

LYNN COUNTY NEWS.

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TAHOKA, TEXAS. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1903.

\$1.00 Per Year.

We are too busy to write an ad this week,

Having bought the RICHARDSON stock of goods, at a bargain. Can save you money. Besides this gives us a GENERAL MERCHANDISE LINE. RANCH SUPPLIES and etc. We want your business.

W. R. HAMPTON & SON, Tahoka, - - - Texas.

Lynn County.

A few facts regarding Lynn County and the town of Tahoka.

In April 1903 the County of Lynn was organized with something like 75 votes. The County Site was located as nearly in the center as could be according to the land. The town took for her name Tahoka, this name derived from the Tahoka Laguna, (or Alkali Lakes that lies to the north of town some four miles away this lake is one mile wide and probably three miles long.) The County contains about 900 Sections of land

With the exceptions of a few lakes almost the entire county is good and, varying from a Black stiff and to a light Chocolate color with a red clay foundation.

This land is covered with a fine coat of grass, varying from a Mesquite, to a Gramma Needle and in the extreme western part some Sage grass. The country has been known as an exclusive stock country up to a few months ago. But is now fast developing into a farming country. It is settling up by sturdy farmers and small stockmen

The soil is as rich as any country east of the Brazos River, and is productive as anyone's land, and will stand the dry weather equal to any. Almost all the farming that has been done was on new land but beyond a doubt that it will be a farming Country. The soil is adapted to almost any kind of produce which it known to grow in west central Texas. Indian corn, Milo Maize, Cafa, Corn, Cane, Wheat, Oats Millet, Cotton and Mellons of all kinds. All kind of Garden Vegetables. Apples, Pears Peaches, Plumbs, Apricots, Grapes, berries and in fact almost any tree or shrub that is growing in Texas does well here.

Come to Lynn County where the skyes are the lightest and bluest, where prosperity is awaiting you, come! we bid you come, and share the riches with us.

To Locate Cousins.

EFFORT MADE BY TEXAS REPRESENTATIVE TO FIND SURVIVORS OF INDIAN MASSACRE.

In Montague County.

RELATIVES OF THE TWO GIRLS WERE SLAIN IN THE RAID OF BIG TREE.

Washington, Oct. 3. — Rev.

Central Chistian Church of Houston, has enlisted the assistance of Representative Johu H. Stephens in an effort to locate two cousins, believe to reside at Washington, who, if alive are nearly 40 years old.

Their disappearance from Texas was attended with mystery, tragedy and romance of the most stirring nature. The story of the episode is told by W. A. Morris, now Surveyor of Montague County, Texas.

On Jan. 5, 1868 the noted Indian chief, Big Tree, with 150 warriors made a raid through Montague County, killing, scalping and capturing women and children, and leaving a trail of blood and fire behind them. During the raid they killed Thomas J. Fitzpatrick, a Texas pioneer, having met him in the road, and proceeded to his ranch houses and murdering his wife and little boy. Two pretty little girls aged 4 and 6 years respectively, were taken away by the redskins and for the time were supposed to have been murdered. About a year afterwards Col. Leavenworth of the United States Army, found these children with the Indians near the western borders of Kansas.

He bought them of their custodians and brought them to Washington. Congress appropriated \$10,000 for the maintenance and education of the children, and the name of Lincoln was given to them

Their relatives have long been trying to locate them, but have been unable to do so. The probability that they have long since married, thus losing the name of Lincoln and obscuring all the traces of their identity, which expired a generation ago, has rendered the efforts of Dr. Brickert fruitless up to this time. Representative Stephens has been unable to find a trace of them.—Dallas News

The Boy Who Knows It All.

The short ones and the tall,
There's one who most provokes our mirth—

The boy who knows it all!
He's wiser far than Socrates,
Or so you would suppose,
When he leans back, with careless ease,

And tells you all he knows!
We talk of this and talk of that—
The boy who knows it all
Has got his information pat,
And makes us trip and fall!
He's wiser than his teachers are
And smarter than his pa;
He knows a heap of things by far
Much better than his ma!

