Jan, 7; and also have two grandchildren.

City Tailors Owned By Tom Harris

City Tailors is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris, who came here in 1946 from Altus, Okla., and bought the establishment from O. D. Huckabee.

Tom was practically raised in a tailor shop. His wife, Merlene, is the bookkeeper and they live at 805 East Buckley. They were married in Altus, Okla., in 1946, and have one son, Tommy.

Tom served in the Army Air Corps three and one half years, from 1942 to 1945.



MRS. FANNIE MAUPIN

Above is a picture of Mrs. Fannie Maupin, wife of the late Leslie Maupin, who was one of the three contractors for the first courthouse of Terry County. The couple came from Plainview while the courthouse was under construction and for about two months they lived in a tent about a mile north of the wooden courthouse. They decided to make their home here and continued to live here about two years. Mr. Maupin died about twenty years ago at Post. Mrs. Maupin now lives with her sister, Mrs. J. C. Criswell, Sr., at 114 South Second.

Funeral and Burial of 'Uncle Al' Baker

Last week we promised to give more about the death of A. L. "Uncle Al" Baker's death, which occurred about daylight last Thursday morning in the local hospital. This fine old gentleman and family came to Terry from Parker County way back in 1927, when the county was young, and their home was a favorite gathering place for old and young. We attended some of the fine picnics and barbecues held at his place three and a half miles west of Wellman back in the long ago.

The body was carried to Weatherford by the Brownfield Funeral Home, after laying in state here until Friday afternoon. Funeral services were to be held in that city Sunday afternoon, followed by burial in the family cemetery at Newberry.

Survivors are his wife and four sons, Luke of Brownfield; Claude of Whittier, Calif.; and Glenn, William, and Lynn, of Lubbock. Also six daughters, Mrs. S. R. Loe and Mrs. R. E. Caffey, of Seminole; Mrs. Jessie B. Oliver, Brownfield; Mrs. Bill Howell, Hanford, Calif.; Mrs. Willie Nell Smith, Yakima, Wash.; and Mrs. Evelyn Adair, of Brownfield.

POOL NEWS

Rev. Nipp closed a ten-day revival here Sunday morning with 51 in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Terry, Wanda and Bobbie, spent a few days in Morton last week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crook spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James of New Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Drennon, of Amherst, spent Sunday with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Joplin, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Joplin and children, all of Meadow, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Raney and children of Garland, Texas, visited in the W. M. Joplin home, Wednesday night.

REGAL
DIAL 2616

SUN. & MON., JULY 25-26

CINEMASCOPE

20th Century-Fox presents
3 Coins in the Fountain
COLOR BY DELUXE
In the wonder of 4-track, high-fidelity STEREOPHONIC SOUND

TUES. & WED., JULY 27-28

THE ROMANCE...THE SPECTACLE...
OF THE CRUSADES!

COLUMBIA PICTURES presents
SARACEN BLADE
Starring RICARDO MONTALBAN
Technicolor

THURS., FRI., SAT., 29-30-31

TENSION
...to set your nerves afire!

JOHN PAYNE
LIZABETH SCOTT
DAN DURYEA
in
SILVER LODGE
Technicolor

RIALTO
DIAL 2230

SUN., MON., TUES., WED.,
JULY 25-26-27-28

THAT Picture!
THAT Dance!

HOWARD HUGHES presents
JANE RUSSELL
THE FRENCH LINE
Technicolor
An EDMUND GRAINGER Production

THURS., FRI., SAT., 29-30-31

REX ALLEN
in
Red River Shore
A REPUBLIC PICTURE

Lions to Sponsor Pie Supper and Election Board

An old fashioned box supper or pie supper will be held at the Lions Ball Park, Friday night at 8 o'clock. A public address system will be set up and all candidates for election will have the opportunity to speak.

Ladies are asked to bring box lunches, cakes, and pies to be put up for auction. The proceeds will go to the Lions Club Recreation fund. Concession stands will be open for drinks and candy.

ELECTION RESULT BOARD

The Lions Club is sponsoring an election result board on the courthouse square, on which all state and local election returns will be posted. All people are invited to be present and watch returns as they come in Saturday night.

RUSTIC
DIAL 2505

SUN. & MON., JULY 25-26

RIDE, VAQUERO!
ROBERT TAYLOR
AVA GARDNER

THURSDAY, JULY 29
only

MY PAL GUS

FRI. & SAT., JULY 30-31

Apache War Smoke
GILBERT ROLAND
GLENDA FARRELL

RUSTIC
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, JULY 27-28

IN PERSON - ON STAGE

★ **THE 8TH WONDER OF THE WORLD!** ★

THE SIAMESE TWINS
The HILTON SISTERS
DAISY and VIOLET

The only Siamese Twins in the world making personal appearances on stage! Your once-in-a-lifetime chance to see the Siamese Twins in Person.

See THEM ON OUR STAGE!
HEAR THEIR STORY!
FIND OUT ABOUT THEIR PERSONAL LIVES!

They now reveal the personal and never-before-told story of their fight for love and happiness!

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ON THE SCREEN

The loves and lives of the SIAMESE TWINS
Chained for Life
starring The HILTON SISTERS

50th YEAR
OLDEST BUSINESS
INSTITUTION IN
TERRY COUNTY

VOLUME FIFTY

HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT IS A COMPLETE LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL YARD — 1917 TO 1954

The Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Yard here, under the management of Cecil Smith is one of Brownfield's pioneer business firms. It was built shortly before the railroad came here, in 1917, in its present location. Redge Burnett was the first manager, followed by Mr. Gregg, and H. H. Copeland served in that capacity until February of 1927.

At that time Mr. Smith, after having been first employed by the Higginbotham-Bartlett Company here in October of 1922, and working for the same company at Ropes and other South Plains towns, came back as manager in 1927.

Higginbotham-Bartlett's trade territory extends out of Brownfield to bordering counties in every direction, including parts of Dawson, Lynn, Gaines and Yoakum counties, as well as eastern New Mexico, in addition to the entirety of Terry County.

Tile, brick, lumber, shingles, cement, wall and ceiling finishes, posts, wire, windmills, builders' hardware, flooring, and Sherwin-Williams paints are sold, along with sashes and doors, and all other necessary material for both business and home building, inside and out.

The above appeared in our Historical Edition, that was printed in 1937, but in order to bring the business of this fine organization up to date, we wish to add the following: Fire, one of the quick-

est and surest levelers of property, hit this yard on March 2, this year, after the big job of rebuilding and re-modeling was started. The new office and supply of brick and tile was saved, but the lumber sheds were swept clean. So, new sheds had to be built.

Encouraging progress is being made with the new building operations, and in fact, the new fire-proof sheds are already built, and the damage to the office and supply quarters refurbished. In fact, for all purposes, the business is going on as usual today, as this is written, but much finishing, and paving of all the driveways is still underway. Mr. Smith hopes to have the building ready for formal opening in about another month.

The new yard when completed will be as follows: The entire frontage will cover an area of 200x140 feet deep, with a new building in the center of 50x140.

The double shed in the center is 36x140, while the sheds across the north side of 26x140. Paving will cover the entire premises, and a steel fence six feet high will surround the entire 200x140 feet. The personnel other than Mr. Smith, consists of Wyndal Miller, assistant manager, and Mrs. Cecil Smith, bookkeeper. Wyndal has been with the firm for the past six years, and Mrs. Smith 10 years.

The Smiths have one daughter, Mrs. Johnny Kendrick of this city, and a son, Mike, 13. Mr. Smith is

OLD RANCHING DAYS RECALLED BY BRIT CLARE, EARLY DAY COWBOY

By BRIT CLARE
As told to the late Mrs.
Clare in 1937



EARLY SETTLERS—Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bridges (left), and Mr. and Mrs. George Black, who were among the early pioneers to settle in this vicinity. At time this picture was taken these two venerable couples had just celebrated, almost simultaneously, their golden wedding anniversaries. These old couples have many children and grandchildren living in this and other communities of the county.

George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury: "Helping business is more important to the economy right now than helping consumers."

A Mason, and Mrs. Smith a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. They are members of the Methodist Church.

Cecil Smith came to this city when he was nine years of age, with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Smith, pioneer settlers. He was born at McGee, Okla., then known as the Indian Territory.

A proposed Constitutional amendment to retain the Supreme Court at its present number of nine and make retirement of Federal judges at 75 years compulsory has been approved by the Senate.

It is surprising how often radio commentators enjoy the combination of deep, full voices and empty heads.

Buy, Build, Live in Brownfield

tribute over his range in the Spring.

The Long Haul

About the year 1896 or '97 we used ox team and freighted from Big Spring all the material for building the ranch houses, sheds, windmills and fencing for the Lazy S Ranch in Cochran and Hoekley Counties.

During the time I worked for the Lazy S Ranch I was moved about (transferred we called it) from Big Spring headquarters to Tahoka where Jack Alley was boss and to the Cochran and Hoekley Ranches where Hiley Boyd and Barrett Penney of Lubbock were bosses. While working on the Cochran and Hoekley County ranches, a horse fell with me and broke my arm. I was taken in a buggy to Lubbock for Dr. Overton to set my broken arm.

Some time during the years I worked for the Lazy S Ranch I worked one season for the OBR Ranch, southwest of where Brownfield now is, and owned by Rufus O'Keefe; his daughter, May O'Keefe, was the first baby I saw in Terry County. I think the child was born at Plainview in Hale County.

I began working for the OTFM Ranch about 1901. Q. Bone, a Scotchman, owned this ranch. While there I plowed fire guards for the ranch. My camp was near the late S. B. Johnson's home in the John-

son community. I plowed east in the morning to a place about two miles southeast of where Gomez now is and back to my camp for the night. I used a walking turning plow.

Kills Panther
While working for the OTFM Ranch, Lee Perry and I went out with the wagon one day to get some wood for fuel. We found a panther and I knocked it in the head with my ax. This panther had been killing cattle for the OTFM and U-Bar Ranches, and Q Bone and J. W. Gordon, respective owners, each branded a calf for me. These calves were the beginning of a small bunch of cattle. I bought more and added to them.

While I was working on the Mallet Ranch, a man was hurt seriously. We sent to Gomez and got a doctor; Gaines, I believe was his name. When the doctor arrived so much inflammation had set up he could do the man no good. We sent to Lubbock for Dr. Overton. He could do no good there but took the man to Lubbock, operated on him, and the man got well. All this took about 36 hours from the time the man was hurt, though we made all the haste possible. In those days if you were going after a doctor, every one along your route placed their best saddle horses or teams at your service.

About 1896 Uleses Dalmont leased 125 sections out of the south end of the Nun ranch owned by L. R. Hastings. Mr. Dalmont later turned this lease to two other men, whose names I don't recall, and they let Sam Singleton and M. V. Brownfield have the lease. The town of Brownfield now stands on some of this land.

Terry County, before it was organized, was attached to Martin County for judicial purposes, and all of our rec-

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CICERO SMITH HAS MADE GREAT PROGRESS IN 37 YEARS

On March 15th, thirty-seven years ago, the Cicero Smith Lumber Co. was ready to open for business in Brownfield. That is, it was as ready as it could be, trying to take care of business, and build some lumber sheds and some office and supply rooms that were a far cry from the present arrangement. Or as for that matter what they tore out recently to build and equip with the new \$50,000 improvements, were far superior to the original offices and supply rooms.

The company owns a full half block, comprising all the south half of the block that lays south of the public square. The lots, 12 of them, were purchased from A. J. Stricklin and others. Most of the stock for the new yard was hauled over from Tahoka by freight wagons, among them being one old gentleman with 25 burros. Men by the name of Travis, Cooper, and others, did most of the hauling. The first bill of material was sold to Chas. Boone, an old timer, with which he erected a home in the west part of the city.

As stated above, the first office and warehouse was a far cry from the present or even those just torn down to make room for the modern arrangement. They consisted of a 2x28 office and small warehouse. Originally the lumber sheds only went back 60 feet, but after the railroad came, and was turned over to the Santa Fe by the construction company, the sheds were run back another 100 feet. At that time more room was provided for such stocks as builders hardware, paints, sash, doors, lime, cement, and bins were built to handle coal, as that was the chief fuel then both in town and for farm and ranch. Of course a few used mesquite grubs or cow chips.

This being the nearest rail point for many as far as 100 miles, including the Tatum and Lovington sections of New Mexico, and other Lea County, N. M., citizens traded here. The fact sometimes caused great congestion around the coal bins, and as we remember, many wagons were unloaded direct from the railroad cars, instead of at the bins, being brought to the yard to be weighed and paid for before wagons left, freighting to the home or business of the buyers.

So, the management had just about as many headaches untang-

ling wagon freight traffic as the cops in big cities now have with thousands of parked cars at a fair, baseball or football games. This was particularly true when the weather got cold and the fuel was badly needed on the farms and ranches over this vast section. As the years advanced, more bins and easier access was built, and after natural gas came in 1929, town people began to use the new fuel, and there was less scrambling for coal.

