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CUT-OFF THROUGH TRAINS JANUARY 1

According to reliable news emanating from the general offices of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe railway at Galveston, through passenger service will be inaugurated between Galveston and San Francisco on the Santa Fe "cut off" January 1st. The last gap between the Atchinson, Topeka & Santa Fe and the Pecos & Northern Texas lines, between Lubbock and Texico, will be completed very soon.

The train which the Santa Fe management contemplates installing will leave Galveston daily for a through run to San Francisco. Another through train in the opposite direction will operate between these terminals. In addition to these trains it is understood several locals will be put on for the accommodation of local traffic.

For several months through traffic in a measure has been routed by the new line between

RAILROAD LEGISLATION.

Millions of Dollars Wasted in Complying With Useless Legal Requirements.

Many criticisms have been made against the railroads for abuses permitted or practiced during the past quarter of a century, and the management of railroad properties has been largely taken from the owners and given to commissions representing the government. With the change in control comes new forms of abuses, many of them as stupid and burdensome as those imposed upon us under the old regime.

Mr. J. Kruttschnitt, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Southern Pacific in discussing this subject said:

"The lawmakers and commission have been imposing upon the railroads numerous requirements which have further increased their expenses and often in ways that have actually reduced the railway servants' efficiency. The legislatures of many states have decreed that additional men shall be employed by the railroads in excess of their necessities, whether viewed from the standpoint of economical operation or of public safety. As a result of this legislation, millions of dollars has been wasted in hiring useless labor.

"Again, laws have been passed to compel the railroads to use special patented headlights on their locomotives. Expensive acetylene headlights of high efficiency and closely approaching the electric headlights in brilliancy and power were already in use. The railroads were forced to discard them and incur heavy additional outlays for specialties promoted by inventors and private corporations.

"The personal injuries are largely due to unrestrained personal carelessness. The fatalities to trespassers could be prevented by the passage and enforcement of proper laws. There was a time when the people took little interest in the details of railway operation. During that period there were many abuses, but the development of railways went forward at a rate which has never been equalled in any other country. It was justifiable and necessary that the public should assert itself to stop the abuses. But it was not necessary to destroy the efficiency of the railways and sap their financial strength. The public should understand that in exercising the power, it cannot shirk the responsibility of the master."



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coasts, but it necessitates a lay-over of one night at Amarillo, one at Sweetwater, and one at Coleman. The result is that the bulk of through travel has not yet become operative. It is generally conceded in railroad circles, according to the information, that this line will handle the bulk of the freight and passenger traffic between the coasts as it has cut down the distance between Galveston and Texas points and California points some 250 miles. It is not known to outside circles whether or not the Coleman-Sweetwater service will be discontinued when the through service is established.

The routing of through traffic over this line means a big addition to the Santa Fe payroll at Slaton as well as a large increase in the population.

The Texico-Farwell Tribune

said week before last:

"The Texico-Coleman Cut-off is now within fifteen miles of us and the steel is going down at the rate of a mile per day. There are two or three trestles to build between here and Hurley which will delay the track laying to a considerable extent, but it is thought that the steel will be laid to this place by the first of November."

It has since been reported that the track laying crew is within ten miles of Texico.

An important deal was made the first of the week when the A. C. Houston Lumber Company acquired control of the yards and interests of the Slaton and Alfalfa companies, consolidating the three yards. A general shake up was made in local managers and all of these will be transferred, while a new manager will be sent here.

Dave Stokes sold his farm a mile west of Slaton the first of the week to a Mr. Pollock of Roscoe, Texas, consideration \$80 per acre. Mr. Pollock came here to buy another small farm which he had been told could be bought, but found out after arriving that it was not for sale, although he offered \$160 an acre for it. The farm has only small improvements on it.

The Sanitary Grocery is preparing to add an up-to-the-minute stock of goods furnishing goods to their grocery business. The stock has already been ordered and will arrive within the next few days. It is contemplated further enlarging the store later on. The grocery business will be conducted in the south building and the furnishings goods will be in the north building.

