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Appear Later.*

ABOUT January 15th, we will put in circulation Fifty thousand coupons, each representing a twenty-five cent cash purchase, one to be given with each 25c purchase, four for \$1.00, eight for \$2.00, twenty for \$5.00, etc., in same proportion. These coupons are redeemable in beautiful gold and floral decorated semi-porcelain china; every piece matching. The housekeeper can soon accumulate a handsome tea or dinner set. When we redeem these coupons in Chinaware they are cancelled and returned to the customer to preserve.

When these fifty thousand coupons are all given out or in other words, when our spot cash and promptly paid thirty day sales reach twelve thousand dollars, which will be about April 15, or sooner, we will give away a handsome UPRIGHT RANDOLPH PIANO in beautiful hard wood case to the holder of the lucky number. The number comes to us in a sealed envelope and will be deposited sealed in the First National Bank to be opened when the contest closes. All coupons get Chinaware, and ONE COUPON GETS THE PIANO,

In addition to selling you everything you eat and wear as cheap as any one else, we will give you absolutely free these valuable presents. Just think of a five hundred dollar piano as the result of a twenty-five cent purchase. We will still give out the Premium Stamps to those who desire them, you can take your choice. We wish to thank our many friends and the public for their very liberal patronage for 1902, and to assure them that we will endeavor to make 1903 more pleasant and profitable to them than any year in the history of our firm.

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The Clarendon News.

VOL. IV.

CLARENDON, DONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1903.

NO. 48.

Donley County Texas.

Its Organization, Settlement and Unrivalled Resources.

In the extreme Northwestern part of Texas, is a large area, which from the days of the Republic has been known as the "Panhandle." In fact all north-western Texas has been so called. The true Panhandle, however, consists of 25 counties, aggregating about 24,000 square miles. It extends from the 100th meridian on the east to New Mexico on the west and from Oklahoma (Beaver county) on the north to about the 34th parallel, North Latitude, on the south.

By an act of the 13th Legislature

that constitutes the southern boundary of the state of Tennessee.

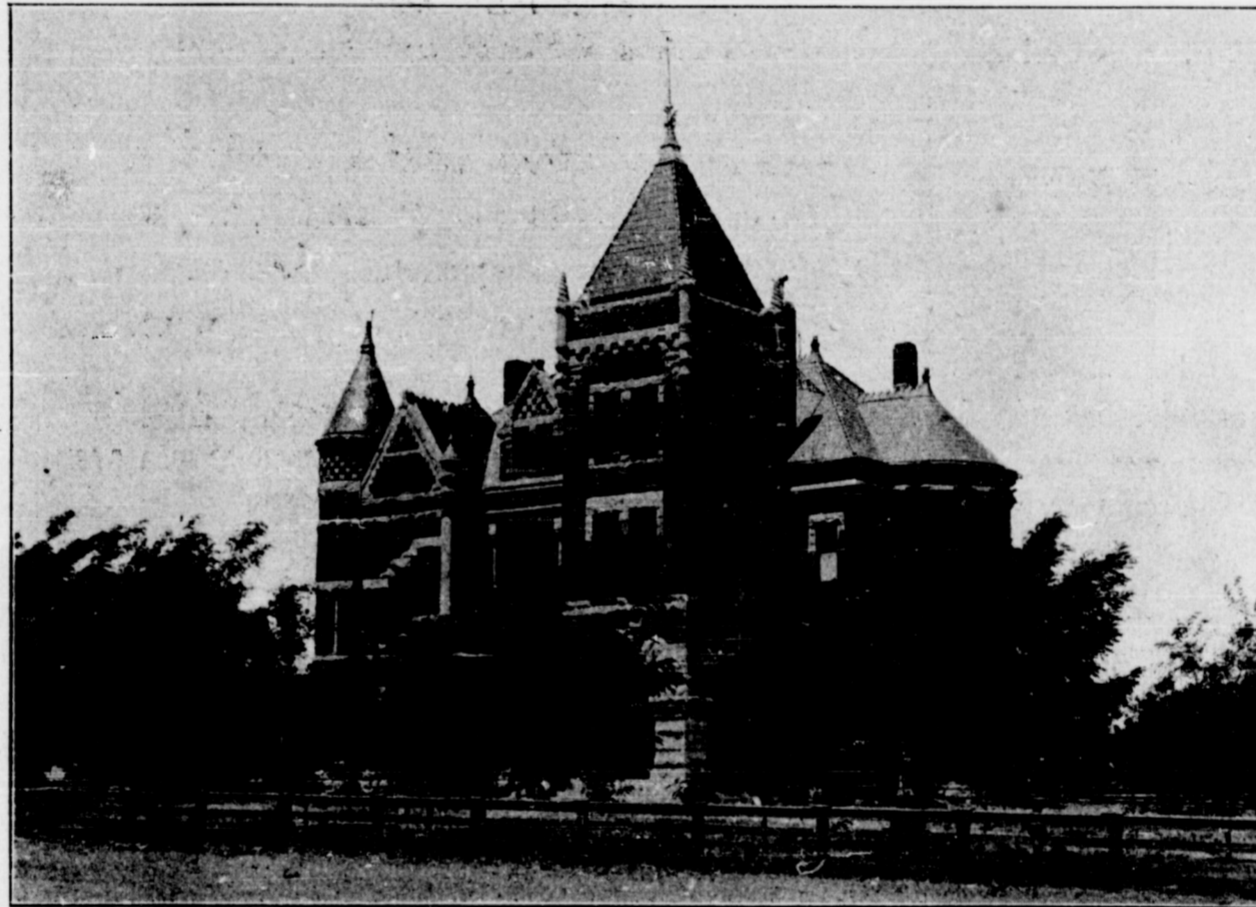
Its altitude will average about 2600 feet above the sea level. The Salt Fork of the Red River runs through its center from west to east. Into this, numerous living streams flow from the north, with but one of consequence from the south. The Cap rock of the plains, Llano Estacado, meanders along its western and northern boundary, except in its north-west corner where the plains overlap to the extent of several thousand acres. Its area is

state of Colorado to Paloduro canyon, whose range took within its extensive boundaries a large part of Donley county. He and other stockmen following were the pioneer settlers. They not only employed large numbers of men, but others who had drifted into the country, whatever their occupation, depended largely on them for work. Under the conditions then existing, a livelihood could not have been made, neither could the settlers have successfully withstood the dangers lurking about them. The stockmen and their cowboys, with their readiness to fight overawed hostile Indians.

The summary manner in which marauders were dealt with convinced this class that their personal

laid from native rock. All town property was sold with the proviso, that no intoxicating liquors of any kind should ever be sold on the premises. So this colony started with the lofty ideal that the school, the church and temperance were first requisites in making their enterprise successful. But coming from the old states where farming conditions were so different, and lacking adaptability most of these colonists became discouraged and abandoned the country.

In the spring of 1882 the county was organized. Its newly elected officers were sworn in on the 11th day of April of that year by Judge Emanuel Dubbs, now a resident of Donley county, then county judge of Wheeler county to which Don-



PRESENT DONLEY COUNTY COURT HOUSE—BUILT IN 1890.

a scope of country 60 miles square, was established as Wedgeforth county, so named in honor of C. Wedgeforth, president of the Texas Emigrant, Aid and Supply Company. In this was included the present counties of Collingsworth, Wheeler, Gray and Donley.

Subsequently by an act of the 15th Legislature, the whole of the Panhandle was sub-divided into counties, and the law creating Wedgeforth county repealed. Donley county was established by this act, and named in remembrance of Hon. Stockton P. Donley, a distinguished judge of the Supreme Court.

The eastern boundary of the county is 30 miles west of the 100th meridian. The 35th parallel of latitude, North, runs nearly through its center, being the same parallel

900 square miles.

There are brakes and sand along the rivers and creeks, but otherwise it is generally rolling prairie with a dark chocolate soil of great depth and apparently of inexhaustible fertility.

At the term the Act, establishing and naming the county, went into effect, this portion of Texas was practically an unexplored region, inhabited by hostile and aggressive Indians, who subsisted on the countless buffaloes that grazed on its nutritious grasses, as well as by raids on the nearest settlements. It was a region seldom penetrated by white men other than adventurous buffalo hunters or missionaries.

The first permanent location by white men was by Charles Goodnight and his employees who in 1876 moved a herd of cattle from the

safety depended on their absence. Hence without officers to enforce the laws, good order was maintained and the very few widely scattered settlers pursued their occupations in safety. In the year 1878 L. H. Carhart made an expensive effort to settle a colony of farmers in Donley county. Under his advice and recommendation a small number of people, mostly from the North, were induced to try the experiment. A town was located on Carroll Creek near its junction with Salt Fork named Clarendon but better known as "Christian Colony," also sarcastically called the "Saint's Roost." The first building erected from lumber (this was hauled from Dodge City, Kansas, a distance of 250 miles) was a school house which was used for both school and church. The foundations of a church were

ley county was attached for judicial purposes. It may be an interesting reminiscence to "old-timers" to recall that its first county officers were: G. A. Brown, county judge; B. H. White, county clerk; J. D. Wilson, sheriff; W. D. Kimball, treasurer; J. T. Otey, assessor, and J. H. Parks, surveyor. County commissioners, T. W. Morrison, Charles Goodnight, L. R. Dyer and S. B. Nall.

At this time the county was but a cattle range. Indeed it was vigorously claimed that no other industry could thrive. That to plow up and destroy good grass with nothing to profitably take its place, was defying Providence. The feeble efforts of those who had tried farming, intensified the idea.

Prosperous as a cow ranch, little or no progress was made towards

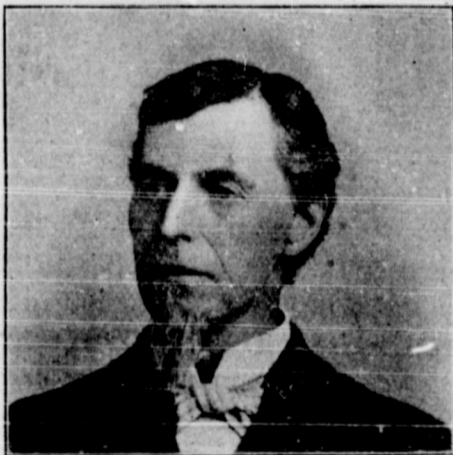
settlement until the advent of the Railroad in 1887. With it came emigrants seeking homes. The more desirable school lands were taken up. Many of these settlers, however, like the influx of 1878, tried to make a living by farming, and in the manner they had been accustomed to in their old homes, not fully realizing the difference in conditions. Crop failures frightened and discouraged them. Then



First Donley County Court House, Built in Old Clarendon in 1882.

the financial crisis of 1893 swept over the country. Unable to pay interest, lands were forfeited and a general feeling of unrest and insecurity prevailed. The Legislature, however, rose to the occasion, reduced the price of school land to \$1 per acre, at 3 per cent interest, and giving a preference right to the original purchaser to re-purchase. Stimulated by these liberal terms, settlers renewed their courage and repurchased. Those who weathered the stress of financial storms, and the many other discouragements and clung to their homes, gained a decided victory.

Without exception they have ac-



B. H. WHITE, COUNTY JUDGE.

cumulated property about them, made substantial improvements, including comfortable dwellings and are contented and prosperous.

The range stock industry had been successful from its commencement. The experience of a quarter of a century has settled the question beyond dispute. However this branch of the cattle business needs but few men, many cattle and large territory. To this extent it was and is antagonistic to settlement. It was an extravagant use of land, confining its benefits to the few, while the many are homeless. At the beginning of settlement it was perhaps necessary. The sys-



GEO. F. MORGAN, COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK.

tem has been largely, and what is left is gradually being displaced by stock farming.

An owner of from one to four sections, with a stock of cattle sufficient for the area he controls, carrying his stock through the winter with the crops grown during the summer, is assured by ordinary care and industry of a good living and soon independence. This statement is verified by the experience of many Donley county stock farmers. Kaffir corn, milo maize and



L. C. BEVERLY, SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR.

straw are the chief reliance of the stock farmer for winter feed, crops that are reasonably certain in the driest years, and marvelously productive in favorable ones.

Stock farming has been the second step in the evolution of the county from the Indian and buffalo.

We are now upon the threshold of the third and most important, considering the numbers it will benefit.

The question is repeatedly asked "Can farming alone be made a success?" Can a man with 160 acres make a living for his family, educate his children and secure a comfortable home for his old age. In Greer county, Oklahoma, this has been, and is being done. Why not in Donley county? Equally good, so far as soil, sunshine and rainfall contribute to success. In fact, the same kind of country in every lead-particular, only distant from each other in their nearest points of contact, thirty miles.

The farmer who is able and willing to work, who can modify his



H. D. RAMSEY, TREASURER.

preconceived notions to the extent required by difference in soil and climate, can readily and intelligently adapt himself to changed conditions, and will exercise for a few years proper economy, will make for himself a comfortable home. He assumes only the burden that has been imposed on all settlers in a new country, and with good hab-



F. A. DUBBS, TAX ASSESSOR.

its and perseverance, has the same certainty of success.

B. H. WHITE.

1903 Greeting.

We greet you this week, the first in the year 1903, with an illustrated write-up edition of Clarendon and Donley county and while the edition is not what we really expected to make it in every respect,—we seldom accomplish our ideal in this life—yet we feel sure our readers will be gratified with the pleasing presentation of the News for this the first issue in 1903.

The News has always stood for the moral and material development of this county and have never lost courage or faltered or even paused because of the obstructions of those who opposed our policy. We have not hesitated to criticize and commend when in our judgment it was deserved, and have tried to study out and advocate the things which to our judgment was best materially for our town and county and nearly always find ourselves in advance of public opinion, but we believe it is the duty of newspapers to study, in advance, questions and give opinions, rather than follow along behind without personal opinions and try to ride the wave of popular opinion, when expressed, whether right or wrong.

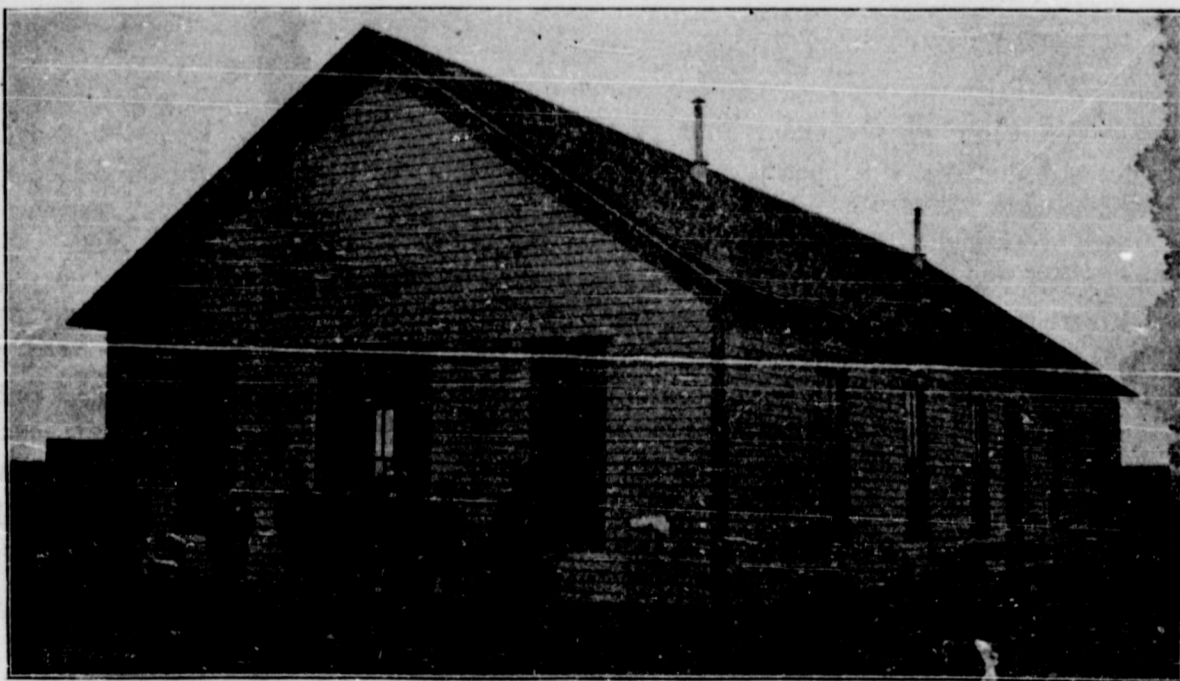
As such a newspaper, editorially, and with all the news locally, we greet you and would be glad to visit your home every week during 1903. May peace and prosperity be your portion for 1903.

Prof. Wade Willis wife and little daughter of Miami spent most of the holiday vacation here with Mr. Willis' parents Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Ross.

Rev. J. L. Hollers of Chillicothe writes us to send him the News to that place and the Dallas News also, both come for \$1.25 per year.

B. F. Adams will read the Clarendon and Dallas News for 1903.

Little Miss Kitty Fleming spent Xmas at Childers with friends.



Second Donley County Court House, Built in the present town of Clarendon in 1887.

CLARENDON.

Past, Present and Future---The Athens Of The Panhandle.

Why is it that mankind forever looking backward to the long vanished yesterdays and talking fondly of "the good old days" that are gone. They were good old days in some respects, but are by no means to be compared with the larger and grander present. Today is the best age that the world has ever seen. It is vaster in its achievements, nobler in its knowledge, higher in its intellectual grasp, richer in its inventions, broader in its philanthropies, grander in its educational and christian facilities, and in all that goes to make up the advancement and happiness of man than all the ages that have gone. The old past is dead, "The good old days" are gone, for they were merely the stepping stones to the more glorious future, and in the light of the lessons which they teach us, we look forward, and not backward, to the more glorious day which the future holds for the world. And these good new days are ours. Let us make the most of

them. The golden doors of opportunity are forever opening to us and we may build, if we will, great temples to progress and tread the noblest highways of an enduring christian civilization, with the Bible, the common (public) school, the college, the church and the printing press as the cornerstones of American civilization, we shall ed-



I. W. CARHART, MAYOR.

ure through all time a great progressive people and whose God is the Lord and whose later days of power and brightness shall forever eclipse "the good old days" that are gone. If possible the writer would give a brighter outlook to the

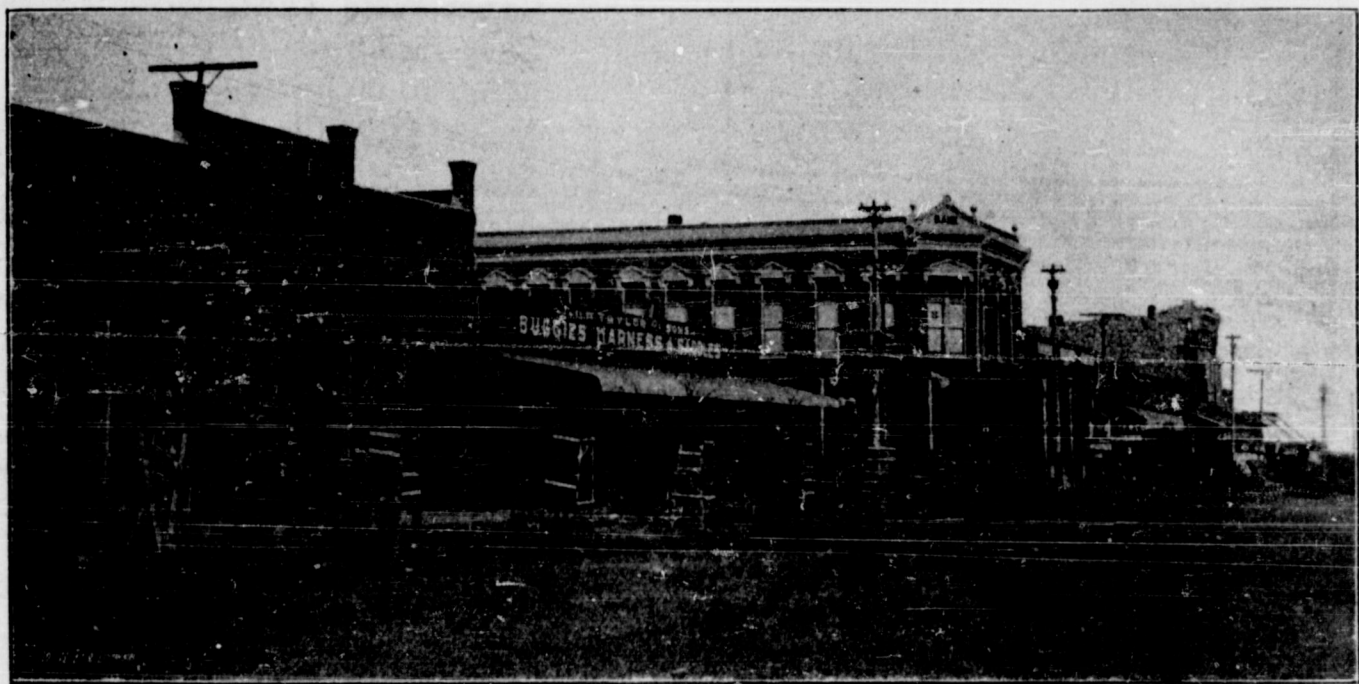
citizens of Clarendon than this quotation inspires. In the good old days thirty days time and much expense and labor was expended by the writer in going from Sherman, Texas, to Clarendon, then at the mouth of Carroll creek on Red River, and returning. The old house back of the Clarendon Hotel was the only building completed. The stone house, now owned by Mr. Hildebrand on the creek bank at the old town, was partly built and a sixteen-foot wall tent, in which divine services were held regularly, completed the "stepping stones," then laid about three hundred miles in all directions to a railroad, church, schools, stores, banks or supplies of building material. Lumber, laid down, cost from \$90 to \$120 per thousand. A four-wire fence cost \$300 per mile. In those good old days, corn cost \$3.50 per

hundred pounds, and all supplies in proportion. In this "our day," we eat breakfast, go to Fort Worth, do business and return to breakfast the next morning in Clarendon.

Our costly school and college buildings, comfortable dwellings, churches, banks, and business houses have been erected and paid for within the space of fifteen years with over 600 school pupils, who as they mature to manhood and womanhood to develop every needed betterment. Can anyone for an hour ever doubt but that Clarendon

Public School Building Fenced.

Fourteen years ago the present town of Clarendon built a splendid frame school building which did good service until one year ago when the handsome two story brick took its place. During all these years the building stood out on a block without a fence to enclose it. Nearly two years ago the News called attention to the importance of fencing the grounds and planting trees as was done in the court house block, but not until the Public School Improvement Club was or-



Kearney Street Looking North, Showing West Side of Street.

don has a bright and sure future for all her people.

I. W. CARHART

They Sell

Farms, ranches and city property, Priddy, Barrett & Priddy, because they are willing to take you out and show you some of the loveliest farms, ranches and city homes in Northwest Texas. It rains here, too. We have had 14 years of successful blessings. No failure. Better write to them or see them when you want anything of the kind.

PRIDDY, BARRETT & PRIDDY,
Clarendon, Texas.

MARRIED—Christmas day, by Rev. J. N. Kendall, Mr. Bert Stice, of Haskell county, to Miss Effie Redwine, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Redwine, eight miles north. Our best wishes are extended.

ganized this year did the fence problem take shape, but when the ladies got behind the enterprise it moved and now the entire grounds have a handsome fence and the trees—well they will be planted this spring and soon the grounds like those of the court yard will be the prettiest in all North-west Texas.

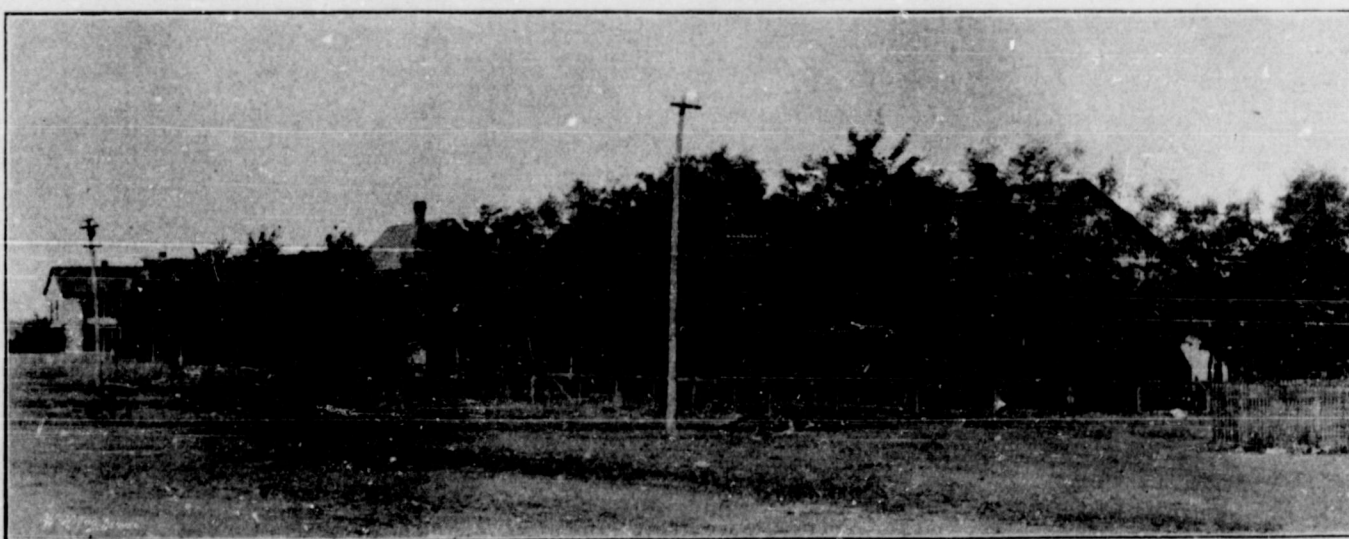


ELI TAYLOR,

The oldest man in Donley county; born December 27, 1819, in Pennsylvania. Grandpa Taylor, as he is familiarly called, is the father of E. A. and H. W. Taylor. Though 83 years old he is physically stronger than many men much younger, being robust, hale and hearty. The News joins with his many friends in wishing for him yet many more years of continuous good health.

Rev. B. W. Dodson, pastor of the Amarillo Methodist church spent last Tuesday here.

Miss Pearl Lyon, of Trinidad, Colo., spent the holidays here with friends.



Bird's eye view of Atterberry and Clarendon Hotels and the residence of Judge White.

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The Bargain Store.

**Posey &
Patman,
Proprietors.**

Great Clearance Sale.

Beginning Monday January 5th, we start our Annual Clean Up of odds and ends. On many things we have cut the price half in two; we haven't time to mention all the articles that we will include in this sale. (List a few prices on staples.)

Boys and Misses 25c wool hose, now	15
Ladies Wool Hose, now	15
Boys 75c Lined Gloves, now	50
Men's \$1.00 Lined Gloves, now	75
Men's \$1.25 Lined Gloves, no	90
Men's 75c Lined Mittens	50
Men's Heavy Jersey overshirts, good value at \$1 now	50
10 cent package Bird Seed, now	5
25 good Envelopes, 10c grade now	5
1000 good Matches, now	5
1500 good Tooth Picks, now	5
2 Papers of Pins, now	5
3 Cards of Hooks and Eyes, now	5

And many other useful articles at unheard of prices. Come look them over and you are sure to carry off an armful of bargains. See our 5 and 10 cent bargain counters; they are trade winners.

Clarendon College.

Perhaps Clarendon's most characteristic institution is her College. Some of her neighboring towns have claimed that their Court House was, almost as commodious, that their Public school was nearly as prosperous, that their dwellings were as neat, their churches as active, their business as stirring, their men as handsome and their women and children as beautiful as ours; but with one accord they give us preeminence in the work of higher education.

The College plant consist of the main buildings situated in the western part of the town. One is used for teaching purposes, one for boy's dormitories and the other for the young ladie's home. The latter is well furnished and equipped with such modern conveniences as telephone, electric lights, and hot and cold water. While in its beginning there were difference of opinions as to its permanent success and its extensive advantages, every enterprising citizen now looks upon it with pride and rejoices in its prosperity. The school is now in its fifth year, has an enrollment of over 200 students and a faculty of nine teachers. The spring term will begin Jan. 19th, at which time new classes will be formed, a number of new students enrolled and probably a new teach-

er employed. The president, Rev. J. Sam Barcus, who teaches, talks, collects and writes for the school will take pleasure in furnishing additional information, if addressed at Clarendon, Texas.

Rev. D. E. Baker, of Miami, was here Tuesday and went out to his father, W. H. Baker's, place on Whitefish. He thinks Clarendon is an ideal place for the Baptist College and expects to move to the town that secures it's location.

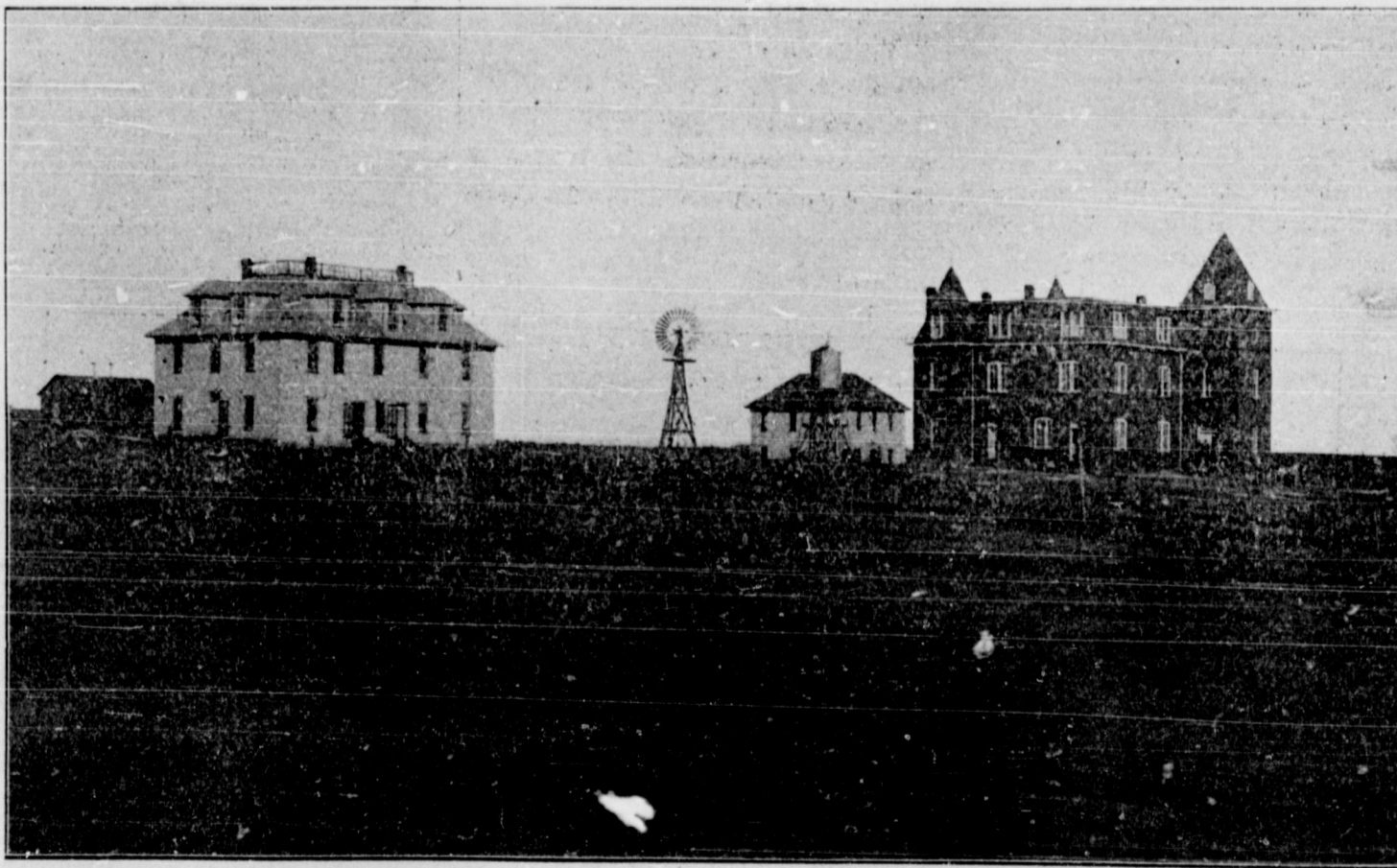
W. G. Ross, of Hereford, was here Teusday and did not forget to see us and gave us a Bryan dollar for the News. Mr. Ross lived here and in Gray county for maey years until some four years ago he moved to Hereford and we are glad to know has prospered greatly.

A. M. Smith will read all the local and general news for 1903. \$1.25 for the Clarendon and Dallas News fixed it-O. K.

Lost—A purse containing \$3.50 in silver and some other small change, some trade checks, and a childs tintype picture. Suitable reward for return to this office.

B. Frank Naylor gave us the cash for the renewal of his News and has our thanks.

Rev. T. F. Robeson of Memphis spent Tuesday here on business.



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 Office upstairs at Ramsey's drug store. Operating room No. 9. Work guaranteed.
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 Acknowledgments taken and other general notary work.
 AT BARGAIN STORE,
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Miss Winnie Fisher,
Music Teacher.
 Instructions on Piano, Violin, Mandolin and Guitar.
 Music room at the residence of Wm. Troup.
RATES REASONABLE.
 Call for particulars.

For Sale.
 All or any part of six sections level land with or without cattle. Best bargains in Panhandle. Also other lands.
 J. L. WILLIAMS,
 Box 75, or see Jackson & Blair.

Parent and Child.

In the sacred relation of parent to child there always comes the time when the boy becomes a man, and when she whom the father still regards but as a little girl, faces the great problems of life as an individual. The coming of the years of discretion brings a day when they must surrender their powers of trusteeship, when the individual enters upon his heritage of freedom and responsibility, and parents have still the right of counsel and helpful, loving insight their children should respect. But in meeting a great question, when the son or daughter stands before a problem that means happiness or misery for a life time, it must be for him or her to decide. Coercion, bribery, undue influence, threats of disheritance and the other familiar weapons are cruel, selfish, arrogant and unjust. A child is a human being, free to make its own life, not a slave. There is a clearly defined line that it is intolerance dead to cross.—William George Jordan.

Foils a Deadly Attack.

"My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., "but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache. 25c at Stocking's drug store.

Sick Headache?
 Food doesn't digest well?
 Appetite poor? Bowels constipated? Tongue coated?
It's your liver! Ayer's Pills are liver pills; they cure dyspepsia, biliousness.
 25c. All druggists.

Want your moustache or beard a beautiful brown or rich black? Then use
BUCKINGHAM'S DYE for the Whiskers
 50 CTS. OF DRUGGISTS, OR R. P. HALL & CO., NASHUA, N. H.

Bright's Disease.

The largest sum ever paid for a prescription, changed hands in San Francisco, Aug. 30, 1901. The transfer involved in coin and stock \$112,500 and was paid by a party of business men for a specific for Bright's Disease and Diabetes, hitherto incurable diseases. They commenced the serious investigation of the specific Nov. 15, 1900. They interviewed scores of the cured and tried it out on its merits by putting over three dozen cases on the treatment and watching them. They also got physicians to name chronic incurable cases, and administered it with the physicians for judges up to Aug. 25, eighty seven per cent of the test cases were either well or progressing favorably. There being but thirteen per cent of failures, the parties were satisfied and closed the transaction. The proceedings of the investigating committee and the test cases were published and will be mailed free on application.—Address John J. Fulton Company, 420 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.

Hope.

Hope! How sweetly sounds the word. This little monosyllable has furnished a fruitful theme for many a sermon, song and story. In youth we hope that maturer years will bring brighter joys—that for deeds of valor and heroic service done, we shall win the laurel wreath. The mother caresses lovingly her child and dreams in visions many hued—of wealth and fame and power—dreams—and hopes. The father, in quite proper pride, hopes for the day when the son who bears his name shall win the world's applause. The lover dreams of one grand paragon—thinks of a new made home, and hopes. Sweeter, far, he thinks, than all the joys the world affords. But sweeter still is the hope that spans the grave—that links death with immortality and bids us struggle on. Without this hope the clouds would gather and stout hearts grow faint. Blessed hope! Bright are the joys the angels keep in paradise, but none shall be sweeter than thy balm that makes us see in the open grave the door to heaven.—Sulphur Springs Gazette.

A Million Voices

Could hardly express the thanks of Homer Hall, of West Point, Ia. Listen why: A severe cold had settled on his lungs, causing a most obstinate cough. Several physicians said he had consumption, but could not help him. When all thought he was doomed he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and writes—"it completely cured me and saved my life. I now weigh 228 lbs." It's positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at J. D. Stocking's.

Saved at Grave's Brink.

"I know I would have long ago been in my grave," writes Mrs. S. H. Newsom of Decatur, Ala., "if it had not been for Electric Bitters. For three years I suffered agony from the worst forms of Indigestion, Waterbrash, Stomach and Bowel Dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 pounds." For indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles Electric Bitters are a positive, guaranteed cure. Only 50c at J. D. Stocking's drug store.

Emerson Pianos

There are some good points about most pianos—no doubt about that. Pianos are like people—some folks are pleasant company for a short time, others improve upon acquaintance. As a chain is no stronger than its weakest link, neither is a piano to be judged by one or two good qualities. It is the important parts of a piano that settles its value. The EMERSON PIANO has no weak spots. It is an all-round honest instrument. It is like an old friend—it has been tried and not found wanting.

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with an enviable record for half a century, proves the EMERSON without a peer.
 WE ARE STATE AGENTS.

Everything in the Music Line.

THOS. GOGGAN & BRO.

218-220 Elm St.,
DALLAS, TEXAS.

He Had a Baby.

A touching conversation once took place on a train as the writer was on the way for a visit among friends in the East, as follows:

"No, I won't drink with you today, boys!" said a drummer to his companions as they settled down in a smoking car and passed the bottle. "The fact is, boys, I've quit drinking; I've sworn off."

"What's the matter with you, old boy?" sung out one. "If you have quit drinking, something's up. What is it?"

"Well, boys, I will tell you. Yesterday I was in Chicago. Down on Clark street a customer of mine keeps a pawn shop in connection

with other business. I called on him, and while I was there a young man, not more than twenty-five, wearing thread-bare clothes and looking as hard as if he hadn't seen a sober day for a month, came in with a little package in his hand. He unwrapped it and handed the article to the pawnbroker, saying, 'give me ten cents.' And, boys, and what do you suppose it was? A pair of baby shoes—little things, with the bottoms only a trifle soiled, as if they had been only worn once or twice. 'Where did you get these?' asked the pawnbroker. 'Got 'em at home,' replied the man, who had an intelligent look and the manner of a gentleman despite his sad condition. 'My wife bought 'em for our baby. Give me ten cents for 'em—I want a

drink.' 'You had better take the shoes back to your wife; the baby will need them,' said the pawnbroker. 'No, s-she won't, because she's dead. She's lyin' at home now—died last night.' As he said this the poor fellow broke down, bowed his head on the show-case, and cried like a child. Boys," continued the drummer, "you may laugh; if you please; but I—I have a baby at home, and I swear I'll never take another drink."—Ex.

Go Sin No More.