The year 1948 saw the first brick and tile building by the company. This was a 60x75 building that relieved congestion not a little. But with the growth of the city and the area, more and better facilities became a must. Thus, the idea of this newer and better and more convenient arrangement was conceived by the manager, Fred Smith, who has been the manager since the yard was built in 1917. He asked his company for \$40,000, for these improvements, and was told to use up to \$50,000.

Today, two large brick and tile buildings, 50x140 on the southwest corner, and a 24x100 on the north-west corner, with plate glass front and all modern conveniences, including modern heating and cooling apparatus. They are now well equipped to care for their ever-increasing business in a smooth, orderly way, as well as keeping all kinds of stocks clean and conveniently arranged. They have on hand every piece of material that is needed to complete the most modern home or place of business, from foundation to roof.

Even the lumber sheds are protected by a high tile wall, rendering danger of conflagration from outside the yard comparatively unlikely. This with fire-proof buildings puts a band of fire-proof protection around the entire 900 feet of the yard area. In the rear, facing Fifth Street, are the workshops, 60x75, planning mills, etc., a nice brick building. The main structures face Sixth Street.

There is no use for us to tell you that Cicero Smith Co. is very proud of their new plant—they are. And not only they, but every other person in this area is proud of it, and are congratulating them on their modern structure.

Fred Smith is not only the manager of the local yard, but super-

BRIT CLARE—

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ords were at Stanton. Tries Farming

I never filed on any land, and in 1905 I bought two sections from B. Jones and the next year moved on it and put in a farm. I farmed until 1917 when I turned my farm out because I could not do my farming and take care of my cattle.

When I first moved on my own land, I lived in a dug-out built in the bank of a draw. In 1908 I freighted lumber from Plainview and built a two-room house.

In 1909 I married Miss Lillie Dumas, who came with her parents to Terry County in 1906. She taught the first school in the Dumas school house in the southwest part of the county. The country was settling up and all of the bachelors who remained here were looking for better halves.

After a few years my family was six instead of two, and I have found that as the country develops and progresses, living expenses increase. To illustrate this, before my wife and I were married, Bill Birdwell of Seminole asked her if she was the young lady Brit Clare was going with. When answered in the affirmative he said, "You don't want him—he is the stingiest fellow you ever saw. I asked him once how much money he had spent that year, his first in Texas, and he said 'One dollar and fifty cents.'" I had explained to Bill that I had plenty of clothes, my board was furnished, I did not drink whisky or use tobacco, and there was no place to spend money. The \$1.50 was for postage to write home.

This does not all sound like a visiting manager of 12 other yards, mostly on the Plains of Texas and New Mexico. In addition he is at the call of headquarters in Fort Worth to render advice and to help any yard they own.

In the meantime the Knight store added a full line of furniture. In 1937, the Brownfield Hardware and Furniture over on Main Street was purchased, and all the furniture of both stores was moved into the Main Street location, while the hardware part remained on the west side of the public square. Both stores gradually added appliances and other such merchandise. The Brownfield Undertaking department was sold to Roy B.

FROM A LITTLE ACORN THE BIG KNIGHT TREE HAS GROWN SINCE 1924

It was in May, 1924, thirty years ago, when the J. B. Knight Stores began in Brownfield. Two new men came to Brownfield, liked and decided to cast their lot in trying to make a thriving city out of a pioneer village. They were a Mr. Ashworth and J. B. Knight. Mr. Knight had drifted in from down around Graham. They put in a store around where it is now located, and carried groceries and hardware.

This partnership existed until 1934, when L. F. Hudgens and son, C. L., bought out the interest of Mr. Ashworth, who moved to the Littlefield area. Later on a partition wall was removed between this store and the former location of a dry goods business, and the store had a 50-foot front, which runs back to the alley, 140 feet presently. In 1938, Mr. Knight bought out the Hudgens' interest, except the grocery, which was moved next door south, where the Wacker store is now located, and is presently the Kyle Grocery, on First Street.

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Terry County pioneering, and of course it isn't, but in those earlier days we did not always know which county we were working in, as we had no way of knowing just where the county lines were.

Terry County and the neighboring counties have made amazing progress and we keep learning more about our natural resources and our productive soil. My own home and several in Yoakum county are built of Yoakum County rock.

Collier, and the funeral home moved to West Tate Street.

Along about this time, Mr. Knight's children were grown, and he began to take in partners in the business, being Robert, his son, and his daughter, Mrs. Gene Knight Jones. Also an interest was sold to a brother, Carl Knight of Seagraves.

In 1941, the Implement building was erected facing Broadway, and an alley separates the Hardware department from both the furniture and implement business. Other than the three stores here, they have a store at Seagraves, which began operations in 1949, and another at Seminole, which began operations two years previously, in 1947. Some 35 men and women are employed in the five stores at very satisfactory wages.

Thus, briefly, the above is the history of the J. B. Knight stores. But like all other stores, the water has not been clear and placid at all times. It has taken patience and 30 years of hard work to create this huge business. For the past three years they have handled a lot of irrigation supplies, such as pumps and the power, piping, etc., and have had a fine business along this line.

Mr. and Mrs. Knight live at 410 E. Cardwell Street, and are members of the Methodist Church. He is a 32nd degree Mason, and a Shriner. He is a director of the Brownfield State Bank and Trust Co., as well as the Brownfield Saving and Loan Association.

Mr. Knight's hobby is fishing.

An Englishwoman will cherish for years a joke like what follows, awaiting an opportunity to spring it on an American. We were driving by a cemetery and she said, "That's where the deaf and dumb are buried." Hold it . . . Ha! Ha! So we came to the outskirts of Nottingham and passed another cemetery. She said, "Do you know that we are right now in the dead center of Nottingham?"

Nothing is funny to the English unless the point of the joke is elusive.



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UNCLE BILLIE HOWARD EARLY DIRT FARMER

By A. J. STRICKLIN

NOTE: The piece below was written for our Historical Edition in 1937.

One among the first real dirt farmers that landed in Terry, some

six miles north of Brownfield, was Uncle Billie Howard. We never could figure out why so many of the early settlers were "uncled" by the citizenship, but there was a host of them for a thinly settled section in the early part of this century. Just to mention a few, there was the above gentleman, and Uncle Jack Coble, Joe Hamilton, Jimmie Green, Joe Bryant, Jack Blankenship, Jake and Horace Adams, Bill Pyeatt, Charley Lyon, Rippertoe, Jackson, and others we can't recall. Some have even begun to call the writer Uncle Jack of late years. Seems to be a habit, and never given in derision, but highest respect.

On the other hand, there were men just as highly respected, and of average age, who were more called by their initials, without the qualifying Mister, such for instance as the late M. V. Brownfield,

and M. B. Sawyer. Back several years ago, they were better known as just "M. V." and "M. B." than by any other name. Some referred to the latter as just "Monroe." There is H. H. Longbrake, as just "Brakey," too. But we started out to tell about Uncle Billie Howard.

He and family came here from Comanche County thirty-odd years ago, and located on a fine body of land just north of town, with two sons-in-law. It is told, he traded with Rufe Higginbotham, in Comanche County, and when he went to Big Spring to buy lumber for his residence and barns, the freight wagons were put in a wagon yard, and Uncle Billie just naturally drifted around to the Higginbotham lumber yard. It was told us that Uncle Billie explained carefully to the manager that he had plenty of money to pay for his lumber, but would run him short perhaps in making the improvements he wished the first year, and if possible, he would like for part of it to be charged. The manager kinder grinned and says: "Needn't waste any breath, Mr. Howard, Rufe Higginbotham has

already written us to let you have any amount of credit you want."

Uncle Billie took a leading part in building up the school and church of his community as long as he lived, while in good health. He took great pride in his orchard, and he furnished many of the apples, peaches and plums that took premiums for Terry County at the Dallas Fair. Uncle Billie always carried the exhibits as long as his health permitted, and in later years a younger man was sent along to do the lifting and placing under Uncle Bill's direction.

He was another of the Old Confederates, enlisting from Arkansas, and was an officer at the close of the war. He once represented Comanche County in the Legislature. He still has a host of children and grandchildren in Terry County, all fine citizens.

A. K. Huckleberry taught many schools in Terry, including Brownfield, Needmore, Challis, and Primrose, just over in Hockley County. He passed on a few years ago. J. N. Lewis farmed a number of years, and was elected Sheriff and Tax-Collector, serving six years or more. He passed on a few years ago.

It's a long time since we've seen a lady faint from shock.

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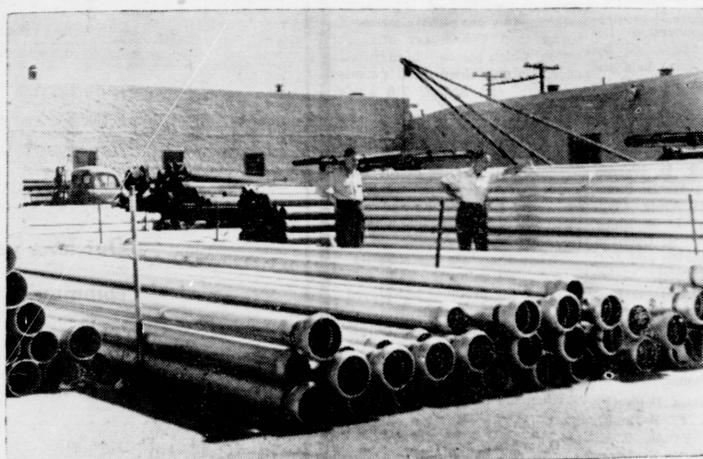
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HERE' THE WAY THE GALS DRESSED WAY BACK IN '14 Reading from right to left we have Mrs. Lemmie McDaniel, living at Abilene, Miss Jimmie Hawkins (Mrs. Mumford Smith) of Glendale, Ariz., Miss Sallie Holden (Mrs. Chas. Limer) Longbeach, Calif., Miss Eldora Lewis (Mrs. Eldora A. White), present district clerk, city; Miss Ivy Green (Mrs. Ivy Savage) teacher in Lubbock schools; Late Will Adams, Miss Ethel Treadaway (now Mrs. Will Adams). While the style of men change little, that was the time when men didn't know for sure the ladies had any legs.

Settlers of Terry County Are Recalled

By A. J. STRICKLIN—1937

A history of Terry county could hardly be written about the county without a brief mention of a bunch that settled along the north line of this county, such as the Jarrotts, Timmons, Longs, Ways, Peeler, Bells, Smiths, Cowans, Bankshippers, Walkers, Cliffords, Ray Altys, Holdens and others. There was a narrow strip between Terry and Hockley that came on the market early, and these people mostly from Erath county, settled this land.

For a number of years, these people along with the late Judge Copeland had trouble with the Num ranch people over the possession of this land but the small nesters stayed with what they had, and finally won out. The Numns finally sold to Ellwood and Arnett, and all trouble between ranch and settlers in that section came to an end.

Some of these old settlers are still with us, and most of them have offsprings in this or neighboring counties, including Hershell and Hope Timmons, Noah Bell, Andrew Blankenship and Lee Walker. The others are dead or have moved away, but children and grandchildren of some of them remain. Some of them are mentioned in school or neighborhood writeups in this edition.

J. E. Hill Early Day Character

One of the best known of the early day settlers was J. R. Hill, who came from down about San Saba, but was originally from Alabama. He erected the first hotel, a three room affair here, which was later replaced with one of a dozen or more rooms. His first was perhaps the first building on the townsite.

His hotel was known far and wide in those days for its good meals and hospitality. If there was a possibility of making their guests feel at home, Mr. and Mrs. Hill knew the job. No hungry person, whether they had money or not was ever turned from their door, or from a nice warm bed, and if the youngsters got broke, they knew where to get the cash. That old long bill fold of J. R.'s would open up, and he would always ask you if you were sure the amount you asked for was enough.

Such people now exist only in story books.

Groves Chapel Settlement

One of the best and most prosperous settlements in the county in the early days was the Groves Chapel settlement now known as the Union settlement in the southern part of the county. Some of the early day settlers in that section, was Rev. E. N. Groves and family, Uncle Joe Bryan, S. E. Hamilton, John Waltrip and later on A. M. McBurnett, the Garner and Bond families, etc.

They had a pretty nice community, with a very good school as early as 1908 or sooner, and built a new school building about the first part of

1910 some miles east of where Union is located. Uncle Joe Bryant and family had been run out of Johnson county, Antioch community, in the fall of 1900 when he moved to Scurry county, and resided there for some six or seven years. Dr. Day and family later came, also from Scurry county. The Telford family came in from Lamesa, but indirectly from East Texas about 1909.

These early day families, and others we can't call to mind just now were the pioneers of that section; were all good farmers, and others seeing their good work, together with the productiveness of the soil, began to move in, and a larger and better community was launched, with a new name.

The writer spent Christmas 1909 in the Uncle Joe Bryant home, and visited the homes of many of the pioneers while down there. They had large orchards, and much feed and livestock, but very little cotton at that time. We remember visiting the home of Edwin Groves at that time, and his large orchard was fairly covered with chickens and blue quail. These quail would come upon the gallery to get food.

