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Those Visitors From Lamesa

Last Friday the town of Tahoka was stormed by a bunch of Lamesa Live-Wires who had been up the line inspecting the railroad grade and seeing for themselves what was going on in this part of the country. These men first headed for the caprock and from there they went to the junction point, thence down the grade to Tahoka. They were enthused over the way work was going on along the route visited and said that it would not be long ere Tahoka and Lamesa would hear the toot of the big iron horse and hear the conductor's familiar "All Aboard." Then we can have our freight shipped to our doors and our produce sent to the markets directly. The majority of the crowd had never been over the eastern part of Lynn county, and it was a surprise to them to find such a fine body land so near their door and not to be acquainted with it, the many favorable comments made on this section was gratifying to the extreme. C. H. Doak, our informer, said that there were burst after burst of applause from the party as they skimmed along over the level prairie in their autos, and saw one beautiful piece of land after another fly by.

The personnel of this crowd of Lamesa boosters were: In the first car was: Judge M. C. Lindsey, Joe Baron, Cashier of the Dawson County Bank, Sheriff Crowley, Sid Crumpton, Howel Adams and C. H. Doak.

In the second car was: Judge Baker, John Coffe, Jno. Burleson, Mr. Flanikin and Ernest Aires. Another car, the Jungletown, started with a load but it was presumed that they broke down after leaving Lamesa as they never showed up any more.

With such men as the above mentioned, going over the Tahoka Lamesa line, and giving us their opinion that the track laying would begin at once, and that the bed was one of the best that they

had ever seen, there is no wonder that the people of these two towns are looking to see the smoke of the work train with track laying machine most any day. The fine road bed that is being made, or that has already been made, goes to show that the Santa Fe people expect to make this line one of the best they have in the State. And why not? There will be worlds of merchandise and other stuff necessary to life to be hauled in and much more to be hauled off to the northern and eastern markets. The Lynn county feed crop this year is going to be a whopper if the season stays with us and we believe that it will. Besides this feed crop of ours we are going to have much more produce to haul. There will be thousands of bales of cotton raised here the coming year and then, remember the hog crop for the coming year will be something enormous. From all parts of the county the word comes in that they are planting hogs and plenty of feed stuff to fatten them on.

Keep it in mind that the railroad will be here before very much longer, of course it seems to us that it is a long time coming, when in fact it is coming at a rapid rate, and lets don't forget that big celebration when she arrives. Let's give a big, dandy good one, one that will be remembered in after years as a stunner, one that we can call back to mind with much pride.

We got off our subject a little in our enthusiasm. The Lamesa crowd left our city about 4:30 for home, a well pleased and highly elated bunch of boosters. May they soon again pay our little city a call, for the mixing and association with the kind of people of which this crowd was composed, makes the blood run faster in our veins and makes us glad that we have such a crowd of loyal hearted citizens on our south.

Mr. Stokes of Gail, brother to our fellow townsman, J. E. Stokes, spent this week here visiting the family of his brother.

W. L. Keykendall was a pleasant caller at our office the first of the week and subscribed for the Informer for himself besides sending it to his mother, Mrs. N. L. Keykendall at Salado, Texas.

J. P. Fleming and wife returned Tuesday at noon from Los Angeles, Cal., where they had been for the past two or three weeks for Mrs. Fleming's health. We are glad to report Mrs. Fleming is very much improved and that Mr. Fleming is looking as fat and happy as you please.

Chas. Donaldson who lives in the south part of the county, was in the city Wednesday and marketed a pig which brought him \$19.40. This is the way to farm, raise more than you necessarily need at home and when you come to town, bring some of your produce along and stick the proceeds down in your jeans and go your way home rejoicing.

J. R. Dillard who lives in the south part of the county, was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Albert Taylor who lives in the north part of the county, was a business visitor here Thursday.

That whole-souled fivery man, W. R. Majors, called on us yesterday and forced a dollar into our hands and said, send her to me for twelve months.

Sid Crumpton of Lamesa, was a pleasant caller on us the latter part of last week and had us place his name on subscription books. Thanks Mr. Crumpton, we will try and keep you informed about the doing up this way.

Judge Geo. W. Perryman, our efficient County Judge, was a pleasant caller on us yesterday and handed us a dollar for twelve months subscription to the Informer. Thanks Judge, we are sure going to put a step to our front door of the office and then we can enjoy your visits more frequently.

The following crowd was here a few hours yesterday from Post City: W. A. Coggin and little son, Pete, Joe Smith, Sam Wilkes and W. E. Porterfield. After taking noon here, the majority of the crowd left for Gains county.

W. D. Terrell of Big Springs, was here Wednesday.

THAT TRADE DAY

Have you let our little epistle about a trades day for Tahoka pass by you without even so much as commenting on same. If you think well of it, come around and tell us your ideas and then go and tell them to some one else, if you do not think it a good scheme, come in and we will take the time to sit down and argue with you an hour or two hours if it is necessary to convince you that a Trades Day would be a great thing for Tahoka and the people of Lynn county. It is strange that some of our business men have not been to see us and urge that we keep this talk going until we have the day established. It would mean money to them, it would mean money to the farmers and ranchers, it would mean money to each and every one that attended, and besides that, it would bring our people in closer connection with each other. We would become better acquainted, would become more sociable, would be more neighborly. We need it and less have it.

G. W. Bennett who lives in the Edith neighborhood, was a pleasant caller at the Informer office Wednesday afternoon.

W. L. Hopking of Draw, was a pleasant caller at our office Wednesday. Before leaving Mr. Hopkins had us place his name on our subscription books.

Railroad Contractor, Lewis Robinson, was a pleasant caller at our office one day this week. Mr. Robinson says that he is finishing the second half mile south of town and that he is putting it up in proper shape. Every Contractor heard from are getting along with their work fine.

W. C. Cowan was a pleasant caller at the Informer office last Wednesday. Before leaving he had us place the name of S. M. Cowan, Ronoak, Tex., on our subscription books. Mr. Cowan was our first subscriber to the Informer and we thank him for the other subscription.

Mr. Gore, a resident of the south part of the county, was here Wednesday. Mr. Gore brought an extra hog in with him that he did not need and marketed it for \$25. How much better it was to do this than to go to the groceryman and buy a dollars worth of bacon, have it wrapped up in a piece of paper about three inches wide and eight or ten inches long, and carry it home with him. If more farmers would follow Mr. Gore's plan and raise their meat at home there would not be such a cry raised about hard times.

The Informer does not want to make any brags about the way her circulation is growing, but we do want to say to our advertisers and friends that a day has not passed since our first issue that we have not added from one to several names on our subscription books, many of them going to other states. Friends keep the good work up and before many months roll around we will have not only a little city but a modern city in every respect, and a country with no uncultivated lands. In our minds eye, we can see in the not far distant future, a city with street cars and electric lights, with every convenience that a modern city needs to make it an ideal place to live.

The Streets are Being Graded

The fence and the trees have been moved back around the public square for twenty feet and the grading of the streets has been started and is now under good headway with a good force of men at work on same. The good to be derived from this move is not to be guessed at, even by those who have the right to know. The streets graded from one to four and five blocks out from the square, on the four sides of same, will be something that the town may well be proud of and something that will most double the property's value around which it is graded. The next step to take up after this grading is completed is to build concrete side walks. There is nothing that will help build a town more than to have a nice line of Concrete side walks. It enhances the value of your property ads comfort to your going and coming from home, and the stranger that happens to have occasion to walk on them, will advertise the town as long as he lives. Yes, Let's build concrete sidewalks around the square and then out two, four or twenty blocks.

As to the street grading, the contractors are going along at a lively clip and it will not be long ere the streets around the Court House will have the appearance of a real city. A city that is alive to its every best interest. A city that lets nothing go by that will enhance the value of its property. A city that is up and doing things. Tahoka is that city. She has awakened to the fact that she has in this day and time, got to get up and get busy and stay busy to accomplish much in the way of building a progressive city, and she is getting up and

W. B. Avery of Abilene, was here on business the middle of the week.

W. W. White of Soash, was a business visitor here the latter part of this week.

R. W. Boyles of Lockney, was here attending to business matters Wednesday.

J. C. Foster of Benjamin, was among the many visitors here Wednesday.

To the People of Tahoka and Surrounding Country.

We take pleasure in announcing the arrival of our large line of new Shoes, purchased at prices that enable us to meet the closest competition and we invite you to our Store for comparison in quality and prices. Next week we will open up a large stock of Dry Goods and Notions, such perhaps as has never been shown in Tahoka before. Also a full line of Ready-Made Clothing fresh from the factory that cannot be surpassed in Style and Quality this side of Chicago, and we want to say too that the boys have not been neglected in this selection.

Yes we have Knee pants and full suits for all of you. Mothers come in and bring your boys with you and fit them in an un-to-date Suit.

Young man we have that new Stylish Hat you have been wanting for so long, come, it cost you nothing to look.

Tahoka Mercantile Co.

humping herself. With her live commercial club and enterprising citizens to back up the most popular secretary in Texas, she is "doing things." Take a town like Tahoka, that has just awakened to the real value of getting up and blowing her own horn, a town that is full of progressive citizens that have built and helped build great cities, and the matter of this street grading is only a preliminary to what they are going to do in the near future. Our citizens know what the future of Tahoka and Lynn county is, if they will get up in the collar and pull, and they are all pulling neck and neck with no one hitched with the shortest tug.

After this grading of the streets it completed, watch the columns of the Informer for some other work that has started that will be of untold benefit to the town and country. Of course the grading of the streets will not amount to much to the country as it will to the town itself, but when the farmer comes to town and loads his wagon up with merchandise, he will not have to pull out through a hole of water up to his wagon hubs.