We feel so ignorant and meek,
So very, very small,
He calls the blushes to our cheeks—
The boy who knows it all.
Ah' yes, we blush for this poor lad
So wonderfully wise,
And often sadly wise he had
Our own discerning eyes;
—Boys World.

List Of School Lands That Will Be On Sale Oct. 10th.

Township 1 north:
Section 9, block 34, Georgetown

Railway Company grantee, certificate 40, Dawson County, patented to W. A. Huffman, assignee.

Section 2, block S2, John H. Stephens grantee, Lamb County, patented to John H. Stephens.

Section 5, block s4, D & S. E. Ry. Co. grantee, certificate 61, Lamb County, patented to James A. Dickens, assignee.

Section 15, block S4, D. & S. E. Ry. Co. grantee certificate 66, Lamb County, patented to James A. Dickens, assignee.

Section 19, block 02, D. & S. E. Ry. Co. grantee, certificate 92, Lamb County, patented to James A. Dickens assignee.

Section 21, block 02 D. & S. E. Ry. Co. grantee certificate 93, Lamb County, patented to James A. Dickens assignee.

Section 81, block 4X, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co. grantee certificate 1275, Terry County, patented to John J. Madden, assignee.

Section 5 block N. H. E. & W. T. Ry. Co. grantee, certificate 503, Upton County, patented to Thomas Roche, assignee.

Section 49 block, D11 c. & M Ry. co. grantee certificate 184, Terry County, patented to Nelson Ketcham assignee.

Section 1, G., c. & S. F. Ry. co. grantee certificate 4264, Upton county patented to Ruff Thomson, assignee.

Section 11 G c. & S. F. Ry. co. grantee certificate 4-1098, Upton county, patented to Theresa Crow, assignee.

Sectjon 39, G. c; & S. F. Ry. co. grantee, certificate 3649, Upton county patented to O. W. Crawford and Charles K. Minor, assignees.—Dallas News;

Tahoka Drug Store,

M. E. GILMORE Prop.

—Dealer in—

Fresh Drugs, Patent Medicines, Paints, School Supplies, Stationery, Jewelry and Drugs Sundries. Call and see my stock.

LYNN COUNTY NEWS.

INEZ LILLY Owner.
OTIS LILLY Editor and Mgr.

Published every Friday.

Application has been made for admittance in the Mail as second class mail matter.

Salutatory.

With this number, begins the career of the Lynn County News. It is our intention to make the paper for the interest of the County and the town of Tahoka. While the paper will be small still we will endeavor to make it clean and spicy, taking the cream of the news and giving it to our readers, and as the country settles up and the town grows larger we will improve and enlarge the paper. We ask the support of one and all, We would be glad to take your name down as a subscriber and if you have a business, we will be glad to advertise it for you.

We will not promise any great thing, but will always be found advocating the best interest of the country and town from an honest conviction. Thanking you one and all for the encouragement you have given us, I beg to remain
yours truly
Otis Lilly.

Tahoka a little city five months old and has over forty buildings to grace her appearance.

Lynn County's Court house compares favorably with any new County in Texas.

Grass looks green, and the days are pleasant like spring.

The people wears smiles, for we have had a good rain.

If you want to live in a fine country where you can breathe the pure air and forget your troubles come to Lynn County.

The sun shines pleasant, people wears smiles and the "goose hangs high" in Lynn County. Come be one of us, we will spare you a home for you and your friends.

Tahoka is destined to make a good town. Look on the map and measure the distance we are from a good town and see how centrally we are located in one of the best countries in the United States.

Howard County voted a few days ago on the issuing of \$10,000 bonds for roads and bridge fund, the Tax was defeated by a small majority.

Howard County and Big Springs doubtless know their business, but it means dollars to Colorado City from Lynn County and the town of Tahoka.

The Town Of Tahoka.

Tahoka is the County Site of Lynn County and is centrally located in the County. The town consist of two General Merchandise Stores, W. R. Hampton & Son, and the Tahoka Mercantile Co.