Rev. Sam Small, for many years an eloquent evangelist and an able writer and speaker on public questions, recently yielded to tempta-



RESIDENCE OF GEO. WASHINGTON.

tion and became intoxicated. He is not the only one who has made that mistake, but the fact that he has for years been a tetotaler and had won distinction as a minister of the gospel has made him the target for cruel jests and the victim of malicious criticism. It is a sad commentary on human nature that those who themselves make no effort to set a good example are often prone to exult over the fall of one who is striving to follow a high ideal. For two decades Mr. Small led an exemplary life and rendered valuable service to his fellows and this service remains to his credit; in an unguarded moment he has been overmastered by an appetite once strong, but long surpassed, let us be grateful for the good he has done, charitable toward his

recent lapse and hopeful that he may yet have a long career of usefulness before him. If none but the innocent were in the habit of casting stones at the accused it would be easier for the guilty to hear and heed the admonition, "Go sin no more," which for nearly two thousand years has been both a correction and inspiration to the erring.—Commoner.

The Panhandle is just coming through an era of evolution to that for which it is permanently favored, the breeding and feeding ground of the world. Each year becomes more seasonable, and the production of Indian corn more and more assured, until it is now a question of a short time until this will be one of our staple crops; and even should this not be so sure, Kaffir corn may be depended upon to mature with greater or lesser yield, according to the season, but never fails entirely, and Kaffir corn ground is already a close second to Indian corn as a feed stuff. Besides producing both the beef and the feed,

the dryness of the winters here is of incomparable advantage in the finishing of beef. Taking it all in all we are adapted to the raising of feed and feeding it.—Texas Maverick, Matador.

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In connection with my wagon yard I have put in a full stock of all kinds of feed, and solicit a share of the public patronage.

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GIVE ME A TRIAL.

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If your seat is too hard to sit upon, stand up. If a rock rises up before you, roll it away or climb over it. If you want money earn it. If you wish for confidence prove yourself worthy of it. It takes longer to skin an elephant than a mouse, but the skin is worth something. Don't be content with what another has done—surpass it. Deserve success and it will come. The boy was not born a man. The sun doesn't rise like a rocket or go down like a bullet fired from a gun; surely and slowly it makes its rounds and never tires. It is as easy to be a leader as wheel horse. If a job be long the pay will be greater. If the task be hard the more competent you will be to do it.—Ex

The News would like to visit your home every week next year. What say you?



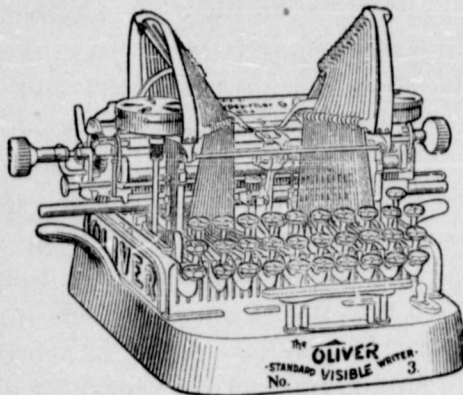
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RESIDENCE OF D. J. MURPHY.

Beyond the Hill.

Long, long ago, when life was sweet,
And days with love and hope repelete,
I lived where shade and sunshine meet
Beside a rill.
I used to gaze, with wondering eyes,
Away to where the hill-tops rise—
Where bending low, the purple skies
Caressed the hill.

The blue rim of the horizon,
The vaulted skies at rest thereon,
And over all, the yellow sun
Poured mellow light.
My fancy, with a strange unrest,
Went often to the far-off crest
Of hills low-lying toward the west,
With eager night.

What strange new things beyond
might hide!
My world so narrow—that, how wide!
What was there on the other side?
I questioned still,
Till one sad day my restless feet
Went out across the meadows sweet—
Went gaily out, the world to greet
Beyond the hill.

How long I journeyed, where I left
The blue hills which the distance cleft,
Or how, or when, of hope bereft,
I do not know.
The way led through a dreary night,
And o'er my spirits fell a blight;
The path grew rough and chill and
white
With frost and snow.

It seemed the time was years and
years,
The way through leagues and leagues
of tears,
And I, beset with doubts and fears,
And longings vain;
The world I found was wide and cold,
And hard and selfish; fame nor gold
Could comfort me, and I grew old
With grief and pain.

But now, at times, thro' tears arise
Sweet visions of empurpled skies
And wonderous hills and golden dyes
That know no chill;
And to my homesick heart I hear
A low voice calling, "Over there
Is life and love and rest from care—
Beyond the hill."

—The Commoner.

Go Right On Working.

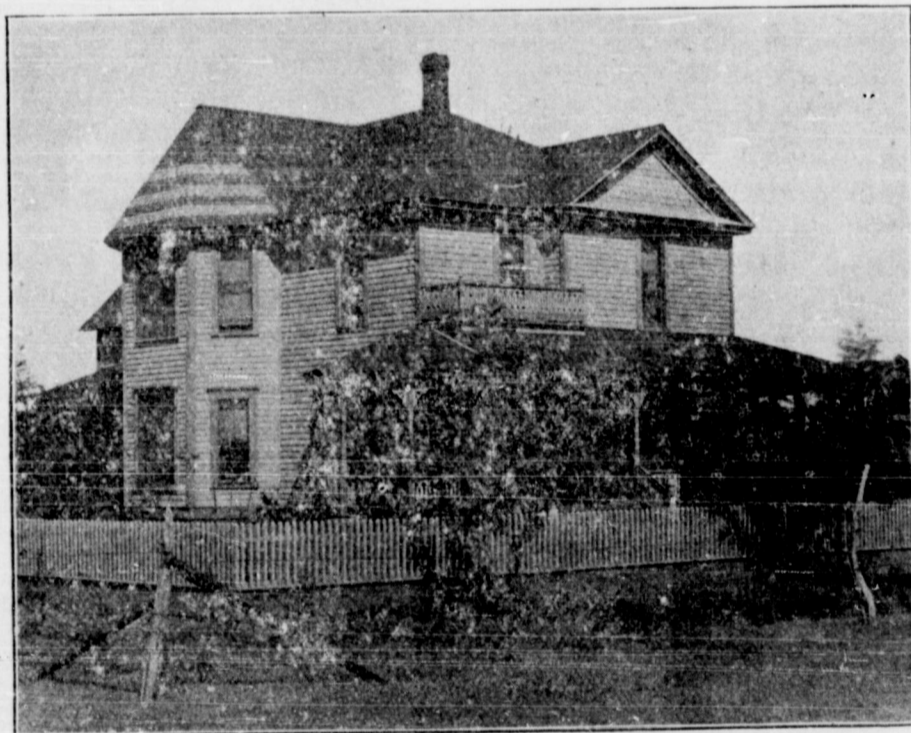
Ah, yes, the task is hard, 'tis true,
But what's the use of sighing?
They're soonest with their duties thru,
Who bravely keep on trying.
There's no advantage to be found
In sorrowing or shirking;
They with success are soonest crowned
Who just go right on working.

Strive patiently and with a will
That shall not be defeated;
Keep singing at your task until
You see it stand completed.
Nor let the clouds of doubt draw near,
Your sky's glad sunshine marking;
Be brave, and fill your heart with cheer,
And just go right on working.

—Nixon Waterman in Success.

A Mother's Gift—The Bible.
II Tim. 3:14-15.

Remember, love, who gave thee this,
When other days shall come;
When she who had thy earliest kiss
Sleeps in her narrow home,
Remember, 'twas a mother gave



RESIDENCE OF T. J. NOLAND.

The gift to one she'd died to save.
The mother sought a pledge of love,
The holiest for her son;
Out from the gifts of God above
She chose this holy one.
She chose for her beloved boy
The source of light and life and joy.

I bid thee keep the gift, that when
The parting hour shall come
We may have hope to meet again
In an eternal home.
Thy precious faith in this shall be
Sweet incense to my memory.

And should the scoffer in his pride
Laugh that fond faith to scorn
And bid thee cast the pledge aside
That thou from youth hast borne,
I bid thee pause and ask thy breast
If he or I have loved the best.

A mother's blessing on her son
Goes with this holy thing;
The heart that would enjoy the one
Must to the other cling.
Remember, 'tis no idle toy—
A mother's gift, my darling boy.

The City of Rest.

It is hidden afar, but we know it is there,
For the sound of its silence comes
sweeter than sleep.
And the gleam of its light in our moments
of prayer,
Like a star shows the way where the
shadows are deep.
We have seen it afar at the close of the
day,
When the sunset illumines all its towers
with gold;
And we know we shall reach it, nor fall
by the way,
When some dawn of some day like a
rose does unfold.
Oh, the way may be long ere its portals
we view,
And the work may be hard ere an en-
trance is won;
But the end will not come till our trials
are through,
And we shall not go in till our tasks
are all done.
For the city of rest it is builded afar,
So that sorrow or pain may not reach
over there;
But we know where it is, we have seen,
like a star,
The gleam of its light in our moments
of prayer

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The School Teacher.

It has been said, "The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that moves the world," and this is true in a great measure, but one whose influence is equally great in moulding character and shaping the destinies of mankind is the school teacher.

The missionary's mind has been trained by him, and is it too much to say that his voice is heard around the world? There never was a

member this. The teacher who strives to depict the ideal, to teach it practically—"God never yet permitted us to found a theory too beautiful for his power to make practicable"—is the one whose work proves the blessing to mankind. He teaches that the only true living is ever learning, ever reaching upward and stretching forward. Enthusiasm, too, must possess teacher, else his teachings do not penetrate. The zeal with



RESIDENCE OF MORRIS ROSENFELD.

teacher whose influence, in part, did not enter into every fibre of the pupil's nature. The thought of his responsibility, and more, his worthiness to occupy the chair, comes uppermost in his mind. This motive should be the school teacher's: "For their sakes I sanctify myself that they also might be sanctified."

The object of education is not understood, at least it is undervalued. There is more to teach than text books. Trustees should re-

which he enters into his work is contagious. The children catch the spirit, and its reflection is a stimulous to teacher. The instruments with which the teacher polishes these souls, the labor that is given, all this gives out a reward. The same old cry, "We need men and women!" applies to trustees, teachers and parents. Trustees and teachers to be purged and cleansed from policy and littleness of character; teachers to "Be sure you're right and then go ahead,"

seen in the pedagogical universe, and rise each morning to help awaken these young sleeping minds, bid them be themselves, quicken every slow and sluggish faculty, help them to talk and think and work, rouse their power and summon it to action. He cannot make a world, nor change the creation; but he can "pour strength into the essential process which belongs to the very nature" of the human mind which he illuminates. He can glorify, intensify, fulfill, "and spend in love's delight the beauty and the joy of his renewed night."

DAIRY.

I have established a dairy and am ready to supply the public with both

Milk and Butter.

If you need either I will be glad to supply you, at reasonable prices. See me or drop notice thru the postoffice.

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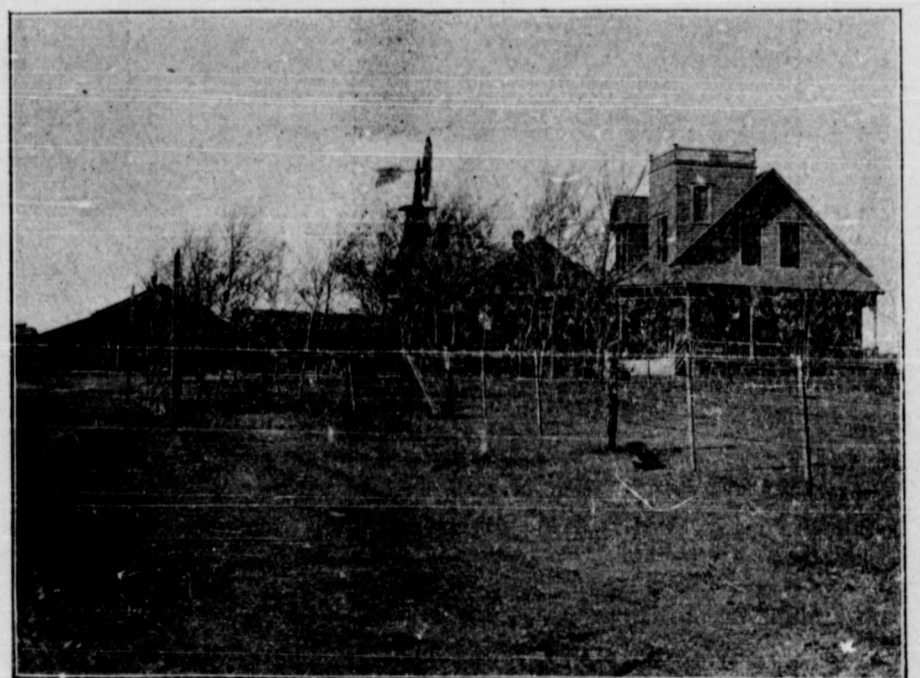
having the manhood or womanhood to stand by convictions; and parents to idealize teachers in their children's minds, then have the charity to support, in spirit, the teacher and be a co-worker in that which is the most divine work of which we can have any knowledge, the training and perfecting of a soul.

This is the teacher's work, to be

For Sale.

I will sell the west half of the Collier section, one-half mile south of court house, all in one tract or I will cut it to suit purchaser. For further information apply to me on section or at this office.

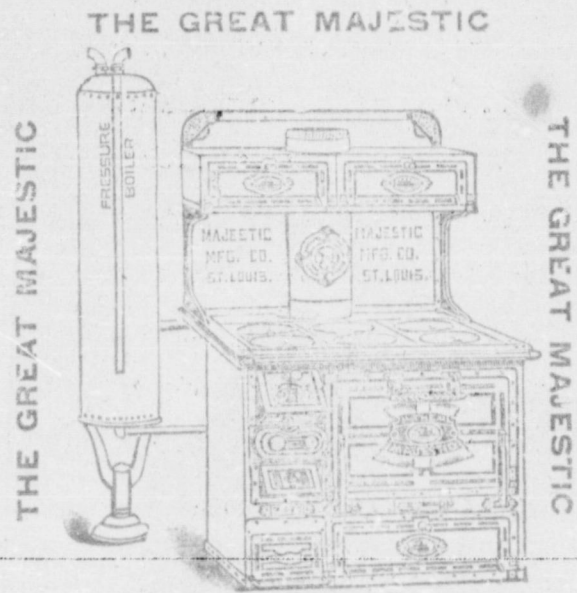
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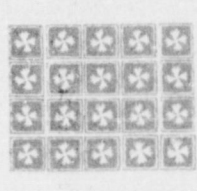
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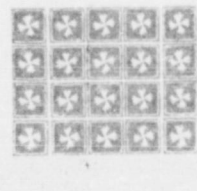




WE ARE very appreciative of your consideration and patronage in the past, and hope you will favor us as liberally during the coming year. Our house will continue the policies which have made it one of the leading establishments in the country, and will constantly be on the alert to conserve your best interests, and to merit the good will shown us.

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CLARENDON, TEXAS.

Public School.

That public school which most fully performs the functions for which such schools were established may truthfully be called the best. Taking this statement as correct standard of measurement; the Public School in Clarendon has made



Prof. W. R. SILVEY, Superintendent of Public School.

an enviable reputation. That it has, in a large measure, met in a most satisfactory manner, all the demands that have been made upon it, is evinced by the patronage and the support, both moral and financial, it has received from the citizens of Clarendon.

The enrollment of pupils for this year is already in excess of 400, and will reach 450 before the close of the term. The enrollment in 1894 was 187 pupils, in 1891-92 was 432, an increase of 245 pupils. In 1894 the district levied a tax of 35 cents, at present the rate is 50 cents, for school purposes. These are unmistakable proofs as to the high estimate placed upon education, and the usefulness of the public school, by the residents of Clarendon.

ITS EARLY HISTORY.

Clarendon school district was organized in 1888, and the first school was presided over by two and the enrollment during the term was less than 100 pupils. But from its first establishment, much interest was taken in its progress by the settlers,

in order that their children might have the best educational advantages that they could provide. Strife nor discord among the patrons have never interfered with its progress.

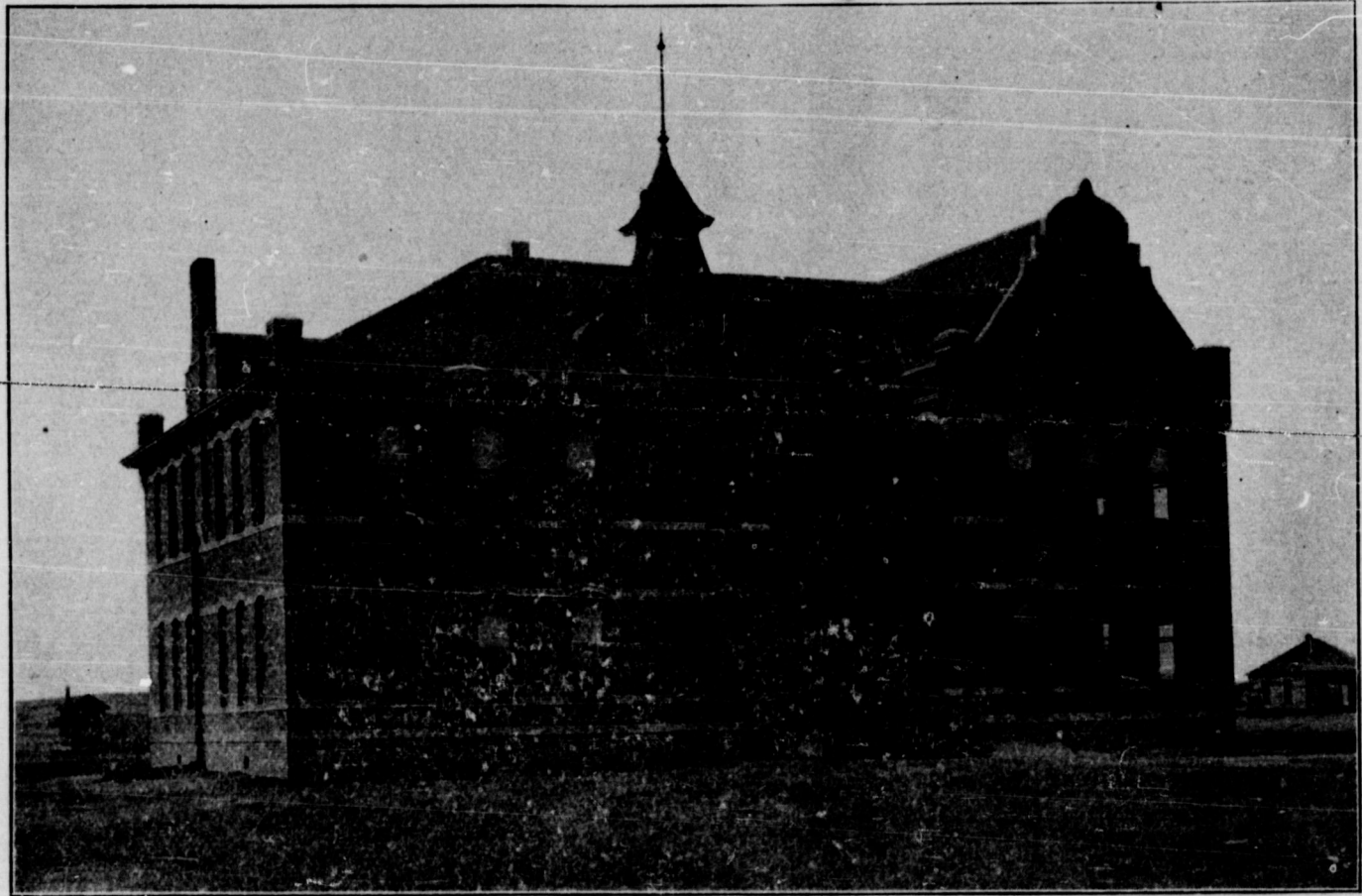
As the growth of Clarendon has demanded it, the public school has been enlarged by both additional room and teachers. Within the last year a splendid brick building has been erected and furnished at a cost of \$12,000. The number of teachers has been increased to

There is not a vacant dwelling in Clarendon, which is largely due to these advantages. There has not been a year for eight years the that enrollment in school has not exceeded the scholastic population from 20 to 75 pupils, thus showing conclusively that many locate here for school advantages.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The course of study provides for ten years work, four for the primary, three for the intermediate

last eight years Prof. W. G. Stewart is principal and has served in that capacity for four years. Miss Lora Kimberlin is first assistant, Miss Clara Helvey, second assistant and Miss Pearl Betts, third assistant, all of whom are teachers of experience and ability. Mrs. Kate Palmer has had charge of the primary department for four years. Miss Norma Skinner has taught the second primary for two years, both of whom are up-to-date teachers in



CLARENDON PUBLIC SCHOOL.

seven, with equipments for eight. The building is modern in its appointments, being prepared for proper ventilation and light.

INFLUENCE OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Education, properly directed, exerts a moral and refining influence upon individuals and communities. That the public school in Clarendon has been an important factor in the great work, needs no emphasis here. Aside from this, the public school has a commercial value as well

and three for the high school. The high school course fits pupils for the duties and responsibilities of life or for college entrance. Many of the graduates of the public school are now filling places of responsibility throughout the country.

THE CORPS OF TEACHERS.

There are seven teachers and one music teacher in the public school. Prof. W. R. Silvey is superintendent, a position he has held for the

their special work. Miss Bessie Chamberlain teaches music in connection with the public school and has a large and interesting class.

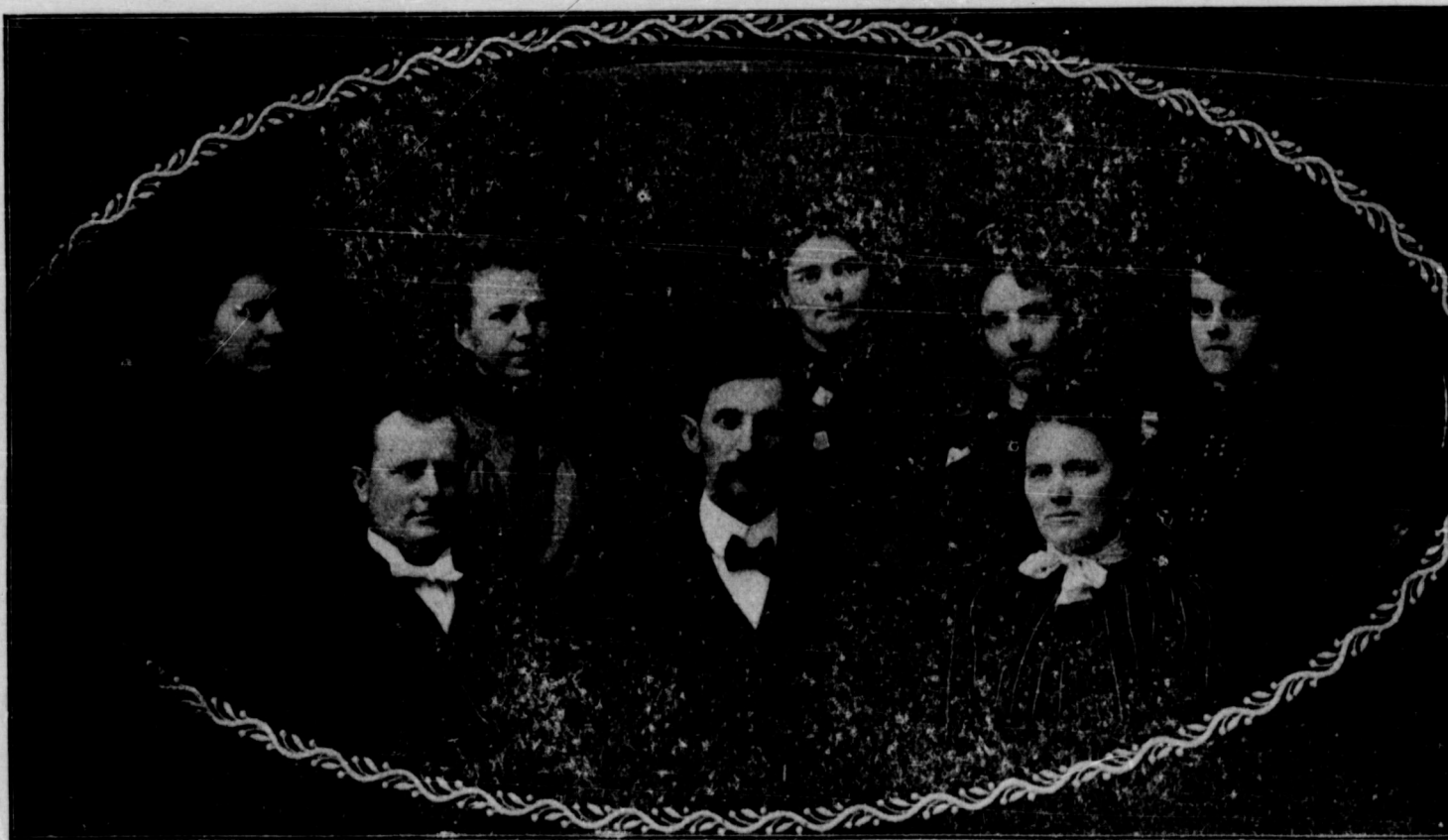
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

No public school in this part of the state has been more fortunate in selecting men for the position of trustees than that of Clarendon. They have ever had the interests of the school at heart and have provided for its support in a liberal manner, thus being able to secure the best teachers obtainable in this part of the state. Funds sufficient to operate the school for nine months are provided, and teachers are paid promptly at the close of each month. The present board consists of W. H. Cooke, president; Hon. W. B. Ware, secretary; R. A. Chamberlain, treasurer; J. H. O'Neill, assessor and collector; T. S. Bugbee, Morris Rosenfield and T. J. Noland, members.

The band gave their first public concert Wednesday evening at the opera house. It was well received by the public who gave a generous patronage. Clarendon is proud of her band.

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Many soldiers in the last war wrote to say that for Scratches, Bruises Cuts, Wounds, Corns, sore Feet and Stiff Joints, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for Burns, Ulcers, Scalds, Boils, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25c at Flocking's drug store.



PUBLIC SCHOOL FACULTY.

ACTUAL RESULTS.

What Can Be Done Stock Raising in Donley County.

Noting your request for state-



G. G. Willingham, Grand High Priest Clarendon Chapter Royal Arch Masons.

I moved to Donley county in 1888 and located at Giles, took up a school section of land and made my home on it. As soon as I could I started a stock farm on a small scale and this venture proved to be the best paying business I have ever engaged in. In a few years my stock of cattle had increased in numbers until I was compelled to buy an additional section of land making my stock farm run up to an acreage of 1280. But four years after purchasing this second section the herd of cattle increased to such an extent that I had to make arrangements for more land or reduce the size of my herd of cattle. After seriously deliberating on the matter, I decided to sell the entire herd of cattle and invest in nothing

Do You Want A Home?

If so, see Priddy, Barrett & Priddy, they have it, and in Donley county, where it rains. We have not had a failure here in 14 years. They can show you some of the loveliest Farm, Ranch and City property

In Northwest Texas.

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We hope our readers in other counties and states will not accept the undisputed statement of this as the "finest cattle country in the world" but to remember that what is true of cattle is also true of all other stock. Especially is it equally true for horses and hogs. In fact we are sure some of our farmers are making more money on hogs than on cattle. Hogs thrive extra well here and are free from cholera contagion.

Well Drilling.

I have a new well machine and am prepared to drill wells for the public. I have several years experience and guarantee satisfaction. See me or leave word at Baker's Stable.

Price Baker.

If you are a farmer in some other section and ever visit the panhandle do not fail to stop off and see Donley county. Farming is not an experiment here—but a success.

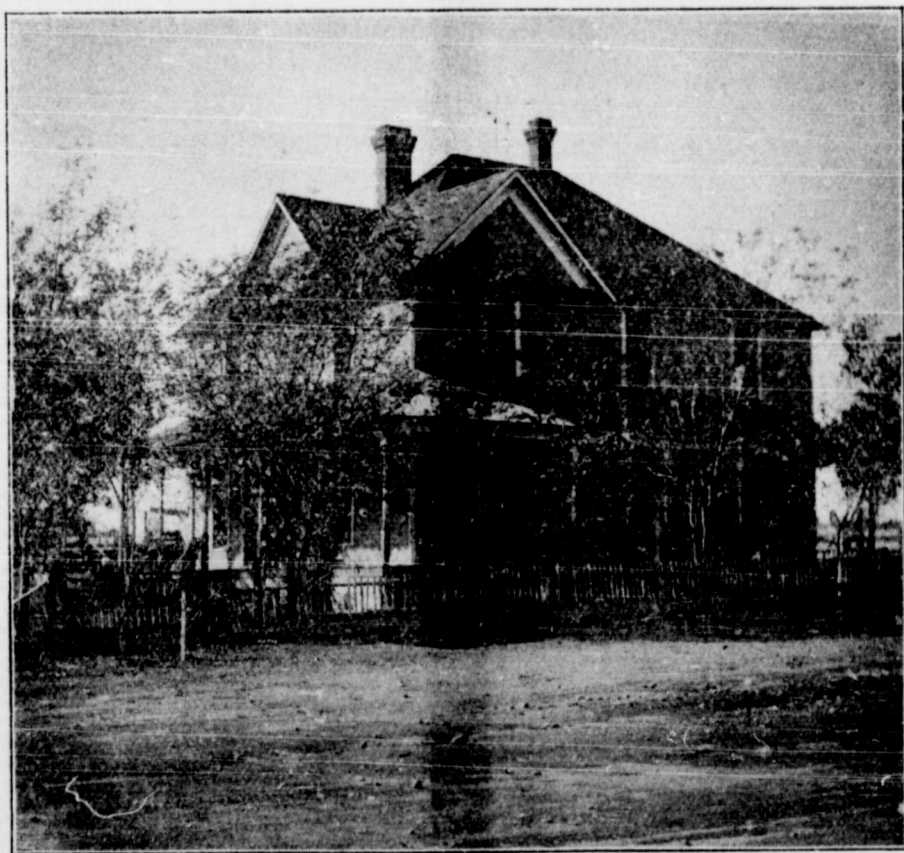
ments of actual experience for you special edition, it occurs to me that I may be able to give you a short history of my Donley county experience that may prove interesting to some of your many readers and prospective citizens.

but full-blood Herefords, and I soon made the change. I put the proceeds received from 140 head of common cattle into 25 Hereford calves in 1899 and now my Hereford herd, known as "Giles Herefords," now numbers 52.

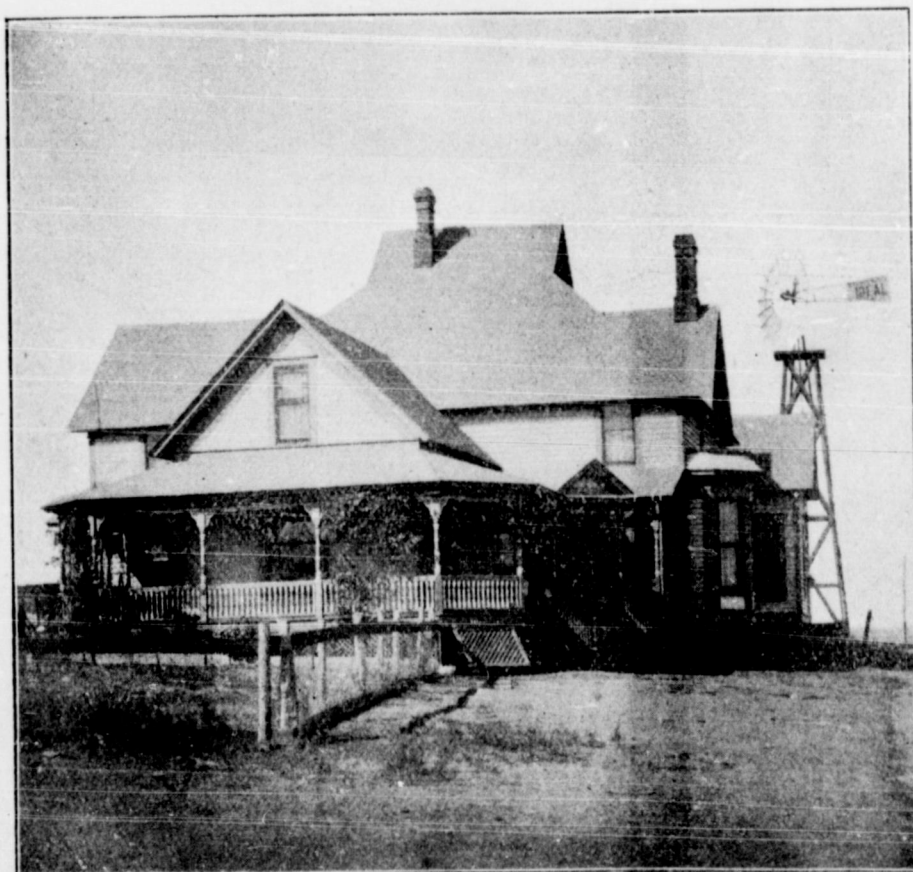
During my 14 years residence in

Donley county, there have been 14 years of farming done on my ranch. Have never missed a crop. We raise Indian corn, millet, sorghum and kaffir corn. I have a small orchard that produces as fine fruit as I have ever seen any where, and is not excelled by California fruits.

G. G. WILLINGHAM.



RESIDENCE OF W. H. COOKE.



RESIDENCE OF T. S. BUGBEE.

AN EX-NEWSPAPER MAN

Who Has Made a Great Success As a Stock Farmer.

ED. NEWS:—In response to your request for something from this



FRANK KENDALL.

portion of Donley county, I will send you the following:

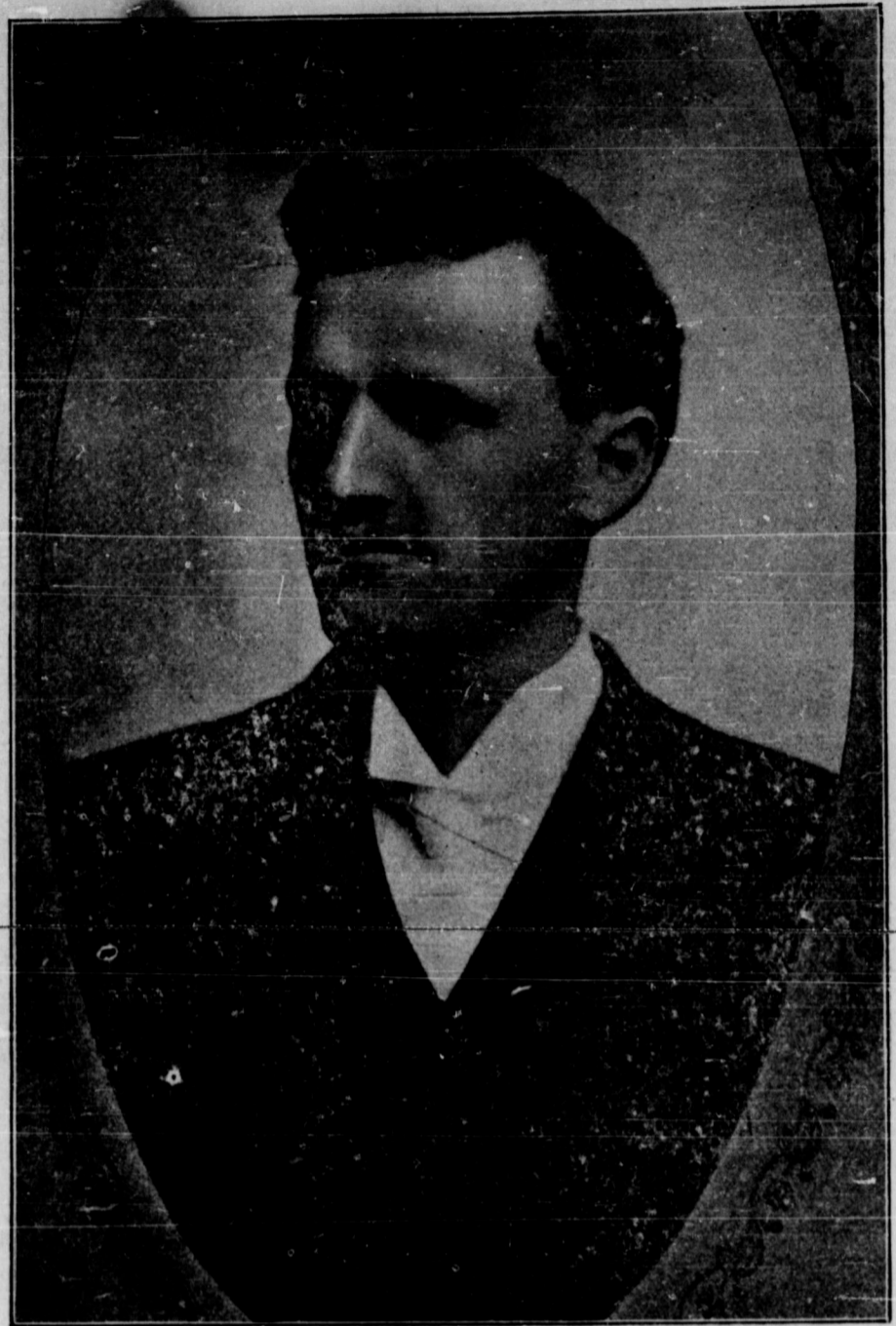
Nearly ten years ago I came to the panhandle country, soon after which time my father bought the railroad section of land where we are living at the present time which is situated eleven miles northeast of Clarendon. Since that time we have added two school sections making three sections, all of which is under fence and about 100 acres has been put in cultivation. We have experimented with Indian corn, kaffir corn, milo maize, sorghum, millet, Johnson grass and alfalfa and have made a success of all but alfalfa, and it seemed to do well for a year or two but the sand burs finally killed it out.

Soon after buying the place we secured a small bunch of cattle which number today 50 head of she stock. They are a cross between the Durham and Hereford and will compare favorably with any of the high-grade cattle in this section. I am satisfied that the best results can be obtained for the small stock farmer from the Durham cows, for milk and butter are indispensable articles at home, besides there has always been a good market price for the surplus. Hogs and chickens are also a paying investment and will bring quicker returns than anything I know of for the money invested.

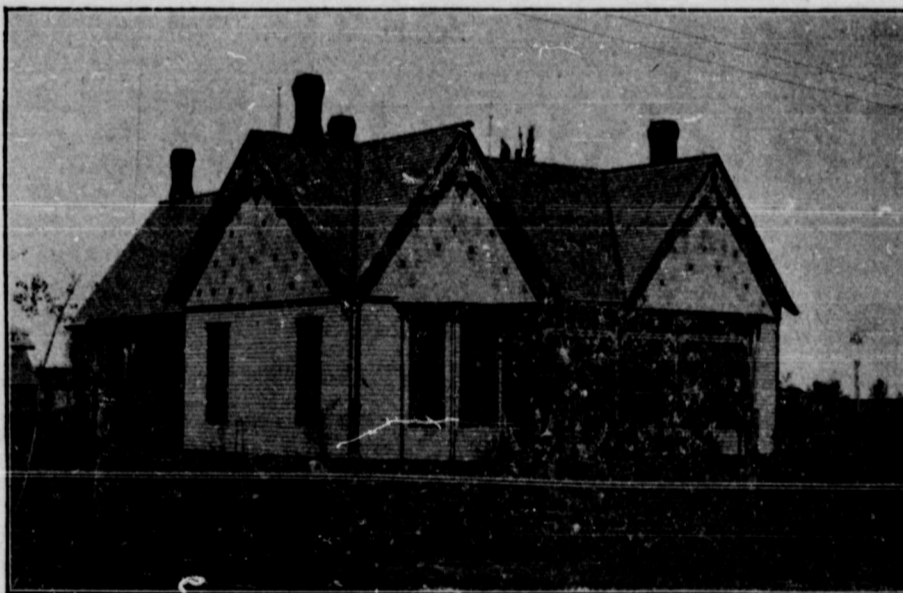
Many changes have been noticeable since coming to this country, and one has been the breaking up

of the large ranches and going into the hands of the stock farmer. This has not been, as many might suppose an encroachment upon the rights of the cow man, but merely the adjustment of things to their proper element, for 100 cows fed and properly cared for in the winter are worth 300 turned loose on the range. Another noticeable fact is that since farming has been carried on more extensively the rainfall seems more evenly distributed and for the past few years the feed and forage crops have been grown here that would be a credit to any part of Texas.