The whole section was covered with prairie chicken at that time. In fact there were more prairie chicken then almost than sparrows at this time.

Bynum-Cardwell-Daniels

Another group that came here in the early days were A. B. Bynum, C. S. Cardwell and O. M. Daniels and their families. This group of men came here from the Hereford section, which had settled previous to the opening of Terry county for settlement. These three families arrived about the same time, the Bynum family settling one and one half miles northeast of the city on a half section that still belongs to the heirs. Mr. Bynum served several terms as school trustee, and was county treasurer for two terms. He and wife raised a large, highly respected family, most of which reside in these parts, the baby boy, Ralph, now being an employee of the Herald for the past several years. Mr. Bynum died several years ago, his wife following just about a year later.

C. S. Cardwell, also had a large family of boys and girls. His country place, a section or more, was located some six miles northwest of the city, but he built a nice home with some acreage just across the draw from town, to be nearer school. Mr. Cardwell owned and operated the local telephone exchange for a number of years, and was a very useful citizen, and like all pioneers, what he had belonged to his neighbors if they needed it. Most all the old-timers were quite religious, all these families being Methodist.

O. M. Daniels settled one mile west of town, where the Sawyer family lived a number of years. This was another fine family, but he and family moved to the Tatum country in New Mexico when it began to settle, but in a way has kept in touch with the Brownfield section pretty well.

Printed for historical value. Most of those mentioned have passed on or moved away.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ODD FELLOW LODGE IN BROWNFIELD

By SAM C. WHITE

On March 7, 1907, some three years after the organization of Terry County, and the beginning of Brownfield, the IOOF Lodge was organized, with the following members: Benton O. Shollenburger, Nelson Perry, W. J. Byrd, A. L. Clemons, Geo. L. Stephens, and Dr. J. W. Ellis. The meeting place at that time was the old wooden building, on the northwest corner of the square, where the Brownfield Hotel now stands. They remained in this building some two years, and in the meantime the membership grew.

At that time the Brownfield State Bank erected a building on the southwest T corner, with an upper story, and leased the upper floor to the Odd Fellow Lodge, which gave them much larger quarters. The Odd Fellows remained in that building until about 1918, when they made purchase of the present lot on the north side of the square, and a wooden 2-story building was erected on it. About 1927, this wooden building was sold, as by that time buildings around or close into the square must be semi-fire proof.

A contract was entered into with Raymond Barrier in 1927, to erect a brick two-story on their lot, the lower floor for a mercantile business, and the upper floor to be used by the Odd Fellows. This has been their meeting place since then, except a few months in January, 1939, when they met in the Courthouse, because of a fire that practically destroyed the building as well as the contents. In the spring of that year, the rubbish was cleared and a new building erected, which still stands.

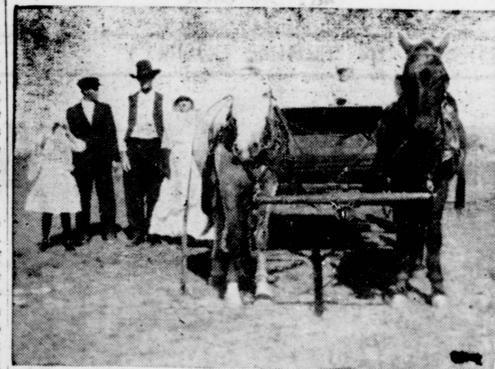
Under the efficient leadership of Homer Winston and C. D. Moore, both deceased, as well as R. A. Simms, still with us, new fixtures were purchased and installed. Presently they have a nice kitchen and dining room in connection. In front, there are two offices, which are rented.

From the modest beginning with some seven members in small quarters, the membership has grown to almost 200, presently. Among those who have held the highest office of the lodge, Noble Grand, in times past, and still known, were A. J. Stricklin, Jack Holt, Raymond Simms, Jack Bailey, Gay Price, Herman Chesshir and Herbert Chesshir, T. D. Warren, who died recently; W. B. Stone, C. W. Collins, Sam White, Clyde Kerth, E. V. Riley, L. R. Riney, Burdette Auburg, J. R. Garrison, G. V. Seaton, Ira Seaton and J. C. Seaton, J. V. Burnett, Claude Bryant, H. R. Winston, R. L. Bowers, John Scudday, and others, both living or deceased. Since the records were destroyed in the fire, memory has to be depended upon for some of these names.

At present, Johnny Benson is the Noble Grand, F. B. Smith, Vice-Grand, Joe Stevens, Treasurer; and Sam White as Secretary, along with appointive officers, and the board of trustees, consisting of E. V. Bailey, R. A. Simms, and R. B. Perry.

The IOOF of Texas has a home for the old folks at Ennis, and a home for orphans at Corsicana, of deceased members, who otherwise would be wards of the State, perhaps. These homes are worth several million dollars, besides the wonderful surroundings and help for children of members who have passed away. Jack Stricklin, Sr., or "The Old He," as most of us know him, is our oldest member, having joined in July, 1909.

The Order is always glad to get new members, who have moved



ANOTHER HORSE AND BUGGY DAY SCENE The above is a likeness of F. M. Burnett, J. P., wife, and some friends back in the horse and buggy days.

C. P. Obar Has An Irrigated Farm; Made Bale to Acre In '37

By C. P. OBAR (1937)

I came to Terry County in the Fall of 1922 from Abilene, Texas. I felt that Terry County was as good a location as I could find on the Plains.

In January, 1923, I was married to Miss Berta Robison, who had been a resident of Lynn County since 1906, and says she has never seen a complete crop failure in this part of the country.

When I came here, I had four head of work stock and a set of single row implements. I rented three years. In the fall of 1923, however, I bought a set of two-row implements, and 160 acres of land, where I now live. I paid \$26.50 per acre for it and last year I was offered \$100 per acre.

The years 1924-25 were not so good as many who were here will remember the freeze of 1925. In 1926 I moved to my own place.

I have made practically no changes in my planting, as I usually plant corn, cotton, maize and hegari. I always managed to have plenty of garden, milk cows, chickens, and hogs for our own use, and occasionally some for the market, especially hogs.

My greatest change has been for better equipment and surer means of production. I still have my two-row implements, four head of work stock and Farmall tractor.

I have my place paid for, also my irrigation system, which complete, cost around \$2,700. I started irrigation on my farm because I believed I could profit by it through the dry years. Last year, from one 32-acre tract I gathered 767 pounds per acre of lint cotton. The land was watered once before planting and once after. My corn produced 82 bushels per acre.

So far this year I have gathered better than a bale per acre on cotton, which has only been pulled once. Maize yielded 4,710 pounds per acre, and hegari, 718 binds per acre.

WANTS TO KNOW THE TITLE

The Queries Editor of the New York Times magazine wants to know the title, author and complete text of a poem containing the following lines:

"When the choir has sung its last anthem,
And the preacher has prayed his last prayer,
When the people have heard their last sermon,
And its sound dies out on the air,
When the Bible lies closed on the altar,
And the pews are all emptied of men,
When each one stands facing his record,
And the great book is open,
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into our city and community from other lodges. Our new officers, who will be installed about July 20th, will be F. B. Smith, Noble Grand; and Frank Jordan, Vice-Grand.

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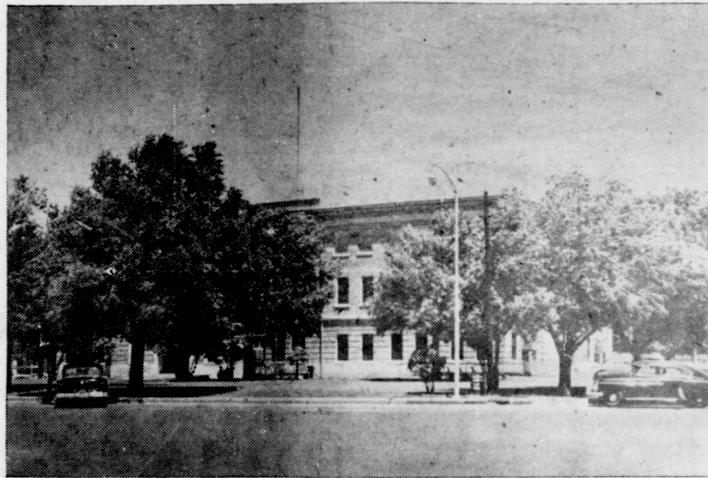
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District Clerk

We, County Officials, wish to take this opportunity to wish TERRY COUNTY and its oldest business institution, the TERRY COUNTY HERALD
A HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

UNCLE JIMMIE GREEN RELATES INCIDENTS OF EARLY DAYS IN B'FIELD

(This piece was written by the late J. C. Green, one of the town's first merchants. It was written in 1937 for our Historical Edition and is re-printed for its historical value in our 50th Anniversary Edition of the Herald.)

By J. C. GREEN (1937)

I don't want to disappoint any of the Herald readers as to my writing and I will tell you before you start reading this history that I have never studied journalism a day in my life and I am sure you will understand why I have made such a bust trying to write. I suppose I will have to start off by telling you that I moved to Terry County the year of 1904, just before Christmas. I have been here 33 years and have endured many sand storms, besides the other disadvantages.

We landed here on the morning of December 23, 1904, spending the night before at the Brownfield Ranch and had our first experience cooking with Brownies (or cow chips); my boys sure enjoyed gathering them for cooking and making a camp fire.

When we first landed here we stretched our little tent on the northeast corner of the square where Murphy Bros. Grocery Store is. After we got our tent stretched and everything looking homey we thought we would fool around town a bit and buy the kids some Christmas presents. There was only one store to go to and we went over and bought a few things and started back and Mrs. J. L. Randal saw us there and thought my wife was some one she had known some place, and followed us out on the street and we had quite a talk and I am sure that she was the first woman we got acquainted with after coming. From then on we have been close friends with Mr. and Mrs. Randal. We found out that Mrs. Randal was the school mistress here and all of our children went to school to her and learned to love her.

Saturday To Sunday

We didn't have any church building for several years after we came here and the school house was just a one room building and was used for all purposes. There would be a dance there on Saturday night and Sunday it was used for Sunday School and church and all other purposes. The first church that was built here was the Methodist Church and we had a Union Sunday School and all enjoyed it very much. There wasn't very many residences here at that time. As I recall it, there was just four, Judge W. R. Spencer, Will Dixon, Lee Allmon and Homer Cotton. There were only two business houses, a General Mercantile and a little saloon, for all there was considerable drinking but we weren't bothered with very many drinks.

They were just building our first courthouse and had it under construction, but didn't have all the lumber hauled and I hauled several loads to finish it. We had to do all the freighting from Big Spring at that time. People who have moved here since the railroad came don't have any idea of the hardships the earlier settlers had to go through with.

Some time during 1905 I put in a small grocery store here and with myself and several other freighters it was hard to keep groceries and coal and other supplies on hand, especially during the winter months, when we would have several big snows. I remember one time I came in with a load of groceries and about twenty-five sacks of flour and people had got out of flour and when I drove in there was enough people there to take every sack off the wagon and saved me unloading it, and there were two or three men who didn't get any flour and one of the men is still sore at me because I didn't let them have a sack too. For several years after that when he would get a few drinks of Old Hayner, he would bring it up about me not letting him have any flour.

People seemed to enjoy those days better than they do now. We didn't have any way to travel then except by wagons and buggies. Automobiles were unknown then. I remember the first automobile that was bought in Brownfield. Dr. Ellis bought it, and people just swarmed around it looking it over and wanting him to take them for a ride in it. I overlooked mentioning about the livery stable and printing office, when I was telling about the business houses here. Mr. Peebler had a small wagon yard here at that time and later

TERRY'S FIRST SHERIFF TELLS OF THE UPS AND DOWNS OF PIONEERS

(Written in 1937 by the late George E. Tiernan. His widow and a son, Elwood, reside on North 5th. Another son, Jack Tiernan, resides in Lovington, New Mexico.)

I came to Terry County in 1902, worked on the TFM Ranch owned



GEORGE E. TIERNAN

by Wellfarth Bros., now called the "Pool Ranch." When Terry County was organized in July, 1904, J. T. Bess was elected sheriff at the special election. In the Novem-



MRS. GEORGE E. TIERNAN

ber general election I defeated Mr. Bess for the sheriff's office and held it till 1914.

During the time the sheriff's ex-officio salary was \$25.00 per month. At first the Lubbock State Bank cashed our warrants for \$22.50, discount of \$2.50. I finally called on the commissioners court for a \$4.00 raise. I told them a common sheep-herder drew \$25.00 per month.

W. H. Gist, one of the commissioners, got up and said, yes, but look what a hard time a sheep-herder has, staying out in the hot sun all the day, while you are sitting in the shade of the court house all day. J. N. Groves, another commissioner, asked:

"If we don't give you this raise what are you going to do about it?"

I told him guess I would continue to sit in the shade of the court house, and did.

At first I drew \$2 per day for waiting upon the commissioners court when in session. My duty

together especially one time coming from Tahoka. I am not saying what it was, but if Mon happens to see this he will remember, but don't tell Kate, Mon, she might tell some one else and then there might be something happen yet.