One Drug Store owned and run by M. E. Gilmore & Son.

One Saddle and Harness Shop, Owned by Jas. Chambers. One Meat Market W. B. Davis proprietor. One Restaurant and Confectioners Mess. Agnew and Soap.

Three Lawyers, Jasper N. Haney T. E. Harper and T. M. Bartlett.

Two Hotels and one other being constructed.

W. E. Potterfield proprietor of the Cosmopolitan, W. B. Davis Manager of the Davis house. Mr. Sheard will occupy the two story building which is being constructed on the East side of the square.

We understand that a stock of Groceries is to be placed soon on the west side of square.

Two grain and feed houses to furnish the town R. D. Moris run his feed business on north side of square and R. R. Sanders and R. A. Henderson's feed and Livery business on North Main. Two Black-Smith Shops J. W. Stevenson and Pres. Phenix. One Barber Shop owned and run by Henderson.

Our P. O. is in charge of Mrs. Henderson a genial and clever lady.

Tahoka has one Newspaper and Job Office that will endeavor to help push Lynn Co. to the front.

We have a daily mail from Lubbock and Big Springs except Sunday. A good and Commodious School House under construction

Three Organized Churches, Baptist, M. E. Church South and Cumberland Presbyterians. None of them have Church Building yet, but contemplate building in the near future, Church services are held in the Court House in the District Court room.

Our Court House is situated in the center of a large square and is fenced. A wind-mill, Tank and watering trough for the public. The town is laid off on one section of land (640 acres.) systematically and has straight streets and alleys.

Prof W. S. Norton is teaching the Public school in the Court House until the school building is finished.

Raise Milo Corn.

Bonham, Tex., Sept. 23.—Superintendent Potts of the county poor farm is experimenting milo corn in a way that from present indications will lead into quite a profitable industry for the country. Mr. Potts this year planted thirteen acres in milo corn and a few days ago decided to try the plan of making syrup from it.

A sample of the syrup was

brought to Bonham today and was pronounced as much better than sorghum molasses and the equal, perhaps, of any syrup on the market. Mr Potts states that from thirteen acres of corn he expects to make 1,000 gallons of the syrup.—Dallas News.

If there is any county in Texas that Milo corn will do well, it is in Lynn County. And if this industry proves to be a success, Lynn County will no doubt be standing at the head of the class.

Hindsight is better than Foresight.

I once had money, and a friend
On whom I set great store;
I loaned my money to my friend,
And took his word therefor.

I asked my money of my friend,
And naught but words I got—
I lost my money and my friend,
For sue him I would not.

At length with money came
my friend.

Which pleased me wonderous well
I got my money, but my friend
Away, quite from me fell.

Now, if I had money and a friend
As I have had before;

I'd keep my money and my friend
And play the fool no more

Brown, the New Orleans Cotton King proven to his friends in Wall Street that he was not dead by any means, when he made the price of cotton advance over six dollars per bale for September cotton.

Lynn County News and Dallas News one year \$1.75

W. B. Davis HOTEL and MARKET

Hotel south west corner
of square- Market on
North side.

Your patronage solicited.

Helpful Reading

Some newspapers print matters to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of the **The Semi-Weekly News** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department

It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up north on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turn over the soil.

Special Offer

If you are not taking the **Lynn County News** you should be. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and country. For \$1.75 cash in advance, we will mail you the **Lynn County News** and **The Galveston or The Dallas Semi-Weekly News** for 12 months. The News stops when your time is out.

**The NEWS has blank Deeds,
Mortgages, Vendor Lien Notes,
and other legal blanks.
Call on us if you need anything
of this kind.**

R. D. Morris

DEALER IN

Corn, Oats, Milo Maize and in fact a full line of general feed stuff. Call on me when in need of anything in my line. Will give you close prices and fair dealings.

Yours for business,
R. D. Morris.

Lynn County News,

\$1.00 a year.

