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## Donley County--Land of Promise and Prosperity

Donley County, "Under the Caprock"  
No Crop Failure in Thirty-Three Years

Of recent years much has been said and done too, and justly so, about the progress and development of the Texas Panhandle, and especially as applies to agricultural advantages. Due to its strategic location at the foot of the much talked of Cap Rock there has but little been said either concerning the plains country or the vast territory included in the Panhandle below the cap rock that does not apply to Donley County.

Lying just off the plains, soil and climatic conditions make it possible to grow successfully any agricultural products that are adapted to plains farming; while the same reason places Donley County on a parity with the counties to the south and any product adapted to that territory can be produced in abundance here. Further, the Cap Rock, rising a thousand feet above Donley County, protects us from the cold winds of winter, giving us an advantage over the Plains. It also provides protection against the hot winds of summer and the blowing sands giving Donley the edge on the territory to the south. Consequently, Donley County has acquired the reputation of being one of the richest and most productive agricultural sections in the Panhandle, and particularly from a standpoint of diversification.

A wide diversity of products are grown here in abundance. Cotton, corn, kaffir, maize, wheat, oats, alfalfa, all varieties of fruits and vegetables are grown with unusual success. On the other hand a portion of the county is especially adapted to grazing and cattle, mules, and horses, sheep and goats are bountiful. Other products are poultry and dairy products. Practically anything that can be grown anywhere else

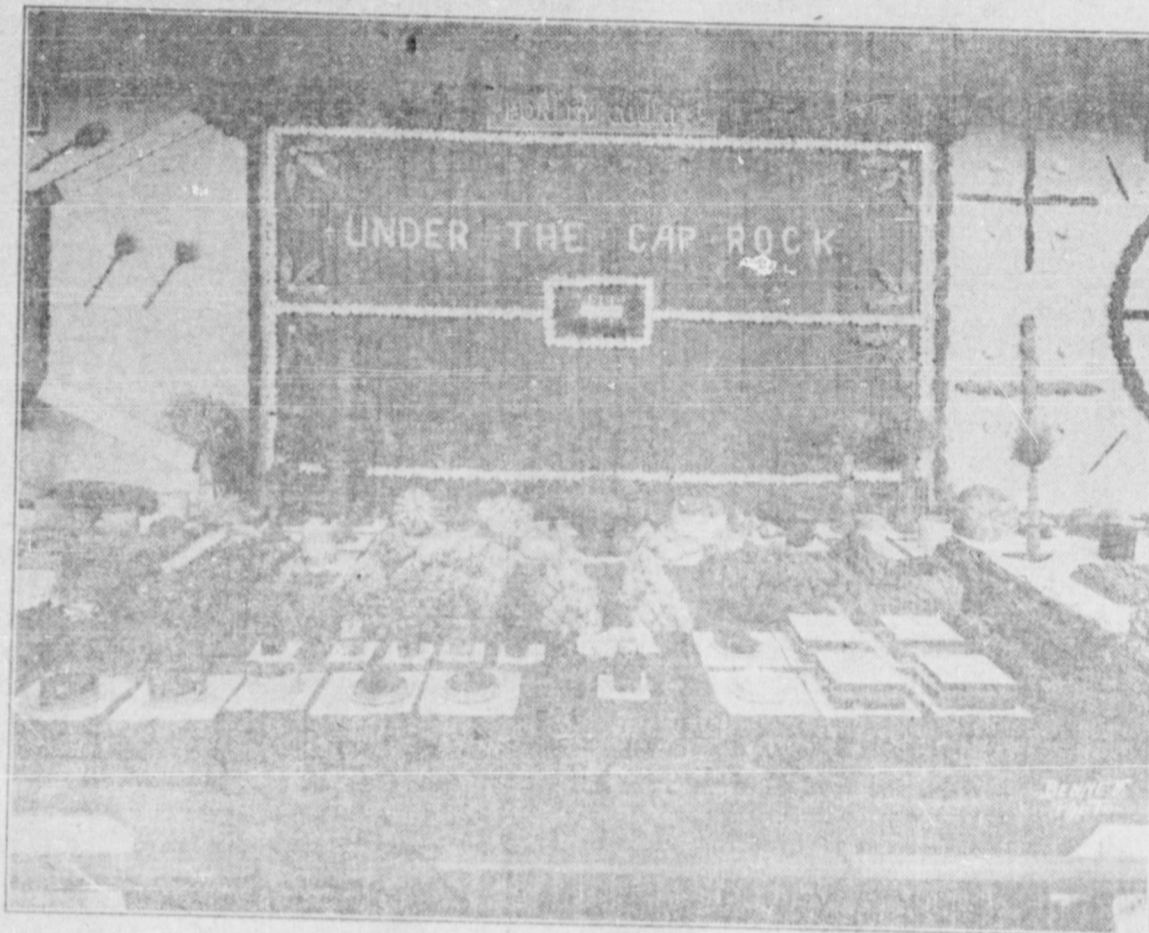
can be produced successfully in Donley County. See accompanying picture of Donley products.

Clarendon, Hedley, Giles, Lelia Lake, Jericho, Ashtola and McKnight are the towns in the County which afford market facilities for farm products and the best prices are always available. One of the best systems of dirt roads in the State radiate over the country affording the rural populace a method of transportation. The nature of the soil here makes it possible to maintain this system of highways at small cost, and the mixture of sand in the soil prevents their becoming impassable even in the rainiest season.

Donley has a land area of 580,000 acres, approximately one third of which is tillable, while the remainder is especially suited to ranching and grazing. Out of a possible 225,000 acres of tillable land only some 150,000 acres are already in cultivation, and the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce is at present conducting a colonization program for the purpose of tenantry the raw land that is susceptible to cultivation. A list of raw lands that can be successfully cultivated is being compiled for the information of the public and an effort is being made to get all of this possible placed on the market for cultivation. Some rare bargains in farming lands are to be had here and the Chamber of Commerce welcomes inquiries from interested persons.

With the passing of the large ranches Donley County, long noted for its ranching possibilities, is forging to the front as an agricultural territory, and as it has already been proven that this is one of the

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The Donley County Booth at the Dallas Fair, October 1924

### CLARENDON

Clarendon, the county-seat of Donley County, has a population of approximately 2750 enterprising citizens, and has the reputation of being one of the most progressive little cities in the Panhandle, and the distinction of being the oldest. Located on the Fort Worth and Denver railway, on the Colorado-Gulf Highway and Ozark Trail, in the heart of one of the richest farming sections and adjacent to some of the best grazing lands in the Panhandle, the little city has followed a program of steady and consistent growth in keeping with the development of its trade territory.

Public improvements have been made consistent with the demands and requirements. Clarendon can truthfully boast of one of the most modern water, light, sewer and telephone systems available, and in this capacity is one of the most attractive spots in which to live and do business. The citizenship is congenial, affable, progressive and enterprising, never sees a stranger and welcomes visitors with a smile and hand-shake as though they mean it.

The city has long been noted as a religious center and at present possesses seven church buildings valued at approximately \$180,000. Clarendon has one of the most efficient and complete public school systems in the Panhandle with three buildings aggregating a cost of \$175,000. The high school has 26 1-2 units of affiliation with other credits due in the near future. In this connection, Donley County as a whole has a school system to be envied, for Clarendon has long been noted as an educational center.

Clarendon College, a junior institution with equipment valued at \$500,000 and an annual enrollment of approximately 500 is located here, and established in 1897, has the distinction of being the oldest college in the Panhandle. The only one estab-

lished prior to 1900 that is still in existence. The Northwest Texas Conference has adopted a program in the interest of the College planning to make it a senior class "A" institution, and present indications are that the third year will be added in 1925, and thereafter it will be a regular four year degree giving college.

Clarendon is one of the few Panhandle towns of a similar size that boast a modern and attractive municipal building. The City hall was erected in 1918, houses the city offices, Chamber of Commerce, and has a swimming pool in the basement for the entertainment of the people, and who take advantage of the opportunity to enjoy the water during the summer months.

Clarendon can rightfully be termed a city of attractive homes, a congenial people, an educational center, and at the same time a city with a future. Many improvements are on the slate for the near future and development will continue with the progress of the trade territory. No fluctuations are expected overnight, but just a steady and consistent forward movement that has always marked the growth and expansion of the city.

Clarendon has three banks with progressive and capable men at their heads, which have ever provided ample funds for enterprise and development; and it is the prevailing opinion that the city is indeed facing an era of growth and expansion as yet unsurpassed.

### THE CLARENDON OF TOMORROW

Clarendon, Clarendon's trade territory and Donley County as a whole is indeed, if indications are read aright, facing an era of expansion and growth as yet unparalleled in the history of the city. A few years ago when the slump came, Clarendon like other portions of West Texas,

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# Clarendon, Donley County, Texas

## UNDER THE CAP ROCK

### Realm of Diversified Farming

#### CLARENDON

City of Educational Facilities

- County Seat Donley County
- Altitude 2750 feet
- Population 2750
- On F. W. D. C. railway
- On Colorado-Gulf Highway and Ozark Trail
- Paved Streets—Modern Courthouse
- Modern sewer, light, water, telephone system
- Steam Laundry, Ice Plant
- Three gins, three banks
- 92 business firms, city hall
- Country Club, Golf Links, Tourist Camp
- Seven churches, three school buildings
- School has 26 1-2 units of affiliation

#### CLARENDON COLLEGE

Equipment \$500,000, enrollment 500

### CLIP THIS COUPON

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### The Coming Country DONLEY COUNTY

Thirty-three years without a crop failure

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#### TOWNS

Clarendon, Hedley, Giles, Jericho, Ashtola, Lelia Lake.

LAND BARGAINS AVAILABLE

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# Chamber of Commerce

CLARENDON, TEXAS

### LAST OF GREAT HERDS OF BUFFALO WHICH ONCE ROAMED OVER PANHANDLE

Above are pictured a few of the 216 buffalos that Col. Charles Goodnight sacredly guards on his ranch in Armstrong County. Col. Goodnight, who is the oldest man in Armstrong County, also guards and cares for a large herd of deer. Col. Goodnight may offer the herd of buffalo to the State if money is appropriated for a park and game preserve.



(Fort Worth Record)

Col. Charles Goodnight, oldest man in Armstrong County, sacredly guards the last remnant of the Great Plains buffalo that once grazed over the fertile expanse of the Texas Panhandle. All that you see now, save the herd at Colonel Goodnight's ranch, as you motor through the rich milo maize, kaffir corn and cotton belt of Northwest Texas, is an occasional buffalo wallow, eternal, almost, as the hills of West Texas, eternal as Palo Duro Canyon itself.

When the buffalo made his wallow, he threw all of his ponderous weight into the soft, slimy, oozy black mud of the plains. And he liked the mud bath almost as much, if not more, than he did the dirt or dust bath when the plains were dry. When the buffalo hit the dirt, he hit it hard. And there isn't any sort of vegetation, not even the tenacious mesquite that dares to grow up over the spot where Slaggy King Buffalo made his bed. Now and then a little clump of white-topped milkweed will come up, forming an oval, like a football, around the buffalo bed-room. And there's a sure sign that a buffalo has been there long, long ago.

Surviving, then, these hardy animal kings of the plains, although they formed a mountain-like target for every arrow that the Kiowa or the Comanche Indian drew from his quiver in other days, are the 216 buffalos that Colonel Goodnight has determined to preserve. He knows them all, like little children, and he watches over them as fondly as any mother might watch her little brood. Not only that, Colonel Goodnight is the originator of the crossbreed of "cattalo" cattle. This is the cross produced by breeding the Polled Angus heifer to the buffalo bull. It pays too, in a commercial way.

Colonel Goodnight, interviewed at his pretentious ranch home about a mile or two out of the town of Goodnight, vouchsafed the information that, although the Polled Angus cattle that he had offered for sale, fetched an average of \$26 a head, the "cattalo" cattle brought \$45 a head. Therefore, he has more than one good reason for continuing the buffalo herd, apart from the merely sentimental one.

Colonel Goodnight fought the Kiowa and the Comanche alongside Col. William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill).

He also was with General Ross at the battle of Mule Creek, when Cynthia Ann Parker was recaptured from the Comanches. But that's another story. Colonel Goodnight is 87 years old, and his wife, now in the shadow and less vigorous than her picturesque husband, is 85 years old. They live every day with their memories of the past. And it's a romantic story, too—a story that began "way back yonder in Hickman, Ky., in 1871.

Colonel Goodnight's people came from near Frankfort, Ky. He went away with them from Illinois when he was 10 years old, and thence to Missouri, then to Colorado, then to Texas. But Colonel Goodnight had a sweetheart back in Kentucky—the home of his parents' boyhood and girlhood; and when after years of struggle in the Great West, he journeyed back to Kentucky, he wired his present help-mate to meet him in Hickman, and there their wedded life began. Then across the great wasteland of the West, not wanderers altogether, but pioneers and breathing the spirit of the pioneer, they found themselves in the shadow of the Palo Duro. Colonel Goodnight had more than one battle with both

the Kiowa and the Comanche.

The other evening, as he puffed on a big black cigar, with a little company of his Claude, Texas, friends and four members of the Texas State Park Board grouped around him, he said:

"You have to be to an Indian, so he won't find it out. If he catches you, you are gone. The Kiowa and Comanche tribes operated together for 150 years on these western plains. The Kiowas were Esquimaux; the Comanches have been out here since time immemorial. From caprock to caprock, at a point on the Edd Harrell ranch, near mine, is eleven miles; and it seldom is less than ten miles across.

"I know this was a loved spot of the old tribes, especially the Comanches, and a few years ago, when I staged a real live buffalo hunt, with an old 'cutl' as the target and a Comanche band of warriors, in their paint and feathers, as the hunters, I decided to take the old Comanche chief out to the spot where he once stood in the long, long ago, and let him see once more the canyon where his redskin warriors used to roam. The old Indian wept, as he looked across

the Palo Duro, and, to be honest about it, I found myself in tears too.

"That Canyon of the Palo Duro is 1,100 feet deep all the way at the Harrell ranch. It's a strange formation, a strange frisk of water cutting through sandstone, limestone clay and black earth. And yet, if you could move the Sonora Mountains in California and bring them together at the point where they have been divided by time and the elements into a canyon, you would find they would almost fit, after a million years of erosion.

"There's a great vein of salt in the Palo Duro, eighteen feet thick. There is a herd of deer down there, now, maybe two or three herds. They shot an old white-tailed buck there a year ago—and the fellow that shot him ought to have been shot himself, at sunrise. That buck was 10 years old.

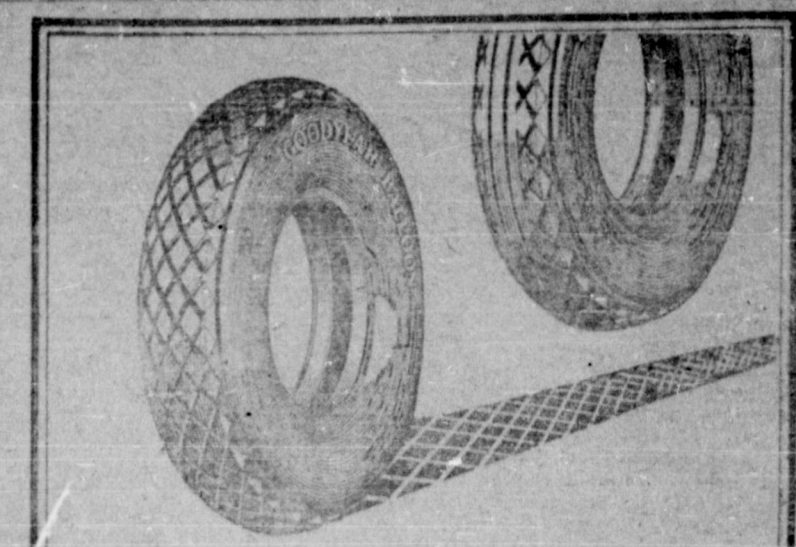
"There's a black-tailed buck down there, right now, the king of the herd, and they tell me he's got twelve points now, meaning that the black-tailed buck is 12 years old. I hope he stays down there just as long as the white man will let him live. I haven't

seen him lately, but I know he's there, because I have talked with people who saw him—not longer than a year ago, and I know they tell the truth.

"To get back to that old buffalo that the Comanche killed with his arrow. We skinned him, of course, and kept the head for trophy of the hunt. Then we dressed and quartered the carcass and had a real buffalo barbecue. When the State of Texas gets ready to establish a great park and game reserve in the Palo Duro, I'll give a pair of buffalo, maybe more than a pair."

And, as he said this, the Colonel leaned forward, with a twinkle in his eye, that indicated he might turn over the entire herd to the State of Texas, to preserve for all time as a relic of the dim and distant days of the pioneer.

Colonel Goodnight is a picturesque example of what life in the open will do for one. His great wavy, gray hair, his broad shoulders, quick eye and quick gesture all bespeak him as the type who lived the Life Unafraid. And he's unafraid now, even as the 90s stare him in the face.—Fort Worth Record.



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# DONLEY COUNTY STATE BANK

# PHOTOPLAYS

**FRIDAY 12TH** **PARAMOUNT PICTURE**  
 Walter Hiers in "FAIR WEEK." A comedy drama, this picture is a laugh getter, and one well worth seeing. Also "TWO FEET COMEDY."  
 10 and 35 cents

**SATURDAY 13TH** **FOX SPECIAL**  
 TOM MIX in "OH YOU TONY." Another thriller. Get ready for some new stunts, he never disappoints. Also "GOOD Comedy"  
 19 and 30 cents

**MONDAY, TUESDAY 14-15** **PARAMOUNT SPECIAL**  
 Cecil De Mille production presents **ROD LA ROCQUE** and a number of other real stars in "FEET OF CLAY." A novelty drama, gorgeous in every detail. One of Paramount's big ones. This is what we believe to be the feature of the week and one we especially want you to see. Also Fox Weekly.  
 10 and 35 cents

**WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY 17-18** **METRO PICTURE**  
 MAE MURRAY in "MADEMOISELLE MIDNIGHT." A thrilling romance of Old Mexico, featuring the wonderful gown for which this star is famous. One of the most colorful pictures of the season. Also "AESOP'S FABLES."  
 19 and 30 cents



FRIDAY



SATURDAY



WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY



Rod La Rocque, Julia Faye and Ricardo Cortez in Cecil B. DeMille's Production "Feet of Clay." A Paramount Picture

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

## PASTIME THEATRE

MATINEE 2 O'CLOCK

NIGHT SHOW 7:15

### "FAIR WEEK" IS SOME COMEDY

Step right this way, ladies and gentlemen, for the biggest and best show in town, with the biggest and best comedian of the screen!

Walter Hiers in his new Paramount picture, "Fair Week" opens at the Pastime Friday.

The story, by Walter Woods, is a small town comedy with touches of melodrama. It's a rapid-fire action picture with big scenes galore.

