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SCURRY COUNTY THE LEADING COUNTY IN WESTERN TEXAS

IN FERTILITY OF SOIL AND AREA OF TILLABLE AGRICULTURAL LANDS. OPULENT IN OPPORTUNITIES, ESPECIALLY TO DECIDUOUS FRUIT GROWERS OF MODEST MEANS, THERE BEING AN ABUNDANCE OF CHEAP LANDS OF PROVEN ADAPTABILITY FOR PROFITABLE FRUIT CULTURE WITH AMPLE WATER EASILY AVAILABLE FOR IRRIGATION PURPOSES. A TEN ACRE ORCHARD AND GARDEN HOME PREFERABLE TO A LARGE FARM HOWEVER FERTILE. LESS TOIL AND TROUBLE, GREATER REVENUE, AN EASIER LIVING AND AN ASSURED COMPETENCE AND OFTIMES FORTUNE, IN SCURRY COUNTY ORCHARD HOMES, THAT ARE EASILY OBTAINABLE. SNYDER, THE COUNTY SEAT A PROSPEROUS CITY PLETHORIC WITH FUTURE PROMISE.

An Appreciation—By Frank McDonald, Editor Lone Star Lexicon.

The east has become overpopulated and has ceased to expand. The middle western agricultural states of Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska and the western divide states of Ohio and Indiana have become congested, their soils in many portions, at least, exhausted, their lands barren, sterile and unprofitable. The tide star of immigration which for half a century past has chiefly pointed to the far west, has well-nigh, forever set. There remains but one last, best, west, the great southwest of Texas, but its giant possibilities dwarf into insignificance, centuries of development on either side the "Father of Waters." Texas, the empire State of the glorious galaxy of the Union, is a great and giant commonwealth and contains within its well-nigh countless confines illimitable resources in deposits of the precious metals, in vast oil fields to feed the furnaces of industrial enterprises and the other worlds of wealth that the ages have matured in the womb of mother earth, whilst the white winged sails of all the nations of the world seek her gulf coast harbors and will become numerous as the trees of the State's mighty forests when our great sea level canal spans the Isthmus of Panama and opens the gateway of commerce between the world's giant oceans.

But with all its redundant and varied resources, the greatest asset of Texas in her vast area of 262,290 square miles is its amplitude of fertile acreage upon which is raised a prodigious portion of the world's supply of the great fleecy staple, the fighting of a worm upon the lit-green boll which causes greater devastation on both hemispheres than the mobilization of serried armies or the massing of numerous naval fleets, and which is capable of reducing cotton, cereals and other products sufficient to clothe, nourish and sustain the entire population of these great United States and, assuredly the last and not the best portion of this immense domain, as yet opulent in opportunity in an agricultural, horticultural, industrial and investment field, is that part of this peerless, commonly topographically designated as West Texas and meant refer to the fertile agricultural lands lying west of Lampasas and Pinto counties, and extending to the center of Culberson county, from the plains country, so-called north to the Southern confines of Tom Green county toward the Rio Grande.

Scurry county, situated almost in

Scurry county taking a pronounced pre-eminence in these particulars because of having a much greater area of tillable, fertile soil and an advantage that can be suitably described by the superlative priceless in its abundance of shallow, easily available water supply for irrigating purposes, the entire county being underlaid with a seemingly inexhaustible lake of absolutely pure water at depths varying from 20 to 130 feet, the shallowest being encountered close to the county seat.

A large portion of the lands that comprise the 821 square miles of Scurry county are level as a carpeted floor and the rest of its tillable soil lies between long rolling hills, affording excellent natural drainage.

The soils of Scurry county vary from light sandy loam on the higher ridges to heavy black land in the valleys and all are wonderfully productive of fruits, cotton and forage crops which have been proven to be respectively indigenous.

The average depth of the soil is five feet, universally underlaid with a clay subsoil and the conformation of the country, peculiar soil consistency, absence of nefarious vegetation, cool nights, extremely rapid growing periods, mulch farming methods and other conditions diverse from other states, all combine to give it great moisture retaining properties. Scurry county, indeed, frequently presents a pleasing picture, glowing with the green verdure, when other less favored, though nearby sections are suffering from severe drouths and semi-arid conditions.

Here, as elsewhere in the southland, cotton is the great staple and money crop and the freedom of this section from boll weevil and other destructive insects that work such woeful injury in the gulf territory and other lower altitude regions make it an ideal place for the cultivation of the fleecy plant.

In normal years of natural precipitation a half a bale to the acre is an average yield in rightly cultivated cotton ground, three quarters of a bale is not uncommon and in favored spots those model farmers who plow deep in the fall and break up their land with a harrow until a dust mulch is formed on the top and harrow after each rain until ready to plant, frequently make in excess of a bale.

It is a sine qua non with successful farmers that the soil must be gone over after every rainfall as otherwise it cakes and does not properly absorb the moisture.

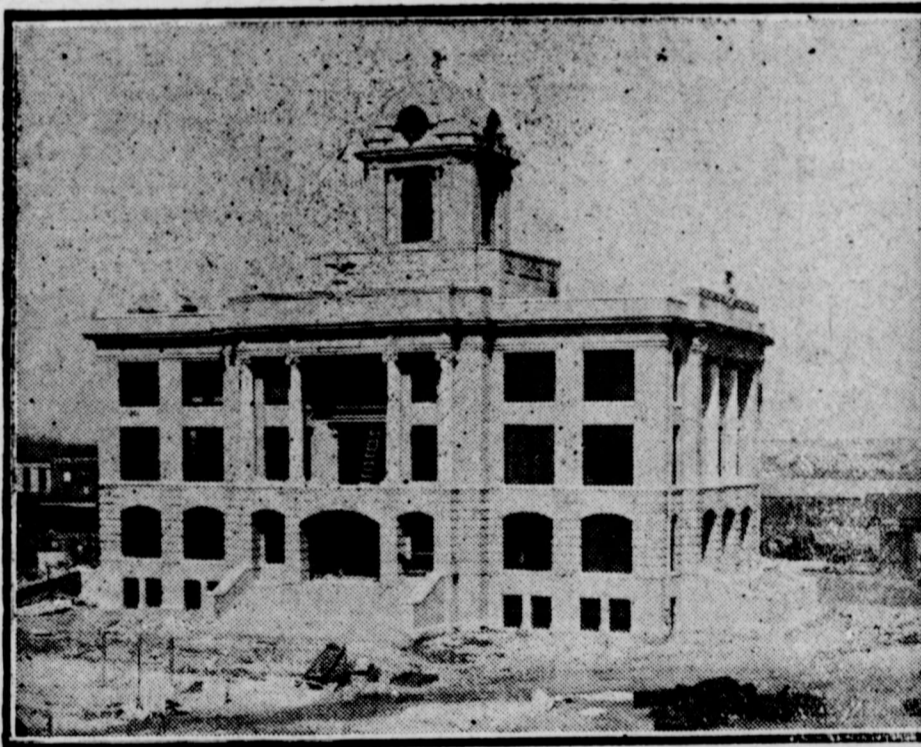
There has been a scarcity of rain-

fall have made a quarter of a bale or more and this will be exceeded the present year in certain favored spots in the southern end of the county. Last year, one of the droust in recent times, the average production was one third of a bale to the acre.