PUBLISHED EVERY FRIDAY,

Your support is solicited.

Married.

At the home of the Bride's parents, last Sunday 10 A. M.

Mr. Will Humphries and Miss Bertie Cowan, were united in the Holy bonds of Matrimony. Miss Birtie was a beautiful bride and was well thought of by her many friends and Mr. Will is a young man of sterling character. A host of their many friends gathered to hear the solemn words, that binds. But go there at a late hour. All join in wishing them a long and happy life.

Nora Hampton.

The News wishes them a happy voyage over life's sea.

The Lilly of the Land.

Don't take your summer outing
Down by the wave-lapped shore,
With the girls of Philadelphia
And the belles of Baltimore;
Just pack your traps together,
And for Kentucky steer,
When the blush is on the apple,
And the corn is in the ear.

Your face expands with pleasure,
And your heart goes pit-a-pat;
A pair of stars are twinkling
Beneath a jaunty hat.
Ye gods! That old sunbonnet,
A houri's face doth show
It's just Kentucky beautiful
In silk and calico.

The Eastern belles all vanish
Beneath Atlantic's swells,
As laughter breaks upon you
Like a chime of silver bells.
A bevy of fair maidens
Now set your heart aglow;
And you wonder if Kentucky
Is Paradise or no!

You give up Eastern holdings
For land where grass is blue;
And to all seaside maidens,
You send this fond adieu;
"Kentucky's the Oasis,
All else Sahara's sand;
My stately bluegrass sweetheart
Is the Lilly of the land."

—Express Gazette.

Springfield Union—Curtis Jett was convicted of killing Lawyer Marcum and sentenced to imprisonment for life. Now Jett has been convicted of killing Jim Crockrill and sentenced to death. What we would like to know is in what order these two sentences are to be carried into effect. Is Jett to be hanged after he has served a life sentence in the first case, or does his execution in the second case round out his sentence in the first?

Such conflicts are usually provided for by statute; but, if reports be true, Jett's fate depends upon the results of the campaign now on in Kentucky. It is charged that one side is bent on hanging Powers and pardoning Jett, while the other side is ready to hang Jett and save Powers.—Dallas News.

Supposed To Be Funny. Humor of the day'

Once upon a time Prof. Wilson of Edinburge wrote on the black-board in his laboratory;

"Prof. Wilson informs his students that he has this day been appointed honorary physician to the Queen."

In the course of the morning he had occasion to leave room, and found on his return that a student had added to the announcement, the words;

"God save the Queen."—Chicago Saturday Evening Herald.

"Well John," said the eminent personage, who was now an invalid who is it wishes to see me now?

My biographer?" "No; Your Excellency," replied the butler, "your physician."

"Ah! Almost the same thing. He's at work upon my life, too."—Philadelphia Press.

"Strange that after reaching the top of the ladder he should fall so suddenly,"

"There was a woman at the bottom of it."—Life.

The Washington Post has the following: There are reasons why Joseph Bailey of Texas should know something when he declares that Arthur Pue Gorman is the best man the Democrats can nominate to defeat Roosevelt for the Presidency; The junior Senator from Texas never looked better than he did last night at the Riggs. "Senator Gorman," said Senator Bailey, "is best-equipped man we have; There are people who, when they consider a person as a candidate, says 'Can we win with him? I say, ought we to win with him? That is the real test. With Gorman we ought to win; whether we do or not is another matter. The Democracy has no chance in the Middle West except in Illinois. With proper organization Gorman can carry Illinois. In the Far West he can carry Utah and Montana and with these he can win. He can beat Roosevelt in New York easily. I believe he can carry Connecticut and New Jersey.

Senator Gorman is a man of strength and character. The Democrats can nominate no better, as things politically look now.—Dallas News.

The recent rains, that has fallen will be of untold benefit to the country.

Bronwood has had another high water coming in 3 feet of the record mark. All trains was tied up for a few days. low lands damage is said to be heavy especially on corn and cotton.

THE Cosmopolitan

HOTEL W E Porterfield
Proprietor.