We wouldn't even attempt to describe the fallow rescue and parachute drop by the star and little Mary Jane Irving.

And when Hiers gets that false clergyman in the belfry of the church!

But why limit ourselves to one or two scenes. The entire production is just punch after punch, the first fight included.

Constance Wilson has the leading woman's role. It is the first time we have seen her on the screen, although she played a minor role in "The Covered Wagon" with her more prominent sister, Lois.

### MIX'S RANCH ROOM IN NEW PICTURE

An exact duplicate of Tom Mix's ranch bedroom at Mixville, Calif., is pictured in the star's new William Fox production, "Oh, You Tony!" which opens at the Pastime Theatre, Saturday, Dec. 13th.

The set is dressed with twenty pairs of Tom's boots, valued at more than \$800. There are ten suits and numerous overcoats hung on a clothes rack-brought from Mr. Mix's home.

There is the famous Mix \$1,500 leather saddle trimmed with sterling silver which he sometimes uses when riding his wonder horse Tony.

And another saddle which saw service when Tom fought in the Spanish-American War and won U. S. Merit.

There is Oklahoma and other states. A man's blanket given him by an Indian chief of the Oklahoma Reservation, is on the bed, and in a glass-enclosed rack, also brought from his home, are eight of his favorite rifles and several pistols given the star by numerous admirers.

### WAS MARTHA BROWN A GOOD WIFE?

Martha Brown was a good wife. Wasn't she economical? Hadn't she slanted since the day of her marriage? Think of the ways she had made her hat and dresses. Consider the hours and days painting and repairing and patching furniture. Of course Martha Brown was a good wife. At least the neighbors said so. And husband John said so. And for years Martha, too, had thought so.

But recently Martha Brown had a vision. After twenty years of the frugal economical wedded life she wondered if she had been wise and right.

There was Mary Adams who had married at the same time and whose husband had had no more than John. Now, Mary lived in the big, handsome residence on the hill and drove about in her seven passenger sedan.

And there was Alice White, living in the fashionable Apartment Hotel, Alice, too, had married a poor man.

And Martha pondered. She recalled how difficult it had been to teach John what she had called proper economy. She remembered how she lectured when he brought home that handsome gray hat the first year they were married. And she thought, too, of the time when she made him return the smart looking suit he had bought at Smith's Style Shop.

Had she done right? Harry Adams and George White had always dressed well—and they had become successful. Was there something more to life than thrift after all? Was there something more to life than stint and saving? Had her policy really retarded John? So Martha mused and came to the decision that altered and revolutionized their simple lives.

"John," she said that night, "your clothes are getting shabby. Better buy some new things. And John, dear," she continued, arising to stand close and stroke his head, "buy something better than the last outfit. Get yourself some better clothes. We can afford it and I want you to have a really smart suit and hat."

John did not know what it was all about but with the aid of the clothing salesman who told him of the newer styles, he bought a complete outfit—and next morning dressed for a day

at the office, leaving home, with Martha standing proudly at the door. "Good bye, dear," she said, "you look like a different man."

And John felt different. No longer did he hid his shabby tie and frayed collar behind his newspaper. Today, he greeted his old friend with assurance and joined heartily in the discussion of business and politics that usually took place on the way to the city.

The men, he noted, looked at him strangely, apparently unable to appreciate just what had happened.

And then—the day at the office. Never before had the firm called John into conference. Never before had the Old Man brought a valued prospect into John's office for his advice. Never before—well—all this happened eight months ago.

Today John is a junior partner and Martha, gradually forgetting her "stinting ways," is able to ride about in their automobile, and know the joy of living.

Clothes did it. And though Martha never admitted to John the sudden reason for her change of thought she had hung in her home a handsome hand lettered bit of philosophy attractively framed and reading, "Dress Well and Succeed."

### CLARENDON GRAIN COMPANY AGAIN TOPS LIST

The Clarendon Grain Company is again at the top of the list of Purina dealers for the Rangers Division of the Southwest. This division put the Clarendon Grain Company in competition with towns in Texas like Beaumont, Fort Worth, El Paso, Plainview and other booming centers of industry.

In commenting on the winnings of the company, the Purina bulletin on the matter states:

"First he won the bronze cow, then the bronze rooster, then the bronze mule, and then the pig and clock. What more need be said? He says it with results. Mr. Bennett has a squad of live wires to back him up. John Sims, Jim and 'Dove', the colored truck driver, all did noble service in making the quota. Incidentally Mr. Bennett made 200 per cent of his quota, not because he had a small quota, but because he sold more than twice as much Purina as has ever been sold before in Clarendon."

### PASTIME THEATRE SHOWS GROWTH WITH CLARENDON

Among the other businesses that have grown with the passing of the years in the Pastime Theatre owned by Homer Mulkey. Starting in the year 1907 in a building located on Main Street about the present location of the Connally building, the theatre has grown until at the present time, it is in its own building and is sometimes crowded for room when there is a special attraction.

Will Clower was the first owner of the theatre in Clarendon but did not hold the business for any great length of time. After a series of trades, the business finally fell into the hands of O. M. Harness who held it until Mr. Mulkey finally obtained possession of it on August 13, 1909 which happened to be Friday the 13th.

For the past sixteen years, the show has gradually progressed up the street and the standing of the theatre has grown to such an extent that all Clarendon is proud of the show in our city. It has the reputation of showing only the very best and latest shows that are to be obtained on the market. Many of the shows released on the local screen are so near the release date as to afford no publicity from other theatre owners. Many of the pictures are shown in



HOMER MULKEY Owner and manager, Pastime Theatre

Clarendon before the larger cities have shown them. As for the reputation for clean shows, there is not a show in the entire Panhandle whose screen has shown as many of the very best as have been shown in this city.

Since the opening of the show seventeen years ago, it has not been closed with the exception of the time during the "flu" epidemic, when all play houses were closed to the public. Even during the time of remodeling the show, the pictures were shown and the public was entertained in the usual hearty manner.

The growth of the show has been something that even the patrons are proud of. Starting in the tin house, now owned by D. O. Stallings and used as a warehouse, the show has grown from a 200 seat house to a 700 seat house and even now, there are times when the theatre could sell a larger to accommodate the crowds.

As for the equipment, there is no comparison between that of the present time and that used in the show when it was first started. At that time, the machines were crude as compared with those in use in the show at the present time. There was only one machine in the show and it was hand operated and not altogether satisfactory in its actions as to the correct projection of the pictures. Between each reel, there was a halt for the operator to re-wind his film to another reel and replace it with one to be run. Now, there are two machines in the booth, the reels are interchangeable and the operator rewinds his film with an electric motor while he is keeping the machine adjusted and free from trouble. Unless there is some mishap, the person viewing the picture does not know when the change is made from one reel to another. The machines are motor driven and run with such smoothness that the speed may be materially increased without marring the picture to any appreciable extent.

The danger from fire, one of the old time drawbacks to a movie show has been cut down to almost nothing. When the old time machine stopped, there was a flash and a roll of film was doomed to destruction. Now if the machine stops, there is an automatic shutter which cuts off the light and prevents the fire, which would inevitably follow with the old style machine.

The Pastime Theatre is truly an asset to Clarendon and the county of Donley. This is more appreciated by those who leave the city and come back to Clarendon after a visit in other towns of the Panhandle.

G. A. Palmer and wife and J. A. Morris, all of Hamlin, Texas, were in the city the latter part of last week attending the funeral of their father, G. F. Palmer.

### NEWS MAKES RECORD IN CONSECUTIVE NUMBER WORK

The News was lauded a bouquet of the best sort the latter part of last week by Caraway and Chase of this city. We had just completed a job of day tickets for them and this had recalled to Mr. Chase the fact that in the 10,000 tickets we have printed for him at different times, only one number being missing, the others all being present or accounted for.

We think this is quite a boost for the job department of the News and would be a recommendation for almost any shop anywhere.

## HOLIDAY WEEK Program

It has always been our custom to arrange for special attractions for Holiday Week.

**Monday, Tuesday 22-23**

"POLA NEGRI" in "THE PASSIONATE JOURNEY."

**Wednesday, Thursday 24-25**

MATT MOORE, ENID BENNETT and BARBARA LA MARR in "STRANGERS OF THE NIGHT"

**Friday 26th**

ROD LA ROCQUE and JACQUELINE LOGAN in "CODE OF THE SEA."

**Saturday 27th**

FRED THOMPSON in "DANGEROUS COWARD"

We wish you a Merry, Happy Christmas and a prosperous 1925.

We appreciate your patronage and pledge you clean, wholesome amusement for the coming year.

## PASTIME THEATRE

### NEW DEMILLE PICTURE "FEET OF CLAY" COMING

"Feet of Clay," the latest production for Paramount by the man who has shown for the first time in Clarendon at the Pastime Theatre next Monday and Tuesday. The story is one of New York and California and features Rod La Rocque, Vera Reynolds, Victor Varconi, Ricardo Cortez, Julia Faye, Theodore Kosloff and Robert Edson in the principal roles. It is an adaptation by Beulah Marie Dix and Bartram Millhauser of the sensation successful magazine story of that name by Marguerite

entertainment and that "something new" in motion pictures, we say don't miss "Feet of Clay."

### MAE MURRAY COMING IN MEXICAN PICTURE

Mae Murray, the Metro star, comes to the Pastime Theatre next week in her latest picture, "Mademoiselle Midnight," which is said to give her the best role she has ever had. The story, written by Carl Harbaugh and John Russell, concerns the daughter of a Mexican ranch owner, who is afflicted with an odd midnight madness. With this as a premise, the sensational successful magazine story of that name by Marguerite

style and she introduces some sensational dances. Monte Blue heads the supporting cast, which also includes Robert McKim, Robert Edson, John Sainpolis, Ouis Harlan, Nigel de Bruijn, and Nick de Ruiz. Oliver T. Marsh was the photographer. "Mademoiselle Midnight" is presented by Tiffany

Julia Faye, Amy's first sister, and her husband, played by Robert Edson.

If you're looking for real screen

### BOYS' MODERN, STEAM HEATED DORMITORY, CLARENDON COLLEGE



## MANY RAILROAD PROJECTS BEING PROPOSED FOR PLAINS COUNTRY—DEVELOPMENT CERTAIN TO FOLLOW

Curtis A. Keen, formerly of Clarendon, but now of Lubbock, one of the keenest students of the needs of West Texas at the present day, had the following to say about the railroad situation in the South Plains, in a special article in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, incidentally going on record as favoring the proposed Memphis, Lubbock & Roswell route over others which are being proposed at the present time.

"The South Plains needs another railroad. Several of them, in fact. But the development of this vast and exceedingly rich inland empire is not being held back awaiting the advent of the locomotive. Auto trucks are being used. They are, at least temporarily, solving the transportation problem incidental to the further development of this section of the state.

"Meanwhile railroad promoters—including those who have substantial backing and evidently mean business and others not so well financially connected—are surveying for three

the streets of Lubbock. Various groups of individuals have spent two, three or four days in the city, or driving over the country east and west of Lubbock, and saying nothing. Deeds are filed, transfers shown and other activities completed, but nothing absolutely authentic has been put out in a tangible form.

"A party of Central Texas capitalists spent several days in this section lately—compiling figures, checking up proposed routes and left with the announced intention of laying their conclusions before the development committees and directors of the Rock Island system.

**Takes Over Old Property**  
"Clifford Grunewald and Carey Shaw of Houston, together with J. N. Miller and others, spent several days in the Lubbock country recently. They filed a transfer of the Altus, Lubbock & Roswell property, consisting of a right-of-way and incomplete grade between Lubbock and Altus, that was purchased and construction work partially completed 16 years ago, before the Santa Fe built into this city, to the Memphis, Lubbock & Roswell Railroad Corporation, a newly organized company whose charter showing a \$250,000 paid up capital stock, was granted recently by the Texas Secretary of State.

"Both proposed routes open a wealth of undeveloped country whose natural resources compare most favorably with the present farming sections on the Plains and in West Texas. Both routes plan on continuing on into the Hockley, Cochran and Eastern New Mexico country, with Roswell as the western terminus.

"This is the section of the plains that is receiving the biggest colonization play just now. More than three million acres are being offered to the homeseeker and investor upon long terms with low rates of interest. It is estimated that more than 2,000 new farms will be opened in this new country, which is the common objective of every railroad project at present contemplated.

**One Proposed Route**  
"The route that is being urged before the officials of the Rock Island comes west from Dallas through Fort Worth, crossing part of Parker, Palo Pinto and Jack counties, via Graham in Young County, Throckmorton in the same named county, Munday in Knox County, Guthrie in King County and north of Dickens City in Dickens, thru the town of Afton. That brings it to the head of a natural canyon, or grade, that will put the road upon the Cap Rock at a cost that is not only not prohibitive but is estimated by engineers to be considerably less than the cost to the Santa Fe between Post City and Slaton.

"Arriving on the Plains the road would pick up the present branch at Crosbyton and come into Lubbock, thence west to Roswell through Hockley and Cochran counties, as outlined above.

### The Memphis Route

"Aside from the direct connection between Dallas, Fort Worth and the Plains, the latter named proposed road would possibly open up the most developed and profitable section of the two proposed routes.

"Starting from Wellington, where it would have a direct connection over the M. K. & T. with Kansas City, St. Louis and eastern points, the proposed road would come southwest through Memphis in Hall County, Quitaque in Briscoe—one of the most highly developed farming sections of the Plains unserved by a railroad, and a perfect cotton country—Curlew and Lockney in Floyd County, Petersburg in Hale County and on into Lubbock.

"Every foot of this route is through a highly profitable developed farming section, with a total of less than 10 per cent waste and within 20 miles of the road on either side, and one of the most consistently profitable cotton producing strips of territory on the entire Plains.

**Status of Third Route**  
"There is a third route that has been little discussed in the open but that is receiving the backing of the land owners of Hockley and Cochran counties. It starts at Lubbock and goes directly west through Hockley County to some temporary terminus in Cochran County that would be in line with further extension to Roswell in time.

"Contracts have been signed totalling toward the completion and operation of such a branch railroad.

**Q. A. & P. Extension**  
"One of the most logical railroad extensions or developments in this section, and one that has been discussed for many years and was originally contemplated in the construction of a branch that has been in operation for a number of years, is the extension of the Quanah, Aene & Pacific.

"It now runs from Quanah to Roaring Springs to Crosbyton, giving the Plains country a direct railroad connection with Kansas City, St. Louis and eastern markets, or a Fort Worth connection via the Fort Worth & Denver.

"Such an extension would logically come up the same natural canyon or approach to the Plains mentioned in connection with the first route outlined. Such an extension has already been approved in the past by the Railroad Commission of Texas.

**Spur-Crosbyton Link**  
"No discussion of proposed railroad construction on the Plains would ever be complete without mentioning the possible extension of the Stamford Northwestern branch that runs from

Stamford, in Jones County, through Haskell, Stonewall, Kent and Dickens counties to Spur. From the latter point, which is just below the Cap Rock, to Crosbyton, which is just above the Cap Rock, is about 40 miles.

"Such a route has been surveyed and with a loss of only a few miles from the direct or highway distance, the climb over the same canyon or natural approach mentioned previously.

**Situation Summarized**  
"To sum up the entire situation, much consideration is being given to various proposed railroad extensions on the South Plains. Just who will get ready to start first is surely problematical, and since every group known to be considering such construction in sawing food and saying little, the Plains country simply waits until an opportunity is given it to get busy.

"In the meantime, the Santa Fe sits by, looks wise and hauls almost a capacity volume of freight and passengers.

"With a transcontinental system that connects the Plains with the Northern and Eastern markets, a water outlet through Houston, and branch feeders to the productive centers of the Plains the Santa Fe is doing nicely, it is generally admitted.

"That every one of the proposed routes, projects and railroad possibilities mentioned have been carefully surveyed, checked up and complete data filed in the general offices of the system, is generally admitted."

### BURNING WHEAT STRAW IS A WASTEFUL PRACTICE

"It is true that millions of wheat straw stacks all over the Southwest prevent the use of a lot of land, but the common practice of burning straw and stubble causes a still greater loss," says H. B. Bainer, director of The Southwestern Wheat Improvement Association. Continuing he says: "Careful estimates show that the plant food and organic matter lost annually throughout the Southwest, as a result of burning straw, amount to fully \$60,000,000. Wheat farmers cannot afford this practice as their soils are already deficient in organic matter and fertility. In some of the older farming sections this deficiency amounts to as much as one-half of what the soil originally contained; therefore, any additional loss on account of burning straw and stubble is expensive.

"Sufficient organic matter improves the physical condition of the soil and makes tillage operations easier; it also reduces baking, cracking, washing and blowing. Organic matter is food for the indispensable bacteria of the soil. Organic matter and nitrogen go hand in hand, and when one is deficient the same is true of the other. A soil is known for its fertility, in proportion to the

organic matter and nitrogen it contains. Low wheat yields and poor quality of wheat are, therefore, largely due to the lack of these two elements.

"As much of the straw as possible should be left on the field in the form of stubble. This is fairly well solved by the header and is completely solved by the harvester-thresher. Harvesting with a binder is at fault because it removes too much of the straw from the field. As far as possible, wheat straw should be stacked in corrals or feed lots, where the feeding and tramping by the stock will assist in rotting. Straw that cannot be spread over the fields or cannot be handled in feed lots should be stacked where it can remain for rotting until it is ready to be hauled out as manure."

G. E. Palmor of Amarillo was in the city Thursday of last week attending the funeral of his uncle, G. P. Palmor of this city.

Robert Wilson, former manager of the Shamburger Lumber Company of this city and now acting in that same capacity in Paducah was in Clarendon the latter part of last week on a hunting trip. He reports that the company in Paducah has done a good business the past year and that they are planning the construction of sheds in that city that will compare favorably with the ones now in use in Clarendon. He said things around his home town were on the boom and that everything looked fine for a record year in 1925.

Rutherford Gift Novelties at Ethel Rutherford's Shoppe. (421st)

Please have your schedule made out when farm census enumerator calls for it. (51c)

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boliver of Hedley were in the city Friday of last week. While they were here, Ed was a pleasant caller in the News office.

## How much capital at 5% would give you an Adequate Income?



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## PASSING OF PLAINS' GREAT RANCHES

Many of the "old-timers" are perhaps, viewing with misgivings the steady flow of immigrant farmers to the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, and the breaking up of many of the famous ranches as inducements for their coming. Lands, which from the earliest days have known only the tread of the Indian and buffalo, and later the ranchman and his stock, are now echoing to the breaking of virgin sod with the plow. It is not a strange or unnatural movement, only an inevitable change which awaits the development of the west to such a stage as to demand it. Lands in the humid and semihumid regions and irrigable lands in any country have always yielded greater returns to the owner in crops than as range lands.

