

THE GREAT DEVELOPMENT COMING TO NORTH PLAINS

Roaring Lions Club and American Legion Will Fight It Out On Field of Honor

A very interesting and enthusiastic meeting of the Spearman Lions club...

The work of remodeling the building is being done by John L. Beck & Son, local contractors...

To The Public: This ball game will be played on Spearman grounds, Friday afternoon...

Competent City Officials

Growing municipality like Spearman has many problems, but it seems the city has a council that is able to solve them.

The fire station occupies part of ground floor. The chamber of commerce used part of the main floor...

New Front In Smith Variety

The Smith Variety Store has made an attractive addition to Spearman's main street...

The work of remodeling the building is being done by John L. Beck & Son...

When the counters and display racks are in place Spearman will have a store which will compare favorably with any to be seen in cities much larger.

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SPEARMAN'S CITY HALL AND MASONIC HOME



Erected at a cost of more than \$15,000.00, and now being used as Hansford County Court House.

Spearman's new city hall, which, by the way, is the new home of Hansford Lodge No. 1040 A. F. & A. M., and since the winning of the county seat in the late election...

Marrige of Popular Couple Solemnized on Sunday

The marriage of Miss Obera Gay to Mr. Chas. Darnell was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hagelwood in Spearman on Sunday afternoon, May 26, at 2:30 o'clock.

Uncle Jimmy Speaking

Students should come to the school house and get their overshoes, coats, hats, caps, overcoats and other wearing apparel.

The dance of this indebtedness enabled the city to complete its first paving project. There is discussion of selling the municipal water plant...

Will be Burning Natural Gas By August 1st

C. D. Foote, representing the Panhandle Gas and Electric Company, which has the franchise for furnishing the city of Spearman with natural gas for heating and industrial uses...

Visiting At Denton

Mrs. A. F. Barkley and Gertrude, Mrs. Perren A. Lyon and son Perren Jr., and Miss Eleanor McClesley left the first of the week for Denton...

In This Issue

In this issue of the Reporter will be found, besides the weekly run of news, many items of interest to old timers taken from the files of the Hansford Investigator...

McClellan Grain Company Owns Four Big Elevators

The R. L. McClellan Grain Company is preparing to take care of its share of the Hansford county wheat crop. This company is this week completing the work of erecting elevators...

Sutton Praises Hog Industry in Hansford

Although there are fewer hogs in Hansford county now than there was seven or eight years ago, that is no sign that this country is not ideal for hog raising...

Mr. Sutton held an auction sale a few weeks ago, and disposed of 40 head of pedigree Duroc Jerseys, to various breeders over this territory.

The perfecting of the harvesters combines, has made it possible to grow wheat in much larger acreages and with less labor than is necessary with hogs...

One of the leading hog raisers of the county, who makes a specialty in breeding stock, is R. V. Converse, who this season has 20 bred sows to farrow this fall.

J. H. Gruver is a feeder for the markets and generally has from 300 to 1000 head in the pens. He ships to Wichita, Kansas and Kansas City.

The Crawford Bros. held an auction sale last week and sold off a number of their partnership hogs, as they are each going in business for themselves.

The Blue Bird Philosopher Invited to Visit Spearman

A quite informal and hurriedly called meeting of citizens of Spearman was held at Joe's Cafe on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Hayden Hart in Hospital

Hayden Hart, was taken to a hospital in Amarillo last week, in a serious condition suffering from appendicitis.

Moved to New Home

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Jackson this week moved to their new residence over in the Reeves addition.

That any country, regardless of natural advantages, must have adequate transportation facilities, before it can prosper, or even begin to realize a small enjoyment of its ultimate prosperity...

For forty years, or more, the citizens of this county have worked, fought and prayed for railroads and highways, so that the produce grown from the ideal and fertile soils of our territory could be marketed in the great commercial centers of the nation.

Every since the first pioneer discovered this section, its praises have been sung to the world. Prospective settlers have come, many have gone and a few remained in the hope that soon the highways would be built and the railroads would come.

Just ten years ago the first rails of the county's first railroad reached their terminus in Hansford county. Spearman sprang up practically overnight, and prosperity began to be felt by those pioneers who had braved the early day struggles of the territory.

The price of land doubled and trebled in a few weeks. Vast sections were ploughed for the first time, and acres upon acres of waving wheat and other grains rewarded the newcomers.

Within the last year the western section of the county rejoiced over the arrival of steel on the Rock Island, and at the present time that section is enjoying the phenomenal growth that was witnessed in this part of the county several years ago.

Another ten years and prosperous farm homes will be seen on every quarter section of land in the county. Improved highways will lead in every direction, and modern schools and churches will be seen on every hand.

And transportation and good roads will deserve much credit for bringing these things about.

A Growing Institution

"Demand for day-old chicks from my plant has increased so heavily since I have installed the electric and steam incubator, that I am increasing my present capacity practically three times what it is at present."

Orders for more than twice as many as the capacity of his incubator, which, by the way, will hold 7,000 eggs, has been turned away, as he would not accept orders for chicks when he knew he could not fill them.

Mr. Davis has been breeding chickens for over 30 years, having shown his birds in the best shows of Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas, and is experienced in handling them.

The farmer of this section have become interested in poultry during the past year or two, and it is predicted that the number of birds to be found in the Spearman territory will increase from year to year, until Spearman becomes one of the greatest poultry and egg shipping points in the north plain country.

Mr. Fred J. Daily and baby returned Sunday from a weeks visit with her parents and friends at Guy-mon.

Removal Of County Seat

Removal of the Hansford county seat to Spearman by action of the voters on April 20, 1929, is regarded as one of the biggest forward steps for Spearman in many years.

This was the fourth election and the people finally voted the two thirds majority for Spearman. With the development of Spearman, there was no reason why the court house should be left at old Hansford, which had nothing but an inadequate building and was off the railroad.

Removal of the courthouse to Spearman should enable construction of an adequate building at the proper time. Valuations in Hansford county are low, and it is thought that a building in keeping with the progress anticipated could not be erected now.

Some have suggested that part of a court house be erected as soon as possible and that the building be completed when valuations are larger.

Establishment of the courthouse in Spearman tends to stabilize values in the city and tributary territory. The court house records are now kept in the city hall.

Hansford county is no different from other counties which have suffered from inadequate court houses. Gray county now uses the old Baptist church at Pampa while a new building is being erected.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hays spent Sunday in the city of Borger.

Made a Good Record With Hart-Parr Tractors

Bert Turner, progressive and successful farmer living a few miles out of town, recently made quite a good record with two Hart-Parr tractors.

Negroes In Jail

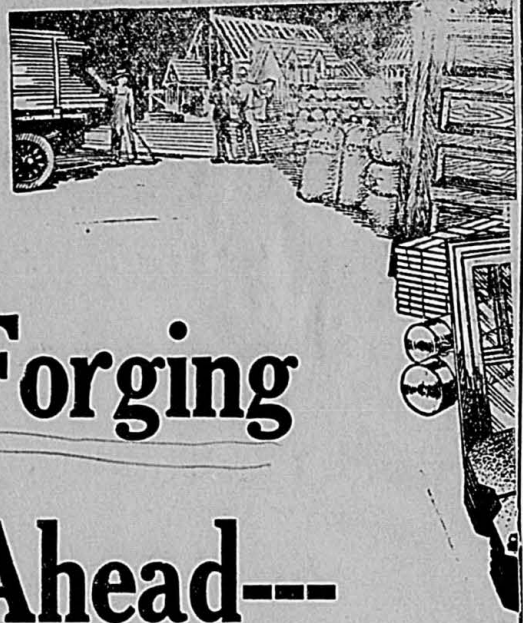
Two negro railway workers, employed on the Rock Island near Gruver, have the distinction of being the first "culled" prisoners placed in the Spearman jail.

Bought the Jitney Jungle

I. P. Baggerly of Beaver, Oklahoma, last week purchased the "Jitney Jungle" stock of groceries from Dick Kiker and has taken charge of same.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Dick spent Sunday visiting in Gruver.

OUR AIM IS TO HELP IMPROVE THE Panhandle



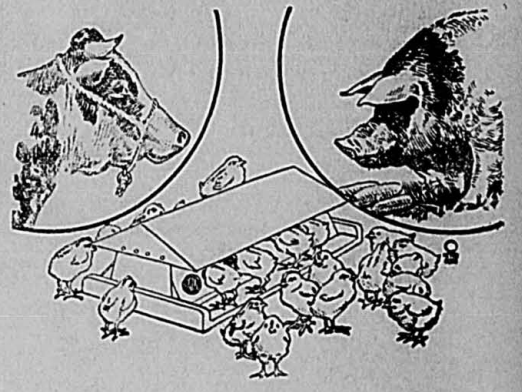
Forging Ahead---

On The

NORTH PLAINS

It has long been the dream of the Panhandle Lumber Company to build up the Panhandle. This dream is near realization. We have seen this section start from a barren plain and build to one of the richest sections in the world. In any direction that one might go is to be found the great seas of golden grain. These same lands a few years ago were populated by but a few plainsmen. The tried and true plainsmen have joined in "the big push" forward to make the Panhandle what it is today. Without the co-operation of everyone a metropolis such as Spearman could never have been built. The Panhandle Lumber Company have played their part in the development of these plains.

The Best in ECONOMY



When you consider that the home that you are building is an investment, you'll realize that in order to obtain the maximum amount of durability dividends you will have to build with the finest materials you can secure. The strength that characterizes our building materials guarantees permanency for your building construction. And it is economically sound to buy these materials since their durability will save you the cost of many repairs for which you would ordinarily have to pay in utilizing inferior grades.

Not only in materials for a home will you find our stocks waiting your command—but in any construction that you might undertake. We want you to feel at home here. Come to us—let us help you figure your job or construction—we feel that we can save you money as well as worry and guarantee you better results.

Let Us Submit ESTIMATES

PANHANDLE LUMBER CO.

ORDINANCE NO. 42

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING RULES FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF GAS AND RULES FOR GAS FITTINGS; AND DECLARING A VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF SUCH ORDINANCE TO BE A MISDEMEANOR AND PROVIDING A PENALTY THEREFOR:

Section 1; (Rule 1). In piping new houses the gas company will decide where gas meter shall be located and the fitter shall erect a meter loop 18 inches square at the proposed location of meter.

Section 2; (Rule 2). Provisions must be made to place meter on a solid support where it can be conveniently read and protected from the weather. Meters shall not be located under sidewalks, or show windows, near furnaces or ovens, locked in compartments, or placed in other positions where they will be inaccessible to adjust. Under no conditions shall plumbers, fitters or other parties disconnect any meter, connect to, or disturb piping or inlet side of meter after once set.

Section 3; (Rule 3). To accommodate different tenants the company will set as many meters as there are separate consumers in a given building connecting the meter to one service pipe, providing the service is large enough to provide an ample supply, and that the loops or pipes leading to the different tenants are extended to the proposed locations of the meters.

Section 4; (Rule 4). Risers must not be scattered but must be dropped together in alignment to the room where meters are set. They must be kept at least three inches apart and extended not less than twenty inches from the floor.

Section 5; (Rule 5). Elbows, street ells, and not tees, shall be used on all meter inlet connections. All connections or disconnections of meter for any purpose will be made by employees of the gas company only.

Section 6; (Rule 6). All gas pipes must be graded from meter to riser, free from traps or sags and properly supported with screws and gas pipe hook or hangers. When it is impossible to prevent a trapped gas pipe, a suitable drip shall be provided, consisting of a nipple and cap located in an accessible place.

Section 7; (Rule 7). In no case shall valves or unions be placed between ceiling and floor or in an inaccessible place so that the stuffing box of the valves cannot be replaced. All unions shall be of an approved ground type.

Section 8; (Rule 8). Where globe valves are used on the connections, the stems must be packed with neoprene packing. Soft seat valves must not be used.

Section 9; (Rule 9). In running a line through a flue great care must be taken to see that pipe and fittings are free from defect.

Section 10; (Rule 10). Lead pipes

must not be used under any circumstances.

Section 11; (Rule 11). Use as few elbows as possible. Elbows not absolutely necessary will be condemned. When impossible to get through an obstruction such as a beam, offset the pipe rather than use an elbow.

Section 12; (Rule 12). Air mixer must not be placed in airtight ash boxes, but where a free flow of air can reach them at all times. Use adjustable mixers.

Section 13; (Rule 13). The burr left on inside of gas pipe, must in every case be reamed out.

Section 14; (Rule 14). All outlets or risers where fixtures are not placed must be securely capped.

Section 15; (Rule 15). All drops and openings for lights must project at least one inch beyond plaster of walls or ceiling, and must be securely fastened to joists or studs or to notched or cross pieces fastened to joists, or upright studding.

Section 16; (Rule 16). Unions and reducers, not bushings, shall be used except to connect stoves or fires.

Section 17; (Rule 17). All gas pipes must be tested with air pressure on a mercury or spring gauge showing ten pounds by the City Plumbing Inspector or Gas Inspector, or other duly authorized representative of the City. This pressure shall be maintained for 15 minutes without falling. Gas will be turned on by an authorized agent of the company only, after such test has been properly made and report of same filed with the gas company. If meter stop is closed, do not open under any circumstances. Application must be made to the Company for gas to be turned on.

Section 18; (Rule 18). Where pipe runs through a stone or brick wall, opening around the pipe must be cemented.

Section 19; (Rule 19). Place a damper in all stove pipes or chimney throats. The table following shall govern the sizes of pipe to be used for fuel and illuminating purposes:

For one stove 1" to first, 3/4 in. to second.

For three stoves 1" to first and second, 3/4 in. to third.

For four stoves 1 1/4" to first and second, 1 in. to third, 3/4 in. to fourth.

For five stoves 1 1/2" to first and second, 1 in. to third and fourth, 3/4 in. to fifth.

Greatest length of pipe of various sizes allowed for fires:

No Fires	Maximum length in feet	Size in In.
1	30	3/4
1	100	1
1	300	1 1/4
2	20	3/4
2	60	1
2	169	1 1/4
3	40	1
3	120	1 1/4
4	20	1
4	90	1 1/4
5	70	1 1/4
5	125	1 1/2

8	40	1 1/4
6	30	1 1/2

Hot Air Furnaces:

For hot air furnaces, boilers, etc., using burners, having 2 or less air mixers, use one and one-fourth inch pipe. For the same with four mixers, use one and one-half inch pipe. For the same with five or more mixers, use two inch pipe.

No service pipe from company's main line to meter shall be less than one and one-fourth inch. All main lines from meter to lead lines must not be less than one inch to the first opening.

Gas Lighting: The distance is the greatest length allowed in each instance. 3 1-8 inch pipe 1 burner 16 feet; four burners 10 feet; half inch pipe, six burners 20 feet; 3/4 inch pipe, 15 burners, 40 feet; 1 inch pipe 30 burners, 70 feet.

Section 20; All joints shall be painted with orange shellac. White lead shall not be permitted.

Section 21; (Rule 21). Contractors desiring to do gas fitting may qualify by complying with the requirements of this ordinance and of the Inspector, and license will be issued to said contractor upon paying to the City Clerk of the City of Spearman, the sum of \$35.00 (Thirty Five Dollars) license fee for the first year or any part thereof, and a renewal fee of \$5.00 (Five Dollars) for each year or any part thereof, thereafter, as long as this ordinance is enforced and in effect.

Section 22; (Rule 22). Property owners or contractors shall pay to the inspector a Fee of One (\$1.00) Dollar for inspection of connections of not more than five (5) openings, and Ten (10c) Cents for each additional opening. Fee to be paid to inspector when inspection is made.

Section 23: Before engaging in the business of gasfitting every person, firm or corporation shall give to the City of Spearman a bond in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) to be approved by the Mayor and the City Council, conditioned that such party will faithfully comply with the terms and provisions of this ordinance and all the rules and regulations made in pursuance thereof, and will indemnify and hold said City harmless against all cost, expenses, damages and injuries sustained by said City by reason of carelessness or neglect of said gasfitter in operating under this ordinance and the rules and regulations made in pursuance thereof; such bond shall be executed to cover a period of one year and shall remain in full force and effect as to each piece of work done for two years after the same has been completed; provided however, that any party having given the bond as a plumber under and pursuant to the ordinances of said City regulating the business of plumbing, shall not be required to give the bond herein provided for.

Section 24: Copper tubing must not be used under any circumstances except in connecting built-in heating stoves.

Any person or persons violating any provisions of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not to exceed \$25.00.

Passed and approved this 7th day of May, A. D. 1929.

FRED J. HOSKINS, Mayor of the City of Spearman, Texas. Attest: S. E. HARBISON, City Secretary.

DURANT SIX-SIXTY SETS NEW RECORD

Clipping 27 and 2-5 seconds from the record speed climb of Mount Diablo, a new Durant Six-Sixty sport roadster last week brought to the Durant Motor Company of California the coveted Mount Diablo challenge trophy offered by the Oakland, California, Post-Enquirer.

The Durant mark of 23 minutes, 15 and 4-5 seconds, was achieved over the eleven and six tenths miles of steady climb, around sharp steep turns in a car that had been driven less than 1,000 miles.

The driver, H. T. Kuhlman, of Oakland, later negotiated the ascent with the car locked in high gear, an amazing performance when the absence of straight-away and sharpness of grade are considered.

The test was made under supervision of Forrest Predmore, the newspaper's official observer, who presented the trophy to Norman Devaux, president, and George R. Scott, vice president of the Durant Motor Company of California.

KITE FLYING DANGEROUS

Kite flying season which brings such joy to the heart of the small boy is a season of considerable anxiety for power company officials, since kiteflying in towns where power lines of necessity are numerous involves a grave danger for carefree and thoughtless youngsters.

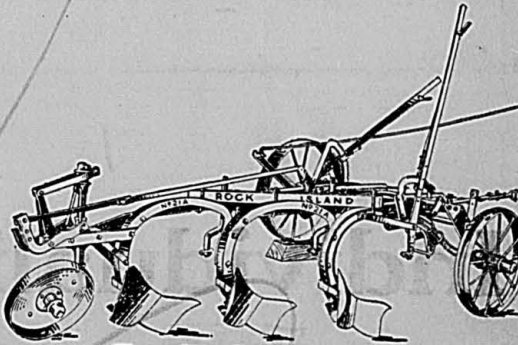
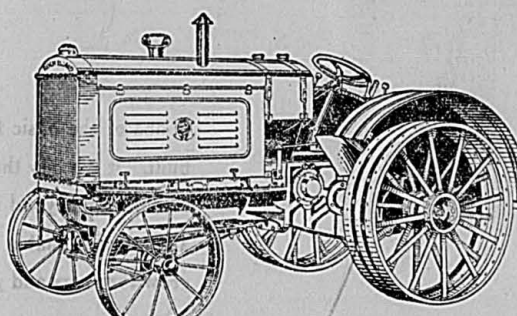
Danger in this direction can be averted only through careful training of children by parents and school authorities. Power company officials do not wish to discourage the practice of kiteflying, but children should be warned that they must not indulge in this pastime near electric wires. If by some chance a kite becomes tangled in electric wires, no one should attempt to disentangle it but an experienced lineman, who is supplied with proper protective equipment.