The **LARGEST** and **BEST HOTEL** between Canyon City and Big Springs, Everything new and up-to-date rooms well furnished with new Furniture and first class BEDS.

Table set with the very best the market affords the traveling trade well taken care of. your patronage will be appreciated.

Henderson & Sanders

Run an up-to-date **LIVERY, FEED AND SALES STABLE** in connection with this Hotel, best of riggs, New Buggies and good Teams.

Specia attention to the traveling public. we also handle **FEED** of all kind sold at lowest price for **CASH.** yours to please,

BOB & ALEX.

This space belongs to

AGNEW & SOAP

Keep your eye on this space.

In making notes of the town we failed to make mention of the bank that is just organized. Mr. Sweet expect to have it in running order soon as he returns from his trip to Bronwood.

The State of Georgia has sent a to Austin to Study our School Book Law, in times gone by Texas went East to get advice but now they are asking us about some things.

Cow ate Dynamite and Exploded.

A peculiar accident took place yesterday at Bedford, Ky- Some workmen were engaged in digging a pond on Mr. Chandler's farm, and left several sticks of dynamite lying on the ground while they worked. A cow was grazing around and swallowed two stick.

The workmen noticed that the animal seemed distressed, but did not know what ailed her. Finally the cow began running, disappearing around a hill. A few minutes later there came a terrific explosion, and when the animal was last seen, there was nothing left except a few pieces of flesh.

A heavy downpour of rain fell here Tuesday night, overflowing the crops near streams and topped cotton picking and gins, putting the roads in such a condition that traveling is suspended.

—May Enterprise.

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JASPER N. HANEY,

Attorney-at-Law

Will attend Court and Practice in Lynn and adjoining counties.
TAHOMA, TEX.

T. E. Harper, LAWYER AND LAND AGENT.

Notary Public.
Office Northwest Cor. Square.

B. G. SWEET & Co. Land Agent and Surveyors,

Have a large list of land for sale in Lynn and adjoining counties. Post Office address,
Tahoka - - Texas.

In according to the director of the United States mint the output of gold and silver in the calender year 1902 was a little in excess of \$109,000,000 in the aggregate. Of this sum \$29,000,000 represented silver \$80,000,000 stood for gold. The aggregate differed only slightly from 1901, but there was an increase of gold in 1902 and a decrease in silver. Colorado still stands at the front among American communities in output of each metal, with a yield of \$28,000,000 in gold and \$8,000,000 in silver.

California is second in gold, with a product a little less than \$17,000,000, and Montana is second in silver \$8,000,000.—Dallas News.

—LOCAL—

Tahoka is in need of a Railroad.
Frank Orsan is at home from Stanton Texas.

For a good new rig try Henderson and Sanders.

Read the Tahoka Mercantile Co's ad on this page.

T. S. Currie of Water Valley is in town this week.

C. R. Kinchen of Snyder, was in town Monday and Tuesday.

I would be glad to have a few more music pupils, Inez Lilly.

Quite a number of our people attended Court at Lubbock last week.

Miss Gilmore and Mr. Hudman made the News a pleasant call Tuesday.

Misses Annie Cowan and Rubie Black visited the News office last Thursday.

Have you tried them new Buggies at Henderson and Sanders. If not, why not?

R. A. Rankin is in town this week watching over his son Dee who is quite sick.

Mr. Myres, of Lynn was in town Monday with a fine load of mellons selling to our people.

County Clerk S. N. McDanicls gave us his name as a Subscriber to the News. Thanks.

Messrs Jack Allen and Albert Taylor of the north part of the County was in town Tuesday

Messrs. J. J. Nettles and T. M. Williams of Jones County have settled in Lynn County, arriving here Tuesday.

Mr. Brooks of Tulis was in town this week. He wanted to put in a stock of dry-goods if he could get a suitable house.

John Standifer has bought an interest in the Confectionery with Zeb Agnew, and the new firm will put in a new stock of groceries.