The spirit of progressiveness shown in Tahoka is something to be marveled at to a certain extent. Taken as a whole the Plains country is jam full of boosters and workers for their country, and Tahoka does not vary from the rules of this great country. Tahoka and Lynn county is a veritable nest of boosters and workers and the man who stays away from town for two or three weeks at a time now, will soon have to be reading the signs to find where he is and where he is going, or else he is liable to wind up in Chinatown or the police station.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McGill have moved into their new residence. This is a beautiful home and one whom anyone could well be proud of.

R. A. Chambers was a pleasant caller at our office yesterday afternoon and had us place the name of his aunt, Mrs. Dolly Senshaw of Sterling City, on our subscription books. Many thanks Mr. Chambers, may you live to read the Daily Informer.

J. E. Echeu, Farmers, bring in some hams, sides and other bacon, and say, mix a little butter with it. Our Cash Store. It

Ernest Sears of Hale Center, is here today on business.

W. P. Phenix stopped long enough yesterday to hand us a dollar and tells us to put him on our subscription books.

Lis'n! Lis'n! Lis'n!

I have for sale or trade 1 1/2 Section of land, joining the Original Town Section on the South, well improved and also 1-3 Section, joining the Town site of O'Donnel. I also own other unimproved lands in the County, and a number of town lots in Tahoka. This property is going at a bargain in the next 90 days. Deal directly with the owner. To save money is to make money. Phone No. 48. Yours truly, C. G. Alford.

LYNN COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES

Ten years ago Lynn County had ten voters and three women in it, and was attached to another county for judicial purposes. One could buy land here then for 50 cents to \$1.00 per acre. We were eighty miles from a railroad and one post office in the county supplied mail to the people for a hundred miles around. Today Lynn County has a population of Two Thousand Five Hundred, twelve organized schools, three post offices and cotton gins, Four Hundred voters, Four Hundred Fifty school children, and thousands of acres of fine farming lands which produce a bale of cotton per acre with one hoeing and two plowings. Don't shake your head, for I can show you men right here who have done it. Our land will grow sixty bushels of corn or oats per acre, sixty five bushels of Kaffir corn or maize, abundance of millet and alfalfa, big crops of sweet potatoes, two good crops of Irish potatoes per year, eighty pound watermelons, two pound tomatoes, twelve to fifteen pound cabbages and not half try. Lynn County soil grows fine grapes, several kinds of berries, squashes, pumpkins, cantaloupes and all vine products. Apples, Peaches, Plums and Apricots do well here and are freer from pests and diseases than East Texas fruit. Lynn County cannot be excelled as a corn and feed producing country, and it is well that such is the case, for the Great State of Texas spends twenty five million dollars annually for imported corn, and several million for imported meat. The Plains country is destined to become the future bread basket of not only Texas but of a large part of the United States. She will also be expected to furnish a big per cent of the beef and pork for the hungry millions. What country under the shining sun is better adapted to pork and beef production than this? There is none. It is easy to raise abundance of feed, and our water is as pure as God ever made. Our air is cool and bracing the year round, so that mister hog and miss cow grow to maturity under the most favorable conditions possible.

Our Land is Cheap, Fertile and Plenty

And it is rising rapidly in value. It has doubled in value every three or four years without a railroad. Now, who can tell what it will do with a railroad, and may be two or three? Young man, do you suppose this land will long remain at the present prices? Do you think it will ever be cheaper? Certainly it will not. Then why not buy now? Don't wait until you can pay for a whole section, but pay one-third down on a half or quarter section. Whether you have little money or much, invest it in good real estate, either city or country.

TAHOKA is the County Seat of Lynn County, and is the only town in the county. It is 28 miles from any other town, and has a territory 75 miles across to supply. It has a Thousand population, 250 school children and a good school employing four teachers, and a proposition on foot to issue bonds and erect a Fifteen Thousand Dollar brick school building just as soon as the railroad is completed to our town. We have three nice churches, two drug stores, two barber shops, a National Bank, hotel, livery stable, confectionery, hardware, telephone exchange with long distance connection to all important points, a number of dry goods and grocery stores, a cotton gin, grist mill, wagon yards, feed stores, blacksmith shops, tin shops, and in fact every thing that goes to make a town. The Santa Fe Railroad has its grade completed and will be running trains into our town within sixty days. We have offered the Texas Central, at their request, a bond and right-of-way through Lynn County, and their surveyors are now running the preliminary survey from Rotan through our county. The Rock Island Railway is planning to build a line through our county to Roswell or El Paso, and the material is already ordered, and their charter is granted.

I have lived in this country twenty five years, and have seen our country change from a buffalo range to the greatest farming country west of the Mississippi. The change has been rapid, but I predict that our progress the next five years will be far greater than the last twenty five. And why not? Then, it was the ox team age. Now, it is the steam and electric age.

Let me sell you a beautiful building lot in North Tahoka, where the title is simple and clear as the blue sky, where water is pure and plenty, where the sand, dust and trash from the city never comes. I can sell you a lot NOW from \$100.00 to \$401.00, and guarantee abundance of good water. Think it over. Do it now.

Read My Bargains in Farm Lands

Best improved 1-2 section of land in Lynn County. Price \$15.00 per acre.

Well improved 1-4 section of land in Lynn County. Five miles from Tahoka. Price \$14.00 per acre.

1-2 section of land, good 3 room house and some fencing, two miles from Court House, 15.00 per acre.

Good three room house and two lots, with cistern, all in good shape, in Tahoka. price \$1,000.

2000 acres of tillable land, can all be put in one farm and not 10 acres waste land in entire body. Has \$6,000 worth of new up-to-date improvements, Everything in first-class shape. Price \$15 per acre. 5 room house, 2 lots, all under good fence, barns, shed, chicken house, well of good water, hot and cold water in house, very conveniently arranged. \$2,000. The terms on above to suit any one.

2 Sections of well improved land in Lynn County, on line of Roswell and Tahoka R. R. \$12.00 per acre.

3 Sections land, living water, \$8,000 worth of improvements all fenced and sub-divided. Finest place for stock in the State. 200 Acres will grow alfalfa. Lays in 2 miles of switch on Railroad. Price \$15.00 per acre. Only 8 miles from Tahoka.

JACK ALLEY, LAND AND TOWN LOTS

TAHOKA, TEXAS

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The Key to Success

Andrew Carnegie is right in saying that the first goal of a wage-earner in saving should be to acquire \$1000. Virtually all rich men who have given their testimony on the subject agree on this point.

Another point which Mr. Carnegie makes, and upon which there is a consensus of opinion among men of his class, is that money grows surprisingly fast after the first \$1,000 is acquired. Money grows while a man sleeps, while all the man gets who has not capital and does manual or clerical labor is what he earns while he is awake. One of America's richest men declared that he owed his fortune to the possession of a cow. A man who worked for himself, he said, was merely a laborer, but a man plus a cow was a capitalist. As this fact developed into his inner consciousness it aroused the desire for ownership of other productive properties, and in a surprisingly short time he grew rich. Even the small capital of \$1,000, used with care and good judgment, has rendered many a man independent of work with his hands, besides growing steadily in the capital to be invested.

The great trouble, however, with most persons is an overweening desire to live in a social way beyond their means. They will wear expensive clothes, when cheaper ones would answer every purpose of their condition just as well, and they persist in giving social entertainments whose only return is that their so-called friends criticize and despise them for living beyond their means. All human philosophy assents to this, and yet people continue in the social extravagance which brings down upon them envy and contempt of their guests and inevitably keeps their own noses to the grindstone, often ending in substantial degradation and ruin. The surest way to command the respect and regard of others is to live in a manner that will earn it, and besides, this is the shortest and truest road to prosperity. The person who lives within his means, pays his debts and widens the circle of his influence by his personal worth of character is surest in the end to enjoy more and more abiding friendships founded on true respect and to become a leader in a higher class of acquaintances. In brief this has been the story of most great men's lives, whether their goal was the accumulation of wealth or of political power and rank. The only difference is, some have been denied the fellowship of friends in their youth, while others have enjoyed this inestimable boon from the beginning; all have commanded it in its fullest sweetness in the end. And, after all, in most cases the friendships of youth are flimsy and fleeting in their character, becoming as dreams half forgotten before life has reached its maturity. For the reason that they have no foundation in solid character, while the respect and regard of one's fellows won in the ripeness of time and based upon thoughtful appreciation are sure and lasting. Like the birds of the air, whose matings are often for life, the springtime of youth is best spent in building the nest which shall afford a lasting home for the enjoyment of the solid happiness which comes later to all who have been prudent and provident. To the man who saves his first \$1,000 while he is young and his productive capacity is at its greatest, the rest, as Mr. Carnegie

justly observes, will come easy later on. No young man should become discouraged by disappointments and failures. Failure is but the spur which tests character and ultimately confers greater speed in accomplishment. —Amarillo Daily News.

Objects to so Much 'Dixie'

Denver Col., March 15.—Denouncing American bands and other musical organizations for their practice of giving "Dixie" the preference over "The Star Spangled Banner" when playing in public places, John W. Wingate, department commander of the G. A. R. of Colorado and Wyoming, declared that "vigilance is the price of liberty and we and our sons must never let that song wriggle in as the national air."

This opinion of Commander Wingate was delivered at a reception given him this week by the members of Byron L. Carr post in their hall.

The commander is making a tour of the state and there were about 300 members of the post, with their wives and members of the ladies' auxiliary.

Mr. Wingate will find that old "Dixie" is just about as popular and inspiring to the people in general as most any other song and as a rule it is with pleasure that it is listened to wherever played.

How to Crank an Automobile

A suggestion as to how to properly take hold of the starting crank of an automobile so as to avoid injury has been made by Thomas B. Jeffery, maker of the New Rambler.