Warning should also be given against flying kites with metallic strings or with metal frames which is a very hazardous procedure.

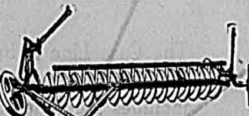
Information has also come to power company officials that youngsters have been seen climbing poles carrying electric wires, and on some occasions have made a practice of devising "slides" down guy wires. Such a practice is extremely dangerous and may easily result in death for the child who tries it.

Officials of the company earnestly solicit the cooperation of parents and school authorities in warning children against the danger which lies in playing around poles and wires.

THE GREAT Rock Island LINE OF IMPLEMENTS



Three-Gang Bottom Sanders Plow



For Speedy, Economical Plowing Rock Island SANDERS CYLINDER DISC PLOW

REPAIRS:—I carry a complete line of repairs in stock in Spearman for any farm implement I sell.

Playing an important part in the development of the Spearman country is the Rock Island Line of Farm Implements. This line is manufactured especially for a great, level farming country such as this, and satisfaction and much service is bound up in each purchase of a Rock Island Implement.

THE LINE CARRIED IN SPEARMAN CONSISTS OF: Rock Island Tractor : Sanders Cylinder Disc Plow : Other Disc Plows made by the Sanders people, such as: the heavy plow for turning wheat stubble and deep plowing; the eight disc sod plow—the latest thing out.

Also, I am bringing to you the most modern wheat drill that will be on the market this summer.

ARTHUR OWEN Spearman Dealer In the W. L. Russell Old Building—Across the Street South of Panhandle Lumber Co.

Get Everything that's coming to you



THERE'S GOOD MONEY in the down grain that too often is never harvested. You might as well get it—and you can get it—with the Case-Osborne Binder.

On this famous machine, you can set the platform to shave the ground—lower the reel to within 4 inches of the cutter bar—pick up all the lodged grain and pocket the extra dollars those extra bushels bring.

As for easy handling, come in and see for yourself. Just one lever, spring-assisted, lowers the reel, raises it up to 3 1/2 inches to handle tall grain—and moves it forward or back.

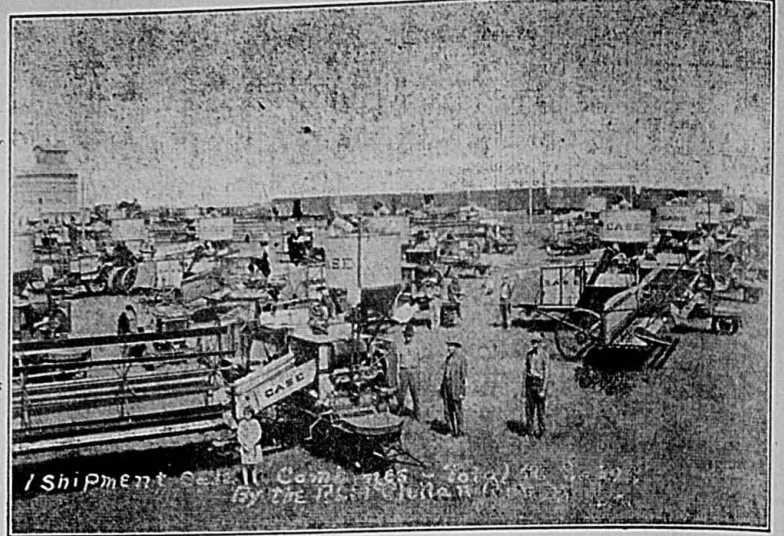
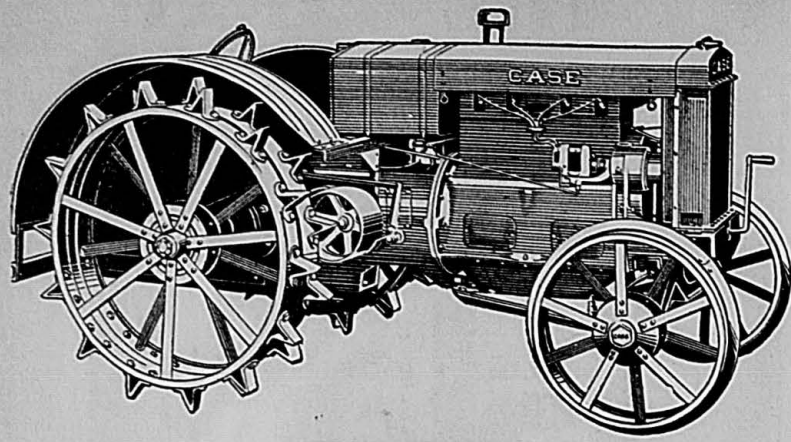
The Case-Osborne Binder pulls easily because of roller bearing equipment on the main wheel, the grain wheel, counter shaft and pitman shaft. The landing mechanism and the knotters are sure-working and long lasting—to keep pace with the steady construction of the entire machine.

Let us give you the details of this binder that has been reaping extra profits for its owners over a long period of years. Interesting folder on request.

- Tractors
- threshers
- combines
- hay balers
- silo fillers
- plows
- disk
- harrows
- cultivators
- grain drills
- grain
- binders
- corn
- binders
- mowers
- hay rakes
- hay loaders
- corn and cotton planters

CASE Full line now includes E-B OSBORNE & GRAND DETOUR

R. L. McCLELLAN GRAIN CO. Spearman, Morse, Gruver, Bernstein



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Individuality---



The Sign of Outstanding Quality

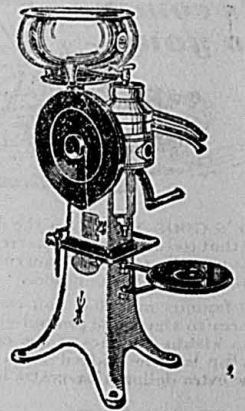
Is one of the basic fundamentals on which Spearman has been built. It is a city that is different—Outstanding from others for reasons far beyond innumeration. Spearman has been built on a foundation that is solid—one that will hold and continue to grow for years and years.

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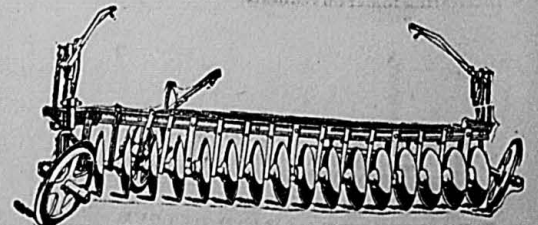
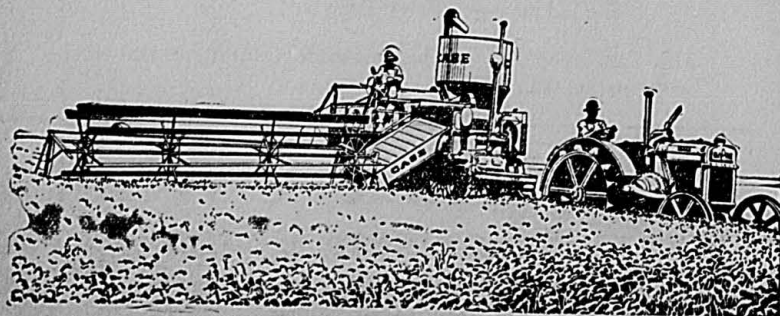
The Case Line is built on the self-same foundation, containing the same basic fundamental—INDIVIDUALITY. The entire line includes machines and combinations that will exactly fit your farm needs, whether they are large or small. We will gladly assist you in working out the combinations that fit your needs, your crop and your power. You will also get the combine that has all the latest improvements and the greatest machinery ever devised for farm use. The Case Combine is light of draft, ample of power, sure in threshing, reliable. It will enable you to harvest your crop quickly and conservatively, saving your grain and money.



The DeLaval

R. L. McCLELLAN GRAIN COMPANY

SPEARMAN MORSE GRUVER BERNSTEIN



The Grand Detour



Senior Class of Spearman High School, 1929

Prominent Citizens of Spearman

J. R. COLLARD

Celebrating his 25th anniversary Hansford county, John R. Collard day is seeing many of his dreams 25 years ago coming true.

As a young man he came to Hansford county and bought a ranch eight miles south of Hansford. Although the ranch cost only \$2.50 an acre at 50 cents an acre as cash payment he admitted that he had more trouble getting the annual payments than he has had on any land purchase since that time.

After spending a few years on the ranch he entered the real estate business at Hansford. He was elected as cashier of the First State Bank, which is now the First National Bank of Spearman. He was the only person employed by the bank. The bank had a small business and could not pay much salary. For that reason Mr. Collard resigned and began his real estate business on a big scale.

Although there had been talk of Hansford county getting a railroad when he first came to it, the results had not been satisfactory. About 1907 the Enid, Ochiltree and Western Railway was formed. This road was run from Dalhart toward Enid.

The bed was graded to Dumas and track was laid about 15 miles east of Dalhart. Several townsites were laid out, one being about a mile east of the present town of Spearman. Another was on top of the hill close to Hansford.

The Santa Fe became interested in serving this territory. President E. F. Ripley started building a line from Shattuck, Okla. to Spearman before the war. The war delayed the railroad and it was not completed until the fall of 1919. The contractor handled car load shipments for several months and it was in 1920 that the Santa Fe formally began operating the road.

Mr. Collard's ability as a real estate and business man had attracted the attention of the Santa Fe. He was selected to sell lots for the town of Spearman. How well he succeeded may be seen from the development that has taken place at Spearman.

Today the Santa Fe owns fewer than 100 lots, probably not more than 60, in the city of Spearman. Spearman townsite covers a section.

In connection with the sale of town lots, Mr. Collard also became a land agent and helped sell about 200

sections for the Santa Fe. This land was sold to actual farmers and it was necessary to improve the acreage. Farmers were sold land with one-eighth down no payments for two years and the balance in seven equal payments.

Mr. Collard is proud of the development that has come to Spearman and this section. Farmers today have markets for their wheat and row crops because of the building of the Santa Fe line.

As president of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Collard is today in the midst of another big project. It is Spearman's desire to have the Burlington or Denver line built from Childress to Spearman, via Pampa. Although there will be many months of work ahead of him, he will do all in his power to get the second railroad for Spearman.

Long residence in the Panhandle has made Mr. Collard a super-booster and yet he wants the farmers of Hansford county to diversify. Good wheat yields make the farmers forget the short yields. Every farmer should raise feed crops, milk a few cows, keep a flock of chickens and feed a few hogs he firmly believes. The farmer that has taken this pre-

JITNEY JUNGLE

"SAVE A NICKEL ON A QUARTER"

Announcement

I have bought "The JITNEY JUNGLE" from Mr. Dick Kiker, and shall continue the business as heretofore.

The stock will be increased from time to time, and at all times the very best bargains will be on sale.

The "Jungle" is growing in popularity day by day. Follow the crowds here to get bargains in

Peaches, Yellow Free Peach 18c, 2 for **35c**

Pork & Beans, Van Camp Medium **10c**

10c Santa Fe Toilet Soap, 3 bars for **20c**

White Pony Prunes, gal. **49c**

Large Size, Morris Supreme Milk **10c**

Small Size Morris Supreme Milk **5c**

MEAT SPECIALS

Choice Breakfast Bacon **28c**

2-lb. Pure Pork Sausage **45c**

Come To See Us The JITNEY JUNGLE

I. P. BAGGERLY

ON MAIN

SPEARMAN

Trying To Do our bit—

Since coming to Spearman nine years ago, which was during the real early days of the town, this firm has endeavored to do its part toward building up a town and community in which anyone would be glad to live.

We have built more than a dozen buildings in the town, have handled thousands of acres of farm lands, and established an insurance and abstract business of which we are proud.

But, we feel that our work in Spearman is just begun. We see before us—in the very near future—the greatest development in all lines that Spearman and the Spearman country has ever witnessed.

WE ARE IN LINE—
and shall continue to do our utmost toward making Spearman and the Spearman country a better place in which to live.

McLain & McLain

Real Estate : Loans : Abstracts : Insurance

Salesmen:

G. Kelly Stout
W. A. Sutton
J. E. Gerber

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Spearman
Texas

caution can pull through a year with a short wheat crop without going broke, he holds.

The Panhandle land is profitable, more so than East Texas land, Mr. Collard has found through actual experience. He owns his old homestead in East Texas. Although that high priced land is among the best in the state, the production is not as profitable as Hansford county land, he has learned.

Whenever the people of Spearman want a big task done, the first man thought of is John Collard, for he has given unstintingly of himself for the welfare of the community.

F. W. BRANDT

Fred W. Brandt, is a native of Texas, being raised near Chapel Hill in Southwestern Texas. His father was a pioneer of that section of the state and the Brandts have been connected with important affairs all their lives. He is connected with the mercantile firm of P. M. Maize and Co., and has lived in this county something over twenty years. During that time he has witnessed the change that has made this section into an ideal wheat raising country. Twenty-five years ago, farms were few and far between. Cattle was the principle industry of the plains residents, and vast herds grew fat on the succulent grass of the plains. Now wheat has crowded the cattle off into the break and a herd of cattle on the plains of Hansford county is a rare sight.

Like all others who have lived here any length of time, Mr. Brandt is a firm believer in the future greatness of Hansford county and thinks that now we are only in the infancy of what we will become in time.

A. F. BARKLEY

Judge A. F. Barkley is perhaps one of the best known men in the north Panhandle, and counts his friends by his acquaintances. He came to Old Hansford in 1905 and opened an abstract business and has followed this combined with insurance business until the first of this year, when he sold out and entered the hardware and implement business as a partner in the Womble Hardware.

Shortly after coming to the county, Mr. Barkley was elected to the office of county judge and filled the office with credit, both to himself and his constituents for a number of years, in fact his friends kept putting him in office as long as he would accept the place. He has always been active in politics, and held the office of county chairman of the democratic party for over twenty years. It goes without saying that he also kept Hansford county safely within the democratic ranks as long as he held the office.

For a number of years, Mr. Barkley, in partnership with his brother

"Bill," has conducted a modern ranch on the Palo-Duro near the southwest corner of the county. Alfalfa, feed, small grain, cattle and hogs are raised and marketed at a profit. This method of handling farm operations has always proven profitable, and when the dry years roll around, there is always something to sell at a profit. The New Rock Island railroad built their line close by this ranch and the town of Morse is located near one corner of it.

There has always been a crying need for better schools in this county and Mr. Barkley was among the first to realize this fact. He has always been a booster for better schools and has given unsparringly of both his time and his money toward furthering this end. Shortly after coming to the country he was elected a member of the school board and has served continuously until the past election, when he was let off so that he could serve legally as a member of the county school board. Spearman's supreme position as a school town has been attained largely through his efforts and his untiring work is certainly appreciated by our citizens. Should there be such a thing as a prize given by this community to its most useful citizen, there is no doubt but it would be awarded to Judge Barkley by unanimous consent. He is active in church work and has been prominent in Methodist circles, over the Panhandle, since the church was organized here in the early days. He is also an active civic worker and belongs and takes an enthusiastic interest in our various civic clubs. He is also a member of the Spearman Gun Club, and attends the shoots regularly, but perhaps nothing better he said concerning his ability as a "shooter."

Judge Barkley comes of pioneer stock, and still has many of the well known characteristics of the pioneer. His father settled in Foard county, in an early day, when that section was considered back of beyond, and there were few advantages and many hardships and disadvantages. Since the sheep business has become profitable, as well as respectable, industry over the north plains, Mr. Barkley has admitted that he was a pioneer in the business in Foard

county. He and J. C. Whittenberg, of Plemmons, formed a partnership and ran sheep for some time. However, the business did not prove as lucrative as Mr. Barkley hoped and as the assets just about equalled the liabilities, he decided he would sever his connections with the firm, and head back toward civilization in search of a schoolhouse. School facilities were few and far between, at that time, and the book "Larkin" received by Judge Barkley would be considered pitifully small in this day. However he has continued his education all through life, and now, perhaps, would be considered one of the most learned men in this section of the country although there is no array of capital letters strung after his name.

Various communities owe a debt of gratitude to their pioneer citizens who endured the hardships while "blazing the way" for civilization and this fact should not be lost sight of by the modern generation. It took of by the modern generation, to endure the real staying qualities to endure the privations, that were the lot of the pioneer, and especially the pioneer who was sincerely trying to be a good citizen and bring his children up in the right manner. Not all pioneers were honest, Christian men, sincerely trying to build a high class, and forward looking country, out of the frontier settlements. We of this day, enjoying the fruits of the patient labor of those who have passed on as well as those who are still with us, let us not for a moment withhold from them, the credit that is so rightfully theirs.

S. B. HALE

S. B. Hale, our well known apothecary, was, like Sam Bass, born in Indiana, and, also like this late lamented hero of song and story, left his native home at an early age, to see the wonders of Texas. Arriving here the resemblance stopped, as Judge Hale immediately set about to overcome his early disadvantages and make a better citizen while Sam descended to the level of a common highwayman and if our memory mistakes not, finally waked up one morning so full of lead that he was

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A GOOD HABIT
TO EAT AT

JOE'S CAFE

NEARLY EVERYONE ELSE DOES

GOOD COFFEE

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Mrs. M. B. Wright, Pioneer

In the early Spring of '77, fifty-two years ago the roaming herds of shaggy Monarchs of the Plains raised their heads in wonder and stared at an approaching white-sheeted prairie schooner crawling across the landscape.

The covered wagon contained the entire worldly goods of a newly married couple, looking for a likely spot in the Great West in which to pitch their tent and settle down.

They had left Johnson county, Missouri, and had trekked westward to Syracuse, Kansas. There they heard talk of the land of golden opportunity, and turned their caravan southwest across what was mapped as the Great American Desert.

A little spot on Bugbee creek, a tributary of what is now the south fork of the Canadian, looked so inviting that it was chosen as their future home.