The years 1923-24 have witnessed the passing of many ranches known throughout the range country into the hands of individuals whose intentions were to cross-fence and sell in small tracts to settlers in order that their productivity might be increased. Rumors of other deals are current which in some cases will take several years to complete. Who in West Texas has not heard of the Yellow House Ranch in Lamb, Bailey, Cochran and Hockley Counties, which formerly belonged to Littlefield & White. This ranch, in two bodies of 120,000 and 105,000 acres has been sold to Austin capitalists at reported prices totaling about \$3,000,000. Press reports state that the South Matador Ranch of some 300,000 acres in Dickens, Motley and adjoining counties will be cut up into farming tracts. The Cowden "G" Ranch was sold during the past month to O. B. Holt for a reported cash consideration of \$100,000. Other ranches sold for colonization in the past few years are the Parramore and Howard lands, Higginbotham, Jeter, Dalmont, Sam Waring, part of the Slaughter Estate part of the Herring ranch, Kirkland, James Bros., and others too numerous to mention. These are no doubt fore-runners of many others. Colonization of these two sections will not be an overnight job, but will take several years to perfect, and the effect it will have on the agricultural production of the country will not be felt in influencing proportion for some time to come. Its growth will be a steady rise and not a flood tide.

The agricultural possibilities of these two regions, empiric in extent, containing some 40,000 square miles of land, of which about 70 per cent is adapted for cultivation, is not a discovery of the past few years, but it is within this time that colonization has reached its present greatest intensity. Up to the '90s, this area had a population of about 500, mostly in the employ of the ranches. In the late '90s the first feed was grown and about the opening of the Twentieth Century, the first settlers came

to wrest a living from the soil. The coming of the railroads in late years opened the way for greater development, and each successive year has witnessed an increasing exploitation of the ranch lands.

Who thought ten or fifteen years ago that by 1924 a Hereford paper would print between each article "More People-More Farms" and a Texhoma paper "Plant Some Cotton," that Hale County would take first prize in agricultural exhibits at the Texas State Fair; that the Plains would gin 98,000 bales of cotton in one season; that the papers at Lubbock, Amarillo, Dalhart, Seminole, Higgins, Plainview, Littlefield, Canyon, and other cities would rank crops with live stock notes as news items; that hog production would rank with other sections; that it would be appropriate to ask a stranger from West Texas, "Are you a farmer or a ranchman?"

Texas grows about one-seventh of the world's cotton, and Dallas claims that one-half this amount is raised within 100 miles of the Dallas County courthouse. Men at Lubbock quote authorities as saying that in ten years one-third of the Texas crop will be grown within 70 miles of that city. Be this as it may, the Panhandle and South Plains have a brilliant future as cotton sections not only on account of the fact that nature gave the land that which is necessary for cotton growth, that 75 per cent of the annual average rainfall of 10.09 inches comes in the five producing months when cotton most needs the moisture, but because that up to the present the boll weevil is unknown in this high altitude.

Some sections say the South Plains is going "cotton crazy," a statement vigorously denied by those most interested in its future, who claim the people have seen the disaster of the one-crop system in the eastern states of the cotton belt, and that diversification with cane, kaffir, milo, and other grains and roughages will form the balance which will bring the greatest possible wealth to the people.

The foregoing does not in any sense indicate that cattle raising, even in this section, is to become a lost art. The industry must revolutionize itself the same as it did in the passing of the open range and the "long horn". At that time it was the cry that the cattleman was doomed, and many men vividly recall the old "fence-cutter" days. The cowman must pass to the farmer the lands best suited to him, must "render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's", and confine himself to the semiarid regions where the grass as a rule is more palatable than in a farming section, where the cold is less intense and less care and shelter are required, either due to the natural warmth of the

weather or the topography of the country, where disease and animal parasites are more easily controlled, and lastly, where the lands will yield no greater returns than as cattle ranges.

The cattle industry is passing through critical times. Unfavorable markets, enforced liquidation destroying future equity in the sacrifice of breeding herds, high taxation and high interest on loans, freight burdens, and the drawing in of many financial avenues has forced the cattleman to take "any port in a storm." Colonization has been and will be the financial salvation of many cattlemen who have lived solely from the sales of their beef cattle.

Ranching is a fixture in American life. Messrs. Baker and Strong of the Department of Agriculture made a survey of this question a few years ago, and are authority for the following table showing the present and future landed division of the United States:

Present range lands and unimproved pastures, 39.3 per cent; potential, 32.4 per cent. Cities, roads, etc., present, 2 per cent; potential, 2 per cent. Deserts not grazed, present, 2 per cent; potential 2 per cent. Improved lands in farms, present 25.2 per cent; potential, 44.7 per cent. Forest and woodland, present, 31.5

per cent; potential, 18.9 per cent.

These figures are quoted by Dr. B. Youngblood, director of the experiment station of the Texas A. & M. College, in his bulletin, "An Economic Study of a Typical Ranching Area on the Edwards Plateau of Texas," and were the basis of his address before the forty-sixth convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association at Fort Worth in March, 1922. Dr. Youngblood states that in Texas we are fast approaching the limit of our farming area, and that probably for all time Texas will have a greater area devoted to grazing than to the production of crops.

The time has come, however, when the old order must be changed in the South Plains and Panhandle districts, and it will have its influence on every part of the range country. The cattlemen must raise better cattle, quicker maturing cattle, and more care and more business methods as a rule, employed. Forage easily accessible to the range will prove a boon in that more head per acre may be grazed, and some authorities predict that an increase in the total number of cattle will be shown.

It has not been so very many years ago that beef was eaten only from mature cattle. Stock yards receipts for the past two or three years would

be alarming to the cattleman of 1909 in the number of calves marketed. What would he have thought of the various feeder-calf associations and the baby beef clubs of the present day? Under the old system financial interests received turnovers several years apart, while under the present and future system these turnovers are more frequent and more cattlemen are thereby served.

A haphazard business can not be a success in the face of present day competition from the Argentine and Australia. These countries can deliver beef to our seaboard cheaper than the western states can supply it. The percentage of loss from exposure, disease, and other factors must not be regarded as a matter of course but must be reduced to a minimum. The new order will call for fewer head per man. Cattle raising is a big and caretaking proposition, and the banks have learned the folly of giving a checkbook to every man who could lease a little grass.

The future calls for close co-operation between the farmer and the live stock man. Joint farming and ranching enables a man to equalize his seasons of greatest effort, and to the stock farmer will fall the burden of supplying the greatest stock yards receipts of the future. Already train-load shipments by one individual are

becoming rare in proportion to the whole.

All in all, the farmer has come to the South Plains and the Panhandle, and he has come to stay. It behooves the cattleman to make the best he can of the situation, and in the future accept the areas for his range which nature provided most appropriately for his needs.—The Cattleman.

### GEORGE FRANKLIN PALMER

George Franklin Palmer departed from this life Wednesday, December third at the age of sixty-four years, nine months and five days. At the time of his death, he was confined to a hospital in Fort Worth and was supposedly recovering from an accident which occurred to him some two months ago while crossing the railroad near Lelia Lake. His body was brought back to this city and was interred in the Citizens Cemetery after services had been held in the Church of Christ by Elder Robert Price. The services were held last Thursday morning at 11:00 o'clock.

George Franklin Palmer was born March 8, 1860 in Iowa, at the age of 21 he moved to Texas and settled in Erath County, where he married Mrs. Ramma Morris on January 19, 1889. Of this union, there were nine children, four of whom preceded him to the better world. All the living children with the exception of a son, Oscar, were present at the last rites. Deceased united with the Church of Christ in 1890 at Live Oak, Texas and up to the time of his death was strong in the faith and was confident that he would be ready when his name was called.

Deceased is survived by two brothers, J. E. and W. H. Palmer, both of Dublin, Texas, his wife, Mrs. G. F. Palmer who is living southwest of this city, five sons, G. A. of Hamlin, Texas; Doss of Lelia Lake, Oscar, Little Rock, Arkansas; E. L. and Elmer, both of whom live with his wife and a stepson, J. A. Morris of Hamlin.

For the past several years, he has lived in Lelia Lake, moving to the O. C. Hill place southwest of this city about two years ago.

Out of town relatives who were present at the last rites are as follows: J. A. Morris, stepson of Hamlin, Texas; G. A. Palmer and wife of Hamlin, Texas; Doss Palmer, wife and son of Lelia Lake and G. E. Palmer, nephew, of Amarillo, Texas. The other son, Oscar is confined to a hospital in Little Rock, Arkansas, and was unable to attend the final ceremonies of his father.

### OUR COLORED CITIZENS ARE ASSET TO TOWN

Among the many other assets of the city of Clarendon should be listed the colored population of the little settlement on the north side of the railroad track. A person would be forced to travel a long way and ex-

amine many towns before a populace of colored folk could be found that would compare in the least with those who live in Clarendon. It might be said that they are the most peaceable part of the city, they know their place and keep it as no other set of folk in town. They have their own little city, composed of twelve families, ten of whom own their own homes. They have a school that contains a number of small colored folk who are being taught the three "R's" under the tutelage of a colored teacher, two churches are also added to their assets and a masonic lodge with a number of the foremost colored citizens as members. Clarendon would be at a loss to know what to do without her colored folk as they are always ready and willing to help them in any way possible.

The first colored persons to come to Clarendon was Dick Bates, who came with the railroad to the city. Many others came and went after him and left the second honors to George Dan Sauls, Sr. Close on his heels comes Jane Briscoe, then Frank Martin and Abby Parker. Uncle Abby has been here since 1906, coming here from Mobeetie, where he moved from Arlington. He was born in 1853 and was owned by one of the first settlers of Parker County.

The colored folk of the city are an asset to be sure and our people are justly proud of them.

Tom Connally returned Friday of last week from a business trip to Matador and the surrounding vicinity.

### WEST POINT LAYS VICTORIES ON GRID TO PRAYERS

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 1.—The West Point football team prayed before every game played in the past season, Capt. Edward Garbisch asserted in his last speech to the team. He attributed the team's victories partly to the prayers.

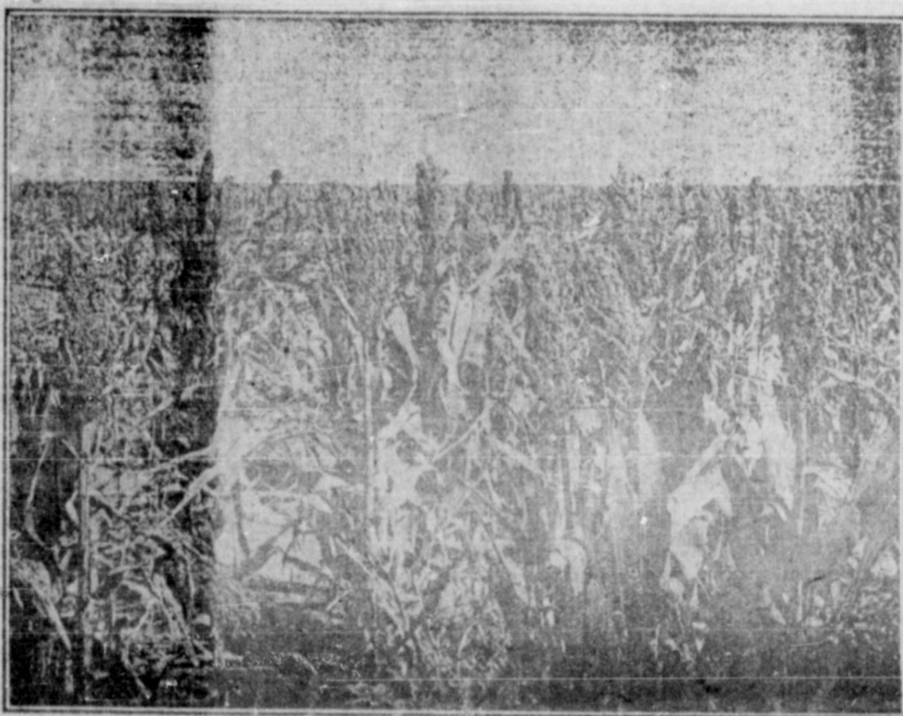
Standing on top of the stagecoach from which captains of Army elevens have traditionally made their last speeches to the teams, Captain Garbisch said yesterday.

"Before every game this year, whether that game seemed to be a hard one or an easy one, every man of the squad prayed. We did not pray for victory, only that we might acquit ourselves like men. And after the game Saturday every man on the eleven tore off his head gear and thanked God fervently for the victory."

The man who beat the Navy by his four dropkicks Saturday was wildly cheered by the 1,200 cadets who had gathered to welcome home the players.

Speaking of stingy folks, we heard of one the other day who has the world beat in this quality. It was said that this man was so stingy that he sarg through his nose to prevent wear and tear on his false teeth.

## MAIZE AND KAFFIR PRODUCED A GREAT SURPLUS FEED CROP IN DONLEY COUNTY THIS YEAR



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Robstown, Texas

Hubert Ziegler, prominent farmer from North of the river dropped into the News office the latter part of last week and added his name to the long list getting their mail on the Jericho route.

Fred Chamberlain returned to this city the latter part of last week after spending a few days in Dallas, where his wife is seriously ill in a hospital. Mrs. Chamberlain is reported to be improving.

Mrs. J. A. Stogall and Miss Elizabeth have gone to Clovis, where they will spend the winter with Mrs. Stogall's daughter.

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**POSTED NOTICE**  
The public is hereby warned that hunting and wood hauling is forbidden in the R. O. pasture. All trespassers will be vigorously prosecuted.  
W. J. Lewis.

Plenty of money at 7-11-2 and 3 per cent according to amount. See Leon O. Lewis. (204fc)

**POSTED NOTICE**  
The public is hereby warned that hunting and wood hauling is forbidden in the E. W. Bromley pasture. All trespassers will be vigorously prosecuted.  
Mrs. E. W. Bromley.

**POSTED NOTICE**  
This is to notify the public that all of the J. A. pastures are posted and hunting, trapping or fishing is not permitted and all trespassers will be prosecuted.  
J. W. Kent, Supt.  
Rustcraft Gift Novelties at Ethel Rutherford's Shoppe. (42fc)

**APPEAL TO CUSTOMERS**  
Please put out your bottles every day. Those who buy at the markets please return them promptly. An accumulation of empties not only causes a shortage with us at times, thereby crippling our service to you but increases breakage and loss to us. We do our best to give good service. You can help us in this by returning bottles promptly.  
We have engaged the service of a young man and wife, who have had a life long experience in dairying. We expect them by Nov. 15th. We then expect to begin improvements and install labor saving machinery and be able to give you better service and better milk.  
PARK'S DAIRY. (45fc)

**STOP THAT ITCHING**  
If you suffer from any form of skin diseases such as Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Poison Oak, Ring Worm, Old Sores or Sores on Children. We will sell you a Jar of BLUE STAR REMEDY on a guarantee. It will not stain your clothing and has a pleasant odor.  
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## NOTICE OF SALE UNDER ORDER OF SALE

No. 162 In Equity.  
In The United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas—Amarillo Division

COMMERCE TRUST COMPANY VS. C. T. WORD, ET AL  
WHEREAS, by virtue of an order of sale issued out of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, Amarillo Division, on a judgment and decree rendered in said court on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1924, in favor of Commerce Trust Company, a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Missouri, with its principal office and place of business in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, and against C. T. Word, Laura J. Word, Lola Word, W. G. Word, Harry Word, Millard R. Word, and W. D. Word, for the sum of Two Hundred Seventy-seven Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-three and 79/100 (\$277,373.73) Dollars with interest at the rate of Six (6) per cent interest thereon from the 25th day of February, 1924, and for the additional sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars as attorney's fees, with Six per cent interest on both said sums from the date of said decree until paid, being numbered 162 In Equity on the Docket of said court, together with a judgment of foreclosure as against the said C. T. Word, Laura J. Word, Lola Word, W. G. Word, Harry Word, Millard R. Word, W. D. Word, and others, I did on the 17th day of November, A. D. 1924, at one o'clock, p. m., levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land situated in the counties of Donley, Hall, Oldham and Potter, and being the identical lands described in said order of sale issued in said cause on the 15th day of November, A. D. 1924, and belonging to the said C. T. Word, Laura J. Word, Lola Word, W. G. Word, Harry Word, Millard R. Word and W. D. Word, to-wit:

All of a 381 acre tract being a part of Survey No. 152, Certificate No. 1477, Patent No. 482, Volume 37, lying South and West of the right-of-way and the railroad track of the F. W. & D. C. Ry. Company.

All of all of survey No. 150, Certificate No. 1139, Patent No. 320, Volume 21, and containing 659.3 acres; also all of survey No. 151, Certificate No. 1473, Patent No. 519, Volume 22, and containing 439 acres; also all of survey No. 156, Certificate No. 1479, Patent No. 695, Volume 22, and containing 649 acres; also all of survey No. 184, Certificate No. 1126, Patent No. 574, Volume 22, and containing 649 acres; also all of survey No. 186, Certificate No. 1127, Patent No. 260, Volume 24, and containing 649 acres; also all of survey No. 180, Certificate No. 1489, Patent No. 576, Volume 22, and containing 649 acres; also all of survey No. 192, Certificate No. 1130, Patent No. 575, Volume 22, and containing 649 acres; all in Block 9, original grantee B. S. & F.

Also, all of survey No. 6, Block Z-6, Certificate No. 242, Patent No. 614, Volume 23, Original Grantee John Gibson and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of survey No. 3, Block Z-6, Certificate No. 228, Patent No. 323, Volume 23, Original Grantee, John Gibson and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 8, Block 20-F, Certificate No. 386, Patent No. 28, Volume 23, Original Grantee, E. L. & R. R. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 2, Block 20-F, Certificate No. 388, Patent No. 85, Volume 22, Original Grantee, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 2, Certificate No. 158, Patent No. 615, Volume 23, Original Grantee, B. S. & F., and containing 641 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 10, Block "JAD", Certificate No. 1281, Patent No. 59, Volume 23, Original Grantee B. S. & F., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of survey No. 6, Block 20-F, Certificate No. 387, Original Grantee, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 10, Block 20-F, Certificate No. 390, Original Grantee E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 12, Block 20-F, Certificate No. 389, Original Grantee, E. L. & R. R. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 14, Block 20-F, Certificate No. 391, Original Grantee, E. L. & R. R. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 4, Block 21-W Certificate No. 1159, Original Grantee, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 2, Block No. 2, Certificate No. 58-G, Original Grantee, D. & W. Ry. Co., and containing 789 acres.

Also, all of Survey No. 2, Certificate No. 3475, Original Grantee, G. C. & S. F. Ry. Co., and containing 663 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 4, Block Z-6, Certificate No. 259, Original Grantee, J. H. Gibson, and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 16, Block "JAD", Certificate No. 174, Original Grantee, B. S. & F., and containing 640 acres;

Also, all of Survey No. 8, Block Z-6, Certificate No. 1489, Original Grantee, B. S. & F., and containing 640 acres; all of the above described tracts situated in Potter County, Texas, and containing a total of 15,377.5 acres.

