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DARK AND DISMAL

District Court Room in Courthouse not an Inviting Place—Taxpayer Offers Suggestion.

The following suggestion has been handed in for publication and the timely criticism is well taken:

While the subject of a new courthouse is under discussion by the taxpayers of the county and many have signed a petition to our honorable commissioner's court asking that the people be given an opportunity to express their minds upon the question, there is one thing that has attracted my attention which should be considered at once. That is the interior condition of the district courtroom. An attempt was made some months ago perhaps a year since, to re-arrange the furniture and to paint the walls. All this was done, but the effect was far from satisfactory. Instead of a bright cherry room, full of light when we enter, a dark and dismal looking condition greets you; like entering into the caverns of the lower region. (The writer knows how the lower region looks alright.) While the paint was put on, there was little or no attention given to the color. But likely the dark colors were put on to cover up the dirt. This is the question: the colors now on the wall absorb not less than 85 per cent of the rays of the light from a lamp or electric bulb. At a recent meeting in the room, six lamps

gave but a dim light and the audience sat in partial darkness. Even a high-power gas lamp did no good. Now if the walls and ceiling of the room were given a good covering of some light paint, the effect would be a wonder. All colors absorb some light, but perfect white or yellow take up the least. This is a scientific fact which few painters think of when covering a wall.

A tax-payer, willing to expend a little money for a present pressing demand, the writer respectfully asks the court to consider the question of a few gallons of white paint for the walls and ceiling of the room.

A TAX PAYER.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Will H. Hines deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the County Court of Deaf Smith County, Texas on the 15th day of April, 1909, and all persons having claims against the estate of the Testator are hereby required to present the same within the time prescribed by law to the Executrix, whose place of residence and post office is Hereford, Deaf Smith County, Texas.

MRS. CARYL HINES, Executrix.

Big White Swan.

D. C. Laird received on Monday of the week, the big white swan which he had sent to Kansas City to have mounted. The bird is finely mounted, his perfectly white plumage and coal black feet and beak, make an attractive picture. It is on exhibition at Irwin & Matthews' furniture store.

SOIL SURVEY

Government Experts Here Making a Soil and Topographical Survey of the County—Will Also Make Agricultural Report.

Thos. D. Rice and L. C. Holman of Washington, D. C. arrived in Hereford the first part of the week to begin a soil, topographical, and agricultural survey of Deaf Smith and other counties of the Panhandle. The work will cover the two lower tiers of counties beginning with Parmer and Deaf Smith and running east to the Oklahoma line. In conversation with the two gentlemen, it was learned that it is their purpose to make a thoro examination of the soil and soil conditions in the counties named. This will include an exhaustive report of the agricultural conditions, climate, etc. of the region. This survey has been brought about by the many inquiries forwarded to Washington by home-seekers, asking such questions as to whether the Panhandle is a suitable place for agricultural pursuits. Messrs. Rice and Holman are here to gather statistics and to study conditions that this question may be answered properly by the government.

They state that the soil of the Plains is quite uniform, much more so than may be found in any other part of the country; that the underground water supply has been stored by the rainfall of the past centuries and that there is little danger of its

exhaustion. They remarked to a Brand representative that the agricultural conditions as already found are better for a new country than they have seen in other new states; that the farmers are giving the soil and soil conditions more study which must repay them tenfold for their pains.

Now, it becomes the duty of the farmers of the country to show these men every courtesy and attention. Upon their final report will depend the endorsement and approval of the government at Washington as to the agricultural possibilities of the Panhandle. They will visit most of the farms of the counties and will gather a great amount of statistics. The Commercial Club will see to it that they be given the opportunity to get at the facts.

In connection with this matter and for the enlightenment of what certain editors along the Denver south of Childress who insist on stretching the boundaries of the Panhandle so that their counties would come within the influence of the magic word, it is given out that the government at Washington recognizes only the twenty-six counties beginning with Childress as belonging in the Panhandle.

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WINS FIRST HONORS

Hereford Young Man Takes First Honors at Medical College in Dallas.

J. T. Inmon received a wire from his son, Homer, last Tuesday that both he and L. E. Turrentine, who have been taking a course in the Dallas Medical College, had successfully passed the rigid examination and that Homer had won first honors in the class. So it is now, Dr. L. E. Turrentine and Dr. E. Homer Inmon. Their friends will be pleased to learn this bit of good news as both these young men have been raised in Hereford having graduated from the High School and are counted among the leading young men of the city.

Keep both eyes on Baskin Heights. 1-1f

What About That Woodman Hall.

Those of you who are in favor of this building being erected in Hereford please be in attendance at hall Saturday night, May 1st, and those of you who are not in favor of this building being erected in our city had better be there May 1st in order to register your objections. Two lots have already been donated for this purpose. Let's be progressive and build us a home that the entire city and county will be proud of.