Freighter Makes Good
I might tell one more incident before bringing this epistle to a close. All the old timers remember that I was once County Clerk of Terry County, and felt that I had made quite a jump from a freighter to the high office of County Clerk. Of course I was feeling really proud of myself, not thinking at the time what a jump I made, until one Saturday night my oldest son, Leslie, who worked at the Mallet Ranch, came in home to spend the night and he told us what one of the cowboys said on the ranch. The cowboys had been down to Brownfield one day and came back that night and had heard while down here about me getting elected County Clerk, and not knowing my name he said, "I believe I will run for office, there was a damned old freighter got elected to County Clerk down in Terry County," and Leslie said, "That was my dad," and Leslie said the cowboy made all kinds of apologies and said he didn't mean any harm about what he said.

Well I could tell many more rambling experiences but I think I have said enough, and perhaps too much.

was to declare the court open. The commissioners at that time did not think that they could hold a legal court unless declared open by the sheriff. I drew this for several years 'till they found out there was no law for it, so they cut off the \$2 during commissioners court and I quit waiting on the court.

We had very few criminals in those days and what few we did have were cattle thieves, or an occasional drunk who I jacked-up and sent home to some cow-camp.

Some of my old-time deputies were Geo. McPherson, Oral Adams and Lee Allmon, while the latter was deputy, a horse thief came

through and shot at him. Lee shot back at the thief, but he got away. Next morning at day-break we caught him over in the J. Cross pasture. Bringing him in was about all that we could do as we had no jail, and did not need one, except for cattle and horse thieves, and we carried them to Lubbock.

In 1914 I decided not to run for re-election, as I heard it whispered around that the people were talking of buying some biabs to wear the old officers. I then went into the cattle business, staying in that until 1923. Then I was appointed city marshal, light and water tax-collector of the City of Brownfield. A few years later these offices were separated and I held the city marshal's office until I was defeated by E. Brown, the present city marshal. I have been manager of the Brownfield Recreation Club for the past five years.

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MANY FUNNY INCIDENTS HAPPENED HERE DURING EARLY DAYS OF CITY

By A. J. STRICKLIN

Brownfield was a village, and Terry County had much less than 1,000 in it. One of them concerned an aged and very pious Congregational minister who lived in Chicago, and had land here he had never seen, but had owned since the 80ties. He made his trip down here during the time that a stage ran from Lubbock to and through Brownfield and Gomez and on to Plains, between the years of about 1912 and until the train started to carry the mail about 1918.

It was a worrisome trip, for we have tried it many times, over rough roads in a bouncing covered hack, with four broomtail mustangs in a long gallop. As this minister had taken the Herald several years, that was the first place

he visited on his arrival. He complained about the driver whipping the little mustangs along, and remarked that if the driver lived up north he would be handled by the Humane Society. We assured him that there were three or four changes of teams between here and Lubbock, and that it was possible for a mustang to gallop all day without injury. That seemed to satisfy him. We recommended the Hill Hotel to spend the night, and escorted him over and introduced him to J. R. Hill, the proprietor, and of course the Reverend gentleman got a fine meal. At retiring time, Mr. Hill showed him to his room, lit the lamp and asked him about the cover, and prepared to leave. "But where is the key to the door?" asked the

guest. To one who never knew Mr. Hill, the answer won't be so funny. It was, "Key? key? What in the h— do you want with a key. Lay down there and go to sleep. Nothing will bother you." Next morning the minister explained the affair to us with a broad grin, and remarked: "We never go to bed in Chicago without locking everything, yet they call this the "wild west."

No one ever had a key to anything hardly, in those days. We did not have one for the printing office until the railroad came here, and no one had one to their homes.

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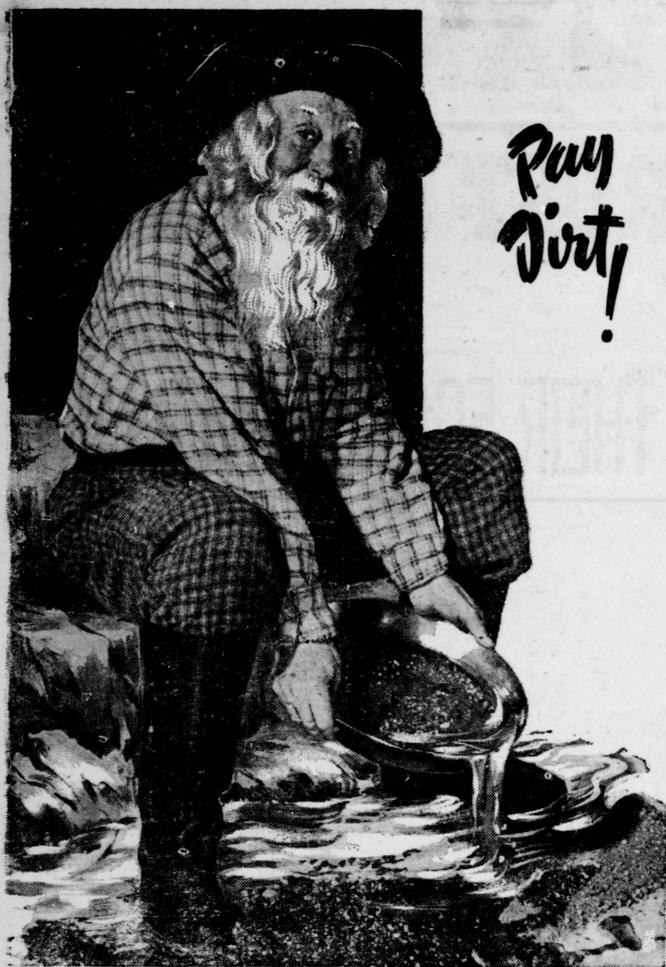
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J. O. GILLHAM

Brownfield, the third oldest state bank in Texas, and the oldest state bank on the South Plains.

The record book of the bank shows the first board meeting to have been held October 7, 1905. About that time the bank was organized by a group of citizens to fill a great need in this section, since the territory comprising Terry, Gaines, and Yoakum counties, and communities in eastern New Mexico all needed banking service.

M. V. Brownfield, father of Ray and Dick Brownfield, was the first president of the bank, and the

directors were D. M. Devitt, J. R. Coble, W. J. A. Parker, M. V. Brownfield, and A. M. Brownfield, who was also the first cashier, at a salary of \$50 per month.

The original capital of the bank was \$10,000, contrasting sharply with the present capital stock of \$250,000 and surplus and undivided profits of \$425,000.

The first bank building was a one-room frame structure located on the corner where the Bargain Center now stands. This building is still in existence and is located just across the street west of the Treadaway-Daniell Hospital.

In December, 1906, A. D. Brownfield, who now lives near Deming, N. M., was elected cashier of the bank, and in 1907 the board of directors included M. V. Brownfield, Mr. Parker, John S. Powell, Will Alf Bell, and A. M. Brownfield. About 1908, Mr. Bell was elected assistant cashier and later in the same year he was elected cashier and managing officer of the bank.

Dallas New President

A. D. Brownfield became a director in 1909, and the organization remained static during an eight-year period until 1917, when A. R. Brownfield was elected to the board of directors. In May of that year, Mr. Bell resigned from the board and as cashier, and O. T. Halley was elected to replace him, both on the board and in the position of cashier. At the same time W. H. Dallas was elected to the board of directors and became the new president, replacing M. V.

Miss Lela Duke, who is now Mrs. Crede Gore, entered the employ of the bank as a bookkeeper in 1923 and remained a faithful employee of the bank for more than twenty years. She resigned her position as assistant cashier of the bank several years ago.

Leo Holmes Begins

Mr. Roberts resigned in 1923 as assistant cashier to become associated with the First State Bank at Seagraves. He was succeeded by Mr. Leo Holmes, who is at this

Brownfield, who resigned. Thus in 1917, the board of directors included Mr. Powell, who was also honorary vice-president of the bank; A. R. Brownfield, Mr. Dallas, John W. Gordon and Mr. Halley. Mr. Dallas continued as president until April of 1937, at which time he sold his interest and resigned his position as president and a director.

In 1918 Clyde Lewis, now a cotton buyer here, became assistant cashier. Mr. Halley resigned from the board and as cashier in May, 1920, and was succeeded by Morgan L. Copeland, who took his place on the board and filled the position of cashier. At the same time Elmer C. Roberts was elected assistant cashier. In 1920, Andrew A. Copeland became assistant cashier, and Dr. W. M. Copeland was elected to the board of directors. Andrew A. Copeland, active vice-president and a member of the board of directors, to replace Mr. Gordon, who resigned.

In 1922, the board of directors comprised of Mr. Dallas, Mr. Powell, W. M. Copeland, Andrew A. Copeland, and Morgan L. Copeland. The officers were Mr. Dallas, president; Andrew A. Copeland, active vice-president; Mr. Powell, honorary vice-president; M. L. Copeland, cashier; and E. C. Roberts, assistant cashier.

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time executive vice-president, as assistant cashier. Miss Duke was also elected an assistant cashier at the same time. In about 1925, Mr. Will P. Edwards, of Big Spring, was elected to the board of directors.

N. B. Hilyard became assistant cashier in 1926, and at that time the official family was composed of Mr. Dallas, who was still president, A. A. Copeland, vice-president; M. L. Copeland, cashier; Mr. Powell, honorary vice-president; Mr. Mr. Holmes and Miss Duke, assistant cashiers, and Mr. Hilyard, assistant cashier.

The old Brownfield State Bank building, which is still owned by a subsidiary of the Bank, was erected in 1918, and was the first brick building in Brownfield.

When Morgan L. Copeland died in 1931, Mr. Holmes was elected cashier and to the board of directors in his stead. Also Andrew Copeland ceased active work in the bank and died a few months later.

J. O. Gillham Begins

James H. Dallas, now associated with Tudor Sales Company, was elected as assistant cashier and a director in 1932, and in 1933, J. L. Hudson became a director, taking the place of Will P. Edwards. J. O. Gillham, whose efforts and cooperation made this complete history of the bank possible, came here from Pampa, where he had been associated with the First National Bank for many years, to take the position of executive vice-president in 1936. Mr. Hudson became chairman of the board in the same year, and Mr. Edwards was elected president. Mr. Gillham was executive vice-president. Mr. Powell was still an honorary vice-president; Mr. Holmes was cashier, and Mrs. Lela Gore was assistant cashier.

In the summer of 1949, the bank began the construction of its present banking home and the building was occupied by the bank on January 21, 1950. The building is one of the most modern banking structures in Texas and was built in 1949 at a cost of \$275,000.

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The bank has enjoyed rapid growth since its establishment forty-nine years ago. The growth of the bank has kept pace with the remarkable development of the entire western part of the State, and the Brownfield State Bank and Trust Company have had a large part in the developing of the entire area.

The bank has continued to expand and add new services, and now offers all of the services to be found in any banking institution anywhere in the country. In 1950 the Bank received trust powers and is now authorized to act as administrator of estates, guardian of minors and in any fiduciary capacity. It is significant to note that the present total capital structure of more than \$675,000 has all been accumulated through earnings except \$125,000 which was paid in by stockholders, besides stockholders of the bank have received \$178,750 in cash dividends since the bank was organized, most of which has been paid since 1936.

Modern Equipment

It is really interesting to visit the bank and view the various modern machines which they use in carrying on their day to day business. For instance, we were intrigued by a machine which they call a recordak which photographs all of the checks and deposits

handled by the bank. These photographs are reproduced on a miniature film which is stored away after development and can be viewed on a projector when necessary. These films provide a permanent record of the items handled by the bank. The bank has many other modern machines, including two proof machines which each carry twenty-four separate adding machines and it is possible to come up with twenty-four different totals. This is important in that it makes it possible for the bank clerk to do a lot of bookkeeping with one simple operation. Another very interesting machine used by the bank is an addressograph on which the bank can address mail to its customers very quickly, each customer having his name on an addressograph plate. We could write many columns about the many modern machines which you will find at the Brownfield State Bank and Trust Company, but Mr. Gillham stated that they would be most happy to show these machines to anyone who might be interested.

Total assets of the bank now are almost \$10,000,000 and the bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The directors of the bank at present are: J. O. Gillham, chairman; J. E. Gillham, Grady Goodpasture, Leo Holmes, J. B. Knight, A. M. Muldrow, C. C. Primm, J. M. Teague, Jr., and Bruce Zorns, and the officers of the bank are as follows: J. O. Gillham, president

and trust officer; Leo Holmes, executive vice-president; Bruce Zorns, vice-president and assistant trust officer; J. E. Gillham, vice-president; R. N. McClain, vice-president; Sawyer A. Graham, cashier; Newell A. Reed, assistant vice-president; J. C. Powell, Jr., assistant vice-president; Donald R. Cade, assistant vice-president and auditor; L. G. Smith, assistant cashier; and R. V. Moreman, assistant cashier.