"There is more than one way of grasping the starting crank of an automobile. As ordinarily practiced, the hand in grasping the handle is so placed that the thumb and fingers encircle it. Such a method is comparatively safe if the operator is pulling upward the crank, but decidedly unsafe if he should press down on the crank and a back-fire occur. "The safer method and one which will allow the hand to leave the handle without injury, whether it is being pulled up or pressed down, is to place the thumb on the same side of the handle that the fingers are placed so that the handle is not entirely encircled, allowing the handle to slip out of the grasp when it is being pressed down, and permitting the fingers to release the handle if it is being pulled up, at the time of back-fire."

MAY TRADE ISLAND FOR LAND

Reported State Department Is Negotiating Settlement of Chamizal Question.

El Paso, Tex., March 15.—No decision has been made in Chamizal territory. San Antonio street divides El Poso in the center from north to south. On the south of San Antonio street, toward the river, running parallel with the river like San Antonio street, lie Overland street and then First to Eleventh streets, the latter being on the river bank. The only territory claimed by Mexico is from Seventh street south to Eleventh street and the river, the Chamizal strip being only four blocks wide.

There are no houses of importance on any of it, most of them being adobe shacks occupied by Mexicans.

News from Washington says the state department may trade San Elizario Island for a settle-

ment of this strip. The island is not in dispute. It lies on the Mexicad side of the river thirty miles below El Paso, but the boundary is marked with monuments by the international commission showing it to be Texas property.

If the government should surrender the island it would be merely trading a piece of land not in dispute to settle the title to the land in dispute. About 300 farmers live on the island.

Abilene Courts the Santa Fe

W. B. Storey Jr., chief engineer of the Santa Fe's system and G. W. Harris who is also connected with that railroad spent Saturday night at the Hotel Grace. These gentlemen stated that their visit to Abilene was in no way connected with railroad matters.

Although nothing authentic could be obtained the Reporter learned that the gentlemen met some of our prominent citizens and that matters of importance were discussed, among them some of the problems which have heretofore given Abilene railroaders much cause for thought, also matters calculated to have a bearing on future railroad building in this city.

Some citizens believe that a big deal is on foot looking to the elimination of the Burlington system from Abilene in the interest of the Santa Fe, or the acquiring of the Abilene & Southern by the Burlington. It has been unofficially stated for several days that a proposition has been made the Burlington to either buy the Abilene & Northern or sell the Abilene & Southern at similar figures per mile. —Abilene Daily Reporter.

Dormitory for Girls

Goodnight, Tex., March 16.—The trustees of Goodnight Baptist Industrial Institute will meet here Tuesday March 22, for the purpose of breaking dirt for the new \$15,000 dormitory for girls. The occasion is to be of peculiar interest and pleasure. It is expected that a large number of friends of the school will be present.

Addresses are to be given by W. H. Fuqua, president of the Board of Trustees, Judge W. B. Slaughter, Dalhart, Rev. R. F. Jenkins of Amarillo, Rev. I. E. Gates, president of Wayland college, Plainview, Rev. R. E. F. Rammer, Amarillo, and others. All are invited to come.

The students of Goodnight Academy will be present with college yells and flying pennants to add enthusiasm to the occasion.

Garza County Goes Dry.

The election held Saturday in Garza county to determine whether or not whiskey should be sold in the county, resulted in a victory for the prohibitionists. Elections were held in all precincts, except No. 3. A total of 126 votes were cast, 94 for and 32 against prohibition. This probably settles the question for all time to come as regards this county. —Post City Post.

Daniel Robertson Married

Joe Boyd and wife are in receipt of an invitation to the wedding of Daniel Robertson, of Milbethill, Blacklaw, Scotland. Mr. Robertson was formerly a citizen of Lubbock and has many friends here who extend congratulations and wish for the happy couple a long and prosperous life. —Lubbock Avalanche.

STATE LINE RE-SURVEY

Commonwealth Officials Engaged In Inspection of Old-Time Land Marks.

State Surveyor W. D. Twitchell, and assistant, J. W. Pritchett, have returned from a tour of inspection which covered the entire Texas-Oklahoma state line. Their mission was for the purpose of locating the original land marks, the first of which were determined by Henry S. Pritchett in 1885. The latter succeeded in locating the 100th meridian. He is now connected with the Carnegie Foundation fund, an educational movement which is well known throughout the country.

Pritchett located the 100th meridian at Childress, astronomically, and his survey has since been confirmed.

Messrs Twitchell and Pritchett will shortly undertake an inspection of the line separating Texas on the north from Oklahoma. At present they are engaged in preparing their report for the state. —Amarillo Daily News.

Poison in Meat

Marfa, Texas, March 15.—Many lives were saved at the Cleveland ranch near here by feeding some meat just butchered to a dog. The animal died in convulsions, and an examination showed that the meat had been poisoned with strychnine after it had been slaughtered.

SOUTH PLAINS WAGON YARD

GEO. SMALL, Proprietor

Best Accommodation for Travelers

Wholesale and Retail Feed Dealers

One Door South of Tahoka Real Estate Office

TAHOKA, TEXAS

..NIGGER HEAD COAL..

The Best on the Market and at prices that will interest you. We want the Coal trade of Lynn County. Don't fail to see us when in town.

Lubbock Lumber & Grain Company

Lubbock, Texas

TAHOKA SADDLE SHOP

We have purchased the Tahoka Saddle Shop and re-opened it in the Cowan Building on the west Side Square. SHOE and HARNESS REPAIRING A SPECIALTY. If you need anything in our line you are cordially invited to call and see us.

TAHOKA SADDLE SHOP

G. R. MILLIKEN, Proprietor

A. G. McADAMS LUMBER CO.

Lumber, Bois D'Arc, Lath, Sash, Shingles, Doors, Blinds, Moulding and Paint, Lime Cement and Brick.

LET US FIGURE YOUR BILL

TAHOKA, TEXAS

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W. B. Majors

Tahoka Livery, Feed And Sale Stable

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Telephone No. 9

We have Good Teams, Good Rigs and our prices are reasonable

We Sell All Kinds Feed and Deliver it Anywhere in Town

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al purposes. One county supplied twelve organized acres of fine farm- can show you men or maize, abundance two pound tomatoes, es, pumpkins, cante- es than East Texas the Great State of ns country is desti- ected to furnish a big and beef production air is cool and bracing

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o can tell what it will do prices? Do you think it ection, but pay one-third city or country. ny other town, and has a pying four teachers, and a railroad is completed to cor e, confectionery, hardware ores, a cotton gin, grist mill. e Santa Fe Railroad has its ral, at their request, a bonus tan through our county. The s already oaderd, and their

the greatest farming country be far greater than the last ue sky, where water is pure 00 to \$401.00 and guarantee

Lands

t well improved land in Ter line of Roswell and Tohola per acre. land, living water, \$8,000.00 improvements all fenced and l. Finest place for stock 200 Acres will grow alfalfa 2 miles of switch on Railroad 00 per acre. Only 8 miles from

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TAHOKA, TEXAS

THE TAHOKA INFORMER.

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GEO. M. HILL, Editor.

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Tahoka, Texas, March 25, 1910

The plains country is enjoying some ideal weather during the month of March.

Tell to the world wherever you go, that the prospects for the Tahoka country, is brighter than, Gold

The unsettled area of Lynn county is being gobbled up by the many homeseekers who come to this country by the bunches every day.

Among the front ranks in the building line in Tahoka can be found men that are town builders. Men that have heretofore built cities and settled up countries that was nothing but a stock range. With such men as these in a town and all busy at work, there is no wonder that Tahoka is going up the line like a 30-30 steel jacket rifle ball.

The majority of the people have cleared up. They have been busy for two weeks. If you have not cleaned up your premises yet, look at your neighbors, get you a rake and shovel and get busy.

A man that will not say a good word for the town and country in which he lives, should be drummed out. If you are not satisfied with where you live, get up and hike it out and let some good man have the room that you are occupying. A man that would live on the plains, the best part of the State of Texas, and then not say a good word. Well we are not going to say what ought to be done with him.

The Informer management have received some very flattering compliments on the first paper that we issued. Fact is, some one whispers something good about it in our ears every day. It makes us feel good. Makes us put a new effort forward to make the Informer a better paper with each issue that comes out. Makes us think more of the good people of Lynn county and Tahoka and glad that we are here. And with the continued support of the people and their encouraging words, we are going to give you a paper that you will be proud to say that is here in Tahoka and that it represents your town and county.

WE NEED UNITY

Don't overlook the fact that in unity there is strength. We need the united efforts of all our people in our Commercial Club work. We must have a better school building and better school facilities, and must have them at once. Our good teachers can't do much unless they have our assistance, our united support. We need a twenty thousand dollar school building and need it badly. The interest of not only Tahoka but all of Lynn county are at stake. To get this and get it quickly, we must have the combined efforts and united support of all people. We cannot afford to sibble over ways or means of getting it, nor any other details, but must get our heads and pocket books together on the main issue—An Up-to-date School Building.

A fine brick school building will promote the interest of our merchants, farmers, bankers, real estate men and commercial interests generally. We need better social advantages for our young people, and nothing will do more to secure this than the upbuilding of our public school interests. Don't be short with your donations when the subscription list comes around, but walk up like a man and plank down all you can afford to, and say, "I am with you for a Greater Tahoka and Lynn county." A man who will stand around like a cypher in the multi-cation table and let his neighbors build his school houses, his churches, his railroads and thus enhance the value of his property, will never cut much ice in the river of life. His neighbors will be ashamed of him and talk about him, and they ought to. His room would be more valuable than his company. Luckily we have very few such men within the borders of our county. Our people are getting together and letting the dead past take care of itself. If we are going to grade our streets and roads, erect a new school building, get another railroad and build a CITY, we must have unity and harmony. Get together, work together, fight together and pull together for a Greater Tahoka. Let us make our interests, Tahoka's interests and Tahoka's interest, our interest and we will experience the greatest progress and prosperity of our lives.