Also, all of Survey No. 4, Block No. 2, Certificate No. 59-G, Original Grantee, D. & W. Ry. Co., situated in Potter and Oldham Counties, Texas, and containing 779 acres.

### THE FOLLOWING TRACTS ARE WHOLLY IN HALL COUNTY, TEXAS

Sec't.	Cert. No.	Block No.	Original Grantee	Patentee	Patent No.	Acres
2	S. S.	B	John G. Adair	John G. Adair	509	7 840
3	S. S.	B	John G. Adair	John G. Adair	804	6 840
7	S. S.	B	John G. Adair	John G. Adair	513	7 258.1
8	S. S.	B	John G. Adair	John G. Adair	514	7 640
14	S. S.	B	John G. Adair	John G. Adair	508	7 640
3	X	W. H. Martin	Chas. Goodnight	52	10 640	
4	X	W. H. Martin	Chas. Goodnight	51	10 234	
8	2201	J. Pointevent	J. D. Joyce	18	22 640	
9	2202	J. Pointevent	W. H. Davis	439	23 640	
Upt	1	C. L. Benson	C. L. Benson	154	26 283.5	
5	22-	J. Pointevent	J. Pointevent	116	26 640	
8	2200	J. Pointevent	R. C. Pope	58	45 610	
18	2206	J. Pointevent	J. B. Pope	59	45 610	
19	2107	J. Pointevent	J. Pointevent	123	26 640	
pt. 9	Z	L. W. Carhart	L. W. Carhart	57	45 271.8	
10	Z	L. W. Carhart	I. W. Carhart	58	45 104	
pt. 2	X	W. H. Martin	Chas. Goodnight	82	10 402.3	

### THE FOLLOWING TRACTS ARE PARTLY IN HALL AND PARTLY IN DONLEY COUNTIES

Sec't.	Cert. No.	Block No.	Original Grantee	Patentee	Patent No.	Acres
pt. 10	B	J. G. Adair	J. G. Adair	500	7	634.06
9	B	J. G. Adair	J. G. Adair	515	7	640
13	B	J. G. Adair	J. G. Adair	506	7	640
4	B	J. G. Adair	J. G. Adair	510	7	640
1	B	J. G. Adair	J. G. Adair	310	6	640
27	A	Gunter & Munson	Gunter & Munson	425	2	640
28	A	Gunter & Munson	Gunter & Munson	424	2	640
29	A	Gunter & Munson	Gunter & Munson	418	2	640

### THE FOLLOWING TRACTS ARE WHOLLY IN DONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

Sec't.	Cert. No.	Block No.	Original Grantee	Patentee	Patent No.	Acres
171	262	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co.	Adair & Goodnight	581	87 640
163	251	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	543	87 640
149	268	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	542	87 640
147	250	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	579	87 640
141	347	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	569	87 640
161	358	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	575	87 640
145	240	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	580	87 640
151	267	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	544	87 640
165	269	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	574	87 640
159	257	B	Denison & Pacific R. R.	Adair & Goodnight	576	87 640
30	S. S.	A	Gunter & Munson	Gunter & Munson	309	2 640
25	S. S.	A	Gunter & Munson	Gunter & Munson	418	2 640
24	S. S.	A	Gunter & Munson	Gunter & Munson	425	2 640
142	247	E	Denison & Pacific R. R.	G. C. Ferguson	132	22 640
172	262	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co.	J. F. Gardner	440	19 640
162	268	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co.	Chas. F. Phillips	443	19 640
145	250	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co.	J. F. Gardner	441	19 640

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### SISTERS MEET FOR FIRST TIME IN NINETEEN YEARS

For the first time in nineteen years the four remaining daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Warren met to enjoy the Thanksgiving vacation. They are Mrs. W. B. Landers, Grandfalls, Texas; Mrs. J. B. Gunter, Amberst, Texas; Mrs. J. L. Parsons, Breckenridge, Texas; and Mrs. T. N. Jones, Clarendon, Texas. They met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gunter where they spent an enjoyable week.

besides the three visiting sisters, two sisters of Mr. Gunter, Mrs. Marvin Lindsey and four children, Mrs. Robert Garrison and husband from Abilene. Several others also enjoyed the day there, the newly married daughter and son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gunter, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Johnson, the Misses Eva and Edith Landers, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Landers of Grandfalls, Texas; Misses Juanita Jones and Frances Parsons, small daughters of Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Parsons.

and Mrs. Virgil Johnson, which was indeed very pleasant to all present. From the home of Mrs. Gunter entertained the young people of the community with a party which everyone enjoyed to the fullest extent. During the evening a "candy breaking" was held in the "good old-fashioned way". It was enjoyed by the younger generation very much and there was much laughter and joking on the part of the latter.

W-1-2	138	246	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co.	Phillip Thomas	145	22	320
164	251	B	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Chas. F. Phillips<td>462</td><td>19</td><td>640</td></td>	Chas. F. Phillips <td>462</td> <td>19</td> <td>640</td>	462	19	640	
150	252	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Phillip Thomas<td>510</td><td>19</td><td>640</td></td>	Phillip Thomas <td>510</td> <td>19</td> <td>640</td>	510	19	640	
91	GT	Adair & Goodnight	Adair	Goodnight	572	7	256.0	
pt. 146	249	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Stockett</td> <td>485</td> <td>19</td> <td>610</td>	Stockett	485	19	610	
pt. 108	261	B	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Adair &amp; Goodnight</td> <td>582</td> <td>57</td> <td>528.2</td>	Adair & Goodnight	582	57	528.2	
pt. 170	261	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Phillip Thomas</td> <td>464</td> <td>19</td> <td>565.8</td>	Phillip Thomas	464	19	565.8	
pt. 50	GT	Adair & Goodnight	Adair	Goodnight	520	7	57.4	
152	253	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Murphy</td> <td>43</td> <td>41</td> <td>640</td>	Murphy	43	41	640	
157	256	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Adair &amp; Goodnight</td> <td>578</td> <td>57</td> <td>640</td>	Adair & Goodnight	578	57	640	
153	255	F	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Adair &amp; Goodnight</td> <td>577</td> <td>57</td> <td>640</td>	Adair & Goodnight	577	57	640	
pt. 167	260	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Adair &amp; Goodnight</td> <td>573</td> <td>57</td> <td>525.8</td>	Adair & Goodnight	573	57	525.8	
S-1-2	156	255	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Johns</td> <td>138</td> <td>22</td> <td>320</td>	Johns	138	22	320
pt. 26	GT	Adair & Goodnight	Adair	Goodnight	114	10	182	
pt. 166	259	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Chas. D. Murphy</td> <td>47</td> <td>41</td> <td>635.2</td>	Chas. D. Murphy	47	41	635.2	
143	248	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Adair &amp; Goodnight</td> <td>540</td> <td>57</td> <td>640</td>	Adair & Goodnight	540	57	640	
140	246	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>G. C. Ferguson</td> <td>134</td> <td>22</td> <td>640</td>	G. C. Ferguson	134	22	640	
144	248	F	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Murphy</td> <td>44</td> <td>41</td> <td>640</td>	Murphy	44	41	640	
W-1-2	4701	CG	GC & SF Ry. Co. <td>Wm. D. Pike</td> <td>237</td> <td>30</td> <td>640</td>	Wm. D. Pike	237	30	640	
pt. 63	HD	W. M. Cross	G. C. Ferguson	132	22	320		
67	HD	W. M. Cross	W. M. Cross	40	41	179.9		
160	257	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>W. M. Cross</td> <td>42</td> <td>41</td> <td>640</td>	W. M. Cross	42	41	640	
158	256	E	Denison & Pacific Ry. Co. <td>Chas. D. Murphy</td> <td>45</td> <td>41</td> <td>640</td>	Chas. D. Murphy	45	41	640	
E-1-2	98	CG	GC & SF Ry. Co. <td>Murphy</td> <td>45</td> <td>41</td> <td>640</td>	Murphy	45	41	640	
97	4681	CG	GC & SF Ry. Co. <td>J. H. Clark</td> <td>521</td> <td>27</td> <td>320</td>	J. H. Clark	521	27	320	
				F. E. Hopkins	12	39	640	

Being an aggregate of 28,280.8 acres of land, more or less, said lands above described being more fully described in deed of trust, decree foreclosure said deed of trust, and order of sale, to which reference is made.

And at the same time, to-wit, November 17th, 1924, I levied upon the remnant of cattle covered by chattel mortgage executed by the said C. T. Word and wife, Laura J. Word, Lola Word, W. G. Word, Harry Word, Millard R. Word and W. D. Word to the Commerce Trust Company, dated December 24th, 1921, said remnant of cattle so covered and described in said mortgage being about thirty-six head; and upon the following work horses, to-wit:

Seven work horses, described in said chattel mortgage as being from five to seven years old; Thirteen mares, described in said chattel mortgage as being from five to twelve years old; Twenty-two saddle horses, described in said chattel mortgage as being from four to eight years old; Four mules, described in said chattel mortgage as being from three to six years old, and branded T-T on the left side; Twenty-three work horses, described in said chattel mortgage as being from five to twelve years old; Thirteen mules, described in said chattel mortgage as being from four to twelve years old; Thirty-two saddle horses, described in said chattel mortgage as being from four to ten years of age, and branded T-T, and being on the Foster County Ranch.

Also, ten mules, five to ten years old; four work horses, five to eight years old; twenty-seven saddle horses, five to ten years old; all branded T-T on the left side, and at the date of the execution of said mortgage of the acres aforesaid and then located in Donley County, Texas.

Being all the work horses, saddle horses, mules and mares owned by the said C. T. Word and wife, Laura J. Word, Lola Word, W. G. Word, Harry Word, Millard R. Word and W. D. Word.

And I, the undersigned, Ray Wheatley, as Special Master Commissioner, duly appointed by the order of this Court, on the first Tuesday of January, A. D. 1925, the same being the sixth day of January, A. D. 1925, between the hours of ten a. m. and four o'clock, p. m., on said date, at the court house in the City of Clarendon, Donley County, Texas, will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said C. T. Word, Laura J. Word, Lola Word, W. G. Word, Harry Word, Millard R. Word and W. D. Word in and to said property, for the satisfaction of said judgment and decree aforesaid.

### SAVINGS OF THE GREAT

Adam—"It was a great life if you didn't weaken."  
Plotarch—"I am sorry that I have not more lives to give to my country."  
Samson—"I'm strong for you, kid."  
Jonah—"You can't keep a good man down."  
Cleopatra—"You are an easy Mark Anthony."  
David—"The bigger they are the harder they fall."  
Helen of Troy—"So this is Paris. I'm going, but I'm on my way."  
Salome (singing of the dance)—"Let's have done with the wiggle and wobble."  
Nera—"Keep the home fires burning."  
Solomon—"I love the ladies."  
Noah—"It floats."  
Methuselah—"The first hundred years are the hardest."  
Queen Elizabeth to Sir Walter Raleigh—"Keep your shirt on."  
—Tampico Legionnaire.

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### WEST TEXAS COUNTIES LEAD LIST IN AWARDS OF DALLAS STATE FAIR

Twenty years ago had all West Texas been compelled to place county exhibits at a State Fair, there probably would have been a few ears of better corn, some milk maids and a few other results of "dry farming" methods to be seen.

Today that is all changed. The West has moved west until it is practically all on the other side of the Rio Grande; and West Texas farms are now producing the most splendid crops ever seen in Texas.

This is proved by the recent award of honors at the Dallas State Fair, where 11 West Texas counties led the list of prize winners for county agricultural exhibits. Never before has West Texas made such a clean sweep of honors at the Dallas Fair, and never before has the competition among county exhibits been so intense.

Hale County, in the heart of the Plains country, took first prize for the second consecutive year. Including Hale County, 11 West Texas counties headed the list of awards. The other 19 prize winners principally were West Texas counties also.

The first 42 county exhibits, their ranking, percentage and awards were as follows:

County	Score	Award
1. Hale	959.5	\$350
2. Floyd	934.0	300
3. Randall	930.3	250
4. Dalham	926.0	200
5. Dawson	920.5	200
6. Wilbarger	920.0	200
7. Garza	910.5	200
8. Haskell	902.8	200
9. Childress	892.2	200
10. Potter	891.2	200
11. Foard	890.8	150
12. Anderson	886.0	150
13. Eastland	885.5	150
14. Hartley	884.5	150
15. Hemphill	881.5	150
16. Gillespie	876.8	150
17. Henderson	876.1	150
18. Lubbock	875.2	150
19. Crosby	869.7	150
20. Ellis	863.5	150
21. Smith	855.3	150
22. Baylor	853.7	150
23. Hill	848.5	150
24. Dickens	848.0	150
25. Oldham	839.3	150
26. Brown	832.3	100
27. San Saba	831.6	100
28. Harrison	823.5	100
29. Deaf Smith	819.9	100
30. Parmer	809.5	100
31. Donley	802.9	100
32. Collin	796.3	100
33. Greig	780.5	100
34. Lynn	777.7	100
35. Colorado	749.9	100
36. Zavala	728.3	100
37. Mason	720.5	100
38. Terry	680.0	100
39. Wood	673.3	100
40. Lamb	667.5	100
41. Midland	586.3	100

42. Howard ..... 487.6

With first honors again this year, Hale County is winning an international reputation as the "garden county of Texas." Other than its two prize years at the fair at Dallas, the county's exhibits have taken first prizes at the National Wheat Show and International Farm Congress where 39 foreign countries and every State in the Union participated; at the Waco Cotton Palace, and at the Amarillo Tri-State Fair for two consecutive years. The Plainview Chamber of Commerce has more than 2,000 blue ribbons and other awards won in recent years.

#### THE ACTIVITIES OF THE HI-Y CLUB DURING THE PAST TERM

The Hi-Y Club of the Clarendon High School has enjoyed the benefit of a number of well-meeting and the uplifting influence of the several speakers presented on the various programs.

At an early meeting the following were elected as the members of the Advisory Committee of the Club for the year: Superintendent J. E. Nelson, Coach Boykin, Mr. Spradling and Mr. Hardy. Men not on the faculty were: Rev. Stapp, Judge Porter, Chariton, Rev. Hamblin and S. H. Condon. These men are especially urged to meet occasionally with the Club in their regular weekly meetings on each Monday night at 7 o'clock.

There is a goodly amount of enthusiasm taken in all the various phases of the work this year. At present there are some 35 members, 12 of these being new members.

On Monday, Dec. 1st, a very successful meeting was held in which the subject, "The Physical Man" was thoroughly discussed in round-table method in which each member took a specific point. The outstanding talks, however, were made by Coach Boykin and Mr. Spradling. The boys all agree that several points were so impressed on their minds that they should never forget them.

The Hi-Y Club still has room for more members and we urgently advise that every boy of age make up his mind today to get into this organization that he may learn the necessary ways and means by which a greater and better civilization may be established.

The purpose of this organization is "to create, maintain, and extend throughout our school and community high standards of Christian Character."

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#### PAINT INCREASES FARM VALUES

The total value of farm buildings in the United States is estimated at \$11,486,439,543. The estimated annual, preventable depreciation from lack of paint amounts to 7.26 percent, making an annual loss to white farmers who own their farms of \$830,469,579. This is quite a bill to pay for failure to protect wood and metal from weather, and into the bargain to have to live in drab, cheerless surroundings. This annual loss, which has just been uncovered by a national survey of farm property—a loss many times greater than the annual loss by fire and probably as great as the losses caused by all insect pests—would far more than pay for keeping the buildings well painted. At the same time, the heavy cost of depreciation of farm buildings has never been a factor of more importance than at the present time, on account of the high prices of building materials and labor.

Proper preservation of property is the surest evidence of thrift and prosperity. The farmer who main-

tains his property has the most desirable kind of an asset. Good paint is the best preservative of wood and metal structures. Paint prevents the ravages of rot and rust. Paint saves repairs, decreases replacements, increases values and creates higher loan values. Real estate that is shabby in appearance and in need of repairs is not an asset. Any banker will be slow to lend money to the man whose property is rotting to pieces. A farmer owning well maintained property is a better risk than one whose property is run down and in poor repair.

This survey shows that for sale or mortgage purposes, bankers estimate that farms with well-painted buildings are worth 16.2 per cent more than they would be with poorly painted buildings. Moreover, this value of paint can be proved clearly. A farmer buys a farm, paints the buildings thoroughly and sells it for considerably more than it cost him. Again, another man has endeavored to sell his farm without success. After painting the buildings he can sell it for more than he was asking previously, over and above the cost of the paint. There are hundreds of such cases on record. Other things being equal, most bankers will lend money more readily to the man who keeps his buildings well painted than to one who does not.

Experience proves that if you have a farm to rent, you will secure a more desirable tenant if the buildings are painted than if they are unpainted. And these tenants, the report shows, will take sufficiently better care of the farms to pay for the cost of painting.

The life of a building of frame construction is lengthened from two to four times by consistent painting. Consistent painting means painting outside surfaces every third or fourth year, but these statistics show that the average painting of farm buildings is every 8.5 years.

Well-kept-up and well-painted houses, barns, and fences are an indication of thrift. It is a good business proposition to keep the farm buildings well painted. They are more attractive, the value of the farm is increased and the buildings themselves last longer and need less repair.

#### FIVE-YEAR RENTAL CONTRACTS SHOULD SUPERSEDE ONE-YEAR

The tenant is the middleman in farming. The tenant system is responsible for poor returns for the landowners, higher prices paid by the consumer, and a low standard of living for the tenant and the family. The tenant system in the South more than any other one thing has been responsible for the wastage of soil fertility and the abandonment of fields to brush. Combine the tenant system with the absentee landlord system, and the usual products are mottled and misery from land made poorer each year.

The absentee landlord has a poor investment. The landlord tries to get all he can out of his tenant and the tenant tries to get all he can out of the land. The result is that all three become poorer and poorer—tenant, landlord, and land. The land deserves the most sympathy and consideration.

Neither absentee landlord nor tenant will be better off until the land is given more attention and its improvement should be the most carefully considered and the most binding part of the contract. Contracts that run for one year can rarely do this. Contracts that include rotation, livestock, and live-at-home clauses, and a definite long-term plan for the farm are needed by all the three parties to the contract. Can anyone conceive of a tenant wanting to leave a comfortable and respectable home and a fair interest in an orchard, garden, sow, cow and a flock of chickens?

Do better by the right kind of ten-

ant than he has ever been done by before, and he will in turn do better by his landlord than he was ever done by before—this may be accepted as a safe general rule.