Fraternally,
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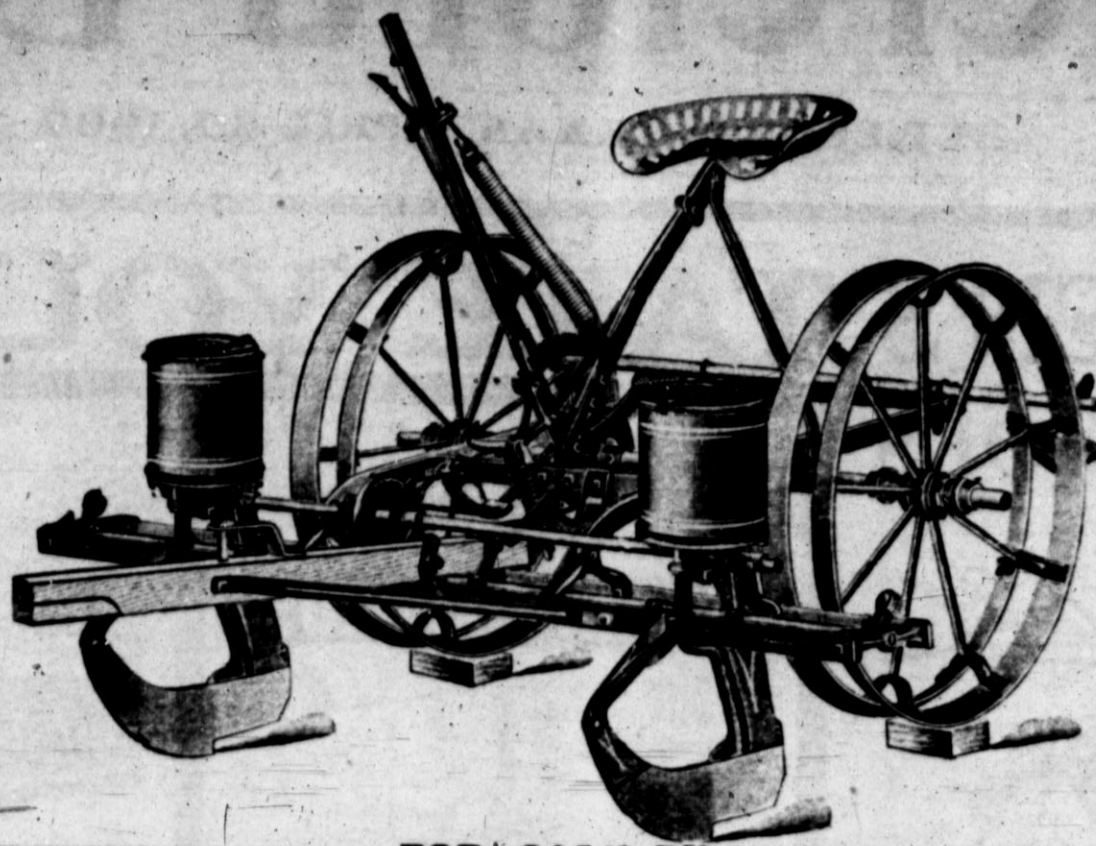
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CALL MEETING

Commercial Club Meets at Opera House and Discusses State Normal Proposition.

In response to a call issued by the Commercial Club, a mass meeting of the citizens of Hereford assembled in the Opera House Saturday night, April 24 for the purpose of discussing the location of the State Normal recently authorized for that section of the state west of the ninety-eighth meridian.

The attendance was very poor and Judge Wm. M. Knight, who was elected chairman, took occasion to express his regret that the citizens of Hereford appeared to think so little of this momentous question. The speaker explained that the ninety-eighth meridian ran pretty nearly through the center of the state and included a great many live towns along the Denver, T. & P. and Santa Fe roads who would certainly make a warm fight for the school. He remarked that if the small crowd present was to be taken as a criterion of Hereford's feeling in the matter it would be best to throw in with Canyon or some other city and not make a half hearted effort.

President Terrell of the Canyon City club, also publisher of the Randall County News, was introduced

by Professor Wray, who addressed the meeting on the subject of the location of the Normal. He stated in substance that Canyon was not asking help at present; on the contrary if Hereford determined to make the fight for the Normal Canyon said, "go after it." However, the speaker's opinion was that there were grave fears that the school might not be allotted to the Plains country at all but might be awarded to the Abilene country, or somewhere in that vicinity, and therefore Canyon was trying to induce all the Plains towns to combine in a mighty effort to induce the board on location to pick out the Plains, the town to be decided after a personal inspection and consideration of the advantages of each place.

The speaker stated that in his opinion money alone would not effect the location of the school, as the board of gentlemen appointed to consider the matter would certainly take into consideration the moral tone and other advantages of every applicant for the Normal. He called attention to the fact that the recent convention of newspaper men and commercial clubs at Lubbock had appointed a committee of five on education to look after this very matter—the securing of the Normal for the Plains first of all. Mr. Terrell also called attention to the great benefit derived by the citizens of Denton, Texas, from the establishment of the Normal school at that point.

Judge Knight asked regarding the location of some of the experiment farms recently authorized, being of the opinion that Hereford should try for one of them. Mr. Terrell replied that he had understood from Commissioner Kone that one of the two farms to be located in West Texas was to be assigned to the extreme western portion, and the other would be given to either south or north Plains country.

Messrs. Parker, Fuqua, Shirley, Elliston, Baskin and others discussed the Normal question, the first four offering to put up cash donations to secure it. On motion of Judge Cough the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, that this meeting endorse the idea of locating the Normal on the Plains first and at Hereford afterwards; that the citizens of Hereford co-operate with the other Plains towns in an effort to persuade the locating board to place the school at some point on the Plains, and if this is accomplished to go after the school in earnest in competition with the other Plains cities; that the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to the State Superintendent of Education at Austin, who is a member of the locating board, that the board may understand Hereford's position.

After some further minor discussion the meeting adjourned.

VOTED 88 TO 2

Lubbock Votes \$25,000 in Bonds for New High School Building—Work to Begin at Once.

Last Saturday Lubbock citizens showed their hands by voting twenty five thousand dollars in bonds for the erection of a new high school building, the measure carrying by a vote of 88 to 2. This is what a politician would call a "brutal majority," and the two minority voters must feel lonesome in that pushing little city of the South Plains. This same question is to be voted on in the Hereford Independent District Saturday, May 15, and something like this majority should prevail. Lubbock is in the same position as Hereford, neither having a school building suitable for their schools.

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Commercial Club Meeting.

To Members of The Hereford Commercial Club:

The regular monthly meeting of the Club will be held Tuesday night, May 4th, at the courthouse, at 8 o'clock. It may be that a special attraction may be added to the regular business of the Club. Every member of this organization is urged to be on hand, as the good work is just commencing and matters of vital interest to the city need attention. Bring your friends with you.

Seth B. HOLMAN, Secretary.

"Puddled Plants," on page 6. It

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ODD FELLOWS CELEBRATE

Joint Festivities with the Rebekahs
on Ninetieth Anniversary.
Paper Read.