The Brownfield State Bank and Trust Company holds State Charter No. 28, and, as before mentioned, is the third oldest state bank in Texas. Actually their application for a charter was the first to be filed under the State Bank Act passed in 1905, but due to some minor errors in the application it was necessary to bring the application back to Brownfield to make the corrections. In the few days intervening before the application was back in Austin, twenty-seven other banks had been chartered.

A. M. (Dick) Brownfield, who was the first cashier and managing officer of the bank and who still lives in Brownfield, tells the story that when he asked the board of directors to raise his salary to \$50 per month that his father, the late M. V. Brownfield, said: "All right, Dick, but you are going to have to deduct from your salary all the losses which result in any loans which you may make." Mr. Brownfield said he accepted his father's proposition and dryly remarks: "There wasn't any losses."

LOUDERMILK CAME, SAW AND LIKED; AND HE STAYED

Frank Alwyn Loudermilk and family came to Brownfield quite by accident, he informed a reporter, recently. In December, 1952, his wife, who was in State Department of Welfare Work, was sent to Brownfield, to take charge of the office here. Of course F. A. and the children came along, as batching, plus the absence of the mother, was all out. After serving the Welfare Dept. for awhile, the family decided this was to be their home, and went into the tailor business.

The bought the Morris shop in March, 1953, but bad luck struck with vengeance in January this year, when a disastrous fire, practically wiped them out. But the Loudermilks along with the rest of us are hoping for a good crop this year to put us on an even keel. While born in Comanche County, the Loudermilks had spent most of their lives at Brownwood, where he was in the trucking business with his father at an early age.

He was driving for a well known produce firm in that city, when he was elected Justice of Peace in 1941. In 1948, he was elected County Judge of Brown County, in which office he served until he moved to Brownfield.

Loudermilk children are Silvia, 11, David, 9, Tim, 7, and Mike, 5.

PIONEER DAYS

A Lot of People Came to The SOUTH PLAINS in Covered Wagons And a Lot Came on Hoss-Back But We Didn't-We "Was BAWN" Here!



So you see, we're a product of the fine pioneers who chose this Sunny Land as their Home . . . And we like it so much we're gonna stay! Any time we can be of service to you in the Insurance Line, just call on us—We're Always Happy To Serve You!

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TUDOR SALES COMPANY OLDEST CAR AGENCY IN BROWNFIELD, 1918-54 - MRS. TUDOR IS ASSISTANT

Help The Hens Beat The Heat

High temperature and low humidity are two of the greatest enemies of good egg quality.

With warm weather here again, E. Z. Beanblossom, extension poultry marketing specialist warns poultrymen that unless extra precautions are taken the quality of their eggs will drop rapidly. For producers who sell eggs on a graded basis, a drop in quality brings lower prices. Sold ungraded, a drop in quality means decreased consumer demand.

Here are Beanblossom's summertime tips for top egg quality:

Keep the eggs clean. Use clean, dry nesting materials and keep the birds confined on wet days to avoid mud-tracked nests.

Gather the eggs two or three times a day in a wire basket. This allows air to circulate, quickly carrying off the heat.

Store the eggs in a cool, humid, well ventilated place. And, market regularly and often.

Grade AA eggs will become inedible in three days at 98 degrees, in eight days at 77 degrees and 45 days at 44 degrees. Eggs usually will remain Grade A for six months if held just above freezing.

A Top Combination In Control Of Flies

Only continuous sanitation and proper use of chemicals can hold fly populations to small numbers this season.

Neal M. Randolph, extension entomologist, says this is a critical time in fly control. The pests now are becoming established for the season. And this is the usual time for manure-hauling and general clean-up around the farm.

Sanitation—the removal of materials in which flies breed and develop—holds the real key to the control of these disease transmitting and annoying insects.

The entomologists' advice to farmers who are willing to work at fly control includes these points: Haul manure, trash and rotting plant refuse to the fields and spread it out to dry. Clean up around livestock feed bunks, scrape feed lots to the concrete in paved lots and to the fresh earth if unpaved.

Keep a clean-up campaign going the year-round, Randolph advises.

Many farmers do a good job of removing the obvious breeding places, but they miss other important "hot-spots." Some of these are the corners of barn gutters, spilled feeds and other small accumulations of organic matter that may begin to decay.

This, together with insecticides, properly applied, will pave the way toward a neater, better-appearing farmstead and relief from the annoyance and health-hazard of the flies.

ONE MAN'S IDEA OF BEING RUINED

A fellow who has run a motel for years on Route 1 between Portsmouth, N. H., and Portland, Me., complained bitterly about the effect on his business when the Maine Turnpike was put through, paralleling Route 1. Finally one of his neighbors tired of hearing about it.

"Look, Cal," said the neighbor, "I see a 'No Vacancy' sign out front of your place every night."

"You can't go by that," said Cal.

"Before they put the turnpike through I used to turn away 25 to 30 parties a night. Since the turnpike, I don't turn away more'n 10 or 12 a night."—Wes Lawrence in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

POINT OF VIEW

A Texan was trying to impress upon a Bostonian the values of the heroes of the Alamo. "I bet you never had anybody so brave around Boston," said the Texan. "Did you ever hear of Paul Revere?" asked the Bostonian.

"Paul Revere?" asked the Texan. "Isn't he the guy who ran for help?"

METER MISER

The Alps, McAndrew hired a taxi at the station to get to his hotel. On the way the taxi skidded downhill and the driver yelled: "My brakes are gone. I can't stop the car!"

McAndrew, terribly excited, replied: "At any rate, mon, stop the meter!"



W. B. Tudor, who was Brownfield's Ford agent from March 7, 1919 to 1945, opened the first car agency here, after arriving with his wife in a stripped-down Ford.

Mrs. Tudor, who is an active partner in the business, in charge of the new parts department, is the former Muriel Dixon, member of a pioneer family of Yoakum County, having moved there in 1906.

Mr. Tudor was a builder in Abernathy before he entered the automobile business in Lubbock, where he was assistant manager of the Bradley Motor Co. until he came to Brownfield.

Thus, with nearly twenty years experience back of him, Mr. Tudor has succeeded wonderfully with the Tudor Sales Company. The agency was located next door to the present office, and the former building is still part of the new, enlarged business. This early store burned in 1920, but was rebuilt. In 1925, expansion became necessary, and the newer part of the building was added.

A "turn it up and then down" gas pump was operated, in the early days, by Mrs. Tudor, and she has always worked in the agency.

Temperamental Mechanic

Early employees included Curley Gamble, one of the first automobile mechanics in this section of the country, whose personal idiosyncracies made him famous. No matter what the emergency might be, Mr. Gamble worked only when he felt like it, and was prone to slam doors in the faces of frantic customers.

Mr. Tudor, since he had the first motor agency here, found it difficult, at first, to break down the resistance of old-timers to the new machine age. One of his first cars was sold to Bob Snodgrass, a rancher. The late Uncle Joe Hamilton was another early customer that Mr. Tudor recalls with affection. Mr. Hamilton bought in 1920 a Model-T with all the extras, including shock absorbers and red-topped tires. This car was christened by Mr. Hamilton's numerous family, "Hulda," and became a landmark,

though mostly in motion in Brownfield. This "sudan" as it was called by the owner, saw many years of service.

Only 25 or 30 sales a year in those days represented a booming business, contrasted to the peak reached in pre-depression days of 300 new car sales in one year.

Mr. Tudor began selling Buicks in 1945, and in his employ now are three veteran employees from the days when he had the Ford agency. They are Ervine Rambo, head mechanic, who has worked for Mr. Tudor since 1922; Tobe Helm, shop foreman, with the firm since 1925; and Mrs. Jane Copeland, bookkeeper, since June 9, 1937.

Mr. Tudor recalls one awful month in November of 1924 when he was sent 15 carloads of Fords to sell in 30 days, with himself as the only salesman. He accomplished the feat, and it was the talk of the town.

Mr. Tudor also ran the water works here in the early days, and with the assistance of his mechanic, Mr. Gamble, attempted to soothe irate users by keeping the pump working.

Calls had to be made at all times to out-lying farms and ranches, and Mr. Tudor recalls one trip of 85 miles for mechanical first-aid.

"I am glad I came to Brownfield," he stated, "and have never regretted it." He continued, "I had a choice of Brownfield, Tahoka, or Post for a Ford agency, and took Brownfield."

The writer is privileged to say nearly anything we wish to say about Red Tudor. Wasn't we both here before there were any streets paved, and when a big gully washer rain came back then, we could pull off our brogans and wade the water? He lacked about a year getting here, in time to help celebrate the Armistice on the night of Nov. 11, 1918, when we shot up all the dynamite there was in town, and drink about all the Hill & Hill and Old Crow that anyone had hid away following Mr. Volstead's Act. But he was here from then on. But Red and the Old He

were younger then.

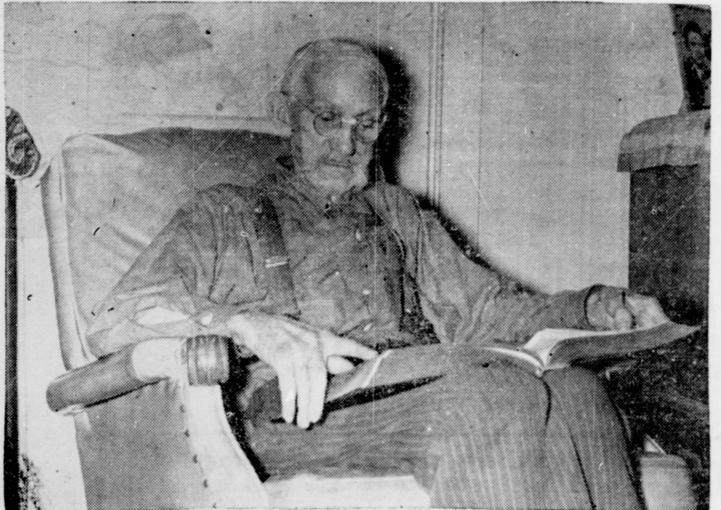
Really the business started as the Bradley Auto Co., by Mr. Bradley of Lubbock, who also had a T-Model business up there. Red had run a filling station and repair business at Abernathy, but decided to come here, as Brownfield had gotten a railroad, was a county seat, and the outlook better. In a few years, Red bought the interest of Bradley in 1924, the latter having passed on many years ago. But everything was not gold, and the goose hanging high. Their wooden building burned to the ground in January, 1920, and they moved into a tin building temporarily, behind the old Hill Hotel where Cobb's store now stands. In November that year, the new building was ready for them, but an extended addition fronting Main to the east, as well as some work shops in the rear were built later.

In 1945, the business was changed to Buick Sales and Service, and new Buicks have been sold there since that time. Red must be a great guy to work for, as some of the hands still work there that he had since Heck was a puppy, both in the sales and the mechanical departments. If he were not a good employer, this would not happen.

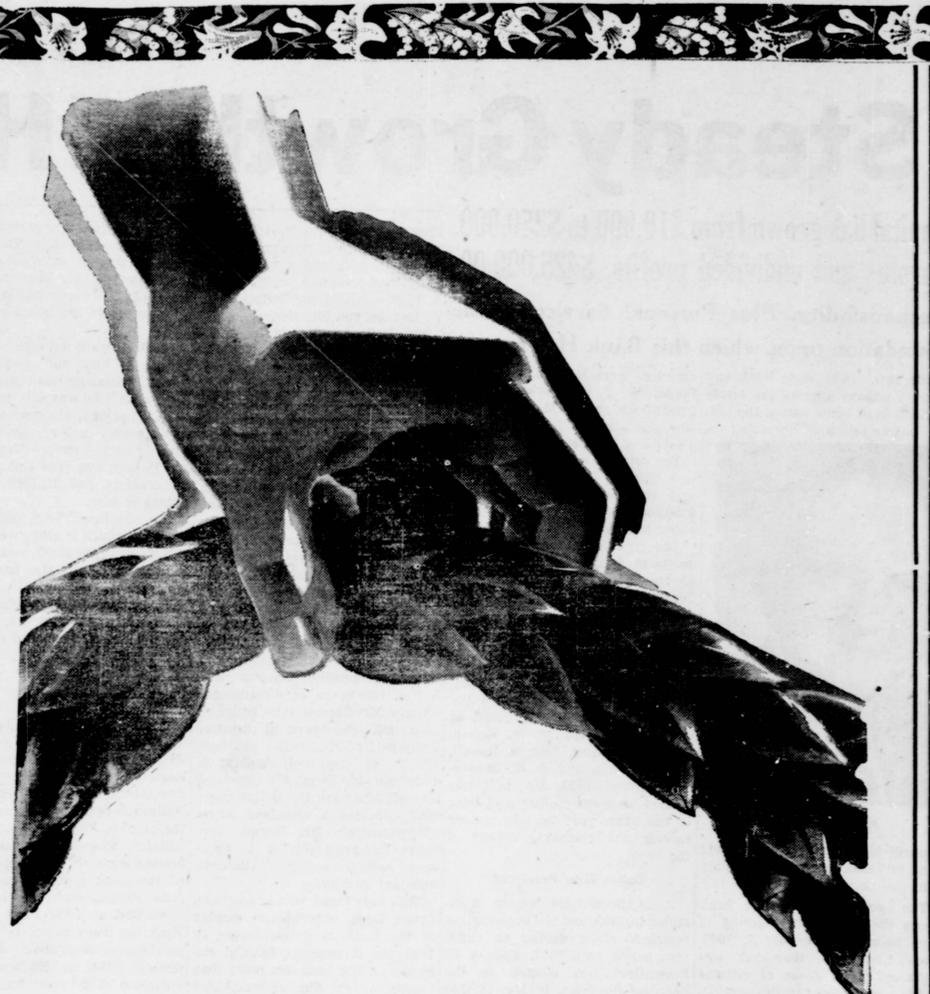
As stated above, aside from being actively engaged in the auto business, Red is president of the First National Bank, of this city. He is a charter member of the Rotary Club, and is a member of the First Methodist Church, while Mrs. Tudor holds her membership with the First Baptist Church. They live at 102 W. Cardwell St.