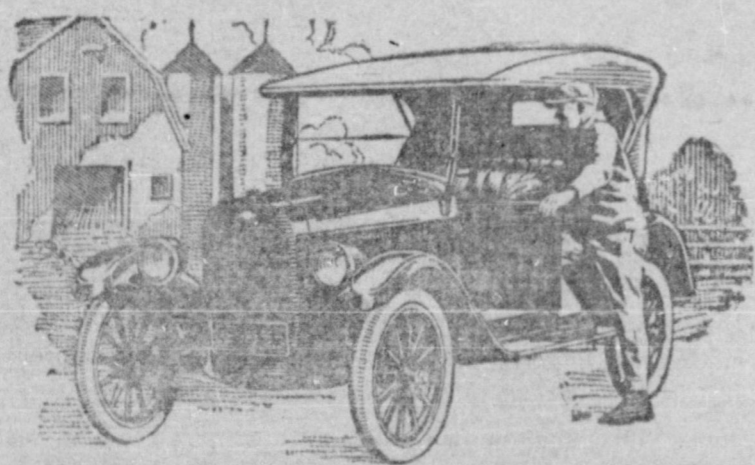
If the tenant cannot get to own his own land, then he should be mighty particular about a kind of landlord he hires to farm his land—anything else he needs. The landlord

who is neglectful of his land will not be considered of his tenant, and vice versa.

Most of us who rent land need to rub all contracts from our state and start anew with only good tenants, and with no contract that runs for less than five years.—The Progressive Farmer.

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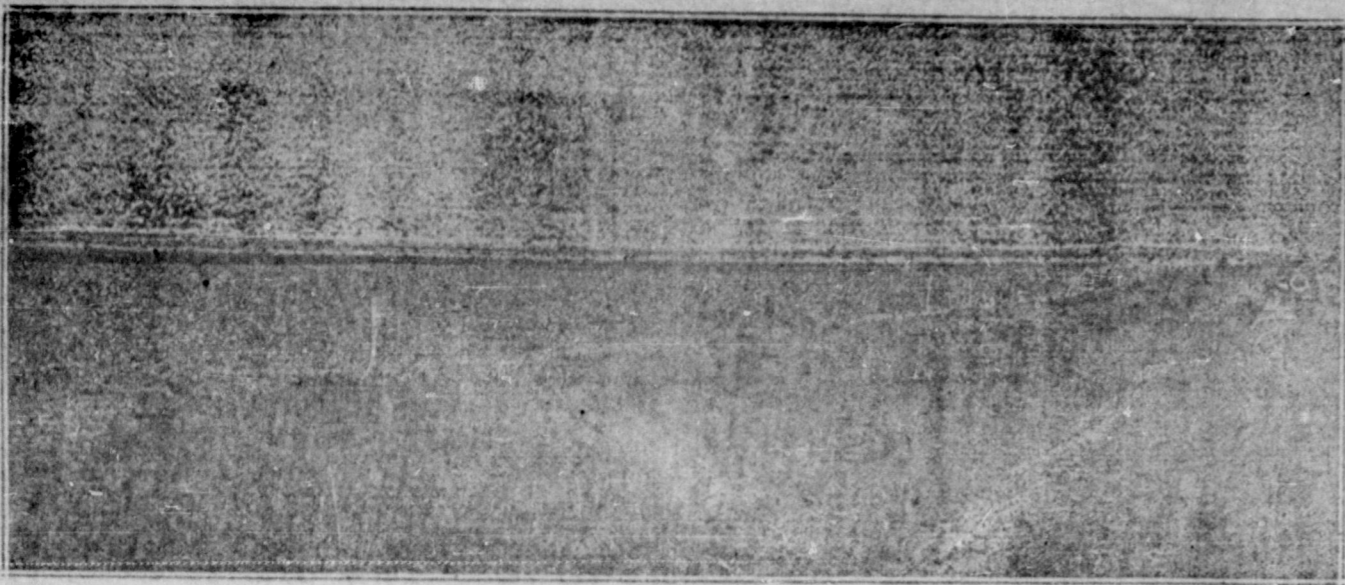
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The above scene, taken on the Jericho road, seven miles north of Clarendon, is typical of Donley County's rolling topography. The very finest of farm lands lie just adjacent to the best grazing and stock farming land. Cotton yields regularly from a third to half bale per acre on the ordinary land and turns out better on the best land. Donley County is a paradise for the farmer who diversifies, and he can make more with less work than in any other section of the Southwest.

THE CLARENDON OF TOMORROW

(Continued from page 1) was facing the necessity of converting her principal industry, cattle raising, to a more remunerative pursuit. Time developed the fact that this was the best thing that could have possibly happened, for naturally the territory turned to farming, which has proven far more profitable and susceptible of growth.

Conditions have rapidly adjusted themselves to the change. The people have realized wherein the future prospects of the community life and this growth is being brought about, swiftly now, by the united effort of the people, through the various organizations and individual effort.

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce with E. E. Chamberlain of the Donley County State Bank as president, J. T. Patman of the Clarendon Motor Company as vice-president and Joseph H. Burris as secretary, and with such far-visions, enterprising men as W. H. Patrick, W. W. Taylor, H. B. Kerbow, A. L. Chase and E. T. Pope forming the directorate, has outlined a program of development and colonization that will mean much to the future of this section if present plans are realized.

Outstanding among the efforts of the organization in the plan for colonization of tillable lands in Donley County, and much of the time and effort of the association is being directed in this connection. A well planned advertising campaign is being conducted for the purpose of getting in touch with desirable people.

An attempt is being made to get in touch with owners of raw land that is susceptible of improvement and the organization will endeavor to form a connecting link between the owner and prospective buyer. Indications are that several large tracts of raw land will be placed on the market during the next few months in which instance some rare bargains in land will be offered to the public.

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce is proceeding on a program of development, gradual but steady. No overnight fluctuation is expected and no attempt will be made to overrate the territory. Statements put out by the organization are based on truth and nothing is stated that cannot be backed up. With a definite goal ever before the organization it will continue to follow a sane policy for the betterment of out-lying territory and the town will keep pace with outside development. Assisted by various civic organizations the major institution is serving the community as a clearing house of information and needed service.

Municipal improvements are being made as rapidly as conditions warrant. Expansion of bus lines and new enterprises are being installed in keeping with the demands. The Chamber of Commerce is encouraging city development and civic improvements at the present time that general conditions require, and devoting more attention to developing resources that will within themselves when realized contribute to the general wealth of the community.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT DONLEY COUNTY

The following facts and figures concerning Donley County will prove interesting. For future reference it might be well to clip these and retain them for your own and the information of others. It is well to bear in mind also that these figures deal with the crops and conditions of 1920 and in many instances have been considerably increased:

Land area 579,840 acres; total value \$19,213,090; acres in farms 445,161; in cultivation, 109,411; value of improved land, \$14,277,984; number farms, 810; operated by owner, 496; by tenant, 311; otherwise 13; number land mortgage debt, only 270; ratio of debt to value on these 24 per cent; total amount of mortgage debt by county only \$964,531; it is interesting to note that in 1920 only \$25 was spent for fertilizer in Donley County.

Number horses 3726; mules 2,278; cattle, 31,256; hogs, 5,429; total value of horses, mules, cattle and hogs, \$2,824,072. Farm products: Poultry and produce \$155,270; dairy produce, \$76,623; cotton, \$1,286,990; feed and other crops \$1,169,304; total \$2,707,503 exclusive of livestock. Cotton produced in 1922, 8,117; in 1923, 13,692; estimated for 1924, 15,000.

In selecting the exhibits for the Dallas fair this year it was found that Donley County successfully produces cotton, corn, wheat, oats, speltz, runner, peas, peanuts, sudan grass, johnson grass, alfalfa, all kinds of sorghums, millet, broom-corn, kafir, maize, feterita, hograira, soy beans, clover, sun-flower, twenty-five kinds of vegetables twelve kinds of fruits and other less important crops.

In 1920 Donley County rated third in value of farm products of all Panhandle counties along the Ft. Worth and Denver railway; producing twice as much as Dullam, Hartley, Oldham and Potter Counties combined.

Last but not by any means least, Donley County has not had what could be called a crop failure in thirty-three years.

THIRTY CENT COTTON— TWENTY DOLLAR LAND

Either the cotton is too high or the land is too cheap. For one acre of land will usually produce from one fourth to one half bale of cotton annually—worth from \$35 to \$75. One crop will frequently more than pay for the land. We will sell you the land for \$12 to \$20 per acre on long time payments and at a low rate of interest. If you are interested in securing a home for yourself and family where there is no boll weevil and where the climate is fine and the water good, write today to W. A. SoRelle, General Agent for the Spearman Lands, 5 Santa Fe Bldg., Seagraves, Gaines Co., Texas, for descriptive literature, giving prices of land, terms, etc.

DONLEY COUNTY—UNDER THE CAP ROCK—THIRTY-THREE YEARS WITHOUT CROP FAILURE.

(Continued from page 1) most profitable farming sections of the state development is constant and rapid.

King Cotton is rapidly becoming the principal crop and the production of the fluffy staple is increasing year by year. The present crop will, from present indications, pass the 15,000 mark, which will in turn be surpassed in 1925. The county boasts long gins, three of which are in Clarendon, three at Helley, one at Lela Lake, one at McKnight and one at Ashtola. Although this territory is facing an era of expansion during the next few years which will be surprising to even the most optimistic, the largest need is more people but with the present program for development this need will rapidly be filled, and particularly since special effort is being made in this connection.

NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF DONLEY:

This is notice as is required by law, as provided by Articles 5665, 5666, 5667 et seq., Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, for the sale of one automobile, described as follows to-wit: Chassis No. 243,827; Model 32-B; Motor No. 52,266, Oakland-Six, which said car has been held at my place of business in the town of Ashtola, Donley County, Texas, for more than sixty days prior to this the 25th day of November, A. D. 1924.

Now therefore, know all men by these present that on the 19th day of December, A. D. 1924, at my garage in the town of Ashtola, Donley County, Texas, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m., said car will be sold at public outcry to satisfy a labor bill on said car in the sum \$34.50, unless said sum is sooner paid.

Witness my hand and signature this the 25th day of November, A. D. 1924.

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Miss Erma Russell

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Clarendon College Texna Womens College Chicago Musical College

ALL ROW CROPS GROW IN ABUNDANT PROFUSION IN DONLEY COUNTY'S RICH SOIL



IT'S CUSTOM

Custom is a jolly rogue and undoubtedly gets many hearty laughs as he slips over the things he makes us mortals do.

Back in ye olden days, the town was small and folks assembled around the little court house, when court was due to hold forth. They lolled in the warm sunshine, swapped gossip, traded horses and killed time until his honor was ready to ascend the bench. Then, one of his honor's orderlies stuck his head out of the window and shouted that court was now about to open. Whereupon, all the folks in the yard rushed in to get seats to hear the proceedings.

The little village has passed on, and the big city has come, and men no longer congregate in the court yard, and, if they did, would be unable to hear what was said from a third-story window, and if they did hear, would be unable to understand what was said. But, when his honor climbs the bench, one of his orderlies sticks his head out the window and greases the little birds from the limbs of the trees by shouting something about Oyez, oyez—whoever that is.

In ye olden days, a president was elected in November, as is the custom now, and took his office on March 4th, as still is the custom. The reason for the long interim in those days was that it took the president so long to go from his home to the capital that they had to give him plenty of time. Now, with modern transportation, the man elected could appear for the job bright and early the following morning, at the very latest, and bring along all his belongings, but he still waits four months because that is the custom.

Back in ye olden days, a certain wise judge had long, white, curly hair. He was much loved by the people of old England. He died, and a younger judge succeeded him. In order to fill the office with dignity, he had a white wig made. Now all judges must have these wigs, otherwise they don't look like judges.

Back in the "Old States," people used to take corn to mill on horseback, and the corn was put in one end of the sack and a rock in the other. Along came a wise boy and balanced the corn by putting half in one end and half in the other, and throwing it across the saddle. A great many people refused to change. They liked the old way better.

It's custom, and if some of us do things that are old-timey, or crazy-like, don't blame us. We are victims of custom. We all can profit by studying the methods of science. When science finds a better way, it forgets the old, cumbersome way as quickly as possible.

Look yourself over. Are you a slave to wasteful custom?—W. D. Trotter in Southwestern Machinery.

STOCK FARMING IS A WELL-ESTABLISHED INDUSTRY IN DONLEY COUNTY



CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for their sympathy and kind deeds and for the many beautiful floral offerings in our late bereavement, the loss of our dear husband and father, Mrs. G. F. Palmer and children.

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SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT CLARENDON

Population 2,750; altitude 2,750 feet; taxable values \$2,378,000. Located on Fort Worth and Denver Railway; Colorado-to-Gulf Highway and Ozark Trail Highway; has modern sewer, light, water and telephone systems; Clarendon's telephone system was awarded second place for equipment and efficiency in 1924; has three cotton gins; has 92 business firms; three banks with a combined capital of \$175,000; seven churches valued at \$180,000; three public school buildings valued at \$175,000 with 26 1-2 units of affiliation; city hall valued at \$30,000; free tourist camp ground; golf links, country club; annual scholastic enrollment of approximately 750; two modern hotels and has six blocks of paving in the business section.

Our Sincere Appreciation

wants to find expression at this happy season of the year.. You have been kind to us, and we have tried to give you the best work possible. And it is our earnest wish that we may be permitted to serve you during 1925.

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# The Clarendon News

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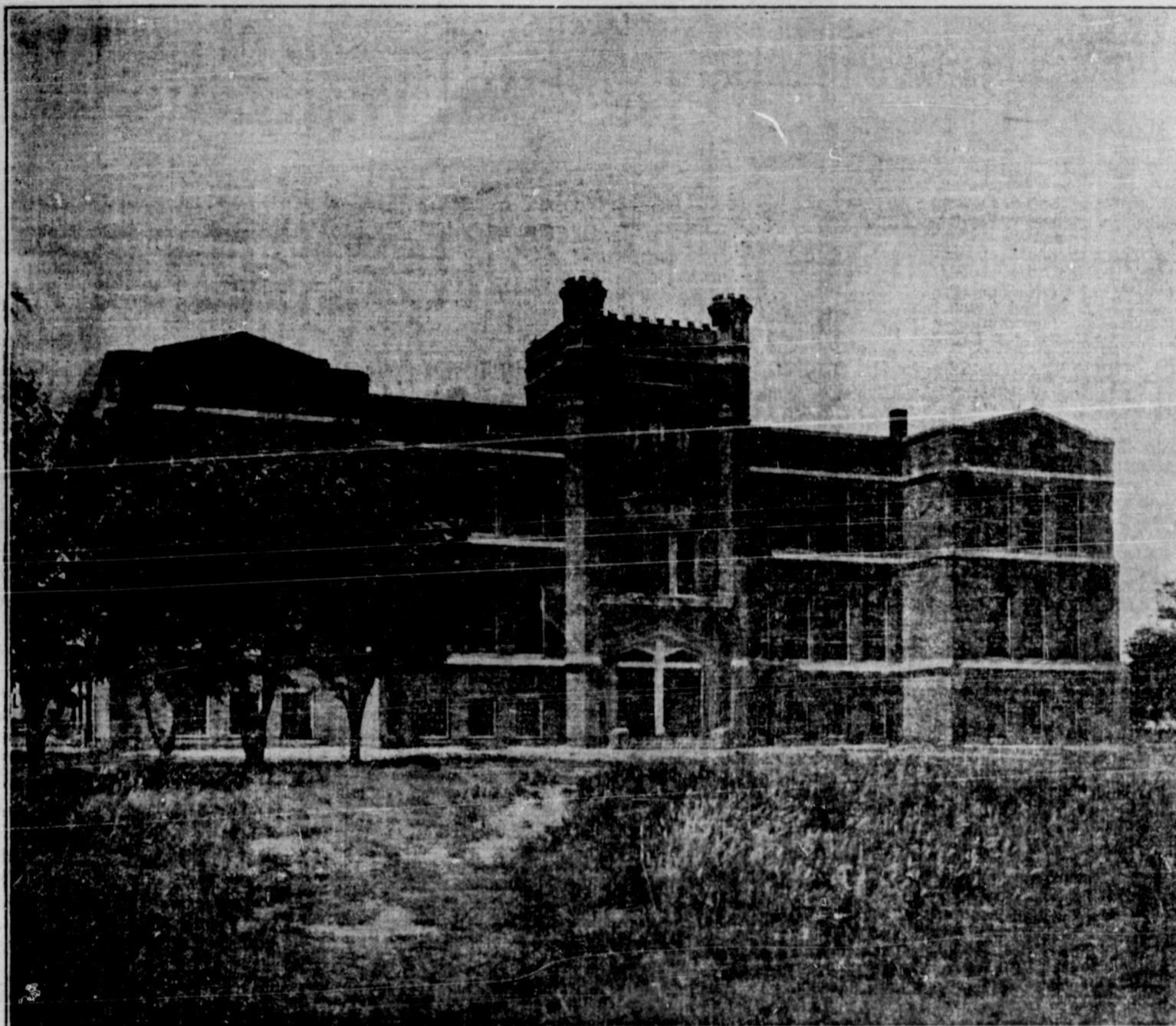
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CLARENDON, DONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1924

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Administration Building--Clarendon College

## Clarendon College---Oldest Institution In Panhandle

Clarendon College is the oldest in the Texas Panhandle, the only institution of its kind in the Panhandle established prior to 1900 that is still in existence; with 26 years of successful operation to its credit and still growing; for long the bulwark of Christian education in the West.

Of recent years much has been said, and done too, about education, educators and educational institutions. This has been particularly true in West Texas where until within the last decade or so the country has been in the developing stage and rather thinly peopled and the people have been too busy building an empire to think of other things. Now, however, that their minds have turned to things educational, campaigns have in some instances been pushed so vigorously as to bring up the question, "What does a college mean to a town anyway?"

At Clarendon, oldest of Panhandle towns, one finds an answer to the question and going further finds that the people have clearly demonstrated what a town means to a college. Here we find the very beginning of education in the Panhandle; find evidence of what co-operation between the school and community will do. I am giving it to you as it was told to me, the history of Clarendon college, from the lips of A. M. Beville, Sr., the man who invested the first dollar in a higher institution of learning in the Panhandle.

So let us turn back the pages of history for something near half a century; to about the time the barren prairies were first being settled and the buffaloes and Indians were being pushed to their "Happy Hunting Grounds."

With L. H. Carhart, founder of Clarendon, and who established here the first permanent settlement in all the Panhandle in the summer of 1878, there came a Northern Methodist minister, the Reverend W. A. Allen. His task was like that of the

ministers of the early colonists of the United States, to look after the educational and spiritual welfare of the little flock. To Allen goes the credit for the first educational institution in the section of the West. He conceived the idea of a school of no mean standard. His task was one of no small proportions but Allen was a man of no small determination and in spite of the difficulties confronting him set about carrying out his ambition. From Wichita Falls, more than 200 miles away, lumber was transported by ox-team and the first frame building erected in Old Clarendon, five miles from the present townsite. This building was the first school in all this great country, and was likewise utilized as a church. In honor of its founder the institution was named Allentown Academy, which name it bore until the town was moved to its present location at which time it was dissolved. Here Allen taught his little flock and was greatly responsible for instilling in the breasts of Westerners their great love for and loyalty to education. This school had no direct relation of connection with the present college except to show that the school spirit accompanied the first settlers and has perpetuated until today we view with amazement the buildings and the students that populate the public schools and college of the town.