Here they lived, amid isolation and consequent hardships for a number of years. "But," the lone survivor of this romantic pioneering couple will tell you, "do not believe that happiness failed to find us here. O yes, I often felt the stings of homesickness, and the great loneliness, which sometimes, during the absence of my husband, became almost suffocating, but in the main we came to glory in our solitude and found happiness to be abundant."

They returned to Kansas, for a visit, but the call of the great open spaces was so insistent, that they returned, and settled near where old Hansford now stands.

The country had begun to settle up, and the M. B. Wright family was assigned to a leadership in the community that their experiences had fitted them for.

When the Wrights first landed on Bugbee Creek, Jim and Bob Cator and a Mr. Meyer had established camps on the Palo Duro and were engaged in hunting buffalo.

The only women in the entire section were Mrs. Bugbee and her mother and Mrs. Alpha Pope, all of whom lived on Moore's creek, in what is now Hutchinson county.

After the Wrights returned from Kansas, Mr. Wright taught school on the Palo Duro, and engaged in freighting goods from Dodge City, Kansas to the new town of Hansford. He was afterwards active in local politics, and was instrumental in the organization of the county, and in establishing the county seat at old Hansford.

The only contestants in the first county seat fight, in Hansford county, was between Farwell and Hansford. Farwell was located near where Gruver now stands.

Shortly after the county seat was established the progressive citizens began the erection of a two story court house, but before it was all completed, the famous tornado of 1893, struck the village, wrecked the new temple of justice and killed two workmen as well as injuring several of the townspeople.

Mrs. Wright has a vivid recollection of the visit of the storm. Mr. Wright was on a freighting trip to Dodge City, and Mrs. Wright and children were home alone. The storm took the walls of the house away and left the family standing on the floor of the room, then in a few seconds, the floor gradually lifted up from one side and spilled them on the ground. However, only minor injuries were sustained by any of them.

About a year after the cyclone, the courthouse had been completed to a one story building, when another strong wind came, and leveled it to the ground again. In fact the building was constructed three times during the years Hansford was the county seat.

Among the early pioneers of this section who are recalled by Mrs. Wright at this time, are Jim and Bob Cator, Tom S. Bugby, Hank Creswell, Alpha Pope, Charley Goodnight and Billy Dixon.

Mrs. Sam Gwinn and daughters Miss Thelma and Miss Sammy, and Mrs. John Daily were here from Guymon Monday, guests in the home Dr. and Mrs. Fred Daily, Miss Gwinn also visited in the home of her friends here.

The Boy Scouts

The scouting program in Spearman dates back to 1921 when the first troop was organized under the direction of Prof. W. A. Clark, first superintendent of Spearman schools. This organization was composed of some 15 or 16 members with Mr. Clark acting as scoutmaster. The troop was under no local or regional council it seems, but operated under the supervision of the National Council in New York City. Considerable progress was made, and several of the boys advanced to the second class rank.

When Prof. Clark left Spearman the Troop was taken over by W. S. Bradford, scoutmaster and M. L. McLain, assistant. Under their leadership the scouts made a great showing. They initiated a flag sale among the business firms and citizens of the town, and put over an intensive clean-up campaign. From these and other activities they earned enough to buy flags, bugles and other accessories for the Troop and to equip each scout with a uniform, pack, shelter tent and the like. This was an active organization, composed of some 21 registered scouts. However no one reached the First Class rank, and no merit badges were awarded. Several big camping trips and over night hikes were enjoyed by the boys. In 1925 Mr. Bradford moved away. Business demanded Mr. McLain's attention, so the Troop was taken over by R. W. Lankford, Santa Fe employee. Mr. Lankford took a great interest in the work, and through his efforts the Commercial Club was induced to sponsor the organization and to give substantial financial assistance. After a few months he was transferred to another location and the Troop was left without a leader. The charter lapsed and scouting in Spearman fell into a state of lethargy.

The spirit of scouting had not died; it was merely dormant, needing only a fresh impetus to arouse the Troop to renewed interest and hustling activity. The impetus came during the summer of 1927 when Mr. Roberts, of the Amarillo Council, revived the interest of boys and citizens alike and established a three day camp on the Palo Duro. After the camp it was evident that the boys would let no one rest until the Spearman Troop of Boy Scouts was reorganized.

Wm. E. McClellan became scoutmaster, and the Troop was chartered under the Amarillo Council as Troop No. 81, Panhandle Area, with nine registered tenderfoot scouts.

The new organization struggled along with little assistance from the Council. The area was too large for the executives to give any of the troops the supervision they needed. Nevertheless, the boys manifested a great interest in the work and advanced rapidly. Several overnight hikes stimulated an even greater interest and soon there were three well-organized patrols.

The scouts have been active in civic service all the while. When the American Legion sponsored the spring clean-up campaign last April, they found the local troop willing and anxious to assist in the undertaking. The boys cleaned up the alleys and vacant lots, piled the trash and rubbish in neat easily accessible piles, thus relieving the Legionnaires of a great burden.

When the Enid Boosters visited Spearman they were greeted by the Boy Scouts, who acted as courteous and efficient guides to the visitors. Again during the big chamber of commerce convention they rendered a like service, and assisted the local organization with the duties of the day.

On several occasions they cleaned up the school building and campus. They bought and erected a flag pole for the school grounds. These and many other services have been cheerfully rendered simply because they are Scouts at heart, and are anxious to do their daily good turn.

Soon after the Troop was chartered under the Amarillo Council, the National Executives divided the Panhandle area into several smaller areas. When this was done and the Tex-Okla Council was organized with a full time executive with headquarters

at Guymon, it became evident that the Spearman Troop was about to enter upon a new era in Scouting. The first executive was Mr. C. Y. Meyers, who helped to organize the work. He was followed by Mr. R. L. Caskey, the present executive under whose supervision the Tex-Okla area has made phenomenal progress. His frequent visits and weekly bulletins to scouts have aided very materially in overcoming difficulties that might have proved detrimental to the scouting program.

Under Mr. Caskey's direction the Spearman Court of Honor was organized, various local councilmen were appointed, and a scout leaders' training course was instituted. Soon his labors began to bear fruit in a greater interest in Scouting, the interest of fathers as well as sons. The troop became known as the Spearman Troop No. 1 or Troop No. 2 in the Tex-Okla Area.

The first meeting of the local Court of Honor was held on Jan. 4, 1929, when 10 scouts were awarded second class badges. At the same time 8 merit badges were awarded. The second meeting on May 14, 1929, found four scouts ready for First Class badges, and five for Second Class badges. To these and other scouts were awarded 13 merit badges.

The troop officials and local councilmen are well pleased with the progress the scouts have made. The organization has grown in membership and efficiency. There are now 31 registered scouts in this troop. Of these four are First Class, eleven are Second Class and sixteen are Tenderfoot Scouts.

Without the assistance and hearty cooperation of the executive this progress would have been impossible. The Area Council must rely entirely upon the communities it serves for financial support. It takes money to put over a successful scouting program, but it is judiciously spent, being apportioned for various phases of the work by the members of the Area Council, none of whom (the executive excepted) receives any remuneration other than satisfaction of knowing that he has rendered a distinct service to the boys of this section.

The supervision a troop receives depends largely upon the quota pledged by its community. Spearman's pledge for 1928-29 was \$340, or \$87.50 per quarter. These quar-

terly payments have been paid promptly—not a single delinquency. An increase in the membership of this Troop is impossible as no troop can enroll more than 32 scouts. To give other boys the benefit of scouting necessitates the organization of a second troop in Spearman. Another troop means more work for the executive and a corresponding increase in our quota for the year 1929-30. Let's get behind this scouting program, folks, and put it over for the sake of our boys—our nation's greatest asset!

CAMP FIRE GIRLS

On the twenty-ninth of July, 1928, a bunch of girls under the leadership of Miss Addison met at the Methodist church and organized a Camp Fire.

The following officers were elected: Roberta Addison — President Helen Buchanan — Vice President Louise Buchanan — Secretary Thelma Maize — Treasurer Emma Reaves — Song Leader Chloe Oldham — Scribe

The name Hasat-u-aya was chosen for the local name. It means to assist one another.

They ordered their manuals and rings and set to work. They continued to meet at the Methodist church until the City Council presented a room to them.

Early last fall their first council fire was held. The following girls received honors: Louise Buchanan, Chloe Oldham, Thelma Maize, Helen Buchanan, Emma Jean Reaves, and Roberta Addison. Thelma Maize had the honor of winning the most honors while Helen Buchanan won the greatest variety.

After taking in some new members they held their first Grand Council at the high school auditorium. Roberta Addison, Helen Buchanan, Emma Jean Reaves, Chloe Oldham, Thelma Maize and Louise Buchanan received their Woodgrathers rank.

Recently a membership campaign was held in which the membership was doubled. Helen Buchanan was the Group Captain No. 1 and Marga Channess Group Captain No. 2. Group No. 1 won.

All new members have to be initiated by the old members before they are full-edged members. This is after they have been duly taken in by the Guardian. The souls of the new mem-

bers often times quake before the stern measures adopted by the old members, but they have the bravery natural to Camp Fire Girls and take it like the good sports they are.

The Camp Fire Girls have gone on many hikes, sunrise breakfasts, treasurer hunts, etc. and most of them are now experienced outdoorsmen.

Hasat-u-aya has not been organized a year, yet a number of the

members are nearly ready for the Fire-Makers Rank. They have tried their membership and have many honors per member as any Fire in miles of Spearman.

So Spearman can rightfully boast of her Camp Fire as well as her many other working organizations for doing good. Camp Fire produce pure and beautiful womanhood and is not pure womanhood the strength of the land.

YOUR CAR



Washed and Greased

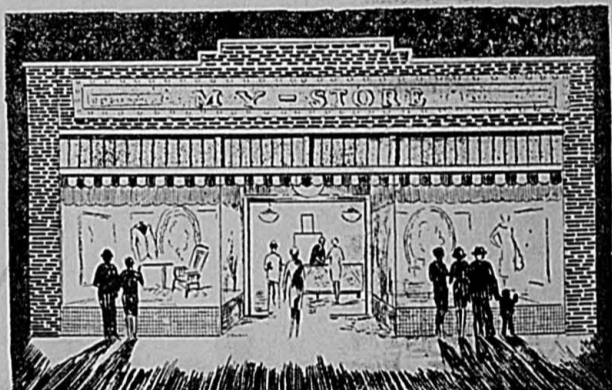
- Adds to life of car
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- Added Pleasure in use.

We finish the job inside. Experience; courteous attention at all times.

C. P. Ringer

Across the street from W. L. Russell old stand Reaves Building

Which of these



is Your Store ?

WHICH of these is your store?

Is it the one at the top with its well-lighted windows and shelves that are an invitation to buy—or the one below with its gloomy, depressing interior?

Does your store, with its well-displayed and illuminated merchandise suggest other things to buy . . . or does the lighting in your store make it hard for your customers to find what they came in determined to buy, much less suggesting anything new?

Does your store give newcomers the impression that you are modern, alert and alive to their needs and wants—does its very appearance make them feel that you really want their business—or does your store suggest out-of-date merchandise and methods?

Does your store have well-illuminated corners, which make it impossible for the janitor to miss the dirt that deteriorates stock and drives away customers?

Put yourself in your customer's place. When you go to the "market" to buy for them you demand that everything you buy be in plain view so that you may examine it carefully. Your customers deserve the same privilege in your store, so that they may see that they are getting full value.

In many types of stores good illumination is the only salesman!

Good illumination is a good salesman and an economical one. Put Good Lighting on your service staff! But remember—there is a difference between "just lighting" and illumination.

Our local manager will be glad to help you with plans for illuminating your store. It will pay you dollars and cents

dividends and help make a better town and better business. Why not call him today?

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ECONOMICAL QUALITY MERCHANDISE

Spearman Parent-Teachers Association

The Parent-Teachers Association had its beginning in the form of a Mother's Club, organized by the mothers at old Hansford, before that town was moved to the new railroad town of Spearman. In the fall of 1921 at the opening of school the old building had been moved from Hansford and Professor W. A. Clark Jr. had been employed to teach the first term of Spearman school. It was under his supervision that the first Parent-Teachers association was organized. Mrs. Raymond Witt was elected president, Mrs. G. W. McMurry, treasurer and Miss Joyce Holland, secretary at this first meeting. While not very strongly organized the association accomplished several worth while things. They paid for the services of a trained nurse who spent three months here in community work and bought and partly paid for a school piano. The piano was destroyed when the school building burned in the spring of 1923. Another was arranged for with the Company and the P. T. A. completed the payments on it the following year. In the year of 1923 and 24 the organization assisted in raising funds for the basket ball team. The next year, 1924-25 it sponsored a lyceum for Spearman and bought \$250.00 worth of playground equipment. That year Mrs. J. H. Buchanan was serving as president and was re-elected at the close of the school for the next year. In 26-27 another lyceum was brought here through the P. T. A. It also assisted in raising \$200 to purchase sweaters for the basket ball boys and girls. In the year just completed, with Mrs. L. F. Nee as president, more playground equipment has been purchased and \$150 has been spent for books for the library. The organization has sponsored two plays in the past several

months, the proceeds of which have been used to defray the expenses of the organization. At the recent election held Mrs. Fred Hoskins was elected president, Miss Deakin, vice president, Mrs. Sid Clark, secretary and Mrs. P. A. Lyon, treasurer, to serve during the next school term. The P. T. A. has a regular monthly saving during the next school term. At each meeting is entertained by members of the grades. The past three years delegates have been sent to the District and State Conventions. At the recent convention the National President, Mrs. S. M. N. Marrs, highly complimented the organization in regard to publishing the yearly program at the beginning of the school term. The Spearman organization is one of the three in the State of Texas to do this.

Four Elevators at Pringle

Earnest Lieb, one of the prominent farmers of the Lieb, Hutchinson county, vicinity, was transacting business in Spearman Tuesday. He reports the wheat over his section doing fine and they have every reason to expect a bumper crop. The new town of Pringle on the Rock Island, is near his farm and he states that considerable building is going on there. Two new elevators are now under construction and two more are expected to start this week. A large wheat acreage is tributary to this place, but apparently not enough to support this many elevators. The Rock Island has asked for a permit to build a line from Pringle to Dalhart. This new line, if constructed, will open a very fertile section of the country, that is now badly in need of transportation facilities. The oil trend also appears to be running in this direction and should new pools be opened up this contemplated line would be in position to service them.



W. S. McNABB, PIONEER REAL ESTATE DEALER

Organized in 1905 for the purpose of handling North Panhandle land, the McNabb Land Company has during the past 24 years, brought thousands of new people to this section of the state, and have been ever active in boosting the fertile north plains country.

The company is headed by its founder, W. S. McNabb, and the home offices are located in Spearman, with branches in Amarillo, Dalhart, Gruver and Pringle.

Twelve others are employed by the concern: Opal Cline, secretary, Spearman; Blanche Walker, secretary, Amarillo; and Esther Boynton, secretary of the Dalhart office. In Spearman H. R. Waldrop, H. B. Towe, Walter Jackson and J. H. Richards, are connected with the offices while H. A. Parsons is located at Woodward, Oklahoma, Day Reese and W. G. McNabb are at Dalhart, J. E. Hays, Gruver, J. C. Shell, Guymon, and Clyde Russell and A. W. Potest are at Pringle.

Since the opening of the O'Loughlin Ranch lands, by the McNabbs in 1926, the company has sold near five million dollars worth of small tracts of plains land to actual farmers and ranchmen. Most of the tracts are located in Hansford county.

The latest section to be opened by the company is the Dobbs ranch lands near Amarillo, and the Taylor ranch near Dalhart.

The McNabb Land Company has always made a specialty of subdividing large tracts of ranch lands and selling it out to actual farmers in small tracts. For instance, in 1926 the O'Loughlin ranch lands to the northeast of Spearman, was a cattle ranch. Today it is a wheat farm and last year produced in the neighborhood of 300,000 bushels of wheat. The same may be said of the Patton and Hoover lands, lying to the south of Spearman, and since this company placed the Shelton lands, lying north of Spearman, on the market, approximately 6,000 acres of this land has been broken out and is now in cultivation. Since the harvest of 1928 not less than 25,000 acres of the land sold by the McNabb Land Company has been put in cultivation.

Included in the list of lands handled by the McNabb organization during the past three years is the Patton & Hoover lands in Hansford county and a portion of the O'Loughlin lands in Hansford and Ochiltree counties. This organization operates down the Denver railway, through the Green Belt in Texas; in south and western Oklahoma, eastern and central Kansas and southern Nebraska, hence the farmers they bring into the plains section are already familiar with the west to a certain degree; know the methods of farming here, and how to handle dairy cattle, hogs and small bunches of sheep. Farmers located by the McNabb Land Company seldom fail to make a go of it on the plains. Like the big automobile concerns, McNabb sells "service" the plains. In fact, during the 24 years' dealings of this firm it has never had a foreclosure. Like the big automobile concerns, McNabb sells "service" with the lands.

RODEO AT AMARILLO

O. L. Taylor of Amarillo, of the Tri-State Fair association, was in the city this week with advertising matter for the big old-time rodeo to be staged at the Texan ball park in Amarillo July 3, 4 and 5, under the auspices of the Fair association.

According to Mr. Taylor, the rodeo is easily the greatest single pre-Fair attraction of the season and maximum crowds are expected at every performance, afternoon and night, during the three days, especially on the Fourth of July.

More than \$7,500 in cash prizes is going to be awarded to winners of the contests held in connection with the rodeo. These contests, which include bull-dogging, roping and all regular rodeo features, are open to every cowboy in the Panhandle, Oklahoma and New Mexico. Mr. Taylor said, and he announced that anyone from this city interested in taking part should write at once either to Wilbur C. Hawk, Amarillo, or to Clyde Miller, the rodeo manager, at Holly, Colorado.

Several from here are planning to go to Amarillo for the rodeo, it is understood.

BANKS WILL DISPLAY NEW PAPER CURRENCY

The First National Bank and the Fidelity Bank of Commerce will have on display about June 3 some of the new paper currency that is to take the place of old currency that is now being used. The new currency will not be in circulation for some time, according to the banks here, but a public exhibition of it will be made, which will be in the form of \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 bills in the new sizes.

der: Don Woodward, vice commander and P. A. Lyon, Adjutant, when the organization first started. M. L. McLain is now Commander, filling out the unexpired term of Don S. Rawlings, who recently moved away. H. L. Dumas is Vice Commander.