Mrs. Tudor has for some time had to spend considerable time with her dad, S. J. Dixon, old time Yoakum County rancher, who is badly crippled with rheumatism. Mr. Dixon spends all his time at Truth and Consequence, better known as Hot Springs, N. M. He too, is a stockholder in the First National Bank.

After you get a promotion to the upper sphere, you wonder why you were so eager.



100 YEARS OF MEMORIES—George William Upton, of Tokio, marked his 100th birthday, June 9. A celebration was held Sunday in his honor at the home of his son, Frank Upton, in Tokio. Mr. Upton was born in England in 1855 and came to the United States when he was 12 years old, and to Texas in 1925 from Oklahoma, settling in Tokio. He and his wife, who died about 14 years ago, were married in 1893 in Arkansas. He is a former contractor and lives with his son, Frank, who is a mail carrier and farmer. About 50 years ago, Mr. Upton preached for the Missionary Baptists until he became a member of the Freewill Baptists, of which he is still a member. Reaching a ripe old age is not too uncommon in the Upton family, as Mrs. Frank Upton's father, Mr. Dupris, was 104 when he died about three years ago, and the elderly gentleman's sister was 99 when she died about three years ago, and his grandfather lived to be 93. Mr. Upton stresses exercise as a number one factor to promote good health and until about three years ago, he took his exercise by hopping cars at the Upton Station. He quit smoking a pipe about 45 years ago, but chewed tobacco until a year ago, when he decided he had better start taking care of himself. He is very spry, and extremely pleasant, has good eyesight and hearing, and his favorite pastime is daily reading of the Bible. He is shown above, reading the Bible at his home. (Staff Photo.)



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History And Settlers Of Gomez Recalled

By LEE FULTON—1937

The history of Gomez dates back to the early year of 1902 when J. F. Blankenship bought the section on which old Gomez was located thinking it was the center section of the county. He then surveyed a townsite and Sam P. Ford, a Mr. Morrell, and Mr. Pool started the sales of these lots. The first building was a general merchandise store made of lumber from a building torn down at Gail, Texas, and moved here by Wolf and Ware who were the first merchants of Gomez. After a few years, Stokes and Wallcott of Big Spring, became the owners of this store which was then operated by J. J. Lane. Adams and Holgate later became owners; then Holgate bought the interest of Adams and the store was operated by Simon and Robert Holgate until 1917 or '18 when the business was moved to Brownfield and became Holgate and Anderson Hardware Co.; and S. H. (Simon) Holgate is still operating the store. The first blacksmith shop was owned and operated by T. J. Price and a Mr. Phoenix. In about 1906, it was sold to G. B. Bragg and "I gannies" no one can say that Gomez didn't have some "real first class" blacksmiths.

The post office at Gomez was the second one in the county, Siam being the first. The office was authorized by the post office department in 1903 with Mrs. Tom Bess as postmaster. The name, Gomez, was suggested by the postal department in honor of a prominent Spanish leader of that time. This was done after several suggestions sent in by those petitioning for the office. The names suggested by the Gomez citizens were refused because the postal department had just previously placed a ban on double names. The Gomez post office was not discontinued until 1922.

The first school was established in 1903 in a one-room

building with only a curtain dividing it into two rooms. The first teachers were W. P. Florence and Miss Lula Spinks. This must have been a romantic as well as studious school, as the teachers were married after the school closed. Among the first students were Marion, "Rusty" and Inez Bess; Stella, Della, Ora and Elmer Ware; and Dube Pyeatt.

The second term of school was taught by T. R. Boone and Miss Bernice De Shazo. G. E. Lockhart, Mrs. Ward and Miss Ella Thompson were the third teachers. They were followed by E. O. Coltharp and his assistants, who were the first to teach in the two-story frame building which was quite an improvement for the city of Gomez. Among other early teachers were E. A. (Dick) White, A. G. Harrison, Bert Speed and W. B. Bishop. The first school indebtedness was a bond of \$1,900 (the limit allowed) voted in 1904. The district was then composed of 70 sections and in order to get a bonding company to buy the bonds the citizens had to pay a buyer a bonus of \$100. The money was secured by subscription. A 15c special school tax was voted to pay this bond.

An old tax receipt shows that the school tax on 640 acres in 1907 was the startling sum of \$144 and the total taxes were just \$10. The first trustees were J. T. Gainer, R. R. Youngblood and Dr. Norris.

The Gomez Bank was established in 1907 with J. T. Gainer as first president. When J. Adams became president of the bank his son, Merlin was cashier. Then in August of 1908 Dr. Maddox was selected president and R. M. Kendrick, the cashier. In 1909 the bank was moved to Plains, Texas.

Organ Music Heard

The early settlers of Gomez were interested in church and Sunday school. They came for miles on horseback, in buggies

or in wagons. Good frame buildings were built and organs were purchased for music in the services. Lumber had to be hauled by freight wagons from Big Spring, which was the nearest railroad center. The Methodist church was built first. It was started in the early part of 1907. It was located a few blocks south of the square. In this building a Union Sunday School was held. The Baptist Church was built a very short time after the Methodist. The Rev. J. R. Miller was the first pastor. The number of members has been estimated at about 50. Neither of these buildings remain in Old Gomez; the Methodist was torn down in 1924 and the Baptist was moved to New Gomez in 1936. The Church of Christ was built in 1918 and was (and is still) located about one quarter mile south of the townsite. The land for the church yard was donated by W. H. Black. A cemetery was started as early as 1900 and was used until about 1918.

By 1903 Gomez was a thriving little town. H. H. Longbrake drilled a public well; the public square was laid out, and Gomez citizens had great visions of their "city" becoming the county seat. A visit around the square beginning at the corner would show one such businesses as Jack Herd's Barber Shop, J. T. Gainer and Co., merchandise store, office of Terry County Voice, first newspaper in the county, real estate office of Will McPherson (this latter became the first law office of G. E. Lockhart), Adams and Holgate Merchandise Store, the post office which was operated for so long by Mrs. W. A. Reeves, the Towle Hotel, Uncle Tom DeShazo's Drug Store and Aunt Lou's Lunch Room, the Gomez State Bank, Mrs. L. T. Brooks residence, and John Currier's residence. On the north side of the square were Dr. Maddox's

home and the livery stable operated for so many years by Bob Glover. Many dashing young heroes sallied forth from this establishment in shiny buggies to "court" the fair ladies.

Early Gomez History would not be complete without the mention of such outstanding and popular citizens as: John Lane, W. L. Loveday and "Preacher" Roberts, pioneer ministers; Uncle Tom and Aunt Lou De Shazo, pioneer druggists; H. F. Adams and his sons, Will, O. E., Oscar, and Bluford and E. E. Simms.

Family Baseballers

S. H. Key with his "Key Baseball Nine" (two nephews and seven sons, Jim, Boss, Mart, Wess, Early, Doek and Hoesey); Mrs. L. T. Brooks; Rufus Lanier, R. J. Puckett, John and Hardin Long; Guy T. Taylor, Hugh Capell, George Capell, George Stephens, Will Mathis, Henry Pulliam, George McWhorter, Uncle Bart McPherson and his sons, Will, Matt, George and Lester; Henry Folk, W. B. Snodgrass with his sons, Will, Bob, Geo., and Hugh; A. P. Sitz and Vernon; and J. J. Whitley. Among the pioneer physicians were the doctors Griffin and Maddox.

Special mention must be made of the few pioneers who have remained in the community until the present. Certainly the character and endurance as well as the public spirit and aggressiveness of these old settlers marks them as one of the greatest assets to a progressive community. Below is a short biographical sketch of these men:

Ben Broughton

Ben Broughton, with his brother, D. J., came to Terry County on a prospecting trip in 1902. They returned in 1903 and bought five sections of land. Two of these were bought from Mr. Bellah and one of the other three was the section on

which the Johnson School House now stands. They first built houses in Gomez and spent only a part of the first year here. The houses were moved out to the Bellah place where they both carried water from the same well. They lived on the same place until 1914 when D. J. was elected county clerk. He served two terms as clerk and was then elected county judge. After serving the county admirably for many years, he moved north of Brownfield and lived on his modern farm for several years. He now lives in Eugene, Oregon, with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Moore. Ben remained on the old home place until 1918 when he moved to the east half of the section which was the original building site. Here he put up a good set of improvements and lived contentedly until June 25, 1922 when his wife passed away. The years immediately following were spent with his children in the same house. Mr. Broughton moved later to the Quemado valley but was not satisfied so he returned to the old home and still resides here with his daughter, Mae, whose husband, V. V. Brown, is farming the land. Ben has stayed with this county a mighty long time and stoutly contends that Terry is the best place to live after all.

W. A. (Bill) Fulton

On March 7, 1903 Bill came to Terry County and filed on land. He went back to Motley County and moved his family and a small herd of cattle. He arrived here July 4, 1903. The family, which consisted of his wife and two children, stayed with Mr. Oglesby until the half dugout was completed. The mesquite grubs from 100 acres of land were used for a cow lot fence. The land was broken with a walking turning plow, and a gallon tin bucket with holes in it was dragged after the plow to plant two rows of grain sorghum in each furrow.

The feed harvested from this crop was used to feed a team to haul freight from Big Spring. After two years enough money had been accumulated to pay for a small two-room house. But this "luxury" did not last long for that section was traded for an adjoining section. A shack was built on the site of the old home place. A two-room house was built in Gomez and the family moved in order to be near the school. After three years this house was moved out to the place and another room added to it. This remained the home of W. A. for many years. Everything moved nicely until March 31, 1911, when Mrs. Fulton passed away leaving five children. Arrangements were made for Mr. Fulton's sister to care for the three youngest children and the two older ones (Lee and Althea) stayed with their father and helped him keep house until December 25, 1913 when he married Miss Bertie Ellis of Donie, Texas, and brought all the children back home with him. In 1914 the half section on which the old Fish headquarters was located was added to the two sections of the original land. In 1921 the land seemed to be too valuable for grazing and all the cattle were shipped to Kansas City and the land put into cultivation. The farm, now consists of about 1400 acres of cultivated land. In the fall of 1934 W. A. moved to Brownfield for school advantages. He is living in town but must go back and see how the boys are getting along out at the farm every few minutes. He even moves back out there for the summers.

H. D. Leach

Mr. Leach landed in Terry County a dashing young bachelor November 1905. He spent the first night at the Towle Hotel in Gomez. His first home was on the R. R. Youngblood place two miles west of the

present site of Gomez. He "batched" here for four years and during this time he met, courted and married Miss Peachie Stamford who came here with W. A. Shepherd in June, 1903. After the wedding they moved to a small ranch in the southwestern part of the county near Seagraves. Here they spent four years. Wishing to make a better home in a more desirable location, H. D. purchased the 320 acre farm on which he now resides. This was in 1914. He has made a success of his farming and stock raising and has one of the best farms in the county and his home is modernly equipped and one of the homes of which the Gomez community is exceedingly proud. To Mr. and Mrs. Leach have been born six children all of whom are living at home except, J. T., the youngest boy, who was called to rest in 1936. Mr. Leach has always been one of the most progressive farmers of the county. One of his favorite pastime sports is playing forty-two at which he is quite a champion. He has served on the Gomez School Board several terms and is always interested in the moves for the improvement of the community and his sound judgment is worth much in a business deal. To show that this is a healthful country he is now about sixty and in 1934 was able to follow a Fresno day after day.

W. H. Black

February 12, 1906, W. H. (Bill) Black with his father-in-law, H. M. Bridges, came to Terry County and bought land near Gomez. They went back to the north plains and moved their families, landing in their new homes May 2 of the same year. By that fall W. R. Bridges, George Black, Sr., George Black, Jr., and Mrs. Corinne Black, all of whom were members of the same family, had arrived to make Terry their home. They have all passed on

to the great beyond or moved away except George Black Jr., who is back after a disappointing move to the Quemada Valley. Their stock was placed on land purchased about six miles southwest of Gomez, but their homes were nearer the school and post office.