There has never been a failure in Scurry county in the fodder crops of milo maize and kaffir corn, which with cotton are the principal staples of this section. Both find a natural growing ground and indigenous home in this soil and local climatic conditions, produce wonderfully prolifically and are exceedingly profitable crops; in fact, are indispensable to the farmer who follows the wise plan of running some cattle and raising a few litters of hogs with the soil tilling vocation.

Cattle, work stock and swine take to this feed as does a duck to water, thrive and wax fat and hardy upon it.

A reliable and experienced authority, writing upon the growth of these products in Scurry county says: "Kaffir corn and maize, the two great grain and forage crops of Scurry county, are the same in



Scurry County Court House

value to us as corn to the north and east, often maturing one hundred bushels per acre.

These wonderful plants produce a grain, which in the South and West are destined to supplant the uncertain Indian corn crop, furnishing a feed as high in nutriment and food value as corn, but without the liability of "burning out" stock. Planted like Indian corn it grows luxuriantly, producing a fodder very much like sorghum and is perhaps the best all round feed in a silo grown. The grain in head or threshed fattens cattle, hogs or work stock as rapidly as corn and gives to the edible flesh of animals a distinctly pleasing flavor which is so liable to rankness in corn fed animals. With improved farming utensils, many farmers are handling two hundred acres of these grains individually and netting from \$10.00 to \$25.00 an acre.

The demand for this grain exceed its production and it finds a ready market in all the grain centers of the United States. The meal from this grain stands in a class by itself between corn flour and wheat flour and makes a far more palatable bread than the former.

Scurry county produces more cotton, kaffir corn and maize than any other county in west Texas; has more land in cultivation to these and other products and it is also perhaps well to here mention, owns

more cattle, horses and mules and hogs and has more money per capita on deposit in its banks than any of its sister counties in this bountiful belt.

All that has been above said relative to the present standard, staple crops of Scurry county are carefully considered conservative statements, the exact truth of which is susceptible of easy verification and indubitably a good living, an assured competence and, in many instances an ample fortune awaits the tiller of this fertile soil, who confines his activities to the crops and callings mentioned. But it is also the opinion of the most careful observer and most thoughtful persons of all classes, from farmers to financiers, that Scurry county is brightest with most brilliant promise for the future in the assured responsiveness of its fertile soil to deciduous fruit growing, vineyard and vine plant culture. Fabulous is scarcely an exaggerated term in which to refer to the returns that will come as certain as the night the day, from horticulture and vineyarding under the propitious soil, climate and water conditions that here exist, with which should be coupled fruit grower's associations to see to the proper marketing of an extensive production, a subject that will later be referred to.

All orchards attempted, all grape, berry, or vine plant culture essayed, under anything approximating proper conditions have here thrived and prospered beyond the most sanguine expectations. It has been proven beyond peradventure by demonstration extending over an ample period of time to be conclusive that nowhere in all of Uncle Sam's domain, and this statement is made with due consideration for the conservatism with which it is the writer's intent and hope to clamp and fortify everything said in these columns, do peaches, pears, plums, almonds, peaches, pears plums, dewberries, strawberries, water melons,

\$10,000.00 worth of machinery and stock on hand and has a fat bank account and unimpeachable credit, all acquired within thirty-six short months in the field of industry which the writer feels called upon to bring to the attention of readers as forcibly as he is capable of doing. Mr. Eastes contends, in another article in this paper which it will pay one to read, that the returns from ten acres of orchard, vineyard and truck patch, confined chiefly to the products here named will almost from the first, yield as much value as a large farm, cultivated to the usual sta-

make feasible and easy the conservation of the vast bodies of water which it oftentimes contains and their utilization to irrigate and moisten the enviroing soil.

In various places it is cut and almost crossed by huge projecting formations of rock, solid as Arctic basalt leaving only narrow apertures in the channel bed which could be dammed at an insignificant cost, but a few hundred dollars at some points and the water detained to be diverted at the proper crop growing period to the adjacent rich acreage, estimated at 10,000 acres. Bluff, Ennis, Rough and Sulphur creeks



Feeding Cattle at Oil Mill, Snyder

and other streams and rivulets that traverse other portions of the county can also be dammed and their waters conserved and utilized at a comparatively small cost. Every year, the priceless value of water that for generations has been allowed to go to waste is being more understood and appreciated, and it is a hopeful sign that some farmers who hitherto used to dig ditches to draw water from their lands now terrace them for the converse purpose of retaining this leavening moisture. * * * It is proper mention in connection with prospective irrigation in Scurry county, a subject which is the most vitally important one, presenting itself for solution, not only in Scurry county but to all of West Texas, that sub-irrigation by use of concrete pipes has received the hearty commendation and approval of all the most intelligent experienced, competent, conscientious, conservative persons who have thoroughly examined all systems, as the most economical and desirable in all regards. It takes but one eighth of the amount of water necessary to moisten a given quantity by the old ditch surface way, when the sub-irrigation plan is used, this latter method conforms more to the usage of nature, thoroughly seeping through and soaking the soil and it is preferable in every particular in this regard to say nothing of the fact that two acres out of every twenty are non-utilized, wholly lost to cultivation, by the primitive surface ditch plan. Taken into account the fact there is an inexhaustible body of red clay near Snyder which makes a porous pipe through the natural apertures of which the water finds easy egress to the soil, propitious conditions for easy and economical sub-irrigation here exist which are not elsewhere obtainable and it would seem that this opportunity, which nature is lavishly offering should be quickly grasped.

With the increased acreage which is being devoted to fruit culture and the purposes here indicated, which assuredly will be largely augmented in the near future, will be felt the need of greater marketing facilities and a fruit growers association to foster and further the interests of this industry in this and other regards, should be organized as quickly as may be.

The orange and lemon of California and the Bermuda onion of Texas, all peerless in their lines and for which there was ever a heavy demand, were raised at a loss to the grower until an organization was effected sufficiently strong to dominate both the railroads and the commission men.

Scurry County should profit by experience and take time by the forelock as regards nursing and nurturing this all important, though as yet scarcely more than embryonic industry. * * * *

The average rainfall of Scurry county is 24.62 inches per annum, which occurs at propitious seasons and which precipitation, for reasons priorly pointed out, is usually ample for crop production. But aside from the natural rainfall and the inexhaustible body of water which underlies the entire country, it has several other irrigation sources providing water supplies which ere long will undoubtedly be preserved and conserved for the praiseworthy and profitable purpose of irrigating and giving increased fertility to the soil. Reference is had in the latter regard to the numerous creeks and waterways that course through the country and conditions to which are invariably large valleys of exceptionally fertile and productive land.