Reports brought in by the farmers are to the effect that they have their land in A1 shape and that they are ready to plant. There will be most double the acreage planted this year then there ever was before.

The grass in our section of the country is coming with wonderful bounds and before many more weeks roll around the work stock can be turned loose on the green pastures and will stay fat.

W. A. WOMACK

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By subscribing through this office you can get The Semi-Weekly Record together with the Tahoka Informer for one year for only \$1.50.

Accept this remarkable offer today.

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With every \$1.00 CASH PURCHASE at our store you will receive a coupon which entitles you to a chance at a beautiful Dinner Set. One given away every Saturday evening at 4:00 o'clock. Keep these coupons. They take a chance on every set and the \$30.00 China Cabinet given at close of contest.

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is one of the most complete stocks in Tahoka and we invite you to call and see what we have to offer. Don't forget our

New and up-to-date Line of Millinery

which we are receiving. It will pay you to inspect this stock before purchasing your spring needs in this line.

G. E. Ketner, Tahoka, Tex.

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Tahoka, Texas, March 25, 1910.

Tahoka is on the upward grade
and still climbing, and no one is
foolish enough to predict where
she will stop.

The knockers in Tahoka are so
scattering that you would have to
take a microscope and a search
warrant to find them, still there
are a few little hammers going,
but they amount to very little.

When you write to the people
in the east, do you say a good
word for this country? There is
no reason why you should not. It
is one of the chosen countries of
the earth. See if you can't get a
little boosting blood stirred up in
your veins.

The Avalanche man spent several
days in Tahoka, the thriving
county seat town of Lynn county
last week. The people there are
getting busy since the railroad
grade is completed to town. Several
new houses are now under
construction and others in con-
templation. Real estate is begin-
ning to move some and as a whole
the town has taken on new life
and activity.—Lubbock Avalanche.

All of this goes to show that Ta-
hoka is coming alive with great
bounds and jumps. The Avalan-
che man is not the only one who
has seen new life spring up in Ta-
hoka, but others have seen it, re-
marked on it and are now coming
our way.

You wish to keep that pesky
little fly out of your house. We
have the Screen Doors that admits
none. Tahoka Hardware Co.

A LETTER

Frank S. Groer.
Pastor First Baptist Church, 104
East Olive Street.
Stamford, Texas, 1-1-10.
To Whom It Concerns:

I have known Hon. Reuben M.
Ellerd for more than 12 years and
can testify from personal knowl-
edge of the man to his superior
ability and high moral character.
He has a keen sense of honor, is
loyal to his friends, and true to
human kind. A man of positive
and aggressive character, strong
will and indomitable purpose. A
man to be trusted. He possesses
extraordinary executive ability, as
well as wisdom in initiative. Be-
cause of my intimate and extended
acquaintance with him I can speak
these words without cavil or
mental reservation.

Very respectfully,
F. S. GRONER.

Every town has its awakenings,
and Tahoka has suddenly awakened
to the fact that she has got to get
up and go some and she is forging
to the front ranks among the West
Texas Cities. Yes Tahoka is on
the map and don't you ever doubt
it for one minute, and there is
another item about here you need
not doubt, and that is she is de-
stined to become one of the Me-
tropolis Cities of the plains. You
have only to step within her gates
to know that there is plenty doing,
the air is full of it, the citizens
are full of it, and you will soon
become charged with the same
spirit if you remain.

Are you scattering sunshine
and smiles in your dally rounds,
or are you going your rounds with
a long, sour face? The man
woman or child who can and does
smile, is the one who is the hap-
piest and has the most friends.
Try to get into the smiling habit.
It will do you good and it will do
good to those with whom you as-
sociate with. A smile and a
cheering word is the best tonic
that you can carry with you and
it costs you nothing to hand them
out by the bushels.

THREE LAKE

We are glad to see the Informer
agitating the question of a new
school building for Tahoka. Sure-
ly the citizens will all pull to-
gether in this matter. We are
interested because we know the
development of this country de-
pends on the thrift and enterprise
of Tahoka and because we want a
school close at hand where our
sons and daughters can receive a
higher education than we can
give them in the country district.

Some of our farmers are plant-
ing a large "crop" of hogs and
several cars will be shipped from
this neighborhood this fall if the
feed crop is good, and we have
faith in the feed crop or we would
not plant the hog crop.

Grass is putting out nicely and
stock are doing well. With a
good rain we would have excellent
grazing.

We notice in the Informer that
Mr. McLawrin still has corn in
his crib. That is common in the
sandy and mixed land of the west
and southwest Lynn county on
less than four inches of rainfall.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall dined
Sunday at the home of C. F. Holt.

Herman Porter expects to leave
in a few days to work on the rail-
road south of Tahoka for a few
weeks. Then he expects to go
by private conveyance to Rose-
bud, Falls county. We regret to
lose Mr. Porter and his estimable
family. However we think they
will be back after they spend a
few months in Falls.

Otis Cagler and family were the
guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. P.
French last Sabbath.

We extend the glad hand to
"Papa's Darlings" and hope other
correspondents will fall in line
and help to make the Informer
the best paper on the plains.

JUNIOR.

A LARGE OAT FIELD

C. G. Alford who lives in the
south part of town and whose
field joins the town section on the
south, has finished sowing one
hundred acres of oats. This is
the way Lynn county farmers do
things. They have plenty of
good land and when they plant a
crop they have large ones. An-
other reason why so many of
our farmers have large bank ac-
counts. No little old fifteen or
twenty acre oat field for Mr. Al-
ford, but one hundred acres.
This part of the country is de-
stined to become one of the lead-
ing small grain countries in the
state, and Mr. Alford has an un-
limited amount of confidence in
the fact.

D. B. Johnson of Tullia, was a
business visitor here the first of
the week.

You know, at first, people did
not have much confidence in a
newspaper at this place because of
past records. They had a per-
fect right not to have. On the
account of this it has made it hard
for us. However, we feel that all
are now convinced of our earn-
estness and determination to stay
here. Men come in daily and con-
gratulate us on the progress we
are making, and before leaving re-
new their subscription or give us
their name as a new subscriber.
Go thou and do likewise.—Ro-
chester Record.

That's right brother, hold up
for the people of your town, but
if there has not been some new
blood shipped in since we were
there, you have a very few stayers
and a deuce of a lot of knockers.
As you are the fourth man to un-
ravel your journalistic power in
that little burg, maybe, you can
make a living, and hope that you
will, but say, brother, don't be so
keen to take a shot at those who
starved out in front of you, for
we are sure that the third man
who left there, did so, because he
could not live on hot air and ex-
pansive smiles.

THE WELCOME RAIN

Tuesday evening the gathering
clouds lowered over the Plains
and late in the evening a slow,
gentle rain began to fall, and con-
tinued through the night and up to
11 o'clock Wednesday, at which
time we closed the forms for this,
the first issue of the Herald. This
rain seems to have been general
over the plains country, and will
be worth millions of dollars to the
stockmen and farmers.—Tullia
Herald.

A. C. Hickerson

Breeder of
S. C. Rhode Island Red
Exclusively. Eggs \$1.00 and
\$1.50 per setting. 2 4t pd

S. H. WINDHAM, M. D.,

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TAHOKA TEXAS

Amarillo now claims 16,000
population. If an emigrant car
arrives in that town during the
next week the board will order
that the census be taken over again
and another thousand added to the
population.—Lubbock Enterprise.

It sounds funny to one who is
on the job to hear a citizen of
Lubbock make a noise that sounds
like sarcasm in connection with
Amarillo. Wonder how many
sections of land has been laid off
in town lots and added to the
original town plat of the city (1)
of Lubbock since the above was
written?—Tullia Standard.

Here, you fellows up that way,
cut it out and talk a little about
Tahoka, one of the friskiest little
cities on the plains and soon to
be rival of either Lubbock, Tullia,
or Amarillo. We are going some
down our way and can sell you a
lot in two or three different addi-
tions to our town. But we have
had to have these additions to
make room for the many people
who are moving into our city.
Lubbock and Amarillo are both
all right, but just keep your
weather eye on Tahoka. She will
be a surprise to you.

RESERVOIR BURSTS

Rotan, Texas, March, 18.—A
reservoir owned by the Rotan
Waterworks Company suddenly
burst yesterday, seriously in-
juring engineer D. Williamson,
demolishing the huge tank and
washing away the engine house of
the plant. The reservoir held
sixty thousand gallons of water,
and more than half of this amount
went through the break and flood-
ed the lower country.

Williamson had completed the
filling of the tank when the sides
ripped off, catching him under the
debris and washing him down the
hill. The force of the water
turned his body over and over
again. His left arm was broken
and it is feared he sustained in-
ternal injuries. He was rescued
in almost a drowning condition.
It is considered miraculous the
manner in which he escaped
death.

LYNN HONOR ROLL.

The following are the pupils of
Lynn school who made a general
average of more than 90 per cent
on examination for the month
ending March 21: Ida Murrain,
Flmeo Myer, Celia May, Clara
Gardenshire, Edwin May, Martin
Lea.

J. P. Hatchett, Teacher.

ENOUGH FOR THEM

Illustrative of the joys and
prosperity of the Plains country,
a story is told of a missionary
sent here some years ago to lead
the people into the paths of salva-
tion. After having labored dili-
gently for two years among the
plains people, he returned to the
parent board and gave in his re-
port in something like the follow-
ing words:

"Brethren, I have labored hard
among those settlers out on the
Plains, and I never knew a more
generous and hospitable people
in all my travels. I was welcomed
in every home; they came to my
meetings day after day gave the
closest attention; always chipped
in liberally when the hat was
passed, but I never had a convert
and never could get up a revival.
When I got ready to leave the
Plains, and after giving them two
years of good preaching, an old
ranchman said to me: Parson we
all like you and hate to see you
leave. We want you to come
back and live with us. You'd
make a good neighbor; and as to
your preaching there's nothing
doin'. Your doctrine of Heaven
no doubt suits those people in
East Texas, but it won't take with
the folks out here. This Plains
country is the Heaven they want,
and to convince them that there is
a better place anywhere in the
universe, you will have to take
them to it and show them.