J. L. Standifer made the News a pleasant call Tuesday, Takes the paper and sends two papers to his friends in different counties. Thanks.

J. C Nevill had us put his name down for the News and send two East to his people. This is the way to advertise Lynn county Thanks

Mr. Robert Sanders was taken very ill Tuesday at dinner. Fainting away and it seemed that he would not recover but rallied and is now better at this writing.

The first wedding in Lynn County was witnessed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cowan last Sunday, while this is the first wedding quite sure that will not be the last one

TAHOKA MERCANTILE CO.,

DEALERS IN

General Merchandise

We carry almost anything in the General Merchandise line. DRY-GOODS, GROCERIES' Etc. A Small line of HARDWARE, such as Nails, Horse-Shoes, Stoves and Stove Pipe, Locks, Butts and Hinges and other shelf Hardware, Tinware and Etc. New Goods arriving every few days

Yours to please,

Tahoka Mercantile Co.,

TAHOKA, TEXAS.

For nice job work call on the News.

Mr West is away this week looking after land.

The News can furnish you type writer, Letter heads.

Mrs. Petty of the T— ranch was trading in our city Tuesday

Taho' has three carpenters to do carpenter work for the town.

W. R. Hampton has gone to Market to buy a fall stock of goods

Frank Tubbs of Lubbock was a visitor at the hub Weudsday

Alvie Rankins was in town Tuesday to see his brother Dee, who is sick.

H. C. Burk who has been sick for the past three weeks is improving.

Bro. Roberts of Gomez was in our town Tuesday on his way to Snyder

Preston Majors has gone to Bigs Springs, for lumber to improve his bonus.

Mr Gilmore has improved his Drug Store by adding a stairway to the upper story.

Miss Maud Buckley and Mrs. Jno. Agnew of Lubbock was in our town this week.

B. G. Sweet is in Brownwood this week visiting home folks and attending to buisness.

We are under obligations to our fellow townsman T. E. Harper this week for Courtesy shown us.

Time is money read. The Cosmopolitan Hotel ad. and Henderson and Sanders ad in this issue.

L. D. Rankins who has been sick for the past two week is reported some better, we hope for his spedily recovery.

Mrs. Hampton was visiting in the county Friday evening

Subscribe for the Lynn county News One year \$1.00

Our merchants have received quite a lot of new goods this week

We will try and have fewer mistakes and more news next week

R. D. Morris went to Big Spring this week after a load of grain for his buisness

W. C. Cowan was the first to have his name enrolled as a subscriber to the news in Lynn county thanks

A batch of household goods of J. W. Richardson's was sold at public auction Monday by Sheriff Doak

Tahoka, Tex. Oct. 6.— The Lynn County News is the name of a new journal to be issued on Friday Oct.

It will be published by Otis Lilly late of May.—Dallas News,

There is a man living in Hale Center who is so lazy he puts a cat in his bosom to breathe for him, This may be an old tale, and was told on some man for a joke some where, but we publish it as a peice of news, and we do not consider it complimentary to the town. —Hale Center Messenger.

THIS COL. is to help find lost stock. 5 lines free. all over at half rate. Write it plain.

BARBER SHOP

Good work and nice treatment. give me a call.
W E Henderson.

T.M.BARTLEY

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
Will practice in all Courts of the State.
TAHOKA, TEXAS.

COURT DIRECTORY.

District Court convenes 1st. Monday in Jan. and July.

County Court convens 1st Monday in Nov. Feb. may and Aug.

CHURCH DIRCTORY.

Christian Church.
Services on the first Sabbath in each month.
Cumberland Presbyterian,
Rev. Bennett, Pastor. Services, second Sabbath in each month.
M. E. Church South,
Rev. Roberts, Pastor. Services third Sabbath in each month.
Baptist,
Rev. Parrack, Pastor. Services fourth Sabbath in each month'

MAILS

To and From Lubbock and Bigs Springs each day except Sunday.

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Special attention to the traveling public.
Good accommodations. Board by
Month or Week. Meals
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