Deep Creek, which in its meanderings flows directly through the city of Snyder, seems especially designed and constructed by nature to

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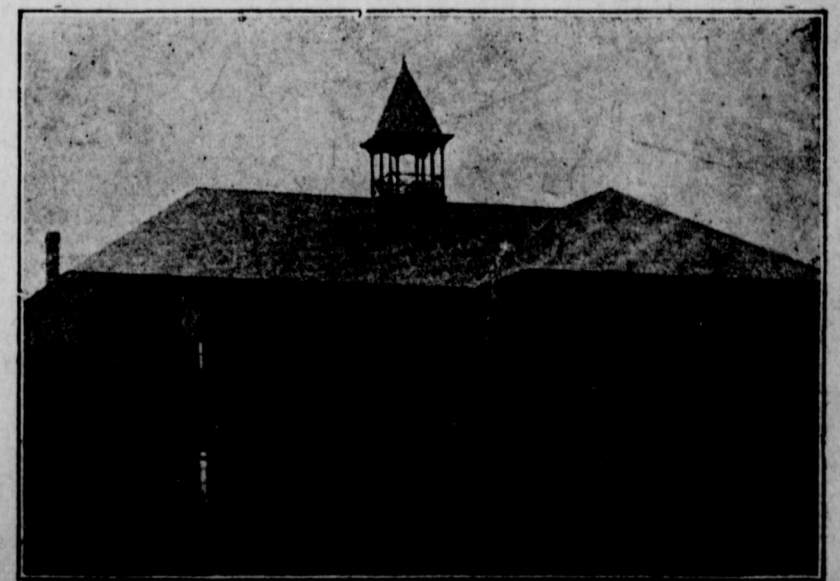
Porous, concrete pipe, from the clay in question is in perfect, practical use in the splendid garden of Mrs. George Smith in this city, and banker H. B. Patterson is contemplating its installation on a place of his adjacent to the city. * * * Scurry county is traversed from Southeast to Northwest by the Ros-



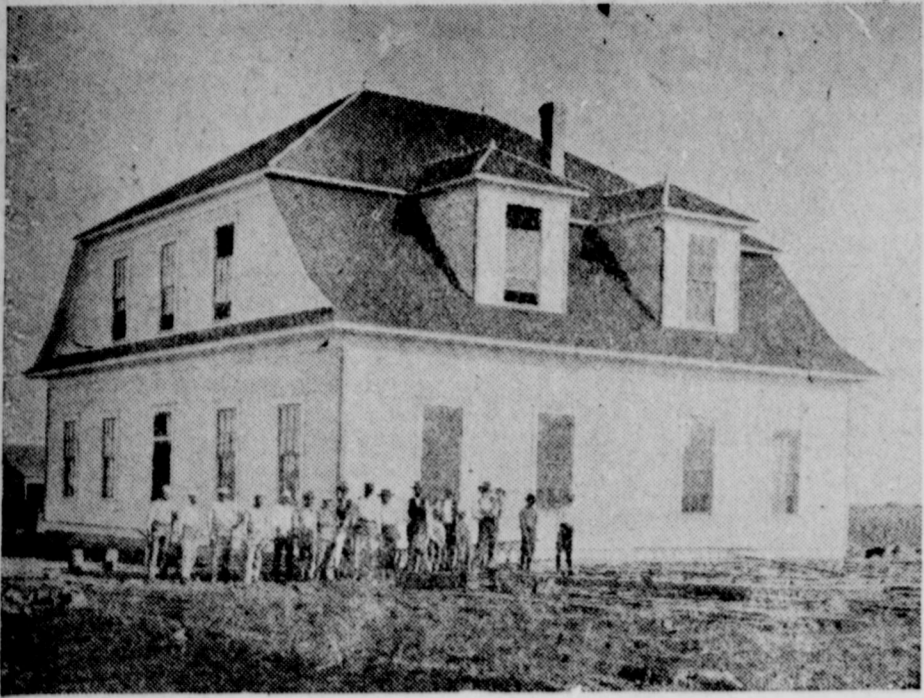
At One of the Cotton Gins Snyder

the geographical center of this splendidly rich and resourceful stretch of country and its southern sister neighboring county of Mitchell, lead all other sections of West Texas in fertility of soil and prodigal per acre crop production

fall in Scurry county the past three seasons, one of the dry cycles that recurrently visit all sections from the Red River to the Rio Grande, yet in this period of comparative drouth all farmers who have cultivated their cotton as above describ-



Central School Building, Snyder



New School Building at Ira

coe, Snyder & Pacific railway, which affords direct rail communication to all the most populous communities of the county and the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railway crosses the county in its great trunk line coast to coast route.

There are those who hold, with a plausibility to which the conformation of the West Texas country and other condition gives great probability, that Snyder is destined to be a railroad center from which will radiate a net work of lines that will tap the vast fertile region, lying West and North of this city and yet unshod by the steel hoofs of the iron horse of commerce, that other lines running north and south will seek a gulf outlet through Snyder and that here will be located great machine shops and the other utilities that are indispensable to a railroad common point of any proportions.

Col. A. C. Wilmeth, who was the leading live wire instrumentality in securing the roads first named for this city, who is wholly familiar with the topography, soil and climatic conditions of West Texas, who has been a close student of the possibilities of railroad development during his three decades of residence in this section and whose optimism is ever tempered with conservatism, says in this regard: "The M. K. & T., commonly called in different sections, the 'Katy' and the 'Central' will build from Roswell by the way of Gall, traversing Snyder; the Estacado and Gulf, presumably a Rock Island branch, will be constructed from Roby to Seminole or Andrews, the county seat of Andrews county, crossing Snyder enroute, and a line is being laid out from Paducah, supposedly the Frisco system, to the South and will go through Spur, Snyder and Colorado City, and thence to Brady, which roads, that are a surety of the future, will give this city ten distinct rail outlets.

All the routes above indicated follow the lines of least resistance are the pathways and trails blazed by the early pioneers and all traverse an exceptionally fertile agricultural country. The road from Roby, for instance, follows the direction and contour of country of the old Pope stage line from Fort Trinity to California; the road from Spur to Colorado City is on the trail made by General McKenzie when he expelled the Comanches and the road from Rotan to Roswell is known to all as the old Hopperwell or Tobacco Creek route.

All will afford a low grade and a level road bed, are the only practical and feasible routes to tap this rich section and touch the most populous communities and their early construction is as inevitably certain as the advancing progress of settlement and civilization."

In view of its vast area of tillable agricultural lands of proven fertility of soil, inexhaustible water supply and other conditions previously told of, with an eye single to the conservation of truth and accuracy, Scurry county can be appropriately said to be abounding in

more alluring opportunity for the acquirement of a farm or fruit and vineyard home than any section, canopied by the azure sky of Western Texas.

And added to the desirable conditions, previously enumerated the pre-requisite of a salubrious, healthful climate is here ideally met, churches, schools and all the concomitants of a cultured, highly moral citizenship are plentiful and land values are exceedingly low.

Good farms now under cultivation can be purchased at from \$20 to \$30 an acre, usually on easy terms, and virgin, unimproved land at from \$8.00 to \$15.00 an acre.

Scurry county is rich in agricultural resources beyond any of her compeers in West Texas counties and notwithstanding her splendid, slightly school structures, architecturally beautiful and costly court house and the modern and expensive public improvements and utilities is in excellent financial condition, her total liabilities and assets as per data furnished, this date, Aug. 25th, 1912, by County Treasurer, C. R. Lockhart, being: bonded indebtedness \$88,000.00. Cash on hand and funds in school districts and other bonds, \$6,648.25.

The total county tax is 35c and the total tax of the city of Snyder 75c which compares favorably with any city and county in Texas.

Aside from the agricultural, horticultural and other wealth of resource heretofore mentioned in these columns, Scurry County is a premier cattle, horse, hog, and poultry country and has hardly a peer in the production of peanuts, sweet potatoes and other products which the limitation of space does not permit of here describing in detail.