When the track of the Fort Worth and Denver railroad was laid in 1887 it was necessary to move the town over to the line, a distance of five miles, which necessitated the abandonment of Allentown academy. But the seed had been sown and had germinated in the hearts of the people so that a move was immediately under way for another school. However, not for several years were the citizens to realize success in the undertaking, and for some time were compelled to be satisfied with what-

ever they could get in the way of short terms in the public schools. Here is where religion and Christianity played a prominent part in the foundation of education.

The town of Clarendon was established by men and women of high Christian principles and so intense was their devotion to the tenets they cherished that the little colony was sarcastically called "Saints Rest" by those of disrespectful and lawless natures. As sentiment developed for a college the handful of citizens realized that outside assistance was essential. Naturally under the circumstances they turned to their church, and the aid of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South was solicited and needless to say granted. By 1897 the movement was well under way and a subscription list was circulated which met with considerable success. This with other inducements were offered at the regular annual meeting of the Clarendon District conference and was accepted by that body as evidence of good intentions and larger support. The first subscription list providing a fund for use in erecting a college in Clarendon is dated April 2, 1898. The names of the contributors and the amounts pledged were as follows:

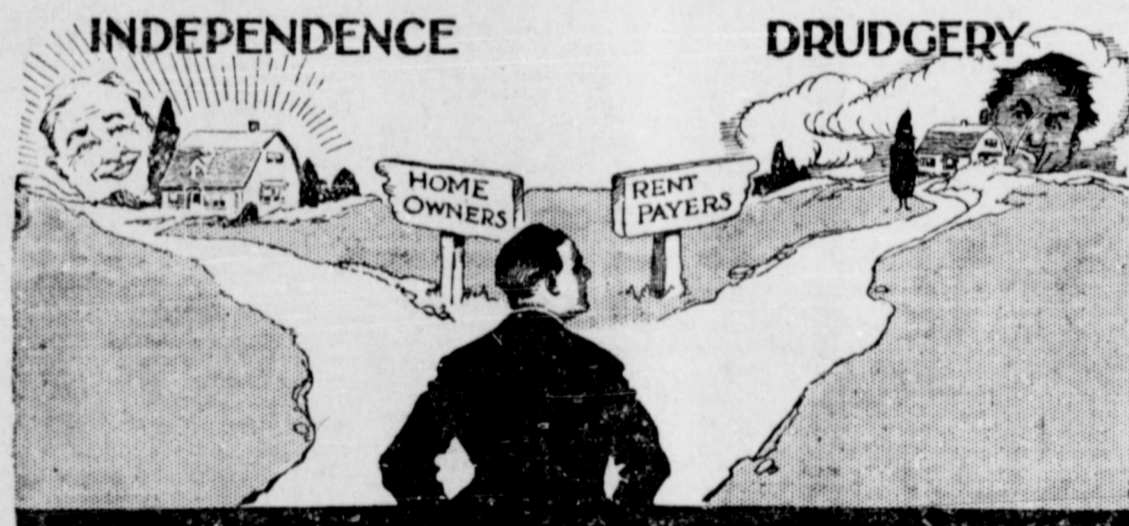
J. D. Jeffries, \$1,000; T. S. Bugbee, \$500; H. W. Taylor, \$500; L. C. Beverly, \$500; W. F. White, \$500; W. H. Cook, \$200; Morris Rosenfield, \$200; F. N. Page, \$50; Robert Sawyer, \$250; J. D. Stocking, \$250; G. H. Eatner, \$150; J. S. Morris, \$75; G. C. Ferguson, \$100; A. M. Beville, \$100; J. M. Clower, \$100; G. W. Antrobus, \$100; White & Trok, \$25; G. W. Baker, \$75; M. W. Easum, \$50; Sims & Caldwell, \$100.

Thus was contributed to education in the West its first material support, and the contributors have ever

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A Merry Christmas

1924



Happy New Year

1925

Take The Road To A New Home In 1925

## GREETINGS

At this great season of the year we recount the pleasant associations of the past year and desire to hasten this expression of our thankfulness for the satisfactory patronage accorded us. True it is that the year 1924 has not been as profitable with any of us as we wished but looking forward to better times in the New Year we wish for every one a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Bountiful year in 1925.

There is little doubt that the New Year will see much more building than in 1924, and we expect to be found in the forefront dealing with high grade lumber and materials at prices in accord with conditions. Our services, as always, will be of the highest order and at your disposal.

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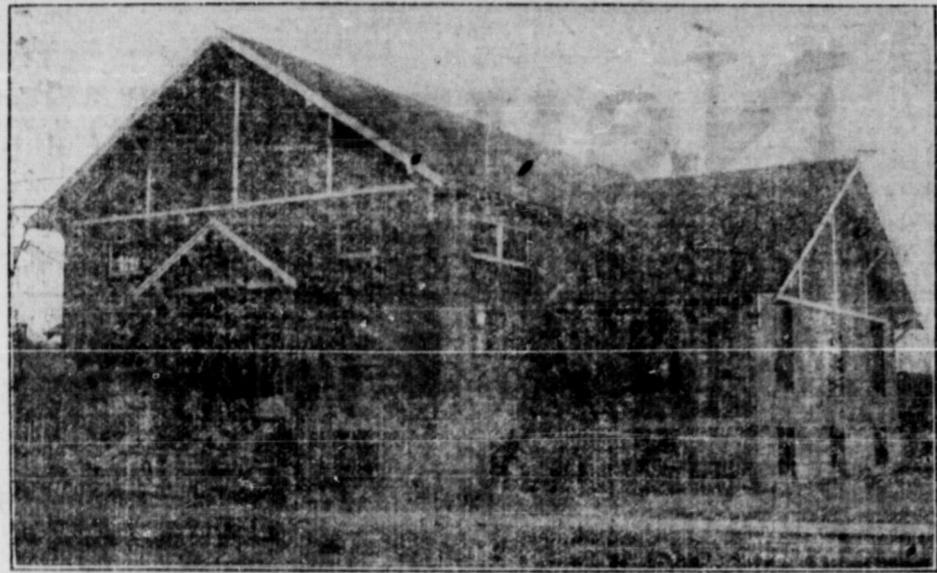
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**EARLY HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY IN TEXAS**

Before his death, that noted Texas statesman, soldier and Mason, Anson Jones, first grand master of Masons in Texas, wrote a brief historical sketch of Freemasonry in Texas. The Committee on Masonic Service and Education has had numerous requests from the press, and Masons over the State, for copies of this sketch. It is here given exactly as taken from the Grand Lodge records of Texas.

"As I took an active part in laying the first foundations of Freemasonry in this country, originated, and was personally present at the first meeting ever held here, and cognizant of the earliest steps taken for the organization of a lodge, I place upon record the following facts, which may be of interest perhaps to the fraternity hereafter, and would otherwise be lost, as I am now the only living of the five brethren who originated Holland Lodge.

"In the winter of 1834-5, five Master Masons, who had made them-

ves known to each other, consulted among themselves, and, after much deliberation, resolved to take measures to establish a lodge of their order in Texas. This resolution was not formed without a full appreciation of its consequences to the individuals concerned. Every movement in Texas was watched at that time with jealousy and distrust by the Mexican government, and already had its spies and emissaries denounced some of our best citizens as factionists and disaffected persons; already were the future intended victims of despotic power being selected. It was well known that Freemasonry was particularly odious to the Catholic priesthood, whose influence in the country at that time was all-powerful. The dangers, therefore, attendant upon an organization of Masons, at this time, which was 'trying men's souls,' were neither few nor unimportant. But zeal for a beloved institution, a belief that it would be beneficial at this period when society seemed especially to

need some fraternal bonds to unite them together predominated; all fears of personal consequences were thrown aside, and the resolution to establish a lodge, as above mentioned, was adopted. The five brethren were John H. Warton, Asa Brigham, James A. E. Phelps, Alexander Russell and Anson Jones, and they appointed a time and place of meeting to concert measures to carry their resolution into effect. In the meantime another Master Mason came into their pans—Brother John P. Caldwell.

"The place of meeting was back of the town of Brazoria, near the place known as General John Austin's in a little grove of wild peach or laurel, and which had been selected as a family burying-ground by that distinguished soldier and citizen. The spot was secluded and out of the way of cowans and eavesdroppers, and they felt they were alone. Here, and under such circumstances, at 10 o'clock in the morning of a day in

March 1835, was held the first formal Masonic meeting in Texas as connected with the establishment and continuance of Masonry in this country. The six brethren I have mentioned were all present there; and it was concluded to apply to the Grand Lodge of Louisiana for a dispensation to form and open a lodge, to be called Holland Lodge, in honor of the then Most Wonderful Grand Master of that body, J. H. Holland. The funds were raised by contribution to defray the expenses of which each contributed as he felt willing and able. A petition was in due time drawn up and signed by them which was forwarded to New Orleans, having been previously signed by another Master Mason Brother W. D. C. Hall, and perhaps one or two more; but of this I do not recollect.

"The officers named in the petition were: For Worshipful Master, Anson Jones; Senior Warden, Asa Brigham; Junior Warden, J. P. Caldwell, who filled those offices respectively until the close of 1837. The dispensation was granted, and after some delay, to these brethren, and Holland Lodge No. 36, under dispensation, was instituted and opened at Brazoria, on the 27th of December, 1835. Brother Phelps was chosen treasurer, and M. C. Patton, secretary the other officers I do not recall. The lodge held its meetings at Brazoria, in the second story of the old court house, which room was afterwards occupied by St. John's Lodge No. 5. About this time the difficulties with Mexico broke out into open hostilities, and our work was very much retarded by that circumstance, and by the members having to be absent in the service of the country. Still, there were a few others from time to time introduced into the order, either by receiving the degrees or by affiliation. The lodge struggled until February, 1836 when I presided over its last meeting at Brazoria. I well recollect the night and the fact that Brother Fannin, who one month after became so celebrated for his misfortune and those of his unfortunate party at Goliad, acted as Senior Deacon. It seemed indeed that the gloom which prevailed in the lodge that night was a foreshadowing of its and their unhappy fate, which was too soon to overtake both.

"In March Brazoria was abandoned Urrea soon after took possession of the place at the head of a detachment of the Mexican army, and the records, books, jewels and everything belonging to the lodge, were utterly destroyed by them, and our members were scattered in every direction. Brothers Warton, Phelps and myself joined the Texas troops on the Colorado, about the 18th of March. In the meantime, the Grand Lodge of Louisiana had issued a charter for Holland Lodge No. 36 and it was brought over to Texas by Brother John A. Allen. This, together with some letters from the Grand Secretary, was handed to me by Brother Allen, on the prairie between Grace and San Jacinto, while we were on the march, and carried by me in my saddlebags to the encampment of the army on Buffalo Bayou, at Linchburg. Had we been beaten here Santa Anna would have captured the charter of Holland Lodge at San Jacinto, as Urrea had the dispensation for it at Brazoria. Such an event, however, was impossible. The charter and papers were taken safely to Brazoria; but, as the members had been lessened in numbers by death, or scattered in the army and elsewhere in the service of the country no attempt was ever made to revive the work of the lodge at that place.

"In October, 1837, however, it was reopened by myself and others, at the city of Houston, having been in existence about two years.


"In the meantime, two other lodges, with charters from the Grand Lodge of Louisiana, were established in Texas—Milam, at Nacogdoches, and McFarlane, at San Augustine. Delegates from these, and from Holland Lodge, met in convention at Houston in the winter of 1837-38, and the Grand Lodge of the Republic was formed. By advice and direction of this body, the three subordinate lodges transferred their allegiance from Louisiana, and received others from Texas; and Holland Lodge No. 36, under the former, became Holland Lodge No. 1, under the Grand Lodge of the Lone Star Republic. By this course, the causes of many

difficulties which have afflicted many of the Grand Lodges of the United States were considered and obviated in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

"Holland Lodge No. 36 was the only one established in Texas prior to the Revolution which separated her from Mexico.

"Such is a brief but faithful sketch of the first establishment of Freemasonry in Texas. It was founded, like our political institutions, amid the stern concomitants of adversity and war, but its foundations were laid broad and deep; and upon them has been raised a superstructure of strength and beauty symmetrical in its proportions and vast in its dimensions, which I trust will rise 'usque ad astra' and continue as a beacon to guide and cheer worthy Masons on their journey of life, and against which the wasting storms of time shall beat in vain, and the restless waves of persecution cast themselves to destruction in angry foam; while the presiding genius of the institution from its lofty walls, shall ever continue to exclaim in emphatic tones, to be heard by all—east, west, north and south—

"Procul! O Procul! est profani! Tu que invade viam." "Far hence, ye profane! Welcome, ye initiated, to these glorious courts; Tread ye them aright!"



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**"THE PRETTY COUNTRY GIRL" SYMBOL CULTURE**

A few weeks ago "C. M. C." writing in the Chairtown News, presented:

"It was down in Montgomery along this paragraph:

A good sand-clay road. She was a bit of a girl that looked sweet sixteen but maybe had been kissed. Dressed in a fetching frock, sleek silk hose, and trim oxfords, her hair bobbed, and a bit of rouge on her cheeks, she was trudging up the path with a pail of spring water. She looked like the milk maid in the chorus. I stopped the car and asked her for a drink. She was very polite, quite correct. Her English was perfect and she talked with ease. Really she must be some girl from the city visiting her grandparents, I thought. "And do you live here?" I asked. "Why certainly—right up on that hill," she replied. "I guess you go off to school?" I ventured. "Why no," she smiled back, "I graduated up at the consolidated school last year and I will go to high school in Mt. Gilead in the fall."

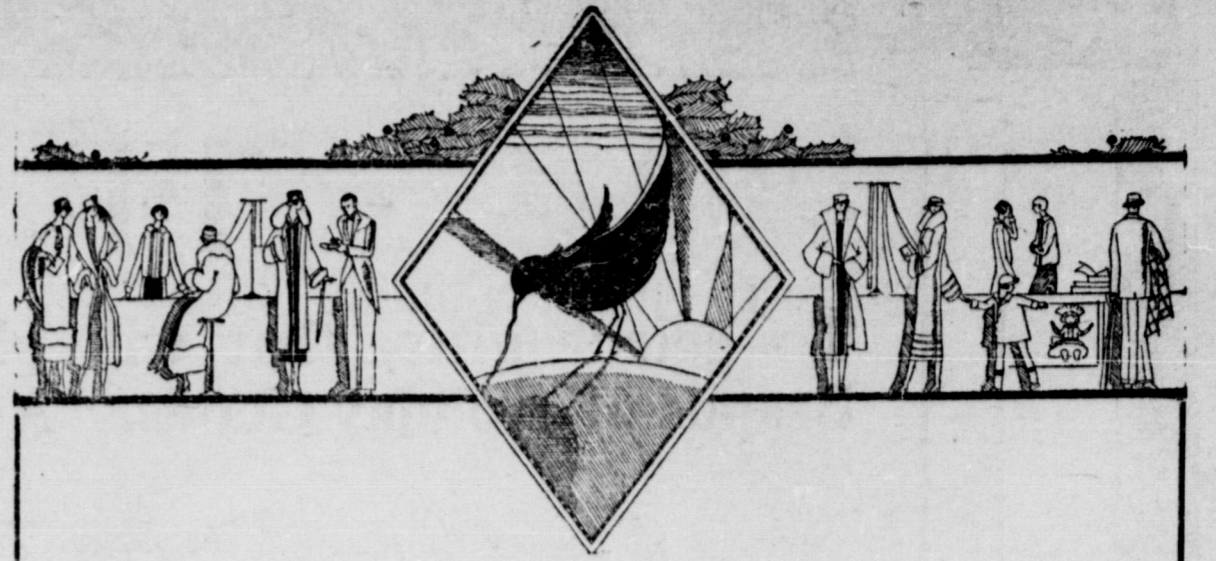
Yes, and probably the next time "C. M. C." goes that way he will find that the pretty country girl isn't even toting a bucket of spring water up a hill any more, but that her father has put in waterworks. It's just as easy to put in waterworks as to buy a new car—and practically everybody seems to find the money for a car nowadays.

Our better schools and better roads are indeed fast wiping out many disadvantages once associated with country life. Country girls are dressing with as much taste as city girls—often with better taste. (One friend says the excellent pattern service maintained in farm papers is partly responsible. And altogether we seem to be fast approaching a realization of the ambition which The Progressive Farmer has more than once expressed—namely, that we should have in country homes as good papers and magazines as are found in the city homes, as good books and music in country homes as in the city homes, and as good English used by farm folks as by city folks, as artistic pictures on the walls of the farm home as on the walls of the city man's home. As a matter of fact in the better class of the country homes, we already find better taste in books, music, dress and language than prevails in the average city home. And the humblest home may now share the advantage of modern culture in almost unlimited degree. It is easy now to get the greatest books in cheap editions, reproductions of the world's greatest pictures at low cost, and records of the world's greatest music at surprisingly low cost.

"The pretty country girl" as seen by C. M. C. is only a symbol of advancing rural culture.—The Progressive Farmer.

Maid: "No ma'am, Mrs. Hughes is out."

Saleswoman: "How fortunate! When I saw her peering through the curtains as I came up the path I was so afraid she would be in."—Cassell's Saturday Journal (London).