When W. H. landed in Terry

County, he had no farm broken out, so he bought 35 acres of corn from W. C. Matthis but he gathered very little from this. The farm near Gomez consists of some 600 acres which has gradually been put into cultivation and there has been years when the returns from this farm have been used to support the other farms. The lumber for the first house was hauled in wagons, one of which Mrs. Black drove, from Stanton. They made two trips to bring lumber enough for a three-room house. The trip required nine days. On December 16, 1924, Mr. Black moved from from this old home into his modern home just east of it. Every modern convenience and labor-saving equipment that can be had may be found in this lovely country home. There are electric lights, gas stoves and refrigerator and modern furnishings. Mr. Black is known the country over as one of the leading citizens. He has served 17 years as a school trustee. At Christmas time it was his custom to treat all the school children with fruits and other goodies. He was in a measure responsible for the first bond issue (\$1900) for a school building. When John W. Dooley told him they could not afford to pay the 15c special tax, Bill told him to move if he could not pay the tax. The 24 years he served as county commissioner, were in a measure, done gratis. When the office reached such proportions that it would pay a worthwhile salary "politics" got him.

Mr. Black tells a story about

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MRS. GAINER RELATES EARLY DAYS OF GOMEZ

By MRS. J. T. GAINER

Gomez, the first Terry County settlement, was started during the year 1902. J. T. Blankenship, Sam P. Ford and a Mr. Pool started the townsite, and secured a post office, the government giving the name Gomez, after a Cuban general who at that time was a very popular hero as an army officer.

The town of Gomez was located on section 1, block D-12, which is five miles due west of the present town of Brownfield. The townsite people secured a general store, the first in the county. The owners were Will Wolf and H. L. Ware, and they sold general ranch supplies.

The Long Trek

It was during the year 1903 that our family moved to Gomez from Reed, Okla.; we moved in covered wagons, were on the road 30 days, moved our cattle overland and leased grass near what is now known as Old Meadow from W. N. Copeland, who afterwards was County Judge of Terry County. We moved our cattle to the southwestern part of Terry County, where they remained until we sold them.

J. T. Gainer, my deceased husband, went to Stanton with wagon and teams for lumber to build us a home. We finally sold our cattle and went into business in Gomez, owning and operating the largest general store in Gomez. During the year 1903 the county was organized. W. G. Hardin and A. F. Small had at this time established a town that was named Brownfield after a pioneer family. Gomez and Brownfield were voted on by its citizens as the County Seat. Brownfield won by three votes.

T. J. Price, who built and operated during the year 1903 the first blacksmith shop, together with Joe Lane, Uncle

Horace Adams, his sons, Will, Orall, Blufford and Oscar; A. P. Seitz, J. T. Bess, Sam P. Ford, Uncle Bart McPherson and his sons, Will, George, Matt and Lester, were some of the early settlers of Gomez who sponsored the cause of Gomez for the County Seat. A nice little town was built and maintained after the loss of this honor. A bank was organized by Marshall Kendrick and the Adams boys, and as the different businesses began moving from Gomez the bank was moved to Plains and operated by the same officers. It was finally moved from Plains to Brownfield, and is now known as the First National Bank (with its same officers and directors.) Mr. Kendrick has been identified with the organization since its founding. It was from the town of Gomez that the real estate business developed to its highest point, plenty of real estate salesmen established offices there.

Saloon and Dance Hall

W. Craig during the year 1903 established the first saloon and Vernon Seitz established a public dance hall, so we had things going from then on. Almost every night the Battle of the Marne took place, mostly by six-shooters popping in the air, to punctuate the slumbers of our older inhabitants.

It was then that the Wild West was at its highest peak. The cowboys reigned as supreme in all entertainment. The present day wild west shows, called rodeos, are tame beside those of that day. Jim Smith was one of the boys during those days; he rode a little black pony he called Tut Lovinggood. And in his hilarious moods caused by being too long at the bar he would tell his friends that Tut Lovinggood, his horse, was "the fastest bug

COLLIER HAS MANY YEARS CONNECTION WITH FUNERAL HOME

It was in the fall of 1919, that Roy B. Collier, then living down in the Vernon section, made his first trip to Brownfield. This trip was in connection with some land holdings west of town. Even at that time Roy believed there was a future to the little town, and in the spring of 1920, he returned. With Guy Williams as a partner,

that ever climb the vine—that he knew a maverick a mile away."

We moved from Gomez in the year 1912 to Plains taking our house overland; it took 42 head of mules to pull it across the sand roads at that time. The bank building was also moved this way; in fact, finally, all of Gomez moved, any number of houses being moved to Brownfield. The last business man to break up his business and move to the county seat was A. P. Moore.

The old townsite has been abandoned, and is now in a farm. The new town of Gomez, including the present school, the general store operated by J. T. Whitley, and the gin are on other property, on the present Brownfield-Plains highway. We have seen the country change from the Ranch to the Farm; the old-timers known then as cowboys are now the old landmarks, the small farmer and ranch-owner. Gomez as we used to know it is no more, but the people who settled there are the best citizens that ever graced Texas soil.

(The above article was written in 1937, for The Herald, by Mrs. J. T. Gainer, wife of an early Gomez merchant, owning one of the earliest dry goods stores in that town. Mrs. Gainer was loved for her ready wit and sunny disposition, always ready to help in all the drives for raising money for the various organizations. Though nearing eighty years, she was active until she suffered a

stroke a few days before she passed away.)

Mr. Collier at the same time, was employed by the Rix Funeral Home in Lubbock, as representative in Terry County, holding license No. 1120. In 1923, he became associated with the then Brownfield Hardware Co., as their manager of the furniture and upholstery department. He continued in this position until they sold to the J. B. Knight Co. in April, 1937. He remained with this firm until 1946, at which time he took over the Brownfield Funeral Home, as owner and manager, which he operates at the present date at 120 W. Tate St. It is staffed by Lewis Simmonds and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Shook.

Mr. Collier was married to Miss Ellen Welch in May, 1922. They have three children. LaVerne, who is now in window display business with a large dry goods firm in Lubbock; Carroll, is a car dealer in Brownfield, his home address being 1001 E. Repetto; Wanda, who is the wife of S/Sgt. Jimmie Wade, and resides at Syracuse, N. Y.

Roy is a member of the Church of Christ, State and National Funeral directors associations, the local Chamber of Commerce, local and International Rotary Clubs, and the Masonic Lodge. Mr. and Mrs. Collier live at their new home at 1204 E. Buckley.

One of the more important items for the beef producer is the breeding season. Local conditions which include feed, labor and climate should be considered in determining whether calves should be dropped in the spring or fall or scattered throughout the year.

It is distressing to learn that someone we admire does not like us, and conversely that someone we dislike admires us.

AME FLACHE STAYED WITH OLD STYLE WAYS



IN THOSE HORSE AND BUGGY DAYS in Terry County, the above was a familiar sight here in the 'teens and early 20's, as the late Ame Flache was one of the last to give up the horse and buggy for the faster, but less sure auto mode of transportation in those days. He used the buggy to get out to his farms and cattle interests south of town, in what is now the Union community. For many years Mr. Flache used the horse, as did all cattlemen, but after falling off a high load of feed and breaking his leg, he used the buggy. He passed away Dec. 18, 1942. A mighty fine old pioneer citizen.

By AME FLACHE—1937

In 1900 I took the "Mexico Fever" and drove my herd of cattle through Terry County to Portales, N. M. To me, Terry was the finest looking country I ever saw, but I had no idea then that I would finally settle in Terry. Then the county was nothing but ranch country; it

was fenced then, though.

At that time a large part of the county was owned by the Fish Ranch. For their brand the ranch used an iron in the shape of a fish.

There were a few shacks, no farms or towns, but quite a few Coyotes on the prairie. One night when I made my bed I

heard their howls and I knew that I had to protect my bacon from the prowling coyotes, so I decided to put it under my saddle, which I used for a pillow. I felt that my only food was in a safe place so I went to sleep. Next morning I got up and found that the coyotes had found the bacon, so I had no breakfast.

It took three years for me to "go broke" in Mexico. I gathered up all the stock I could find, and I had only a hundred head to bring back to Terry County. These I turned loose in M. B. Sawyer's pasture. I was glad to see the Sawyer Ranch.

Bacon Without Biscuits

On my trip from Portales an old prospector helped me drive my herd. The last day diving herd we were nearly out of food, except for a small piece of bacon. During the day this old fellow sighted a small house and went to ask for food. There was no one at home. The old man looked in the window and saw some biscuits in a cabinet. He stood most of the day looking at the biscuits and waiting for the owners to return. Near dark he gave up hope, so we had broiled bacon without the biscuits. When we finally reached the Sawyer Ranch, we did justice to a good meal.

Later I moved these cattle

to Howard County. I first located there in 1903 and stayed until 1918, after having built up a good herd. I lost all of this herd during the drought of 1917. After this I said to my wife, "This is the best time to move to Terry County if we ever plan to, for we have nothing but the kids to move." So in 1918 we purchased a place in the town of Brownfield and moved.

In 1904 I had bought six sections of land in the Union community, and after moving here I began to build up a small herd of white-face cattle. And I still have a small herd on one of the six sections, all of the others having been put into farms. I never did learn to drive a V-8 so I am still riding the range in a buggy. I wanted my picture in the buggy so that you could see how it is done.

Each year I fear out about twenty yearlings. These always look better to men than a farm, since I have spent most of my life working with cattle. Every time I see a cow I want to take my hat off to her, for without them I would have nothing. Terry has proved to be one of the best dry-farming counties in the state. Even though most of the ranches have been given over to farming, there is some cattle being raised here.

The same woman who, to save five cents for an extra day's rental, rushes through a book without bothering to know the title, will stub out six half-smoked cigarettes while skimming, thereby wasting almost as much as she saves, and enjoying neither the smokes nor the book.

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MRS. J. L. RANDAL IS TYPICAL OF WESTERN PIONEER WOMANHOOD

Charming and gracious, Mrs. J. L. Randal represented the highest type of American pioneer womanhood, as she recalled, recently, events that made the lives of her and Mr. Randal part of the embroidery of Terry County's history.

The couple, with their daughter, Gaster, and Mrs. Randal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. M. Schrock, moved to Terry County in 1902, after a previous visit in 1900. They lived on school land eight miles east on the Tahoka Road, near what is now the Pleasant Valley community.

Meadow was the only post office in the county at that time; however, the Randals got their mail out of Big Spring, via the O-Bar and Brownfield ranches, because it was more convenient. For a time, too, mail was received at Chicago Community in Dawson County—the community that tried for the county seat of that county.

The Randals came here from Palo Pinto County, where Mrs. Randal had begun teaching school at the early age of 16. She recalled that all the settlers were the "grandest friends" imaginable, at least until the rift came over the location of the county seat. Mrs. Randal brought to mind many other early difficulties between the residents of Gomez and Brownfield, but suggested that their revivifying would be unwise.

Mr. and Mrs. Randal, active in every possible civic, religious and social field, were charter members of both the Methodist Church at Gomez and here.

The Randals moved into Brownfield in 1904, when Mrs. Randal became the first teacher of the public school. The first year she handled it alone, with 67 pupils ranging from the primary level to adulthood. Next year, Mr. Randal assisted her, and she recalled coaching some young ladies who were to enter Kidd Key College, a cultural center at that time for this entire territory.

First Druggists

In 1906, Mr. and Mrs. Randal began the first drugstore in Brownfield, on the corner where the Brownfield Hotel is now located. Both were registered pharmacists, and many an early resident of the county will recall times when Mr. and Mrs. Randal "pinch-hit" for the doctors when they were away on calls. The service of these two grand people to the community, in the drug store, is a monument to the helpfulness and kindness that characterized Terry's pioneers.

The two remained in the drug store for about 20 years, but when Mr. Randal's health failed, they sold out early in 1926, and Mrs. Randal remained with the Hunter Drug as pharmacist for several years.

In 1931, Mrs. Randal became County Treasurer, and served in this office for four years. Then for two years she was National Re-employment interviewer, a federal appointive office. When this service was discontinued, Mrs. Randal returned for the first time since her youth, to private life. In passing, she advised that girls marry young and start housekeeping, so that they will not have to wait so long for peace and quiet.

Back to the more exciting early days, Mrs. Randal recalled a box-supper held to buy desks for the school, in its second year of existence. Benches had been used previously. The ladies, at the beginning, had intended to sell their boxes at a very nominal price, but found after the sale began, that prices could be boosted sky-high. In addition, the cake, for which wares on the most popular girl were sold, netted them \$50. After the box supper, which yielded around \$200, the crowd went to the courthouse for a dance. Sina Compton, as Mrs. Randal remembered it, was the popular young lady who won the cake and the envy of all the others. She later married Will Dixon.

Such enterprise, both on the part of the ladies and the willing purchasers, made possible the purchase of school seats, and the next year a bell and a small organ were bought. Mrs. Randal says that she is always running into some of her former pupils, now with children of their own, who hold high places in their communities, and of whom she is very proud.