Once the mightiest barony of the cattle king, the Queen county of Western Texas is plethoric with assured promise of profitable crop production and corralary prosperity to the world's greatest producers and benefactors, the industri us tillers of the soil.

Snyder, the county seat of Scurry County, is a thriving city which has a population of 2510 in the census enumeration of 1910, which has since been augmented and its prosperity is founded on the solidarity of resource hitherto pointed out.

The combined capital and surplus of its three banks aggregates \$300,000.00. It has an electric light and ice plant, a municipal water works and sewer the finest cotton seed oil plant in West Texas, 125 business concerns, mostly housed in one, two and three story brick and stone buildings, two first class hotels, a pure inexhaustible water supply, three slightly brick school buildings with thirty four class rooms and an enrollment of 750 pupils in the scholastic school district and fourteen teachers, seven churches with resident pastors and large attending congregations and an architecturally beautiful court house recently erected by the county at a cost of \$100,000.00

An appreciation of Snyder and Scurry county resources and institutions without mention of an or-

ganization established some two years ago to further and promote and to aid and abet, and to often initiate movements and measures for the development and up-building, the material and moral up-lift and betterment of the city and county, would be akin to a rendition of Hamlet with the melancholy and picturesque Prince of Denmark who bemoaned the instrumentality of fate that made him, his knightly father's anger omitted from the cast.

The Young Men's Business League, comprising practically all the live wire younger citizens of this progressive city in the business financial and professional walks of life, was formed for the purpose above indicated, has worthily fulfilled its mission, is still enterprising, following its prescribed progressive pathway and is a potent factor in putting Snyder and Scurry County on the map in bold face type and procuring for its people many useful and beneficial things they would not have otherwise obtained. Amongst the many plans and projects it has carried out for the benefit and delectation of the citizens may be chronicled the following: The election for and the floating of the \$16,000 bond issue for the slightly new county jail; the establishment by the Santa Fe Ry. of 22 experimental farms in Scurry county; the organization of the boosting trip of last May to the Confederate Re-union at Macon, Ga., which was accompanied by our peerless Cow Boy Band, which won the plaudits of and was the cynosure of all eyes in the assembled multitude gathered together from the Mississippi valley and south of the Mason and Dixon line states and a band of busier if less musical league boosters distributed tons of high-class literature of Scurry County that was productive of untold good, for home entertainment and edification it has procured the best lyceum talent that graces the Chattanooga performers including Richard Pearson Hobson of Merrimac fame,

commodious rooms and apartments on the North side of the square, provided with a gymnasium, bath, billiard and pool tables, the best current literature and other approved modes and means of amusing and entertaining visitors and its members, who compose the social elect of the younger set of the city. Another commendable organization of the city, the purposes of which, as indicated by its name, are wholly material, is the Snyder Development Co. Its charter is broad and it can initiate or promote most any project it chooses, but its primary purpose was the sinking of a well, in a locality, where were indications of oil in the underneath strata. This it has done to a depth of 2,500 feet, skeptic predictions to the contrary, notwithstanding. A mile south of town, close to the cotton oil company, oil floating on the surface of nearby creeks, evidences of natural gas and other indications of the presence of oil, led to the selection of this spot as a field of operations. All of the geological formations encountered in the sinking, and especially the more recent ones show that the first surmise was

cultured, of exceptional morals, the epitomization of progress and enterprise and of the city and county's advantages and resources one can appropriately quote from Ingalls for here assuredly awaits that opportunity which he apostrophized as follows:

"Fame, love and fortunes on my footsteps wait, * * * And those who follow me reach every state, Mortals desire and conquer every foe, Love death; but those who doubt or hesitate Condemned to failure, penury and woe Seek me in vain, and uselessly implore, I answer not and I return no more."

Delightful Dermott.

Dermott is a new and delightful located town, fourteen miles northwest of Snyder and is bright with brilliant promise for future growth and development.

It is situated in the center of as fine a farming country as is under Heaven's canopy, the soil of which is adaptable to profitable fruit

INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS

That are Building Snyder and Developing Scurry County.

O. L. Wilkerson Lumber Co

Closely allied to its industrial enterprises in that they are potent factors as contributors to and play a prominent part in developing, up-building and giving slightly architectural charms to the structures and edifices of a city, are its great lumber concerns. And in the material making of Snyder the firm above named has enacted a leading and worthy role.

Its yards in this city were established in March 1907, it being the first large lumber firm to enter this field and it has furnished material that entered into construction of many of the most slightly and substantial buildings of Snyder, among those erected for which it furnished the equipment, being the handsome homes of James R. Welch, the late T. J. Faught, the West side school building and the \$6,000.00 ranch residence of H. P. Wellborn fifteen miles from town.

The O. L. Wilkerson Company occupies a most commodious and centrally located site, covering more than a half a block of ground on Bridge street, adjacent to the public square and almost immediately adjoining the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific tracks and, it is well nigh needless to say, carries everything in lumber, wire and all materials that enter into the construction of any structure. Its reputation for fair and honorable business methods is proverbial all over Scurry county to every confine of which its ramifications of business extend.

It is the broad and generous policy of this company to further the interests of all communities in which it maintains yards and Snyder is fortunate in having as resident manager, G. B. Clark, a member of the firm.

Mr. Clark has had charge of the Snyder business since it was established over five years ago, is essentially public spirited and progressive and takes an active interest in matters for the public weal.

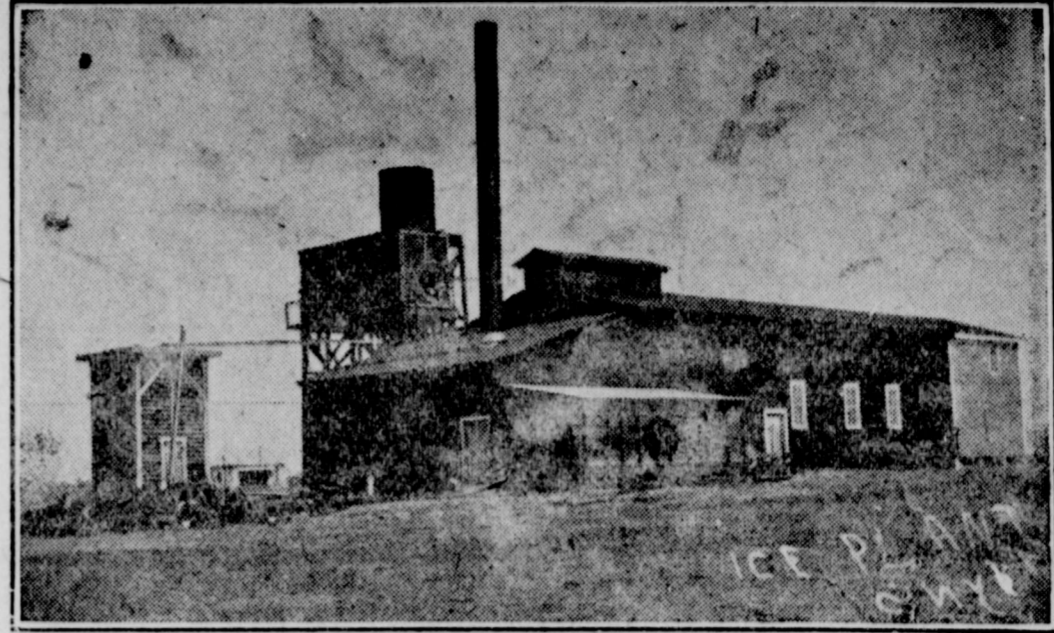
He is a native of Tennessee, but has lived in Texas for over a quarter of a century, during all of which time he has been in the lumber trade or allied pursuits.