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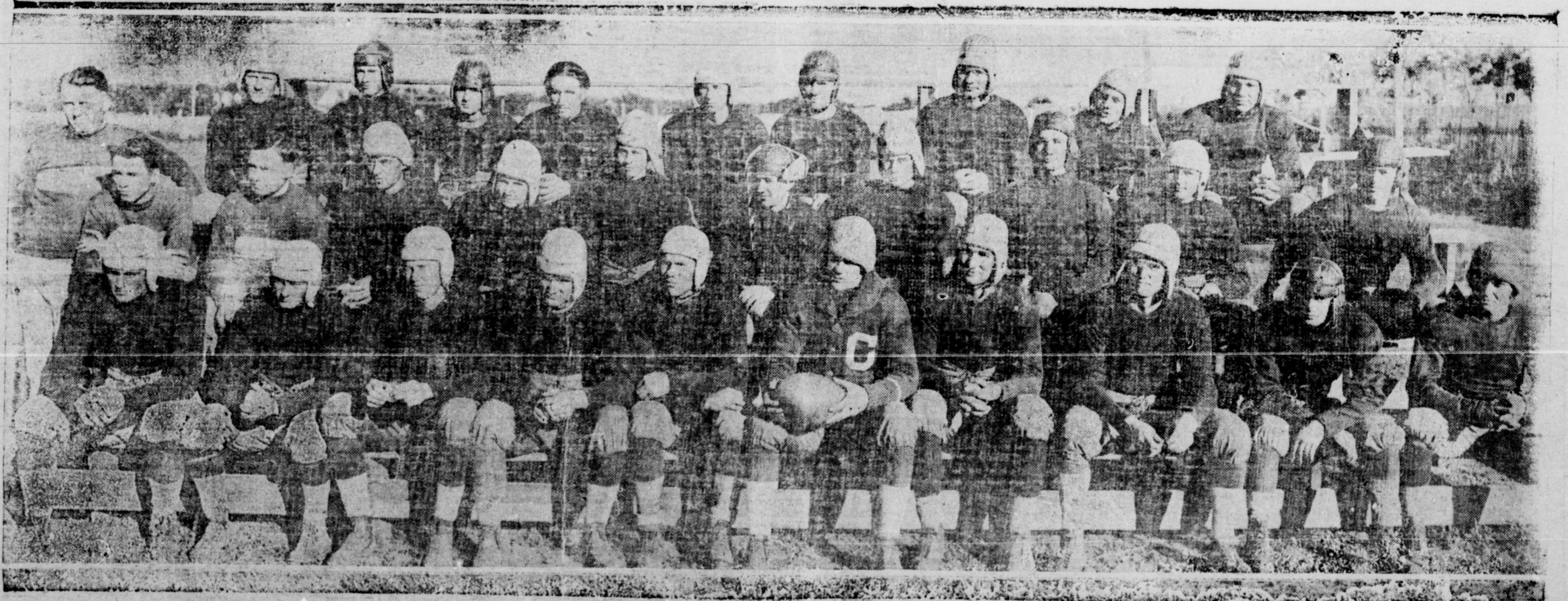
**CONNECTED ANYWAY**

"I think," said the savage chief-tain diffidently, "I think, my dear sir, that I'm a distant relative of

yours—inwardly."  
"Inwardly?" asked the visiting missionary.  
"Yeah, I believe I once ate a cousin of yours."—American Legion Weekly.

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From left to right they are: Top row—Dennison, tackle; Vaught, end; Parker, guard; Byrd, guard; Stocking, end; H. Vaught, tackle; Miller, guard; Parker, guard; N. Trostle, center. Middle row—Burton, head coach; Walker, assistant coach; Cryer, trainer; Hillyer, half; Braswell, end; Terrell, half; Corbin, quarter; Parks, end; R. Trostle, guard; Rusch, half; Brown, half. Bottom row—Stegall, guard; Smith, end; Goldston, end; Dyer, tackle; Crow, half; Slaton, captain and fullback; W. Trostle, center; Johnson, half; Pipkin, half; Powell, quarter.

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## J-A RANCH IS HISTORIC AS ADAIR HOME

HUGE TRACT, LOCATED YEARS AGO, TO BE CUT INTO FARMS.

The day of the big ranches of West Texas is rapidly passing. Dozens of large ranches involving thousands of acres of land have been slashed into small tracts of 160 acres, and sold to hundreds of farmers who are leaving the "boll weevil east," and coming west to where the sands of the desert grow food without this cotton pest.

Of the big ranches of the Panhandle section of Texas, few remain intact from the oncoming hordes of immigration and the plow.

There is one ranch, however, which has been untouched by the surveyor's transit—J-A ranch which, today, aside from fences and simple ranch improvements, is the same as it was forty years ago. It is the Adair ranch, the property of the heirs of the late Mrs. Cornelia Adair of England. This is the oldest permanent ranch of West Texas.

And now, this ranch is to be cut up into small farms. There are 400,000 acres in the Adair ranch. The tract embraces

land in parts of five counties—Armstrong, Donley, Briscoe, Swisher and Hall.

Nearly half a century ago an interesting group of people got off the train at Trinidad, Colo., mounted Texas ponies and began the long zig-zag journey over buffalo trails toward the south.

A highly refined American woman, unused to hardships of the pioneers, but possessing the same enduring qualities, was among this group of prospectors. She rode horseback the entire trip which required many days. The equipment for the journey consisted of a "chuck wagon", and saddleponies with enough provisions to more than last through the trip.

#### Arrive at Canyon

After many days' journey, this group of prospectors arrived at the edge of the Palo Duro canyon. The woman in this group was the late Mrs. Cornelia Adair, and her escorts were John G. Adair and Col. Charles Goodnight. Thus was begun the selection of the location of the Adair's ranch, sometimes called the J-A ranch.

This was also the beginning of the turning of this part of Texas from the range of longhorns, buffaloes and coyotes into fenced pastures of highbred good grade cattle.

After days of riding over the vast treeless, shrubless expanse of plains, level as a floor, the canyon presented to the travelers a vision of loveliness—a nature's paradise. Sitting on their horses looking down abrupt, steep walls six or seven hundred feet they saw a winding valley that

stretched itself away to the South-west like the tail of a comet.

#### Marvels of Beauty

Here and there were clumps of hackberry and cottonwood trees. Running through the valley's lowest level, now leaping, now gurgling over large rocks, suddenly falling over an abrupt precipice of several feet, like a stream of silver in the morning light, flowed the Palo Duro creek, a tributary to the Red River.

Palo Duro canyon ranges in width from a narrow gulch to a canyon fifteen miles across. Leading in zig-zag twists from the heart of the walls, some of which are impossible of descent are precipitous gorges each a marvel of beauty with here and there running springs and trees that bend low with heavy foliage. On broken tree trunks heavy grape vines twine about and touch the ground with large bunches of luscious wild grapes.

It seems that nature in her work of making the vast rolling plains, became weary of their gray sameness and called together all the colors of all the artists of the world, and with delicate touch wove them into the lights and shades of the gorgeous blossoms of the vegetation that grows in profusion along the banks and walls of the canyon.

In her wildest fancy nature called all the sculptors of the universe and had them chip, trim and shape with their sharpest tools, the gorges into curves that give each an individuality of its own.

This group of pioneers saw at once the wonderful possibilities this canyon offered for the protection of cattle from the bleak wintry winds that sweep down from the snow laden prairies of the upland.

Very few white men or women had made the descent into the canyon before the arrival of the Adair party of prospectors. Col. Charles Goodnight had. He was a friend of the Adairs and had met them at Trinidad to pilot them to West Texas. He had preceded them to the plains by several years.

The descent into the Canyon  
 The narrow path that led down into the canyon was so steep and rough, that it was necessary to take the wagon which had hauled their supplies of the trip, to pieces and pack it on saddle ponies, then began the descent into the canyon.

Several years after this, Mrs. Adair made this journey again, but this time she was accompanied by United States soldiers to protect her from possible capture by the Indians. At this time the Indians were in the habit of breaking away from the government reservations.

John G. Adair was born in Wraith-dair, Ireland. Friends of his recall that he met Cornelia Wadsworth Richie at a reception in New York City. However, they were married in England. They called England their home, but spent a big part of

every year on their West Texas property. He died in 1886.

#### Son Still Living

Mrs. Adair was an American. Her ancestors were of the sturdy type of the early settlers of America. Her father, General Wadsworth, served in the army during the Civil War. She was born in Genesee Valley, New York. A part of her childhood home is still in possession of some of her relatives. She first married a Richie, who died from wounds received during the Civil war. They had one child, a son, who is still living.

Goodnight was familiar with the lay of the land of Palo Duro canyon and the plains. It was due to his keen vision of the future of the cattle industry and judgment in selection that the Adairs purchased a large tract of West Texas lands. Goodnight had located in the canyon several years before the coming of the Adairs and had built a log house for his ranch headquarters.

Later Adair built the large commodious stone house adjoining this tract and today this is known as the J-A ranch headquarters. Adair and Goodnight formed a partnership in the cattle and land business and Goodnight continued to manage the ranch for about nine years. At the time of the dissolution of this partnership there were about 63,000 cattle on the property.

#### 45 Men Work Ranch

The topography of the ranch headquarters location indicates the typical pioneer's idea of a place in which to build a frontier home. Large cliffs rise abruptly to the rear and form a natural protection from the blizzards that sweep with such terrific force from the north plains. A valley spreads out in front of the house giving an air of contentment.

The improvement today consist of a large stone house equipped with all modern conveniences of a home, the ranch office, the post office, blacksmith shop, and numerous other houses and buildings occupied by people who are employed to operate the ranch. The land is all under fence and is sub-divided into pastures for the convenience in handling the thousands of cattle grown and bred there every year.

It requires a force of forty-five men, most of them with families, to do the work of the J-A ranch. Quite a community in itself. Early settlers of this part of the west recall that the Adair policy from the first was to pay fair wages for help, thus securing a dependable type of men who are today the leading citizens of their community.

The hospital built by Mrs. Adair, known as the Adair Hospital in Clarendon is the concrete evidence of her desire to afford the people of her ranch adequate medical attention that was impossible of obtaining otherwise on account of the great distance to the nearest city. She was interested in the civic progress of this town and made a large contri-

but ion toward the building of the brick Y. M. C. A.

#### Nobility Visit Ranch

There are two herds of cattle on the Adair ranch, one is known as the thoroughbred herd, and is branded "J-I". This herd has the full blooded bulls that are placed in the other herd branded "J-A". In this way the grade of cattle is being constantly improved.

It was the custom of Mrs. Adair to have many visitors on the ranch. She often had men and women of English nobility out during the summers that she spent on her Texas ranch. Once when her nephew, Senator Wadsworth, of New York City, was visiting on the ranch he conducted a Red Cross auction sale in Clarendon. Various articles were donated by the citizens, such as eggs, turkeys, hams, syrup, peanuts, fruit cake, gasoline and kaffir corn. Wadsworth proved to be a good auctioneer, the sale realizing \$1,691.75.

Riding over the J-A ranch today one may pick up bones, arrow points, and other curios, mute evidence of raids made by Indians on the buffalo hunters, in the early days of Texas, who blazed new trails to the west in their annual crusade for meat and hides for market in the eastern cities. Bones of a mastodon found on the ranch have been placed in a New York museum. There is every evidence to prove that the Adair ranch lands were once the scenes of many bloody battle between different Indian tribes and buffalo hunters.

#### Loved America

As evidence of the early efforts to produce a good grade of cattle on the J-A ranch, the records of the International Live Stock exposition of Chicago show that as early as 1901 a carload of J-A steers won the grand championship. Another car load of steers won the grand championship at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1904. The annual calf branding now average 10,000.

By careful breeding the former Texas cow pony has been replaced by a better grade of saddle horse than is commonly found on cow ranches. During Mrs. Adair's last visit to the ranch, she celebrated her 84th birthday by giving a banquet to all of the men and their families who work on the ranch. She had as her guest from England, on this occasion, Lady Daughtry of Irish nobility.

Mrs. Adair loved America and especially Texas and its people. She had in conversation with intimate friends expressed a hope that when the final call came that she would be on the Texas ranch, and that she might be laid to rest in the little cemetery near the headquarters of the J-A ranch. She died September 22, 1921, in England and was buried there.

A number of prominent experienced cattlemen have figured largely in the management of the ranch



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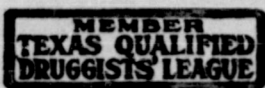
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### ENGLISH LORDS PLANNED SETTLEMENT FOR YOUNGER SONS NEAR HERE.

Amarillo was named after the Spanish word for yellow, a title well fitting a Plains town located in a ranching territory where the landscape used to be a grayish yellow during a greater part of the year. Plainview was also named to suggest the wide sweeping area of the once bare plains. Quannah was named after a famous Indian warrior and medicine man. Those names were fitting in the early days of the Panhandle. But it remains for Clarendon, Shamrock, Wellington, Salisbury and Aberdeen to carry good old English names suggestive of the bold adventurers who settled the Panhandle.

Amarillo has ceased to be yellow except in very dry years. The country around Plainview has been broken up into farms. Green fields, trees and farm houses have changed the once unbroken view. The name Quannah Parker is only a legend. The Indians are gone. Only Clarendon, Shamrock, Wellington, Salisbury and Aberdeen have names that are as appropriate today as they were when given. These names are fitting because the Panhandle is still a country of English men. A glance at the News subscription list shows that nine tenths of its readers are English. Many are Scotch, Welsh and Irish names, but all of these people carry the traditions of England. For this reason this story should be of interest to the News readers. It is a tale of Englishmen, a story of English noblemen who risked a fortune in Collingsworth and neighboring counties and who lost much of it.

In 1883 the Right Honorable Edward Majorbanks, Baron of Tweedmouth and John Campbell Hamilton Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen, started to build a vast estate in the Panhandle. Their first move was to buy 235 sections of land in Collingsworth and neighboring counties from Earl Spencer and John Drew. The records of the transaction are in The Collingsworth County court house. For the sum of Twenty-Six thousand and eight hundred dollars, Drew and Spencer sold a tract of land now valued in the millions. Majorbanks and Gordon bought the land under the title of The Rocking Chair Ranch of London, England.

John Drew was retained as foreman of the ranch. When he sold the ranch he also sold 14,745 head of cattle, 150 ponies, and a supply of wagons and harness to the Rocking Chair Ranch. Cecil Archie Majorbanks was sent over from London to manage the ranch. Cecil or Archie, there is some doubt about which given name he used, did not care for the ranch work. He preferred to hunt with his blooded dogs as he had done in England. He liked to drink and carouse. Consequently he paid little attention to the business of managing the ranch.

Drew managed the ranch just as he pleased. He sold the cattle at any time or any price he desired. It made no difference to the younger Majorbanks. Drew kept him supplied with liquor and hunting dogs and that was all that he wanted.

Great sums of money were sent from England to buy new stock for the ranch. Drew spent this as he chose. A herd of fine cattle was driven from Kansas City to stock the ranch, but it is believed that the herd never reached the Rocking Chair Ranch.

The first purchase was intended to be only the nucleus of the estate. Aberdeen was to be the center of the little dominion. It was to be a colony for remittance men and younger sons. Many communities in Australia were settled that way. Clarendon, Wellington and Shamrock were to be tributary settlements.

To augment the trouble caused by Drew's mismanagement, the squatters and other ranchers began to steal stock from the ranch and either kill it or rebrand it. The supply of money in England seemed unlimited, so the people thought that they might just as well get their share. Conditions finally became so bad that Majorbanks and Gordon made a trip to Texas to investigate.

Lord Majorbanks lived in London while Gordon lived in Canada. They came to the Rocking Chair Ranch and found that their herds were short many thousands head of cattle. They brought suit against Drew, but were unable to convict him. Becoming disgusted with their proposition they sold their land to the Continental Land and Cattle Company of which Col. Hughes was president. They received \$75,200 for the land for which they had paid \$26,857; but the difference in the price of the land was by no means enough to recompense them for what they had lost in cattle and ranch supplies. In those days cattle were worth more than land.

Col. Hughes changed the name of the ranch to the Mill Iron Ranch. Hay Camp located near Dodsonville was made the center of the Collingsworth section. This is a beautiful place located in a cottonwood grove near some natural springs. Joe Birchfield now lives in the stately old ranch house, which was once the headquarters of a great ranch.

Col. Hughes in his "Memoirs" tells of the delightful days spent in Hay Camp. He loved to hunt, but unlike Majorbanks he took an active interest in the affairs of the ranch. He kept a pack of hounds and a number of blooded horses. He owned the first stagecoach ever used in this section of the Panhandle. Most of the people used backboards or wagons then. One of Col. Hughes' finest stage coaches was kept at the Hay Camp ranch until a few years ago when it burned with the old barn.

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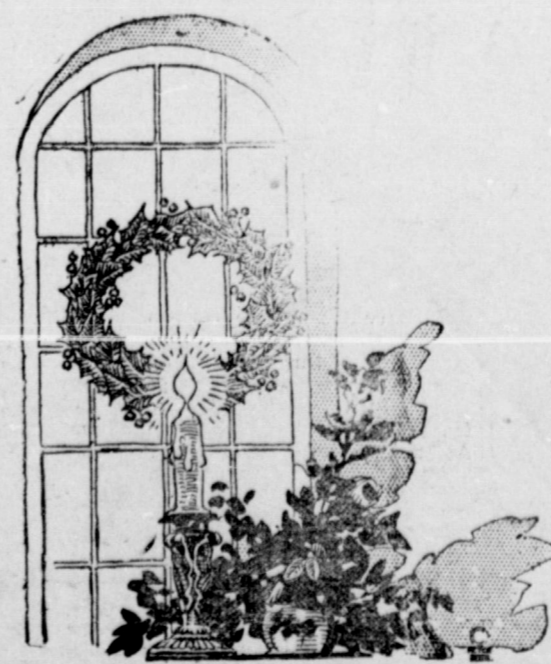
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The following two essays were written by students of the Clarendon High School and were selected by the judges as being equally good in their text matter for the winning of the contest as announced. Accordingly, the donors of the prize have awarded the two contestants equal prizes. The essays follow:

### THE PRICE OF CARELESSNESS

Ruby Hall

Several thousand years ago, people were afraid of fire, but after many years they found it to be very useful.

There have been several fires in Texas whose damage amounted to a large sum of money. The loss of the Galveston fire in 1877 was \$1,200,000; in the same year there was a fire at Paris, Texas, which destroyed \$1,500,000 worth of property. Galveston had another fire in 1885 with a loss of \$1,500,000. Beaumont had one in 1903 with a \$1,000,000 loss. There have been many other fires with great losses. In December, 1919, twenty-seven persons were burned to death in Texas and sixty-four injured. In September, October, November and December, 1919, fifty-seven were killed and 119 injured. Most of the deaths were caused by not using gasoline and kerosene properly.

Seventy per cent of the fires are preventable. Most fires are caused by carelessness or indifference. Many fires could be prevented by cleanliness and watchfulness. Constantinople is known as a filthy city and it has more fires than any other city in the world. It has shown that fifty per cent of the fires in Europe could be prevented by cleanliness and carefulness.

From 1880 to 1918 the stock fire insurance companies in Texas paid out \$137,583,373. Twenty-five per cent of the property destroyed carried no insurance.

The losses during the ten years from 1880 to 1889 were \$31,095,710; during the next ten years \$54,181,238; for the next years following, it was \$80,897,106; and the remaining nine, the loss was \$109,949,507. The percent of increase from the first decade to this nine year period was five hundred per cent.

Some of the things we have now that people did not have years ago which cause fires are: petroleum, natural gas, electric devices and lighting systems, installation for steam heating, a multiplicity of mechanical implements, and many other things. Since the cities have grown and many new things have come into use which might cause fires, we have established water-works systems. We find that years ago they had chimneys, flues, hot ashes and coals, smoking, rubbish and litter that fires might start in. We know that the people of Texas have kept up in social life, but very few have thought much of preventing fires.

The United States has the best equipped fire departments in the world and Texas has as good as the majority of the states. We have well trained men to run the apparatus and they are doing the best they can. The firemen can get to a fire in the business section of a town in two to five minutes and in the residential section in a short time. People should try to prevent fires and if one breaks out they should turn in the alarm as quickly as possible.