Last Monday April 28th, being the 90th anniversary of the organization of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, Hereford Lodge No. 476 ably assisted by the Rebekah Lodge No. 228 of this city, gave a most enjoyable program at the hall of the local Lodge, consisting of speeches, songs, Instrumental music on Piano, Flute, Violin and Mandolin, followed by exhibition drills by the Rebekah and Oddfellow degree teams in uniform, after which supper was served at the City Cafe. The occasion was one of the most enjoyable events ever participated in by the local Lodges, and many compliments were heard on the excellent floor work shown by both orders.

The following paper was read by Mrs. Clarence Smith:

Dear Sister Rebekahs and Brother Odd Fellows: You have been put a task on me that I am not competent to fill, that is, of making you a speech, yet if I could express in words what is in my heart it certainly would be wonderful what I might say to you, but I cannot do this. Yet sisters and brothers if ever I am able to speak in public at all it certainly would be on Oddfellowship. I love the order dearly, I love its beautiful teachings, I love the good example, a true Rebekah and Oddfellow sets before the world. Brothers and sisters, only think what a grand old world this would be if we but lived up to its beautiful teachings. I am proud I belong to the noble order of Rebekahs, and my prayer to my Master is to make and keep me worthy of the order, for I know that the order of Rebekahs has made of me a better wife, a better mother, and a truer Christian. That assurance that I have in my heart dear brothers and sisters, is why I am a Rebekah. If you could but see the bright-faced, noble looking children that we are caring for now in Texas, you would be made to realize that, that itself would be sufficient pay for belonging to so noble an order. There never has been yet one known to have gone astray that has been reared in an Oddfellows home. What do you think of that? Is not that of itself sufficient pay for belonging to this order? Then brothers and sisters let us be up and doing and wide awake to the principles of Oddfellowship, and practice in our daily lives, what we are taught in the lodge-room, and brothers and sisters remember you are all needed in the lodge-room. Do not think because you have passed through the chairs, your lodge work is ended. How often do we see it, that when the noble grand retires into the past grand chair, they absent themselves from the lodge-room? They seem to have no more interest there. Indeed I have heard of some of them

saying when asked how their lodge was getting along say, "I really do not know how they are getting along now, as you know I have passed thru the chairs, and so I do not think it necessary to attend any more as I thought I would let the others run it a while." Now brothers and sisters, they seem to think they have all there is to the order, and as there were no more honors for them, they would just stay away. They did not seem to be aware of the fact that they owed the order anything for conferring the honors upon them, and think that all that is expected of them from now on, was to keep their dues paid. What a mistake they are making now that they have gained these high honors.

It is really more important that they should be there, as the newer ones in office, look to them for help and encouragement. It is supposed that a past grand has a fair knowledge of the laws and usages of the order, and would therefore be enabled to help straighten out the kinks that are bound to come up in the course of lodge meetings, a past grand should always be first in the lodge-room and be ever ready to be of any assistance that may be needed. Brothers and sisters do you know your lodge is just what you make it? If you look well after it, care for it, nurse it, love it, it goes without saying you have a live, growing, prosperous lodge, but if on the contrary, you stay away from it, neglect it, leave it to others or worse still, leave it to itself, you have only yourself to blame for the drooping, dragging, gasping thing called Oddfellow or Rebekah lodge. Now it is with you my brothers and sisters to make or mar your lodge. Which will you do? Let us accomplish the aims and objects of Oddfellowship, which is to be up and doing, to live such pure lives, to set such examples before the world, that men and women seeing the good works of Oddfellowship, may be led to follow in their footsteps, and we can do this my brothers and sisters if we but carry into our lives the lessons taught us in the lodge room. Just think what a world this would be if we but lived up to the beautiful teachings of the order. Dear brothers and sisters just ninety years ago tonight was the beginning of Oddfellowship. On the 26th day of April, 1819, in the city of Baltimore, Thomas Wildey and four co-laborers, Welch, Ducan, Rushworth and Cheatham five working men founded what has grown to be the greatest fraternal organization in the world. From the small beginning of five we now have about two million members with seventeen thousand subordinate lodges, and eight thousand six hundred Rebekah lodges. Besides Oddfellowship has been established in almost every part of this vast world of ours. Why is this? Because outsiders seeing our good works are made to realize the untold good we are doing for humanity, therefore they are more anxious to be one of us. Dear brothers and sisters I have chosen for a short talk this evening charity; for without charity we cannot be true Oddfellows and Rebekahs, therefore be charitable toward each other not so ready to condemn, for remember when you see a

fault in a brother or sister, they may likewise see some fault in you that seems equally as bad to them. They have just as good right to their opinion of you as you have of your opinion of them. Should a brother or a sister be faithful in attendance give them some office though you might feel they were not so well qualified as some others, yet let no personal prejudice control your actions, but the law of the Golden Rule "To do unto others as you would that they should do unto you." Then with Friendship, Love and Truth lend them a helping hand, and lead them over the difficult places, and make them to feel they are needed in the lodge room, and that should they stay away they are greatly missed. Try this brothers and sisters and see the result. Be always charitable toward each other. Should you hear a tale of slander said to have come from a sister or brother, go to them in charity and love, tell them of what you have heard and the person that told you. If they be true Oddfellows or Rebekahs they will tell you whether they are guilty or not, and if so, they will explain why these things were said of you. Do not go to others first or use a telephone, be charitable always. What seemed to you at first to be a great mountain, might be proven to be only a very small hill.

Then again we must be charitable in other things, we look about us and see so much we might do to make someone happy, they may not want for the necessities of life, yet they may be starving for one kind word spoken from the depths of an honest heart. That costs us nothing and may mean so much to them. Let us forget ourselves for a while, and try to cheer some sufferer, either bodily or mentally. Maybe we might speak the words that would save some mother's boy or girl, or some disheartened brother or sister that is almost ready to give up in despair.