J. A. Miller.

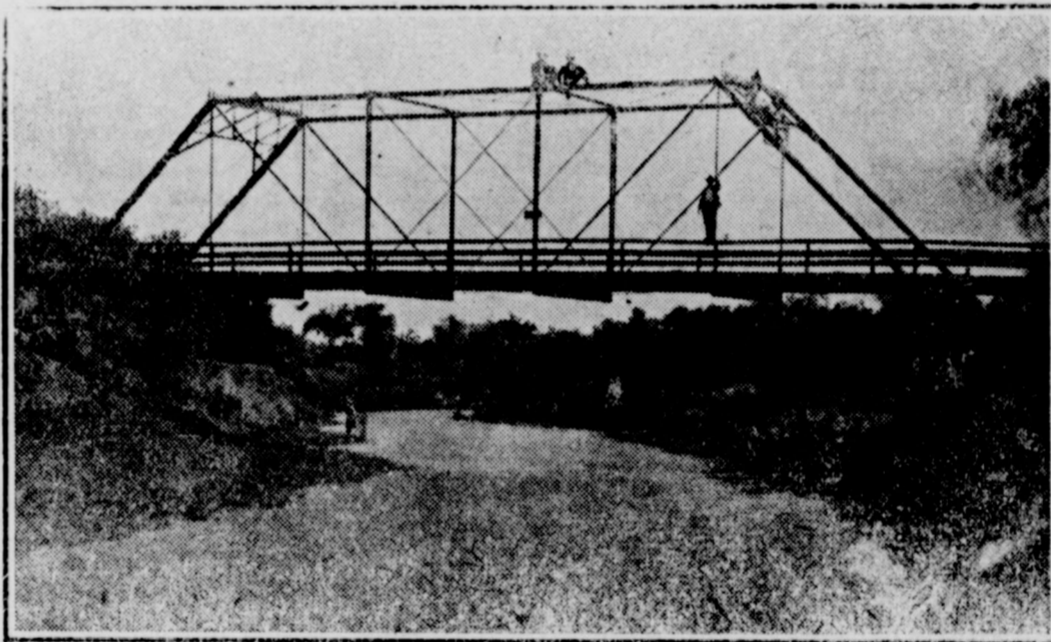
It is an optimistic omen and refreshing and inspiring to meet a talk with a business man who takes a hopeful and cheery vista and perspective of times and conditions befit the person in question may in a line that sees its best days with a community is riding on a buoyant wave of prosperity, and per cent is the first to have that business called when times are dull.

That is why it is invigorating hold converse with J. A. Miller, who conducts the commodious livery stable, one block north of the square and who keeps his horses in as fine condition, his rigs as clean and tidy and is himself as cheerful happy and

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The Ice Plant at Snyder



Bridge Across Deep Creek Snyder

the Rounds Lady Orchestra and other equally good attractions, it secured the establishment of a downtown telegraph office and free city express delivery, it conserves the fitness of things, by getting a sumptuous banquet for Gov. Colquitt when he recently visited the city, which was an occasion of much eclat; it corralled for Snyder, the district Sunday School convention which has delegates from 36 counties and which occurs early in October, and the State Convention of the Nazarene church which will have an attendance of four hundred persons and which will be pulled off in the latter part of the same month, and in divers and sundry ways, in fact, in every conceivable, laudable and legitimate manner, it plans and carries to successful conclusions, projects and programs for the public weal. The Young Men's Business League combines a commercial club, Chamber of Commerce and all progressive forces and factors in one compact, cohesive, competent body that does things and does them now.

It is officiated as follows: O. P. Thrane, Cashier Snyder National Bank, President; R. H. Curnutte, Cashier First National Bank, Vice President; E. J. Anderson, of Baker Grayum & Anderson, Secretary; F. V. Clark, Proprietor Owl Drug Store, Treasurer.

Executive Board—T. F. Baker, O. P. Thrane, B. A. Eubank, C. L. Ewell, R. H. Curnutte, Fred A. Grayum, J. W. Hunt, P. Brady, E. J. Anderson, T. P. Perkins, F. V. Clark, W. H. Morrow.

The Round-Up Club, though strictly social in its functions, might pertinently be said to be an auxiliary to the Y. M. B. C.

As one of its purposes is the proper entertainment of prominent visitors whom it is praiseworthy and fitting to greet with suitable social amenities.

It has elegantly furnished and

found on correct supposition and it is a thousand pities that the work of the company, at the psychological time when its dreams bid fair to be realized, had to be temporarily stopped by reason of lack of funds. The capital stock of the company is \$20,000, the shares having a par value of \$1.00. Fourteen thousand shares were sold and the proceeds utilized in the work above described. That the remaining treasury stock will be sold with a return of easier and more elastic conditions in the money world is a foregone conclusion and that this may be at any early date is a consummation devoutly to be wished for by everyone who has at heart the development of this city and section.

The officers of the Snyder Development Company are: Pres. H. B. Patterson; Vice Pres. G. B. Clark, Secretary and Treasurer, R. S. Jackson.

In conclusion the people of Snyder and Scurry county are Christian and

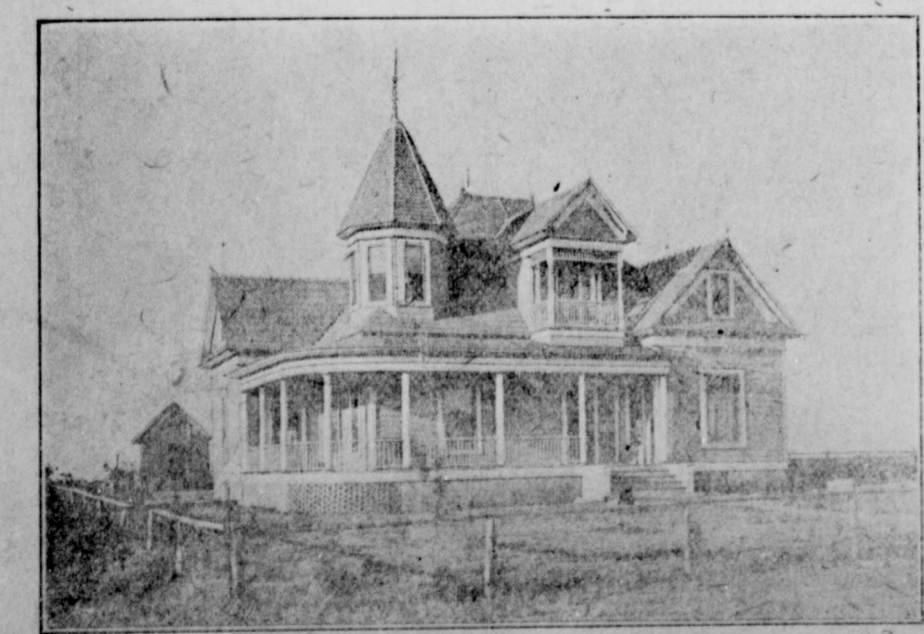
growing as pertains to any member of the deciduous family, and to the cultivation of almost any product that will grow in ground.