SLATON COUNTRY LOOKS GOOD TO HIM

S. G. Brasfield returned from a business trip to Alief, Texas, near Houston, Friday last week accompanied by T. A. Amos who has since been looking over the Slaton country with the view of locating

Mr. Brasfield says that the crops in the Houston country are in an awful condition because of the excessive rains, and farmers are using short sacks and baskets to pick their cotton and carry it out of the fields, many of them pulling off their shoes to wade the water standing in the fields. He sold all his land down there and will put the money in the Slaton country where crops are more sure.

Mr. Amos returned to Alief this week to ship his livestock and farm machinery here right away and prepare to make a crop here next year. He was a much surprised man when he drove out through the country and saw the big crop yields.

GOOD BREEDING IMPORTANT

Live Stock Industry of Texas Built Up by Improved Blood.

The Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth, November 22-28, is one of the most potential agencies that is working for the upbuilding of the Texas livestock industry. It points out the pathway of progress to feeders and breeders and presents living lessons of profits and actual demonstrations of the advantages of higher types in classes and breeds. The scarcity of the world's meat supply has brought the livestock industry into the limelight and the necessity for increasing the herds and improving the grades is one of the most important economic problems of the day.

The Texas steer of a quarter of a century ago, compared with the present thoroughbred, presents the most convincing argument in favor of good breeding the world possesses. From wild, dangerous and worthless beasts of the plains, they have become cultured, docile and profitable. These dumb brutes have so completely mastered the science of breeding that they have remodeled their shape, reformed their habits and rebuilt their character. Each generation has contributed toward the uplift of the breed, until today the cattle have more purple blood in their veins than any other family of the animal kingdom.

They can teach the human race many lessons in the science of improved lineage. By carefully conforming to the laws of nature, they have bred out deformities of flesh and blood. Their blood, which once made weak and scrubby stock, now produces rich and powerful thoroughbreds. Each breed is known by the color it keeps, by its distinct type and purpose in life.

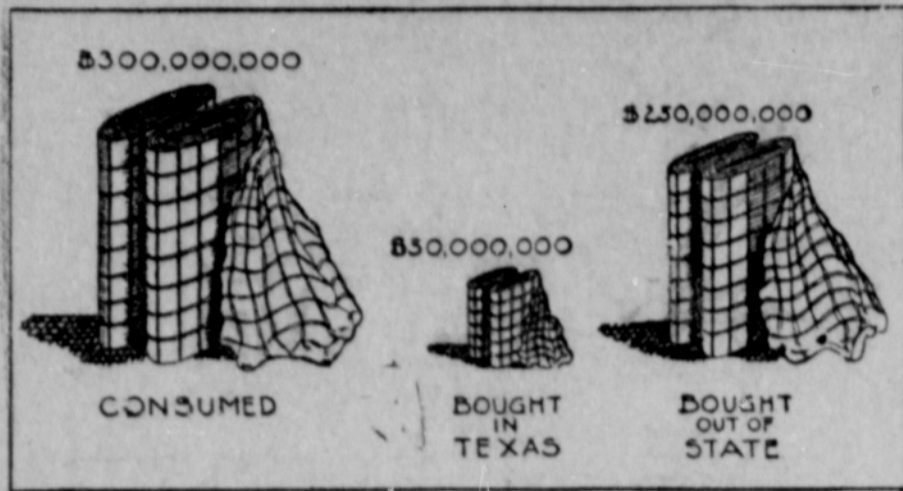
This work has been accomplished largely through the instrumentality of the National Feeders' and Breeders' Show, which holds its Eighteenth annual meeting at Fort Worth on November 22-28, and new models and higher standards will be taught at the coming convention. During this time each annual meeting has gauged and registered the advancement of the livestock industry of Texas and it is here the leaders of all classes and breeds assemble to report progress to the management. Each year has been one of glorious triumph but, none will eclipse the present aggregation of thoroughbreds.

NEARING THE FINISH



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OUR HOME INDUSTRIES



II—JOBBER AND WHOLESALERS.