The members of the organization are now planning on putting into effect many worthwhile things. Last year they took charge of cleaning up the town of Spearman and paid all expenses of gathering up and hauling off all trash and refuse. They also pulled off one of the largest and most successful picnics ever staged in this country.

At present the organization has plans for the erection of a magnificent Memorial Armory, that will not only be useful to the members, but will also serve to keep the memory of the "Buddies," who have "Gone West" alive in their minds. Sullivan R. Spivey, was the only

Hansford county young man who made the supreme sacrifice on the field of action. After he was killed his relatives received a citation from the French government, awarded to him for bravery in action. Many from this section were wounded in action and will carry their marks to the grave with them.

Mrs. Ike Klutz and Hiram Wilbanks left last Saturday for a visit with their sister at Tulsa, Oklahoma. They will return the latter part of this week accompanied by their small nephew, Glen Ray Bradford, who will spend the summer here in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wilbanks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Brandt and daughter Bobby June, left the latter part of last week for Post, where they will visit with relatives.

HAIL! HAIL! BROTHER

Will you pay the high rate for protection or carry the risk alone. Or had you rather hand together as brothers and help those who are hit if they will help you if hit?

Read the report of the Pampa Farmer's success in next week's paper and come to the meeting at the Spearman Equity Office 2:30 p. m., Saturday, June 1, and lets get together and keep our money at home. The North Plains Mutual Hail Insurance Association is now being organized. If you can't come, phone G-5151, or write for information to R. D. Tomlinson, Guymon, Okla., Spearman, Star Route.

HOLT 16 FT. COMBINE AND CASE TRACTOR FOR SALE

My brother, O. A. Tomlinson, having sold his land and wheat crop and moved away, has instructed me to sell his combine and tractor bought last harvest. The machine has cut about 800 acres of wheat and the tractor has pulled the machine in harvest and prepared about 800 acres for wheat and sown 500 acres. Both are in good shape. See me if you want a bargain in such an outfit.

R. D. TOMLINSON, 1 mile north of Kimball school house.

The American Legion

The Sullivan R. Spivey post of The American Legion, at Spearman, is one of the outstanding organizations of the north plains. This post was first organized in 1920. The organization rocked along without much pep, until along about the first of 1928 when it took on new life and has been up and coming every since. R. T. Bucy was the first comman-

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The farmer of today who would succeed must look to the quality as well as the quantity of the crops he raises. Good implements mean good crops and large crops.

The Avery line of farm equipment is made by a house with over 100 years of building America's finest implements.

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AMARILLO, July 3, 4, 5

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RESERVE YOUR SEATS NOW — Boxes to accommodate six, per seat, \$1.50 each. Grandstand, reserved seat \$1.25. General admission \$1.00. Reservations 50c. Write Wilbur C. Hawk, Amarillo, Texas.

\$7,500.00 prizes. Contestants write Clyde Miller, Holly, Colo.

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- and shall I check your Oil Sir?

When you're hungry you take yourself to a place where you can secure fine food. So with your car, when it needs fueling, bring it here. We sell only the finest grades of gas and oil our attendants are solicitous and courteous, and our prices low.

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Ask Your neighbor who has one. Over 65 sold in 30 months around Spearman.

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- Walk-Over Shoes
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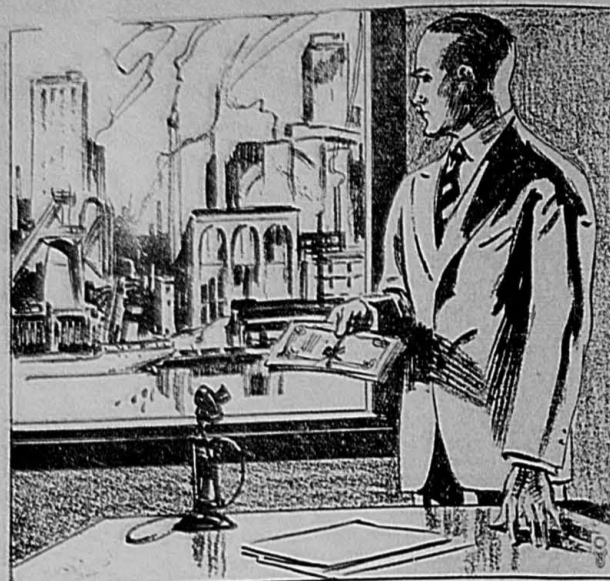
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Campbells' Men's Store

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**A CHAIN
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Capital Stock \$25,000.00

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Spearman Has Strength

It was but a few short years ago that the officers and directors of this institution dreamed of a metropolis on the North Plains. Today their dream has been realized. Founded here on the plains is a city that everyone is proud of, a city that has been built on a solid foundation; one that will not crumble and fall, but will continue to stand. Surrounded for countless miles with walls of golden grain that means wealth and prosperity in denominations untold.

We have rendered a banking service to the good people of this community that is equivalent to that of any to be had any place. We want you to feel that we are for Spearman in any move that she might make toward progression—Our shoulder will be found at the wheel—always pushing forward—trying to help Spearman and Hansford County.

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THE FUTURE OF SPEARMAN

B. F. Bennett, Secretary Spearman Chamber of Commerce)

Spearman will become a city of 50 souls. It may take ten, or fifty years for the city to reach its late growth, but I see where the founding conditions are such, that territory will support a city of approximately that number. Of course I am speaking of a population that is reasonably prosperous, and in other words, a population of quality and not quantity.

We should lose the desire of quantity for the sake of quality. We see a city here of twenty thousand if some unforeseen development came about, we may reach a number and still be generally prosperous.

The main crop of this section, will continue to be wheat, and small grains. The country is so adapted to the growing of grains, that I feel sure the main crops. Of course diversification will come about, but it will be slow. Many farmers will add a few milch cows, and some of these items will take a secondary importance along with the grains.

This year there is approximately 35 per cent of the lands in grain and I feel safe in saying that next year we will see almost as much again broke out and to cultivation. You know that last year there were 130 combines, that without a doubt the sales year will reach 200 or more? Land could not be better made the use of these modern lines. There are no rocks, stumps or unevenness of the land, and the lines have made it possible for us to plant thousands of acres to harvest it with less help than formerly took to grow and harvest a hundred acres.

Dairy Cows Coming
The Chamber of Commerce hopes to have not less than 150 thoroughbred milk cows with farmers in the county, during the next twelve months. We are already working on the subject of this kind, and it is also true that one of our farmers is preparing to ship in a carload of heavy heifers so that he may have milking next spring. The crop grows in abundance, and therefore, dairying is a very profitable endeavor here.

During the past month most of my attention has been taken up with the organization, and it is now getting to the place where we begin to give attention to the work which we have in mind. It is our hope to have improved roads in every direction from Spearman, into all parts of our trade area, and to see our town placed

on a highly improved state highway running north and south.

In fact we have a number of different projects in mind for the building up of our town and community, as we realize that our town will never amount to anything until our surrounding country amounts to something, and for that reason we are going to give co-operation to every worthy project that has for its purpose the upbuilding and betterment of Hansford county.

MASONIC LODGE

It's a long way from seven charter members to more than 80 in 1929 but that's the story in brief of Hansford Lodge No. 1040, A. F. & A. M. which was instituted in December, 1911 at old Hansford.

S. B. Hale, Spearman druggist, was the organizer and first worshipful master of Hansford Lodge. So few Masons were in Hansford county at that time it was necessary to get demits from Masons in adjoining counties.

W. M. Hedgecock of Plemons was district deputy grand master for instituting the lodges, as Mr. Hale remembers. Meetings at Hansford were held in the old school building.

Charter members, as Mr. Hale recalls them, were Dr. J. T. Deacon, J. K. Collard, W. S. McNabb, W. O. Douglas, J. F. Lackey, G. L. Roland and himself. Mr. Hale also helped to organize Guymon lodge when he was a resident of that city.

Past masters of Hansford Lodge include Mr. Hale, J. R. Collard, J. C. Hancock, G. L. Roland, S. F. Powers, D. E. Dillow, J. R. Douglas, L. M. Buchner, R. L. McClellan and C. A. Gibner.

Present officers are P. A. Lyon, worshipful master; Woodville Jarvis, senior warden; Homer Allen, junior warden; C. A. Gibner, secretary; J. R. Collard, treasurer; A. H. Word, senior deacon; Billy Jarvis, junior deacon; M. W. Lackey, tiler.

Hansford Lodge was moved from old Hansford to Spearman and meetings were held in the third floor of the old school house, which burned down. Meetings were then held in the third floor of the Spearman Hotel until the lodge moved to the Spearman Reporter building.

The lodge moved in the fall of 1928 to the second floor of the city hall. The lodge owns this floor which is clear of debt. It took real sacrifice on the part of the members to raise the money to pay for the hall.

Removal to the new home has increased interest in Masonry and the past winter was unusually busy for the officers in initiating new members.

The next big task ahead of the lodge is to equip the lodge room and purchase regalia.

Officers for the next year will be elected in a few days.

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Spearman Chapter No. 721, Order of Eastern Star, was organized in 1923 with 20 charter members. Initiations and affiliations have brought up the membership to 90. Demits and suspensions have reduced the net membership to about 70.

The chapter has played an important part in the fraternal and social life in the city. Mrs. C. O. Collard is closing a successful year as worthy matron with about ten initiations.

Meetings are held the first Friday night each month. Installation of the new officers will be held next Friday night.

Members are enthusiastic over their work and appreciate the quarters in the new Masonic Hall. The chapter pledged and paid \$100 on the new Masonic hall.

Past worthy matrons are Mrs. J. R. (Helen) Collard; Mrs. G. M. Whitson, Mrs. P. A. Lyon, and Miss Beatrice Gibner.

Elective officers to be installed are: Mrs. J. H. Buchanan, worthy matron; Mrs. Homer Allen, associate matron; Mrs. John King, conductress; Mrs. John Duncan, associate conductress; Mrs. Priscilla Chambers, secretary; R. W. Maples, worthy patron; John Beck, associate patron; Mrs. R. W. Maples, worthy patron; Mrs. R. W. Maples, treasurer.

Mrs. Buchanan, worthy matron elect, will announce a group of nine appointive officers later.

FRENCH PRIZES TO AMERICANS

Europe was given another demonstration of the all-around performance of which American automobiles are capable when American entries carried off most of the prizes in the 2,730 mile tour of France organized by the Motorcycle Club of France. The tour which was for both automobiles and motorcycles, consisted of nine-day runs of approximately 310 miles each, with intermediate days in the various provinces devoted to speed contests, hill climbs, starts with cold motors and other events designed to bring out the real qualities of the cars.

The Ansaide Cup for all-round performance, the most coveted prize in the competition, was won by an Essex, driven by Andre Morel, a noted French driver. It finished without penalizations. Adding to the performance was the fact that a second Essex, driven by Lamy, also finished with a perfect score.



During the week of June 28, 1928, J. S. Pittman came from Wichita for the purpose of securing a sufficient number of signers to organize a Lions Club for Spearman. Much interest was shown by the local business and professional men in Mr. Pittman's plans and twenty seven signed as charter members. The money to secure a charter was contributed by R. L. McClellan, elected temporary chairman and J. H. Richards temporary secretary. As the big harvest of 1928 was well started and everyone was working overtime taking care of Hansford county's wheat crop, little time was had for any other interests and the Lions Club proposition was dropped for the time being. The next meeting was held on Tuesday noon, August 7, 1928, at the City Cafe. The purpose of this meeting was to perfect the organization. Officers for the year were elected as follows: R. L. McClellan, president; W. L. Russell, first vice president; J. R. Collard, second vice president; A. H. Word, secretary; C. A. Gibner, treasurer; Oran Kelly, Lion Tamer; J. H. Richards, tall twister. Directors: A. F. Barkley, M. L. McLain, Wm. E. McClellan and J. E. Gower.

The next important meeting was a luncheon at the city Cafe on October 9, 1928, when plans for a charter night program were discussed and other business matters were attended to. This meeting was followed by another at the City hall on Tuesday night, December 4. A program for charter night was arranged and notices were sent to all the neighboring clubs, inviting them to be present and assist with the work and joy-making of Charter Night, which was to be December 10. On December 10 the district meeting of Lions Clubs, zone 10, was held in Spearman along with the charter night program. District Governor G. G. McBride of Borger presided at the meeting which was held at the Baptist church. The out of town attendance was not as good as it would have been had the weather been more favorable, but the clubs of Borger, Dalhart, Pampa, Perryton, Guymon and "Lions International" were represented. Lion C. W. Webb of the Lions International assisted Lion McBride with the meeting. The district meeting began at noon with a big luncheon served by the ladies of the Baptist church. Most of the afternoon was taken up with the business of the district meeting. At 7:30 the Charter Night program was had. Lion C. Herbert Wal-

ker of Dalhart acted as toastmaster. The program consisted of much oratory, singing, story telling and a general good time. The charter of the local club, with a membership of fifty was presented by Deputy District Governor McBride and was accepted by Lion R. L. McClellan, president of the local club. The club now completely organized, meets every second and fourth Tuesday of each month. On Tuesday night, April 30, a big banquet for the Lions, their wives and lady friends, was had at the Odd Fellows hall. This was one of the most pleasant events in the history of the club. At a recent meeting held on Tuesday, May 14, at Joe's Cafe the annual election of officers was held with the following results: J. R. Collard, president; Walter Wilmeth, vice president; R. M. Cloghton, secretary; C. A. Gibner, treasurer; Fred Hoskins, Lion Tamer; and Walter Beck, Tall Twister. The Lions Club is one of the most active civic clubs of the town and it is now planning several important steps that will be of great benefit to Spearman and the empire adjacent thereto.

NUNN-WARREN PUB. CO. AND ALLIED INTERESTS

The Nunn-Warren Publishing Co., publisher of the Spearman Reporter, owns two daily and six weekly newspapers. Allied with the company are two other firms publishing a daily and four weekly newspapers.

The company was formed March 1, 1926, with the purchase by J. L. Nunn and David M. Warren of the Pampa Herald and the Pampa News. Mr. Nunn and his father, Dr. J. E. Nunn had owned the Amarillo Daily News for several years and had just recently sold the publication.

Realizing the possibility of Borger, the Hutchinson County Herald was established April 29, 1926, when the oil metropolis was only seven weeks old. The Borger Daily Herald was established November 23, 1926. It is said that there probably is no city in the United States which grew so rapidly that it warranted establishment of a daily newspaper in eight months.

The Hutchinson County Herald was moved from Borger to Stinnett in December, 1926. Stinnett had been opened as a townsite just a few weeks previously.

The White Deer Review was purchased in February, 1927. This paper has had a substantial growth under the new ownership.

The Pampa News became a semi-weekly newspaper in November, 1926. The Pampa Daily News was established March 10, 1927, and the old News became a weekly again.

The business was incorporated in March, 1927, with J. L. Nunn as president, Dr. J. E. Nunn as vice president and David M. Warren as secretary-treasurer and general manager.

The Quitaque Post, Briscoe County

The First National Bank of Spearman

Established as the First State Bank at Hansford in 1907, the First National Bank of Spearman has had a growth in keeping with Hansford county.

M. B. Wright founded the bank and John R. Collard was the first cashier, according to old timers. The bank became a national bank in 1916.

The bank moved to Spearman in December, 1919, and exactly nine years later moved into its fine new home. Resources of the bank totaled more than \$400,000.

Officers are F. L. Carson, Wichita, Kansas, president; A. L. Wood, Elkhart, Kansas, vice president; Clay A. Gibner, cashier; R. M. Cloghton, assistant cashier.

Directors and stockholders include: C. W. Carson, Jr., Amarillo; C. Q. Chandler, Wichita; R. L. McClellan; A. L. Wood; R. L. Thom, Perryton; C. J. Chandler, vice president; Fred W. Brandt; F. L. Carson; C. A. Gibner, R. M. Cloghton, and W. W. Chandler, Gage, Oklahoma.

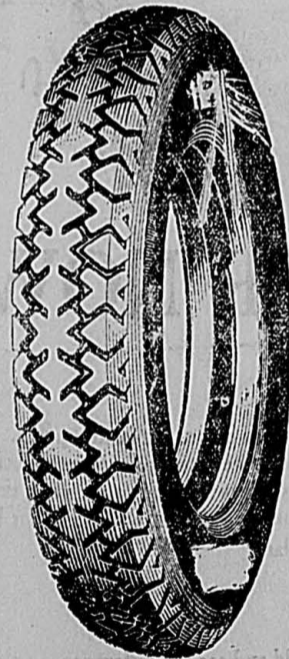
C. W. Carson Jr., former cashier, is now an active vice president with the First National Bank, Amarillo. Mr. Gibner, cashier, was employed by the bank December 1, 1910, and was made cashier in November, 1925. He has taken an active part in civic work in the community, and is always ready to do his part for the upbuilding of Hansford county.

County News, Silverton, and Castro County News, Dimmitt, were purchased in February, 1927. Three papers were sold a few weeks ago to a new company composed of Mr. Nunn, Mr. Warren and Ralph L. Buell. A complete plant is being installed at Dimmitt now. Plants have been at Quitaque and Silverton for several years. The business is known as the Central Plains Publishing Co.

The Spearman Reporter joined the Nunn-Warren group June 1, 1928. This edition celebrates one year of the new ownership of The Reporter. Oran Kelly, publisher of The Reporter for many years, has continued in the same capacity with the new owners.

The latest member of the Nunn-Warren family is the Hereford Brand, which was purchased May 1, 1929, from Seth B. Holman, who retired on account of ill health. Hereford is the center of a big wheat country and reminds one a lot of Spearman.

An allied company is the Nunn-Warren-Story Co., publisher of the Childress Daily Index and Childress Post. Fred A. Story is publisher of the Childress newspapers.