Would we not be well repaid for our efforts? Let us try this Brothers and Sisters, be more charitable towards our fellow man. Our Savior was always reaching out after the lowly and degraded. Are we better than He? Again, we have poor and needy ones in our midst. Can we not spare a little something for them? Some second hand clothing or some little something we would scarcely miss, and that might mean so much to them. And should they be sick prepare some little dainty that might tempt their appetite, and add a few kind words as seasoning. Show them you are interested in them. Your little act of kindness might put a new lease on life for them. If you have flowers, take a bouquet. We never know how much real pleasure a sick one sometimes gets from a little flower. But if you have nothing more to take, go with a heart full of sympathy and love.

And scatter thus your seeds of kindness,
All enriching as you go,
Leave them trust the harvest giver
He will make each seed to grow;
And low until its happy end
Your life shall never lack a friend.

Brothers and Sisters, nothing brings more joy to my heart than to feel that I, in my weakness, have been the means of cheering some lonely heart. A few days ago (pardon me for personal reference) I accidentally heard of a sick lady in an old dug-out. I was at the church at the time I heard of it, and I got a chance to go direct to see her. I had given her some second hand clothing some time before, as they were very poor; I went in, and it was so dark I could scarcely see her. I went up to the bed and stooped and kissed her old withered cheek, and asked her how she was; before she answered me she said: "Oh! who is this?" I told her who I was and she clasped my hand and said, "Bless the Lord, I am better now, I dreamed of you last night, and you have been on my mind so much

today, I prayed the good Lord to let me see you once more and now I am so happy, I feel like the gates of Heaven were open this evening." Now Brothers and Sisters, you may imagine how light my heart was, when I saw the happy expression on that poor old withered face. We never know the good we can do. I took nothing to her that day except a kiss and a heart full of love yet I was repaid a thousand fold. Now my dear Brothers and Sisters, I hope my effort, although so weak, may be kindly taken, and that these words, though lamely gotten up, may help some brother or sister that might have grown careless along this line of Odd Fellowship. I will close with a dear little poem entitled Friendship, Love and Truth:

Friendship is a beautiful star
With tender lovely rays,
That lights the path of generous worth
And speaks of brighter days.

Love is a tie, a golden chain
That binds with stronger band
Than iron shackles of the cell
Or all the arts of man.

Truth is a gem, a pearl of worth
As lasting as the skies,
More dazzling than the gems of earth
Its splendor never dies.

Wishing you all a joyful time on this anniversary and with Friendship, Love and Truth to each of you I remain as ever,

Yours Fraternaly,
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The unconquerable Western spirit of "come out on top," of indomitable determination to accomplish something, so wonderfully portrayed in the recent canvass for a boni-fide, representative Commercial Club, has cropped out again, this time in the amount of work and scope of the enterprises planned by the directors of the organization for themselves and their fellow townsmen the coming summer and fall. The first intimation of this work is given in the list of nine committees appointed Tuesday night and just announced. A partial idea of what is brewing in the minds of the enterprising leaders of the Club may be had from a glance over the assignments to committees as follows:

On good roads and bridges (to encourage and advocate the building and maintenance of good wagon roads from all points in Hereford's trade territory into the city); W. D. Kellehor, chairman; A. W. Gregg, A. H. Elliston, H. G. Hays, Troy Womble;

On sidewalks, street crossings and shade trees, (to encourage more and better sidewalk laying, street crossings and the planting of shade trees, together with a campaign for the adoption of an ordinance by the city of uniform width, measurements, quality, etc., in sidewalks.) E. H. Fretz, chairman; Ed Witthauer, G. W. Barcus, George Guinn, G. M. Suggs;

On the annual County Fair for 1909, (to prepare premiums and awards as well as encourage and list exhibits in advance, and to handle Fair matters generally,) A. C. Elliott, chairman; N. H. Denison, J. H. Bowers, Eli Dunlap, Max Roberts;

On the Dallas Fair for the coming fall, (to prepare exhibits, arouse interest, arrange for space, etc.) T. E. Shirley, chairman; J. M. Boone, A. P. Murchison, D. C. Laird, R. H. Norton;

On a permanent Fair Association, (to consider ways and means of the organization and equipment of a permanent County Association to select and purchase suitable grounds for an annual Fair, for buildings on same, etc.) F. H. Gberthier, chairman; George Irwin, C. S. Garrison, R. N. Mounts, W. B. Palmer;

On Scientific Farming, (to encourage a higher and more intelligent class of farming, and with the ultimate object of establishing a model farm near Hereford under the direction of a paid expert, etc.) L. Gough, chairman; Eli Dunlap, F. L. Vanderburgh, G. A. F. Parker, W. M. Linville, L. P. Landrum;

On assisting and encouraging the local brass band (to devise ways and means of raising money whereby a paid instructor may be employed, etc.) Mrs. Geo. W. Barcus, chairman; Mrs. J. N. Russell, Mrs. O. H. Vardeman, Mrs. Claude Witherspoon, Mrs. Harry Yost, Mrs. A. M. Jones, Mrs. J. D. Jarrott;

To encourage and create friendly relations between the merchants and people of Hereford and the farmers of the trade territory, and provide for the convenience and accommodation of country people coming to Hereford to trade; E. B. Black, chairman; C. W. Warren, R. H. Barnett, Geo. A. Stambaugh, J. H. Cardwell, E. A. Johnson;

On publicity, (to assist the Secretary in devising novel advertising means) L. Baskin, chairman; F. L. Vanderburgh, D. W. Hawkins, W. H. Ray, E. H. Wray.

District features of the work planned are the establishment of a permanent County Fair Association and a model farm near the city. In the first instance the idea is to organize an association of local people with the purpose of purchasing a suitable site near town, erect its own buildings, dig several wells for a good-sized lake, and arrange for financial aid of a nature which will permit a yearly addition to the attractions of the place. The model farm is intended to educate the farmers of this territory in higher agriculture on the Plains, under the instruction of

an expert paid for the purpose. Just what these two enterprises would mean to Hereford can better be imagined than described.

And the ladies were not overlooked by any manner of means. Those on the list of membership at present comprise only that section known as "Blues," winners in the late contest. In addition to their duties in helping out the local musicians, they will be expected to do some active missionary work among the other ladies of the city with a view to joining the club.