We consume \$300,000,000 worth of dry goods and notions per annum and of this amount \$50,000,000 is purchased from the Texas jobber and manufacturer and \$250,000,000 from out-of-state jobbers and manufacturers.—*Commercial Secretaries.*

OUR JOBBING INTERESTS

Texans Consume \$300,000,000 Dry Goods Annually.

The Jobber, Salesman of Industry and Forerunner of Factories.

We can never hope to become a manufacturing country or to acquire power in commerce and trade until we first build up our wholesale and jobbing interests. The jobber is the salesman of industry, the servant of the factory, the standard-bearer of

prosperity and the authorized medium of co-operation between the producer and the consumer in economic distribution of merchandise and in empire building.

The people of Texas consume annually approximately \$300,000,000 worth of dry goods and notions, and only a small fraction of the purchases are made through Texas jobbers and manufacturers. No country can advance far in industrial progress until it patronizes home institutions; no community can become powerful in trade and remain indifferent to its local industries. Patronizing home industries is as essential to our commercial success as patriotism is necessary in government, and those who do not do so fail to discharge a debt inherited from civilization and lose an opportunity of making a living contribu-

tion to the progress of the country.

The patronizing of our jobbing houses would call for an immediate increase in investments in that industry of approximately \$50,000,000, give direct employment to 100,000 people, bring within our borders ten thousand factories affording employment to a half million people, provide a home market for our farm products, give us control of our own business affairs, make us independent of, instead of dependent upon, our foreign neighbors and multiply the opportunities of every citizen.

There is not a town, village or hamlet in this State that would not become the logical location for one or more of these factories, and yet this natural heritage is withheld from them through lack of co-operation among the buying interests of Texas.

WITHIN THE LAW

Whether the Attorney General in filing the so-called anti-trust suits is within the law has no bearing upon the immediate effects accompanying such litigation. The fact stands out boldly that corporate investments in Texas have been thrown in the hands of a receiver without a hearing and a railroad is now being tried for high crime for alleged minor offenses. Perhaps the statutes may justify and duty demand such action, but in the chancery court of industry, a verdict must be rendered that the law of common sense has been violated.

Leaving the statutes for the interpretation of lawyers and eliminating from the discussion the personality of all public officials past or present, there is no escaping the power of men in the affairs of government. Standing at the source of every movement, good or evil, in

government is a man, and upon the wisdom and experience of those who wear the mantle of authority depends our final destinies. Our progress, and indeed our safety, is in the hands of those who guide the ship of state. It is upon their knowledge of the high seas of commerce, their experience in seamanship, that we must depend to keep us off the reefs of destruction and in the roadstead of success. It is through our leaders that we must knock at the door of opportunity to enter the gate to the cemetery of despair.

There is no more noble purpose in life than a desire to be useful and no one for a moment questions the motive of our public officials, but the pathway of civilization is strewn with the wreckage of good intentions and pinned under its timbers are the people whose leaders have displayed more courage than wisdom.

Those who have torrents of energy to turn loose in the name of the state should realize that folly has its limits as well as its rights and that the public can reasonably expect those whom it honors to do something more than meddle with fate and scuffle with progress.

As a rule responsibility steadies rather than intoxicates public officials, but the surest way to promote our prosperity is to elect to office men seasoned in business affairs and who have had experience in actual transactions. Government is a big business institution and only those who possess masterful qualities can properly manage it.

Cronstadt, the chief base of the Russian navy, has just been endowed with a naval cathedral which is considered a masterpiece of ecclesiastical design and construction. The czar and his daughters attended the inauguration and the holy ceremonies that were carried out by the high priests of the Russian church.

INDUSTRIAL ENTERTAINMENT.

The Largest Models of Agricultural Implements and Machinery on Exhibition at the Texas Cotton Palace.

The sun never sets on the dominion of King Cotton and he rules supreme over the most fertile, most profitable and most desirable portion of the globe.