A person fears fire more in his home than in his place of business. The main reason for this is that a fire in his home means danger to his family and homelessness until a new place is found. A person should be very careful at home and he will form the habit and will naturally be careful at his place of business.

Most homes have some electric wiring in them. People should be very careful with the electric wiring in them. People should be very careful with the electric wires for these could cause fires by not being in good condition. This is seventh in the list of causes of fires in dwellings that are preventable.

Fourteen per cent of the fires in dwellings, apartment houses, and boarding houses are caused by bad flues. Some people do not mend their flues. This neglect sometimes costs them their lives. The safe plan is to have a good flue built and have it examined each year before building fires.

Indammable materials should never be left near stoves or furnaces. Keeping kerosene near a kitchen range is very dangerous. In burning fats, the grease might get on fire and get to the paper. A person should be very careful with ashes. They should be kept in a metal container. All flour and sugar barrels should be destroyed.

Greasy rags, old cloth, musty and damp paper should be destroyed or kept in a metal can or box for there is danger in spontaneous combustion. People should be very careful about throwing burnt matches down. This sometimes causes large fires. Kerosene lamps also cause many fires. A lamp should never be filled by an artificial light or after dark.

Many women have the habit of cleaning clothes with gasoline which is very dangerous. One gallon of gasoline will produce 37 cubic yards of vapor and if ignited will expand to four thousand times this space. It is also very dangerous to build fires with gasoline and kerosene. People should be very careful with

### FIRE SHOULD BE PREVENTED

Harold Ruddell

Man began to learn the use of fire at an early age. He made use of it in the manufacture of the crude weapons which he used to defend himself with against the savage beasts. Fire gave warmth to the savage man, and he, too, learned that it must be controlled. The Romans were among the first to realize the necessity of preventing fire; for they had an organized body for fighting fire as early as the sixteenth century. Even then there were many fires. For example, the burning of Rome, which is a stain upon the history of the world.

Prevention of fire is a personal problem. This may readily be seen when it is known that a cigar stub, thrown down by a careless smoker, caused the great fire of Chicago. This fire destroyed millions of dollars' worth of property and hundreds of human lives were lost. Fire is a good servant, but a dangerous master. Once out of control it becomes a flaming demon ready to snuff out human lives and to destroy the works of man.

In Texas alone the fire rate is alarming. One home burns every four minutes, four churches every day and millions of dollars worth of property every year. This means that someone is left homeless every four minutes, someone loses a place in which to worship, and somebody loses some property that adds to the wealth of a nation. When it is known that three-fourths of all fires are caused by carelessness, it is evident that everyone should do his part towards preventing fire.

The United States has more fire every year than France and Germany together. Is this because the American people are more careless than the people of other countries? Is it because they have realized the necessity of preventing fire and have solved the problem? Germany has long since realized the necessity of protecting her excellent forests and has reduced the number of such fires to a minimum. America on the other hand, has many fires that frequently destroy acres of valuable timber and whole towns.

Everyone who owns a home should have it insured. Many people lose their homes and everything they own because they carry no insurance. For only a small amount one can secure insurance and thereby guard against total loss; yet the moral hazard is the greatest problem that insurance companies have to deal with. The man, who willingly burns his own property to collect insurance, runs the risk of destroying the property and lives of his neighbors.

The number of fires would be greatly reduced, if everyone would follow a simple set of rules, such as:

1. Always place oily rags in a tin can.
2. Never allow rubbish to collect in the cellar or attic.
3. Keep matches out of the reach of mice and rats.
4. Never strike a match in a dark closet.
5. Always know where the nearest alarm box is and how to give the alarm.
6. Bury all rubbish, if possible; if not, choose a still day to burn it.
7. Do your bit toward preventing fire.

Should one observe these simple rules, fire percentage would be reduced to a minimum and more of the world would be healthier and happier.

Mrs. J. O. Haynes left Sunday for Dallas, where she will be placed in the Baptist Sanitarium in that city for treatment. She has been in the hospital in this city for the past six weeks.

Please have your schedule made out when farm census enumerators call for it. (51c)

waste paper in business houses. Fires can very easily start by being careless with waste paper.

It has been proved that fire extinguishers are important. They should be put in convenient places in the building. All windows should be made of wire, glass and with metal frames to prevent fires from the outside.

A person having a store should cooperate with the fire department. Before leaving at night he should have all aisles clear, so if fire should start in the night the firemen could get to the fire more quickly.

Fire escapes are very important. In New York there was a fire in which one hundred and forty-three people lost their lives. All or most of these could have been saved if there had been fire escapes. The State of Texas requires certain buildings to have fire escapes and it is doing all it can to prevent fire and save lives when fires do break out.



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## Something To Wear

*---that's the best way to take care of a man's Christmas*

How can a man put out of his mind, what he puts on his back?

**N**O other gift is quite so certain to please a man as some smart article of apparel--something he hankers for, perhaps, but hesitates about buying for himself

Out of a Store abounding in such gifts for men and boys we have chosen a few good things to list for your convenience

*Our label on the box will enhance the value of your gift; it's a label that men set lots of store by*

### Neck Wear

We've always taken a lot of pride in the quality and smartness of our ties, but for this Christmas season we've outdone ourselves. Giving ties is sometimes risky, but not in a store where the fine art of neckwear is understood.

### Shirts

There isn't a man alive who doesn't have pet shirts that he digs thru the drawer for. We have that kind--handsomely fashioned shirts in flannel, madras, broadcloth, silk.

### Hats

Why do you suppose election bets are so often made in terms of hats? Because men like smart, good-looking hats quite as well as women do. Fine hats are fine gifts. Or you might get him a cap for golf or motoring.

## THE BEST OF ALL GIFTS

Clothes are best--no question about it. Dress clothes will make Christmas morning all you'd like it to be for any man--the youngsters at school, or for his Dad. Golfers will rejoice in the style and easy

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## CLARENDON MASONIC LODGE ORGANIZED IN 1890 IS THE MOTHER LODGE OF PANHANDLE

In presenting the following brief history of the Mason: Blue lodge of Clarendon, The News is indebted to A. M. Beville, Sr., one of the charter members, for the following data concerning its birth. In addition to the Blue Lodge, Clarendon has a Royal Arch Chapter, a Council, a Shrine Club, and she boasts of one of the

oldest and strongest chapters of Eastern Star in Texas: Clarendon Lodge No. 700 A. F. & A. M. was organized July 19th, 1890, with J. N. Browning, J. E. Farrington, John L. Grissom, J. G. Murdock, M. Lichtenstein, J. A. Lafferty, A. M. Beville, C. M. Hall, W. R. Butler, Joseph H. Pratt, P. A. Buntin, J. W. Davis and J. P.

Mitchell, as Charter Members—thirteen in all.

The first officers were J. N. Browning, Worshipful Master; M. Lichtenstein Senior Warden; W. R. Butler, Junior Warden; J. E. Farrington, Treasurer; A. M. Beville, Secretary; J. W. Davis, Senior Deacon; John L. Grissom, Junior Deacon; P. A. Buntin, Tiler; J. A. Lafferty, Chaplain; J. G. Murdock, Senior Steward and C. M. Hall, Junior Steward.

Of the charter members W. R. Butler and A. M. Beville were later Masters of this lodge and A. M. Beville was for three years District Grand Master of this the 98th District. Of the charter members P. A. Buntin and A. M. Beville are still members, while they and W. R. Butler are the charter members who still live.

Clarendon lodge can truly claim to be the Mother Masonic lodge of the Panhandle proper. The nearest lodge and to which the three principal officers had to go for examination as to their efficiency before this lodge could begin work, under a Dispensation, was Margaret, the then county seat of Hardeman county and situated on the South side of the Pease River, and not within the Panhandle proper. To Clarendon lodge had to come the applications and three principal officers, before their organization, the lodges of Amarillo, Memphis and many others, as did Clarendon lodge to Margaret lodge.

From the applications received for membership on the organization of this lodge, W. H. Cooke, J. D. Stocking and Geo. F. Morgan, became Worshipful Masters of this lodge and Geo. F. Morgan became Most Worshipful Grand Master of Texas in 1920.

This lodge from its very small beginning had a remarkable growth and still has quite a large membership, being double the membership of many towns of equal population of Clarendon.

R. R. Millsap of Los Angeles, California is visiting in the A. H. Baker home.

Rustcraft Gift Novelties at Ethel Rutherford's Shoppe. (42tc)

### MADE HIM HONOR FLAG

With a little American flag, rumpled in his grimy hand a motor tourist from the North, who had stopped in a small town in Georgia was busily wiping the mud from the various parts of his car. An old man—a typical Southern colonel—made his way through the crowd of onlookers and asked the tourist politely whether he wouldn't find something less sacred with which to clean his car.

"I guess it's my business and not yours if I want to clean my car with this little old rag," replied the tourist in a sure tone.

The old man's lips tightened. Years before he had served with the confederate army in the hope of mak-

ing the flag a foreign emblem, but all that was past and gone forever. He looked the tourist full in the eye for a moment; then he turned and called the sheriff.

When the sheriff appeared the offender was quick to relent. But it was too late. Southern patriotism demanded that the flag be reverently burned, and Southern justice decreed that the desecrator perform the ceremony.

The tourist choose the sensible course; it was the only way out of his predicament. He soaked the flag in gasoline and placing it on the ground touched a match to it while the Southern villagers, bared their heads and off among the trees the handsome monuments to the heroes of the South, erected by the Daugh-

ters of the Confederacy looked approvingly down upon them.—Youth's Companion.

### THESE "INSPIRATION" AL TALKERS

At a lecture the speaker orated fervently; "He drove straight to his goal. He looked neither to the right nor to the left, but pressed forward, moved by a definite purpose. Neither friend nor foe could delay him nor turn him from his course. All who crossed his path did so at their own peril. What would you call such a man?" "A truck driver," shouted a dis-

### THREE WEEKS AND THEN—

"Hello, Moses—How long you-all in jail fo'?"  
"Three weeks."  
"What did yo' do?"  
"Jes' killed mah wife."  
"An' you-all only got three weeks?"  
"Dat's all—den day's goin' to hang me."

### TOO MUCH AT HOME

Mistress: "Why are you leaving, Mary? Don't we treat you as one of the family?"  
Maid: "That's the trouble, ma'am. This is the second morning that Mr. Jones forgot to kiss me when he started to work."



With kindest thoughts and all good wishes for Christmas and throughout the coming New Year

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## Best Wishes for Everyone

The approach of the Christmas season reminds us that we are under obligations to our friends and patrons for a satisfactory business in 1924 and we desire to wish you, one and all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year in 1925.

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## This Is Our New Home

We have just moved into our New Home where we invite you all to come and see us

We take this opportunity of thanking you all for your past patronage which has enabled us to build this beautiful house which we hope will be an asset to Clarendon. We believe in this country and Clarendon and have built with an eye for the future. We have installed modern equipment to enable us to do you a better repair job in less time. We have two of the very latest visible gas pumps where you will find two courteous young men who are ready to wait on you instantly and we invite you to give us your Gas and Oil business. We have an 8 hour battery charger and will call for your Battery in the morning and have it charged before night.

WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF CHARGING RADIO BATTERIES  
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### Christmas Is Almost Here--- How 'bout A New Ford for the Whole Family?

We have a pretty good stock on hand now but they won't last long. Better see us at once and have one reserved. We carry a large stock of genuine Ford parts and when you need parts for your Ford, come here after them.

### WE HAVE A LOT OF NOVELTIES

That will make suitable Xmas presents such as Spot Lights, Dash Lights, Motor Meters, Glo-lites, Cigar Lighters, Rear View Mirrors and Flower Vases for closed cars.

Wishing you each a Happy Xmas and Prosperous New Year. We are yours to serve,

## Clarendon Motor Co.

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CLARENDON COLLEGE—FIRST ADMINISTRATION BUILDING. WRECKED IN 1910



The above is a correct representation of the first administration building of Clarendon College. When first erected, there was sufficient room for all the classes to meet on the first two floors of the building and the third floor was used as a dormitory for the boys. The old foundation of the building is still visible on the northern side of the present administration building of the college. The edifice was wrecked about 1910.

CLARENDON COLLEGE—OLDEST INSTITUTION IN PANHANDLE

(Continued from page 1) remained loyal to the institution playing a prominent part in its growth and expansion.

Ten acres of land for a campus was presented to the conference by Clarendonites in April 1898 and although no buildings were available the school opened immediately and the first eight months of the session was conducted in the old frame Methodist church building. The administration building was rushed to completion and was finished in time for the first commencement. In this only two dozen students and three teachers participated.

The corner stone of the building was laid by A. M. Beville who invested the first dollar in a higher institution of learning in the Panhandle. When the site was donated to the college and the deed was filed Beville took a dollar from his pocket and laid it on the deed to make the transaction legal. Beville still resides at Clarendon where he has been in the insurance business since 1889.

The school soon outgrew its facilities and in a few years it was necessary to construct a large administration building. May 5, 1908 the corner stone of the present building was laid. In the meantime the progress of education in the West was being watched with interest by the outside world and people came from great distances to witness the ceremony of laying the corner stone. Old settlers recall that true to tradition "Texas Northerners come sudden and soon," and the weather man sent a full grown one that day. The visitors spent the major portion of the afternoon frantically snatching at or chasing their straw hats and longing for their heavy overcoats. Which leads the writer to observe that the weather man is as progressive as the remainder of us, and the seasons are changing with times and conditions. Such northerners known as "Blue Whistlers" have almost ceased.

The constant increase in enrollment has caused new buildings to be erected year by year until today the total valuation of the property exceeds \$500,000 and the building has not ceased. Other buildings are being contemplated commensurate with necessity. The conference districts have come to the support of the college. Now all of the districts lying in the Northwest Texas Conference, Western Oklahoma and Eastern New Mexico patronize Clarendon college.

This institution is at present the best equipped Junior college supported by the Methodist church and the conference has designated it for a class A senior college. In addition to the college the institution provides an intermediate and academic department in which students requiring additional high school credits are enabled to prepare for college. The present equipment consists of the administration building which is a credit to any institution, a complete and modern improved dormitory for both boys and girls and in addition thereto supports what is known as a co-operative home wherein students who are unable to pay full boarding and college expenses are enabled to co-operatively keep house and minimize expenses.

The original board of trustees for the college was comprised of J. D. Stocking, J. D. Jeffries, H. W. Taylor, A. M. Beville, Sr., H. M. Sherman, R. A. Hall, W. B. Andrews, J. A. Wallace, C. S. McCarver, J. M. Browning, W. T. Campbell, J. N. Donohue and J. N. Clower, a number of which are still living but who are scattered over Texas and other states, only two still residing in Clarendon.

The first man to serve the institution in the capacity of president was the Reverend J. W. Adkinson who served for one term, 1898-99. Prof. R. A. St. John, Rev. W. B. McKeown, Rev. J. C. Barcus, Rev. G. S. Hardy, and Rev. J. R. Moody served respectively in this capacity until 1907. Eventually in every undertaking the man is found for the job and in 1907 there came one to Clarendon college who more than any other has contributed to the growth and development thereof; and has been instrumental in the welding of education

into its present broad, efficient and comprehensive system in West Texas. In 1907 Dr. G. S. Slover was elected to head the college and has been at his post ever since, 17 years. With the able assistance of Dean Stuart H. Condon, Dr. Slover has succeeded in building here an institution favorably comparable with any, and now in the midst of its twenty-seventh term the college stands on the verge of a new and broad expansion.

The success of the college can be attributed largely to the support accorded it by the citizens of Clarendon. Reliable figures compiled by Dean Condon show that 90 per cent of the financial assistance ever rendered the institution came from within a radius of 50 miles of Clarendon. The other 10 per cent has been donated by the Northwest Texas conference. Loyal to the core and willing to do more than their share to give to West Texas and the Panhandle a college for the Young West, all that Clarendon citizens have ever asked from outside sources is patronage.

Thus the secret of the unwavering progress of West Texas is out. It is due solely to the tenacity with which West Texans have clung to their ideals until the goal is reached.

Over the territory many schools have sprung up and the end is not yet. Today, in this era of higher education with our efficient public schools; with West Texas sprinkled liberally with higher institutions of learning from Canadian and the Oklahoma boundary on the north to the southern reaches of the Rio Grande, from Fort Worth, where the West begins, across endless miles of sage-blown prairie, to El Paso on the west; it is hard for us to realize the difficulties and obstacles which our forefathers were obliged to meet and overcome. Hard for us to realize the meagre beginning and limited facilities and appreciate the jealousy and pride with which they view their handiwork and continue to strive for greater accomplishments. This is the spirit that has enabled West Texas to overcome what outsiders were prone to once consider unsurmountable obstacles. Never once have they stumbled, but have ever kept steadily onward with their eyes set on the distant horizon, looking to the future. There was no alternative. They had nothing to lose and much to win. They have gained an empire.

The present equipment of the institution is favorably comparable with any Junior college while the courses offered are second to none. The student enjoys the privileges of adequate literary, musical and athletic arrangements. The atmosphere of the surroundings are decidedly religious and social relations are attractive and congenial. According to classification by the S. E. Church South, by the department of education of Texas and the college association of Texas, Clarendon college is given the highest ranking to which a Junior college is eligible. Work completed here through the training school and 30 hours of college work properly selected enters the student in the junior class of the best universities of the country.

The present faculty of instruction is made up of some of the best material available, as follows:

- George S. Slover, president; Stuart H. Condon, dean; S. M. Mims, education; Miss Mary H. Howren, mathematics; Miss Mamie F. McLean, English; H. T. Burton, science and athletics; R. E. White, Spanish and French; C. A. Cryer, principal of training school; P. W. Walker, training school and assistant coach; Mrs. Mildred White, domestic science and art; C. C. Fuller, dean of conservatory; Miss Ruth Pirtle, expression and physical culture; Miss Moena Lane, registrar; Mrs. P. G. Huffman, lady manager and nurse; Mrs. Curtis Cryer, matron; librarian to be supplied.

The board of trustees is comprised of: F. L. Bourand, Hon. W. D. Berry, J. L. Bain, Judge S. C. Bratton, Rev. S. L. Cowell, Rev. O. P. Clark, Rev. R. E. Dickenson, Rev. D. B. Doak, Rev. C. N. N. Ferguson, Rev. W. P. Garvin, J. W. Gordon, Rev. J. T. Griswold, Rev. G. S. Hardy, Rev. M. E. Hawkins, Rev. E. W. Hayne, Rev. J. R. Henson, W. T. Hayter, Rev.



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So down through the years from

a meager beginning Clarendon college has grown apace and indications are favorable for a quick and responsive expansion to the general optimistic outlook. Now that the college has been designated for a class A senior college plans to this effect are receiving proper attention with the expectation of putting them in operation at the earliest possible moment. —Joseph H. Burris.

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