Only a story, but it illustrates
a truth, in the measure. Nature
has been generous in the bestowal
of her gifts in the Panhandle
region, and he who once quaffs the
waters of the great subterranean
Plains river—bright, sparkling
and pure as those that spring from
the fountain of Lindaraxa—will
never be athirst until he drinks
again at the same source.—Tullia
Standard.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES

Assistant Attorney General
Caldwell today ruled that a school
trustee can receive no compensa-
tion for his services as a mechanic
so far as the school property is
concerned. His ruling called at-
tention to the fact that the law
forbids that a school trustee shall
receive any compensation whatso-
ever for work done for the schools,
and Mr. Caldwell in his opinion
declared that a school trustee de-
sired to render services as a me-
chanic it would be very nice for
him to do so, but that he could
receive no pay for his work.—Ex.

H. C. Hickerson and wife were
in the city Monday from Three
Lake.

After March the 31st.

AFTER MARCH 31st, WE WILL CHARGE 35 cents
FOR MEALS AND 50 CENTS FOR BEDS AT THE

TAHOKA HOTEL

OUR ROOMS AND BEDDING ARE THE NICEST AND
WE PUT THE VERY BEST ON THE TABLE THAT
THE MARKET AFFORDS

J. E. STOKES, PROP.

Our New Goods Are Now Here Come and See

OUR NEW LINE OF DRY GOODS WHICH WE WERE TELLING YOU ABOUT LAST WEEK, HAVE ARRIVED, OR A BIG MAJORITY OF THEM HAVE. MENS' AND BOYS PANTS AND OVEALLS. THE SWELLEST LINE OF SHOES IN TOWN. TRIMMINGS OF ALL KINDS AND SHELF DRY GOODS. SEE OUR BEAUTIEUL LINE OF JAPANESE MATTING.

Wells & Welcher, Southwest Corner of Square

Volume 1, No. 1 of the Tahoka Informer comes to our exchange table this week, edited by Geo. M. Hill. It in a breezy sheet, neatly gotten up, and we wish them all success in their chosen field.—Lynn County News.

Tahoka, Texas, March 12.—Tahoka's new paper, the Informer, will make its first appearance this week. George M. Hill, formerly with the Lubbock Avalanche Publishing company, and a well known West Texas newspaper man, will be editor.—Ft. Worth Record.

We acknowledge receipt of Volume 1, No. 1, of the Tahoka Informer, with Geo. M. Hill as editor. It is a five column, ten page paper, all home print, is ably edited and liberally sprinkled with a good advertising patronage. We wish for the editor and management a bountiful harvest in the field of journalism.—Post City Post.

Volume 1 Number 1 of the Tahoka Informer is on our exchange table and we find it a neatly printed well patronized sheet. Ten pages of interesting reading matter and attractive ads. Geo. M. Hill is editor, and we predict for the new paper the best of success.—Lubbock Avalanche.

Vol. 1, No. 1, of the Tahoka Informer, A new paper at Tahoka Lynn county, has reached our desk. It is a bright newsy, ten page all home print journal and promises to be a robust and active young newspaper. Its editor is Geo. M. Hill. Put us on the X list, old boy.—Stanton Reporter.

VOLUME 1, number 1, of The Tahoka Informer has made its appearance at our desk. It is a 5-column-10-page paper and mechanically and editorially it measures up with the best of the country weeklys in the state. It carries an excellent line of advertising matter and promises to do much toward the development of that excellent section of the country which it represents. Its editor is Geo. M. Hill. We wish it much prosperity and success.—Tulia Standard.

The Banner is in receipt of Vol. 1, No. 1, of the Tahoka Informer with Geo. M. Hill, editor. The Informer is a well printed 10 page 5 column sheet, filled with live news items and a splendid local advertising patronage which speaks well for the town and its enterprising editor. Mr. Hill is a practical printer, a live wire as an editor, and will make the Informer such a paper as Tahoka, and all Lynn county will be justly proud.—Trent Banner.

Vol. 1, No. 1 of the Tahoka Informer is the latest in newspaperdom that has come to our exchange table. The Informer is a five column quarto published Friday at Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas. It is a creditable paper, representative of the interest of that town and surrounding country, showing a good make-up, having a live editorial page, many short headed articles, splendid advertising patronage and scores of

personal mentions of the right kind. Personal mention was made of the prominent citizens from the farms in every portion of the county—good news for a local paper. In short the Informer is a good paper edited by a man who seems to know. Here's our hand, Editor Hill, success to you and your section.—Plainview News.

THE TAHOKA INFORMER
Volume 1 No. 1 of the above paper made its appearance on our exchange table this week and we will say it is a healthy youth. It is a five column ten-page all home print paper and is neatly gotten up. The subject matter and general make up is second to none. Geo. M. Hill is the editor. We welcome the Informer to the field of journalism in the south Plains and hope for it all the success that its efforts may deserve.—Crosbyton Review.

LITTLE GIRL SHOT

Wednesday night between the hours of nine and ten o'clock, some unknown party shot into the home of R. P. Mercer, who lives about one mile south of Kress, in this county, and inflicted a painful, though we are informed not serious gun shot wound, on the leg of his little twelve year old daughter. The news was phoned into Tulia early Thursday morning and the county attorney, sheriff and physician went immediately to the place where it occurred.

The only information that we are able to get, futher than the above, is the statement of deputy sheriff who went down with the county attorney. The source from which the shot came is unknown and there is no authentic clue as to who fired it. It penetrated the window, through four quilts as the little girl had already retired, through the fleshy part of her leg, just above the knee, through the door and opposite wall of the house. Whoever did it left no trace by which his identity could be established, and it might have been purely an accident.—Tulia Standard.

TAHOKA-LAMESA BRANCH

According to official reports the Sauta Fe has finished laying steel on the Plainview branch and Floyada branch and will begin laying track on the Tahoka Lamesa branch within a few days, probably by the middle of next week. However, this is definitely determined. It is certain that no time will be lost in getting at this work, as the Sauta Fe has an expensive track-laying outfit on its hands, and nothing for it to do now but work on the Tahoka-Lamesa line. As it is only twenty-two miles from Tahoka to the junction point with the Coleman-Texico cut-off the track should be in Tahoka not later than the first of May. The grading is now completed into Tahoka and most of the work is finished into Lamesa. It is generally understood that the line will be completed into Lamesa before any more track is laid on the Coleman, Texico cut-off.

Everybody constantly working for Tahoka. Isn't it great news?

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

The W. H. M. Society in called session March 14, 1910 adopted the following resolutions.

Whereas God in his wisdom has removed from our midst a faithful member and co-worker Mrs. S. C. McCauley.

Be it resolved first: that we, the W. H. M. Society of the M. E. Church South, humbly submit to the will of him who doeth all things well.

Be it resolved second; that we extend condolence to the bereaved ones and pray that in this sad trial they may cast their burdens on him that never faileth.

Be it resolved third; that in her death we have lost a member who shall be missed because of her faithful attendance, devoted spirit and loving disposition.

Be it resolved fourth; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to each of the papers and the Texas Christian Advocate also that a copy be spread on the minutes of our society.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. D. B. Doak, Pres.
Mrs. J. D. Donaldson, 1st V.
Mrs. H. C. Crie, 2nd V.
Mrs. J. F. Millham, Sec.
Committee.

WE CAN DO IT

Lets take the four streets that surround our public square and set them out with beautiful shade trees for at least four or five blocks each way from the square. We do not mean for the public to do this but for the parties who own the lots facing the streets to

take it up and carry it through. Parties who own lots on these streets that are non-residents, could be communicated with and we are sure that if they have any get up spirit in them and wish to enhance the value of their lots, they will willingly do their part. Let each man set his own trees out. Get them on a line with the trees in front of the other fellows lot. Would not this look fine in a year or two from now, and it can be done if some of the progressive citizens will take it up and get busy on it. Lubbock is now setting out four miles of trees on one street, and a year or two from now that street will cause more talk and favorable comment among the visitors than anything that she will have. We can do this people if we will but try. A great many have already gotten their trees out. Talk this to your neighbor and see if he won't help you beautify the city that much besides enhancing the value of his own property a hundred per cent. We can lean back in our chair and picture in two or three years from now, the beautiful shaded walks out from the square for five or six blocks. Let's get behind this and see if we cannot have these trees planted in this way.

Announcements
We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, to be held Saturday, July 23, 1910.

For District Attorney
REUBEN M. ELLERD

For County Judge
GEO. W. PERRYMAN
(Re-election)
JNO. P. MARRS

For County Clerk
O. B. SHOOK
JESSE P. HATCHETT

For Sheriff and Tax Collector
W. H. MILLER
J. H. EDWARDS

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New Blacksmith Shop

We wish to Announce to the public that we have opened up in Tahoka, a NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP. We are located in the South part of the Hall & Major Livery Barn. Give us a TRIAL and we will please You. No job too difficult for us to handle. We understand the Blacksmith trade.

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LOOK AT THESE PRICES !

White Face Flour	\$3.70	10 and 12 cent Gingham	8c
Large size Cottolene	1.45	8 cent Gingham	6c
Small size Cottolene	.60	75 cent Work Shirts	40c
\$1.00 bottle Pickles	.75	All Hats at COST	
All bucket Coffee	.80	All Shoes at COST	
Everything else in the Grocery Line in proportion.		Bargains in Hosiery, Mens' Shirts, Ribbons, Laces, Embroideries, etc.	