Situated as we are at the foot of the great plains, with rich, sub-irrigated valleys through which flow the clear running streams, fed by numerous springs, there is nothing to keep this from being made a stockman's paradise. While the country is as yet in its infancy it has passed through the experimental age and all it needs now is for men of means and energy to develop its natural resources. I believe that the day is not far distant when sugar beets will be grown for general feeding purposes in this section and become a prime factor as cow and hog feed. Fruit and shade trees of all kinds do well, also grapes and berries. We have an acre of 100 bearing trees, mostly peaches, besides putting out a cottonwood grove and 1,500 locust trees. The



REV. J. SAM BARCUS, PRESIDENT CLARENDON COLLEGE.



RESIDENCE OF W. W. DYER.



RESIDENCE OF J. D. JEFFERIES.

locusts are two years old, have made a fine growth and can be utilized for both shade trees and fence posts both of which are quite an item here.

Not all of my time, however, has been spent on the ranch but has alternated between here and the printing office, nearly three years of which time has been spent in the latter pursuit, but I like the outdoor life best. I am a firm believer in the fact that this great Panhandle country has a future before it, and just as sure as water seeks its own level, so will the next few years see the development and readjustment of conditions heretofore

unknown.

What we need today is men with the courage and energy to develop the latent forces that nature has so bountifully bestowed upon us. This together with pure air and a healthful climate makes it a desirable place to live.

To all who are looking for homes, we will say "come and be one of us and grow up with the panhandle," which is destined to be one of the finest stock farming countries in the United States.

Success to the News and its many readers, I am

Very truly yours,
FRANK KENDALL.

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I have an expert horse-shoer regularly in my employ; not an experiment, but a sure enough mechanic in his line of work. If you want correct work at satisfactory prices, continue to go to the old reliable shop of
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A beautiful thought was that of him who said: "Some people are always finding fault with nature for putting thorns on roses. I always thank her for putting roses on thorn."

BOOT AND SHOE REPAIRING.

See Robert Lamb at Ruth-erford Bros Saddle Store.

**"But Where to find that Happiest Spot Below;
Who Can Direct, when all Pretend to know."**

—Goldsmith.

Many are satisfied to live in Northwest Texas, having proved the value of the land in this region as a good Crop Raiser. Not only Cattle, but Wheat, Cotton, Corn, Peep Stuffs, Cantaloupes, Garden Truck and Good Health flourish here—in a district where malaria is impossible and very little doing for jails and hospitals.

Land, which is being sold at really low figures—tho the constantly increasing demand is steadily boosting values—is still abundant; and Farms and Ranches of all sizes, very happily located, are being purchased daily.

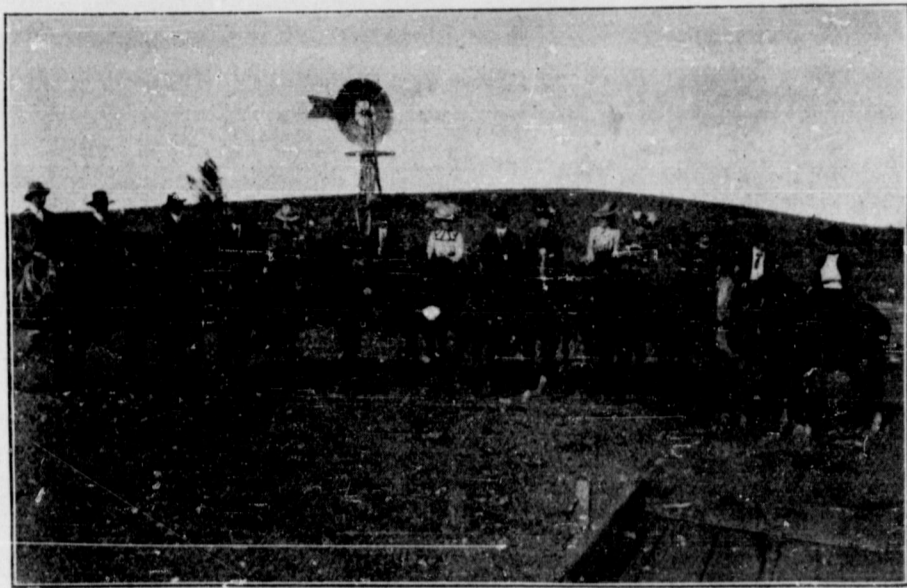
We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little book, published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate Association which contains an interesting series of straightforward statements of what **PEOPLE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED** along the line of

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS OF MRS. W. B. SIMS AT LELIA, TEXAS.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company to apply to the 28th Legislature of the State of Texas to assemble in the city of Austin, Texas, on the Second Tuesday in January, 1903, for a local or special law authorizing the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company to purchase, own and control all the franchises, property, rights and privileges of every kind and character of the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company, and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company, and to operate and control, as a part of its line, the railroad constructed and to be constructed by the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company and of the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company, and of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company, or either of them; and to authorize the said Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company, and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company, and each of them, to sell its railroad as defined by its charter, together with all franchises, rights, privileges and property incident or appertaining thereto to the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company, and to authorize said Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company to issue and negotiate its bonds, secured, or to be se-

cured; by a mortgage or mortgages, subject to the laws of the State of Texas governing the issuance and negotiation of bonds by railroad companies; and to authorize the said Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Co. to construct, own and operate, as a part or parts of its line, the unfinished portions of said railroads, or either of them, between the termini as defined in their respective charters, and to construct, own and operate, as a part or parts of its line, all extensions and branches of said railroads, or either of them, under, or as authorized in and by, the charter of said Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company, or any amendment thereof made or to be made in pursuance to the General Laws of the State of Texas; and to prescribe the conditions upon which said purchases and sales shall take effect and be dependent, and to authorize said companies, and each of them, to execute all necessary contracts, agreements and conveyances to accomplish said purchases and sales.

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By W. B. Leeds, President.
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CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA & TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY.

By W. B. Leeds, President.

For Sale.

I want to sell my home south of the court house in Clarendon, 6 rooms, 3 closets and 6x10 pantry. Some out buildings. For price, etc., call on me at residence.
MRS. A. B. RAY.

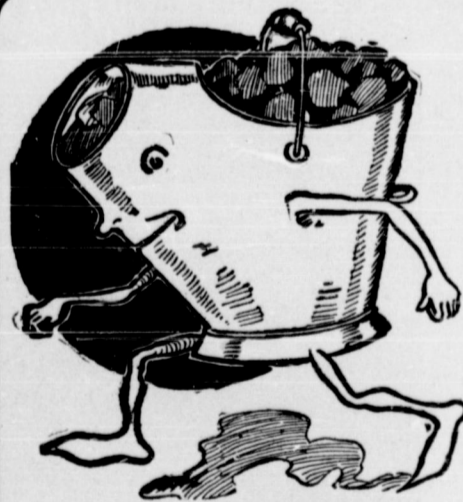
Hair Falls

"I tried Ayer's Hair Vigor to stop my hair from falling. One-half a bottle cured me."
J. C. Baxter, Braidwood, Ill.

Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly the most economical preparation of its kind on the market. A little of it goes a long way. It doesn't take much of it to stop falling of the hair, make the hair grow, and restore color to gray hair. \$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Musical instruments, guitars, mandolins and violins, at H. D. Ramsey's drug store.



A HURRY ORDER.

We'll handle your coal order without delay, and guarantee you coal quality that won't fail to get your approval

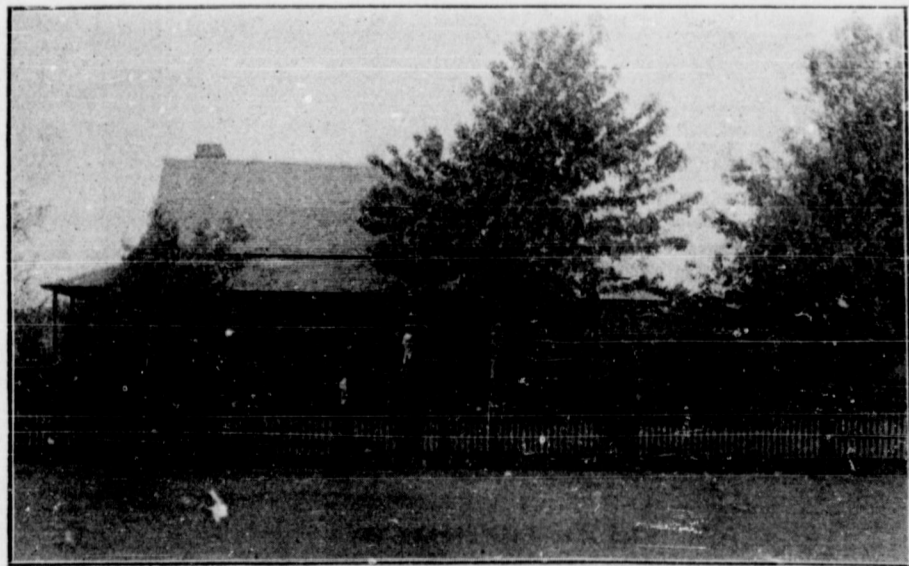
Large or Small Orders
Given Ready Attention

And in addition to giving you the best coal, we put it where you want it without causing you useless worry.

All kinds of Dray Work a specialty.

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Clarendon, Texas.



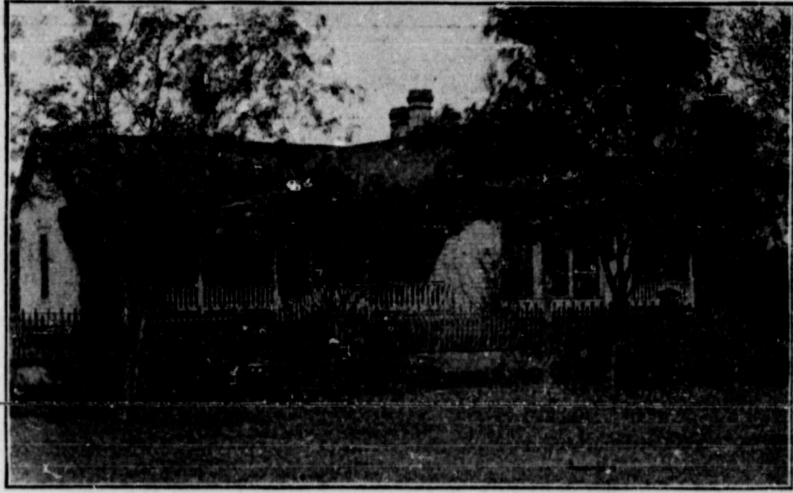
RESIDENCE OF DR. H. J. WINN.

FROM JERICHO.

From One Who Has Quit Law for the Stock Farm.

I am asked to contribute an article to the special edition of the News. This reminds me of an incident I once heard about a man who was sentenced to hang. When the hour for his execution arrived, he took his seat upon the scaffold. The sheriff asked him if he had any thing to say he arose and said, "I

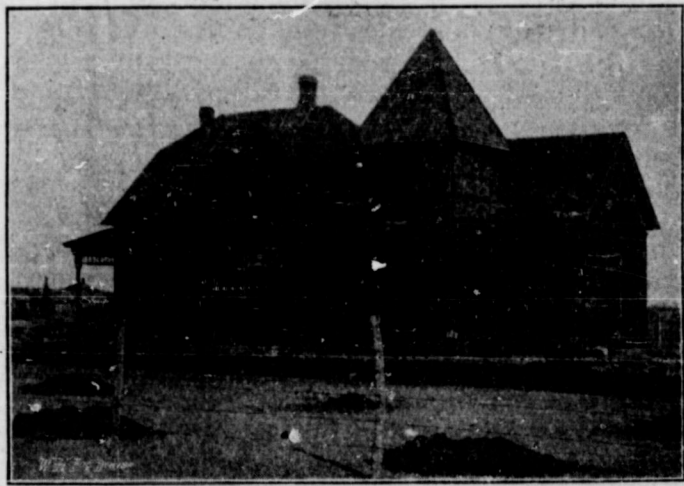
above the the average in intelligence. There is a very erroneous idea prevailing in the eastern states that the panhandle is populated by a heterogeneous mass of Mexicans, Indians, half-breeds, etc. The fact is that at least 90 per cent of the population of Donley county and the entire panhandle are pure white-faces in one straight mark and brand. There are a few off colors and strays with old brands and scars but they are now numbered with



RESIDENCE OF J. S. JEFFRIES.

think there are others present who could entertain the audience better than I can, and as there is nothing specially resting upon my mind I'll discuss the tariff." Now, I am not going to discuss the tariff. The people of the panhandle are prosperous in spite of the tariff. They are

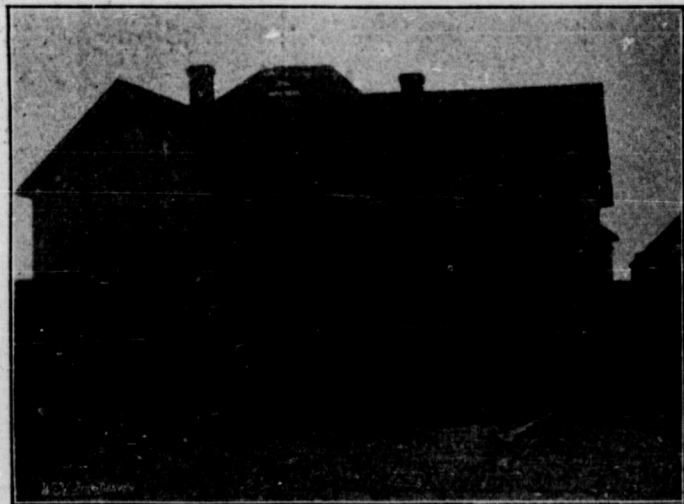
the cut-backs and cut no figure in the formation of society. The onward, upward, progressive movement pervades the land. I have traveled over 32 states in this grand union of states, and I know of no community where the average intelligence is so high as it is here.



RESIDENCE OF C. W. TAYLOR.

too busy counting their white-faces and improving their beautiful homes to talk politics. I doubt if there is one man in fifty in all this panhandle country who could tell you the tariff rate on any one article. And yet they are away

Then why is it that so many business men of brains would locate here if they did not see a future for this country. Nine out of every ten of them are prosperous, enjoying good health and making for themselves happy homes. Our



RESIDENCE OF DR. S. J. WHITE.

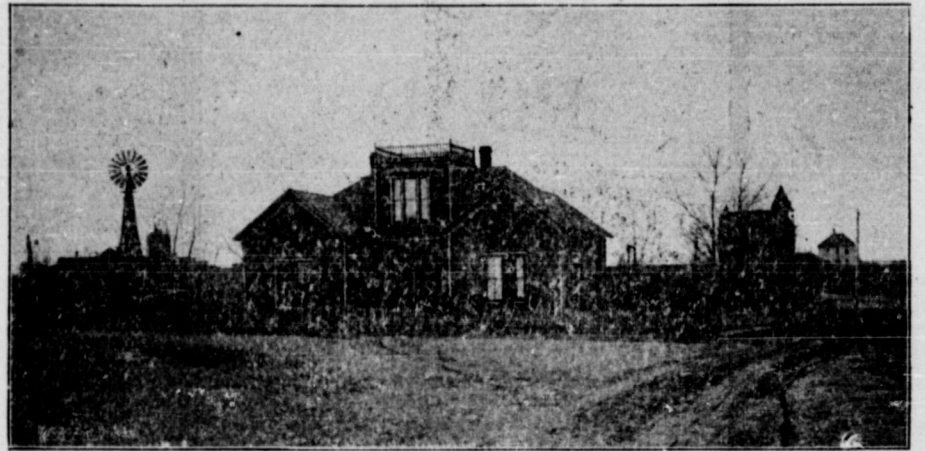


RESIDENCE OF J. M. CLOWER.

ladies are cultured and refined. They may not wear as many ruffles as some, but they possess more good practical sense, rosier cheeks and better health than their city sisters. "They are just now beginning to shine." They do not lace so tight. They live for comfort and are free from many of the foolish conventionalities of the city life. I have seen the greater part of Texas, and

College school opened Tuesday after the holiday vacation. A goodly number of new pupils have already arrived, with more to follow and nearly all the old ones are back or will be in the next few days. College notes will appear as usual each week after this issue.

Prof. W. E. Rush of Childress spent two days here this week with his friend, Prof. W. G. Stewart.



RESIDENCE OF POSTMASTER C. J. LEWIS.

Donley county, for all around purposes, is one of the best counties in the state. That part of the county bordering on the plains on the north side of the county is unsurpassed for beauty of scenery and fertility of soil. Here is situated the coming city of Jericho, the pearl of the Rim Rock, Nature's health garden.

Inman—Palmer.

At the Christian church Wednesday evening, Dec. 31st, the pastor, Rev. C. E. Chambers, united in marriage, County Judge Inman of Dallam county and Mrs. Kate Palmer of this city. Their future home will be Dalhart. The news extends best wishes.



RESIDENCE OF DR. D. B. MCGEE.

To the homeseekers who desire perpetual youth, we would say, come to Jericho and be happy.

J. HARVEY ALTIZER.

Public school opens again next Monday for a full five months more of this term. Clarendon always has a full nine months term.

Donley county is the stockmen's paradise of all North-west Texas. The most productive, easily tilled soils, which produces the greatest variety of grasses and successful crops, the best and most abundant water of any county in the panhandle.

On the afternoon of the New Year Prof. and Mrs. W. R. Silvey invited the Public School Board of trustees and their wives to five o'clock dinner at their home in west Clarendon. The Public School colors were daintily displayed, but the special feature was the dining room, which attracted by its effective touches of the decorator, but more so the elaborate courses which were five in number and so palatable that all executed the desire to linger at the feast. After supper games, reading and recitations were features for some

hours and when the parting time came there was "a vain desire to cripple time" and delay the goodbyes.

Mrs. J. D. Jefferies has had a specially enjoyable Xmas and New Year because of the visit of her two sisters, Mrs. Mattie Grogan of Ravena Tex. and Mrs. Bertha Kent of Beverly Tex.

Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Hall, Prof. and Mrs. W. R. Silvey and the editor and whole family enjoyed a sumptuous New Year dinner with Dr. and Mrs. D. B. McGee.



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rutherford Brothers,

Makers of and dealers in

Saddles, Bridles and Harness, Etc.

Also handle Collars, Bits, Spurs, Blankets, etc., in fact everything kept in a first class saddlery house. TRY US ON REPAIR WORK

Clarendon, Texas.

Troup & McMahan, Draymen and Coal Dealers.

Prompt attention given to all orders. A reasonable profit is all we ask.

Clarendon, Texas.

Notice.

I have just received a large lot of New Furniture, shipped in car load lots which will be sold at close figures.

In this connection, I wish to thank a generous public for a liberal patronage in the past, and ask a continuance of the same, with the assurance that such favors are highly appreciated.

I extend to all a happy and prosperous New Year Greeting.

J. N. EDDINS.



A Box Worth Having.

Filled With Attractive Creams

Those who like rare quality creams will find plenty of satisfaction in one of the fine boxes. Made of pure materials and put together in attractive fashion. We take it you like the best you can find and we provide that best for you.

Everything in Fruits, Fine Cigars, Tobacco, Notions. Fresh Bread Daily.

A. M. RAMP, Clarendon, Texas.

J. G. TACKITT,
President.

B. H. WHITE,
Vice President.

W. H. COOKE,
Cashier.

The Citizens' Bank.

Opened for business Nov. 1, 1899. A general banking business transacted. We solicit the accounts of Merchants, Ranchmen, Farmers and individuals.

Money to Loan on Acceptable Security.

Directors: B. H. White, W. H. Cooke, M. Rosenfeld, and J. G. Tackitt.

Clarendon, Tex.

ROWE.

A Most Prosperous, Thickly Settled Community 14 Miles East on Railway.

Believing that your readers would like to know how the people are getting on in and around Rowe, I will say our people are all well and happy, have their abundant crops gathered and all are in good shape financially.

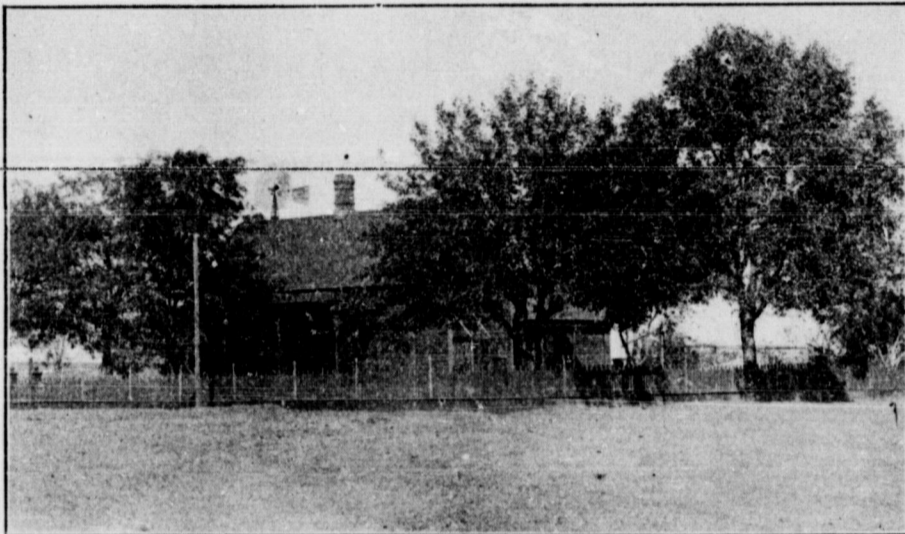
We have a first class store, a good house, a good stock of general merchandise. Mr. Dunn is doing a good business and his many patrons are well pleased with his manner of doing business. We have a black-

the largest and best school in the county outside of the county site, and we think we have the best school in the panhandle. We have 65 enrolled in our Rowe school, and our teacher, Mr. J. W. Branch, is a thorough scholar and knows how to educate our children.

Our land has advanced from \$1 per acre in the last eight years to \$12. One tract of 100 acres sold at \$12 per acre cash some ten days ago, and still they come. Four new buildings going up. Still we invite them to come.

ISAAC SMITH.

Uncle Isaac Smith has made a success farming and perhaps has lusted more people in Donley coun-



RESIDENCE OF R. A. CHAMBERLAIN.

smith shop nearly ready to do our work at home. A hotel is under process of construction to take care of the many good people looking for homes in our country, which we think is the garden spot of the country. I have been here 12 years and have raised good crops every year except this. The hail damaged our Indian corn. All other crops were good.

I consider Donley county the banner farming county in the panhandle, and it seems that others think so too, as so many home-seekers want homes near Rowe. Partly on account of good school house and

ty than any other man in it. He never too busy to stop and show the country to a prospector, nor to answer questions by letter. His post office is Rowe.—Ed.

If you are a farmer in some other section and ever visit the panhandle do not fail to stop off and see Donley county. Farming is not an experiment here, but a success.

We have some pure, ribbon cane syrup that a friend of ours sent us from East Texas. You can get it at 65 cents per gallon.

POSEY & PATMAN.



RESIDENCE OF CHAS. EYLER.

Dr. J. D. Stocking,

Office at his

Drug Store,

Where everything in DRUGS and NOTIONS are kept.

School and College Books and Supplies. Jewelry and Silverware.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

Fruit and Truck Farm.

Mr. T. Jones of Greer county, Okla., made two extended trips through the Panhandle and into New Mexico looking for a location to make a fruit farm, and finally located and purchased a tract of land one mile north of Clarendon. Although taking possession only last October, he has planted 1,000 apple, peach and plum trees, besides some cherry, fig, apricot, pear and quince trees. He has also

and plants on this place when he took possession, a number of trees fruit bearing.

He thinks this the ideal place for fruit, and says his fall work is only a beginning.

The ideal soil for fruit growing is a sandy loam with clay foundation and good drainage.

Mr. Jones has also erected a fine windmill and steel storage tank, has laid some pipe and will lay more in the spring to utilize the water on trees and plants.



RESIDENCE OF D. J. CALVERY.

planted 500 grapes, 5,000 strawberry plants, 4,000 raspberry, dewberry, blackberry, gooseberry and currant plants. Also 2,000 asparagus roots, and 200 rhubarb roots. He has 5,000 mulberry cuttings bedded and will plant in the spring in the form of hedge rows for wind breaks. There were 1,500 trees

For pure ribbon cane syrup go to the Bargain Store. It's fresh from the mills.

One dollar overshirts now 50 cents at Bargain Store.

Don't fail to attend the Clearance Sale at Bargain Store.

Donley County Lands.

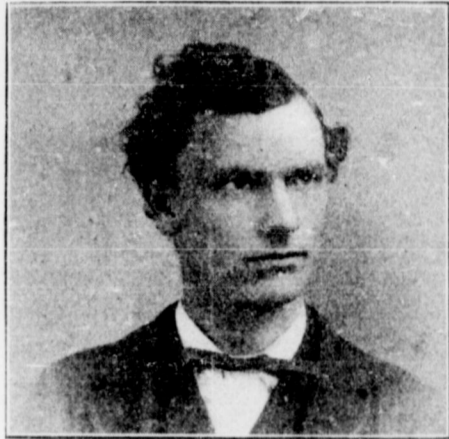
I have engaged in the LAND BUSINESS. If you have land for sale list it with me. In my service as tax assessor I became personally familiar with all the lands of Donley county and feel sure with my personal and general knowledge of the county, I can locate new comers to their best advantage. I have now some of the choicest farms and small ranch properties to be found in this country. If you want to buy, sell or exchange see me.

G. W. BAKER, Clarendon, Texas.

HON. W. B. WARE.

Of Clarendon, Member Legislature of 106th District.

Mr. Ware was born in Decatur, county Tennessee in 1867, but was reared principally in Gibson, county; admitted to the bar at Humboldt and located and practiced law in Lexington.



In 1894 he moved to Texas and located in Briscoe, county and practiced his profession there until 1897 when he moved to Clarendon and

at repartee and a pleasant speaker.

His friends predict for him a brilliant future.

W. C. Pitchford has sold his farm, consisting of 187 acres, 75 of which is in cultivation, one mile south of Aledo, for \$3,200. Mr. Pitchford will move to Donley county, Texas. We regret to lose him as thereby Parker county loses a good citizen of 26 years standing.—Weatherford Herald.

Mr. Pitchford is here. In company with his friend and former Parker County citizen W. J. Parsons he gave us a pleasant social call this week. A warm welcome awaits all such men and their families in Donley County.

Rev and Mrs J. Sam Bares tendered a reception to the Boys and Girls of Clarendon College in the parlors of the young ladies home last Monday evening. It is needless to say the boys and girls had a great time.

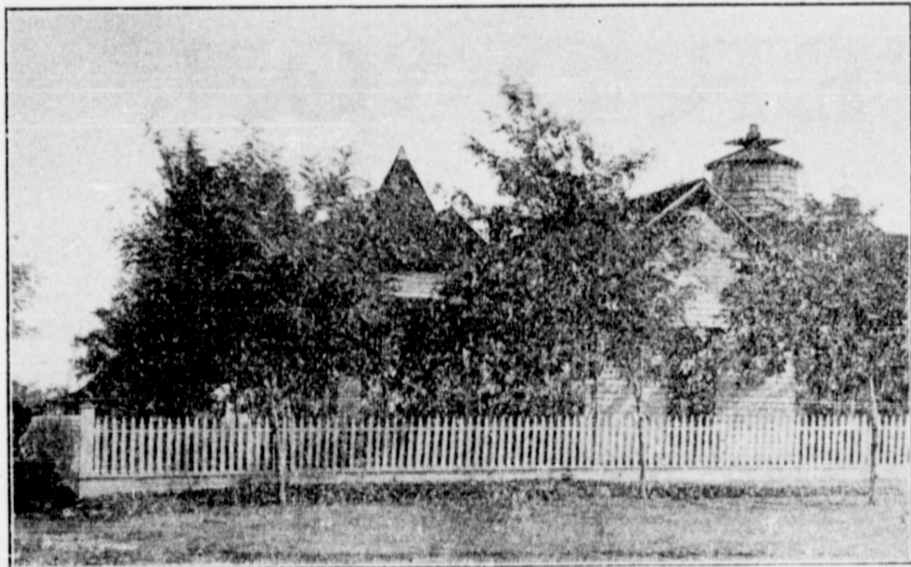


RESIDENCE OF HARRY MUNDY.

Dr. Ware, a member of the Virginia legislature, has introduced a measure to prevent kissing, unless each had a certificate of perfect health from a physician. We wonder what if any relation he is to our Hon. W. P. Ware of Clarendon, member of the Texas legislature from this district?

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend to all our customers and friends our heartiest thanks for the very liberal patronage of the past year, and ask a continuation of the same. Our business has prospered, but we wish it to prosper more. We shall always look to your interest, extend to you



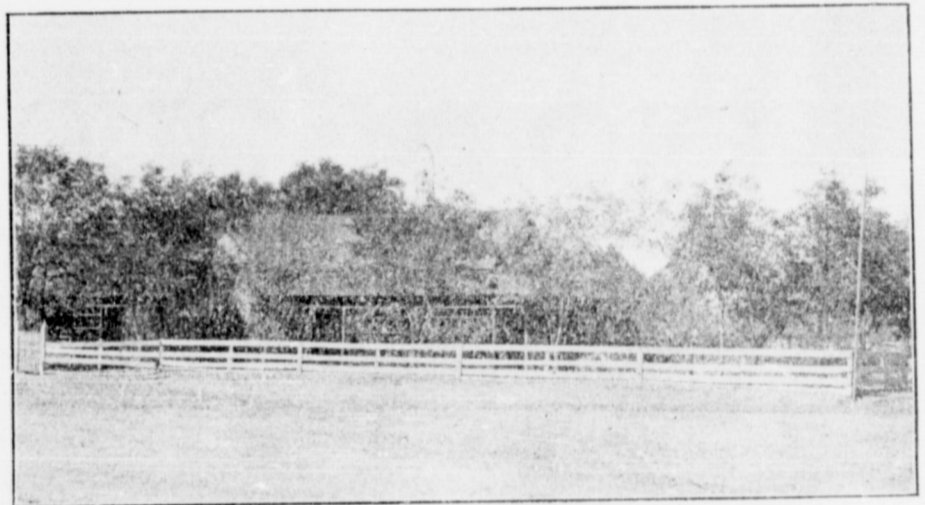
RESIDENCE OF DR. J. D. STOCKING

continues to practice his profession.

Mr. Ware was elected a member the Texas state Legislature at the last election and will enter upon his duties early in January. Mr. Ware is well fitted for legislative work being highly educated and having a well trained mind well versed and experienced in law and its practice, quick in perception and

John Browder of Memphis has purchased from J. J. Harrison his residence near the Catholic church for \$1,300-cash. Mr. Harrison will likely move his family to Wichita Falls where he has a business. Mr. Browder will move his family here for the benefit of school at St Mary's Academy.

F. A. Simpson has sold his residence to D. R. Priddy.



RESIDENCE OF RICHARD WALSH.

John Monroe of Cheyenne, O. T. spent Wednesday and Thursday here visiting his sister Mrs. J. H. Kelly.

No use to buy inferior syrup when you can get pure ribbon cane for the same price at the Bargain Store.

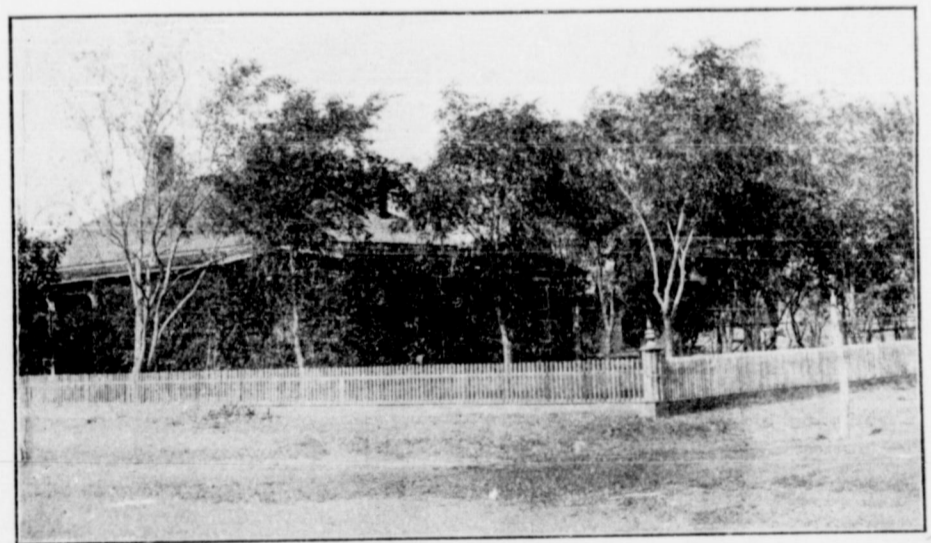
courteous treatment with good goods, excellent values and low prices. Wishing you many happy returns of the New Year, and much prosperity, we are,

T. J. NOLAND & Co.

Perhaps not less than 25 home-seekers have been looking at Donley county lands since Xmas.



RESIDENCE OF J. E. COLLINS.



RESIDENCE OF J. B. MCCLELLAND.

Master Richard Peebles spent his holiday vacation near Amarillo visiting former Tennessee friends.

Frank Ward of Amarillo spent most of the holidays here with relatives and friends.

If you need gloves now is your chance. Read the Bargain Store's list of prices on them.

Mrs. R. C. Dobson from Mulbery Fat is in town for medical treatment. Her friends hope for her recovery in the near future.

Leonard Puckett of Washburn a former college pupil spent last Monday here and left Tuesday for Collin county to spend the holidays.

Jewelry, Confectionery and Stationery.

Our business for 1902 has been splendid, Our Christmas trade was Immense. To every customer we extend our kindly New Year's Greetings.

We Carry at all Times a Fresh and Complete Line of Fruits, Fine Cigars, Tobacco, etc,

The Latest Novels, Papers and Magazines always on Hand.

Like the Quality of our Goods, our Prices cannot be excelled.

Wishing you, one and all, a prosperous year in 1903, we are yours to please,

JNO. M. CLOWER & SON.



Rev. J. M. Sherman, Presiding Elder Clarendon District.

RECEPTIONS

Prof. and Mrs. Silvey Entertain.

"Character" costume, Hours with the poets. The home of Prof. and Mrs. W. R. Silvey will be open to you from 8 to 12, Tuesday evening, December 30th, 1902. In honor Public School teachers."

The hospitable doors were opened and the poets themselves, with some of the winsome beings of their own brain, assembled. The rooms were beautifully decorated, and inviting nooks were to be found in many places where poets could bask in the glory of imagination. The color scheme being blue and pink, all things harmonized perfectly. Pink geraniums, palms and ribbons decorated the dining room which proved very enticing to all.

There were many interesting features of the evening, various games in which the poets' minds were engaged, and a guessing of the characters represented. In the

latter, two prizes were offered. Mrs. Wedgworth bowed for the laurels of the first, and Mr. Vass was the winner of the baby prize. A volume of Longfellow and a dainty jug with the suggestion, "Clarendon has gone dry," were the prizes.

The following were in attendance: Miss Eddins, Minnehaha; Miss Yafes, Juliet; Miss Hendrix, Shakespeare; Miss Patterson, Evangeline; Miss Betts, Priscilla; Miss Dillon, Reeves; Miss Chamberlain, Reade; Miss Pearl Betts, Evange-



OUR "DEVIL."

line; Miss Babb, Sax; Miss Hooks, Priscilla; Miss Agnes Betts, Maud Muller; Mrs. Wedgworth, Lucile; Miss Kimberlin, Priscilla. Misses

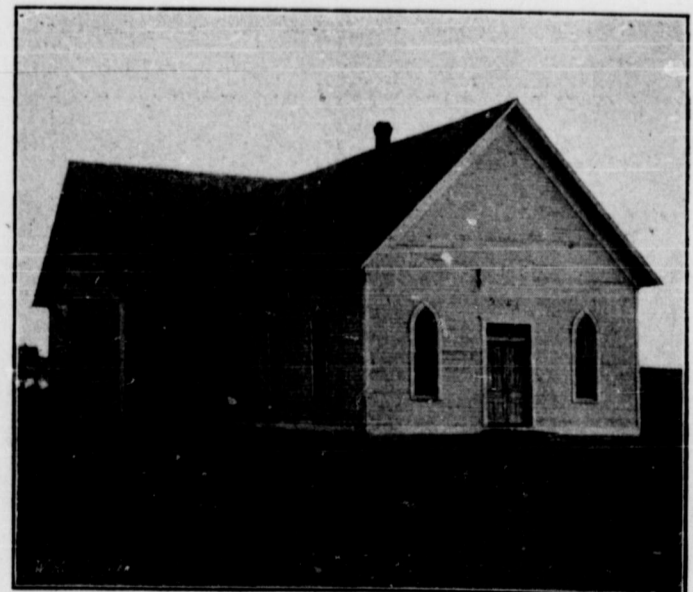
Pearson, Dees and Coulter were just representatives of the "fair ladies," and the hostess as Shelley. M. L. Williams, F. S. Key; Marvin Law, Paul Revere; Dalbert Jones, Joaquin Miller; King Callaway, Gabriel; Frank White, Longfellow; Roy Stocking, "The Man with the Hoe;" V. Trammell, Hiawatha; W. B. Wells, Shelley; J. Vass, Romeo; W. G. Stewart, F. S. Key; C. E. Hall, John Alden.

Hush! Do not laugh! That poor boy or that poor girl who is obliged to come upon our streets, wearing clothes that are tattered and torn, doubtless feels bad enough about it without being obliged to endure ridicule from those better clad. Be kind! Be sympathetic! Be friendly! Bid them a smiling good mor-



Rev. G. S. Hardy, Pastor Methodist Church.

ning if nothing more, and you will not only please the little fellow, or little girl, but you will feel more human in your own mind and be thought more of by your fellow citizens. —The Searchlight.



METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

New Grocery Store.

W. H. Meador Grocer Company.

Will handle a full and complete line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Corn, Oats, Hay, Bran and other Feed Stuffs.

Stock is just being opened up, and is all New and Fresh Goods. Call and see.

Next Door to Cold Storage. Phone 51.

The News for 1903.

Beginning with our fifth volume on February 1st, the News will increase its subscription price to one dollar per year instead of fifty cents as now.

During the past year we have added several hundred dollars worth of new printing material and doubled the size of the paper and now find that we will likely have to increase its size again, hence to help compensate we will increase the subscription price.