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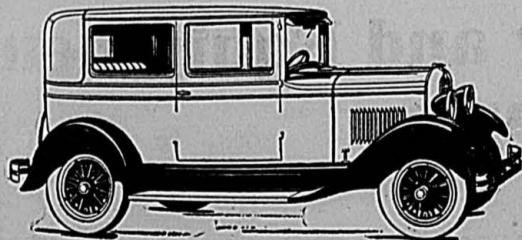
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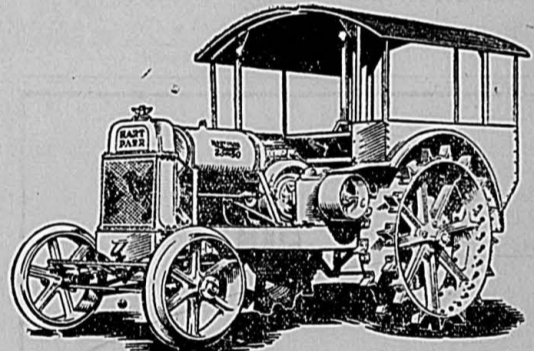
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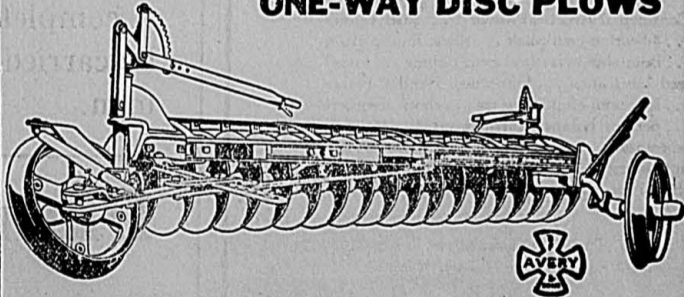
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Hansford County Official Family

J. A. Holmes is District Attorney of the 84th Judicial district and is filling the office to the satisfaction of everyone. A number of years ago he was district attorney of the 81st when this section was under its jurisdiction. Mr. Holmes is still a young man, but is able to hold his own with the ablest barristers in the district.

Hon. C. W. King is County Judge and ex-officio County Supt. of schools and is making a splendid record. He takes an active interest in all affairs affecting the county. He is now filling his third term, of this important office.

H. L. Wilbanks, sheriff and tax collector, is perhaps one of the most popular and best known men in the county. He held this office a number of years ago, but retired from office. The people were not satisfied with him out of office, so last fall they again elected him.

J. E. Womble is now filling his third term as County and District Clerk. His records are kept in a neat and up-to-date manner, and his accommodating manner makes transactions with the Clerk's office a pleasure.

Mrs. L. S. Cator is now serving her third term as Tax Assessor. Mrs. Cator, has perhaps lived in the county longer than anyone, now living here, and knows conditions thoroughly. Her late husband was one among the

first permanent settlers of Hansford county.

Barney Sparks, County Treasurer, is a very popular officer and counts his friends by his acquaintances. His books are kept in an accurate manner and he can tell one at a glance the condition of each fund.

J. G. B. Sparks, Commissioner of precinct one, has held the office since the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. He is a booster for good roads, and has been largely responsible for our present system of highways.

C. C. Beck, commissioner of precinct 2, is an early settler of the north flats, and is an extensive wheat and cattle raiser. He held the office of county judge a number of years ago, but gave up the office to devote his time to private business.

Fred McCrea, commissioner of precinct 3, is one of the large wheat growers of the northwest part of the county. He is a firm believer in this section, and each year plants a larger acreage of wheat than the year before.

J. P. Winder, commissioner of precinct 4 is one of the first advocates of diversified farming on the north plains. He has practiced this method on his Palo Duro ranch for a number of years with gratifying results.

A NORTH PLAINS BOOSTER



CARSON WOMBLE

A man whose the moving force in every project with which he is connected. It was through the efforts of Carson Womble and his associates that Hutchinson county today has bridges across the muddy Canadian, granite quarries, and a fine school house. He is also inter-

ested in one of Spearman's leading business organizations, The Spearman Equity Exchange, and the Equity elevator at Morse.

A NEW CITIZEN



JOE CLOSE

A good roads enthusiast, and a man with vision. Altho he has lived

in the same place since about 1903, he is a new comer to Hansford county. A re-adjustment of the line dividing Hutchinson and Hansford counties has placed Joe's home in Hansford.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

I take this method to inform the public generally that there positively will be no hunting, fishing, picnicking or trespassing of any kind on the J. I. Steel ranch lands on the Palo Duro creek north of Spearman. These lands are under lease by J. A. Whittemberg Jr., and all trespassing is strictly forbidden. 20112p.

DEE DAVIS, Foreman.

ATTENTION MUSIC STUDENTS

I will teach a class in music beginning immediately during the summer months. See me at my home or at the school building. 224f.

MRS. HOBART DICK.

The highway between Quitaque and Turkey has been straightened out, reducing the distance between these cities from 12 to 9 miles.

J. M. Huber, Inc., one of the largest manufacturers of inks in the world, is opening a carbon black plant three miles west of Borger.

FOR SALE:—My home in north west Spearman, 75x150 ft. lot, four room house, two porches and bath room, also barn, chicken house, wash house and wash house on lot. Will sell either for cash or part cash, balance to suit. Look it over. Make me an offer; no reasonable offer refused. W. E. CALLAWAY, Shamrock, Texas, 224f.

Dodsonville in Collingsworth county has its first newspaper, The Messenger, which has been started by Miss Floy Wynn.

W. N. Durham, who owns a farm near Spearman, has been appointed city manager of Amarillo. Mr. Durham was in the grocery business in Amarillo for many years.

Steel is being erected on the \$38,000 court house for Gray County, Pampa. The court house is being built on a prominent downtown block.

Hereford is working on a project to obtain a 70-room hotel. The Chamber of Commerce is optimistic over the results to date.

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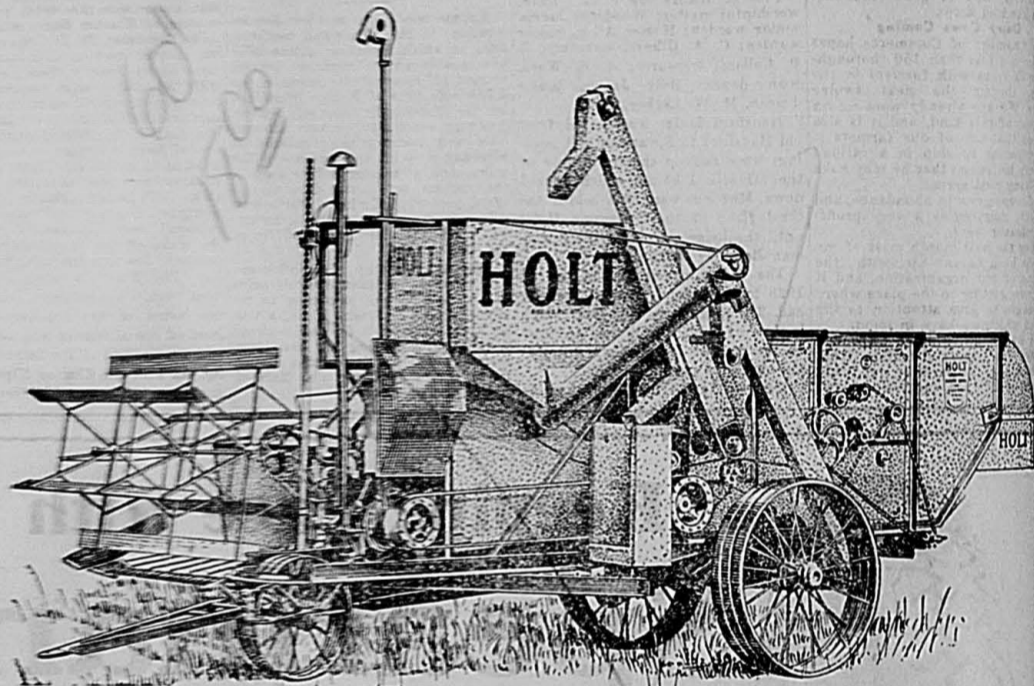
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Prominent Citizens of Spearman

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able to carry it about with him, and thereupon decided to migrate to another bourne. "Where the whangoodle mourneth constantly over the loss of its first born."

Judge Hale has lived in Hansford county something over twenty years and during that time has been actively engaged in many movements that have helped to make this section what it is. He owns a small livestock ranch near Old Hansford, and was among the first converts to the wisdom of the "Cow, Sow and Hen" system of farming. While he has never actively engaged in farming himself, he has always supervised the farming operations and devoted his time to his drug business, with pleasing results. Judge Hale takes an active interest in Chamber of Commerce work and is always ready to devote his time and ability toward putting over movements that will be an aid to Spearman and the surrounding territory. He was twice elected to the office of county judge and filled the office with credit to himself and satisfaction to his constituents. Judge Hale married a Hansford county girl, Miss Wright, who was born and raised in this county, and a member of a well known pioneer family. This fact, together with others, firmly attach him to our county, which he truly believes is the best in the state.

R. L. McCLELLAN

R. L. McClellan, is one of the outstanding young business men of the north Panhandle country. Very few men in this entire country have made the success in business that he has made. Above that, and of much more importance, however, is the fact that he is a good citizen, in every sense of the word. He is a leader in every civic enterprise that is calculated to make Hansford county a better place in which to live and raise our families. His time and his means are always at the disposal of the community, and he has aided materially in shaping the destinies of Spearman. When the enterprising little city laid off swaddling clothes and took on the garments of maturity Mr. McClellan was elected mayor. He held the office for a number of terms. He took a personal interest in all the various improvements that were going on, and made several trips each day, to see that the work was being done according to contract.

When he had barely reached his majority, he was elected County Clerk of Hansford county and held the office a number of terms. He gave the office the painstaking care that he gives to any other business entrusted to his care, and was an extremely popular officer. When the Spearman Equity was organized, he

left the clerk's office to become its manager, and made the Equity a success from the start. Later he resigned from this position to go into business for himself and organized the McClellan Grain Co. which has also been a success from the start. He is now building three elevators on the new Rock Island railroad at Bernstein, Gruber and Base. Combined with his grain business is the agency and sale of the Case line of tanning machinery and the number of these machines over the country attests his ability as a salesman.

R. L. McClellan has been an asset to Hansford county, since he first entered public life, and many of our modern improvements are due to his foresight and unflinching energy. He has always been prominent in the religious and civic life of the community and always stands ready to lay aside his own business in order to advance the interest of the community in general.

P. M. MAIZE

P. M. Maize is now considered almost one of the old landmarks of Hansford county. His parents came to this section something over thirty years ago, and he has lived here ever since. He is a great believer in the diversity of crops for plains farmers, and practices what he preaches, on his farm. He has quite a reputation as a gardener, and succeeds in making his garden grow and prosper, when others are drying up and blowing away.

Mr. Maize has been engaged in the mercantile business in Hansford county for over twenty years, moving his store to Spearman from old Hansford. He is a close observer of farming operations and very few, if any, know farming conditions in this country better than he does. He is a firm believer in the future of Hansford county, and if anyone should know anything about a country it is the people who have spent most of their lives there.

P. B. HIGGS

Paul B. Higgs, president of the Gruber State Bank, and part owner and manager of the Spearman Hardware and the Gruber Hardware, is a Hansford county young man, who is rapidly drawing to the front. He was raised on a farm, in the Grand Plains neighborhood, married a Hansford county girl, and is raising a family in Hansford county. After reaching man's estate he followed farming and stock raising for a few years and then entered the mercantile business in Spearman. His keen and accurate judgement informed him that this country was coming to the front rapidly and there would be a vast demand for tractors and various power farm implements. Thousands

and thousands of acres, were waiting for the plow, and then the other farm implements that would be needed to plant and harvest crops. His judgment on these matters has been confirmed, and his business has grown with leaps and bounds since so much of the country has been put to the plow.

Mr. Higgs divides his time between the Spearman and Gruber business and to say that he is kept busy would be putting it mildly. However, he is never too busy to give everyone the courteous attention that is expected of a business man. He has unbounded confidence in the future of Hansford county and sees no reason to go elsewhere to make investments.

R. W. MORTON

One of the real "Hard Hitters" for Spearman, is R. W. Morton, owner of the Ford business and also handling a line of combines and farm implements. Mr. Morton is a native of Tennessee, but realized very early in life that opportunities there were limited for ambitious boys, and at the age of three, persuaded his parents to emigrate to the Lone Star state where there was plenty of room to grow.

After reaching manhood Mr. Morton took up the profession of nursing and followed it for many years. In those days real capable nurses were in demand over the sparsely populated regions of west Texas and the subject of our sketch perhaps has the distinction of being employed on more of the large ranches than any other person now living. The larger ranches were largely owned by English and Scotch syndicates, and many English owners and managers lived on them. They were usually of the higher type of people and had been associated with nurses since their earliest infancy. The very idea of turning cows and wee baby calves loose on the boundless ranges, to shift for themselves, was abhorrent to them, so they employed a large number of high class young men, as nurses, and put the herds in charge of them. These quiet, manly young men were expected to see that all young cattle were properly chaperoned, and no common, or garden variety of bovine society be allowed to associate with them. As the shades of night were falling, and all nature was expected to be wrapped in the arms of Morpheus, sometimes the juvenile members of the Bovine clan were unwilling to go to sleep. Then it was the duty of the nurses to raise their gentle voices in song and soothe the jagged nerves of the restless ones until they were overcome with slumber. Mr. Morton is said to have excelled all other nurses in this line of endeavor. No restless member in his charge could long resist the deep pathos of his low treble voice. It is said that even the wild cats and coyotes, after once hearing him sing "The Chisholm Trail," gave up their singing in disgust, and thereafter

gave that territory a wide berth. He smokes Lucky Strikes.

Since coming to Hansford county, Mr. Morton has taken a leading part in every movement, calculated to make the country progress and develop. He is never too busy to leave his business and go away on a good road or kindred mission. He has unbounded confidence in the great north plains region and gives generously of both time and money to help it develop.

JUDGE A. E. TOWNSEND

Judge A. E. Townsend is now, since so many of the real old pioneers have passed on, one of the pioneers of Hansford county, and is one of its greatest boosters. Mr. Townsend first became interested in the county in 1906 and since that time his faith in the future of the north plains has never faltered. In season and out—in drought, pestilence and war—in times of adversity and in times of prosperity, Judge Townsend was one who can truly be said to have "kept the faith." Over twenty years ago he started preaching diversity of farm crops and advocating dairying and poultry as a side line for plains farmers and is still a firm believer in these safe principles.

Mr. Townsend is a native of Iowa and grew to manhood in that great corn state. He was raised on a farm and followed farming for a number of years after reaching man's estate. He early discovered that the low price the farmer received for his products was not conducive to a prosperous existence, and this fact caused him to discontinue farming and enter the mercantile business, which he followed until shortly before coming to this country. About the time he decided to emigrate to this country, he closed a contract with certain railroad companies, to sell their lands, that had been given them by the State of Texas, as a bonus for building railroads in central Texas. Most of the lands were sold at around \$2 per acre and Judge Townsend can rightly claim to be the first man who started immigration to this part of the state. His extensive advertising campaigns brought this section to the notice of northern farmers, who were on the lookout for cheap land, and practically all those who bought land from Judge Townsend sold out at a profit. Some of them still own their land and the rise in values have made them independently wealthy.

Judge Townsend has always been an enthusiastic worker for the upbuilding of the community, in which he resides. Times without number he has publicly stated that "Every man owes the community something, and should not be satisfied without giving it his best." He started numerous Sunday schools over the county, in the early days, and did many other things to bring the story of the Gentle Nazarene to the attention of the growing generation. He filled the office of County Judge and ex-officio

County Superintendent for several terms and while in office, perhaps did more than any one else to bring our schools up to their present high standard. This office had before his time been considered somewhat of a political sinecure, with the incumbent pledged to "keep taxes down." He promptly dispelled that idea and became somewhat unpopular with certain factions, but the people of the county got good schools and good roads, something they had long needed.

Judge Townsend is now — years old but hale and hearty and good for many more years of service. He could retire on a competence, but says he don't know where he could go to spend his last days and find a better place in which to live than Hansford county.

WALTER WILMETH

W. W. Wilmeth might be pointed out as the outstanding type of men Hansford county produces. His father was a pioneer resident of the county, and Walter has spent practically all his life here. For a number of years he followed ranching and wheat growing, supplemented by the growing of swine in which he was successful. Later, he disposed of a part of his interests, and came to Spearman and entered the hardware and implement business as a partner in the Spearman Hardware. This business has thrived exceedingly under the present management and now can be considered one of the outstanding firms of the north Panhandle.

Mr. Wilmeth has also taken on other lines of industry. He is a director in The Fidelity Bank of Commerce of Spearman and cashier of The First State Bank of Gruber. He is also an extensive dealer in livestock and buys and ships many cars of hogs and cattle during the season. He deals in cattle on a large scale and buys entire herds at a time. His vast experience, and well balanced judgment, gives him a splendid insight of the business, and he usually disposes of them at a nice profit.

The success of Mr. Wilmeth was founded on a well balanced diversity of farm crops so that when one crop failed he had another to fall back on. This enables him to keep his expenses paid, and when he made a wheat crop it was his, rather than his creditors. Mr. Wilmeth firmly believes this method will insure success to any farmer, who uses intelligence and industry in his farming operations.

More men of this type are needed in the north plains country, as well as all over the southwest. The soil and other natural conditions are here, but it takes men with vision and industry, to get the best from them. Mr. Wilmeth is the type of man, who is an asset to any community, and Hansford county is fortunate in having a number of his kind.

THOMASON BROTHERS

Twenty-five years in the same line of business in the same city is the record of Thomason Bros., of Texhoma which has stores in Spearman and Boise City, Okla.

The Thomason Bros. store was established in Texhoma in 1904, and the Spearman store in March, 1925, by E. B. Dodson, who has been continuously in charge.

The Thomasons came from Vernon, Wilbarger county, and took a homestead near Texhoma. This homestead is now owned by Tiff Thomason who is at the head of the firm. Tiff in the pioneer days drove from the farm to the store. He hauled water from the neighbors to his claim. Before the building of the Santa Fe line, Texhoma was the trading center for a large part of Hansford county.

A. D. Thomason, the senior member of the firm, died Dec. 4, 1918 in Kansas City, Mo. He was known as "Slim" to his friends.

V. H. (Vol) Thomason died August 13, 1920, at the Glocker Sanitarium, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Mr. Dodson came to Texhoma in 1919 following his discharge from the army. After working in the wheat harvest he was employed by Thomason Bros. during the holiday rush. So satisfactory was his work that he was asked to remain with the firm. His knowledge of merchandise increased rapidly and he was asked to establish the Spearman store. He was in Texhoma about five years before moving to this city.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

One six disc John Deere plow. 24t2p. ROSS MITCHELL, Booker, Texas.

NOTICE

To the people of Hansford and Ochiltree counties:— We have discontinued the services of V. L. Nichols as agent for the Singer sewing machine. He is not now connected with our business in any manner, shape or form. SINGER SEWING MACHINE CO. 24t2p. by L. G. Runyon, Manager.

FOR SALE

Two second hand windmills. One 14 foot Star and one 12 foot Eclipse. Both in good repair. See me at the Spearman Motor Company. 24t2. L. W. MATHEWS.