The town is traversed by two railroads, the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific, and Santa Fe in its coast to coast route, tillable, fertile, fertile land is still cheap in the vicinity and boundless opportunities await the settler or capitalist in the easy acquisition of a prosperous, happy home profitable investment in fertile acreage.

Wholly reliable information can be obtained in these regards by addressing P. S. McDermott, Dermott, Scurry county, Texas.

Miss Ruth Kirkpatrick will teach a class in Piano at the home of Mrs. Marvin Wood, just across the street east of the Central school building. Class opens Monday, September 9th. Students are requested to be on hand early in the session, so arrangements can be made that will not conflict with literary work.

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Residence of W. T. Thompson Near Snyder



A Ranch of Scurry County Sheep

"Cardui Cured Me"

For nearly ten years, at different times, Mrs. Mary Jinks of Treadway, Tenn., suffered with womanly troubles. She says: "At last, I took down and thought I would die. I could not sleep. I couldn't eat. I had pains all over. The doctors gave me up. I read that Cardui had helped so many, and I began to take it, and it cured me. Cardui saved my life! Now, I can do anything."

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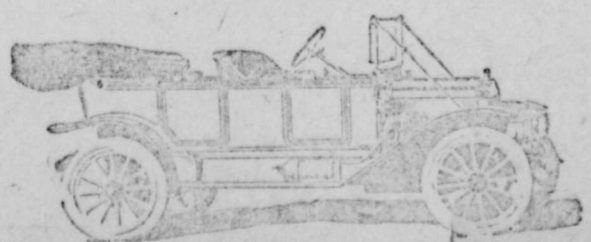
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Prizes Awarded.

To the Altrurian Club, Snyder, Texas:

Ladies: We, your committee designated for the purpose of selecting property owners in the limits of the city of Snyder, entitled to the generous prizes offered by the city at the instance of your club, as a mark of appreciation and honor for the cleanest and best kept premises have awarded as follows:

First Prize to Mr. George Barge-man.

Second Prize to Mr. Chas. Lockhart.

Honorable mention in the following order:

- Mrs. Laura Nation,
- Mr. Homer Cotten,
- Mr. W. T. Brice,
- Mr. J. B. Coleman,
- Mr. J. E. Eubank.

In making the inspection of our city, your committee was agreeably surprised at the amount of effort that has and was being expended in endeavoring to meet with your requirements and we are certain that this movement on the part of the Altrurian Club has initiated an interest which not only adds to the beauty of our city, but has been the great means of reducing the usual high rate of summer sickness.

Respectfully submitted,
DR. SED A. HARRIS,
WALTER W. DAVIS,
E. J. ANDERSON.

Little Folks Party

Little Ruth Warren entertained on Thursday evening from 4 to 6 with a lawn party, the occasion being her fifth birthday. Games were played in which the tiniest tot took part.

Just as the games were at their jolliest, the big cake was placed on the table and for a time the games were forgotten and eager eyes rested on the beautiful cake bedecked with candles.

Clarence Banks was the lucky one, receiving the piece containing the ring; Charles Banks the button, Rue Kelley the nickel and Loretta Stokes the thimble.

Punch and cake was served after which all prepared to return to their homes, declaring Miss Ruth to be an excellent entertainer.

—A GUEST.

Another Home Burned.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Trueblood on South Scurry street was burned about 12 o'clock Wednesday night.

The house was the former home of T. J. Broxson and was owned by H. N. Hamrick. Neighbors rushed in as soon as the alarm was turned in and quite a lot of the household goods were saved. The house was a four room structure and worth probably \$1200. There was insurance on the house of \$900 and \$100 on the windmill. The latter was not damaged. The home of Mr. T. J. Broxson was not damaged, except by the intense heat.

Mr. Trueblood carried \$600 insurance on his household goods.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to extend our heartfelt thanks to those friends who so generously and devotedly assisted us during the illness of our husband and father. We desire also to express our appreciation of the visits and loving ministrations of the young people who were so kind to visit and cheer us during our affliction. We too, feel very grateful to Dr. Warren for his faithful and attentive service.

Respectfully,
MR. AND MRS. ALBERT TIN
Mrs. J. H. Tinker,
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tinker.

A Card of Thanks.

We take this method to express our profound gratitude to the fire boys and to all our neighbors and friends who worked so faithfully, unselfishly and effectively last Wednesday night to save our home from burning.

It thrills us with grateful admiration when we think of how strong men mounted on screen doors and other improvised scaffolds and scaled the roof, thus risking their lives to do such magnanimous service for us.

We will always entertain the highest possible appreciation for those men.

MR. and MRS. T. J. BROXSON

Poverty is no bar to education. Some of the brightest minds the world has ever produced have come from the humble homes of the poorest people. Young man, take courage and by improving your opportunities, you can make your mark in this world. Come to Snyder to school. You can get what you want.

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An Exchange says: Every store in Ennis can materially aid the work of bringing people to Ennis by pushing his own business with advertising. He will get the first returns and the whole town will get some benefit from his advertising. Then if all will advertise heavily, the whole town will be benefitted from the efforts of each other.

1920 acres, rough, strictly grazing land, fenced in, three pastures and a good well and windmill on each section. No other improvements. Located three and four miles of Maryneal. Patented, title o. k. Price \$6 per acre. 220 acres adjoining Maryneal, half tillable, 75 acres in cultivation, fenced, cheap camp house, well and windmill, horse and cow sheds. Price \$30.00 per acre.

Will exchange for well located farm lands of equal value. No incumbered land considered. This is a good chance for one who wants to change from farming to stock raising.

J. H. HAMETT,
Maryneal, Texas.

S. F. Johnson, living east of Snyder brought us a Banana musk melon last Saturday that weighed 11 1/2 pounds, was 17 inches in circumference and nearly 35 inches long. It greatly resembled the old Quill melon, but is much sweeter than that old chili and fever incubator. This is the first melon of the kind we have seen in the west, and it was a real curiosity to some of the old West Texans who saw it.

Indian Killed on Track.

Near Rochelle, Ill., an Indian went to sleep on a railroad track and was killed by the fast express. He paid for his carelessness by his life. Often it is that way when people neglect coughs and colds. Don't risk your life when prompt use of Dr. King's New Discovery will cure them and so prevent a dangerous throat or lung trouble. "It completely cured me in a short time of a terrible cough that followed a severe attack of Grip" writes J. R. Watts, Floydada, Texas, "and I regained 15 pounds in weight that I had lost. Quick, safe, reliable and guaranteed. 50c and \$1.00 Trial bottle free at all druggists.

Bro. Hutcheson's Meeting

Palmer, Texas, Aug. 25—Rev. F. L. Hutcheson of Snyder began a revival meeting at the tabernacle here. Much interest is being manifested by big crowds that go to hear him nine conversions. Rev. Hutcheson is assisted in the song service by Prof. Sherman Culwell of Poolville, Texas.

A later report states that the meeting resulted in 116 conversions.

Sallow complexion comes from bilious impurities in the blood and the fault lies with the liver and bowels—they are torpid. The medicine that gives results in such cases is HERBINE. It is a fine liver stimulant and bowel regulator. Price 50c, sold by all druggists.