If you are a subscriber now you will receive the paper until the end of your subscription year at the old price, but your renewal will be one dollar. For the year we promise you a live, progressive newspaper—one that will in every way merit the price charged. Some of the new features we will add will be country correspondence, giving the local community news and farm notes, also occasionally a page or two will be turned over to and specially edited by schools, societies and lodges. We expect to make this a very attractive feature. With

the early spring we will begin a voting contest to send some young lady school teacher to the Chautauqua at Boulder, Col., next summer. Beginning with February we hope to have these matters well under way and will from time to time make special mention of them. For the year we invite notices of church, lodge and social entertainments and general society notes.

If the public will continue the same generous patronage as in the past we will give you a paper creditable to the town. Believing that we shall have your hearty co-operation in our mutual efforts to build up Clarendon and Donley and surrounding counties, we greet you for a prosperous year for 1903.

Better Than A Year Ago.

Postoffice receipts for 1902 were better than for 1901 at Clarendon, also every quarter showed an increase, and yet a great many people predicted that when the railway division was changed Clarendon would die. Better help build the town still larger.

John H. Rathjen,

Clarendon, Texas.

Maker of Fine BOOTS and SHOES.

Only first class work done and everything guaranteed. All work of repairing will be done neatly. Prices reasonable. Call in and see me at the Mayor's old office, second door south of the Cold Storage Market.

Buggies, Wag- ons, Implements

Just now unloading three cars for the 1903 Spring Trade. The largest stock and lowest prices.

B. T. Lane

Buggy and Implement Co.

CLARENDON, TEXAS.

George F. Morgan.

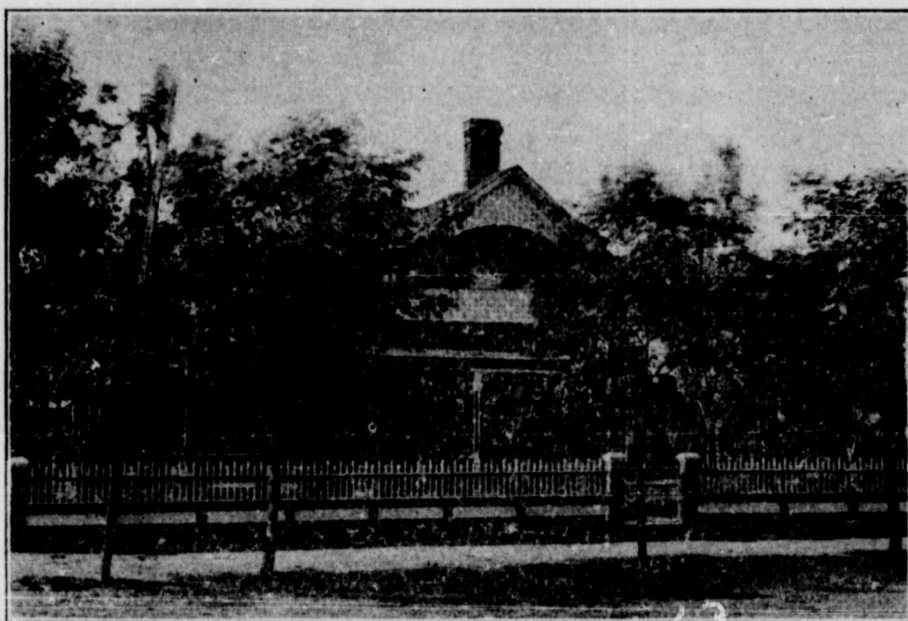
Born in Dade county, Georgia, in 1866. Lived in Georgia and Alabama until 14 years old when his father and family removed to Texas, locating in Clay county, where they engaged in farming on rented



lands, being poor and unable to purchase a home. Lived in a dugout and tents with the mother earth for a floor, until by hard labor and earnest gleanings they accumulated enough of the world's goods to make better provisions for their comfort.

The subject of this sketch has

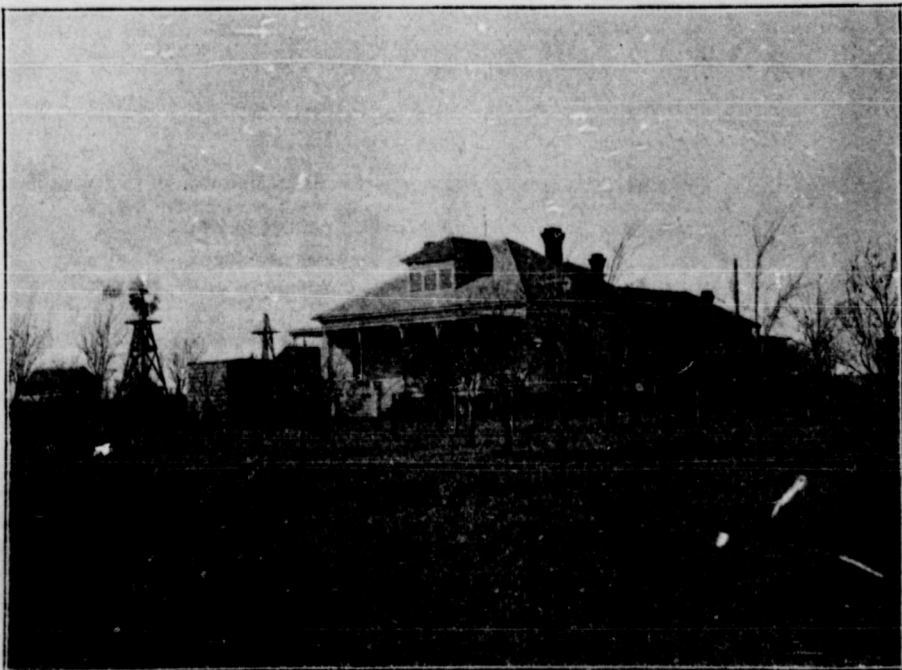
ing a line through North-west Texas, to be known as the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad; first by felling the timber and making cross-ties for its road-bed, and later in the capacity of Plenipotentiary to the "King Snipe" of Section No. 10 of said road, with authority to drive spikes, tamp ties and perform all other duties appertaining to said office, which responsible trust he performed with skill and assiduity until, by regular course of promotion, he was advanced to the dignified position of "Freight Rustler and Baggage Smasher" of said road, with headquarters at Bowie, Texas, in which capacity he agitated the tempers of the business and the traveling public until the road began its extension from Wichita Falls. He then proceeded to adjust his board bill with his landlady, Mrs. M. Adams, by wedding her eldest daughter, Miss Ella Adams, and with her he sought his fortune in the "wild and wooly west," coming first to Quannah, and afterward to Clarendon, all the while in the



RESIDENCE OF GEO. F. MORGAN.

worked in the cotton field and enjoyed all its distinctive privileges, drank Smith's Tonic and shook, until farm life was bereft of its seductive charms. About this time, seeing the sad need of better rail-facilities in this western country, he engaged in the commendable undertaking of building and maintain-

employ of the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad Company. He came to Clarendon in 1887, when this was the terminus of said road, and prior to the erection of any of the business houses or residences which now grace our town. He served the railroad company at this place in the capacity of Chief Clerk and



RESIDENCE OF H. W. TAYLOR.



RESIDENCE OF J. B. POPE.

Cashier during the construction of its road and afterward, until the general election in November, 1890, when he was honored by the people of Donley county by being elected to the office of County Treasurer, which office he held creditably for four years, having no opponent for the second term. He then withdrew from said office and engaged in the mercantile business which he followed until the fall of 1900, when he again submitted his case to the voters of Donley county and was chosen by them to fill the office of County and District Clerk of said county. He is now filling a second term in said office, having had no opposition at the recent election, and is justly proud of the distinction he enjoys of having received the full number of votes cast in Donley county at the last elec-

tion, throughout the Panhandle, as evidence by several tokens received from lodges and representatives of lodges which he values very highly and takes pride in exhibiting to his visitors and friends.

district deputy grand master for this Masonic district, being appointed under Grand Master Terrell upon death of W. M. McGowan in 1897. reappointed by each succeeding Grand Master, granted a certificate to teach the work in 1898, being at that time one among 27 certificate holders in the entire state of Texas, and the only one northwest of Dallas. Is now one among the very few First grade certificate holders in this state which said certificates are issued to those only who are perfect in their examination and are good for a term of three years.



RESIDENCE OF T. S. MCCLELLAND.

In religious matters Mr. Morgan is an ardent member of the old school Presbyterian church.

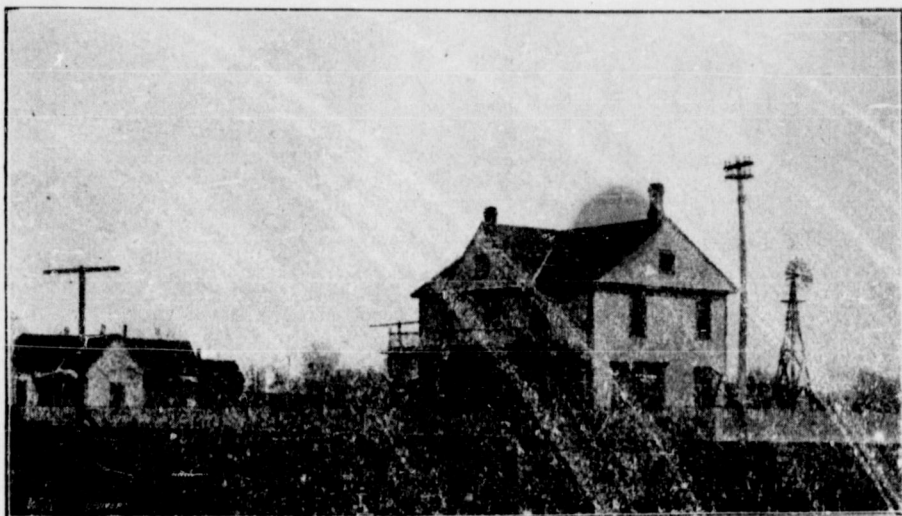
In fraternal matters Mr. Morgan is an enthusiastic Mason being the first member made in the Clarendon Lodge after its institution July 19 1900. He has held the positions of secretary junior warden and master of Clarendon lodge and

Mrs. E. J. Webb of Waco is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hooks.

A Sketch.

I wandered through a glen and came to a bank of mosses. I sank down to rest, unmindful of my surroundings, yet happy in the arms of Nature. I leaned over to view the spring under the bank and saw a stranger there, bending over it.

philosophers and all heart afflicted travelers. Promise, my friend," she said, "that you will constantly wear that expression of happiness. Don't let sorrow cross your brow. Promise? In the years to come I shall meet you here again and shall tell you who I am. Will you prom-



RESIDENCE OF J. M. MANN.

Just then I screamed, and the stranger bounded to me with face all eagerness and full of pain. "It is nothing," I cried, "A mere scratch from a briar. I was frightened more than hurt." "Ah! friend," she said, "I was weary and heart-sick, but seeing your happy face reflected in the spring, I stooped to

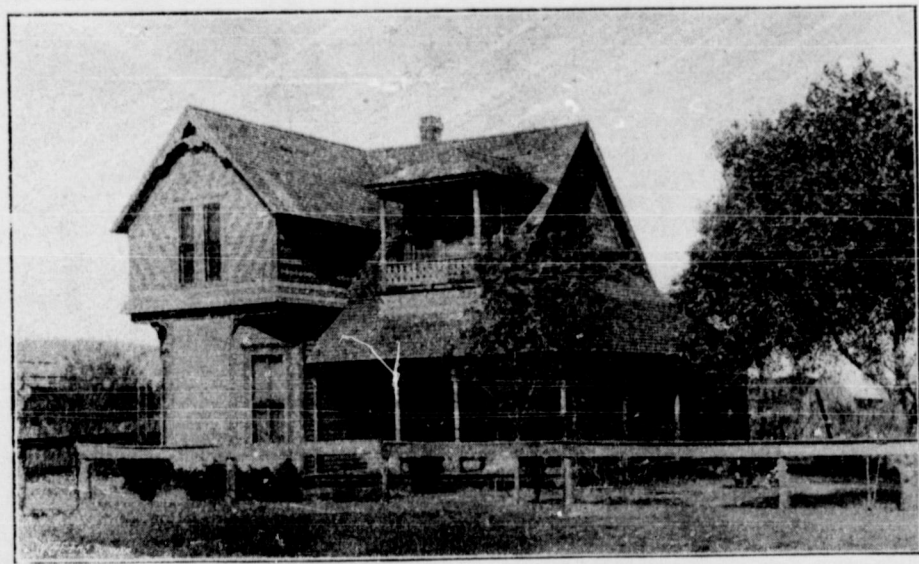
ise? Oh! do promise!" I laughed merrily, not understanding her earnestness. "I promise" I said, and with a glad look she turned away. The little spring caught the sun's rays and gave them back, caught the beautiful blue sky and the little floating clouds, and all were reflected. As I was thinking this, I



RESIDENCE OF JUDGE W. M. SMITH.

drink and was lost in thought; but the expression of pain erased the one of happiness. So it is ever in life. "Ah! why is it that happy faces are so rare? Could that little spring always reflect a face radiant with happiness as yours, 'twould be the Mecca for cynics,

caught an echo from the traveller which seemed to say, "Let it be heart within and God o'erhead." "I've caught the secret, dear stranger," I cried, "If God is o'erhead and my heart turns always toward him, 'twill reflect His glory and only peace and happiness can be re-



RESIDENCE OF D. I. MCCLELLAN.



RESIDENCE OF W. H. PATRICK.

flected from my brow." I was awakened by the birds singing out of their glad little hearts, and I bent over the spring seeking the traveler of my dreams. Floating across the sky was a dark and threatening cloud, but the spring reflected also its beautiful, golden lining, and I

painfully. All others with her escaped injury. Mrs. Doss was carried to the home of A. W. Bailey and Dr. White summoned and her husband sent for.

Mr. Doss yesterday reported her as doing very well and that she would be carried home about to lay.



RESIDENCE OF W. A. CALDWELL.

said, half aloud, "Dear one, I think I know you now."

A Serious Accident.

Mrs. E. W. Doss, who lives four miles east, was in town trading last Monday and in starting home on crossing the railroad the team

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Ware & Smith is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All business on hand at this date will have the attention of each of the undersigned. January 1, 1903.

W. B. WARE,
W. M. SMITH.



RESIDENCE OF SAM SAYRE.

scared at at a train and started to run and the breast yoke came loose and the tongue struck the ground and the hack turned over, throwing her to the ground, breaking her arm, and the seat of the hack struck her on the back, injuring her quite

J. M. Clower wife and daughters Edith and Lillie left Thursday on a pleasure and business trip to Dallas and Comanche Texas.

J. T. Coulter has sold his residence to V. Tallon.



Elder C. E. Chambers, Pastor
Christian Church.

Our Special Edition.

We present you this week our special Illustrated Edition. While we are a day or two late we are sure you will overlook the delay when you consider the amount of labor necessary to produce such a paper, and feel sure you will be pleased with the paper as printed.

We have about 1,000 extra copies, however, some 500 of these have already been spoken for. The price is ten cents per copy. If you want any, register your orders before they are all gone.

R. M.

Prather.

DENTIST,

Teeth without plates a specialty. I wish to extend to one and all a very prosperous New Year, and trust I may share your patronage the coming year.

**Crown and Bridge Work
A Specialty.**

Office between Dr. S. J. White and
A. M. Beville's offices.

CLARENDON, TEXAS.



CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

WE ARE RICH

In experience and experience is often,
harder to get than gold. Our

Years of Experience

In the compounding of drugs, followed by
years of study, has well fitted us for your
service. Bring all your prescriptions here.
Complete line of everything in

**Drugs, Paints, Oils,
Books, Stationery,
Notions, Jewelry,
Musical Goods, etc.**

Live and Let Live is my motto. For
the generous patronage accorded me during
the past 15 years, I return my kindest
thanks to one and all, and I solicit a con-
tinuance of your favors, promising

**Fair Dealing and Courteous
Treatment as in the past.**

H. D. RAMSEY,
The Pioneer Druggist.

Clarendon, Donley County, Texas.

The best town and county in the Panhandle. Donley county was organized in the year 1882. Clarendon, the county seat, is a nice growing, substantial town of about 2200 inhabitants, and is well situated at the foot of the Plains at altitude of 2735 feet, on the Fort Worth & Denver railroad 277 miles from Fort Worth and is well watered with pure freestone water.

Schools

The Catholics have an academy here. We have a fine public school brick building, costing \$12,000, with eight rooms; with Prof. W. R. Silvey as superintendent.

We also have Clarendon College and University Training School located here, and is a chartered literary institution under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The College is a good brick building with rooms to accommodate 400 students. Also good boarding halls for boys and girls. This school is just four years old and has reached an enrollment of 225, with Rev. J. Sam Barcus, president. There are other good schools in the county, and the county is fast settling up with a good, moral, thrifty and industrious class of people.

Lands are valued in the county at from \$2.50 to \$6.00 per acre, and improvements cost extra, according to amount.

Churches.

We have six church buildings, owned by Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Episcopalian, Presbyterian and Methodist.

Society.

Society—we'll you just come and see. Of course we have good society everywhere, but no better than we have here.

The Season.

The seasons are good compared with most any part of Texas. For the last fourteen years there has no been a failure of crops.

Products.

Indian corn, kaffir corn, milo, maize, millet, sorghum, oats, wheat, cotton, all grown in the greatest abundance.

Clarendon Has

The County Court House, a beautiful structure of brick trimmed with stone.

Two Banks,
One Cotton Gin,
One Electric Light Plant,
One Telephone Exchange,
Three Newspapers,
Three Hotels,
Two Livery Stables,
Two retail buggy and harness stores,
Two saddle and harness stores,
Four Retail Grocery Houses,
Two Furniture Houses,
Three Grain Houses,
Three Coal Houses,
Four Blacksmith Shops,
Two Drug Stores,
Two Lumber Yards,
Six Dry Goods Houses,
Two Milliners,
One Photographer,
Four Restaurants,
Two Dentists,
Seven Attorneys,
Two Life Insurance Agents,
One Fire Insurance Agent,
Four Real Estate Firms,
One Jeweler,
Seven Music Teachers,
Twelve Preachers,
Unequaled opportunity for investments,
So make your investment now and don't wait until increased demand for property has caused prices to go up.

Stock.

Cattle, Horses, Hogs and Poultry do no better anywhere than here.

Health-

Clarendon is without and remote from swamps or marshes. So the people know nothing about chills and fever. No such thing as malaria in this country, and persons afflicted with consumption, catarrh and asthma are most always greatly benefitted and in a great many cases entirely recover. So persons seeking health and young men and young women wishing to attend school in a healthy community can do no better than come to Clarendon—three years can regain your health and receive an education.

Here is the very cream of the land in all this vast domain.

Prospectors and visitors to Clarendon say, that Clarendon is the most beautiful town in the west and that Donley county lands are as good or better than any land in the west, but come and see for yourself and make Clarendon your destination. Here is an opportunity for investment in a solid, substantial, healthful and beautiful town, and good country lands, an opportunity which may be the tide leading to a future. We want you to investigate Clarendon and Conley county.

WE HAVE PROHIBITION.

The Soil

Is a dark loam and some dark sand with a clay foundation. These lands are rich and very productive. It maintains in luxuriant growth a heavy coating of a variety of grass. No better cattle country can be found in Texas.

Fruit And Vegetables.

Fruit and vegetables of all kind do well here. Fact is there has never been anything planted here that did not grow and do well.

If you want land for farming or grazing purposes; see R. M. Morris, General Land Agent. He has a large amount of land for sale. Mr. Morris has been in western Texas for the last 14 years and can tell you as much about the Panhandle of Texas as any man in Clarendon. So if you want to buy land in the west it will pay you to see him before buying.

R. M. Morris, Land Agent.

Office with A. M. Beville.

CLARENDON, TEXAS.

It's a Sure Thing.

That our motto is high values and low prices. For the next two weeks we are going to make some prices that will please our customers and save them money. These prices are strictly for cash and goods will be charged only at regular rates. Remember that our goods are marked in plain figures.

20 per cent off on all Hats.

” ” ” ” ” ” **Dress Shirts.**

” ” ” ” ” ” **Dress Goods.**

**Heavy fleeced Underwear, \$1.25
and \$1.50 grade, now \$1 per suit.**

20 per cent off on all Clothing.

Get our prices on Shoes, Capes, Jackets, Shirts, Skirts, Ties, Quilts and Blankets. Our Grocery Department is stocked with pure fresh goods bought at right prices. If you have not given us a trial do so now and save money. Yours for business.

T. J. Noland & Co.

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ONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, 1903.

Clarendon

News

Special New Year Edition.

John Swanson

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M. S. & Co.

Stock, Lowest Prices.

For The New Year. It is our motto to always offer our customers the best possible values for their money. The year just past has been most satisfactory to us, but we desire to make 1903 the largest year's business in the history of our house. As an extra inducement for cash trade, we have adopted the most liberal premium scheme ever offered to the public in this town or county.

*A Full
Description
Of The
Piano Will
Appear Later.*

ABOUT January 15th, we will put in circulation Fifty thousand coupons, each representing a twenty-five cent cash purchase, one to be given with each 25c purchase, four for \$1.00, eight for \$2.00, twenty for \$5.00, etc., in same proportion. These coupons are redeemable in beautiful gold and floral decorated semi-porcelain china; every piece matching. The housekeeper can soon accumulate a handsome tea or dinner set. When we redeem these coupons in Chinaware they are cancelled and returned to the customer to preserve.

When these fifty thousand coupons are all given out or in other words, when our spot cash and promptly paid thirty day sales reach twelve thousand dollars, which will be about April 15, or sooner, we will give away a handsome UPRIGHT RANDOLPH PIANO in beautiful hard wood case to the holder of the lucky number. The number comes to us in a sealed envelope and will be deposited sealed in the First National Bank to be opened when the contest closes. All coupons get Chinaware, and ONE COUPON GETS THE PIANO.

In addition to selling you everything you eat and wear as cheap as any one else, we will give you absolutely free these valuable presents. Just think of a five hundred dollar piano as the result of a twenty-five cent purchase. We will still give out the Premium Stamps to those who desire them, you can make your choice. We wish to thank our many friends and the public for their very liberal patronage for 1902 and to assure them that we will endeavor to make 1903 more pleasant and profitable to them than any year in the history of our firm.

Martin, Smith & Co.

No Coupons Will Be Given in Partial Payment
Of Thirty Day Bills. Only on Bills Paid in Full.

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Donley County Texas.

Its Organization, Settlement and Unrivalled Resources.

In the extreme Northwestern part of Texas, is a large area, which from the days of the Republic has been known as the "Panhandle." In fact all north-western Texas has been so called. The true Panhandle, however, consists of 25 counties, aggregating about 24,000 square miles. It extends from the 100th meridian on the east to New Mexico on the west and from Oklahoma (Beaver county) on the north to about the 34th parallel, North Latitude, on the south.

By an act of the 13th Legislature

that constitutes the southern boundary of the state of Tennessee.

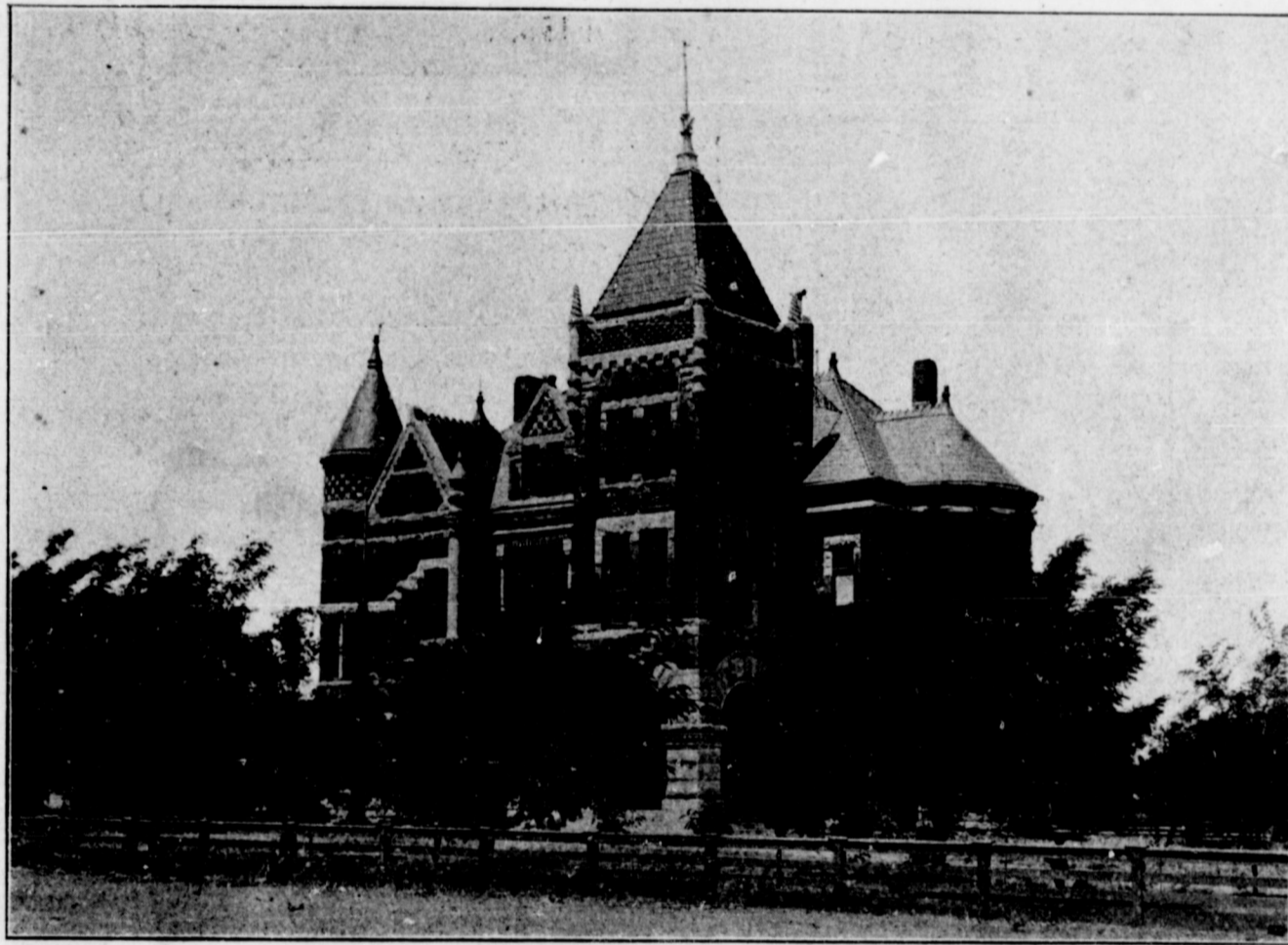
Its altitude will average about 2600 feet above the sea level. The Salt Fork of the Red River runs through its center from west to east. Into this, numerous living streams flow from the north, with but one of consequence from the south. The Cap rock of the plains, Llano Estacado, meanders along its western and northern boundary, except in its north-west corner where the plains overlap to the extent of several thousand acres. Its area is

state of Colorado to Paloduro canyon, whose range took within its extensive boundaries a large part of Donley county. He and other stockmen following were the pioneer settlers. They not only employed large numbers of men, but others who had drifted into the country, whatever their occupation, depended largely on them for work. Under the conditions then existing, a livelihood could not have been made, neither could the settlers have successfully withstood the dangers lurking about them. The stockmen and their cowboys, with their readiness to fight overawed hostile Indians.

The summary manner in which marauders were dealt with convinced this class that their personal

laid from native rock. All town property was sold with the proviso, that no intoxicating liquors of any kind should ever be sold on the premises. So this colony started with the lofty ideal that the school, the church and temperance were first requisites in making their enterprise successful. But coming from the old states where farming conditions were so different, and lacking adaptability most of the colonists became discouraged and abandoned the country.

In the spring of 1882 the county was organized. Its newly elected officers were sworn in on the 11th day of April of that year by Judge Emanuel Dubbs, now a resident of Donley county, then county judge of Wheeler county to which Don-



PRESENT DONLEY COUNTY COURT HOUSE—BUILT IN 1890.

a scope of country 60 miles square, was established as Wedgeforth county, so named in honor of C. Wedgeforth, president of the Texas Emigrant, Aid and Supply Company. In this was included the present counties of Collingsworth, Wheeler, Gray and Donley.

Subsequently by an act of the 15th Legislature, the whole of the Panhandle was sub-divided into counties, and the law creating Wedgeforth county repealed. Donley county was established by this act, and named in remembrance of Hon. Stockton P. Donley, a distinguished judge of the Supreme Court.

The eastern boundary of the county is 30 miles west of the 100th meridian. The 35th parallel of latitude, North, runs nearly through its center, being the same parallel

900 square miles.

There are brakes and sand along the rivers and creeks, but otherwise it is generally rolling prairie with a dark chockolate soil of great depth and apparently of inexhaustible fertility.

At the term the Act, establishing and naming the county, went into effect, this portion of Texas was practically an unexplored region, inhabited by hostile and aggressive Indians, who subsisted on the countless buffaloes that grazed on its nutritious grasses, as well as by raids on the nearest settlements. It was a region seldom penetrated by white men other than adventurous buffalo hunters or missionaries.

The first permanent location by white men was by Charles Goodnight and his employees who in 1876 moved a herd of cattle from the

safety depended on their absence. Hence without officers to enforce the laws, good order was maintained and the very few widely scattered settlers pursued their occupations in safety. In the year 1878 L. H. Carhart made an expensive effort to settle a colony of farmers in Donley county. Under his advice and recommendation a small number of people, mostly from the North, were induced to try the experiment. A town was located on Carroll Creek near its junction with Salt Fork named Clarendon but better known as "Christian Colony," also sarcastically called the "Saint's Roost." The first building erected from lumber (this was hauled from Dodge City, Kansas, a distance of 250 miles) was a school house which was used for both school and church. The foundations of a church were

ley county was attached for judicial purposes. It may be an interesting reminiscence to "old-timers" to recall that its first county officers were: G. A. Brown, county judge; B. H. White, county clerk; J. D. Wilson, sheriff; W. D. Kimball, treasurer; J. T. Otey, assessor, and J. H. Parks, surveyor. County commissioners, T. W. Morrison, Charles Goodnight, L. R. Dyer and S. B. Nall.

At this time the county was but a cattle range. Indeed it was vigorously claimed that no other industry could thrive. That to plow up and destroy good grass with nothing to profitably take its place, was defying Providence. The feeble efforts of those who had tried farming, intensified the idea.

Prosperous as a cow ranch, little or no progress was made towards

settlement until the advent of the Railroad in 1887. With it came emigrants seeking homes. The more desirable school lands were taken up. Many of these settlers, however, like the influx of 1878, tried to make a living by farming, and in the manner they had been accustomed to in their old homes, not fully realizing the difference in conditions. Crop failures frightened and discouraged them. Then



First Donley County Court House, Built in Old Clarendon in 1882.

the financial crisis of 1893 swept over the country. Unable to pay interest, lands were forfeited and a general feeling of unrest and insecurity prevailed. The Legislature, however, rose to the occasion, reduced the price of school land to \$1 per acre, at 3 per cent interest, and giving a preference right to the original purchaser to re-purchase. Stimulated by these liberal terms, settlers renewed their courage and repurchased. Those who weathered the stress of financial storms, and the many other discouragements and clung to their homes, gained a decided victory. Without exception they have ac-



B. H. WHITE, COUNTY JUDGE.

cumulated property about them, made substantial improvements, including comfortable dwellings and are contented and prosperous.

The range stock industry had been successful from its commencement. The experience of a quarter of a century has settled the question beyond dispute. However this branch of the cattle business needs but few men, many cattle and large territory. To this extent it was and is antagonistic to settlement. It was an extravagant use of land, confining its benefits to the few, while the many are homeless. At the beginning of settlement it was perhaps necessary. The sys-



GEO. F. MORGAN, COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK.

tem has been largely, and what is left is gradually being displaced by stock farming.

An owner of from one to four sections, with a stock of cattle sufficient for the area he controls, carrying his stock through the winter with the crops grown during the summer, is assured by ordinary care and industry of a good living and soon independence. This statement is verified by the experience of many Donley county stock farmers. Kaffir corn, milo maize and



L. C. BEVERLY, SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR.

sorghum are the chief reliance of the stock farmer for winter feed, crops that are reasonably certain in the driest years, and marvelously productive in favorable ones.

Stock farming has been the second step in the evolution of the county from the Indian and buffalo.

We are now upon the threshold of the third and most important, considering the numbers it will benefit.

The question is repeatedly asked "Can farming alone be made a success?" Can a man with 160 acres make a living for his family, educate his children and secure a comfortable home for his old age. In Greer county, Oklahoma, this has been, and is being done. Why not in Donley county? Equally good, so far as soil, sunshine and rainfall contribute to success. In fact, the same kind of country in every lead-particular, only distant from each other in their nearest points of contact, thirty miles.

The farmer who is able and willing to work, who can modify his



H. D. RAMSEY, TREASURER.

preconceived notions to the extent required by difference in soil and climate, can readily and intelligently adapt himself to changed conditions, and will exercise for a few years proper economy, will make for himself a comfortable home. He assumes only the burden that has been imposed on all settlers in a new country, and with good hab-



F. A. DUBBS, TAX ASSESSOR.

its and perseverance, has the same certainty of success.

B. H. WHITE.

1903 Greeting.

We greet you this week, the first in the year 1903, with an illustrated write-up edition of Clarendon and Donley county and while the edition is not what we really expected to make it in every respect,—we seldom accomplish our ideal in this life—yet we feel sure our readers will be gratified with the pleasing presentation of the News for this the first issue in 1903.

The News has always stood for the moral and material development of this county and have never lost courage or faltered or even paused because of the obstructions of those who opposed our policy. We have not hesitated to criticize and commend when in our judgment it was deserved, and have tried to study out and advocate the things which to our judgment was best materially for our town and county and nearly always find ourselves in advance of public opinion, but we believe it is the duty of newspapers to study, in advance, questions and give opinions, rather than follow along behind without personal opinions and try to ride the wave of popular opinion, when expressed, whether right or wrong.

As such a newspaper, editorially, and with all the news locally, we greet you and would be glad to visit your home every week during 1903. May peace and prosperity be your portion for 1903.

Prof. Wade Willis wife and little daughter of Miami spent most of the holiday vacation here with Mr. Willis' parents Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Ross.

Rev. J. L. Hollers of Chillicothe writes us to send him the News to that place and the Dallas News also, both come for \$1.25 per year.

B. F. Adams will read the Clarendon and Dallas News for 1903.

Little Miss Kitty Flewing spent Xmas at Childress with friends.



Second Donley County Court House, Built in the present town of Clarendon in 1887.

CLARENDON.

Past, Present and Future---The Athens Of The Panhandle.

Why is it that mankind forever looking backward to the long vanished yesterdays and talking fondly of "the good old days" that are gone. They were good old days in some respects, but are by no means to be compared with the larger and grander present. Today is the best age that the world has ever seen. It is vaster in its achievements, nobler in its knowledge, higher in its intellectual grasp, richer in its inventions, broader in its philanthropies, grander in its educational and christian facilities, and in all that goes to make up the advancement and happiness of man than all the ages that have gone. The old past is dead, "The good old days" are gone, for they were merely the stepping stones to the more glorious future, and in the light of the lessons which they teach us, we look forward, and not backward, to the more glorious day which the future holds for the world. And these good new days are ours. Let us make the most of

them. The golden doors of opportunity are forever opening to us and we may build, if we will, great temples to progress and tread the noblest highways of an enduring christian civilization, with the Bible, the common (public) school, the college, the church and the printing press as the cornerstones of American civilization, we shall ed-



I. W. CARHART, MAYOR.

ure through all time a great progressive people and whose God is the Lord and whose later days of power and brightness shall forever eclipse "the good old days" that are gone. If possible the writer would give a brighter outlook to the

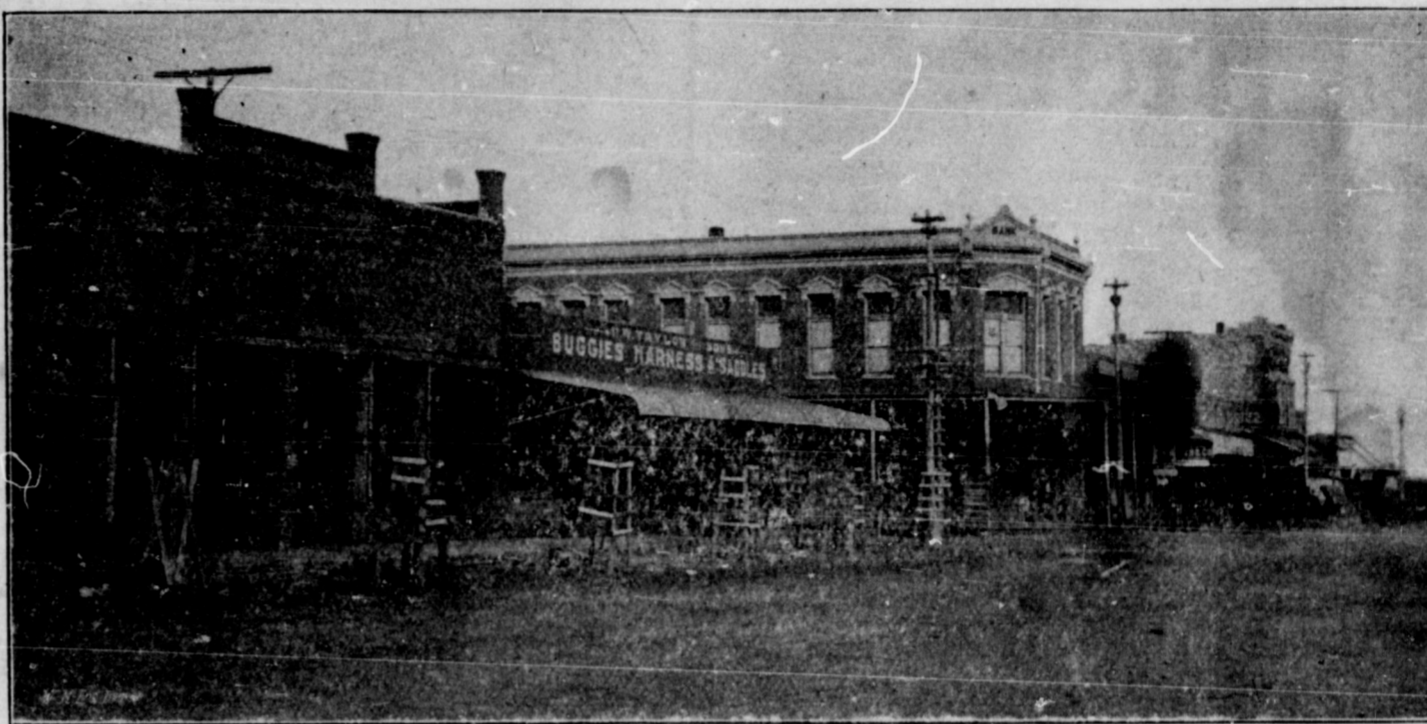
citizens of Clarendon than this quotation inspires. In the good old days thirty days time and much expense and labor was expended by the writer in going from Sherman, Texas, to Clarendon, then at the mouth of Carroll creek on Red River, and returning. The old house back of the Clarendon Hotel was the only building completed. The stone house, now owned by Mr. Hildebrand on the creek bank at the old town, was partly built and a sixteen-foot wall tent, in which divine services were held regularly, completed the "stepping stones," then laid about three hundred miles in all directions to a railroad, church, schools, stores, banks or supplies of building material. Lumber, laid down, cost from \$90 to \$120 per thousand. A four-wire fence cost \$300 per mile. In those good old days, corn cost \$3.50 per

hundred pounds, and all supplies in proportion. In this "our day," we eat breakfast, go to Fort Worth, do business and return to breakfast the next morning in Clarendon.