TO TRADE

What have you in Hansford county that you will trade for property in Clovis, New Mexico. Address box 56, Spearman, or see me at my farm seven miles northeast of Spearman. 24t3p. E. C. GREENE.

Flowers for decoration day and other occasions. See Mrs. C. B. Reaves in south Spearman.

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"Just Abstracts and Insurance Since 1905," has been the slogan of this concern for a number of years. The Hansford Abstract Company was founded by A. F. Barkley twenty-four years ago. The business has kept pace with the country, and in the Abstract business this is indeed a very important matter.

Mr. Barkley remained with the company continuously until January 1st of the present year, when it was purchased by the undersigned, who has been connected with it for the last 15 years.

We are endeavoring to render the same high-class service upon which this business was quite successfully builded. We have a complete abstract of title to Hansford county lands and town lots, and are equipped in every way to render you a service in this line that you will appreciate.

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In Business More Than Twenty Six Years

For more than a quarter of a century this store has provided the people of Hansford and adjoining counties with the best the market affords in Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Feed and Groceries. In lean years as well as good years, we have been here—through thick and thin—ready to serve you—one and all alike. We expect to continue to be here, year in and year out, for many years to come, offering the best standard lines of merchandise, and always ready to serve you promptly and courteously.

Of late we have been running our business on a strictly cash basis. This, coupled with the fact that we buy in big quantities, enables us to offer our goods at a little lower price than the other fellow.

This store stands squarely behind its record of the past twenty-five years. We believed in Hansford county in the beginning and we still believe in Hansford county. It is the greatest country in the world, and this firm shall continue to do all in its power to make Spearman and the Spearman country a better place in which to live.

COME TO SEE US

Church and Society

UNION CHURCH

Sister Elizabeth will be in Spearman and preach at the Union church next Sunday. Service will be held in the morning and in the evening. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Beck and family returned to Boise City and visited until Sunday with friends.

Miss Audine Entertainers Friends With Slumber Party

Miss Roberta Addison entertained her friends with a slumber party at her home Thursday night. Candy making, playing the victrola and popping popcorn furnished the amusement until an early hour in the morning. Clever impromptu card marked the place where each guest was to sleep. A breakfast menu of cereals, bacon, eggs, toast, potato chips and coffee was served in the following order: Agnes Wilmetts, Jimmy Louise and Margaret Harvey, Heiler Buchanan, Alva Tompkins, Elaine Gilham, Emma Weaver and Anna Lee Morton. All of the guests reported a most delightful time.

E. Y. P. U.
Since the organization of the Baptist church there has been a Baptist Young People's Union, that has been very active in both church and social work. At the present this organization is part of every Sunday's program and the members of it are a wide awake and lively bunch of young people. At each meeting a special and interesting program is rendered.

Hendolph Dentman was here from Liberal Sunday visiting with friends.

Intermediate E. Y. P. U.

About a month ago an Intermediate E. Y. P. U. was organized for the young folk between the ages of twelve and sixteen. The membership is continually on the increase and each Sunday evening finds a group of these energetic and enthusiastic youngsters at the church ready to deliver a well prepared program. Mrs. L. A. Robinson is the teacher and takes much interest in the work they are doing.

Egworth League

As May is the month of election in League work, the Spearman Egworth League reorganized May 22. The following officers were elected: President—Roberta Addison Vice President—Al Reed Sec. Treas.—Heiler Buchanan Reporter—Hattie James

The president then appointed as heads of departments the following: Miss Tompkins—Department of Restoration

Chloe Gilham—Department of Mission

Thelma Haize—Department of Spiritual Work

Under the leadership of these competent leaders, we are sure to make rapid progress and build a strong league.

The League meets at 7:30 every Sunday evening at the Methodist church. All young people that do not worship elsewhere are cordially invited to attend these services. We also welcome other people to our meetings. You will enjoy meeting us as much as we enjoy having you with us.

Roberta Addison, our capable and willing president, is seen as a delegate to the Egworth League conference at Abilene.

For the benefit of the new leaders the following program will be given next Sunday. No special number will be given.

- Subject—Loyalty to our Leaders.
- Leader—Chloe Gilham.
- Scripture Reading—1 John 2:15-17.
- Sung—Jesus.
- Hymn—The Lambeth Ho.
- Hymn—Footprints of Jesus.
- Prayer—Heiler Buchanan.
- Loyalty to Our Leaders—Heiler Buchanan.
- Persistence—Al Reed.
- Trustworthiness—Thelma Haize.
- Patience—Miss Tompkins.
- Communion.
- League Benediction.

Missionary Society

The Missionary Auxiliary of the Methodist Church was organized at old Hansford in 1810 by Rev. T. E. Graham, who was then pastor of the Methodist church. Mrs. Sam Ward was elected the first president of the organization. At the time of the organization there were twelve charter members. Mrs. A. F. Bailey and Mrs. H. P. Bailey are the only remaining ones of the original number. The Missionary Society has a reputation for its religious work in the church and out of the church and in its aid to charity. Boxes of clothing are sent each year to the welfare home to be distributed among the poor and needy. The society pays regular dues each month to assist in the regular Missionary work and they raise funds by a number of ways for local work. The society has a regular meeting. Annual meetings are held each year for the election of District officers. The present officers of the society are: Mrs. Debra Link, president, Mrs. G. P. Gilmer, vice president, Mrs. H. P. Bailey, secretary and Mrs. P. A. Lyon, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Browder of Granger were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Dick Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry New and little daughter Anita were visitors to Burger Sunday.

Miss Glendia Tutwiler left Saturday for Dallas to spend the summer with her parents.

Fancher Lipscomb, Amarillo, was attending to business matters in Spearman Tuesday.

Mrs. Virgil Green and daughter little Miss Wanda, and Mrs. Harry Dumas and Master Willie Bob were Amarillo visitors last Saturday.

Curtis Jackson of Lipscomb is here this week visiting in the home of his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Wester Hill.

Miss Edith Rodgers of Lipscomb is visiting with her sister, Mrs. M. E. Hill and assisting with the work at the Hill Brothers Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Gorham of Burger were in the city Monday, attending to business matters and visiting with friends.

Miss Lurba Newman left the first of the week for Termon where she will spend the summer months. Miss Newman was a teacher in the Spearman school.

Miss Ruth Murphy, teacher in the Spearman school the past term, will spend her vacation at her home at Lockney.

Miss Beth Daugherty has returned to her home in Denton following the close of school, where she will spend the summer.

Miss Lucille Maize returned home from Grason last Wednesday where she has been the past nine months, teaching in the Grason school. Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Maize returned to Grason after her Wednesday.

Miss Vera Lawrence returned to her home in Pomper, immediately following the close of school where she will visit in the home of her parents.

Miss Vera H. Harris came from Canyon Wednesday and visited until Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirk. She returned by way of Morse where she visited a short time with friends.

Mr. Wester Hill was called to Canyon last Wednesday on account of the serious illness of her aunt, Mrs. E. J. Redden, who passed away Saturday. Mr. Hill drove down Sunday to attend the funeral. He and Mrs. Hill returned home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jameson, Mrs. Lloyd Miller, Miss Hazel Groves and Eulita Termon left several days ago for a short vacation in the mountains of New Mexico.

A. J. Kayfield, former bookkeeper of the McClain Grain Company has accepted a position with the Kenyon Grain Company of Amarillo. He left the first of the week to begin his work there.

Miss Della Ducas and Miss Edith Murch came from Arch, New Mexico, the latter part of last week and are waiting in the homes of Miss Ducas' sisters, Mrs. R. A. McCrory and Mrs. Clem Pierce and her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ducas and Leo Ducas and with old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lively of Perryton were week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buzzler Park.

Little Miss Rosella Maize had her tonsils removed by Dr. Powell during his regular visit here Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Chambers and son Marvin and Olen returned Tuesday from a short visit with friends and relatives at Nacona and Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Pittman and daughter Miss Virginia and Mrs. Albert Lill motored to Amarillo Friday and visited until Sunday in the home of their daughter Mrs. Walter Good. Mr. Good accompanied them home Saturday for a several days visit here.

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A popular short bloomer of heavy quality Dulesco Rayon. Has perfect fitting crotch with crocheted edge throughout. Colors, peach and pink. Sizes, small, medium and large.

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These beautiful gowns are made of 46 gauge Dulesco Rayon. They are full size, properly proportioned and possess every refinement of workmanship. These gowns are finished with scalloped edges at neck and armholes and has a dainty bod of ribbon at the neck. Color, soft pink. Size medium and large.

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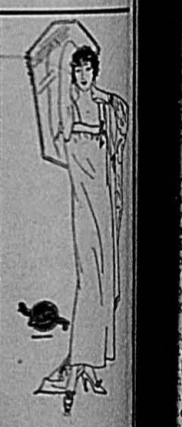
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The Mecca For Thrifty, Honest Home Seekers

HANSFORD COUNTY, ITS ADVANTAGES AND INEXHAUSTIBLE RESOURCES

Country With Grain-Laiden Fields, Well Stocked Pastures, Happy Homes and a Prosperous Place of Habitation

A Visit Will Be Convincing

It is to your interest, physically and financially, to read every word of this article, for it tells you of a beautiful and fertile valley and plain where people are rich in health and wealth.

For the past twenty years lands in all parts of the United States have been increasing in value. It is a conceded fact today that lands are the safest and most profitable proposition for the investor, and as a result, the man with millions and the man with small means are both alike looking for good cheap lands for investment.

The man without a home realizes that if he ever owns a home of his own, that he must be up and about in business. In fact every class of professional men, and men engaged in every class of business, the laborer, and even our shrewd politicians are investing their money in land, and are thereby laying the foundation for substantial fortunes in the years to come.

Why are lands considered the most profitable and safe investment?

First, no defaulting cashier or officer can leave for parts unknown with your lands while you are asleep, or otherwise occupied.

Second, land is not so liable to the attacks of the blood-sucking grafter.

Third, the demand for land is ever on the increase, and the American people have an insatiable desire to own more and more land. The demand has continued to grow for nearly two centuries, and the supply is limited.

Fourth, high prices prevail and continue to increase in direct ratio with the demand over supply.

Fifth, Land is considered the best and safest security. The law demands that insurance companies, and other trust funds, be placed in safe and secure land mortgages, and often these mortgages draw a much lower interest rate than could be obtained on other less safe stocks, bonds and securities.

We could give many other reasons why lands will always be profitable investments, but we do not think it necessary for the speculative investor, as well as the home-seeker, is crowding the southwest market to purchase land, and our western land markets have begun to take on the appearance of the eastern stock exchanges.

The man buying real estate is different from the man who buys stock and bonds, in that he can sleep well at night with assurance that he will not wake up in the morning and see his paper profits wiped out before the noon hour.

The Best Place to Buy Land

Where is the best place to buy land for a home investment? We might say any place in the United States where good land may be purchased at reasonable prices; but we know that Texas generally, and the north Panhandle particularly, offers the buyer a better opportunity than can be obtained in other sections of this great country.

Texas has more land on the market at one-tenth to one-third of their actual value, than any other state in the Union; has the lowest tax rate; has more schools and churches than any other state, and has enough school funds loaned out on good security to give every child in the state a thorough education.

Texas soil will grow any kind of field crop, and any kind of fruit that can be grown in any state, and in the only state in the U. S. that can do so.

Rich and Inexhaustible Soil It is a settled, substantial and civilized state. The people believe in raising good crops, and not trouble. They mind their own business, and let their neighbors alone.

Harvests grown here are not scanty, but are harvests that seem to delight in running themselves up heavier and heavier each year.

Our soil is easily worked, and produces bumper crops with a comparatively small amount of labor. It makes no difference what your favorite crop may be, wheat, corn, alfalfa, clover, hops, fruit or any other temperate zone crop; this section of the country will give you more, at less expense, and less labor than any place you will find anywhere in the west.

There are now less than twenty persons to the square mile, so there is room, there is health, there is subsistence, there is development and independence for thousands more in Hansford county.

The Uncolored Truth The difficulty in telling the truth (Continued on Page 7)

A Few of Spearman's Fine Homes



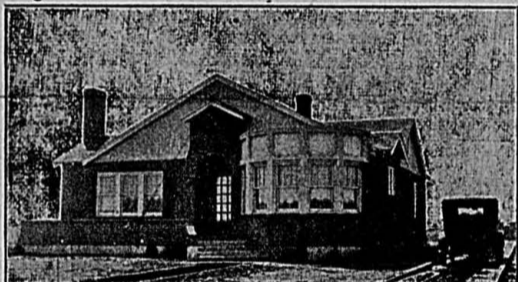
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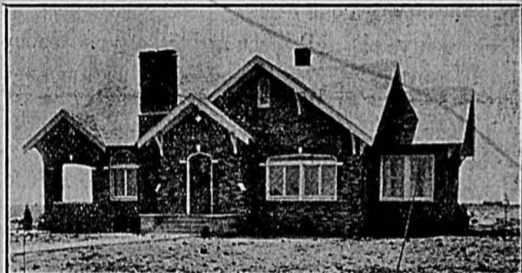
WALTER BECK HOME



J. D. HESTER HOME



D. B. KIRK HOME



R. W. MORTON HOME

It is a far cry indeed from the dug-out of pioneer days, to these wonderful homes that are to be found today in Spearman. Every modern appliance and convenient arrangement that goes to make the home comfortable are found in these modern versions of beautiful homes.

ITEMS FROM HANSFORD INVESTIGATOR

(Editor's Note:—A golden store of information concerning Hansford county, as it was known in what we generally think of as the early days, but which is actually about midway between the real early days and the present time, was discovered by the editor of the Reporter.

A. E. Townsend, who arrived in this section in the first years of the twentieth century, and has worked long and faithfully for the building up of Hansford county, has in his possession the files of the first newspaper ever published in and for Hansford county, The Hansford Investigator.

The Investigator was established in the town of Hansford on Wednesday, July 10, 1907, under the management of Harry F. Purcell, and continued for near a year and a half.

It is through the courtesy of Mr. Townsend that the Reporter is granted permission to reproduce these excerpts from this first venture in journalism for this county.

Issue of July 10, 1907 Many people of our community will recall the fatal shooting of George Aitken by his neighbor J. M. Simmons, which occurred on Sunday morning, June 30, on a farm just a short distance north of what is now Spearman.

An account of this shooting appears on the foremost position of the Investigator's first page, and fills practically three columns of hand-set type.

Excerpts from the story say:

Immediately on receiving a report of the shooting, Deputy Sheriff Martin, Judge E. C. Hays, County Clerk McNabb and a number of others started for the scene of the tragedy, and at once a coroner's jury was empaneled and a careful investigation

made as to the cause of the death and what prompted the same.

Upon arriving at the Aitken home it was found that the body of the unfortunate man who was a few short hours before alive and attending to his farm duties was lying in the alfalfa field of J. M. Simmons, about a quarter of a mile from his own farm, cold in death.

The peculiar condition in which the body was found gave rise to grave suspicions and as the investigation progressed the plot thickened as the testimony of those who were first on the scene was brought out.

Had Trouble With Simmons For several months there had been considerable ill feeling existing between Mr. Aitken and his neighbor Simmons, over various matters, but the one which is thought to have embittered the ill feeling was the fact, so it is alleged, that the former's hogs were running in Simmons's alfalfa field and damaging same.

It was for the purpose of looking after the stock that Mr. Aitken started out on the ill fated Sunday morning, and returning to the house in a short time procured his Winchester rifle and again left the premises.

Sometime after George had left, Tom Aitken, a brother, heard an unusual disturbance and knowing the feeling of enmity existed between the two principals he proceeded to trace George and saw his brother and Mr. Simmons and his son Lindsey, engaged in a very spirited conversation, and before he could reach the scene the shot that ended George Aitken's life had been fired, though Tom did not see his brother fall. He stated the morning was very foggy, although he had arrived within 200 yards of the scene, but was repeatedly warned by Mr. Simmons, so he

says, to remain away and not go near his brother.

Last Thursday the accused was given a preliminary hearing at the court house before Justice A. F. Barkley, Mr. Simmons not being represented by counsel but presenting his side of the case unassisted. After hearing the particulars Justice Barkley bound the defendant over to the fall action of the grand jury, and bond placed at \$8,000.

Lindsey Simmons was arrested with his father, but the evidence failed to implicate him and he was discharged.

Funeral services for the deceased were held July 1, and the remains laid to rest in the village cemetery.

CROP CONDITIONS

On making a careful investigation of the crop conditions in Hansford county we find the outlook very promising. The fall wheat will run a little short in yield per acre this year, compared with last year, but the acreage this year is considerably increased so that the total wheat crop of the county will exceed that of previous years, which with the advanced price caused by the shortage of the wheat crop in other localities will bring good returns to the farmers of this section.

The oat crop yield promises better than last year, and the acreage is more than doubled.

Corn fields look splendid, and a bumper yield is predicted. Kaffir and maize promise a bountiful yield, and a failure of these crops has never been known in this section.

Alfalfa fields along the Palo Duro valley are indeed beautiful to look upon. The first harvesting of alfalfa was a month later this year than usual because of a late spring frost, but indications are that three cuttings will be harvested and the plants left in splendid condition for fall and winter pastures.

To Work For All

In establishing THE INVESTIGATOR the editor desires to state this paper is not launched in the interests of any particular individual but will be devoted solely to the needs of the

community in which it is published.

The building now occupied by THE INVESTIGATOR was constructed by the enterprising citizens of the community, who have been loyal in every way in getting the paper started. W. S. McNabb, John Collard and R. E. Martin, three men of push and hustle appointed themselves as a building committee and went ahead with the work in a manner that indicated their desire for a live local newspaper in Hansford, and through their untiring efforts and with the co-operation of the people generally the building has become a reality.

An Inviting Home

Last Monday two weeks ago the editor and wife arrived from Iowa, and the shades of night found us without shelter save the canopy of heaven, but through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ward we were taken to their hospitable home and have been under their guiding wing ever since.

Will Build School House

Although Hansford is nothing more than a thriving hamlet and not thickly populated, yet the public school building has become inadequate for the present demands, and a large L will be added to the present temple of learning, and plans for the improvements are now perfected and work will be commenced just as soon as workmen can be secured.

Mac Is Improving

Mrs. W. S. McNabb and two children have returned from Mineral Springs, Texas, where the lady has been trying the curative powers of the celebrated springs for the past six weeks. Mac was so overjoyed at the return of his wife and family that it was feared for a time that it would be necessary to send him to the springs to recuperate, but the genial county clerk is now recovering rapidly and happy as a big sunflower.