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We Wish to call to your mind that there is nothing better than something good to eat. We have it. Our line of Staple and Fancy Groceries is complete. Call and see us.

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Locals and Personals

Geo. Riley spent Thursday and Friday in Post City.

T. B. Tominson of Central, was among the many visitors in the city Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas who lives in the northwest part of the county, was shopping in the city Saturday evening.

T. Lee Beeman Postmaster of Richland, N. M., spent the two past weeks in our city on business. Mr. Beeman formerly lived here.

L. T. Hensley of Murchinson, spent the week here on business. Mr. Hensley was a pleasant caller at our office, he being an old newspaper man himself.

A. L. Lockwood and wife were shopping in the city Saturday and before leaving for home Mr. Lockwood called around and had us place his name on our subscription books.

E. E. Redwine handed us a dollar the latter part of last week, telling us to put his name and that of C. Grey. Monta Vista, Colo., on our subscription books for six months each.

G. W. Short and family who live eight miles south of town, were here Saturday trading with our merchants. While in town Mr. Short called on us and carried away with him a sample copy of the Informer.

Guy King was a pleasant caller at the Informer office Saturday afternoon and subscribed for the Informer and the Dallas Farm News for one year each. Thanks Mr. King.

W. A. Yates was a pleasant caller at the Informer office Saturday and had us place his name on our subscription books besides ordering the Semi-Weekly Record through us.

P. L. Darrow who lives southwest of the city, was a pleasant caller at our office the latter part of last week. While here Mr. Darrow had us place his name and the name of his father-in-law, J. W. Phillips of Itly, Texas on our mailing books.

Tony Chism carried Mrs. Jim Shaw to Lubbock Saturday afternoon. The cause of the visit to Lubbock was very pathetic indeed. Mrs. Shaw had just returned from the cemetery where she had buried her husband and a message was waiting for her that her sister at Lubbock was not expected to live. It is hoped that she found her very much improved.

G. T. Beach, wife and daughter, Miss Sallie Lou, were among the shoppers in Tahoka Saturday afternoon. While in town Mr. Beach called on us and gave us an order for some envelopes with his return address printed on them. This shows good business judgement on the part of Mr. Beach and if more people would follow his example, there would not be many of their letters go to the dead office, and would be returned to them.

J. F. Fry of Lockney, was here this week on business.

J. L. Shaws of Tulia, had business in our city this week.

Our line of Net Wire is complete, and our prices are right. Tahoka Hardware Co.

J. A. Wyatt of Lamesa was here the first of the week.

T. L. Kirkes of Snyder, spent a few days of this week here looking after business matters.

Geo. W. Whally of Lamesa, was here the latter part of last week.

J. B. Nunn of Seminole, spent a few days of the latter part of last week in our city.

Think about that germ carrying fly taking a header into your butter and then wading through your syrup. The Screen Doors sold by the Tahoka Hardware Co., will keep them out.

Firk Wilson of Tulia, was among the many visitors in our city this week.

A. W. Johnson of Anson, was among the many out of town visitors to our office the first of the week.

As was stated in last weeks Informer, the Caruthers blacksmith shop was moved here from Lubbock and are now comfortably located in the south shed of the Livery Stable. M. C. Caruthers is here now and Jno. Catuthers and family will move here immediately after the first.

J. H. Graham and daughters, Misses Eliza and Rebecca, who formerly lived here but who now live in Eddie county, N. M., passed through here Saturday on their way home from a visit to Mr. Grahams brother, Newt Graham, who lives near Post City.

Mr. Graham and Judge Perryman were old time friends and they met again and spent several hours in talking over old times.

W. T. Petty, that free hearted and whole souled ranchman, was in the city Saturday shaking hands and making jolly with his many friends. Mr. Petty was a pleasant caller at our office while here and had us place his name on our subscription books, besides sending four papers away for a year. We appreciate the five dollar check Mr. Petty, and hope that many more will follow the excellent example set by you.

J. B. Miles who lives some 20 miles south of this place, was a pleasant caller at our office Monday. Mr. Miles said that he had seen a copy of our paper and wanted another one and that he would subscribe for it but that it taken him over a week to get his mail from Tahoka the way things now stood. Alright Mr. Miles, you will not have this difficulty confronting you long, for when the railroad gets here, which is very close at hand, your mail will be carried right on down the line to you, and then we will get to add your name to our subscription list.

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Announcements

Authorized to make the announcements, subject of the Democratic to be held Saturday, 1910.

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\$500,000 LIVESTOCK DEAL
Swenson & Sons Sell 18,000
Head off Spur Ranch—Loses
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In one of the largest deals that has been consummated among the cattlemen of Texas for many months was closed in Ft. Worth Wednesday when S. M. Swenson & Sons of New York city sold to W. J. Lewis of Clarendon, Texas all of the cattle on the Spur ranch.

There are 18,000 head of cattle in the bunch and while the terms of the sale are private it is learned that the figures are around the \$500,000 mark. The deal was made through F. S. Hastings of Stamford and Charles A. Jones of Spur, the Texas representatives of the Swenson family. In the transfers the Swensons leased to Mr. Lewis the Spur ranch, aggregating 438,000 acres, and through the terms of the contract Mr. Lewis will perpetuate the well known Spur brand.

In the lease contract, however the Swensons reserve the option of selling the Spur farm lands out to actual settlers in small tracts, there being no limit to the amount of land which may be disposed of in this manner. By this deal Mr. Lewis secures a lease upon the property that was originally owned by the Espuela Land & Cattle company of England and he will at an early date take active charge with headquarters at Spur. The sale of the land to actual settlers is taken to mean that the Swensons intend to push the movement to bring farmers into the Spur country and great development is looked for there, as a result.

The Swensons are still in the cattle business, however, they retaining 25,000 head on their different ranch properties in the neighborhood of Stamford. And after the sale of the Spur ranch they will own 350,000 acres of land in Texas.

It is announced that still other big ranchmen in that section of the state intend following the example of the Swensons in selling off their big ranch properties to small farmers, a movement that is calculated to further the development of Middle West Texas, and incidentally of Fort Worth, which is the logical trade center for the towns of that portion of Texas.—Fort Worth Record.

Work of Rating Board

It was to be expected that the efforts of the State to readjust the basis of fire insurance rate-making would occasion a good deal of protest more or less vehement. The fact is, though, there have been fewer complaints than the News expected; and it is to be noted that the two cities which made formal protest against the action of the State Rating Board have withdrawn those protests.

The News expressed the opinion long before this law became operative that its animating principle was both morally just and scientifically sound. That opinion has been strengthened by recent events, nor will it be weakened if mistakes are made in the first efforts to give it application.

Fire insurance is a tax, and as necessary a tax as any other that is levied. It is right that that tax should be proportioned among communities and among

individuals in accordance with the dangers which they tolerate. It is a method of penalizing negligence, municipal and individual. If Fort Worth provides better fire protection than Houston does for example, there would be a manifest and inexcusable injustice if Fort Worth did not enjoy a lower "key rate" than Houston. If one citizen has taken more precaution against fire than his neighbor it would be equally unjust if the two were charged the same rate. The principle of the law is impeccable and unassailable.

It is not a "new-fangled idea." It is a principle that has been recognized as long as there have been fire insurance companies. But they have not been able to give it a high degree of application. The result is that, intent chiefly on getting enough and something more, to pay their losses, the insurance companies have not been greatly concerned as to whether the contributions have been made equitably or not. If the negligence of one man was visited on another they had no great reason to care so long as the sum of their contributions was enough.

The principle which the State is trying to enforce, and which we have no doubt it will enforce, gives an incentive to every town and to every individual to minimize the fire hazard.

Every community will derive a profit from its own efforts, and so will every man. The result will be a reduction of the fire waste, which means a reduction in the fire insurance tax. This law is rich in beneficent possibilities, and we have no doubt they will be full developed, even though some mistakes should attend the effort to develop them.—Dallas News.

Decision on Cattle Ranges

Roswell, N. M., March 16.—By a decision of Judge Pope at Portales yesterday no man can hold exclusively a part of the public range even though he has improved it and created a water supply thereon, when other men come in and make the same improvements. Judge Pope recognizes no prior rights in such cases. The decision came in the case of C. W. Merchants & Sons against Alston Brothers. Plaintiffs have long held a valuable range east of Carlsbad in Eddy county, extending to the Texas line, and have spent \$40,000 building cattle drift fences and boring wells, building tanks and wind mills. Christmas & Williams, cattle raisers, came on the same range and built watering places, but were enjoined from letting their cattle graze there because their stock were infected and had not been dipped according to Federal laws. Christmas & Williams leased their watering places to Alston Brothers, sheep breeders, and Judge Pope's decision permits the sheep to occupy the range, provided they are not allowed to roam within a half mile of Merchant's wells. The Merchants have given notice of appeal and state that they will carry the case to the Supreme Court of the United States if necessary. C. W. Merchant is a wealthy citizen of Abilene, Tex. His sons live at Carlsbad.

Prohibition goes steadily on. The cause has won in several supposedly strong anti counties recently, by good majorities in each case. On with the good work.

THE LIFE OF A TOWN

When All Bëll Together Much can be Accomplished—Factions and Discords Deteramental

Where men put their shoulders together and push for the attainment of the same end, there is no such thing as defeat, the word failure is without meaning. Too often is the truth demonstrated before our eyes today for denial, without extraordinary natural advantages towns have sprung into existence like magic and entered upon a growth little less than marvelous while others, sharing more abundantly the riches of nature's gifts have stood as if confronted by irremovable barriers. Why this vigorous life and why this dwarfed existence?