Our costly school and college buildings, comfortable dwellings, churches, banks, and business houses have been erected and paid for within the space of fifteen years with over 600 school pupils, who as they mature to manhood and womanhood to develop every needed betterment. Can anyone for an hour ever doubt but that Clarendon has a bright and sure future for all her people.

Public School Building Fenced.

Fourteen years ago the present town of Clarendon built a splendid frame school building which did good service until one year ago when the handsome two story brick took its place. During all these years the building stood out on a block without a fence to enclose it. Nearly two years ago the News called attention to the importance of fencing the grounds and planting trees as was done in the court house block, but not until the Public School Improvement Club was or-



Kearney Street Looking North, Showing West Side of Street.

don has a bright and sure future for all her people.

I. W. CARHART

They Sell

Farms, ranches and city property, Priddy, Barrett & Priddy, because they are willing to take you out and show you some of the loveliest farms, ranches and city homes in Northwest Texas. It rains here, too. We have had 14 years of successful blessings. No failure. Better write to them or see them when you want anything of the kind.

PRIDDY, BARRETT & PRIDDY,
Clarendon, Texas.

MARRIED—Christmas day, by Rev. J. N. Kendall, Mr. Bert Stice, of Haskell county, to Miss Effie Redwine, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Redwine, eight miles north. Our best wishes are extended.

ganized this year did the fence problem take shape, but when the ladies got behind the enterprise it moved and now the entire grounds have a handsome fence and the trees—well they will be planted this spring and soon the grounds like those of the court yard will be the prettiest in all North west Texas.



ELI TAYLOR,

The oldest man in Donley county; born December 27, 1819, in Pennsylvania. Grandpa Taylor as he is familiarly called, is the father of of E. A. and H. W. Taylor. Though 83 years old he is physically stronger than many men much younger, being robust, hale and hearty. The News joins with his many friends in wishing for him yet many more years of continuous good health.

Rev. B. W. Dodson, pastor of the Amarillo Methodist church spoke last Tuesday here.

Miss Pearl Lyon, of Trinidad, Colo., spent the holidays here with friends.



Bird's eye view of Atterberry and Clarendon Hotels and the residence of Judge White.

The Bargain Store.

**Posey &
Patman,
Proprietors.**

Great Clearance Sale.

Beginning Monday January 5th, we start our Annual Clean Up of odds and ends. On many things we have cut the price half in two; we haven't time to mention all the articles that we will include in this sale. (1) (2) (3) a few prices on staples.

Boys and Misses 25c wool hose, now	15
Ladies Wool Hose, now	15
Boys 75c Lined Gloves, now	50
Men's \$1.00 Lined Gloves, now	75
Men's \$1.25 Lined Gloves, now	90
Men's 75c Lined Mittens	50
Men's Heavy Jersey overshirts, good value at \$1 now	50
10 cent package Bird Seed, now	5
25 good Envelopes, 10c grade now	5
1000 good Matches, now	5
1500 good Tooth Picks, now	5
2 Papers of Pins, now	5
3 Cards of Hooks and Eyes, now	5

And many other useful articles at unheard of prices. Come look them over and you are sure to carry off an armful of bargains. See our 5 and 10 cent bargain counters; they are trade winners.

Clarendon College.

Perhaps Clarendon's most characteristic institution is her College. Some of her neighboring towns have claimed that their Court House was almost as commodious, that their Public school was nearly as prosperous, that their dwellings were as neat, their churches as active, their business as stirring, their men as handsome and their women and children as beautiful as ours; but with one accord they give us preeminence in the work of higher education.

The College plant consist of the main buildings situated in the western part of the town. One is used for teaching purposes, one for boys dormitories and the other for the young ladie's home. The latter is well furnished and equipped with such modern conveniences as telephone, electric lights, and hot and cold water. While in its beginning there were difference of opinions as to its permanent success and its extensive advantages, every enterprising citizen now looks upon it with pride and rejoices in its prosperity. The school is now in its fifth year, has an enrollment of over 200 students and a faculty of nine teachers. The spring term will begin Jan. 19th, at which time new classes will be formed, a number of new students enrolled and probably a new teach-

er employed. The president, Rev. J. Sam Barcus, who teaches, talks, collects and writes for the school will take pleasure in furnishing additional information, if addressed at Clarendon, Texas.

Rev. D. E. Baker, of Miami, was here Tuesday and went out to his father, W. H. Baker's, place on Whitefish. He thinks Clarendon is an ideal place for the Baptist College and expects to move to the town that secures it's location.

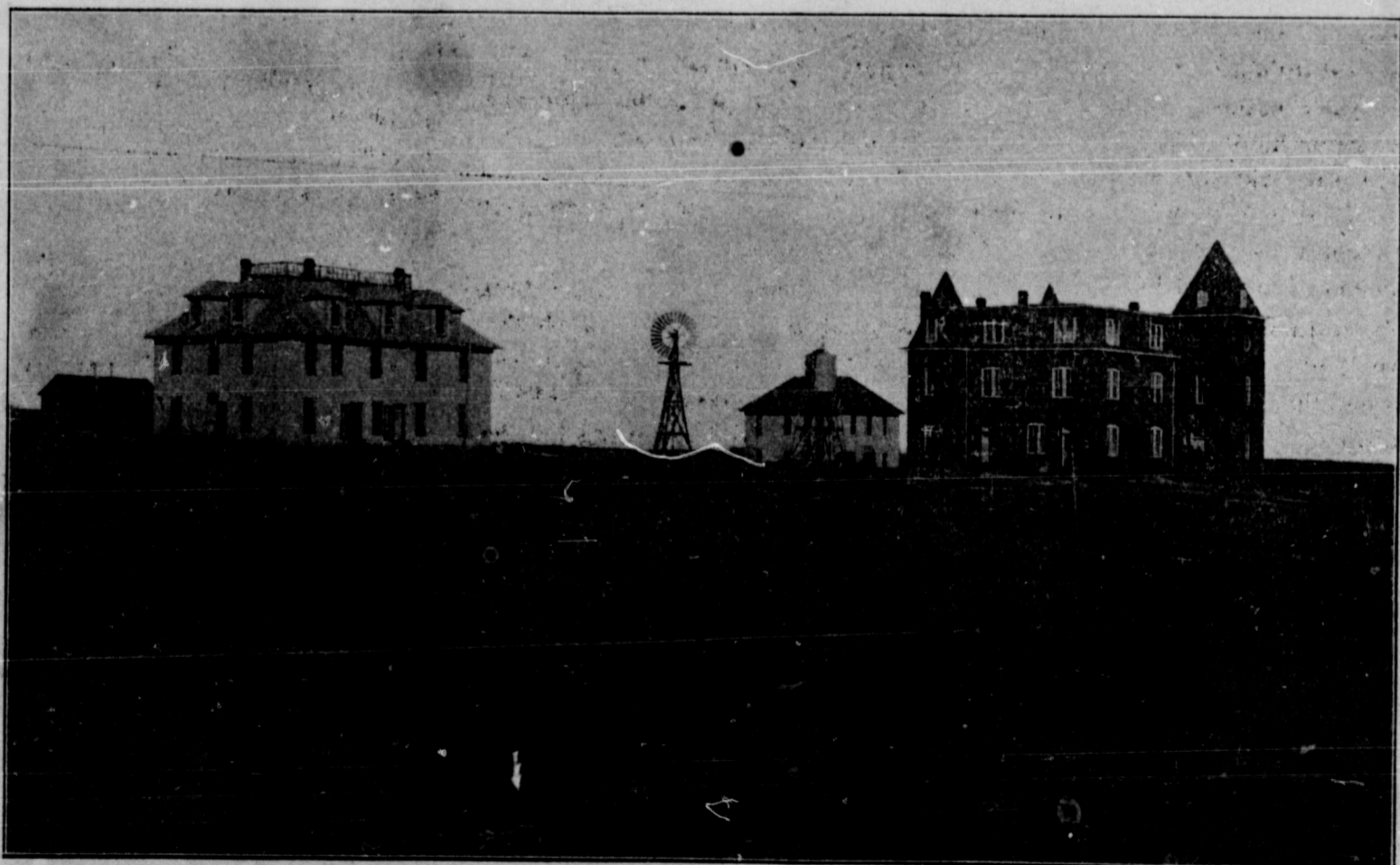
W. G. Ross, of Hereford, was here Teusday and did not forget to see us and gave us a Bryan dollar for the News. Mr. Ross lived here and in Gray county for maey years until some four years ago he moved to Hereford and we are glad to know has prospered greatly.

A. M. Smith will read all the local and general news for 1903, \$1.25 for the Clarendon and Dallas News fixed it O. K.

LOST—A purse containing \$3.50 in silver and some other small change, some trade checks, and a childs tintype picture. Suitable reward for return to this office.

B. Frank Naylor gave us the cash for the renewal of his News and has our thanks.

Rev. T. F. Robeson of Memphis spent Tuesday here on business.



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Parent and Child.
 In the sacred relation of parent to child there always comes the time when the boy becomes a man, and when she whom the father still regards but as a little girl, faces the great problems of life as an individual. The coming of the years of discretion brings a day when they must surrender their powers of trusteeship, when the individual enters upon his heritage of freedom and responsibility, and parents have still the right of counsel and helpful, loving insight their children should respect. But in meeting a great question, when the son or daughter stands before a problem that means happiness or misery for a life time, it must be for him or her to decide. Coercion, bribery, undue influence, threats of disinheritance and the other familiar weapons are cruel, selfish, arrogant and unjust. A child is a human being, free to make its own life, not a slave. There is a clearly defined line that it is intolerance dead to cross.—William George Jordan.

Foils a Deadly Attack.
 "My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., "but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache. 25c at Stocking's drug store.

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Bright's Disease.
 The largest sum ever paid for a prescription, changed hands in San Francisco, Aug. 30, 1901. The transfer involved in coin and stock \$112,500 and was paid by a party of business men for a specific for Bright's Disease and Diabetes, hitherto incurable diseases. They commenced the serious investigation of the specific Nov. 15, 1900. They interviewed scores of the cured and tried it out on its merits by passing over three dozen cases on the treatment and watching them. They also got physicians to name chronic incurable cases, and administered it with the physicians for judges up to Aug. 25, eighty seven per cent of the test cases were either well or progressing favorably. There being but thirteen per cent of failures, the parties were satisfied and closed the transaction. The proceedings of the investigating committee and the test cases were published and will be mailed free on application. Address John J. Fulton Company, 420 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.

Hope.
 Hope! How sweetly sounds the word. This little monosyllable has furnished a fruitful theme for many a sermon, song and story. In youth we hope that maturer years will bring brighter joys—that for deeds of valor and heroic service done, we shall win the laurel wreath. The mother caresses lovingly her child and dreams in visions many hued—of wealth and fame and power—dreams—and hopes. The father, in quite proper pride, hopes for the day when the son who bears his name shall win the world's applause. The lover dreams of one grand paragon—thinks of a new made home, and hopes. Sweeter, far, he thinks, than all the joys the world affords. But sweeter still is the hope that spans the grave—that links death with immortality and bids us struggle on. Without this hope the clouds would gather and stout hearts grow faint. Blessed hope! Bright are the joys the angels keep in paradise, but none shall be sweeter than thy balm that makes us see in the open grave the door to heaven:—Sulphur Springs Gazette.

A Million Voices
 Could hardly express the thanks of Homer Hall, of West Point, Ia. Listen why: A severe cold had settled on his lungs, causing a most obstinate cough. Several physicians said he had consumption, but could not help him. When all thought he was doomed he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and writes—"it completely cured me and saved my life. I now weigh 228 lbs." It's positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at J. D. Stocking's.

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 "I know I would have long ago been in my grave," writes Mrs. S. H. Newsom of Decatur, Ala., "if it had not been for Electric Bitters. For three years I suffer agony from the worst forms of Indigestion, Waterbrash, Stomach and Bowel Dyspepsia. But this excellent medicine did me a world of good. Since using it I can eat heartily and have gained 35 pounds." For indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles Electric Bitters are a positive, guaranteed cure. Only 50c at J. D. Stocking's drug store.

Emerson Pianos

There are some good points about most pianos—no doubt about that. Pianos are like people—some folks are pleasant company for a short time, others improve upon acquaintance. As a chain is no stronger than its weakest link, neither is a piano to be judged by one or two good qualities. It is the important parts of a piano that settles its value. The EMERSON PIANO has no weak spots. It is an all-round honest instrument. It is like an old friend—it has been tried and not found wanting.

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He Had a Baby.

A touching conversation once took place on a train as the writer was on the way for a visit among friends in the East, as follows:

"No, I won't drink with you today, boys!" said a drummer to his companions as they settled down in a smoking car and passed the bottle. "The fact is, boys, I've quit drinking; I've sworn off."

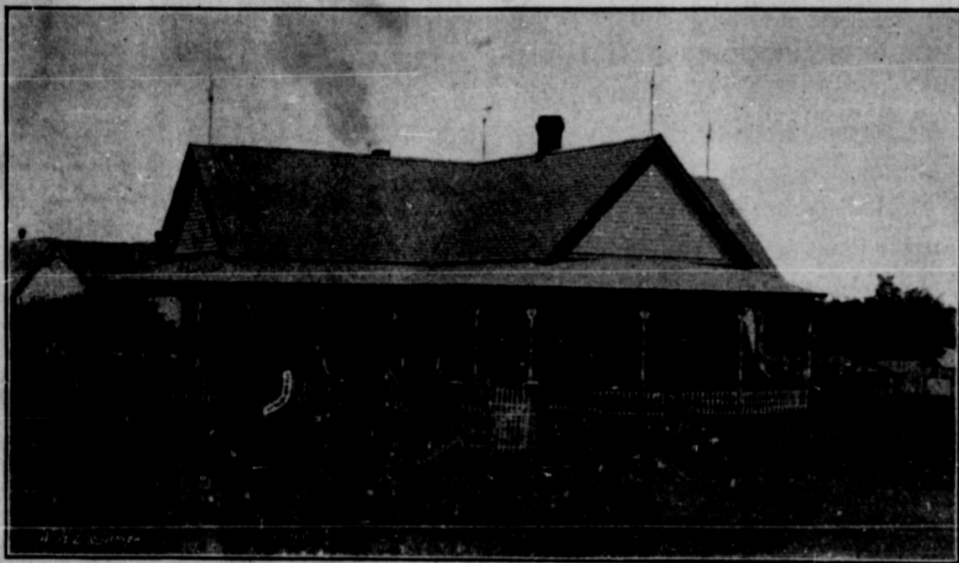
"What's the matter with you, old boy?" sung out one. "If you have quit drinking, something's up. What is it?"

"Well, boys, I will tell you. Yesterday I was in Chicago. Down on Clark street a customer of mine keeps a pawn shop in connection

drink.' 'You had better take the shoes back to your wife; the baby will need them,' said the pawnbroker. 'No, s-she won't, because she's dead. She's lyin' at home now—died last night.' As he said this the poor fellow broke down, bowed his head on the show-case, and cried like a child. Boys," continued the drummer, "you may laugh; if you please; but I—I have a baby at home, and I swear I'll never take another drink."—Ex.

Go Sin No More.

Rev. Sam Small, for many years an eloquent evangelist and an able writer and speaker on public questions, recently yielded to tempta-



RESIDENCE OF GEO. WASHINGTON.

with other business. I called on him, and while I was there a young man, not more than twenty-five, wearing thread-bare clothes and looking as hard as if he hadn't seen a sober day for a month, came in with a little package in his hand. He unwrapped it and handed the article to the pawnbroker, saying, 'give me ten cents.' And, boys, and what do you suppose it was? A pair of baby shoes—little things, with the bottoms only a trifle soiled, as if they had been only worn once or twice. 'Where did you get these?' asked the pawnbroker. 'Got 'em at home,' replied the man, who had an intelligent look and the manner of a gentleman despite his sad condition. 'My wife bought 'em for our baby. Give me ten cents for 'em—I want a

tion and became intoxicated. He is not the only one who has made that mistake, but the fact that he has for years been a tetotaler and had won distinction as a minister of the gospel has made him the target for cruel jests and the victim of malicious criticism. It is a sad commentary on human nature that those who themselves make no effort to set a good example are often prone to exult over the fall of one who is striving to follow a high ideal. For two decades Mr. Small led an exemplary life and rendered valuable service to his fellows and this service remains to his credit; in an unguarded moment he has been overmastered by an appetite once strong, but long surpassed, let us be grateful for the good he has done, charitable toward his

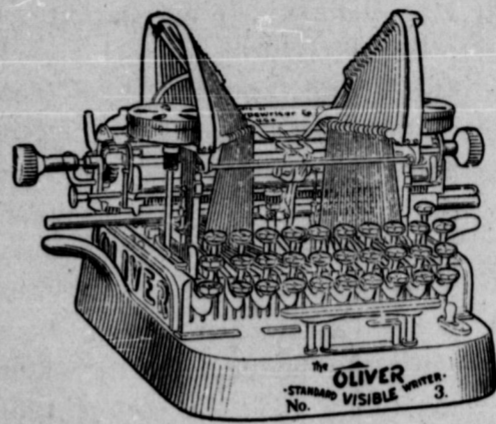


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recent lapse and hopeful that he may yet have a long career of usefulness before him. If none but the innocent were in the habit of casting stones at the accused it would be easier for the guilty to hear and heed the admonition, "Go sin no more," which for nearly two thousand years has been both a correction and inspiration to the erring.—Commoner.

The Panhandle is just coming through an era of evolution to that for which it is permanently favored, the breeding and feeding ground of the world. Each year becomes more seasonable, and the production of Indian corn more and more assured, until it is now a question of a short time until this will be one of our staple crops; and even should this not be so sure, Kaffir corn may be depended upon to mature with greater or lesser yield, according to the season, but never fails entirely, and Kaffir corn ground is already a close second to Indian corn as a feed stuff. Besides producing both the beef and the feed,

the dryness of the winters here is of incomparable advantage in the finishing of beef. Taking it all in all we are adapted to the raising of feed and feeding it.—Texas Maverick, Matador.

Feed Store and Wagon Yard.

In connection with my wagon yard I have put in a full stock of all kinds of feed, and solicit a share of the public patronage.

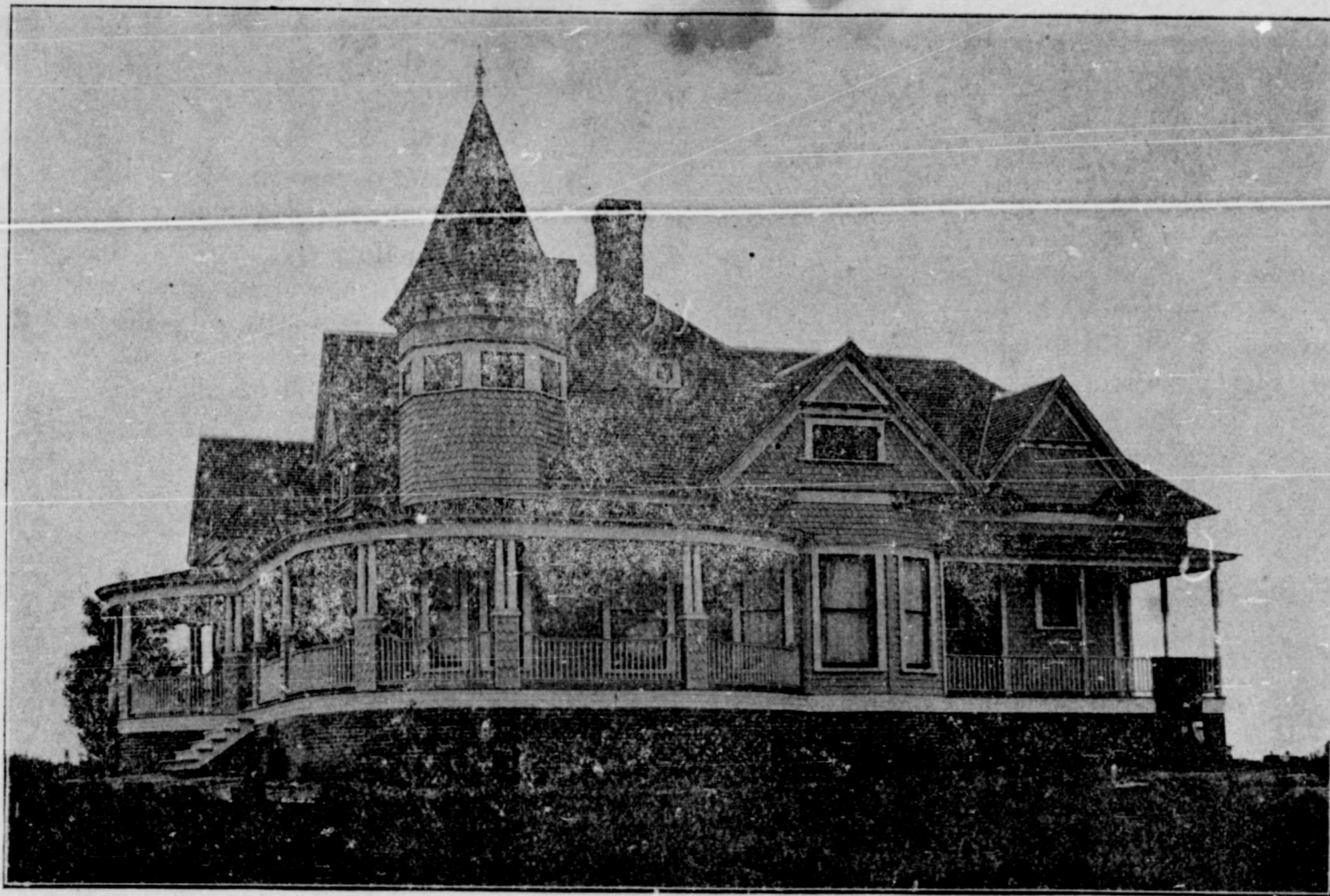
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If your seat is too hard to sit upon, stand up. If a rock rises up before you, roll it away or climb over it. If you want money earn it. If you wish for confidence prove yourself worthy of it. It takes longer to skin an elephant than a mouse, but the skin is worth something. Don't be content with what another has done—surpass it. Deserve success and it will come. The boy was not born a man. The sun doesn't rise like a rocket or go down like a bullet fired from a gun; surely and slowly it makes its rounds and never tires. It is as easy to be a leader as wheel horse. If a job be long the pay will be greater. If the task be hard the more competent you will be to do it.—Ex

The News would like to visit your home every week next year. What say you?



RESIDENCE OF D. J. MURPHY.

Beyond the Hill.

Long, long ago, when life was sweet,
And days with love and hope replete,
I lived where shade and sunshine meet
Beside a rill.
I used to gaze, with wondering eyes,
Away to where the hill-tops rise—
Where bending low, the purple skies
Caresse'd the hill.

The blue rim of the horizon,
The vaulted skies at rest, thereon,
And over all, the yellow sun
Poured mellow light.
My fancy, with a strange unrest,
Went often to the far-off crest
Of hills low-lying toward the west,
With eager night.

What strange new things beyond
might hie!
My world so narrow—that, how wide!
What was there on the other side?
I questioned still,
Till one sad day my restless feet
Went out across the meadows sweet—
Went gaily out, the world to greet
Beyond the hill.

How long I journeyed, where I left
The blue hills which the distance cleft,
Or how, or when, of hope bereft,
I do not know.
The way led through a dreary night,
And o'er my spirits fell a blight;
The path grew rough and chill and
white
With frost and snow.

It seemed the time was years and
years,
The way through leagues and leagues
of tears,
And I, beset with doubts and fears,
And longings vain;
The world I found was wide and cold,
And hard and selfish; fame nor gold
Could comfort me, and I grew old
With grief and pain.

But now, at times, thro' tears arise
Sweet visions of empurpled skies
And wondrous hills and golden dyes
That know no chill;
And to my homesick heart I hear
A low voice calling, "Over there
Is life and love and rest from care—
Beyond the hill."
—The Commoner.

Go Right On Working.

Ah, yes, the task is hard, 'tis true,
But what's the use of sighing?
They're soonest with their duties thru,
Who bravely keep on trying.
There's no advantage to be found
In sorrowing or shirking;
They with success are soonest crowned
Who just go right on working.

Strive patiently and with a will
That shall not be defeated;
Keep singing at your task until
You see it stand completed,
Nor let the clouds of doubt draw near,
Your sky's glad sunshine marking;
Be brave, and fill your heart with cheer,
And just go right on working.
—Nixon Waterman in Success.

A Mother's Gift—The Bible.
II Tim. 3:14-15.

Remember, love, who gave thee this,
When other days shall come;
When she who had thy earliest kiss
Sleeps in her narrow home,
Remember, 'twas a mother gave

The City of Rest.

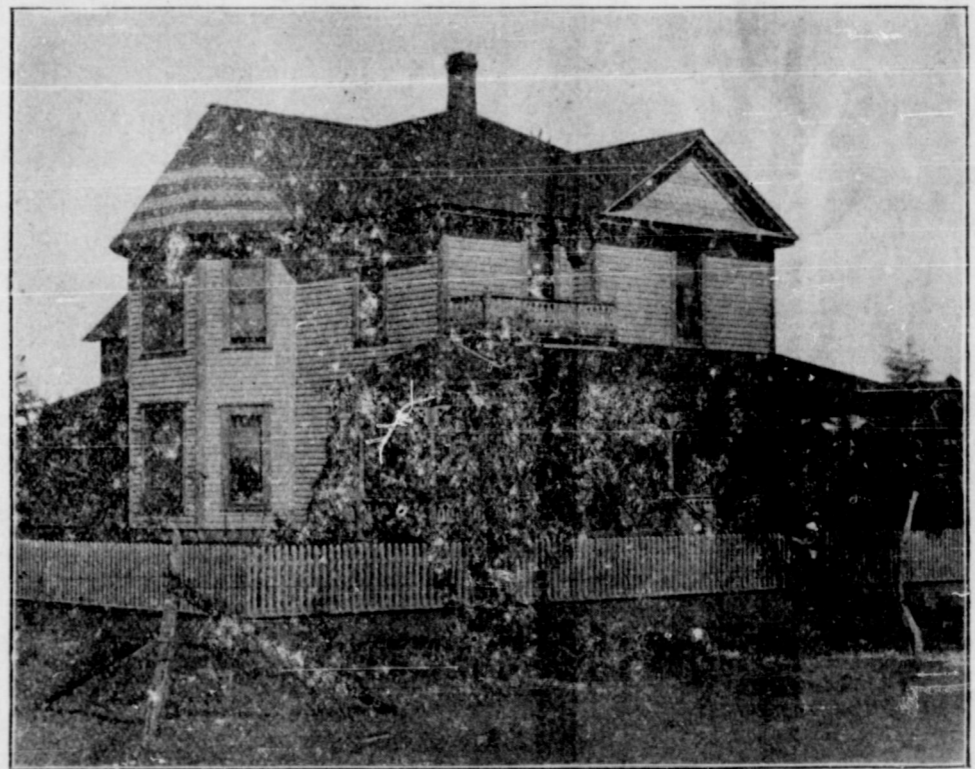
It is hidden afar, but we know it is there,
For the sound of its silence comes
sweeter than sleep.
And the gleam of its light in our moments
of prayer,
Like a star shows the way where the
shadows are deep.
We have seen it afar at the close of the
day,
When the sunset illumines all its towers
with gold;
And we know we shall reach it, nor fall
by the way,
When some dawn of some day like a
rose does unfold.
Oh, the way may be long ere its portals
we view,
And the work may be hard ere an en-
trance is won;
But the end will not come till our trials
are through,
And we shall not go in till our tasks
are all done.
For the city of rest it is builded afar,
So that sorrow or pain may not reach
over there;
But we know where it is, we have seen,
like a star,
The gleam of its light in our moments
of prayer

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RESIDENCE OF T. J. NOLAND.

The gift to one she'd died to save.
The mother sought a pledge of love,
The holiest for her son;
Out from the gifts of God above
She chose this holy one.
She chose for her beloved boy
The source of light and life and joy.

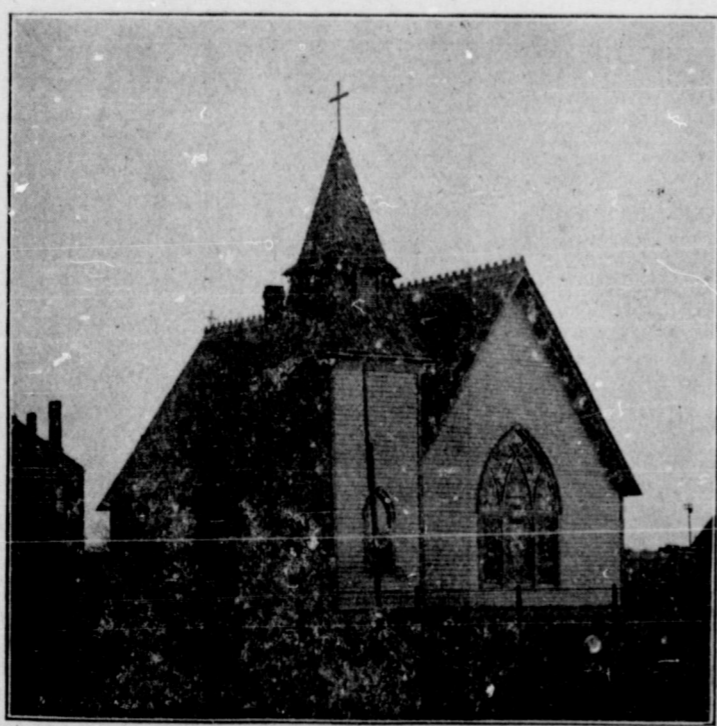
I bid thee keep the gift, that when
The parting hour shall come
We may have hope to meet again
In an eternal home.
Thy precious faith in this shall be
Sweet incense to my memory.

And should the scoffer in his pride
Laugh that fond faith to scorn
And bid thee cast the pledge aside
That thou from youth hast borne,
I bid thee pause and ask thy breast
If he or I have loved the best.

A mother's blessing on her son
Goes with this holy thing;
The heart that would enjoy the one
Must to the other cling.
Remember, 'tis no idle toy—
A mother's gift, my darling boy.

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ly for fine pastry work.—The
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Horse Shoeing \$1.00—E. A.
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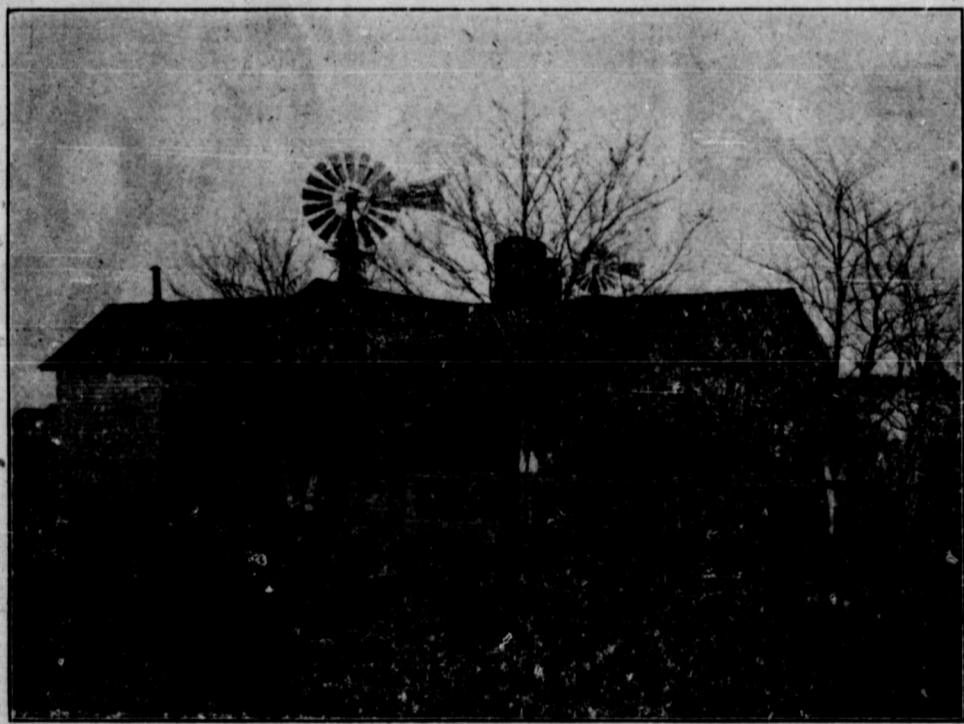
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The School Teacher.

It has been said, "The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that moves the world," and this is true in a great measure, but one whose influence is equally great in moulding character and shaping the destinies of mankind is the school teacher.

The missionary's mind has been trained by him, and is it too much to say that his voice is heard around the world? There never was a

member this. The teacher who strives to depict the ideal, to teach it practically—"God never yet permitted us to found a theory too beautiful for his power to make practicable"—is the one whose work proves the blessing to mankind. He teaches that the only true living is ever learning, ever reaching upward and stretching forward. Enthusiasm, too, must possess teacher, else his teachings do not penetrate. The zeal with



RESIDENCE OF MORRIS ROSENFELD.

teacher whose influence, in part, did not enter into every fibre of the pupil's nature. The thought of his responsibility, and more, his worthiness to occupy the chair, comes uppermost in his mind. This motive should be the school teacher's: "For their sakes I sanctify myself that they also might be sanctified."

The object of education is not understood, at least it is undervalued. There is more to teach than text books. Trustees should re-

member this. The teacher who strives to depict the ideal, to teach it practically—"God never yet permitted us to found a theory too beautiful for his power to make practicable"—is the one whose work proves the blessing to mankind. He teaches that the only true living is ever learning, ever reaching upward and stretching forward. Enthusiasm, too, must possess teacher, else his teachings do not penetrate. The zeal with which he enters into his work is contagious. The children catch the spirit, and its reflection is a stimulous to teacher. The instruments with which the teacher polishes these souls, the labor that is given, all this gives out a reward. The same old cry, "We need men and women!" applies to trustees, teachers and parents. Trustees and teachers to be purged and cleansed from policy and littleness of character; teachers to "Be sure you're right and then go ahead,"

seen in the pedagogical universe, and rise each morning to help awaken these young sleeping minds, bid them be themselves, quicken every slow and sluggish faculty, help them to talk and think and work, rouse their power and summon it to action. He cannot make a world, nor change the creation; but he can "pour strength into the essential process which belongs to the very nature" of the human mind which he illuminates. He can glorify, intensify, fulfill, "and spend in love's delight the beauty and the joy of his renewed night."

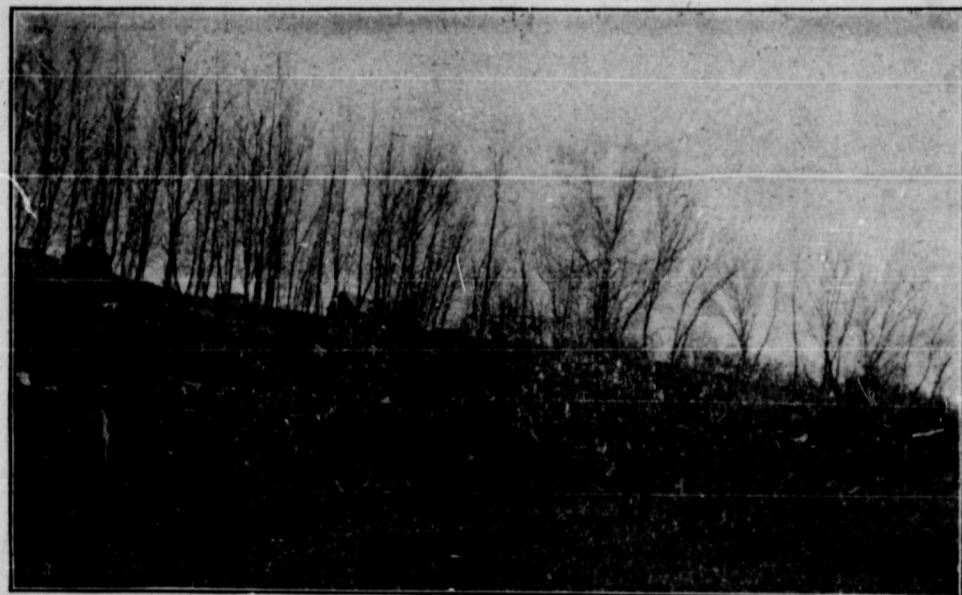
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having the manhood or womanhood to stand by convictions; and parents to idealize teachers in their children's minds, then have the charity to support, in spirit, the teacher and be a co-worker in that which is the most divine work of which we can have any knowledge, the training and perfecting of a soul.

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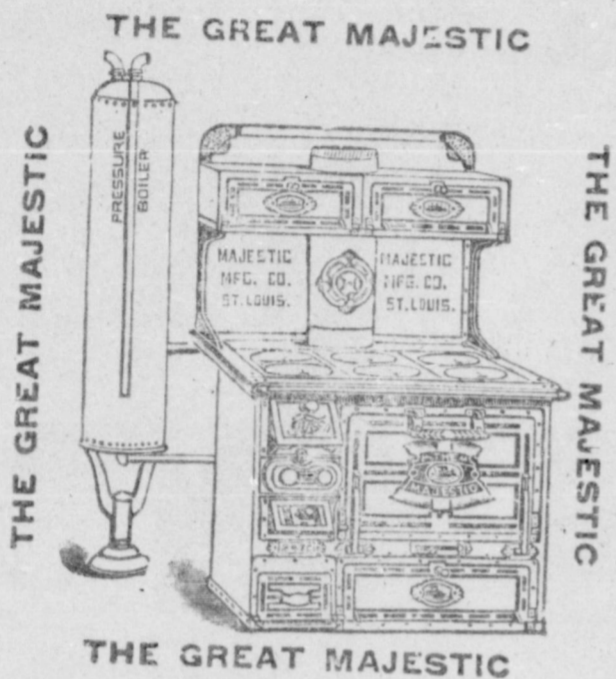
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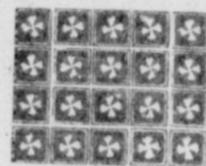
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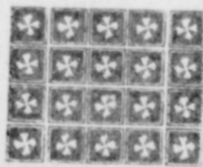
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CLARENDON, TEXAS.

Public School.

That public school which most fully performs the functions for which such schools were established may truthfully be called the best. Taking this statement as correct standard of measurement; the Public School in Clarendon has made



Prof. W. R. SILVEY, Superintendent of Public School.

an enviable reputation. That it has, in a large measure, met in a most satisfactory manner, all the demands that have been made upon it, is evinced by the patronage and the support, both moral and financial, it has received from the citizens of Clarendon.

The enrollment of pupils for this year is already in excess of 400, and will reach 450 before the close of the term. The enrollment in 1894 was 187 pupils, in 1891-02 was 432, an increase of 245 pupils. In 1894 the district levied a tax of 35 cents, at present the rate is 50 cents, for school purposes. These are unmistakable proofs as to the high estimate placed upon education, and the usefulness of the public school, by the residents of Clarendon.