Cotton has recast the occupation, remodeled the wardrobe and brought into life more industries than any other product the world has ever known. Since the brilliant genius of Eli Whitney gave us the cotton gin, mammoth manufacturing plants have been constructed to make gins, compresses, cotton mills, cotton oil mills, plows, cultivators, wagons, harness, railroad equipment, steamships, and all machinery needed in cultivating, manufacturing, transporting and marketing the crop.

King Cotton will sit on his throne at the Waco Cotton Palace November 1st to 16th and review a grand display of the latest improved models of agricultural implements and machinery that the world possesses.

King Cotton spends annually in the markets of the world one and one-quarter billion dollars for machinery and equipment to cultivate and harvest the crop. The king purchases annually two million agricultural implements; one thousand gins; compresses and mills, and spends millions of dollars in transportation equipment. This Monarch of Agriculture will inspect the exhibits in the Mechanical and Implement Department and manufacturers from all over the globe will exhibit the best products inventive genius and that mechanical skill of the age can devise, all seeking the good opinion of the king.

These exhibits will address the throne in tongues of iron and steel, and in language mute and powerful, tell an eloquent story of their efficacy, utility, strength and economy.

It is a liberal education in mechanical science and a course of instruction in business to hear these masters of mechanics converse with the king and demonstrate how time and labor will be saved to the cotton fields of the South by giving them an opportunity to become royal servants. It will be one of the most interesting and engaging industrial entertainments that will be staged in Texas during the year and no one should miss it. The farmers will be especially benefited by visiting the palace and inspecting the subjects and servants of the king

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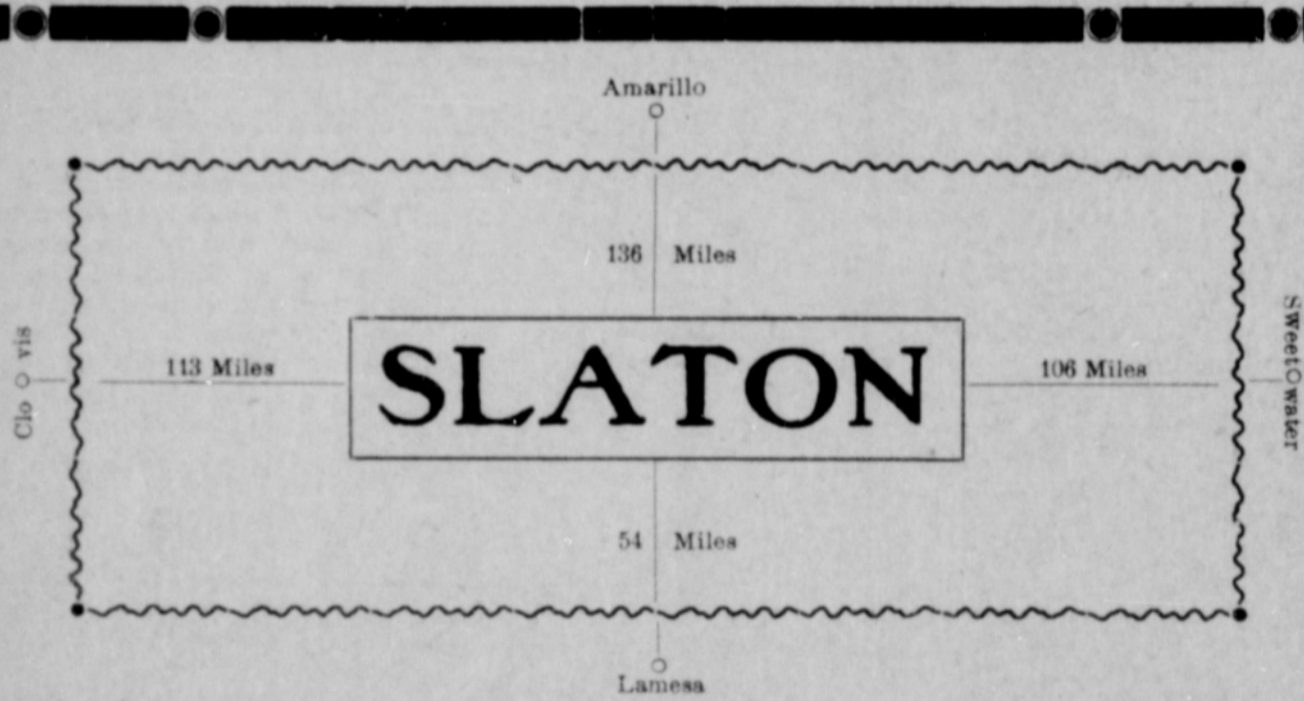
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ADVANTAGES AND IMPROVEMENTS—The Railway Company has completed Division Terminal Facilities at this point, constructed mostly of reinforced concrete material and including a Round House, a Power House, Machine and Blacksmith Shops, Coal Chute, a Sand House, Water Plant, Ice House, etc. Also have a Fred Harvey Eating House now open, and a Reading Room for Santa Fe employees. Have extensive yard tracks, preparatory to handling a heavy trans-continental business, both freight and passenger, between the Gulf and the Atlantic Coast and the Pacific Coast territories, and on branch lines to Tahoka, Lamesa and other towns.