There is lots of work ahead for the loyal citizens of Hereford, and the above is only a starter to that to come later on. "Greater Hereford" is the slogan of the club members and nothing will be left undone to accomplish this end. The headquarters of the Club have been established temporarily in the rear of the Western National Bank building, though a permanent home will be selected shortly. The Club is getting ready to demonstrate to the world that Hereford stands without a peer as a place for residence, business or health.

HERE are five ways in which you get fooled in buying paint:

1. The paint is stuffed out with chalk or something like that.
2. With barytes; better than chalk; doesn't "cover;" you don't know it's there.
3. Benzine or water, in the oil.
4. Too much liquid, whatever it is, for the solid; paint too thin.
5. Short measure.

Here's one way you can be sure of quality:

Devoe Lead and Zinc Paint is all paint, full measure; lead zinc, linseed oil, color and turpentine dryer, and nothing else.

J. 1. ALFALFA LBR. CO., AGT.

Time flies. Kemp Lumber Co. have Screen Doors. See 'em. 10-3t

What Have You to Trade.

I have 1500 acres fine valley land near Clayton New Mexico that I want to trade for land in or near Hereford. L. W. Ricketts. 5t

Spring Lake.

Miss Lula Thomas spent Tuesday with friends.

Claude Hallsell is among us again. Mr. Gilbert and family who have been living in tents are now building.

Miss Claudie Duncan visited with Miss Maud Dotson this week.

Mr. J. Jurgerson was doing business in Plainview Monday.

Mrs. Axtell of Topeka, Kansas, arrived Tuesday to make her home with her son, Dr. Axtell.

J. L. McNare has taken up his permanent dwelling among us and is erecting a nice home.

Miss Novat White had the misfortune to fall from a horse and break her arm Monday.

The stork visited the Jurgerson family last Saturday leaving a fine girl baby.

Luther Williams, our genial tax collector was among the farmers Friday and Saturday inquiring into their private affairs.

Mrs. Thomas spent the day at Mr. Head's Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reddington visited at Mr. Dotson's Monday and Tuesday.

T. M. Devening and wife went to the Sanguitts Wednesday.

We understand our mail route will be changed in the near future. The contemplated change is by way of Hart.

Messrs. Duncan, Parker, Axtell, Grist and Dotson went to Friona Tuesday in the interest of the church work at this place.

E. E. Blazer and wife left for their home in Topeka, Kansas, Thursday. The best wishes of the entire community go with them.

We wish to say this much, if any more young men come into our community and fall in love with our girls they will have to stay here and not take her away as Earnie did.

640 acres 6 miles from town, all under fence, well and windmill, all perfectly smooth. Can give terms if desired. Murchison & Jones. 12-tf

Quarterly Meeting At Chester.

The quarterly meeting of the Methodist church will be held in the Chester community on the first Sunday in May, beginning the day previous. The Presiding Elder will preach at the Sunday morning service and one of the local pastors of Hereford in the afternoon. It is intended to have an old time basket dinner and the friends of other neighborhoods and in Hereford are invited to be present with their baskets on Sunday. Coming to spend the entire day.

Will Offer Reward.

Civic pride is a commendable thing for any town. For the past two years, A. P. Murchison has given each year five dollars in gold for the prettiest flower yard in the city and thus encouraged civic beautification. He comes now and wants larger prizes offered and suggests that three prizes in gold be given: \$25, \$10 and \$5 for the first, second and third winners. He offers to head the list with a five dollar subscription and asks that others make up the balance. The Brand will publish the subscriptions handed in.

Gymnasium for Young Men.

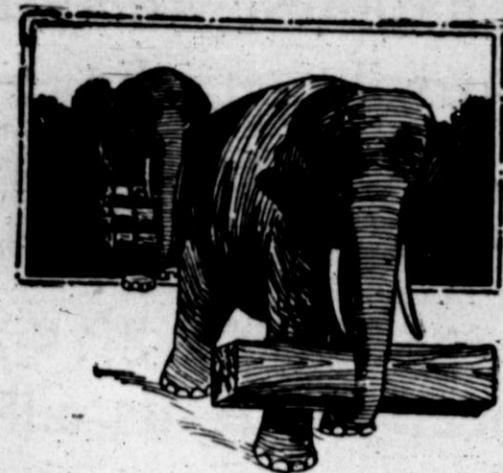
A number of young men of the city have interested themselves in an effort to organize a gymnasium. They feel the need of some place for exercise and pastime without having to walk the streets when not engaged in their business pursuits. Suitable apparatus are to be provided, commendable games given, bath privileges secured and other features usually found in the Y. M. C. A. rooms of the larger cities.

Adrian, Texas.

A Panhandle Settlers Reunion, big barbecue, horse racing, roping exhibition, and dance every night, June 9th and 10th. Also good business lot given away every day. You must be on the ground to get the free chance. All of the old settlers of the Panhandle will be there. 11-3t

640 acres 9 miles north of Dawn, unimproved, shallow water, good land. Terms \$6.00 per acre cash, balance 1 to 5 years. Murchison & Jones. 12-tf

Engraved calling cards are in perfect taste. See the elegant samples at the Brand office. tfB



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Kemp Lumber Co.