ITS EARLY HISTORY.

Clarendon school district was organized in 1888, and the first school was presided over by two and the enrollment during the term was less than 100 pupils. But from its first establishment, much interest was taken in its progress by the settlers,

in order that their children might have the best educational advantages that they could provide. Strife nor discord among the patrons have never interfered with its progress.

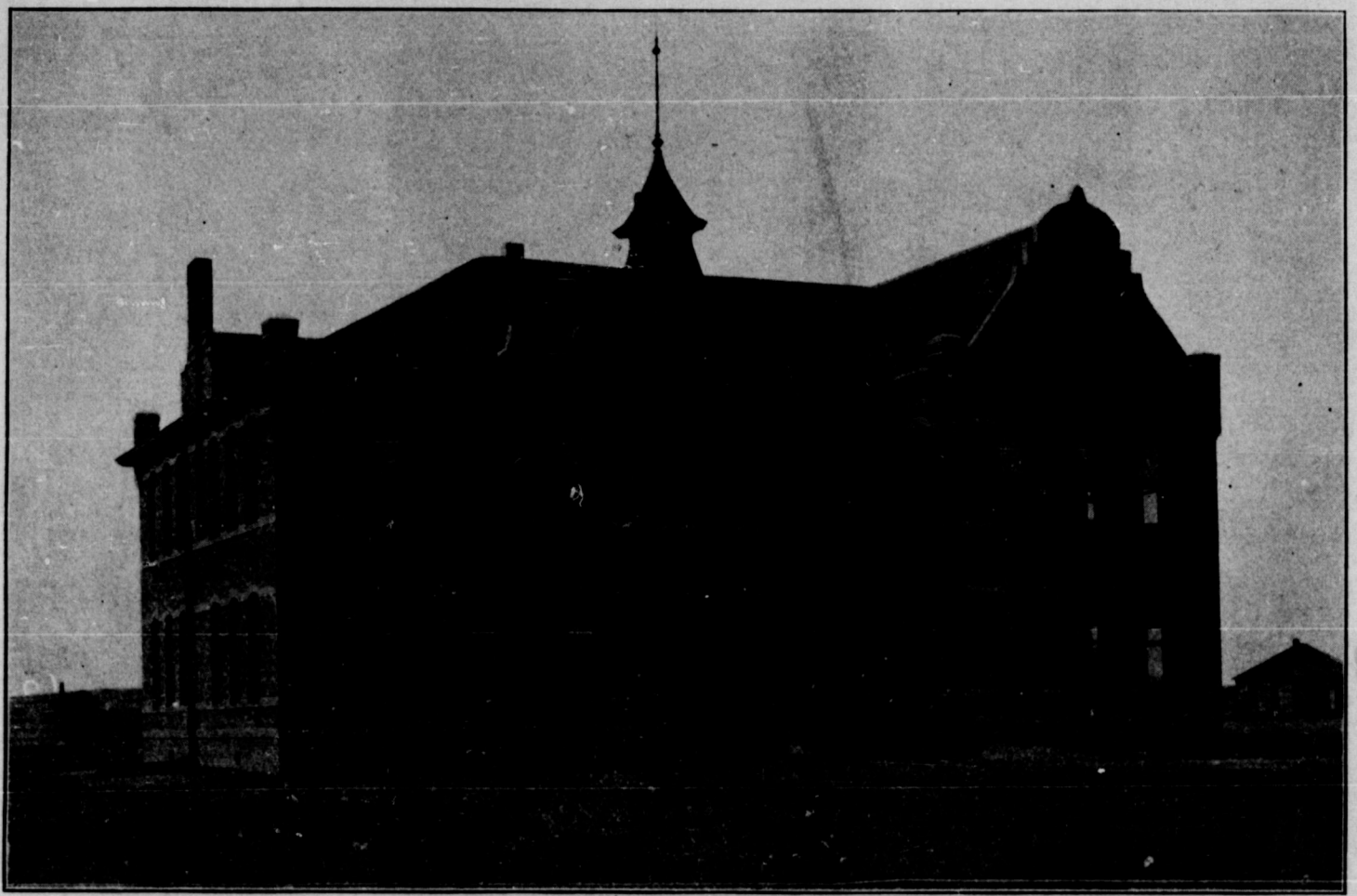
As the growth of Clarendon has demanded it, the public school has been enlarged by both additional room and teachers. Within the last year a splendid brick building has been erected and furnished at a cost of \$12,000. The number of teachers has been increased to

There is not a vacant dwelling in Clarendon, which is largely due to these advantages. There has not been a year for eight years the that enrollment in school has not exceeded the scholastic population from 20 to 75 pupils, thus showing conclusively that many locate here for school advantages.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The course of study provides for ten years work, four for the primary, three for the intermediate

last eight years Prof. W. G. Stewart is principal and has served in that capacity for four years. Miss Lora Kimberlin is first assistant, Miss Clara Helvey, second assistant and Miss Pearl Betts, third assistant, all of whom are teachers of experience and ability. Mrs. Kate Palmer has had charge of the primary department for four years. Miss Norma Skinner has taught the second primary for two years, both of whom are up-to-date teachers in



CLARENDON PUBLIC SCHOOL.

seven, with equipments for eight. The building is modern in its appointments, being prepared for proper ventilation and light.

INFLUENCE OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Education, properly directed, exerts a moral and refining influence upon individuals and communities. That the public school in Clarendon has been an important factor in the great work, needs no emphasis here. Aside from this, the public school has a commercial value as well

and three for the high school. The high school course fits pupils for the duties and responsibilities of of life or for college entrance. Many of the graduates of the public school are now filling places of responsibility throughout the country

THE CORPS OF TEACHERS.

There are seven teachers and one music teacher in the public school. Prof. W. R. Silvey is superintendent, a position he has held for the

their special work. Miss Bessie Chamberlain teaches music in connection with the public school and has a large and interesting class.

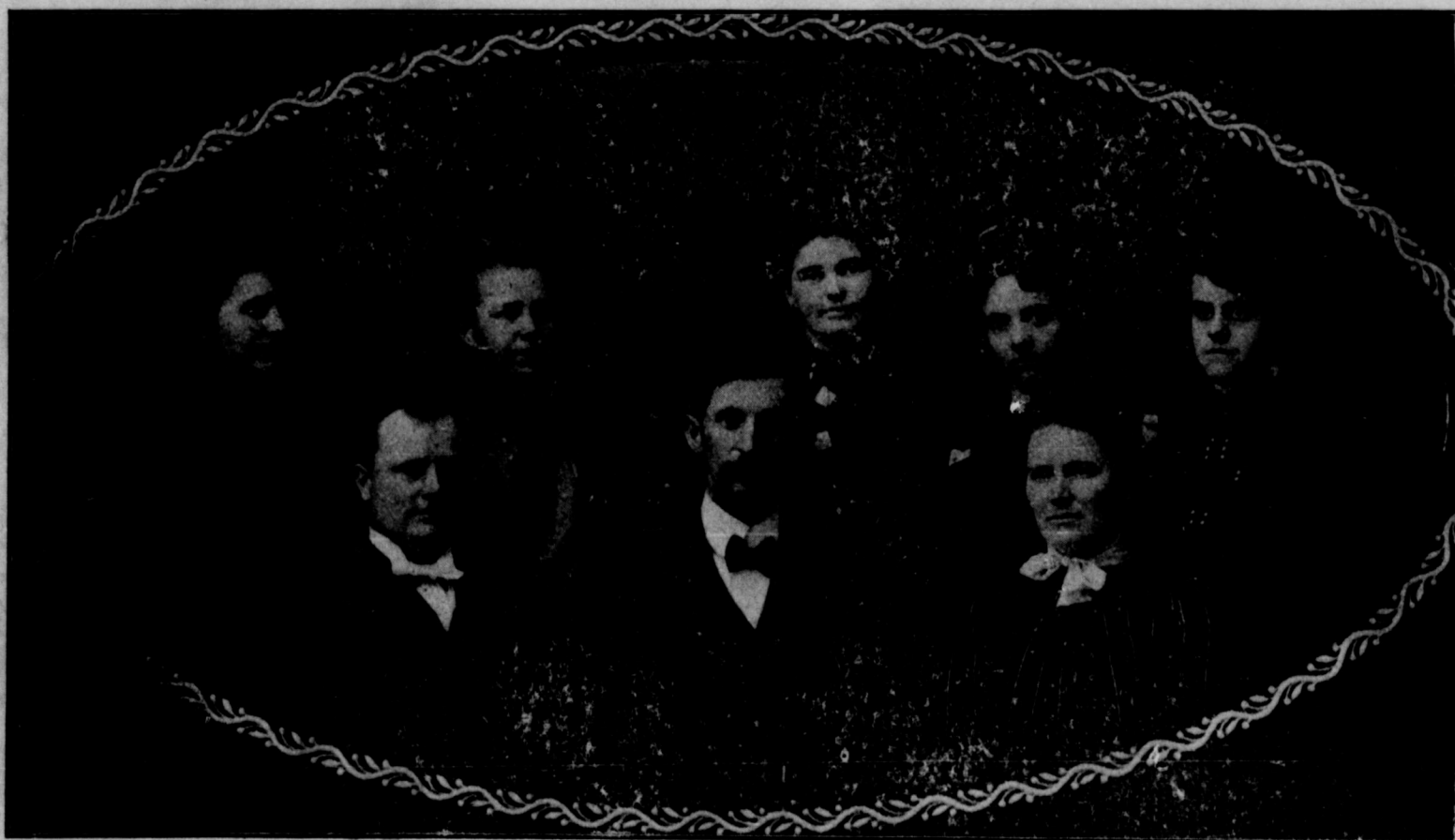
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

No public school in this part of the state has been more fortunate in selecting men for the position of trustees than that of Clarendon. They have ever had the interests of the school at heart and have provided for its support in a liberal manner, thus being able to secure the best teachers obtainable in this part of the state. Funds sufficient to operate the school for nine months are provided, and teachers are paid promptly at the close of each month. The present board consists of W. H. Cooke, president; Hon. W. B. Ware, secretary; R. A. Chamberlain, treasurer; J. H. O'Neill, assessor and collector; T. S. Bugbee, Morris Rosenfield and T. J. Noland, members.

The band gave their first public concert Wednesday evening at the opera house. It was well received by the public who gave a generous patronage. Clarendon is proud of her band.

The Pride of Heroes.

Many soldiers in the last war wrote to say that for Scratches, Bruises Cuts, Wounds, Corns, sore Feet and Stiff Joints, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for Burns, Ulcers, Scalds, Boils, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25c at Stocking's drug store.



PUBLIC SCHOOL FACULTY.

ACTUAL RESULTS.

What Can Be Done Stock Raising in Donley County.

Noting your request for state-



G. G. Willingham, Grand High Priest Clarendon Chapter Royal Arch Masons.

I moved to Donley county in 1888 and located at Giles, took up a school section of land and made my home on it. As soon as I could I started a stock farm on a small scale and this venture proved to be the best paying business I have ever engaged in. In a few years my stock of cattle had increased in numbers until I was compelled to buy an additional section of land making my stock farm run up to an acreage of 1280. But four years after purchasing this second section the herd of cattle increased to such an extent that I had to make arrangements for more land or reduce the size of my herd of cattle. After seriously deliberating on the matter, I decided to sell the entire herd of cattle and invest in nothing

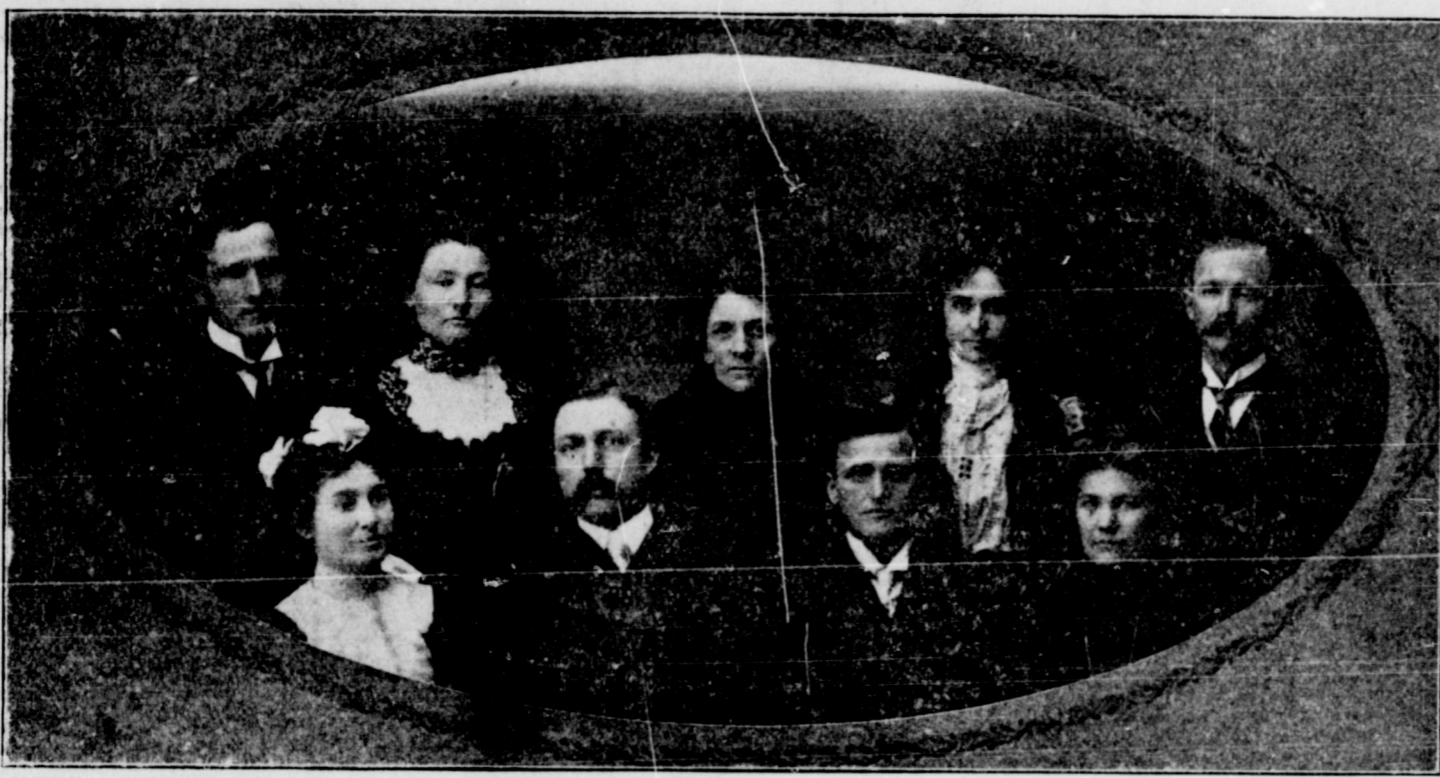
Do You Want A Home?

If so, see Priddy, Barrett & Priddy, they have it, and in Donley county, where it rains. We have not had a failure here in 14 years. They can show you some of the loveliest Farm, Ranch and City property

In Northwest Texas.

Sand is very cheap here now, but will not be so always. Write to, or come and see

Priddy, Barrett & Priddy
REAL ESTATE.



CLARENDON COLLEGE FACULTY.

We hope our readers in other counties and states will not accept the undisputed statement of this as the "finest cattle country in the world" but to remember that what is true of cattle is also true of all other stock. Especially is it equally true for horses and hogs. In fact we are sure some of our farmers are making more money on hogs than on cattle. Hogs thrive extra well here and are free from cholera contagion.

Well Drilling.

I have a new well machine and am prepared to drill wells for the public. I have several years experience and guarantee satisfaction. See me or leave word at Eaker's Stable.

Price Baker.

If you are a farmer in some other section and ever visit the panhandle do not fail to stop off and see Donley county. Farming is not an experiment here—but a success.

ments of actual experience for you special edition, it occurs to me that I may be able to give you a short history of my Donley county experience that may prove interesting to some of your many readers and prospective citizens.

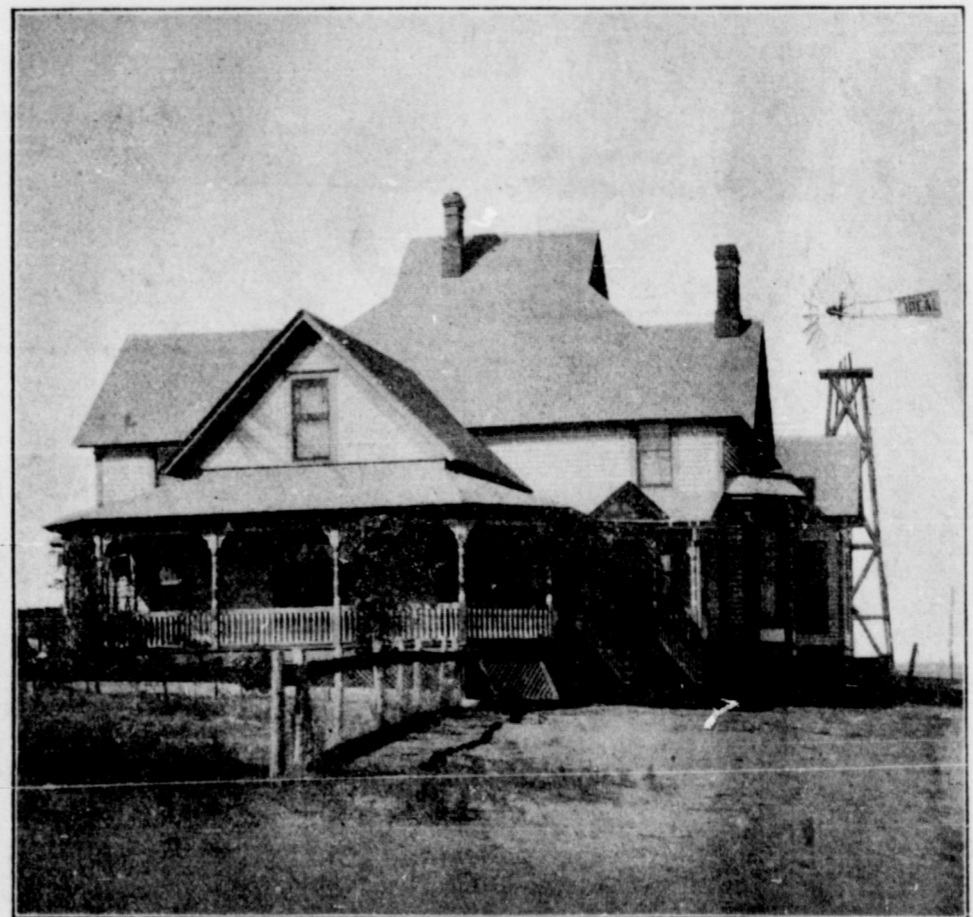
but full-blood Herefords, and I soon made the change. I put the proceeds received from 140 head of common cattle into 25 Hereford calves in 1899 and now my Hereford herd, known as "Giles Herefords," now numbers 52.

During my 14 years residence in

Donley county, there have been 14 years of farming done on my ranch. Have never missed a crop. We raise Indian corn, millet, sorghum and kaffir corn. I have a small orchard that produces as fine fruit as I have ever seen any where, and is not excelled by California fruits.
G. G. WILLINGHAM.



RESIDENCE OF W. H. COOKE.



RESIDENCE OF T. S. BUGBEE.



Hon. Ira Webster, of Channing,
47th District,

not feel an exquisite glow of rapture. It seems that God gives us, in scenes like these, but faint and indistinct glimpses of the unimaginable splendors of that glory world reserved alone for the enjoyment of the immortals. If he gives to earthly eyes such exquisite scenes, scenes that are at once the joy and the despair of the greatest painters, what must be the transcendent wonders that lie beyond the shadowy veil of eternity—far beyond human ken or comprehension are God's glories yet unseen.—Channing Courier.

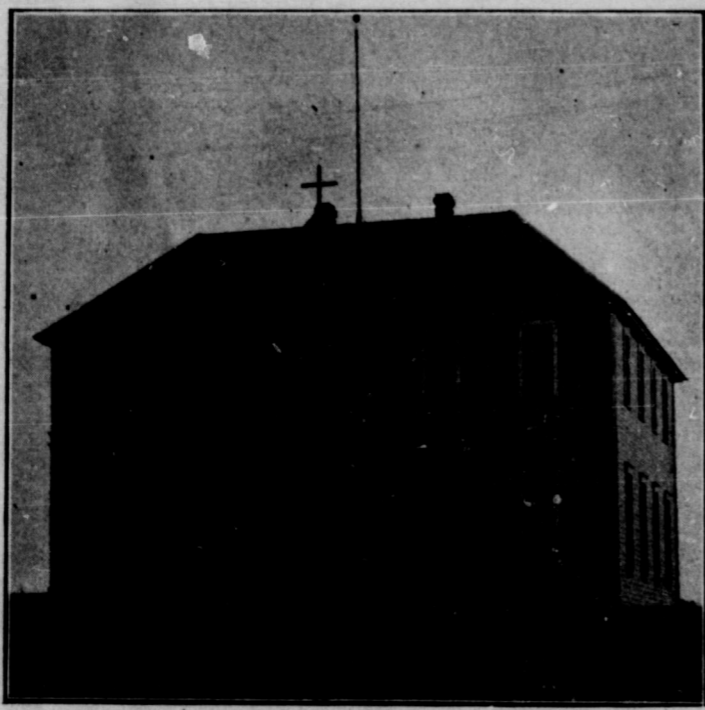
Beauties of the Panhandle.

Probably few sections of country on earth, lest perchance it be the wide stretches of the desolate and tenantless Sahara, present mirages so many and beautiful as are seen here in the Panhandle—the lovely Panhandle which once staggered under the deceptive title of the "Great American Desert." And sunsets! Sunsets so entrancing, so splendid with the glory of color, so ravishing in grandeur and so exquisite in tints of gorgeous crimson and gold, that the soul of the beholder is stirred with emotions of pleasure and admiration too deep for words to express. Cold and unresponsive, indeed must be the heart of that beholder who can look upon such magnificent beauty and

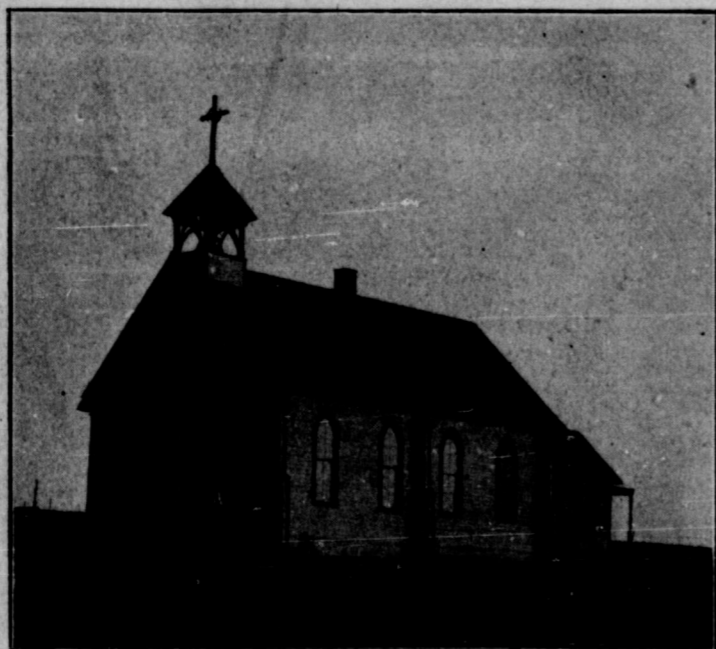
Mrs M. F. Lee is this week enjoying a visit from her oldest sister Mrs Roseman Kay of Tyler Texas whom she had seen for 13 years before,



Hon. H. S. Bishop, of Washburn,
District Attorney 47th Dist.



ST. MARY'S ACADEMY.



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH.

1902 Greeting 1903

For the very generous patronage given me in 1902. I return my thanks to one and all, and ask a continuance for 1903. My twenty years experience in Clarendon enables me to know the wants of the trade. My stock at all time comprise the best of everything in Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Notions. Good goods low prices and fair dealing.

Yours to please,

MORRIS ROSENFELD.
The Pioneer Panhandle Merchant.

H. W. TAYLOR, President. ALFRED ROWE, Vice-President. W. H. PATRICK, Cashier.

First National Bank,
ESTABLISHED 1889.

CLARENDON, : : : : TEXAS.

Offers to Depositors every facility which their Balances, Business and Responsibility warrant.

CAPITAL, - - - - - \$50,000.
SURPLUS, - - - - - 5,000.
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Buy and sell all kinds of Foreign Exchange at ruling rates. Issue Banker's Money Orders, payable anywhere in the U. S., at same cost as postoffice or express orders.

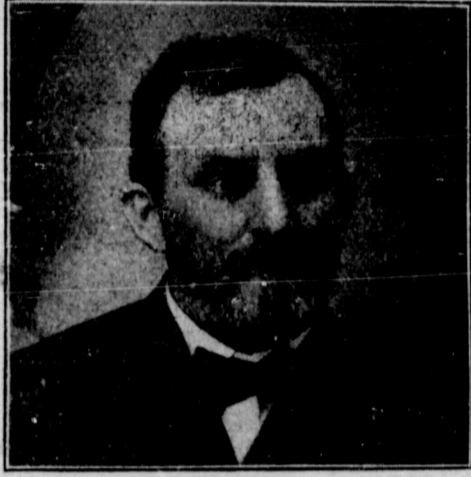
The Second Term of Goodnight College

For the current scholastic year, commences Monday, January 5, 1903, and ends May 17, 1903. Every term of the school has been more prosperous than the one preceding; and the term closing Dec. 19, 1902, has been by far the most prosperous in the history of the school. We have enrolled 112 boarding pupils, and had to turn away many applicants for admission because we had not room for them. This term, as last year, we are able to return to each student a part of his board money; and this notwithstanding the small amount deposited to meet the boarding expenses. Our plan of home production of supplies and co-operation in meeting expenses works like a charm. For circular of information address either

G. J. Nunn, or Marshall McIlhany,
Associate President. President.

A Baptist College For the Panhandle.

As far as our observation extends all are agreed that there is to be a Baptist college built in the Panhandle country. Its wealth in resources, its extensive territory, its remoteness from other Baptist colleges, and its rapid growth in population who brings industry, progress and business of all kinds, make the Panhandle of Texas a most desirable



REV. W. L. SKINNER, PASTOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

territory in which to locate a college? The Methodists saw this several years ago and located a denominational college at Clarendon. The Christian denomination, wide awake to their growth, are building a college at Hereford. The Catholics have located an academy at Clarendon. Now it remains for the Baptists who are equal, if not in advance in members and wealth, to locate and build a college.

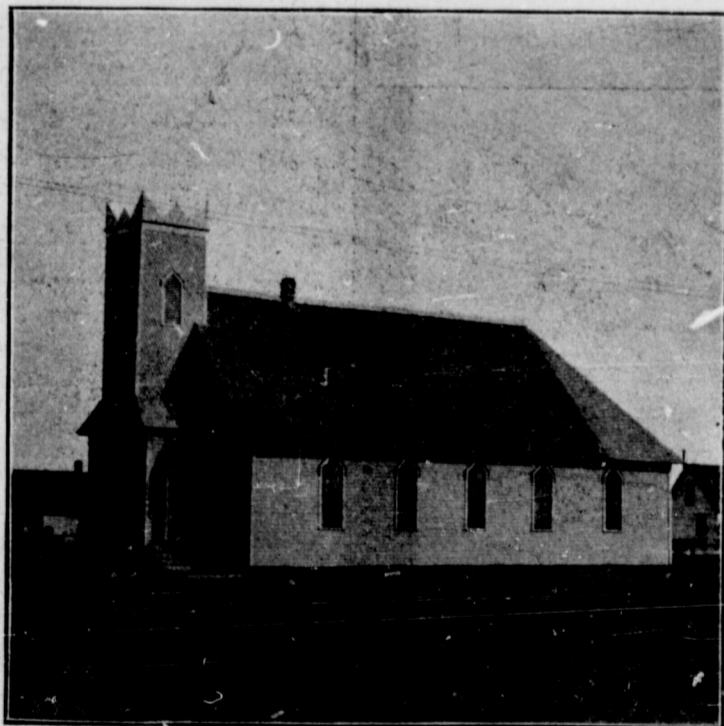
Just now, the most important proposition for us to solve is the point of location. Quite a number of towns are anxious for the college, but all are for harmony and will co-operate in selecting the most desirable location. None of us want to make a mistake. After canvassing the whole field, the advantages and disadvantages of the several towns wanting the college, this party is settled in his judgment that Clarendon has advantages over any other town in the Panhandle. Lying at the foot of the plains, she is protected from the extreme northers in winter and the extreme hot winds in summer, and yet her altitude gives her the best of sea-

sons. She has an abundant supply of good well water, She is near the center of Donley county which cannot be surpassed in the growing of all kinds of fruits, vegetables,

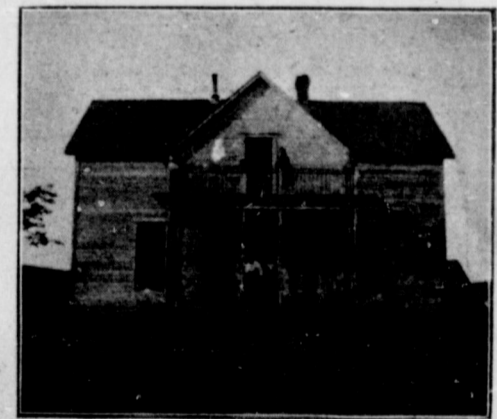
poultry, hogs, cattle and grain, with very little cost and by labor one can have shade trees and flowers to make home pleasant and lovely. She is a city of small hills and is well drained, therefore is healthy and a student need not miss a single day from school on account of bad weather or muddy streets. Her people are moral and church going. There are four pastors and one priest residing in Clarendon, and six church buildings. The Methodists and Baptists furnish their pastors with comfortable homes. All these churches are nominally without debt. See their beautiful cuts in this issue.

Every voting precinct but one in the county on September 10th. last, gave a majority for prohibition. The saloons are out to stay out. These and several other reasons make Clarendon a proper location for the college. Nature has made her for a college town. When the proper time comes, her wide-awake

and enterprising citizens will come to the front and prove their faith by their works. A happy new year to all. W. L. SKINNER, Pastor Baptist church.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.



Residence of J. O. King, on Farm and Ranch, six miles east.

J. S. Fort, of Hamilton county, arrived last week to locate in Donley. He is the father of Rev. G. R. Fort, and for this year will live on the G. C. Ferguson ranch five miles north.

\$5.00 In Gold Given Away.

A Start For The New Year.

To the person writing the best advertisement for our store to appear in the papers the second week in January, 1903, we offer a prize of \$5 in gold. We do this because we appreciate the liberal trade given us and because we want to keep our trade increasing. We want you to visit our store, take your time to look around and note carefully what we have, then in your own language write an advertisement just as if you really wished to sell what you saw. Read carefully the terms.

1st. The ad must be based on what we actually have in stock. The ad to contain not more than 250 words.

2nd. The ad must be honest and of worth as an ad, not mere sentiment.

3rd. The ad must be in the judges hands by January 7, 1903.

4th. Each person who tries for the prize must write two copies, keep one and send the other without name signed to our store, and we will hand them to the judges.

When the ad selected as best appears in the papers the person holding copy of same may claim the reward. Competent men will be selected as judges.

Yours for good values,

Caldwell & Sons.

The Right Place.

AN EX-NEWSPAPER MAN

Who Has Made a Great Success As a Stock Farmer.

ED. NEWS:—In response to your request for something from this



FRANK KENDALL.

portion of Donley county, I will send you the following:

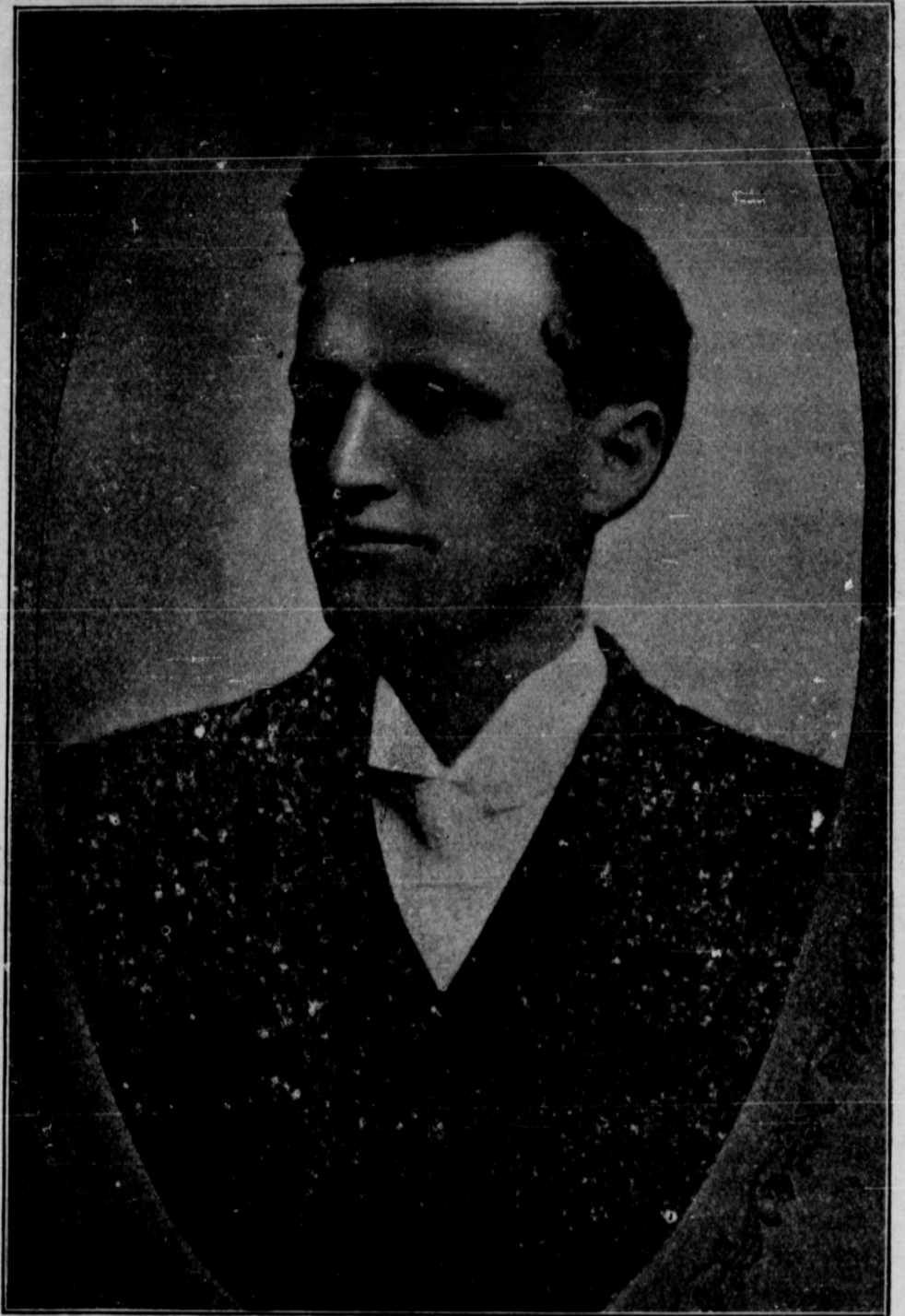
Nearly ten years ago I came to the panhandle country, soon after which time my father bought the railroad section of land where we are living at the present time which is situated eleven miles northeast of Clarendon. Since that time we have added two school sections making three sections, all of which is under fence and about 100 acres has been put in cultivation. We have experimented with Indian corn, kaffir corn, milo maize, sorghum, millet, Johnson grass and alfalfa and have made a success of all but alfalfa, and it seemed to do well for a year or two but the sand burs finally killed it out.

Soon after buying the place we secured a small bunch of cattle which number today 50 head of she stock. They are a cross between the Durham and Hereford and will compare favorably with any of the high-grade cattle in this section. I am satisfied that the best results can be obtained for the small stock farmer from the Durham cows, for milk and butter are indispensable articles at home, besides there has always been a good market price for the surplus. Hogs and chickens are also a paying investment and will bring quicker returns than anything I know of for the money invested.

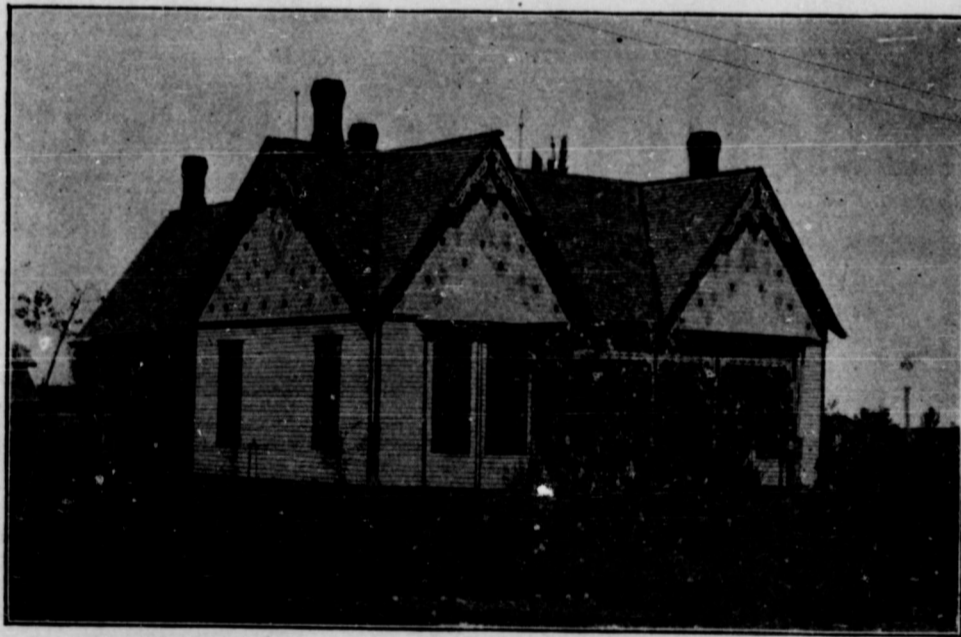
Many changes have been noticeable since coming to this country, and one has been the breaking up

of the large ranches and going into the hands of the stock farmer. This has not been, as many might suppose an encroachment upon the rights of the cow man, but merely the adjustment of things to their proper element, for 100 cows fed and properly cared for in the winter are worth 300 turned loose on the range. Another noticeable fact is that since farming has been carried on more extensively the rainfall seems more evenly distributed and for the past few years the feed and forage crops have been grown here that would be a credit to any part of Texas.

Situated as we are at the foot of the great plains, with rich, sub-irrigated valleys through which flow the clear running streams, fed by numerous springs, there is nothing to keep this from being made a stockman's paradise. While the country is as yet in its infancy it has passed through the experimental age and all it needs now is for men of means and energy to develop its natural resources. I believe that the day is not far distant when sugar beets will be grown for general feeding purposes in this section and become a prime factor as cow and hog feed. Fruit and shade trees of all kinds do well, also grapes and berries. We have an acre of 100 bearing trees, mostly peaches, besides putting out a cottonwood grove and 1,500 locust trees. The



REV. J. SAM BARCUS, PRESIDENT CLARENDON COLLEGE.