Look at the people and read the answer. In one of the case there is town pride and in the other there is interest only in selfish gain; in the one there is anxiety to see one's own town outrival others, in the other there is perfect contentment with present conditions; in one there is a bigness of manhood that can spend hard earned dollars, even though neighbors will thereby be benefitted, in the other a littleness of principle that puts the measure of individual interest to every proposed action.

After all, the people make towns. The fact cannot be hidden. Towns are but the reflection of the industrial characteristics of their inhabitants.

The dangerous period of a town's existence is during its transition from pioneer days, when competition in business was a matter of no concern, to a state of healthy commercial rivalry akin to that of a modern city. The advance is often hindered by those who prefer the old days when they had things their way.

Factions are also a curse to any town or city and they who are instrumental in keeping them alive are dangerous to the town's welfare. In this connection we reproduce the following from the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram:

When you see a small town in Texas which is not growing rapidly, you will usually find that it is partly due to the town faction. This harmful division of interest seldom appears publicly but its constant menace to the growth of the town, citizens working against the interest of the town because of petty personal differences.

Usually the formation of these factions can be traced to competitive business interests, banks or railroads. One set of business men line up with the state bank and thereafter each factor works against the other. If a move is started for the upbuilding of the town, the national bank crowd will desert it because it is championed by some of the state bank crowd.

Several towns in Texas are afflicted with this deadly mania and outsiders, not understanding the cause, wonder at the lack of growth. Texas developments is too big to be hampered by such petty differences. Many towns will continue to grow and the town with the internal grouch will be left behind.

Where these conditions exist, it is evident that the great saying "in union there is strength," has not had the proper influence. It is a condition uninviting to homeseekers and means much against a town.—Ford County News.

Clean Vaudeville Pictures

The following from the Daily Panhandle of Amarillo, shows that the women of that city are on the trail of a great foe to morality and we hope they will succeed in eliminating questionable scenes from the canvas.

"Ladies of the W. C. T. U. have petitioned the City Council to appoint a board of censors whose duty it shall be to inspect moving picture slides and supervise vaudeville performances which are given in connection with such shows in Amarillo. The Daily Panhandle warmly endorses any movement which is calculated to afford the show-patronizing public of Amarillo cleaner and more wholesome amusement, and if a censorship is necessary to insure the desired quality by all means let us have it.

"In justice to the proprietors of moving-picture establishments in Amarillo, it should be stated that the slides shown appear to be uniformly good and as a rule void of suggestive features. But so much cannot be said for the vaudeville features which are run in connection. The 'teams' which are brought to this circuit are of a distressingly low quality and the alleged entertainment which they provide is not only of the cheapest variety but is liberally sandwiched with supposed jokes which fall to the border of low vulgarity.

"That such 'stunts' can add anything of value to an entertainment which is otherwise worthy of approval The Daily Panhandle fails to see. They are not only nasty but nauseating. And in justice to a liberal public, proprietors of local establishments should either exert every effort to book decent artists in the vaudeville line or else entirely eliminate that questionable feature from nightly programs.

Gold Teeth Will Be Popular

Logansport, Ind., March 15.—Mrs. Omer Snoko of Columbia, Ind., in a letter sent to the police here, asking that they arrest her husband on the charge of wife desertion, says that she would never have married him, but her parents saw that he had two gold teeth and believed that he was a man of wealth. The wife, who is hardly out of her teens, says that her parents objected to the marriage for a long time, but finally became impressed with Snoko's gold teeth, and concluded that a man who is rich enough to have gold teeth would be a good husband for her.

The youth who needs assistance in winning a wife will no doubt turn the job over to the dentist hereafter especially if the much desired lady is inclined towards wealth.

Mail Order Story

A rather amusing story is told of a man who went into a general store in a neighboring town and wished to purchase an axe, says an Ohio paper. Being shown the article and informed that the price was \$1.15, he said: Why I can get the same kind of an axe from a mail order house for 90 cents." "Very well," said the merchant, "I will give it to you for the same price provided you will do the same with me as you will do with it." "All-right" replied the customer as he handed over a dollar bill, the merchant handing him back ten cents in change. "Now," said the merchant, "I want 25 cents more to pay the express charges," which the pur-

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the wires never
clans in the family.

High Living

The Christian Rep
days of plain living
thinking are in the
now high living and
ing. The transp
sentence changes the
of the word "plain"
do the same and life's ship
is not plain, but
smoothly on.

NEP OUT FACTIONS

The property of one
so— is one cause of
prices of which
made enhances the value
plaint is made. In
property in the corporation,
known to those who
is simply one big family.
in culinary science
this is discorded there is
that is thrown aw
gress. When there is a
ull for anything, its ac
ment is made easy. En
lously and hatred are
to be despised. Envy is
that gnaws at the heart
es folks sour, disgruntled
parts, which are
happy; jealousy warps the
full value here as
instance, in
judgment. Hatred does
meaning of that
ven from a sordid point
do not know how
thing, but steaks
roasted pieces, and
parts of the country
spoiled by frying
ing.

cannot stand" says Holy Writ.
The same can be appropriately
applied to town building. Two
sides, or a "faction" cannot build
a town. All must pull together
if great things are attained.

Grayson County Dry

Denison, Tex., March 19.—
Grayson County went dry in the
local option election today. There
were twelve more country boxes
to hear from at midnight, all
conceded to be strongly for pro
hibition. The antis concede that
they are beaten by a large ma
jority. The campaign has been
a hard fought one, the pros hav
ing many speakers in the field.
The work of the antis was not
throughout debate of the ques
tion from their viewpoint. Women
and children paraded the streets
this forenoon in a beating
rain.

This is the fourth election in
Grayson County in which local
option has been carried, each
time with a growing majority.
The present majority will ex
ceed another yet won by the
pros.

Sell Briscoe County Lands

Silverton, Tex., March 17.—
The Commissioners Court of
Briscoe County closed a deal to
day selling the four leagues of
land in Martin County belonging
to Briscoe County. The land
brought the price that the coun
ty has been holding for, full con
sideration being \$117,120. The
terms being 40 years at 5 per
cent interest with privileges of
paying any time after 15 years.
The purchasers are Luke W.
Davis and B. D. Glasgow of
Dickens City, Texas.

Some boys do not earn \$20 a
year, yet they can afford to smoke
cigarettes and to use tobacco in
other forms. Little boys should
think it over seriously before
commencing to use tobacco. Boys
who do not use the weed or loaf
continuously on the streets are
much better models to follow.
No boy should wish to pattern
after a profane, foulmouthed,
street loafer.—Ex.

A Chicago woman sat up till 1
o'clock the other night waiting
for her husband to come home
from the lodge. At last, weary
and wornout with vigil, she went
upstairs to retire, only to find
her husband in bed fast asleep.
Instead of going down he had
stolen up stairs and crawled into
bed, which made his wife so mad
she didn't speak to him for a
week.—X

Large Stock Sale

Floydada, Tex., March 16.—J.
N. Faris sold to Mr. Lisenby of
Matador a herd of cattle, in the
northeast part of the county.
The consideration was \$32,000.
With the sale was transferred
lease on several sections of land.
Col. W. M. Massie sold to Wil
liams & Staley 212 coming 4s at
\$46.50 per head, with no "cut
backs." Stock is going into the
spring in very good condition,
and with comparatively no loss
during the winter.

Lightning Strikes House

Last Friday night the resi
dence occupied by J. J. Adams
and family was struck by light
ning in three places, some
chickens which were in a box
near the stove were killed. No
other damage was done except
the paper in the bedroom was
torn. The family were all in
the house at the time it was
struck, but fortunately no one
was hurt.—Lubbock Avalanche.

MANY LINES TO BE BUILT

Santa Fe Active And Many Roads
are Building—Large Scope of
Country Will be Opened

More railroad building is now
in progress in Texas than at any
time before in the history of the
state. Most of the new lines now
under construction and in the
prospective stage, are in Western
and Southwestern Texas. In this
railroad building work, the Santa
Fe is far in the lead of the other
older systems, its new extensions,
now under contract, and partly
finished, aggregating about 700
miles. Its most important new
line is the Coleman-Texico cut-off,
to run between Coleman and
Texico 310 miles, whereby a new
and direct connection will be
made between ist existing trans
continental division in New Mex
ico, and the Gulf division. It is
stated that this cut-off will short
en the distance between Galves
ton and San Francisco 200 miles
under the Southern Pacific, which
is now the shortest route. The
Santa Fe is literally girdironing
many parts of Western Texas,
with its several branch lines. It
is penetrating remote parts of
that broad scope of territory
where farming development is
now in progress.

SANTA FE SETS THE PACE

The activity of the Santa Fe in
invading the virgin region where
railroad transportation facilities
are so badly needed is causing
other of the older systems of rail
way to become aroused to the
fact that they must do extensive
railroad building on their own
account in order to protect their
territory and traffic interests.
One of the most important of
the recent announcements is that
the Rock Island will use a big
part of the proceeds from its re
cent \$11,000,000 bond sale to
build an extension of its Graham
branch across the lower Panhan
dle and Eastern New Mexico to
Roswell, about 325 miles. The
survey for the proposed extension
is said to have been made, and
as no serious constructin difficul
ties are to be encountered, it is
expected that the building work
will be carried on rapidly.

The Kansas City, Mexico & Ori
ent expects to have the construc
tion of its main line extension,
southwest from San Angelo to
the proposed crossing of the Rio
Grande near Presidio Del Norte,
well advanced before the end of
the year. It is reported that the
branch line that is to be built
south from San Angelo to a con
nection with the National Rail
ways of Mexico at Allende, by
way of Del Rio, will also soon be
started.

The Quanah, Acme & Pacific is
another ambitious project that is
said to have ample financial back
ing to carry it to fulfillment. This
road is now finished and in oper
ation from Quanah to Paducah.