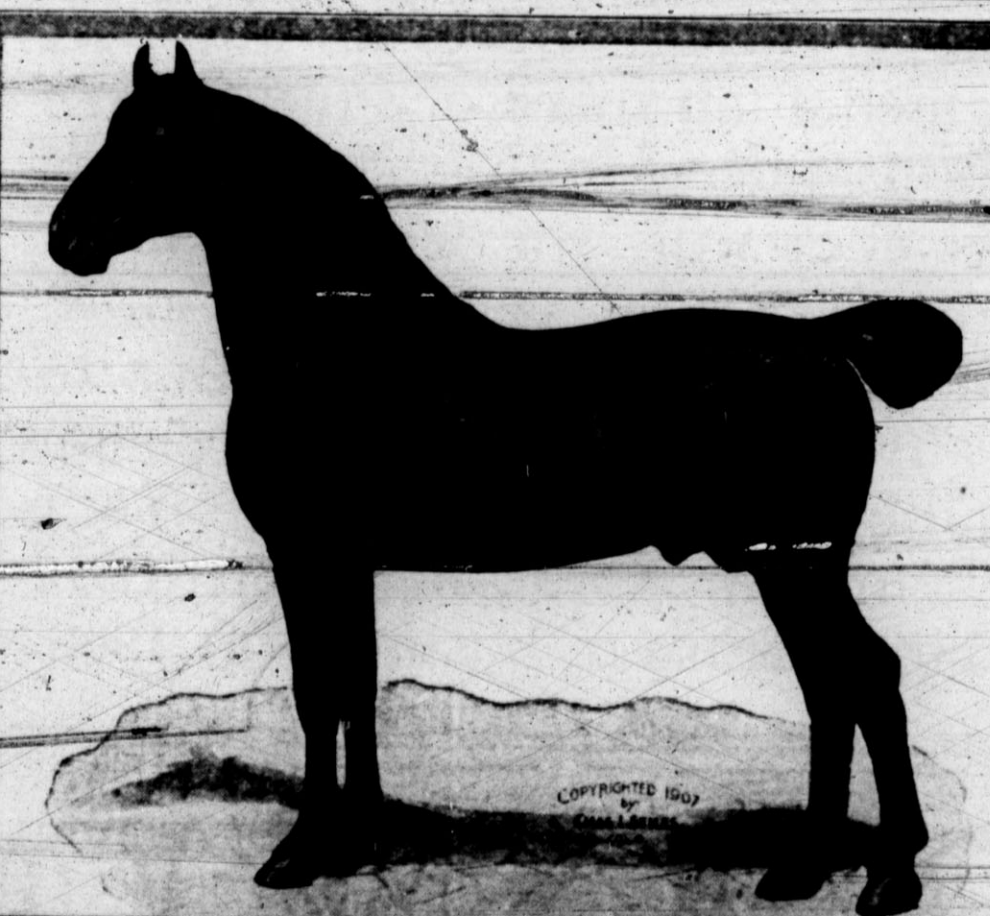
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This horse is a beautiful brown, 17 hands high, weighs 1700 lbs., will be 8 years old May 13. Imported by Altmann Bros., Watseka, Ill.; made four seasons in Illinois and brought to Texas February 1, 1909. Will make the season at my place, 6 miles west of Friona and 7 miles northeast of Bovina, near the Twin Mills. A perfect type of a German Coach horse. A sure foal getter.

TERMS—\$15.00 to insure mare to be in foal or \$25.00 to insure a living colt to stand up and suck. Where payment is not made in cash a lien on colt will be retained. In case mares are parted with or removed from country, money becomes due at once. All reasonable precautions to prevent accidents to mares left in my care but will not be responsible should any accident occur.

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T. G. NANCE, Prop.

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A Dark Bay all purpose Stallion will make the season at our barn. No better bred horse in the country. \$12.50 to insure colt to stand.

DEXTER

A Blood Bay Wilkes Stallion, weight 1050, will also be kept by us. He is a fine Roadster and goes all the gaits. A good chance to get a fine traveler at a moderate price.

ONE-HALF MILE SOUTH OF HEREFORD

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Plain and Cream Bread, Buns, Rolls, Pies and all kinds of Cakes and Cookies

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We call the attention of the Farmers to the big Black Percheron Stallion, Jake Schack, which will make the season at my barn 15 miles north-west of town on the Barton place 2 1/2 miles south of old La Plata. Prices made known at the barn.

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\$6.50 PER TON

We have some good coal on cars and in storage for \$6.50 and up. A few tons delivered from the cars will save you money.

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Hereford Ice Co.
PHONE 350

ICE

COUPON BOOKS—We urge upon every consumer of ice the use of our coupon books for we can not only make you a cheaper price in this way but can give you better service and the customer will also find it much more convenient than paying cash each time. There is no difficulty in making change, no time lost with several of your neighbors on the route ahead of you to make us late. Unused coupons not detached from covers are good for their full face value in cash at our office any day. You help us to give you better service by buying a coupon book.



We offer special inducements in quarter and half section tracks close in to actual settlers. We have some on easy payments. Hereford is in the shallow water belt. Write us for particulars. Address BASKIN LAND COMPANY HEREFORD, TEXAS

HEREFORDITES IN OLD MEXICO

Spend Few Weeks in Old Dominion. Eat Chili Con Carne and Come Back to Hereford.

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

While I am speaking of cathedrals or churches will say I never saw anything in America to compare with their splendor. The national museum where we saw many carved stones that no one knew anything about. A great many must have been chiseled by some one who had seen "Old Nick" himself. Mrs. Stambaugh had a friend living in the city who went with us and was a great help. In the evening we went to the "Bull Fight." I guess I had better not say much about this but it was an horrible affair. Monday the 15, we went to the market. This is a much larger affair than we saw in Tampico. Mr. Stambaugh got several snap shots of the market. I did not know that some of our crowd look so much like Mexicans until I see the pictures developed. In the evening we went to the president's summer home, called Chapultepec. It is about 3 miles out of the city. It is a beautiful place.

The castle was commenced in 1783 and each emperor and president has added to it until now it is a castle indeed, it is also the site of the national military academy. About half way up there is a large cave in the mountain connected by a shaft and elevator on top. There is a very interesting legend connected with this cave. There are beautiful flowers on every side and way up on the mountain side where the rocks are hanging in their native places, there in each crevice is a beautiful rose or geranium, or hanging honeysuckle and way down almost under your feet is a beautiful lake, with boats rowed by dusky maidens, dressed in gaudy costumes. It seems to be one continuous park all around you, as you come around the driveway to the east there lies the city and a broad valley before your view. From this point it does not look large enough to be a city of 360,000 people and way beyond the city to the east are two snow-capped mountains plainly to be seen yet said to be 70 miles away. Beyond the city and rather to your left you can see the hill and church of Gaudalope. We then descended down a foot path by the way of the big cypress trees, one we measured was 57 feet around.