RESIDENCE OF W. W. DIER.



RESIDENCE OF J. D. JEFFERIES.

locusts are two years old, have made a fine growth and can be utilized for both shade trees and fence posts both of which are quite an item here.

Not all of my time, however, has been spent on the ranch but has alternated between here and the printing office, nearly three years of which time has been spent in the latter pursuit, but I like the outdoor life best. I am a firm believer in the fact that this great Panhandle country has a future before it, and just as sure as water seeks its own level, so will the next few years see the development and readjustment of conditions heretofore

unknown.

What we need today is men with the courage and energy to develop the latent forces that nature has so bountifully bestowed upon us. This together with pure air and a healthful climate makes it a desirable place to live.

To all who are looking for homes, we will say "come and be one of us and grow up with the panhandle," which is destined to be one of the finest stock farming countries in the United States.

Success to the News and its many readers, I am

Very truly yours,
FRANK KENDALL.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

I have an expert horseshoer regularly in my employ; not an experiment, but a sure enough mechanic in his line of work. If you want correct work at satisfactory prices, continue to go to the old reliable shop of
E. A. TAYLOR.

A beautiful thought was that of him who said: "Some people are always finding fault with nature for putting thorns on roses. I always thank her for putting roses on thorn."

BOOT AND SHOE REPAIRING.

See Robert Lamb at Rutherford Bros Saddle Store.

**"But Where to find that Happiest Spot Below;
Who Can Direct, when all Pretend to know."**

—Goldsmith.

Many are satisfied to live in Northwest Texas, having proved the value of the land in this region as a good Crop Raiser. Not only Cattle, but Wheat, Cotton, Corn, Peep Stuffs, Cantaloupes, Garden Truck and Good Health flourish here—in a district where malaria is impossible and very little doing for jails and hospitals.

Land, which is being sold at really low figures—tho the constantly increasing demand is steadily boosting values—is still abundant; and Farms and Ranches of all sizes, very happily located, are being purchased daily.

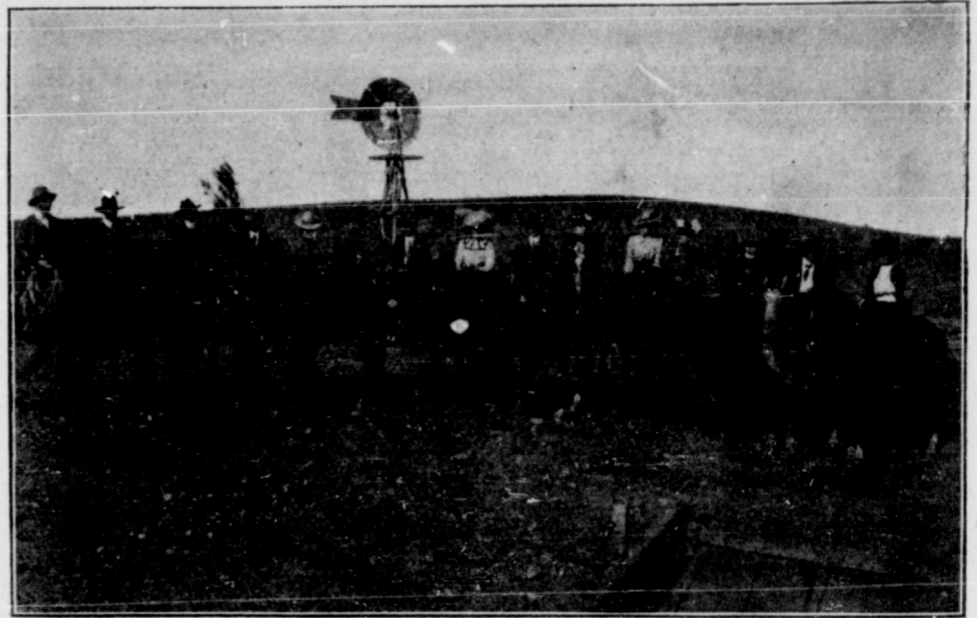
We will gladly supply all askers with a copy of a little book, published by the Northwest Texas Real Estate Association which contains an interesting series of straightforwrrd statements of what PEOPLE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED along the line of

THE DENVER ROAD,

Passenger Department, Fort Worth, Texas.

N. B.—We find our passenger patronage very gratifying. It is necessary to run three trains daily each way as far as Wichita Falls, and two clear thru. We continue, the year round, the excellent Class A service that insures the preference of Colorado and California Tourists, winter and summer. By the way, we offer now more than half a dozen routes to California, the newest being via Dalhart (also good for Old Mexico), with first grade eating cars all the way.

We sell a Home-Seeker's ticket, good thirty days, at one and a third fare the round trip, allowing stopovers at Vernon and points beyond, both ways.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS OF MRS. W. B. SIMS AT LELIA, TEXAS.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company to apply to the 28th Legislature of the State of Texas to assemble in the city of Austin, Texas, on the Second Tuesday in January, 1903, for a local or special law authorizing the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company to purchase, own and control all the franchises, property, rights and privileges of every kind and character of the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company, and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company, and to operate and control, as a part of its line, the railroad constructed and to be constructed by the Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company and of the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company, and of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company, or either of them; and to authorize the said Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway Company, and the Chicago, Rock Island & Mexico Railway Company, and the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Texas Railroad Company, and each of them, to sell its railroad as defined by its charter, together with all franchises, rights, privileges and property incident or appertaining thereto to the Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company, and to authorize said Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company to issue and negotiate its bonds, secured, or to be se-

cured; by a mortgage or mortgages, subject to the laws of the State of Texas governing the issuance and negotiation of bonds by railroad companies; and to authorize the said Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Co. to construct, own and operate, as a part or parts of its line, the unfinished portions of said railroads, or either of them, between the termini as defined in their respective charters, and to construct, own and operate, as a part or parts of its line, all extensions and branches of said railroads, or either of them, under, or as authorized in and by, the charter of said Chicago, Rock Island & Gulf Railway Company, or any amendment thereof made or to be made in pursuance to the General Laws of the State of Texas; and to prescribe the conditions upon which said purchases and sales shall take effect and be dependent, and to authorize said companies, and each of them, to execute all necessary contracts, agreements and conveyances to accomplish said purchases and sales.

CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND & GULF RAILWAY COMPANY.

By W. B. Leeds, President.

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CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA & TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY.

By W. B. Leeds, President.

For Sale.

I want to sell my home south of the court house in Clarendon, 6 rooms, 3 closets and 6x10 pantry. Some out buildings. For price, etc., call on me at residence.

MRS. A. B. RAY.

Hair Falls

"I tried Ayer's Hair Vigor to stop my hair from falling. One-half a bottle cured me."

J. C. Baxter, Braidwood, Ill.

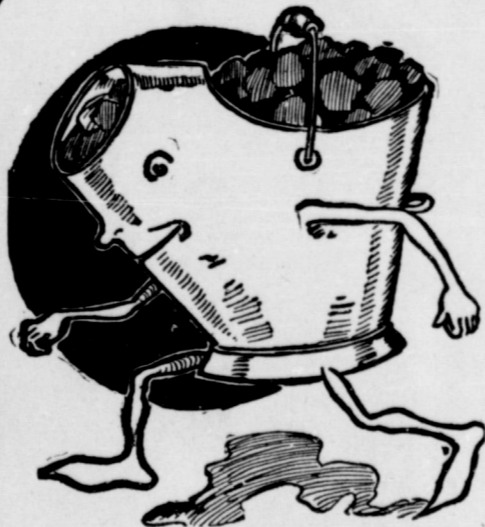
Ayer's Hair Vigor is certainly the most economical preparation of its kind on the market. A little of it goes a long way.

It doesn't take much of it to stop falling of the hair, make the hair grow, and restore color to gray hair.

\$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Musical instruments, guitars, mandolins and violins, at H. D. Ramsey's drug store.



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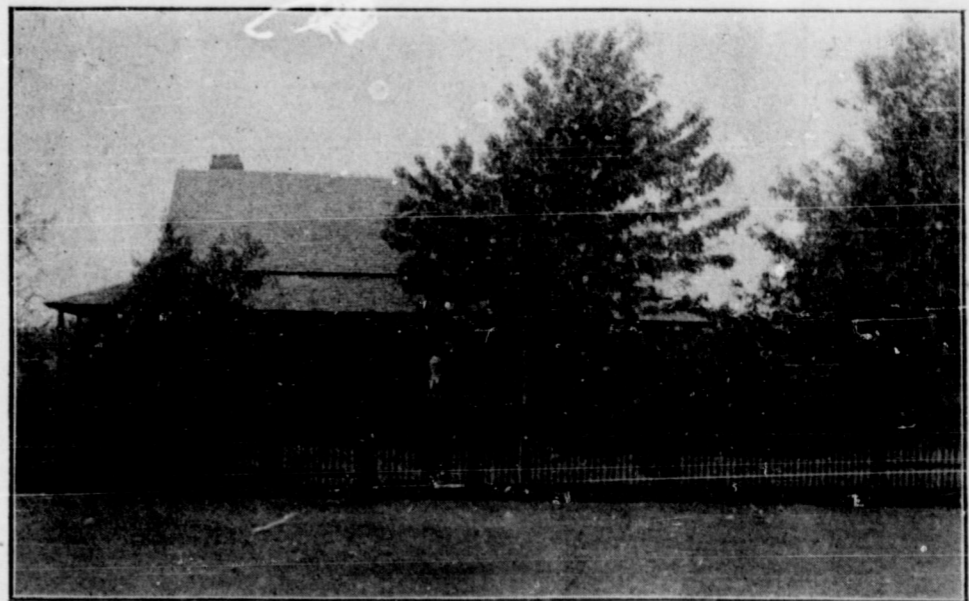
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And in addition to giving you the best coal, we put it where you want it without causing you useless worry.

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Clarendon, Texas.



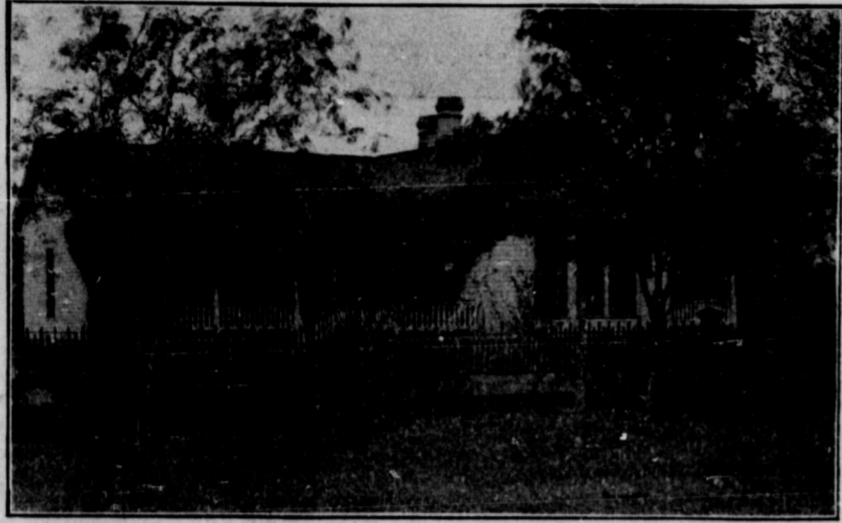
RESIDENCE OF DR. H. J. WINN.

FROM JERICHO.

From One Who Has Quit Law for the Stock Farm.

I am asked to contribute an article to the special edition of the News. This reminds me of an incident I once heard about a man who was sentenced to hang. When the hour for his execution arrived, he took his seat upon the scaffold. The sheriff asked him if he had anything to say he arose and said, "I

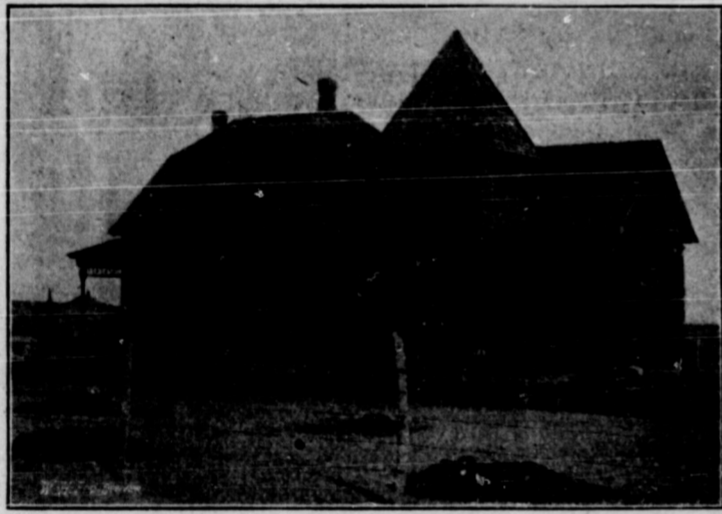
above the the average in intelligence. There is a very erroneous idea prevailing in the eastern states that the panhandle is populated by a heterogeneous mass of Mexicans, Indians, half-breeds, etc. The fact is that at least 90 per cent of the population of Donley county and the entire panhandle are pure white-faces in one straight mark and brand. There are a few off colors and strays with old brands and scars but they are now numbered with



RESIDENCE OF J. S. JEFFRIES.

think there are others present who could entertain the audience better than I can, and as there is nothing specially resting upon my mind I'll discuss the tariff." Now, I am not going to discuss the tariff. The people of the panhandle are prosperous in spite of the tariff. They are

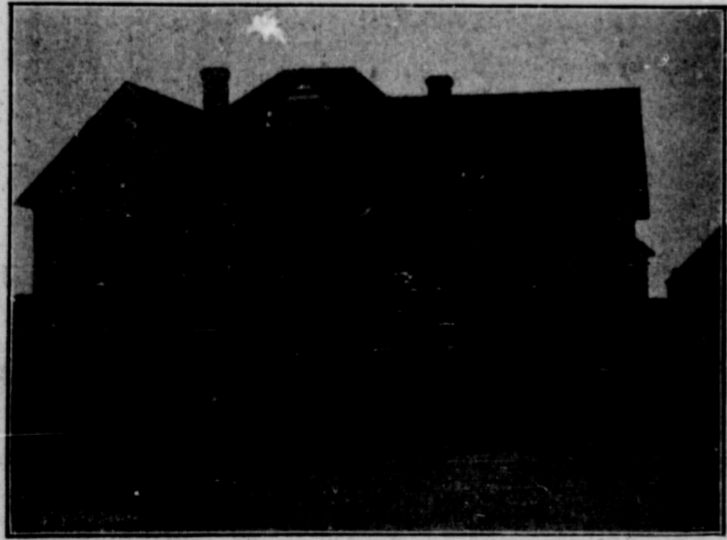
the cut-backs and cut no figure in the formation of society. The onward, upward, progressive movement pervades the land. I have traveled over 32 states in this grand union of states, and I know of no community where the average intelligence is so high as it is here.



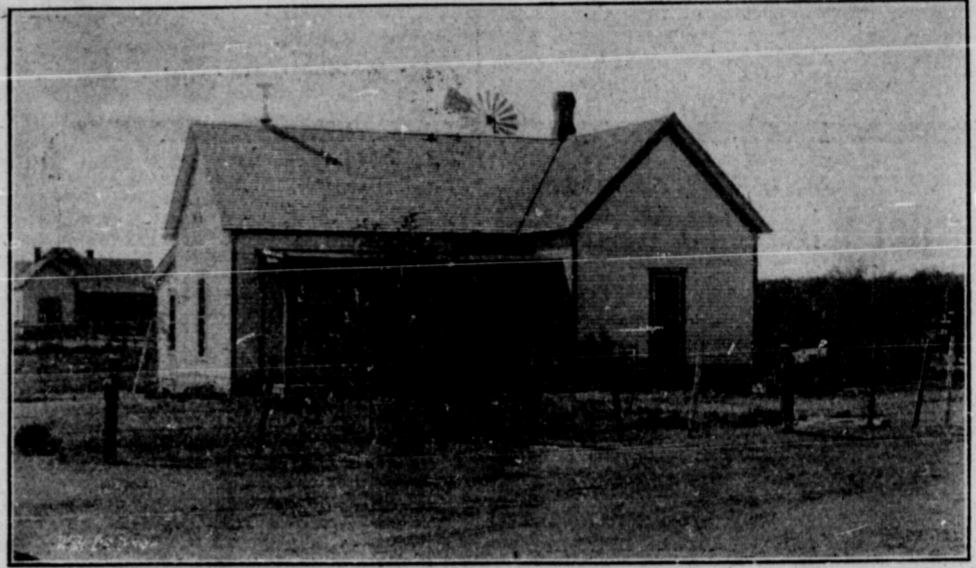
RESIDENCE OF C. W. TAYLOR.

too busy counting their white-faced calves and improving their beautiful homes to talk politics. I doubt if there is one man in fifty in all this panhandle country who could tell you the tariff rate on any one article. And yet they are away

Then why is it that so many business men of brains would locate here if they did not see a future for this country. Nine out of every ten of them are prosperous, enjoying good health and making for themselves happy homes. Our



RESIDENCE OF DR. S. J. WHITE.

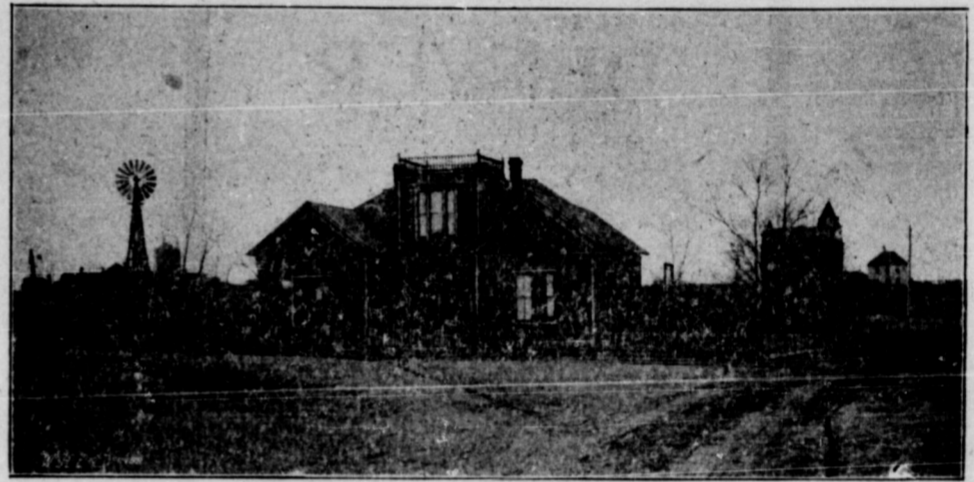


RESIDENCE OF J. M. CLOWER.

ladies are cultured and refined. They may not wear as many ruffles as some, but they possess more good practical sense, rosier cheeks and better health than their city sisters. "They are just now beginning to shine." They do not lace so tight. They live for comfort and are free from many of the foolish conventionalities of the city life. I have seen the greater part of Texas, and

College school opened Tuesday after the holiday vacation. A goodly number of new pupils have already arrived, with more to follow and nearly all the old ones are back or will be in the next few days. College notes will appear as usual each week after this issue.

Prof. W. E. Rush of Childress spent two days here this week with his friend, Prof. W. G. Stewart.



RESIDENCE OF POSTMASTER C. J. LEWIS.

Donley county, for all around purposes, is one of the best counties in the state. That part of the county bordering on the plains on the north side of the county is unsurpassed for beauty of scenery and fertility of soil. Here is situated the coming city of Jericho, the pearl of the Rim Rock, Nature's health garden.

Inman—Palmer.

At the Christian church Wednesday evening, Dec. 31st, the pastor, Rev. C. E. Chambers, united in marriage, County Judge Inman of Dallam county and Mrs. Kate Palmer of this city. Their future home will be Dalhart. The news extends best wishes.



RESIDENCE OF DR. D. B. MCGEE.

To the homeseekers who desire perpetual youth, we would say, come to Jericho and be happy.

J. HARVEY ALTIZER.

Public school opens again next Monday for a full five months more of this term. Clarendon always has a full nine months term.

Donley county is the stockmen's paradise of all North-west Texas. The most productive, easily tilled soils, which produces the greatest variety of grasses and successful crops, the best and most abundant water of any county in the panhandle.

On the afternoon of the New Year Prof. and Mrs. W. R. Silvey invited the Public School Board of trustees and their wives to five o'clock dinner at their home in west Clarendon. The Public School colors were daintily displayed, but the special feature was the dining room, which attracted by its effective touches of the decorator, but more so the elaborate courses which were five in number and so palatable that all executed the desire to linger at the feast. After supper games, reading and recitations were features for some

hours and when the parting time came there was "a vain desire" to cripple time" and delay the goodbyes.

Mrs. J. D. Jefferies has had a specially enjoyable Xmas and New Year because of the visit of her two sisters, Mrs. Mattie Grogan of Ravena Tex. and Mrs. Bertha Kent of Beverly Tex.

Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Hall, Prof. and Mrs. W. R. Silvey and the editor and whole family enjoyed a sumptuous New Year dinner with Dr. and Mrs. D. B. McGee.



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Rutherford Brothers,

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Also handle Collars, Bits, Spurs, Blankets, etc., in fact everything kept in a first class saddlery house.

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Clarendon, Texas.

Notice.

I have just received a large lot of New Furniture, shipped in car load lots which will be sold at close figures.

In this connection, I wish to thank a generous public for a liberal patronage in the past, and ask a continuance of the same, with the assurance that such favors are highly appreciated.

I extend to all a happy and prosperous New Year Greeting.

J. N. EDDINS.



A Box Worth Having.

Filed With Attractive Creams

Those who like rare quality creams will find plenty of satisfaction in one of the fine boxes. Made of pure materials and put together in attractive fashion. We take it you like the best you can find and we provide that best for you.

Everything in Fruits, Fine Cigars, Tobacco, Notions. Fresh Bread Daily.

A. M. RAMP, Clarendon, Texas.

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Vice President.

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Cashier.

The Citizens' Bank.

Opened for business Nov. 1, 1899. A general banking business transacted. We solicit the accounts of Merchants, Ranchmen, Farmers and individuals.

Money to Loan on Acceptable Security.

Directors: B. H. White, W. H. Cooke, M. Rosenfeld, and J. G. Tackitt.

Clarendon, Tex.

ROWE.

A Most Prosperous, Thickly Settled Community 14 Miles East on Railway.

Believing that your readers would like to know how the people are getting on in and around Rowe, I will say our people are all well and happy, have their abundant crops gathered and all are in good shape financially.

We have a first class store, a good house, a good stock of general merchandise. Mr. Dunn is doing a good business and his many patrons are well pleased with his manner of doing business. We have a black-

the largest and best school in the county outside of the county site, and we think we have the best school in the panhandle. We have 65 enrolled in our Rowe school, and our teacher, Mr. J. W. Branch, is a thorough scholar and knows how to educate our children.

Our land has advanced from \$1 per acre in the last eight years to \$12. One tract of 100 acres sold at \$12 per acre cash some ten days ago, and still they come. Four new buildings going up. Still we invite them to come.

ISAAC SMITH.

Uncle Isaac Smith has made a success farming and perhaps has lusted more people in Donley coun-



RESIDENCE OF R. A. CHAMBERLAIN.

smith shop nearly ready to do our work at home. A hotel is under process of construction to take care of the many good people looking for homes in our country, which we think is the garden spot of the country. I have been here 12 years and have raised good crops every year except this. The hail damaged our Indian corn. All other crops were good.

I consider Danley county the banner farming county in the panhandle, and it seems that others think so too, as so many home-seekers want homes near Rowe. Partly on account of good school house and

ty than any other man in it. He never too busy to stop and show the country to a prospector, nor to answer questions by letter. His post office is Rowe.—Ed.

If you are a farmer in some other section and ever visit the panhandle do not fail to stop off and see Donley county. Farming is not an experiment here, but a success.

We have some pure, ribbon cane syrup that a friend of ours sent us from East Texas. You can get it at 65 cents per gallon.

POSEY & PATMAN.



RESIDENCE OF CHAS. EYLER.

Dr. J. D. Stocking,

Office at his

Drug Store,

Where everything in DRUGS and NOTIONS are kept.

School and College Books and Supplies.
Jewelry and Silverware.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

Fruit and Truck Farm.

Mr. T. Jones of Greer county, Okla., made two extended trips through the Panhandle and into New Mexico looking for a location to make a fruit farm, and finally located and purchased a tract of land one mile north of Clarendon. Although taking possession only last October, he has planted 1,000 apple, peach and plum trees, besides some cherry, fig, apricot, pear and quince trees. He has also

and plants on this place when he took possession, a number of trees fruit bearing.

He thinks this the ideal place for fruit, and says his fall work is only a beginning.

The ideal soil for fruit growing is a sandy loam with clay foundation and good drainage.

Mr. Jones has also erected a fine windmill and steel storage tank, has laid some pipe and will lay more in the spring to utilize the water on trees and plants.



RESIDENCE OF D. J. CALVERY.

planted 500 grapes, 5,000 strawberry plants, 4,000 raspberry, dewberry, blackberry, gooseberry and currant plants. Also 2,000 asparagus roots, and 200 rhubarb roots. He has 5,000 mulberry cuttings bedded and will plant in the spring in the form of hedge rows for wind breaks. There were 1,500 trees

For pure ribbon cane syrup go to the Bargain Store. It's fresh from the mills.

One dollar overshirts now 50 cents at Bargain Store.

Don't fail to attend the Clearance Sale at Bargain Store.

Donley County Lands.

I have engaged in the LAND BUSINESS. If you have land for sale list it with me. In my service as tax assessor I became personally familiar with all the lands of Donley county and feel sure with my personal and general knowledge of the county, I can locate new comers to their best advantage. I have now some of the choicest farms and small ranch properties to be found in this country. If you want to buy, sell or exchange see me.

G. W. BAKER, Clarendon, Texas.

HON. W. E. WARE.

Of Clarendon, Member Legislature of 106th District.

Mr. Ware was born in Decatur, county Tennessee in 1867, but was reared principally in Gibson, county; admitted to the bar at Humboldt and located and practiced law in Lexington.



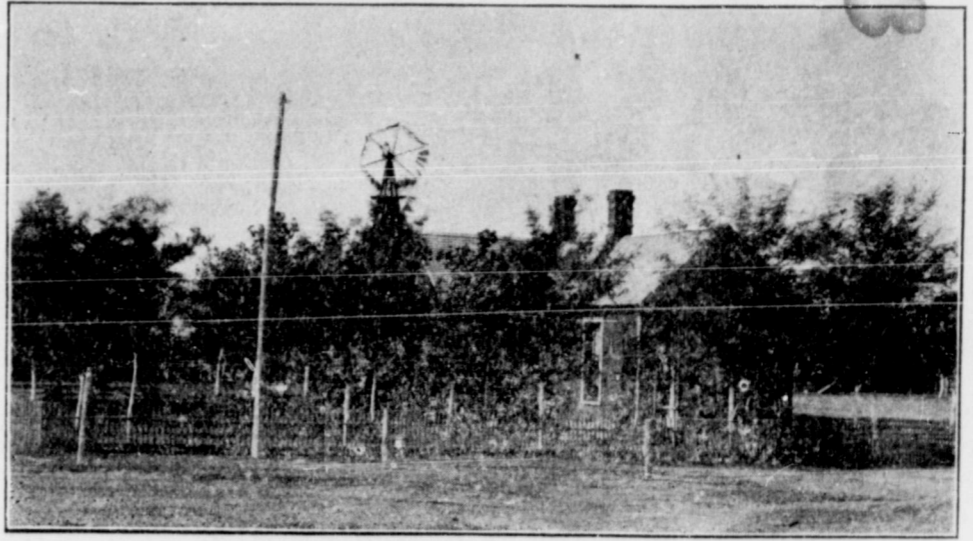
In 1894 he moved to Texas and located in Briscoe, county and practiced his profession there until 1897 when he moved to Clarendon and

at repartee and a pleasant speaker. His friends predict for him a brilliant future.

W. C. Pitchford has sold his farm, consisting of 187 acres, 75 of which is in cultivation, one mile south of Aledo, for \$3,200. Mr. Pitchford will move to Donley county, Texas. We regret to lose him as thereby Parker county loses a good citizen of 26 years standing.—Weatherford Herald.

Mr. Pitchford is here. In company with his friend and former Parker County citizen W. J. Parsons he gave us a pleasant social call this week. A warm welcome awaits all such men and their families in Donley County.

Rev and Mrs J. Sam Barcus tendered a reception to the Boys and Girls of Clarendon College in the parlors of the young ladies home last Monday evening. It is needless to say the boys and girls had a great time.

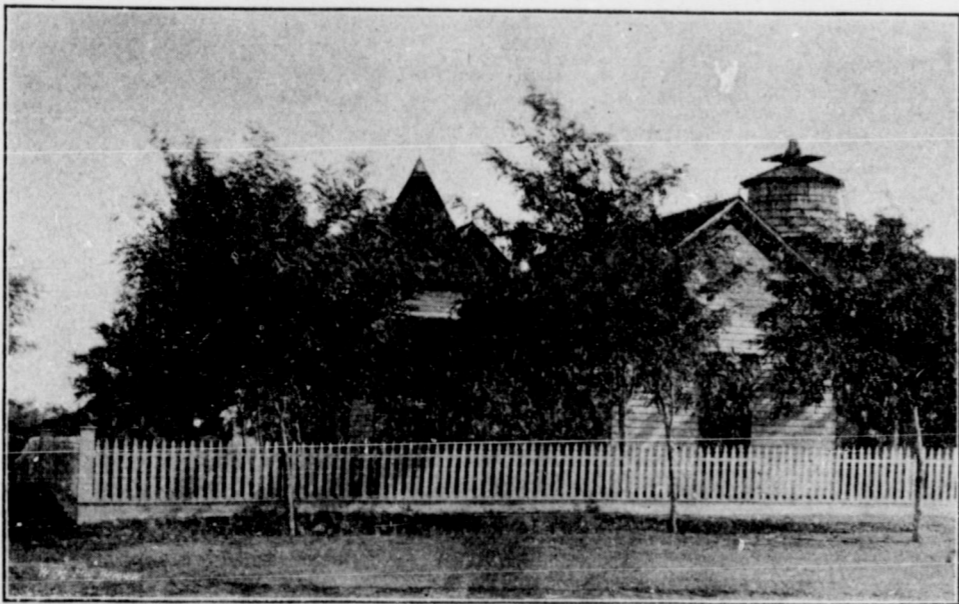


RESIDENCE OF HARRY MUNDY.

Dr. Ware, a member of the Virginia legislature, has introduced a measure to prevent kissing, unless each had a certificate of perfect health from a physician. We wonder what if any relation he is to our Hon. W. P. Ware of Clarendon, member of the Texas legislature from this district?

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend to all our customers and friends our heartiest thanks for the very liberal patronage of the past year, and ask a continuation of the same. Our business has prospered, but we wish it to prosper more. We shall always look to your interest, extend to you



RESIDENCE OF DR. J. D. STOCKING

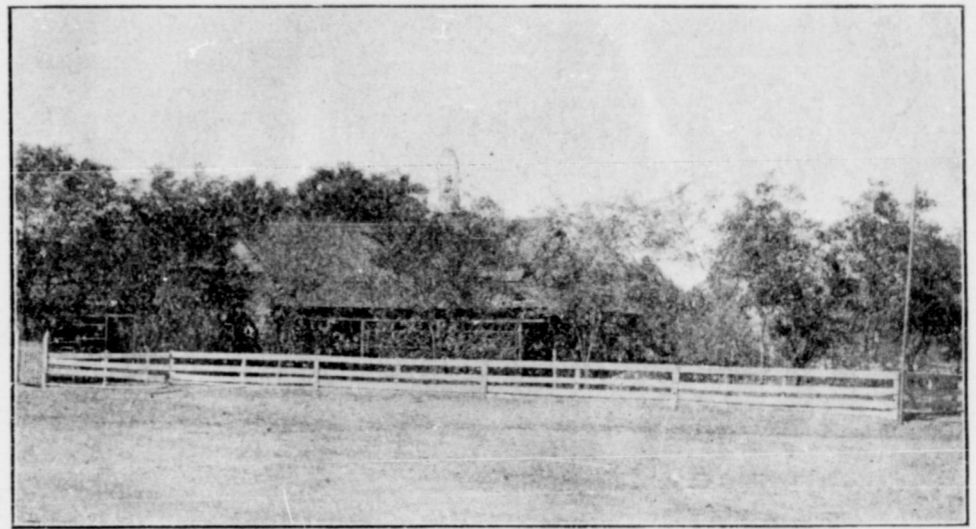
continues to practice his profession.

Mr. Ware was elected a member of the Texas state Legislature at the last election and will enter upon his duties early in January.

Mr. Ware is well fitted for legislative work being highly educated and having a well trained mind well versed and experienced in law and its practice, quick in perception and

John Browder of Memphis has purchased from J. J. Harrison his residence near the Catholic church for \$1,300-cash. Mr. Harrison will likely move his family to Wichita Falls where he has a business. Mr. Browder will move his family here for the benefit of school at St Mary's Academy.

F. A. Simpson has sold his residence to D. R. Priddy.



RESIDENCE OF RICHARD WALSH.

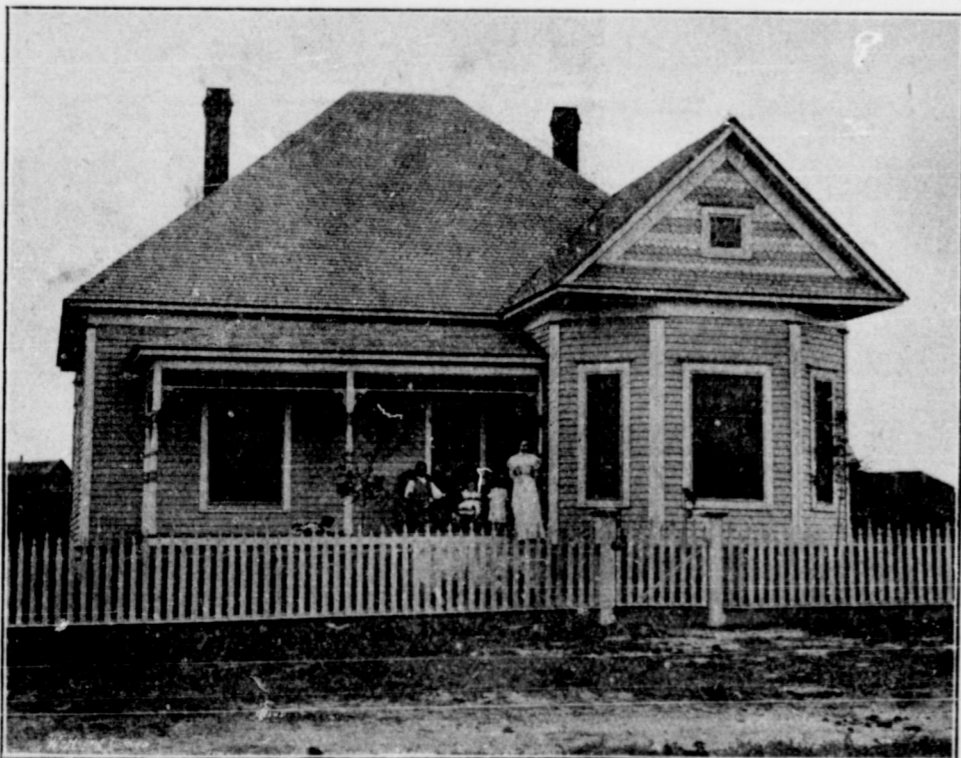
John Monroe of Cheyenne, O. T. spent Wednesday and Thursday here visiting his sister Mrs J. H. Kelly.

No use to buy inferior syrup when you can get pure ribbon cane for the same price at the Bargain Store.

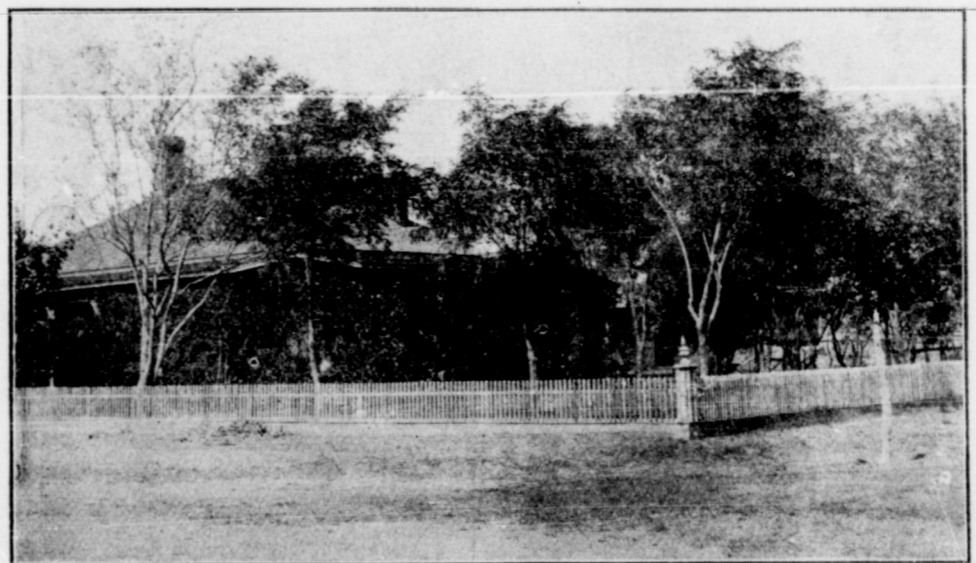
courteous treatment with good goods, excellent values and low prices. Wishing you many happy returns of the New Year, and much prosperity, we are,

T. J. NOLAND & Co.

Perhaps not less than 25 home-seekers have been looking at Donley county lands since Xmas.



RESIDENCE OF J. E. COLLINS.



RESIDENCE OF J. B. MCCLELLAND.

Master Richard Peebles spent his holiday vacation near Amarillo visiting former Tennessee friends.

Frank Ward of Amarillo spent most of the holidays here with relatives and friends.

If you need gloves now is your chance. Read the Bargain Store's list of prices on them.

Mrs. R. C. Dobson from Mulbery Fat is in town for medical treatment. Her friends hope for her recovery in the near future.

Leonard Puckett of Washburn a former college pupil spent last Monday here and left Tuesday for Collin county to spend the holidays.

Jewelry, Confectionery and Stationery.

Our business for 1902 has been splendid, Our Christmas trade was Immense. To every customer we extend our kindly New Year's Greetings.

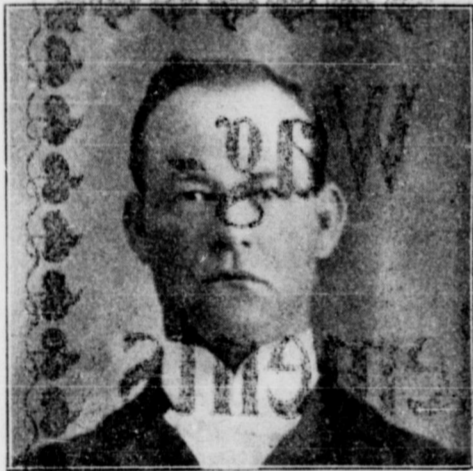
We Carry at all Times a Fresh and Complete Line of Fruits, Fine Cigars, Tobacco, etc,

The Latest Novels, Papers and Magazines always on Hand.