The first public library on the Plains was established by the Maids and Matrons Club, of which Mrs. Randal has always been an active member. She mentioned Mrs. W. R. Spencer with great admiration as the person who made the local library possible and who later, through the Twentieth Century Club in Lubbock, helped start the Lubbock library.

On the day of their arrival in

Terry County, the Randals pitched camp with all confidence in the large tent they had brought along. But wind and rain, in a very short time, tore the tent to pieces, and they then lived in a wagon, and later in a dugout.

One Chair But No Chicken

The great chair-holding at Stanton, detailed in other articles in this issue, meant, to Mrs. Randal, a Christmas away from her husband, without toys or turkey or chicken. Mr. Randal accompanied the group of men who went to Stanton to see about the chair-holding, and Dick Brownfield came back, just before Christmas, with the news that John Randal had to stay. Mrs. Randal bemoaned the fact that there would be no Christmas candy, or Santa Claus, or turkey. Then, with her usual spirit, she set about to prove that Christmas in the wilderness could be Christmas all the same. She and her father and mother made toys for Gaster, home-made candy was prepared—but there still remained the problem of chicken or turkey. Although she had a ham or so of antelope, and plenty of beef, Mrs. Randal still craved fowl. Providentially, a hawk chased a prairie chicken into a straw stack in the yard, and Mrs. Randal, ever an opportunist, walked over and picked up her Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Randal has in her possession a hundred-year-old Bible that was used by her grandfather, J. W. Schrock, who was a Methodist circuit rider. The Bible shows the marks of having been carried in a saddle bag, long before Texas became a state.

Mr. Randal was the first Sunday School Superintendent in Brownfield, and served as a steward in the church until his death, May 2, 1932, and as a trustee. Mrs. Randal has been associated actively with the churches of Brownfield ever since the days when all denominations attended each other's Missionary Society meetings.

She recalled the first Missionary Society dinner, which was given in both the Hill and Robinson Hotel dining rooms. The ladies provided the turkey and service, and received the proceeds from the meals served.

Mrs. Randal's other activities have included the Mother's Club, now the Parent-Teacher Association, the Rebeccas, and the Eastern Star.

Reverting back again to 1905,

History and Settlers Of Gomez Recalled—

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the red roan horse he used to ride. He was coming from his pasture and when he crossed the fence one and one half miles from his home, old Tinker "cold jawed" on him and ran the mile and half home. When they got to the corral, the horse ran over it and threw himself over on his back to stick the saddle horn in the hard ground. It was a "close call" but he is still here.

I. H. (Bigtree) Hudson

Mr. Hudson came to this county before there was a Gomez. He landed here with two wagons and a tent in February 1902 and camped at the old T.F.M.'s until the fall when he bought prior right to the section on which he now resides. He also bought from Fielda Wolffarth three adjoining sections. With him he had brought 36 head of cattle, 7 horses, a barrel of meat and a cultivator with a coop of chickens on it. He broke out forty acres the first year and with the help of Paul and Carl in four years had increased his farm to the stupendous size of 150 acres. The money to build a house was made by freighting. He averaged two trips a month for five years and cleared about

she recalled the coldest weather of all, and insisted that it doesn't get that cold now. A small-pox epidemic closed school, and the Randals returned to their place on the school land. It snowed and rained and hailed for three months, with the ground freezing each time. Conditions in town grew really serious, since they were out of coal and could get it only via freighters, who were unable to function, out of Big Spring. But the Randals had a shed full of grubbed roots. Mrs. Randal recalled that the women and children here had to stay in bed to keep warm. Proud indeed was she of her record of not ever having used cow-chips for fuel.

This might be regarded as a symbol of Mrs. Randal's admirable spirit. Never, regardless of the hard life, would she, or the other pioneer women around her, bow to stringencies of circumstances that were unpleasant. The efforts of such women as Mrs. Randal prevented this western country from being too wild or too barbarous. And for this civilizing touch, Terry County may well be grateful.

ROUTE TO CAVERN



Texas Longhorn Cavern, third largest in the world, and the beautiful hill country which surrounds it, can be reached over excellent paved highways from every section of Texas. The huge cavern is one of the state's great scenic wonders.

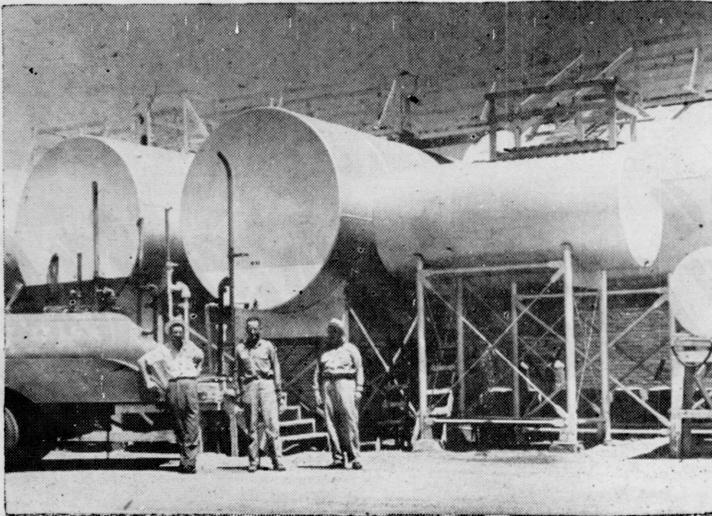
A married man will defend a useless hobby with the ferocity of a cat with kittens. Jim Young says that if he wanted a business that could withstand the fall of empires he would pick one in the hobby field.

One of these days I intend to bump one of those heedless female window shoppers who has no sense of direction and no consideration for the rights of others.

\$50 a trip using two wagons and eight horses. In 1903 he bought 122 cows at \$14.50 around. These cows increased to 400 head and paid for another section of land. In 1918 ranching was a promising business so Mr. Hudson bought a large ranch 35 miles west of Portales and stocked it with 1200 cows. But by 1925 the slump in prices and the loss of Ray were too much so he sold his holdings in New Mexico.

While Mr. Hudson was freighting to make expenses, his wife stayed at home and helped the boys tend to the place and always had a cozy home fire burning to greet him on his return. Bigtree, as all of his friends came to call this great old pioneer, claims that there is something in being able to stay when the sledding is rough. He always tried to keep a few "old fillies" around and raised a few mule colts every year. His children are all married now and have families of their own. Happy is living with his father on the old home place. Mrs. Hudson died in November, 1930.

TOM MAY OPENED THE MAGNOLIA WHOLESALE HOUSE IN APRIL, 1917



MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM COMPANY—Murphy May, agent, is shown above at left with his employees, Clyde Taylor, center, and James A. Sims, in front of the company's storage tanks, at 110 N. 8th. (Staff Photo.)

Much water has passed under the bridge since the late Tom May opened the Magnolia warehouse and storage tanks for their gasoline and oil business back in April, 1917. The Santa Fe had already surveyed the line into Brownfield, and also the side trackage, switches, etc., so that it was safe to put improvements along the switch tracks, and things got underway at once. Tom was the first on the ground with Magnolia products. But gasoline and oil was not all the sales in those days. There was a heck of a lot of people using kerosene in those days, for heating and cooking.

The five storage tanks for gasoline have a capacity of 62,468 gallons, while the warehouse has a capacity of 100 barrels of oil, as well as 400 cases of oil in cans. What with his oil business and

farms, Tom May was a busy man, but never too busy to sit down with a friend and pull a few jokes. In every way, one could say he was a likeable man, and a real good business man. As stated above a lot of the deliveries in the early days was kerosene to farmers, and barrels of gasoline loaded on freight wagons and carried to Plains, Bronco, and Tatum. Presently the firm uses one large delivery tank truck, and two pickups. Tom May passed away in 1949.

At the time of his dad's death, the present owner and manager, Murphy May, had charge of the Seagraves Magnolia wholesaling, his family, and took over the management here. Then, as now, their gasoline is shipped in from Beaumont, Texas. Tom May was one of the most

prominent Masons in this area, and we believe the first 33rd degree Mason on the Plains. His wife still resides at 202 East Cardwell Street, this city. They reared one son and five daughters, in accordance to age, Mrs. Rebecca Ballard, Murphy, Mrs. Virginia Zorns, Mrs. Ethelda Oakley, of Odessa, Mrs. Ena Jo Rogers and Ida Mae Monnett, city.

The Murphy Mays have one child, Kimberlee, and the parents are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a Mason, Rotarian, and a member of the Country Club. He takes a big interest in the Chamber of Commerce work, as well as the schools of the city and area.

Murphy May is the kind of guy you like for a friend, business associate, and a neighbor.



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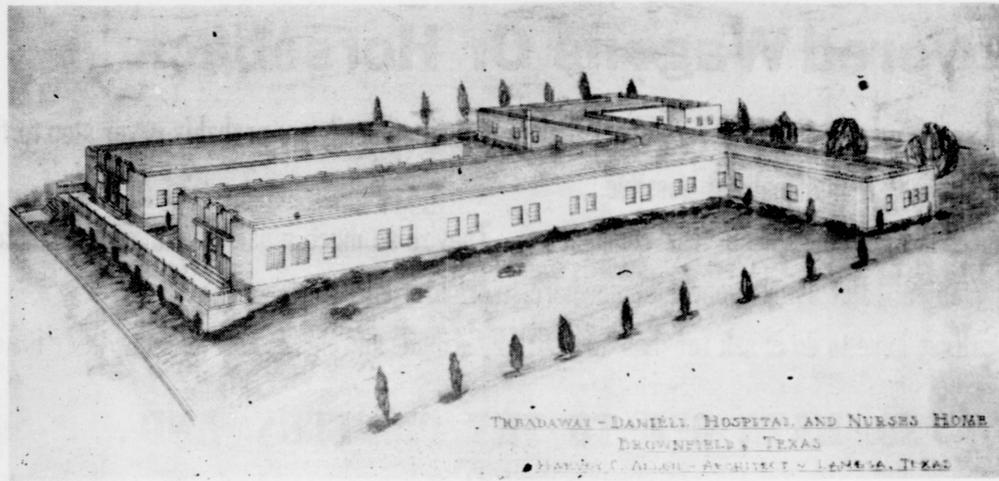
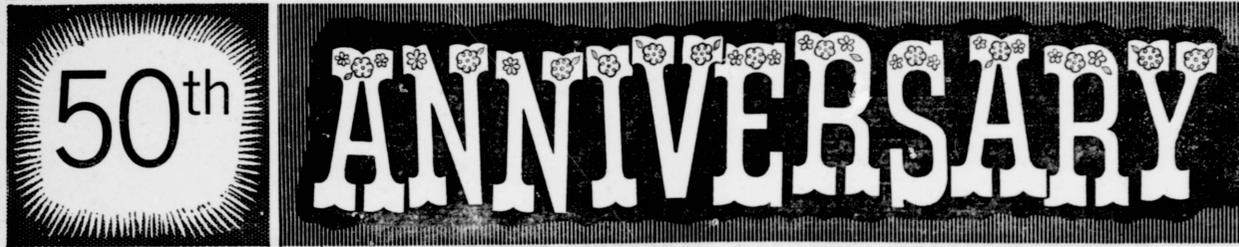
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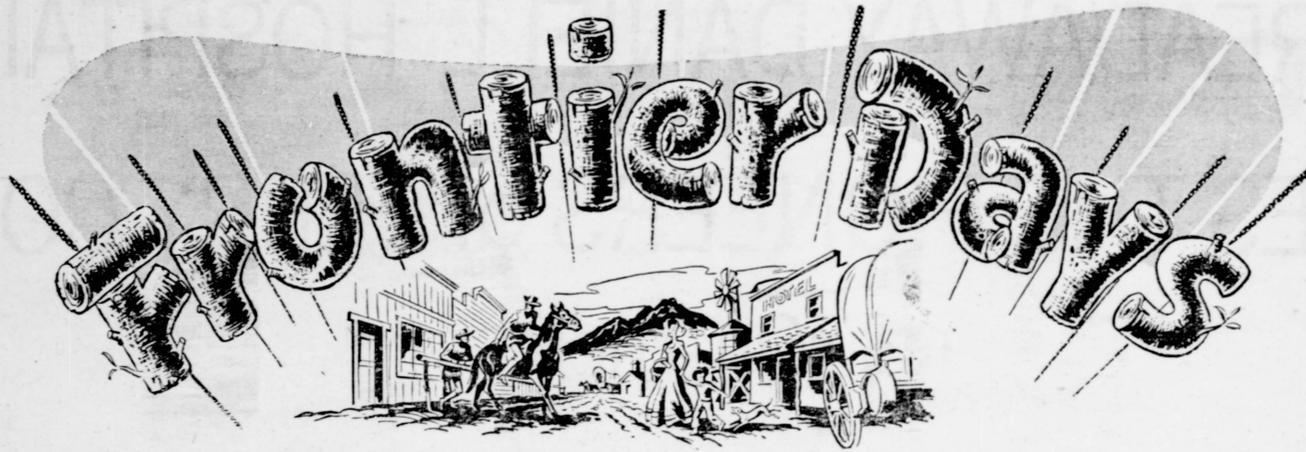


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