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Books for the Primary Department consisting of the first, second, third and fourth grades.

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IN EPILOGUE

Terse Tales of Snyder's Builders

The history of a city or community is but the life stories of those of its citizens in commercial, industrial and professional pursuits whose names are indelibly intertwined with its growth and upbuilding.

Such tales well told, are always interesting reading matter, offer incalculably valuable lessons to the growing young and afford examples for emulation to all. Hence under the caption of "In Epitome, or Terse Tales of Snyder Builders" this paper will publish in this appreciation of Snyder and Scurry county, truthfully told, short sketches of the careers of our citizens whose names are thus linked with our fair city's prosperity and development.

H. B. Patterson

Probably there is no one in Scurry county whose name will recur to one more quickly in the above regard than that of H. B. Patterson. He is president of the First State Bank & Trust Company an organization which though organized at an unpropitious period as regards profligence of crop production and plethora of currency in circulation at once took rank as one of the great financial mainstays of this section, largely through his personal influence and the personnel of his conferees and associates on its executive and directing board, and which occupies the handsome bank building in all West Texas.

Mr. Patterson is also president of the Snyder Development Company, the worthy purposes of which company are elsewhere told of in detail in another part of this paper and his name is linked with well nigh every movement for the material benefit and moral uplift of Snyder and Scurry county. Quick to apprehend and assimilate all progressive ideas and innovations he is about to install a porous concrete pipe system of sub irrigation and in general, his is a pattern of citizenship to be modeled after.

W. A. Johnson

Snyder's oldest and one of West Texas' most successful financial institutions, the First National Bank elsewhere told of has for its presiding head, one of Scurry County's foremost citizens in the person of W. A. Johnson, who by virtue of long residence and the enactment of a prominent and worthy role in developing its resources, is entitled to display type mention in these epitome sketches of the city and county's history makers and material builders.

Mr. Johnson is ever in the forefront of all movements having for their objective aim the moral and material betterment of city and leading and most successful stockmen of this section and his beautiful county conditions. He is one of the few homes on this place some fifteen miles from town is said to be the handsomest residence in Scurry county.

The career of W. A. Johnson sets an example well worthy of emulation by those who would achieve the best results in the voyage of life and on departing hence leave lasting footmarks in the sands of time.

James R. Welch

Albeit but a young man in the prime and zenith of physical and mental manhood and although but

a comparatively recent acquisition to Snyder's business world, Mr. Welch has indelibly stamped his individuality upon the community and his name has acquired talismanic like qualities in any business enterprise in that it is linked with that success which the first great merchant prince, A. T. Stewart, demanded as a pre-requisite of all his associates and employees.

Mr. Welch came to Scurry county from Tennessee a few years back and being wooed and won by the fertility of its soil and other advantages and decided to permanently locate here and engaged in the real estate business in which he has been unusually successful. He has the talent and ability to grasp and handle large affairs and in the exploitation of colonization of kindred projects, provided they be worthy and commendable, a sine qua non he insists upon ere he lends an enterprise his name and influence has few if any peers.

The beautiful residence of Mr. Welch on Colonial Heights recently purchased of E. W. Clark is shown in the accompanying engraving.

W. T. Thompson

Ranking amongst the prominent and progressive citizens of Snyder who are ever in the forefront in promoting worthy enterprises and otherwise making for the city's material advancement is W. T. Thompson whose beautiful home place south of town is pictured in this paper.

Mr. Thompson was one of the organizers of and is a director of the First National Bank, the splendidly successful career of which institution is elsewhere told of and he lends his aid to every movement individual or public, for the material and moral good of the city.

Industrially he is a farmer and stock raiser and he is now installing on his fertile farm adjacent to the city limits a comprehensive irrigation system.

Prof. E. A. Watson

No more vitally felt want has been so ably filled, nor wiser action ever taken by the school board than when it secured the services of Prof. E. A. Watson as superintendent of the city schools.

The limitations of space does not permit of here recounting his flawless educational record but it will suffice to say that he began his pedagogical career as a teacher in the smallest of country schools and during the twenty years that have since elapsed has filled some of the most important educational posts of the state with signal ability, amongst his charges being the schools of his native county, Delta, of which he was superintendent for five successive years.

Although Snyder's schools are not in session he is already breaking the trials leading to important innovations and improvements and the force of his influence in educational matters is being already evidenced.

Denson and Smith

The infusion of new blood, especially when it courses through young and energetic arteries is a distinct gain to a city's commercial life and hence in the comparatively recent acquisitions of the firm above named this city annexed a valuable asset to its business world.

Messrs. Denson & Smith are in the prime and zenith of active young

manhood being respectively thirty-two and thirty years of age.

They came to Snyder from Eastern Texas where both had several years merchandising experience and after thorough investigation, though cognizant of the fact that times were somewhat depressed for Scurry Co., embarked in the grocery business in which they still continue in their slightly and commodious store building on the south side of the square. Nor have they ever had cause to regret the venture as each recurring season has shown a marked and gratifying increase in their volume of business. They carry a complete stock of the purest and best staple and fancy groceries obtainable, use the "do-it-now" modern motto as a cardinal principle of promptness, strict integrity as their guiding star in all business dealings and hence have a long list of well pleased patrons.

Personally, they are abreast of down to date progressive methods and are important spokes in Snyder's business wheel.

Fortune Favored Fluvanna.

All that has been said in the general appreciation of Scurry county relative to the productions of its soil in the staples of cotton, kaffir corn and maize, deciduous fruit growing, vineyard culture and gardening is true of the Fluvanna country. And, indeed, it does not tell the whole story for the black sandy soil surrounding the town for an area of 15 miles on every cardinal compass side, land that is level as a graded Macademized road, is not surpassed in fertility in any section canopied by the azure sky of Texas.

Here, assuredly is the indigenous home of almost every variety of the deciduous fruit family, as is amply attested by the beautiful orchards that embellish and adorn practically every home in the town and environs country, and the abundance of shallow depth water that underlies this entire section of country, makes feasible and easily available every irrigation system elsewhere told of in this issue and assuring success in horticulture, in vineyarding, in watermelon and canteloupe growing or in truck gardening without dependence upon natural precipitation which is a prerequisite to the successful production of the staples on large farms. Fluvanna is the terminus of the R. S. & P., 24 miles north of Snyder. It has a population of 500, a splendid school building, five churches, a good waterworks system a sound and safe bank, an excellent hotel, well stocked, down to date mercantile establishments, the modern concomitants of civilization and the Fluvanna country offers as alluring opportunities for profitable investment in proven fertile acreage and in the channels of trade and industry as any portion of peerless West Texas. Any of the following firms or individuals can be safely addressed for truthful and reliable information relative to this beautiful virgin country: First State Bank, S. P. Smith, Cashier 1st. State Bank, J. J. Bellew, hardware merchant, Jno. Stavelly, banker, J. M. Hunter, Mgr. Higginbotham, Harris, Lumber Co.