Like the Quality of our Goods, our Prices cannot be excelled.

Wishing you, one and all, a prosperous year in 1903, we are yours to please,

JNO. M. CLOWER & SON.



Rev. J. M. Sherman, Presiding Elder Clarendon District.

RECEPTIONS

Character, costume, hours with the poets. The home of Prof. and Mrs. W. K. Sledge, Cooper to open from 8 to 12, Tuesday evening, December 30th, 1902. In honor of the Public School teachers.

The hospitable doors were opened and the poets themselves, with some of the winsome brings of their own brain, assembled. The rooms were beautifully decorated, and inviting nooks were to be found in many places where poets could bask in the glory of imagination. The color scheme being blue and pink, all things harmonized perfectly. Pink geraniums, palms and ribbons decorated the dining room which proved very enticing to all.

There were many interesting features of the evening, various games in which the poet-quiffs were engaged, and a guessing of the characters represented. In the

latter, two prizes were offered. Mrs. Wedgworth bowed for the laurels of the first, and Mr. Vass was the winner of the beebey prize. A volume of Longfellow and a dainty jug with the suggestion, "Clarendon has gone dry," were the prizes.

The following were in attendance: Miss Eddins, Minnehaha; Miss Yafee, Juliet; Miss Hendrix, Shakespeare; Miss Patterson, Evangeline; Miss Betts, Priscilla; Miss Dillon, Reeves; Miss Chamberlain, Reade; Miss Pearl Betts, Evange-

Pearson, Dees and Coulter were just representatives of the "fair ladies," and the hostess as Shelley. M. L. Williams, F. S. Key; Marvin Law, Paul Revere; Dalbert Jones, Joaquin Miller; King Callaway, Gabriel; Frank White, Longfellow; Roy Stocking, "The Man with the Hoe;" V. Trammell, Hiawatha; W. B. Wells, Shelley; J. Vass, Romeo; W. G. Stewart, Francis Key; C. E. Hall, John Alden.

Hush! Do not laugh! That poor boy or that poor girl who is obliged to come upon our streets, wearing clothes that are tattered and torn, doubtless feels bad enough about it without being obliged to endure ridicule from those better clad. Be kind! Be sympathetic! Be friendly! Bid them a smiling good morn-



Rev. G. S. Hardy, Pastor Methodist Church.

ing if nothing more, and you will not only please the little fellow, or little girl, but you will feel more human in your own mind and be thought more of by your fellow citizens. —The Searchlight.



OUR "DEVIL."

line; Miss Bass, Saxe; Miss Booka, Priscilla; Mrs. Agnes Betts, Maud Muller; Mrs. Wedgworth, Lucile; Miss Kimberlin, Priscilla. Mass



THE CLARENDON METHODIST CHURCH, 1902

does not, ultimately, bring about the best results to a community

THE PANHANDLE

is NOT on a boom, but is enjoying the most rapid growth of any section of Texas **WHY?**

Because only recently have the public at large realized the opportunities which this northwest section of Texas offers. The large ranches are being divided into

SMALL STOCK FARMS

Wheat, corn, cotton, melons and all kinds of feed stuffs are being raised in abundance, surpassing the expectations of the most sanguine. A country abounding in such resources (tried and proven), together with the

LOW PRICE

of lands, cannot help enjoying a most rapid growth, and that is what is happening in the Panhandle.

"THE DENVER ROUT"

has on sale daily a low rate home-seekers ticket, which allows you stop overs at nearly all points; thus giving you chance to investigate the various sections of the Panhandle.

Write A. A. GLISSON, General Passenger Agent, Fort Worth, Texas. For pamphlets and full information.



College Colors.

We have now in stock and will keep at all times a supply of Clarendon College Colors and of all their societies, also printed badges of the different societies. We will make these a specialty and the students can depend upon us to supply them always.

Mrs. A. M. Beville & Co.



With Vestibled Electric Lighted Trains From GALVESTON, HOUSTON, SAN ANTONIO, DALLAS AND FORT WORTH TO

KANSAS John H. R.

Maker of Fine BOOTS and

Only first class work done and everything of repairing will be done neatly. Prices reasonable at the Mayor's old office, second door south Market.

Home.

How many are there on this earthly throne
Can sing, this is forever my own dear home.
Thousands there are who have no place to rest,
Their tired bodies from care oppressed,
See that orphan child driven out in the cold!
No parent to whom he can his sorrow unfold;
Is humanity so hard-hearted and cruel
That no one will give him shelter and fuel?
He is God's own child, and dare you offend
Him, who will be your final judge in the end,
By closing your ears against the dear one's cry
For aid? Will you his pleading voice deny?
No, you who have homes, shelter to him give,
That you in heaven may with the pure ones live.
There is the unfortunate, perhaps he made himself so,
But who is there whose heart is as pure as snow?
He may wander from the fold of God's love,
For none will be perfect only in the home above,
There are many whose lives are far spent
Who, through treachery, from home are rent.
"Home, Sweet Home," is where contentment dwells,
Let it be ever so humble, as the poet tells,
Is the home for me in which to dwell,
There is a home eternal which is above,
Freely offered in the goodness of God's love.
May we we all that heavenly home obtain
And basking in God's love, ever remain
UNCLE MAC.

THE STYLISH SHAPE.

In fashionable hats we have in the right materials for Spring and summer—straws, chenilles, braids, etc.—with the most beautiful trimmings. Many superb hats ready-made are waiting your order.

Clarendon all of them up to any way. Come

Beville & Co.

old son of Mr. Smith has been

art of this week,

Public School Notes.

Regular school work has given away to examination in most of the rooms this week.

Mrs. Joseph Bell placed her two children, Ruth and Spencer, in school this week, also Almp Watkins.

No school can be more efficient than its teacher. That Clarendon has an efficient corps of teachers is shown by the fact that they managed the school two days last week without the regular superintendent Prof. Black very effectively supplying the place.

Deputy sheriff J. J. Alexander was an interested visitor in the high school last week.

We are still annoyed with mumps, some of its bloated victims have been compelled to remain away from school this week.

Margie and Alsie Edwards have withdrawn from school and expect to enter the public school in Ft. worth in a few days. Joe Caperton will also leave town.

The faculty of the public school met Tuesday evening for the purpose of arranging plans for the closing exercises of school. Some difficulty is being experienced in securing a piano for the use of teaching in this work.

Election of class representatives from the graduating class for the close of school is always a very interesting occasion and provokes more or less comment from both the members of the class and their friends. In order that the matter may be thoroughly understood the following explanation is made.

The graduating classes have always organized by electing officers in order that they might transact any business that pertained to closing exercises.

The choice for class representatives is made by election, the question of class rank not being considered.

It is presumed by the faculty of the school that any member of a graduating class is competent to represent the class in any capacity.

Classes usually prefer to choose their best speakers for leading parts. These have in most classes been among the best scholars of the class.

As the class is small this year every member of it will be expected to perform a class part and the vital question for each to consider is that of trying to acquit himself in a manner that will reflect honor upon his class and the school.

The teachers of the public school have been supplied with programs for the Panhandle Teachers Association which is to meet in Memphis April 15 and 16. Every teacher in Donley county ought to attend as State Supt. Arthur Lefevre is to be present and deliver an address.

To Exchange—Millinery goods at lowest prices for country produce such as we can use in family. Mrs. A. M. Beville and Co.

See the card of J. F. Long, who has opened a new blacksmith shop in Clarendon. His shop is located on Front street between Anderson's wagon yard, and the Yellow Pine Lumber Co. Mr. Long has the reputation of being a first-class workman, and he asks for a share of your trade. He promises entire satisfaction, both as to work and prices and he will trade.

J. T. Archibald shed up on o

Chancellorville Clips.

Prof. and Mrs. Oxford, from Clarendon, spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mace.

While hauling wood last Thursday Rich Bowlin happened to a very painful accident in so much that he had the end of his thumb pulled off, taking the nail out by the root.

Last Friday evening quite a storm struck the home of J. R. Mace; the cloud seemed to gather from (as Uncle Sambo says), "All the four pints to onct;" however there was no damage done, the storm raging until about 10:30 and saying good-night thanking their host and hostesses for a most pleasant time.

Miss Octa Speer returned Sunday night from a visit to friends and relatives at Ft. Worth and Grapevine. Grandma West came with her and will spend the summer with her daughters Mrs. Crawford and Mrs. Chancellor.

S. D. Churchman is putting in a nice new watering trough.

Mr. Philip Smith had the misfortune to lose a horse and a dog last week, some one is a little careless with poison.

Miss Lee Chancellor entertained a few friends Saturday evening.

PANSV.

Lost—A pair of gold rimmed glasses. Reward for return to this office.

PROMPT PAY—NO RED TAPE

Clarendon, Tex., Feb. 14, 1904. Royal Fraternal Union, St. Louis.

Gentlemen:—I desire to thank you for your prompt settlement of my recent claim for accident. I took out my policy just one week prior to getting hurt. I sent in my proof papers on the 22nd of January and received my check of \$52.50 on 2nd of February, which prompts me to say that this is the most prompt settlement of a claim I ever heard of. The promptness of this settlement and the entire absence of "red tape" methods commends your organization to the public as meriting liberal patronage and confidence.

Thanking you again and believe me an admirer of your principles and business methods. I am,

Yours truly and fraternally,
ROBT. MORTON.

See J. R. Hayes Agent, Clarendon, Texas.

The ladies of the Literary Club would remind all who are interested to meet with Mrs. Frank Martin tomorrow at four o'clock.

See our pretty line of new veerings. Mrs. A. M. Beville & Co.

Episcopal Church.

Services next Sunday 5th in Lent. Morning sermon subject: "The Danger of Public Opinion in Religion." Evening, 7:30. All cordially invited. Rev. H. C. Goodman, Rector.

BEAUTY TO FACE.

Ladies your hat will give beauty to your face if it is planned to the best advantage. We note your face and study your style so that your hat may make you look as well as you would desire.

Mrs. A. M. Beville & Co.

Rev. G. R. Fort, of Rowe, transacting business here yesterday.

Street Hats—full line now on. Come in and inspect M. Beville & Co.



Your Millinery Preferences.

You ought to see that your millinery is up-to-date and attractive. We produce the becoming kind and see that what we make for you is just suited to you. Our ideas will give you pleasure if you let us work them into millinery.

Every Hat We Make Is A Pleasure and a Credit.

Mrs. A. M. Beville & Co.

New Blacksmith Shop.

I am opening up a new shop between the wagon yard and lumber yard, and solicit your patronage for anything in my line. Can do any kind of work which can be turned out at all, and only ask a trial order to convince you. I have had 15 years experience and I never slight a job at all. Jumbo, the Champion Horse Shoer, is with me; so bring along your horses. Yours for business,

J. F. LONG.

For Rent—227 acres, good frame two room house, good well and wind mill 85 acres in cultivation rest in good grass. Place is close to Clarendon and good roads to town. Price cash rent \$250.00 or 1/3 and 1/4 part rent. Renter furnish himself.—PRIDDYHUIE REALTY CO

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We have entered into the Land Agency at Rowe, Texas. If you have Farms, Ranches, or in fact anything you want to buy or sell, we offer to the citizens of Donley and adjacent territory our services. Reliable information and prompt service our motto. If we can please you tell others for us, if not tell us.

Respectfully,
DUNN & McHAN.

Quit Claim Deeds, Release of Vendor's Lien, Vendor's Lien and Plain Notes, Leases, Contracts, Mortgages, Power of Attorney, Bills of Sale, Notary Acknowledgment and other legal blanks for sale at the News office for about one-half the price paid to far away printing houses. We would be glad to supply you with what you want.

Gentlemen are invited to visit our store and inspect our Millinery. You are expected to meet the bills, so why not see the goods, note the style and prices beforehand.

Mrs. A. M. Beville & Co.

We want your laundry work. Phone us and our wagon will call for it and make prompt delivery on return.—DUBBS BROS.

Don't forget to give your presence to the Epworth Leaguers to-night at Mrs. J. M. Clower's. A good time is promised to all.

\$25 to California.

Daily, March 1, to April 30.

Tourist car connections. Best service to Chicago and Kansas City. Through sleepers and chair cars leave Dallas and Ft. Worth daily.

Homeseekers' rates daily to Amarillo via El Reno. Splendid opportunity to see the Oklahoma country.

Lowest rates ever given, March 1 and 15, from all northern points to Texas. A good time to have your friends visit you. All Rock Island Agents are prepared to give details, or write us.



W. H. FIRTH,
G. P. A., C. R. I. & G. Ry.
Fort Worth, Texas.

Judge White Dead.

After a Long and Useful Life, Full of Honors and in the Universal Love and Esteem of all Who Knew Him.

"FATHER OF DONLEY COUNTY."

County Judge B. H. White died at his residence here on Thursday morning, March 17, at 3:10 o'clock and while his death was not altogether unexpected, it proved a great shock to his friends, when, with the early morning, phone messages flew over town, and later, from lip to lip, until, in a short time, every citizen had heard the sorrowful news, which, for every one, from the highest to the lowest, meant the death of their personal friend, for Judge White was the friend of everyone, especially those who most needed his friendship, and eternity only will reveal the thousands of personal kindnesses extended, and the charities given during his lifetime, of which the world now knows nothing, yet it is known to all that he gave his means and his time, even to the sacrifice of his strength and health, to the doing of deeds of kindness. Perhaps no man, in his own quiet, reserved way, ever did more noble



deeds in the same number of years than he, with less desire of reward, only his own consciousness of another kindly deed performed in this life.

Judge White was born in New York state August 18, 1837, and was therefore over 66 years old. He was graduated from a law school soon after his majority, and began the practice of his chosen profession, only to answer his country's call in a few months, and he enlisted in the Union army, where he served with distinction as captain and lieutenant-colonel, though greatly incapacitated by broken health. At the close of hostilities, being warned by the condition of his health, and knowing that inheritance had bequeathed to him a great malady, he sought health in the far west, first in Wisconsin, Iowa, then to Dodge City, Kansas, and to Donley county in the Panhandle in about the year 1881, and, though his health has always been delicate, yet the pure air of the wonderful climate gave him a lease on life, and he lived a honored life was to bless humanity his treasured legacy sons and two daughters to give him.

When Donley was organized during the White was elected and district clerk

there ever been aught against his official life, for it has been without spot or blemish or even trace of stain and he has been appropriately called, "The Father of Donley County."

While the foregoing brief biography tells something of the private and public life of the man, yet the many pages of a great book would not be sufficient to tell of his noble deeds and the love and esteem in which all the people who ever knew him and his excellent character hold for him.

Religious services were conducted at the Presbyterian church, led by the pastor Rev. E. L. Storey, after which Clarendon Lodge No. 381, Independent Order of Odd Fellows took charge of the body and made interment in the Odd Fellows' cemetery, using the beautiful ceremony of the order.

The editor feels tenderly the death of a personal friend, and would mingle our tears and extend our sympathetic condolence with the great hosts of other friends, with the sorrow-stricken family in this, their darkest hour of deepest sorrow.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.

Either of two highly bred stallions. One a heavy draft, the other a saddle and driving; can be seen at my premises five miles south of Clarendon. T. H. ALLEN.

Joint Debate—Clarendon vs. Decatur Colleges.

Clarendon college has challenged Decatur Baptist college for a joint debate to take place at Clarendon on Tuesday, May 13, and Decatur has accepted.

The subject submitted was: "Resolved, that the ends to be accomplished by the acquisition of the Panama canal route will not justify the means used to accomplish the result." Decatur chose the negative.

This is a burning question and one the public will be greatly interested in and no doubt but as has always been the case at the college, standing room will be at a premium.

Since the Panhandle oratorical association has fallen through for this year, our boys have been endeavoring to bring about something in its stead, hence the challenge to the Decatur Baptist college, and we are pleased that it has been accepted, for nothing is more conducive to thrill college life than these forensic contests, and which ever side wins matters not, for both colleges will be greatly benefitted by the contest.

We trust a great many of the Decatur students will attend, and we assure them in advance of a royal welcome and every courtesy possible.

O. T. Warlick of Childress, from the Panhandle, and R. H. Coker, from the Decatur, are the contestants.



New Grocery Store.

W. H. Meador Grocer Company.

Will handle a full and complete line of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Corn, Oats, Hay, Bran and other Feed Stuffs.

Stock is just being opened up, and is all New and Fresh Goods. Call and see.

Next Door to Cold Storage. Phone 51.

The News for 1903.

Beginning with our fifth volume on February 1st, the News will increase its subscription price to one dollar per year instead of fifty cents as now.

During the past year we have added several hundred dollars worth of new printing material and doubled the size of the paper and now find that we will likely have to increase its size again, hence to help compensate we will increase the subscription price.

If you are a subscriber now you will receive the paper until the end of your subscription year at the old price, but your renewal will be one dollar. For the year we promise you a live, progressive newspaper—one that will in every way merit the price charged. Some of the new features we will add will be country correspondence, giving the local community news and farm notes, also occasionally a page or two will be turned over to and specially edited by schools, societies and lodges. We expect to make this a very attractive feature. With

the early spring we will begin a voting contest to send some young lady school teacher to the Chautauqua at Boulder, Col., next summer. Beginning with February we hope to have these matters well under way and will from time to time make special mention of them. For the year we invite notices of church, lodge and social entertainments and general society notes.

If the public will continue the same generous patronage as in the past we will give you a paper creditable to the town. Believing that we shall have your hearty co-operation in our mutual efforts to build up Clarendon and Donley and surrounding counties, we greet you for a prosperous year for 1903.

Better Than A Year Ago.

Postoffice receipts for 1902 were better than for 1901 at Clarendon, also every quarter showed an increase, and yet a great many people predicted that when the railway division was changed Clarendon would die. Better help build the town still larger.

John H. Rathjen,

Clarendon, Texas.

Maker of Fine BOOTS and SHOES.

Only first class work done and everything guaranteed. All work of repairing will be done neatly. Prices reasonable. Call in and see me at the Mayor's old office, second door south of the Cold Storage Market.

Buggies, Wag- ons, Implements

Just now unloading three cars for the 1903 Spring Trade. The largest stock and lowest prices.

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CLARENDON, TEXAS.

George F. Morgan.

Born in Dade county, Georgia, in 1866. Lived in Georgia and Alabama until 14 years old when his father and family removed to Texas, locating in Clay county, where they engaged in farming on rented



lands, being poor and unable to purchase a home. Lived in a dugout and tents with the mother earth for a floor, until by hard labor and earnest gleanings they accumulated enough of the world's goods to make better provisions for their comfort.

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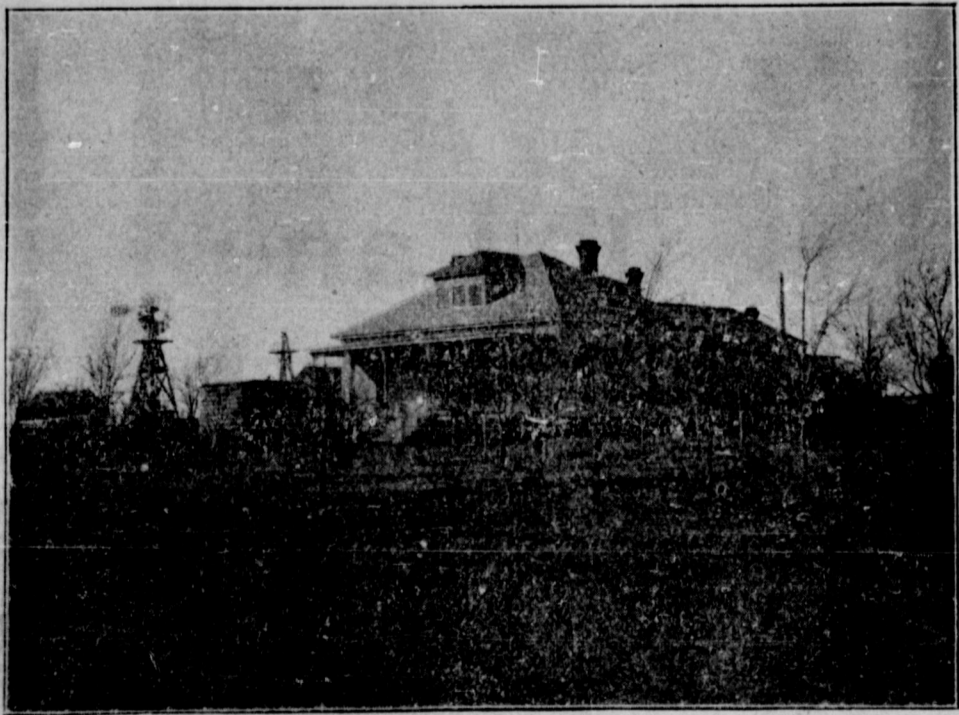
ing a line through North-west Texas, to be known as the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad; first by felling the timber and making cross-ties for its road-bed, and later in the capacity of Plenipotentiary to the "King Snipe" of Section No. 10 of said road, with authority to drive spikes, tamp ties and perform all other duties appertaining to said office, which responsible trust he performed with skill and assiduity until, by regular course of promotion, he was advanced to the dignified position of "Freight Rustler and Baggage Smasher" of said road, with headquarters at Bowie, Texas, in which capacity he agitated the tempers of the business and the traveling public until the road began its extension from Wichita Falls. He then proceeded to adjust his board bill with his landlady, Mrs. M. Adams, by wedding her eldest daughter, Miss Ella Adams, and with her he sought his fortune in the "wild and wooly west," coming first to Quannah, and afterward to Clarendon, all the while in the



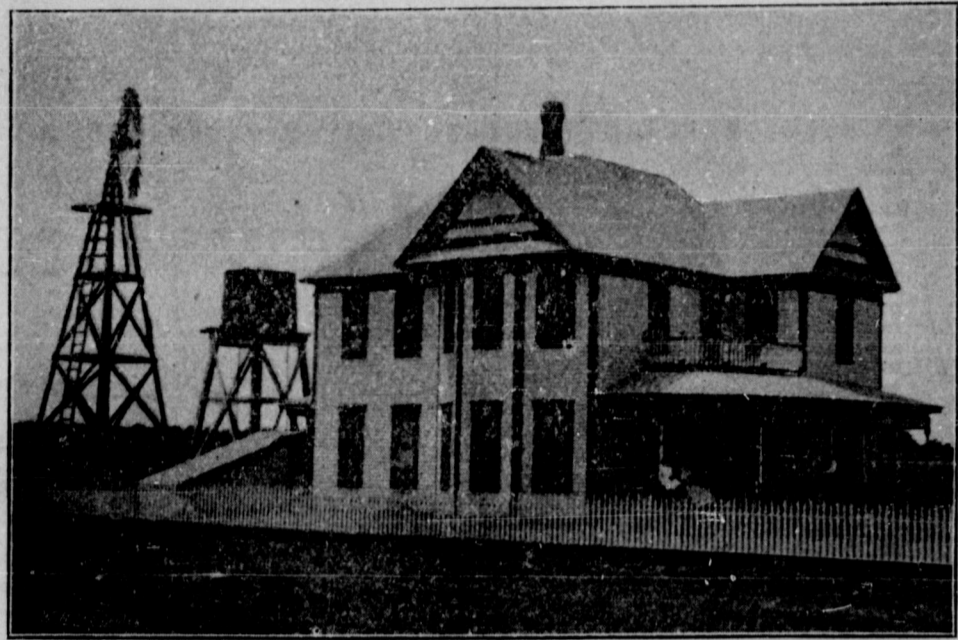
RESIDENCE OF GEO. F. MORGAN.

worked in the cotton field and enjoyed all its distinctive privileges, drank Smith's Tonic and shook until farm life was bereft of its seductive charms. About this time, seeing the sad need of better rail-facilities in this western country, he engaged in the commendable undertaking of building and maintain-

employ of the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad Company. He came to Clarendon in 1887, when this was the terminus of said road, and prior to the erection of any of the business houses or residences which now grace our town. He served the railroad company at this place in the capacity of Chief Clerk and



RESIDENCE OF H. W. TAYLOR.



RESIDENCE OF J. B. POPE.

Cashier during the construction of its road and afterward, until the general election in November, 1890, when he was honored by the people of Donley county by being elected to the office of County Treasurer, which office he held creditably for four years, having no opponent for the second term. He then withdrew from said office and engaged in the mercantile business which he followed until the fall of 1900, when he again submitted his case to the voters of Donley county and was chosen by them to fill the office of County and District Clerk of said county. He is now filling a second term in said office, having had no opposition at the recent election, and is justly proud of the distinction he enjoys of having received the full number of votes cast in Donley county at the last elec-

district deputy grand master for this Masonic district, being appointed under Grand Master Terrell upon death of W. M. McGowan in 1897, reappointed by each succeeding Grand Master, granted a certificate to teach the work in 1898, being at that time one among 27 certificate holders in the entire state of Texas, and the only one northwest of Dallas. Is now one among the very few First grade certificate holders in this state which said certificates are issued to those only who are perfect in their examination and are good for a term of three years.

Was commissioned by the Grand Master upon one occasion to preside in the investigation of cases in the panhandle which had been referred to him for adjudication. Enjoys the esteem of lodges and brethren



RESIDENCE OF T. S. MCCLELLAND.

tion,

In religious matters Mr. Morgan is an ardent member of the old school Presbyterian church.

In fraternal matters Mr. Morgan is an enthusiastic Mason being the first member made in the Clarendon Lodge after its institution July 19 1900. He has held the positions of secretary junior warden and master of Clarendon lodge and

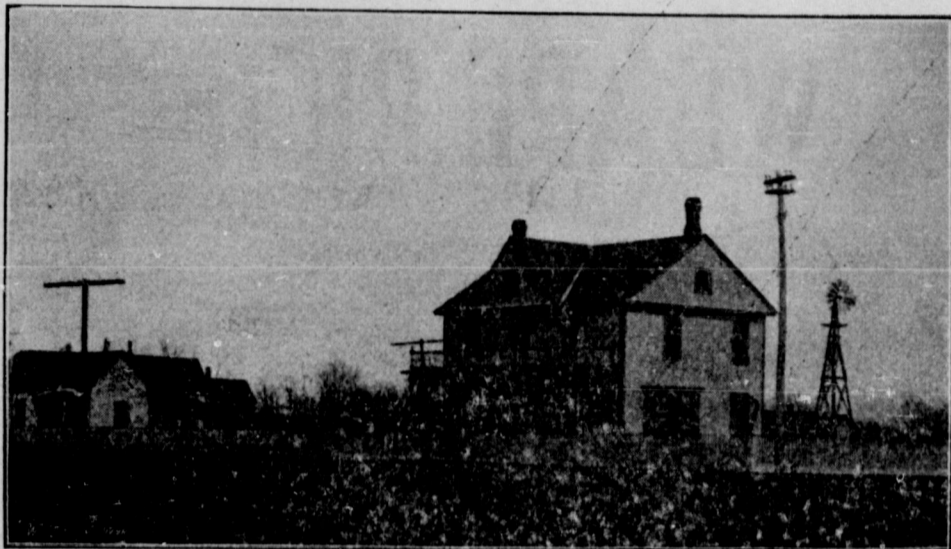
throughout the Panhandle, as evidence by several tokens received from lodges and representatives of lodges which he values very highly and takes pride in exhibiting to his visitors and friends.

Mrs. E. J. Webb of Waco is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hooks.

A Sketch.

I wandered through a glen and came to a bank of mosses. I sank down to rest, unmindful of my surroundings, yet happy in the arms of Nature. I leaned over to view the spring under the bank and saw a stranger there, beading over it.

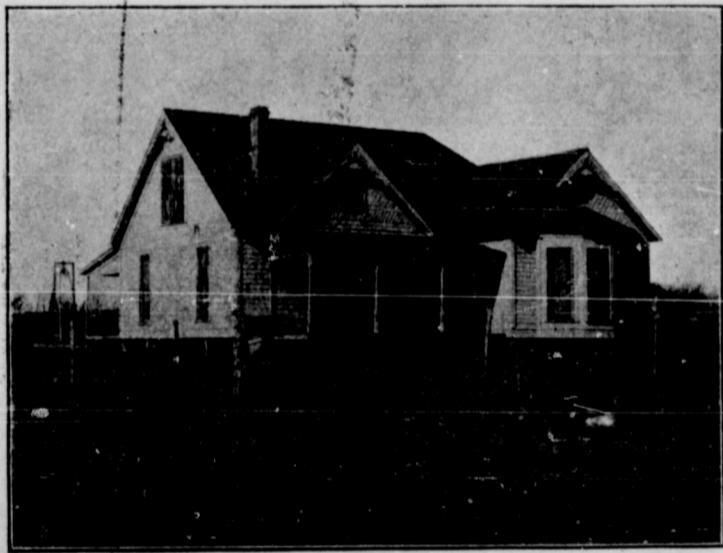
philosophers and all heart afflicted travelers. Promise, my friend," she said, "that you will constantly wear that expression of happiness. Don't let sorrow cross your brow. Promise? In the years to come I shall meet you here again and shall tell you who I am. Will you prom-



RESIDENCE OF J. M. MANN.

Just then I screamed, and the stranger bounded to me with face all eagerness and full of pain. "It is nothing," I cried, "A mere scratch from a briar. I was frightened more than hurt." "Ah! friend," she said, "I was weary and heart-sick, but seeing your happy face reflected in the spring, I stooped to

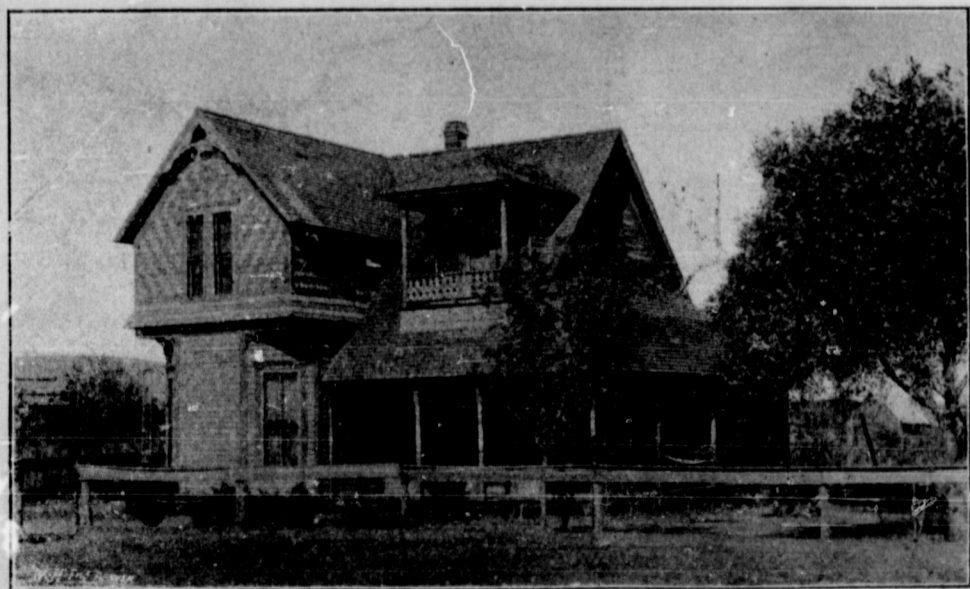
ise? Oh! do promise!" I laughed merrily, not understanding her earnestness. "I promise" I said, and with a glad look she turned away. The little spring caught the sun's rays and gave them back, caught the beautiful blue sky and the little floating clouds, and all were reflected. As I was thinking this, I



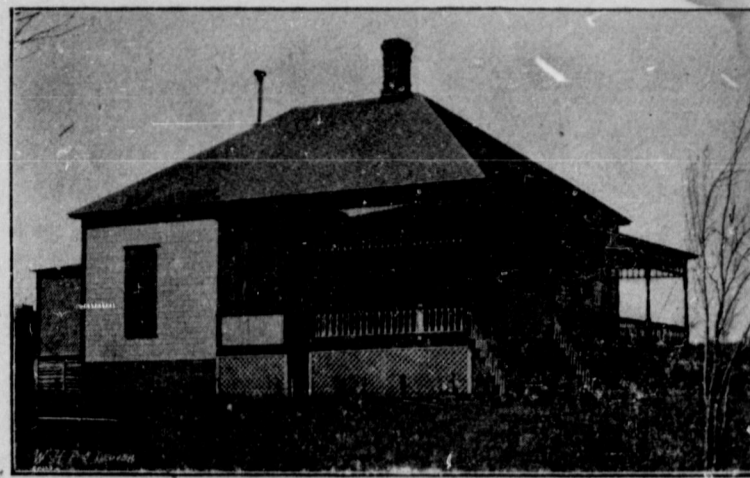
RESIDENCE OF JUDGE W. M. SMITH.

drink and was lost in thought; but the expression of pain erased the one of happiness. So it is ever in life. "Ah! why is it that happy faces are so rare? Could that little spring always reflect a face radiant with happiness as yours, 'twould be the Mecca for cynics,

caught an echo from the traveller which seemed to say, "Let it be heart within and God o'erhead." "I've caught the secret, dear stranger," I cried, "If God is o'erhead and my heart turns always toward him, 'twill reflect His glory and only peace and happiness can be re-



RESIDENCE OF D. L. MCCLELLAN.

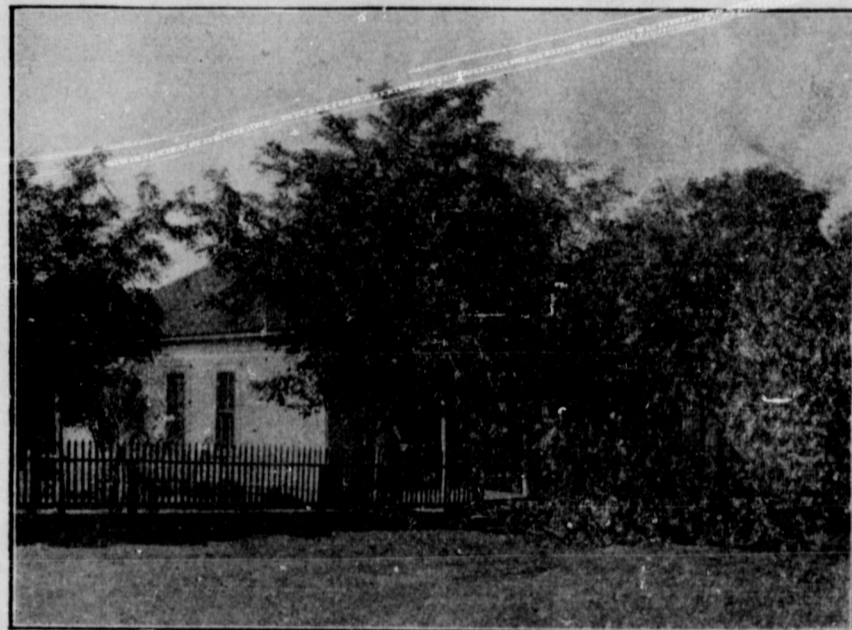


RESIDENCE OF W. H. PATRICK.

flected from my brow." I was awakened by the birds singing out of their glad little hearts, and I bent over the spring seeking the traveler of my dreams. Floating across the sky was a dark and threatening cloud, but the spring reflected also its beautiful, golden lining, and I

painfully. All others with her escaped injury. Mrs. Doss was carried to the home of A. W. Bailey and Dr. White summoned and her husband sent for.

Mr. Doss yesterday reported her as doing very well and that she would be carried home about today.



RESIDENCE OF W. A. CALDWELL.

said, half aloud, "Dear one, I think I know you now."

A Serious Accident.

Mrs. E. W. Doss, who lives four miles east, was in town trading last Monday and in starting home on crossing the railroad the team

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Ware & Smith is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All business on hand at this date will have the attention of each of the undersigned. January 1, 1903.

W. B. WARE,
W. M. SMITH.



RESIDENCE OF SAM SAYRE.

scared at a train and started to run and the breast yoke came loose and the tongue struck the ground and the hack turned over, throwing her to the ground, breaking her arm, and the seat of the hack struck her on the back, injuring her quite

J. M. Clower wife and daughters Edith and Lillie left Thursday on a pleasure and business trip to Dallas and Comanche Texas.

J. T. Coulter has sold his residence to V. Tallon.



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Clarendon, Donley County, Texas.

The best town and county in the Panhandle. Donley county was organized in the year 1882. Clarendon, the county seat, is a nice growing, substantial town of about 2200 inhabitants, and is well situated at the foot of the Plains at altitude of 2735 feet, on the Fort Worth & Denver railroad 277 miles from Fort Worth and is well watered with pure freestone water.

Schools

The Catholics have an academy here. We have a fine public school brick building, costing \$12,000, with eight rooms; with Prof. W. R. Silvey as superintendent.

We also have Clarendon College and University Training School located here, and is a chartered literary institution under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The College is a good brick building with rooms to accommodate 400 students. Also good boarding halls for boys and girls. This school is just four years old and has reached an enrollment of 225, with Rev. J. Sam Barcus, president. There are other good schools in the county, and the county is fast settling up with a good, moral, thrifty and industrious class of people.

Lands are valued in the county at from \$2.50 to \$6.00 per acre, and improvements cost extra, according to amount.

Churches.

We have six church buildings, owned by Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Episcopalian, Presbyterian and Methodist.

Society.

Society—well you just come and see. Of course we have good society everywhere, but no better than we have here.

The Season.

The seasons are good compared with most any part of Texas. For the last fourteen years there has no been a failure of crops.

Products.

Indian corn, kaffir corn, milo maize, millet, sorghum, oats, wheat, cotton, all grown in the greatest abundance.

Clarendon Has

The County Court House, a beautiful structure of brick trimmed with stone.

Two Banks,
One Cotton Gin,
One Electric Light Plant,
One Telephone Exchange,
Three Newspapers,
Three Hotels,
Two Livery Stables,
Two retail buggy and harness stores,
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Four Retail Grocery Houses,
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Three Grain Houses,
Three Coal Houses,
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Two Drug Stores,
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Unequaled opportunity for investments.
So make your investment now and don't wait until increased demand for property has caused prices to go up.

Stock.

Cattle, Horses, Hogs and Poultry do no better anywhere than here.

Health.

Clarendon is without and remote from swamps or marshes. So the people know nothing about chills and fever. No such thing as malaria in this country, and persons afflicted with consumption, catarrh and asthma are most always greatly benefited and in a great many cases entirely recover. So persons seeking health and young men and young women wishing to attend school in a healthy community can do no better than come to Clarendon—three years can regain your health and receive an education.

Here is the very cream of the land in all this vast domain.

Prospectors and visitors to Clarendon say, that Clarendon is the most beautiful town in the west and that Donley county lands are as good or better than any land in the west, but come and see for yourself and make Clarendon your destination. Here is an opportunity for investment in a solid, substantial, healthful and beautiful town, and good country lands, an opportunity which may be the tide leading to a future. We want you to investigate Clarendon and Conley county.

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Fruit and vegetables of all kind do well here. Fact is there has never been anything planted here that did not grow and do well.

If you want land for farming, or grazing purposes; see R. M. Morris, General Land Agent. He has a large amount of land for sale. Mr. Morris has been in western Texas for the last 14 years and can tell you as much about the Panhandle of Texas as any man in Clarendon. So if you want to buy land in the west it will pay you to see him before buying.

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