We left that night for Texas and as we have passed over this road before and it is not necessary to mention it except the beggars. I had forgotten to mention them before and I don't know why because we met them at every turn and at every stop and some of the most pitiable sights.

At San Louis Potosi, 327 miles from Mexico City, Mr. and Mrs. Stambaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Palmer stopped off. They said to buy some more Mexican drawn work but I think they went stright to the Mexican restaurant where we got that mixture once before. We arrived at Laredo, 800 miles from Mexico City Thursday a. m. at 5:30 arriving at San Antonio, 153 miles from Laredo. Here the crowd all stopped for the winter except myself. I had a plenty and came back to Hereford.

ONE OF THE CROWD.

Veterinary Notice.

I am still at Collup's wagon yard for dental work or day calls. Phone No. 1. Residence Phone 142. 11-tf DR. F. E. BOWE, V. S.

Baggage Hauled.

We have a baggage wagon in connection with our livery. Springs under neath for moving furniture without breakage. Trunks and express handled with care. Phone 249. SHERK & STANEK. 4-tf

Election Tomorrow

Come out and vote for three trustees tomorrow. The school demands that much interest on your part in her welfare. Remember all who are in the larger district vote this time.

THE BRAND'S SPECIAL CLASSIFIED ADS

Matter for this column and local ads any where in the paper will be inserted at rate of one cent a word or five cents a line for each insertion. Pay in advance unless you can be easily found on the street or in your office the first of the month.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT 5 rooms in-rear of our office. See O. K. Land Co. 7tf

FOR RENT good 5 room residence, with good outbuildings, well and windmill, bearing orchard; desirably located in the Evants addition. See O. K. Land Co. 8tf

ROOMS AND BOARD

ROOMERS—Some roomers and boarders. Mrs. P. L. Johnson. 52-tf

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE threshed baled millet in-quire of David Alban west of Purcell Livery Barn. 12-tf

WANTED a girl to do house work. Two in family permanent position to right party. A. J. Lipscomb. 1p

FOR SALE double row planter at Jno. N. Jacobson's blacksmith shop. Get it quick. 9-4t

SAFE—Iron office safe 15x20 inches inside, for sale cheap. See H. L. Waterman 11-4t

WANTED land listed with us for sale. 160 acre tracts preferred. Press Burnam Land Co., over Garrison Bros. 5tf

PASTURE—I will pay cash rent for fenced section 10 to 12 miles out of town if good grass. Address A. B. care Brand. 7tf

FOR SALE eggs of the pure breed Rhode Island Reds, single comb. \$1 for setting. Phone 342, Mrs. W. J. Gilliland. 9-4tp

WANTED to hire a 2-gang Sulkey Breaking Plow and ordinary farm wagon for couple of weeks. Address W. M. A. care Brand. 1tp

LAND—Wanted a section of land near Hereford. Will trade good property near Chicago which is paying good revenue. Say what you have and address Advertiser, care of The Brand. 47-tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE a 20-horse power engine and large separator. The engine can be used for plowing also. Both are in good condition and ready for use. See or address me at Hereford, Texas, 4 miles southeast of town. Mayme Begman. 11tf

WANTED—To sell or exchange 25-000 growing trees, mostly apples on a 120 acre tract of land located near the Santa Fe railroad and adjoining South Hereford. Fine location for a Canning Factory. Will sell cheap or exchange for unimproved land. 5f-tf O. K. Land Co.

3 ROOM HOUSE, newly painted and papered, south front, lot 70x208 feet; well with windmill, cement block milk house, shed, stable, chicken house, about 20 fruit trees, blackberry vines, rose bushes, etc. Price \$1,500; about 8 blocks from post office. For terms see C. O. Lee. 9tf

LIVE STOCK FOR SALE

FOR SALE A car of fresh Jersey milch cows and heifers at money saving prices. A. J. Miller, Canyon, Tex. 4tp

FOR SALE—One pair of 3-year old mules, wagon and harness. This is a bargain. Inquire at The Brand office. 11G.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE—320 acres close in, will be sold at a bargain. See L. Gough. 34-tf

SECTION—Good section in Castro county, has 100 acres fine alfalfa land. The price is a bargain. 52-tf Gough & Russell.

QUARTER—160 acres well improved, 7 1/2 miles from Hereford, 2 miles from Jowell. \$1000 cash closes a deal. 52-tf Gough & Russell.

HALF SECTION—A 1/2 420 acres, 4 1/2 miles from Hereford, at Jowell. \$3,000 cash, balance on good terms at 8 per cent interest. 52-tf Gough & Russell.

FOR SALE. Will sell at sacrifice 160 acres 1 1/2 miles from Kelso. One thousand dollars down, balance one to seven years. Address box 734, El Reno, Oklahoma. 10-4t

CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE

FOR SALE—The Iowa Hotel for sale or trade. See L. Gough. 34-tf

FOR SALE 8-room house, small barn, 2 lots, lot of fruit trees, at a bargain. For particulars see Scherer Land Co. 7-tf

FOR SALE 6-room house, well and wind-mill, fruit trees, large barn, chicken house, corral, lot 100x140 ft near public school. Terms if desired. See C. O. Lee. 7tf

NEW 4-room bungalow, nicely painted and papered, well with windmill, stable 12x24, lot 100 ft., front 200 ft. deep, east front; this place is near the College. Price \$1,500. For terms see C. O. Lee. 9-tf

FOR SALE my place near the College, 200x295 ft., 4-room house, hall and 2 closets. House in yard with 2 rooms; dugout, good barn and sheds, chicken house and 50 bearing fruit trees. For particulars address J. W. Ford. 5tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—665.4 acres of land nine miles South of Hereford, Texas; 160 acres in cultivation, four-room house, fenced and cross fenced. Will trade for unincumbered land in Kansas, Missouri, Illinois or Iowa. 2tf W. B. Park, Hereford, Tex.