Delightful Dunn

In the south central portion of Scurry county, twelve miles removed from Snyder is the delightful and prosperous town of Dunn which in years of propitious precipitation has no peer in all the Lone Star State in the production of anything that will grow in ground. In the production of all the staple crops it will equal any and surpass many portions of Scurry county and its fertile soil is peculiarly adapted to fruit raising and vineyarding in which latter field it has a great advantage in the abundance of shallow water that here abounds providing easy means of irrigation, and this is amply attested in the beautiful orchard home of W. H. Richardson and that of Merchant, J. C. Beakley. Opportunity which the poet erroneously depicts as knocking but once to return no more is here ever present and the willing hand maid of honest industry. Land is ridiculously cheap in view of its prolific productiveness and the future of this thriving town and section is bright with brilliant promise. Reliable information relative Dunn, its present future prospects and possibilities can be had by addressing the following representative citizens: J. C. Beakley, merchant, W. C. Crowder, merchant; Chas. B. Palmer, druggist, W. H. Richardson, fruit grower., Kidd Brothers, blacksmiths, Dr. L. E. Trigg.

Mr. R. M. White has demonstrated that just as fine vegetables can be grown here as anywhere. He was up town Wednesday with a basket of very fine onions which he grew in his garden this year from seed planted in February.

Misses Lora Corrigan and Myrtle Redus who have been visiting Mrs. Tilmon Perkins returned Tuesday to their home at Palo Pinto, Texas.

Ira and the Ira Country

Fourteen miles southeast of Snyder is the center of the garden spot of Western Texas,—the feundly fertile Ira country. It is peerless in the production of the staples of cotton, kaffir corn, maize and sorghum and the natural home of almost every fruit that flourishes, especially peaches, plums and grapes and the fame of its water melons has traveled far beyond the county confines. All these products are now raised profitably and in ordinary prosperous years will yield fabulous returns. Even the present season, the driest ever known in this region, cotton in many fields will make a half a bale to the acre and the average will be a quarter of a bale.

Maize, kaffir corn and sorghum will do relatively as well, water melons have already made fat bank accounts for their producers and golden opportunity for fabulous fortunes here await the horticulturist in orchard homes.

Land is still cheap in the Ira country and there can be no more inviting place to seek investment or a home than in the prosperous section of which the thriving town of Ira is the trading center and metropolis.

Any of the following firms and individuals will cheerfully furnish reliable information relative to the Ira country: Horace Holley, merchant, C. L. Norris & Co., merchants, Rhoades and Knox, merchants, Wilson and Russell, blacksmiths.

Fluvanna W. O. W. Attention.

A special call meeting of the W. O. W. of Fluvanna will be held on Aug. 31 for special business.

J. S. LANE, Clerk.

Knee Pads at the Blackard-Johnson Hardware Company.

A. J. Riley has moved his family in from the ranch for the benefit of the schools.

Miss Ethel Brumbach has gone to Snyder to visit friends for several days.—Ennis Daily News.

J. I. Borough and Mr. Dorsey of Dermott were pleasant visitors at the Signal office Saturday.

I will crush maize and kaffir corn at my wood and coal yard on Thursday of each week.

JIM DAWSON.

A. J. McDOWELL, District Manager, Hartford Life Insurance Co. 3t

New Shipment of Clauss shears and razors under an unlimited guarantee. Blackard-Johnson Hardware Company.

Dad Elkins has purchased the interest of Mr. and Mrs. Kegan in the East Side Cafe. The latter will go to South Texas.

If you want to sell your land, list it with us at the right price, and we will do the rest.

A. J. McDOWELL & CO Mrs. F. W. James of Abilene is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Hardin.

Superintendent E. A. Watson is having all the school buildings thoroughly disinfected and cleaned, preparatory to the opening of the schools on the ninth of September.

A. J. McDowell and Co., the land men, this week closed up a big deal they sold for B. F. Shutz near Camp Springs, 7,225 acres to Sidney Johnson, Consideration \$37,500.00.

Mrs. Smoot, Miss Gene Fye, Jerry Riordan and Mr. Jim Smoot of Colorado City passed through Snyder Thursday enroute to the Plains country. They are autoing through.

GIN TALK

Mr. Farmer:

Are you satisfied with your ginning service. If not, give us a trial. We are dependent on the ginning business for our bread, we therefore, are bound to give you the best service for your money that we know how to give. With the best machinery that we could buy and twenty odd years practical experience in the ginning business, we believe that we can give you the very best ginning service possible. Always ready. Courteous service to all. Our motto "Best Sample—Big Turnout."

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Snyder, Texas

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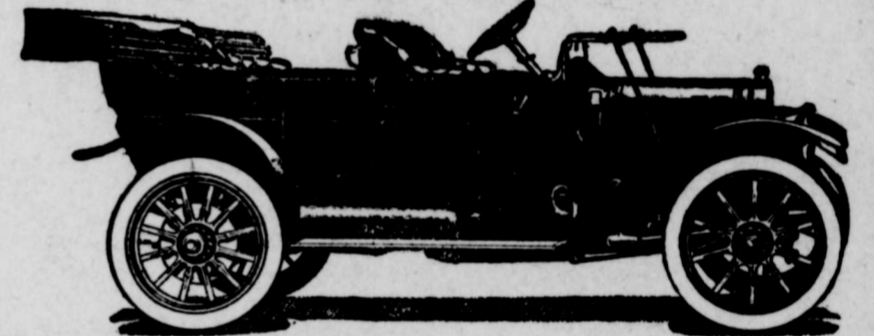
Guy E. Paxton, Proprietor.

Auto garages bespeak the titanic progress of the 20th century and are also almost infallible indexes of the property of a community. And the fact that Snyder possesses the most thoroughly equipped and down to date of these auxiliaries to auto use and travel in all West Texas attests, mirrors and reflects the progressiveness of its citizens and the gratifying fact that their purses are plentiful. The Snyder garage is amply proportioned to accommodate its large patronage being 40x100 feet in dimensions with a connecting machine shop 40x50 feet in size. The

bible in ideal running condition, a four horse power engine supplying the requisite power.

In the garage proper is an amply supplied air compressor from which connection is made by pipes to every post in the garage so that a half dozen or more machines can take air at the same time. Tires, tubes and other auto accessories are also kept on hand.

The Snyder Garage was established three years ago by Guy E. Paxton, a young and energetic business man, who is its present sole proprietor. In connection with the garage he is sub agent for the celebrated Cadillac, the most slightly and



latter is equipped with turning lathes, drill press, emory wheels and every mechanical device and appliance to patch and vulcanize tires and to do everything that perfect machinery and skilled craftsmanship can accomplish to speedily put an automo-

serviceable car on the market an engraving of which is shown in this paper.

Mr. Paxton reports a present prosperous business in all departments and his success is eminently well deserved.

Mrs. Simeon Shaw of Sweetwater is here this week attending the District Sunday School convention.

Money to loan on farm and ranch land, 5 to 10 years, 8 per cent interest.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hardy returned Wednesday from Plano. They left their daughter improving in health. The people over there are in pretty good spirits over their crop conditions.

E. W. Clark came in from the ranch Tuesday and went on to Ft. Worth.

Rev. U. C. Howard left Monday evening for Cross Plains to attend the Presbytery. He will be gone over Sunday and requests that his people attend and assist in the revival services at the Christian church.

Miss Grace Foster will teach art lessons in Snyder, beginning September 16th. Those desiring to take lessons should see Miss Foster at once.

WANTED—A boy to work around the place. Chas. Lockhart. 3t

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