In the editor's salutatory he says, among other things, "It may seem strange that in seeking a location we should choose Hansford, a hamlet that barely finds representation on the map—forty-five miles from a

Spearman Is Building and Improving

MANY NEW RESIDENCES AND OLD ONES BEING REMODELED

Seventeen new residences, two brick business blocks, and the new brick and cement two story city hall have all been completed in Spearman during the past twelve months at a total cost of near \$150,000 and indications at this time are that twice that much building will be done here during the next twelve months, according to information received from the material dealers and contractors here.

The business buildings include a large brick store building now under construction on Main street for E. L. McClellan, the First National Bank building costing approximately \$10,000, the Masonic hall and the city hall, at a cost of about \$15,000, and the W. L. Russell store building.

The residence buildings include four fine brick homes, costing from \$7,500 to near \$12,000.

The W. M. Glover, R. W. Morton, D. B. Kirk and M. D. Jackson residences, all completed within the past year, would each do credit to any city in the country. They were built with an eye for beauty, both inside and out, and are really fine enough to be pointed to with pride and exultation by every citizen of the town and community.

Among the finer frame residences are the Dennis M. Jones, W. T. Devore, D. W. Holland, J. R. Collard, W. L. Davis, G. W. McMurry, S. F. Powers, Walter Davis, Walter Beck and Johnny Lackey homes. Some of these are of stucco finish and the interiors are beautiful indeed.

In the smaller frame constructions are the A. R. Hull, J. B. Cook, Hobart Dick and Gus Newcomb homes.

There are now under construction two cottages on the south highway for Kelly Stout. These are expected to be finished within the next two or three weeks.

Business Remodelings Some of the more extensive remodeling jobs, to business buildings, which have been completed during the past year include the Panhandle Lumber Co.'s office, the new front and entire re-decorating and re-arranging of the interior to the Lyric theatre, and the Smith Variety Store has just completed an entire new front show windows and extension.

railroad, and shut off from the outside world through the lack of telephone communication—and the only thing that really causes Hansford to be on the map is the fact that it is the county seat. But with all these existing conditions, a careful survey of the field, some months ago, was so gratifying that we felt certain there was a prosperous future in store for Hansford county, and we feel certain that time will bear us out in this statement."

BANK COMING

Parties will soon open the First State Bank of Hansford, and are pushing matters rapidly. It is now thought the institution will be ready for business by August 1, and Mr. Wright went to Kansas City to purchase a safe and vault.

Advertisers represented in the first issue of THE INVESTIGATOR are: W. E. Caldwell, Dry Goods & Notions; E. C. Hays, grocery; J. R. Collard, Texas farm and ranch lands; P. M. Maize, General Merchandise; The First National Bank, announcing opening; R. B. Hays, M. D.; A. R. Tull, D. D. S.; Alfalfa Seed by J. M. Simmons; First National Bank of Guymon; Hale Drug Store of Guymon and Optima and Hansford Land and Townsite Company.

JULY 24, 1907

(In this the third issue of the Investigator the editor calls attention to a few of the advantages of the new country, as he found them on investigation, and while these things were said 22 years ago, we believe they are as pertinent today as they were when written by the county's first editor.)

Observations by the Wayside The Panhandle has without question the three elements essential to a good country. Favorable climate, sufficient rainfall, and good soil. These three are found here by all who investigate.

Great Stock Country As a stock and agricultural country this section is entitled to careful consideration. While it is still a cattle country, it raises a much higher type of cattle than before. The character of the ranchers and ranches has changed. The herds are now owned by a larger number of men, and are kept on comparatively small ranges, and in winter are fed succulent foliage crops that were unknown in the early days.

The white-faced Hereford has come to be the trade-mark of the Panhandle. Cattle kings of the Panhandle (Continued on Page 7)

Save More of Your Crop This Year

The profit in your ripening crop lies in the last few bushels. Getting them is what makes it a big wheat year for you. With the Nichols & Shepard Combine—the greatest grain-saving Combine built—you can do it—this year.

SAVES MORE GRAIN

There's one big reason why you should harvest your crop with this Combine. It saves more grain. Field tests prove that it sends a higher percentage of grain to the wagon box than any other combine built.

THRESHES LIKE THE RED RIVER SPECIAL THRESHER

For this is the Combine that threshes like the Red River Special Thresher. The famous Big Cylinder, the biggest found in any combine and the Man Behind the Gun—an exclusive Nichols & Shepard feature—represent the most effective way to get the grain from the straw. This combination, the greatest threshing combination ever devised, is found only in the quality-built Nichols & Shepard Combine.

SAVES ITS COST

The additional grain that the Nichols & Shepard Combine will get from the straw has often amounted to as much as 2 to 3 bushels per acre in a moderate crop. You can harvest thin stands profitably, and will quickly save the entire cost of the Combine by the profit it rolls up on big acreages. Read what owners say.

POWER FOR ALL CONDITIONS—ALL DAY LONG

The Nichols & Shepard Combine with a 40 horse power engine on the 15 foot cut, a 50 horse power engine on the 20 foot cut, has power to get the grain under all conditions. It saves the grain better, no matter whether it's down and full of weeds, or whether it is thick, upstanding grain that goes over the 50 bushel-an-acre mark. The Nichols & Shepard has the power to get it, and to thresh it clean while cutting a full swath—all day long. Read what owners say.

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Low Repair Cost means more than the money involved. It also means that this Combine is ready to run every day, that no harvesting time is lost in tinkering and repairing. Read what owners say:

The Nichols & Shepard Combine is ready to run and to keep on running season after season. It is ready to run for you this year, and to pay for itself in your grain that it saves.

This is the Combine that you need for your crop this year. It is sold and serviced in your community.

FULL LINE OF REPAIRS—always in stock in Spearman.

—Mechanics at your service who know how, and are ready to service your machine on a moments notice.

—Talk to Mr. Joe Thornton, our mechanic.

12 Combines Ready to Deliver TODAY

SOMETHING I NEVER HAD HAPPEN BEFORE

Sawyer, Kansas, Sept. 26, 1917.
I harvested 500 acres of wheat and averaged 42 2-3 acres per day, and pulled my 15 ft. Nichols & Shepard Combine satisfactorily with a John Deere Tractor. The motor on the Combine furnished power enough so that I could cut a full 15 ft. swath under all conditions, and I had some awfully heavy straw.

But one thing I want to tell you and that is, I never owned or saw any Combine that would save and clean the wheat like the Nichols & Shepard.

My total cost for repairs this season was 11c and that was my own fault. While the average cost for repairs on the Combine I formerly owned was \$38.00 per year. Although I never needed a service man, yet he came around frequently to see how I was getting along, and that was something I never had happen before.
CLAUDE YOUNG.

Spearman, Texas, May 30, 1929

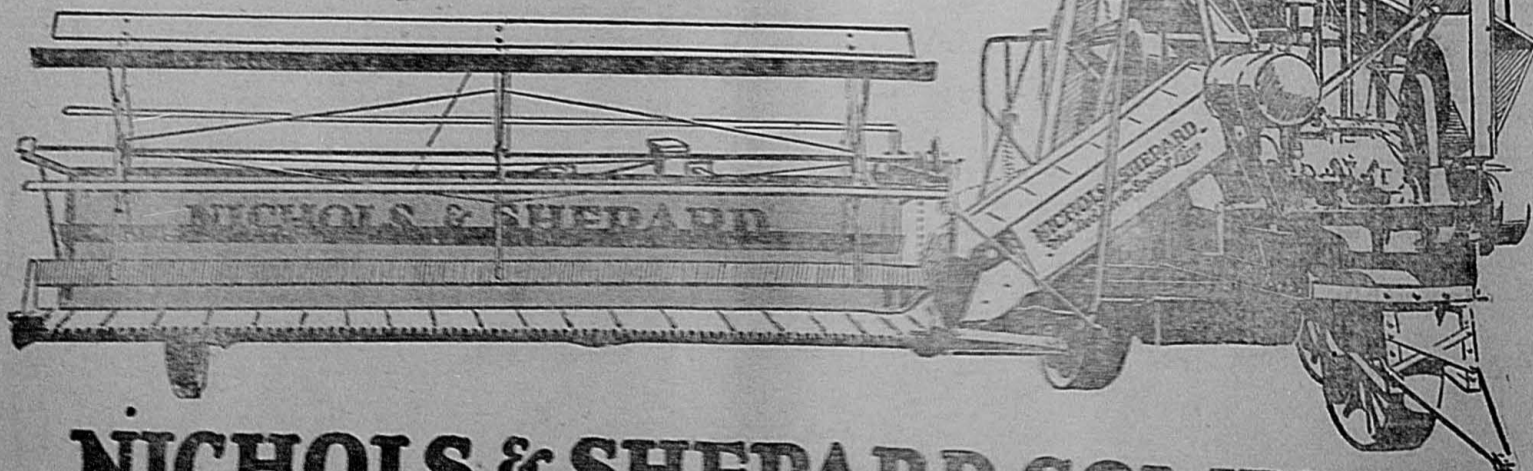
I can say a good word for the Nichols & Shepard combine. I purchased one 20-foot Nichols & Shepard combine last season, cut 1200 acres with the one machine, with no breakdowns or delays worth mentioning.

I have placed my order with the Nichols & Shepard dealers at Spearman for two more 20-foot combines, to be delivered in time for this year's harvest, which is a guarantee that I think very well of this machine.

My farm is located southwest of Gluver about three miles.
CLARENCE BROADHURST.

Mr. A. Laird, who produced 65,000 bushels of wheat in 1928, bought three Nichols and Shepard combines with which to harvest it. This year he has a greater acreage than in 1928, and has purchased two extra combines for the coming harvest. The three purchased last year are all up and ready to go. Mr. Laird, evidently was satisfied with the service rendered by his Nichols & Shepard last year, else he would not have placed repeat orders this year.

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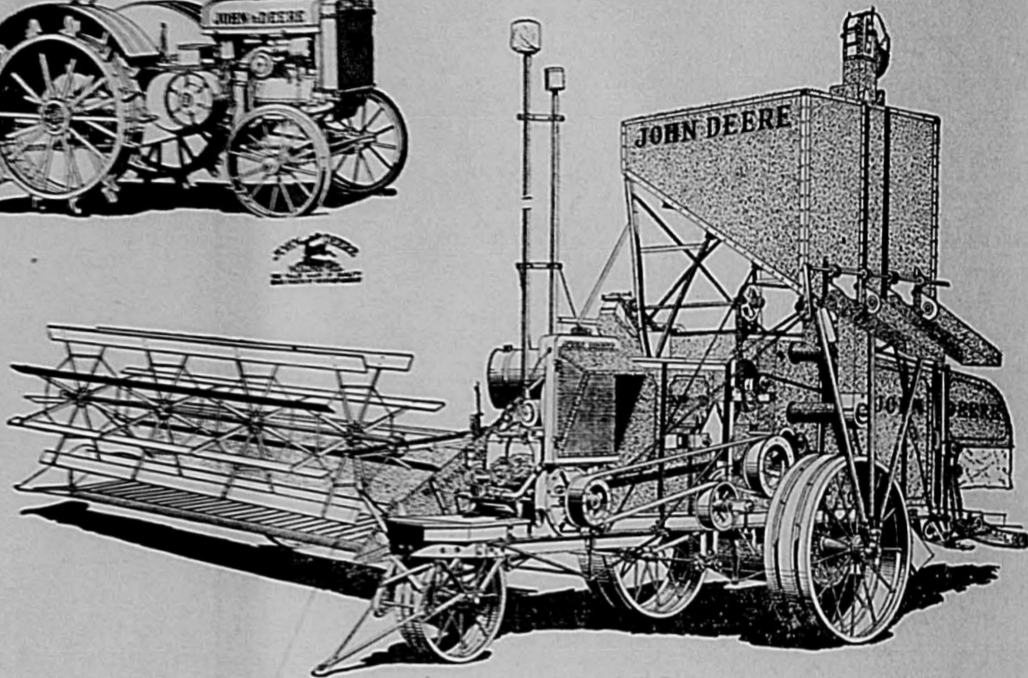
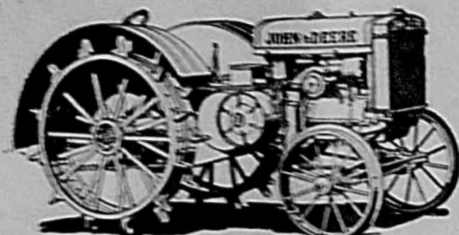


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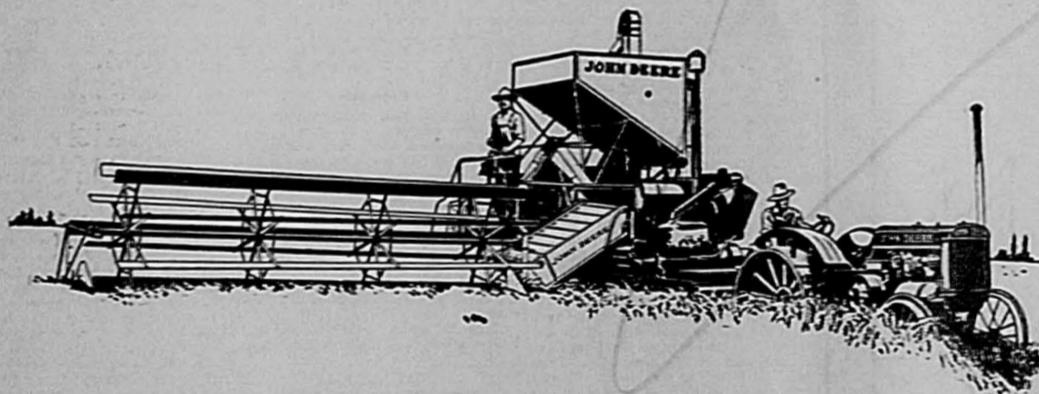
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RESULTS—The objective desired in any undertaking. In farming, results depend on your equipment. For decades, The John Deere Line has been known for its dependability, sturdiness and for the results obtained. In the John Deere Tractor you will be surprised.

When you see the work done by the sturdy, compact John Deere Tractor you will appreciate the advantages of the Combine and the remarkable conservation of all the John Deere line, that has caused thousands of farmers to buy them.

You can do more work in less time—save more grain—have more money left—when you use a John Deere Implement.



FORWARD---SPEARMAN

With the march of time—Let this institution express our appreciation of the progressiveness shown here on the North Plains in the last few years. Progress will

find this firm going hand in hand with the spirit. We are always ready to back and stand behind any move that arises for the betterment of Spearman, Hansford County and the great North Plains. As pioneers of the

plains country we know how to appreciate the rapid growth that has been our lot in the past few years—We realize the value of advancement—and we are for you.



WOMBLE HARDWARE CO.

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AT THIS STORE YOU GET QUALITY AND SERVICE

ITEMS FROM HANSFORD INVESTIGATOR

(Continued from page 1.)
have become immensely wealthy; but stock and grain farming will prove even more profitable.

Hogs
Hogs are always profitable because they are quick money. The hog is a money maker in the Panhandle because he is free from cholera. Alfalfa makes pork fast and we believe the Panhandle will become just as famous a hog country as it has been a cattle country. Its advantages as a hog country are unsurpassable.

Experiments conducted by Swift & Co. at their packing house at Ft. Worth have proven that milo maize and kaffir corn are equal to Indian corn for fattening hogs, and these small grains are very easily grown here.

Sheep
When land becomes high priced, and every foot of it must be put in use then sheep take a place on nearly every farm.

Sheep are profitable to raise because of the wool crop in the spring, and then is ready for the butcher in the fall.

They keep down weeds, are easy keepers. We have mild winters, cool summers, and abundance of grass—an ideal combination for successful sheep growing.

Poultry
Mild winters in this section make poultry and turkey raising profitable. Turkeys need little attention from the time they are hatched until marketed.

Resources and Advantages
Malaria unknown.

A great diversity of soil.

Snow storms rare in winter.

Finest climate in Texas.

Varied and interesting scenery.

Finest wild grass found in Texas.

Abundance of pure water.

Citizens are intelligent, progressive and hospitable.

Pure air and sunshine all year.

Very fertile soil.

Climate not too hot, too cold, too wet, or too dry.

Ideally adapted to stock farming.

Produces fruits, vegetables without irrigation.

Should interest—
The industrious man of small means.

Persons wishing to build themselves into big businesses from small beginnings.

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Persons in search of healthful climate and superior soil.

Persons desirous of settling their children on healthful, productive locality, and in a country with a great future.

Town Topics

J. C. Sanders and wife living

southeast of town entertained a large party of friends in a most enjoyable manner at their home last Friday evening. It was a very happy occasion for all present.

A. F. Barkley has the only abstract of Hansford county real estate. Write him.

JULY 31, 1907

(Editors Note:—The people of Hansford county had long dreamed and prayed for a railroad. In this issue of the INVESTIGATOR a report of the first concrete efforts ever made by the citizens, toward procuring a rail connection with the outside world, is made. There are now two rail lines into the county, but it has taken practically two and a half decades of work, discouragement and hope before the dreams of the pioneers were realized.)

Sounds Good

A party of capitalists and promoters interested in the construction of a railroad from Shattuck, Oklahoma, to Dalhart, Texas, have been raising the spirits of the people of Ochiltree and Lipscomb the past week, by stating they were contemplating building a line through that part of the Panhandle provided, of course, a good bonus is guaranteed and if it can be demonstrated the promoters mean business the "substantial encouragement" will doubtless be promptly forthcoming. This proposed line is said to be backed by the Santa Fe and that they are also anxious to come into Hansford county and Hansford will be pleased to have them come and will show its appreciation in a handsome manner when the proposition is presented and our citizenry is convinced that they mean business.

Railroads on paper furnish miserably poor railroad facilities. What this country wants and is willing to assist in is the real article—a road that will give us shipping facilities to the big markets.

Newsp Items

W. A. Burran and wife of Day, Okla., are visiting in Hansford, the guests of their daughter, Mrs. E. K. Wilbanks.

A. M. Wilbanks, one of the substantial supporters of this paper was a welcome visitor last Saturday. Mr. Wilbanks has just finished threshing and stated that from 35 acres he obtained 514 bushels of wheat, an average of thirteen bushels to the acre; from seventeen acres of oats he obtained 423 bushels, or about seven teen bushels to the acre, and his smile gave evidence he was satisfied.

A baby boy has arrived to make happy the home of D. B. Kirk and wife, south of town.