FOR SALE, 8-room residence with two lots, east front, cement walks, large fruit trees of peaches, plums, cherries; also grape vines, berries, etc.; well and windmill, sheds stable and other outbuildings, only 4 blocks from post office. Price \$2500.00, terms \$500. cash, balance in one and two years. See C. O. Lee. 7tf

IF YOU wish to buy lots or acreage in Hereford we can supply you with any number of lots or can sell you any size block from one to 80 acres. If you wish to buy either an unimproved or improved farm near Hereford we have some of the best bargains to be had in this locality. 5-tf C. O. Lee, Hereford, Texas.

GOOD 7-room residence, south front, well and windmill, stable 20x40 ft., also other outbuildings; 2 1/4 acres of ground; all fenced, yard with woven wire, balance with wire netting; located near College. Price \$4,000. Terms to suit purchaser. See or phone C. O. Lee. 9tf

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Will sell a quantity of young stock either singly or in car load Lots

Write owner or call at my ranch, situated five miles east of Hereford, on the Tierra Blanco river.

BIG YEAR at HEREFORD

MORE LAND SOLD THAN EVER BEFORE



The Cheap Land is going fast, and everytime it changes hands it goes up. It has advanced from 25 to 50 per cent every year for the last five. Buy now and get the advantage of this continued advance. We handle land in any sized tracts. Make a specialty of large bodies.



Write us at

HEREFORD, TEXAS, or
KANSAS CITY, MO.

Star Land Company

FRIONA GROWING

Town on Santa Fe Twenty-two Miles from Hereford Gets New Business Concern.

Friona a young but growing town on the Santa Fe 22 miles from Hereford southwest is to have an addition in business by the establishment of a hardware firm. The style of the firm will be the Friona Hardware Company, incorporated. W. G. Harris will be manager and he expects to be ready for business about May 20. There is being erected a frame structure 30x60 feet on the principal street for the use of the concern. The firm will handle a general line of hardware.

Adrian Building.

Mr. J. P. Collier will be with the Adrian Town Site from now on, and will erect a number of buildings, including a beautiful home and will move into it as soon as it is completed.

The water works system which is now being installed will be the best waterworks system on the Plains.

Men's Prayer Meeting.

The Men's Prayer Meeting holds its session each Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Good crowds have been in attendance since its organization last summer. J. W. Moore is leader for next Sunday. Subject for discussion: Messages from Heaven. Talks will be made by the following members: G. M. Suggs, L. Gough and E. B. Bullock.

Men of all ages are invited to attend. The young men of the city and strangers have a special invitation.

Junior B. Y. P. U. Program.
Song.
Prayer.
Leader—Annie Laura Sasser.
Subject: "Christ's last conflict with the Pharisees."
Scripture lesson, Mark 12: 28-34.
—Leader.

Minutes and roll call.
Song.
Paper: "Concerning Tribute to Caesar." Mt. 22: 15-22.—Maude Dean
Paper: "Concerning the greatest commandment." Mat. 22: 34-46.—Ruth Hammock.
Solo.—Helen Lambert.
Paper: "Sentence pronounced upon the Scribes and Pharisees." Mt. 23: 33-39.—Clara Lambert.
Recitation.—Deahl R Stewart.
Collection.
Reports of committees.
Song.
Dismissed by Superintendent.

Ladies Tailor - m a d e Suits. D. R. Gass & Son. It

Intermediate Endeavor Program.
Leader—Carlota McCrary.
Topic: Life lessons for me from the book of Isaiah, 6:1-9.
Song 79.
Bible lesson.—Roy Jowell.
Prayer.
Roll call. Response with verses from Isaiah.
The service; Isa. 42:1-7, comment.—James Robinson.
My Hope; Isa. 2:1-5, comment.—May Murchison.
My Song of Salvation; Isa. 12: 1-6, comment.—Roy Gough.
Duet.—Grace Elliston and Jane Gregg.
Recitation.—Inez Hudgins.
Mission Study, conducted by Inez Ricketts.
Bible Study.—Clyde Kibbe.
Song.
Mizpah.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Validating School Districts and Their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to Pay Such Indebtedness.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 3a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
SECTION 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 3a, which shall read and be as follows:

SEC. 3a. Every school district heretofore formed, whether formed under the general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and lawful district.
All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been, issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of this State, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized to and shall, annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to pay the interest on all such bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts, with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successor shall be duly elected and qualified as is or may be provided by law.

SEC. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published. And the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

SEC. 3. That \$5000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.
(A true copy.) 12-4t

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6
JOINT RESOLUTION to amend Article 11, Section 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
SECTION 1. That Article 11, Section 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:

SEC. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collected only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.

SEC. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purpose shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.

SEC. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall [be] duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.

At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 11, Section 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution."

SEC. 3. That \$5000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.
(A true copy.)

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution in Regard to Formation and Taxing Power of School Districts.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6.
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION to amend Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:
SECTION 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

SEC. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school funds arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in part of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxing voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such

tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

SEC. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing powers of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

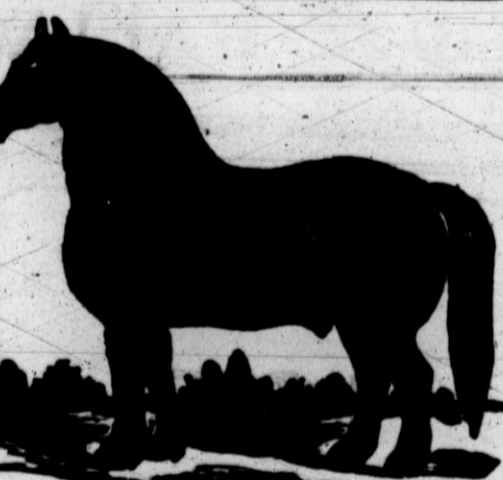
SEC. 3. That \$5000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.
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