Mr. Lazarus owns a big ranch
in the territory to be penetrated
by the Quanah, Acme & Pacific.
It is stated that arrangements
have been made for extending
this line from Paducah to El Paso
about 375 miles. A southwesterly
route will be followed crossing
the Panhandle diagonally and
cutting through a corner of New
Mexico. The survey for this pro
posed extension has been made
and was recently sent to the fis
cal agents in St. Louis for appro
val. R. D. Yoakum, brother of
B. F. Yoakum, interested in the
new line that connects with the
Frisco system at Quanah.
It is learned that the Wichita

Falls and Wellington railroad
that was recently granted a char
ter by the secretary of state,
principle office at Wichita Falls,
is to really be an extension of the
Wichita Falls & Northwestern,
and will run from Frederick, Ok.
to Wellington, Texas, in the up
per Panhandle, about 100 miles.

The Texas North & South Rail
way Company is getting its plans
in shape to build about 360 miles
of road.

The Pecos Valley Southern is a
fifty-mile line that is to run
from Pecos, on the Texas & Pa
cific, to the Davis mountains,
with either Marfa or Alpine, on
the Southern Pacific, as its ulti
mate southern terminus. The
route of this proposed road is up
the valley of Toyah creek which
is the scene of extensive irriga
tion and agricultural develop
ment.

The people of Weatherford
subscribed a bonus of \$60,000 to
aid the construction of the Chi
cago, Weatherford & Brazos
Valley railroad.

The route of the Brownwood
Southwestern railroad, that was
recently chartered, runs from
Brownwood southwest to a point
on the Colorado river, about forty
miles. It is planned, however
to ultimately extend the line to
San Antonio.

The Texas Central railroad,
which is one of the most conserva
tive and profitable of the older
lines, is keeping up its record of
extension building. It expects
to finish its new branch line now
under construction from De Leon
Comanche county, west to Cross
Plains, Callahan county, fifty-six
miles, by Sept. 1. It will also
complete the extension of its
main line from Rotan to Gail,
Borden county, about sixty miles
during the present year.

The Stamford & Northwestern
expects to have its extension fin
ished to Dickens, about sixty
miles northwest of Aspermont,
some time this year.

The completion of the Wichita
Falls & Southern's extension
from New Castle to Cisco, sev
enty miles, will be accomplished
during the present year.
The Roscoe Snyder & Pacific
recently finished building an ex
tension of its line to Fluvanna
from Snyder, Scurry county, and
is said to have an additional ex
tension in contemplation.

Grading is in progress on the
branch line of the Frisco that is
to run from Brady to Menard
ville, about thirty miles.

The Frisco will soon begin the
construction of the proposed ex
tension of the Harlington branch
of its St. Louis, Brownsville &
Mexico from Sam Fordyce to
Roma, forty-three miles.

B. F. Yoakum is now a part
owner of the San Antonio & Rio
Grande railroad that runs from
San Juan, on the Harlington
branch of the St. Louis, Brown
sville & Mexico, to Chaplin, twen
ty miles.

The Rock Island has practical
ly finished its cut-off line running
between Amarillo and Tucumcari
N. M., 110 miles.

The Enid, Ochiltree & Western
will have a total length of about

260 miles. It will run from Dal
hart, Texas, to Enid, Okla.,
crossing the upper Panhan
dle.

Grading is in progress on the
San Antonio, Rio Grande &
Tampico which is projected to
run between San Antonio and
Tampico, Mexico, a distance of
about 525 miles.

The Bartlett-Florence railway,
running between Bartlett and
Florence, twenty-three miles, is
nearly finished. Its route
is through a rich farming coun
try.

The Abilene & Southern, that
now runs between Abilene and
Ballinger, is to be extended from
the latter place to San Angelo,
about thirty-five miles.

Arrangements are said to
have been made for the building
of the Coleman, Llano & South
ern railroad, that is projected to
run from Coleman south to Bra
dy, forty-five miles.

The contract for the construc
tion of the Temple & Northwest
ern railway was recently let.
This road is to run between
Temple and Hamilton, by way of
Gatesville, ninety miles.

A terminal system of railway
will be built at Aransas Pass by
the Aransas Pass Terminal Rail
road Company.

An extension of the Artesian
Belt railroad is being built from
its present southern terminus to
ward the Rio Grande. This road
connects with the Southern Pa
cific at Madona, near San Anton
io.

The Quanah & Gulf railroad of
which, L. E. Walker is presi
dent, is projected to run from
Quanah southeast to Cleburne,
a distance of about 175
miles.

Financial arrangements are
said to have been made for the
building of the Fort Wort, Min
eral Wells & Western railroad.
This line is projected to run
between Fort Worth and
Roswell, N. M., about 500
miles.

Bonuses are being raised in a
number of towns in the Panhan
dle in aid of the proposed Denver
& Gulf that is being built be
tween Denver, Colo., and Dallas.
It is stated that this road will be
as near an air line as possible. It
will traverse a big stretch of ter
ritory in Texas.

All of these projected roads
have for their territory the
western half of the state. A
number of railroad enterprises
are one foot in the eastern half
of Texas, but it is on what was
formerly an exclusively ranch
region where most of the con
struction operations are now in
progress.

The condition of farm lands in
this section of the Plains is be
yond doubt in better shape this
year than ever in the history of
the Plains. The acreage is in
creased largely and everything
is looking good for the coming
crop season.

Judge J. L. Gaugh has an
nounced himself as a candidate
for the office of State Senator
from the 29th District, against
Jno. P. Slaton of the same
town.

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(We extend a warm welcome to Bright Eyes and Waneta. Both of your letters are fine. Don't miss a week. Papa's Darlings and Junius both have good letters. We have a correspondent coming in from Draw next week. Won't it be fine when we get them coming in regular each week? It will be a regular home chat, from all parts of the county.—Ed.)

EDITH HAPPENINGS

We have had some light showers lately that has freshened things up some, but not enough to do much good.

Our school closed last Thursday and the children were all glad to see vacation time come again. Quite a number of the parents were present in the afternoon to listen at the exercises. Our teacher Mrs. Bryant, deserves praise and credit for the great good she has done in this school and for the interest she has taken in the pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Stanbro visited Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Womack Sunday.

Miss Nettie Wells of Tahoka, spent Sunday with the Misses Bennett.

Mrs. Littlepage and family moved into their new residence one day last week.

Mrs. A. R. McGongill of Tahoka spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Dyer.

A singing was enjoyed by the young folks at the home of G. P. Womack Sunday afternoon.

Miss Era Littlepage is visiting friends and relatives in Lubbock this week.

Miss Beulah Womack dined with Miss Lill'ye Harrison Sunday.

Mr. Sherrod and Carl are working in the city this week.

Misses Sanford and Slover visited the Misses Dyer Wednesday.

Papa's Darlings.

SOUTHEAST LYNN

As I see no locals from this part of Lynn county, will send in a few.

Most every one is preparing their lands for another crop, some are planting. We wish every farmer a bountiful yield for their work this year.

The singing at the Berry school house Sunday afternoon was a

success. We meet every first and third Sunday afternoons. Come and help us out, friends.

Bert Ramsay the district surveyor, spent last Monday night with W. L. Beach and family.

Mrs. Amandy Benson and Geo. Berry, who have been visiting in this vicinity, returned to their home in Post City Saturday.

J. W. Riggs made a business trip to Big Springs last week.

Miss Lou Hancock, teacher at the Berry school visited home folks at Lamesa last Saturday and Sunday.

The singing at J. I. Parkers Sunday night was a grand success, and every one enjoyed themselves as never before.

John Etter has gone to Mr. Graves to work.

The party given by Mr. and Mrs. Will Berry last Friday night was well attended and all spent a pleasant evening.

Miss Myrtle Etler spent last Sunday night with the Misses Jones.

The grass is getting green in this part of Lynn which we are sure glad to see.

Bright Eyes.

NEW HOME

Here comes a writer from New Home and for fear some of the readers do not know where it is, I will tell them. It is in the north-west part of Lynn county, in what is known as the Ducé of Heart pasture. We have a nice school house and a good school with Mr. Spencer Grant, teacher.

We have organized a Baptist

church with brother Estes as pastor. He preaches every third Saturday and Sunday.

The farmers in this section have their land all ready to plant.

The fruit trees are all in full bloom and if the good Creator sees fit to send us plenty of rain this year, come out Mr. Editor and we will show you what we can raise in this part of Lynn, and we won't forget you in the good old water-melon time.

I am sorry to report that several of Mr. Depriests family are on the sick list.

John Frilford spent the day at Dee Leavitts Sunday.

There was church here Sunday with quite a large attendance.

Ketner Depriest has rented the Hilton place and has gone to farming in earnest.

Fence building seemed to be the order of the day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McMannis were sick last week but are now able to be out again.

Sam Smith's baby has been sick but is improving at this writing.

Miss Adams has been teaching Miss Haltie Smith the art of painting this month.

Our public school will be out in another month.

Judge Perryman was out to visit our school and we are sure that if the children were allowed a vote the Judge would hold his office, always. You know it is always said that a child can tell a good man by instinct and I fell sure their instinct would alight in the judges case.

He has made us a good judge and

believes in letting well enough alone.

J. L. Stewart has gone to Stamford on business.

Miss Ollie Smith visited Mrs. F. P. Thomas Saturday.

Mr. Lizenby who has been in Waco on business the past three weeks, came home several days ago.

Mike Redwine and wife have moved to the Hutto place. We welcome them to our neighborhood.

Ben Sumner and wife attended church here Sunday.

Miss Hattie Sumner's school will be out Friday, March 25.

Well dear readers I have worried you long enough for this time and if you will excuse the mistakes of a new writer, I may come again. With best wishes for one of the best country papers and its many readers, I sign myself,

Waneta.

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