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R. E. Maddux and T. A. Brown are building a house at Hurley for Judge Paul, of Amarillo.—Farwell Tribune.

Simmons & Robertson made quite a nice addition to their dry goods store this week by partitioning off their show windows.

For Sale.—Two 5x7 cameras, guaranteed to be in perfect condition. A real bargain. For particulars write The Brown Studio, Lubbock, Texas.

Attorney R. A. Baldwin moved his office last week to the Singleton Hotel building, next door to the post office, where he has fitted up nice office rooms.

Murray Bros. sold three 5 acre tracts of land near town this week. The consideration was not stated but it is understood near \$100 an acre was paid for all three tracts.

Dressmaking.—I will open a dressmaking establishment in the Havener building next door to the Red Cross Pharmacy Monday and will be glad to have the ladies of Slaton call and see my work and get my prices. Both plain and fancy sewing. Mrs. Maye Anderson.

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THE HOG A REVENUE PRODUCER

Pork and Its Products Increasing in Demand.

The razor-back hog has been forced by the thoroughbreds to flee to the mountains and the distance they have traveled each year is measured and recorded by the judges of the Ft. Worth Fat Stock Show. For eighteen years the National Feeders' and Breeders' have held the tape line of progress on this industry and the exhibits on November 22-28 promise to more nearly approach perfection and extend through a much wider range of breeds than any previous exhibits.

No other animal ever made such concessions to the market as has the hog. He has given half his life to meet the demand for young stock and has surrendered the freedom of forests for the shackles of the pen where fat can be produced with the greatest economy. The human race has made no such sacrifices for success as has this dumb brute.

The new hog has become so popular with the housewife that we consume all of our home production and ship in \$24,000,000 of pork and its products per annum. He is one of the best revenue producers in the animal kingdom, and has shown an increase in value per head during the past five years of \$2.80. The statistics of the Federal Department of Agriculture pay a glowing tribute to the growing popularity of the Texas hog, and show a decrease of approximately a million head in number and an increase of over \$2,000,000 in aggregate value. We are traveling rapidly on the road of extermination of the swine industry in Texas, and the National Breeders' will make an exhibit at the Fat Stock Show that will seek to turn the tide. It is one of the missions of the management to balance production and consumption, and no more effective methods can be employed to encourage hog raising than to exhibit the leaders of the swine family to the farmers of Texas.

King Cotton has had the audacity to counterfeit some of the by-products of the hog, but Uncle Sam caught him in the act and passed a pure food law and the subjects of the king are now compelled to march under their own flag and parade under their own colors.

WHISTLING IN CHURCH

A novel feature was introduced in the special services for men recently held at Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal church, by the whistling of hymns by the congregation. The effect was not impressive when the first hymn was whistled, but when "Onward, Christian Soldier" was started a vigorous and pleasing rendition of this martial hymn was given. The whistling of hymns was adopted because it makes a more popular appeal than singing, for all cannot sing, but all can whistle. That this new feature has proved popular was evinced by the large number attending the services, and it is probable that it may be continued at the men's meetings.

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