AUGUST 14, 1907

(Editor's Note:—In this issue the editor reports the election of officers for the First State Bank. The First State was afterward changed to The First National Bank, and was the be-

gining of our present prosperous local banking institution of that name.)

Elect Officers

The stockholders of the First State Bank of Hansford met last Saturday and perfected their organization.

Following is a list of stockholders: Bert O. Cator, John Cotter, H. C. Parcels, J. R. Collard, J. H. Wright, L. S. Cator, J. F. Lackey, Elmer Hays, Geo. Ellison, Dr. A. B. Tull, L. L. Medlin, R. C. Lowe and S. C. Tyler.

Directors: Bert O. Cator, John Cotter, H. C. Parcels, J. R. Collard and J. H. Wright.

Officers: Bert O. Cator, president; John Cotter, vice president; H. C. Parcels, cashier; and J. R. Collard, assistant cashier.

The capital stock is ten thousand dollars, and the president informs us that they will begin to do business as soon as the charter and books arrive.

AUGUST 28, 1907

(Editor's Note:—In this issue a report of a big Harvest Home Picnic, held Friday, August 23, 1907, which was attended by one thousand people, according to the reporters estimate. Amusements started at 10:30 o'clock Friday morning and ended about 3 o'clock Saturday morning. A. E. Townsend was the principal speaker of the occasion, and his speech was carried in the following issue of the INVESTIGATOR. We would be glad to reproduce it in full, but a few excerpts will suffice to show the newcomers into this territory, that Mr. Townsend had the vision of Hansford county's future.)

Mr. Townsend's Address
Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: In response to the welcome extended by our chairman, Mr. Barkley, I desire, on behalf of the members of this audience who might be considered visitors, to heartily thank you for the generous hospitality extended us by the loyal citizens of this little "village of the plains."

While I am a native of Iowa and proud of the state of my birth, yet I have become so infatuated with the state of Texas and her hospitable people, that I almost envy them their birthright.

My faith in the agricultural possibilities of this favored land is abiding, and I am endeavoring to prove my faith by my works. There are but two essentials requisite for an agricultural country, namely climate and soil. Here we have both. The soil we have in Hansford county is not excelled by that of any state in the union. The vast prairies of Iowa and Illinois were, in the pioneer days, covered with a heavy growth of coarse prairie grass, or blue stem, from three to six feet in height with a sod so tough that it was an exceedingly hard task to break it, and when it was broken it took several



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STRANDED five miles from nowhere because the oil wouldn't do its job! Has that happened to you? If it has, the chances are that you were not particular the last time you had the crankcase drained—or perhaps you ran too long without changing the oil. This will be a slack summer for service cars if motorists will remember two things: first, to change oil regularly, and secondly, to use only a brand of oil which they know from their own experience or the experience of others will stand up under the most trying conditions of motor operation.

You can depend upon any oil which has the backing of the Continental Oil Company. These are the brands which have been tried and tested—in the laboratory and on the road. They lubricate thoroughly, protect every moving part and stand up under intense heat.

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years to get it into condition to produce favorable crops. Here the breaking of the virgin sod is a comparatively light task, and if put in proper condition, a bumper crop can be grown the first year.

Climatic conditions are most favorable. The rainfall, as shown by government reports, shows an annual rainfall of over 24 inches. And eighteen inches of it falls during the cropping season, or from April to September. This is practically the same as the rainfall in Illinois, during the cropping season.

My opinion is that the soil of this country, if properly prepared and cultivated, will retain moisture much better than the soil of Iowa and Illinois.

No country on earth, in my humble opinion, furnishes better opportunities for the man of small means than Hansford county. Here he can buy land at an extremely low price, and on very easy terms. He can raise just as much, and do it cheaper, than he can on land in other places costing him from \$80 to \$100 per acre.

It remains for us who are especially interested in the development of this country to unite our efforts in spreading intelligent and accurate information concerning the actual conditions here, among the people of the East and induce them to come and join with us in the development of what I believe is destined to become the choicest agricultural lands in the West.

The development of this country through its various stages has been slow, but we have arrived at that place where the future progress will be repaid. But two short years ago these lands were not valued at more than \$1 to \$2 per acre, and were used exclusively for grazing purposes. Today, through the ordinary course of events these lands have practically jumped over night in value to \$8 and \$10 per acre.

We look and behold the sun shining on a goodly land, on myriad minarets and countless spires, cities and classic halls, on fair fields rich with the golden gleam of harvest, where food enough to feed the world is awaiting the reapers blade. We see a people great, intelligent, and free, populating the Panhandle of the great state of Texas, with Hansford county, the banner county of a prosperous state and nation.

Just News
Wednesday evening the opera house was packed from gallery to pit, to witness a "funnygraft" and moving picture exhibition.

J. H. Caldwell and wife who have been making a visit at the home of the former's brother, W. E. Caldwell, left Tuesday for Canon City, where they will stop for a short visit, and then continue their journey to California, stopping at various points enroute.

SEPTEMBER 4, 1907
Editor's Note:—Two items of special interest to our readers today are to be found in the INVESTIGATOR under the date of September 4, 1907. The return of Capt. J. Bernstein, from three years wandering and his settling down on his farm in this county, and the marriage of S. B. Hale and Miss Grace Wright in Meade, Kansas, on June 10.)

Surprised Their Friends
A marriage that was solemnized June 10, in Meade, Kansas, and given publicity last week, was the uniting in the sacred bonds of matrimony of two prominent Guymon young people. The principals of this romantic venture were Miss Grace Wright and Mr. S. B. Hale.

The Guymon Democrat of last week gives the following account: "Miss Wright has been spending the summer in Guymon, with her sister, Mrs. J. Y. Grubbs, and her uncle, Huff Wright. The marriage to Mr. Hale has been kept a close secret and the two young people have come and gone in Guymon without a hint leaking out.

Miss Wright is a daughter of Mel Wright, a Hansford county old timer, well and favorably known to all the old residents and to many new comers also. Miss Grace taught school in Hansford county, where, as in Guymon, she was recognized as one of the most accomplished young women of this section.

The groom we have always considered an excellent business man who has justly won the reputation, but now he demonstrated his ability as a gentleman of exceptional taste in the selection of a life partner. The well wishes and hearty congratulations of their many friends in this community is sincerely extended them.

Returns To First Love
Capt. J. Bernstein who owns a fine ranch northwest of town, but about three years ago rented it and sailed away to the Pacific coast for an indefinite stay, has returned to his first love with a deeper and warmer heart than ever for the Panhandle country. The captain says the mountains are high, also living expenses; the sparkling Pacific deep and attractive, and that distant hills always look green, but having given the coast a fair trial he is firmly convinced there is no place like "Home, Sweet Home," and that he and his good wife are here to stay.

(Editor's Note:—Man, Poor Man, may bring to mind the efforts that were being made twenty years ago, to protect our health and morals.)

Man, Poor Man!
The simplest and plainest laws of health are outraged every hour of the day by the average man. Did Adam smoke? Did Eve wear corsets? Did Solomon chew tobacco? Did Ruth chew gum? Did the children of Israel make for a beer garden after crossing the Red Sea? Did Rebecca eat gum drops and ice cream and call for soda water?

Adam was the first man and was perfect from head to heel. How long would he remain so after eating a mince pie before going to bed? Suppose he had slept in a bedroom five by seven with the windows down, the doors shut, and two dogs under the bed? Suppose Eve had laced herself up in a corset, put on tight shoes, sat up all hours of the night eating her fill of trash, and sizzled her hair. When you come to think of the way a man misbehaves himself, you can only wonder he ever lived to get there.

Verily the average man behaves as if he were little better than a fool.

Ex-Judge Nelson B. Crosby, wife and family, who have been residing in Guymon for some time, have grown tired of the sights and scenes of a metropolitan city, and long for pure air, and all the other blessings that go with farm life, and this week they moved to their big ranch north of town. Mrs. Crosby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kimball of Boston, Mass., are at the ranch and will make an extended visit.

Sidney Powers left Sunday for Canadian, where he will enter the academy and attend college this winter.

Sam Archer went through town today enroute to Guymon after a load of freight. He reports crops good in his neighborhood.

Hansford has a gentleman named Hammer and one named Mallet, and

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The dawn of 1929 reveals a dazzling prospect before us. Opportunity for progress and expansion undreamed of, in the religious, educational and industrial life of the entire country stands before us ready to grasp.

Well qualified to get in the swim and stay in the swim, this institution is determined to participate enthusiastically in the tremendous forward impetus Business is about to receive.

Watch For the Big 19c Sale COMING SOON

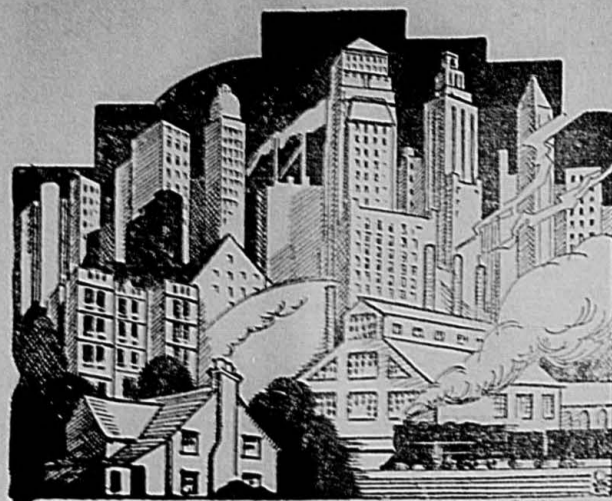
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SEPTEMBER 4, 1907
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The Portals of Prosperity ARE OPEN TO YOU AT SPEARMAN

THE HEART OF THE NORTH PLAINS WHEAT BELT

Where living is enjoyable. A city surrounded by the great open spaces; a city with its own municipal government, six churches, unsurpassed accredited schools, a live Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, two Banks, with deposits totaling one and one-half millions, seven large grain elevators, three full line lumber yards, located on Highways 117-88 and D. C. D., also on the Santa Fe Railroad. The down town section is paved with the best brick pavement, the finest water on the north plains is furnished Spearman by its own municipal wells; electric lights, and adequate telephone system. Innumerable homes of first rate construction now being built; altitude 3,100 feet above sea level, surrounded by lands of ever increasing values that last year produced more than 3,100,000 bushels of good hard wheat.

acreage this ear is reported to be in excess of 25 per cent greater than last year and conditions are the best.

The city of Spearman has known rapid growth in its ten years of existence. Ten years ago where this little city now stands, was but a rolling prairie. Ten years have made a wonderful change in the North Plains—Land values have quadrupled, the population has increased many fold; today finds Spearman the metropolis of the North Plains.

We invite you to Live and Trade in a town that appreciates you—**SPEARMAN.**

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We welcome the stranger into our homes and into the business and social activities of the community. May he join us and prosper and prospering may he join with us in our ever present striving to make this community an even better place to live.

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THE MECCA FOR THRIFTY, HONEST HOME SEEKERS

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about Texas, is to tell the whole truth and not to scale down the facts, so they will be creditable to the ears of those who have not seen the evidence of the wonderful opportunities on every hand, that exist here. Just as the American in Europe hesitates to tell the simple facts of the life and prosperity in America, because he knows he will be doubted, so the Texan feels when he tries to tell the truth about his farms and lands to his friends in the East.

The Change

While it is true that this part of the state was for many years considered too dry for agricultural purposes, the past few years has seen the farmer and settler demonstrate the possibilities of farming in Hansford county.

As an illustration of the fertility of the soil here, one of our farmers last year harvested thirty bushels of corn per acre, from land that had never been touched with a plow from the time it was planted until it was harvested.

The only man who is going to be disappointed with Texas, is the man who will come here seeking solitude and quietness in the "Great American desert." He will be unable to find such a place, although late maps of the section has listed this territory as being the very heart of that desert. As a matter of fact this country has never been a desert. The idea was spread through ignorance of the early day map-makers. The country was so large they could not cover it all, so guessed there was enough land

elsewhere in America to fill the demands for several centuries, and therefore see no necessity in making an actual exploration of the country. People are coming to this state and they are coming by the thousands, and in much greater comfort than did those early pioneers who crossed the plains in prairie schooners. We invite you to come and make your own investigations. You will then make your future home with us. Editor's Note.—This story is reprinted by permission, from the only newspaper printed in Hansford county over 20 years ago, many of the facts, except land prices, and other almost unbelievable progress of the country, are substantially the same today as when Mr. Purcell made this prophetic survey of the resources of this fertile section.)

RAILROAD IS NOW A CERTAINTY

Enid, Ochiltree & Western Line Being Pushed to Positive Success

Editor's Note.—"There's many a slip 'tween the cup and the lip," but Hansford county citizens twenty years ago had visions of a railroad running east and west across the county, and so strongly did they feel the needs of railway facilities at this time, they even pledged their own credit, and undertook to build their own line from Dalhart to Ochiltree. The line as proposed at that time followed the general line of the Santa Fe branch between Spearman and Shattuck, and the proposed Rock Island cut off between Dalhart and Pringle.)

The leading topic of conversation in Hansford, Ochiltree and Hutchinson counties, and in fact this section of the Panhandle is the Enid, Ochiltree and Western railroad to be constructed from Ochiltree to Dalhart. Nothing is permitted to detract pub-

lic attention from this all-absorbing subject because the people recognize it is undoubtedly the best and most feasible proposition ever presented the citizens and besides is being promoted by a gentleman who is not only an untiring worker and successful in his undertakings, but because the public recognizes from his excellent credentials Mr. Weist is a man of the highest standing and integrity. These facts coupled with the fact that the proposed road will so adequately fill the dreams of our people, and the fact that its organization is being gone about with such painstaking and thorough manner by the promoters, is why the proposition is meeting with such universal approval by everyone.

Six weeks ago today Mr. Weist arrived upon the scene of action and aside from preliminary work has raised the sum of \$135,000 in that short length of time.

Mr. Weist has stated that notices would be mailed out in a few days calling a meeting of the subscribers and stockholders to be held in Ochiltree Thursday, June 11, for the purpose of organizing and arranging further details for canvassing adjacent territory.

A handsome suite of rooms has been secured in the Ochiltree First National bank for business offices to be used by the promoter and his force of assistants.

According to present plans the first formal meeting in Hansford will be held on Saturday, June 20, at the court house, at which time he will meet with the citizens and fully explain the proposition as to what has already been accomplished and what it is proposed to accomplish.

In the issue of June 17, 1908, the editor of the Investigator says: Last Thursday the stockholders of the Enid, Ochiltree & Western rail-

road met in Ochiltree for the purpose of perfecting organization. After several hours of balloting the following directors were declared elected: George M. Perry, James T. Fryer, A. E. Weist, Jr., E. L. Whippo, J. M. Blodgett, W. M. McMillen, W. S. Groves, W. B. Dennison, J. A. Russell.

Dalhart has offered promoter Weist \$50,000 already, and the remaining \$50,000 can easily be raised in Dalhart and Dallam county, as this road would mean much to the railroad center west of here.

Hansford Meeting

In the issue of June 24, 1908, the editor reports the meeting held at Hansford on June 20, as follows:

The approximate cost of building this line is estimated at one million dollars. It is the purpose of this company to secure stock subscriptions along the route to the amount of five hundred thousand dollars, or one half of the cost, then to issue bonds for the other half.

The people of Ochiltree have subscribed \$125,000 of this amount. Hansford, and Hutchinson counties have been asked to subscribe \$150,000, which will leave about \$100,000 to be subscribed by Moore and Dallam counties.

(The Investigator consolidated with the Ochiltree Eagle, and July 29 was the final publication of this paper. However, we can say, from information obtained from other sources, that the E. O. & W. began construction, and several miles of roadbed completed and work trains spent several months working between Dalhart and Dumas.)

The project was finally thrown into the hands of receivers, through circumstances, and the county was without a railroad for another 10 years. The Santa Fe eventually built a branch from Shattuck to within 6 miles of Hansford, and established the town of Spearman. The village of Hansford picked up in body, and moved over to the new town, and there now is little sign of the once thriving little village of the plains.)

PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY

(By Joe Reeves)

Physical Geography is a good subject But it certainly is hard on your project You can study you can play You can pass it any way.

You can study about the rocks You can study about the soil; You can study about any thing That you can get to boil.

Gillispie is a good teacher, But he would make a better preacher He says get out or get to work And in his class we never shirk.

Read the Reporter every week.

PRAYER OF A SPORTSMAN

Dear Lord, in the battle that goes on through life I ask but a field that is fair, A chance that is equal with all in the strife, A courage to strive and to dare; And if I should lose, let me stand by the road, And cheer as the winners go by.

And Lord, may my shouts be ungrudging and clear, A tribute that comes from the heart; And let me not cherish a snarl or a sneer

Or play any sniveling part; Let me say, "Then they ride on whom laurels bestowed, Since they played the game better than I."

Let me stand with a smile by the side of the road, And cheer as the winners go by.

So grant me to conquer, if conquer I can By proving my worth in the fray, But teach me to lose like a regular man

And not like a craven, I pray. Let me take off my hat to the warrior who strode To victory splendid and high; Teach me to stand by the side of the road And cheer as the winners go by.

STUDY HALL BLUES

(By Earl Riley)

I walked out of my room and down the hall. I saw Miss Tut looking over them all. She shouted at me and I started to run. I said to myself, "this ain't no fun." I ran down the hall and circled out the door, And I saw Mr. Word coming out of the store. He grabbed me by the arm and we started for the hall, And I said, "Mrs. Pirtle was the cause of it all." Oh! those Study Hall Blues!

THE SINGING CAT

(By Munroe Buchanan)

A cat sat on our fence As happy as could be, His voice reached to the skies, And he sang merrily.

My yell was of no use Tho' loudly did I cry, He saw me with mild reproof, And winked the other eye.

Quite vainly did I throw a bottle, Some shoes and a book; Therefore I seized my pistol, And my aim with great care took.

I had six shots, "Yo Gods," I cried, "May I have that darn cat killed." Although I took six of his lives 'The other three sang still

That cat sang with great force Although my aim was true, I began to think what In the thunder I'd do.

A scheme came to my head, I knew it would make him wince; I sang and the enemy fled, And has not been seen since.

WHY NOT THINK?

(By Olive Kirk)

There's some things that Mrs. Pirtle tells us to do, Write themes, study and think, Anyone, no matter who, Ought to do as she says, and think. Take a little time each day From the minutes thrown away; Spare it from your car rides or play Study and think!

You will find that students who fail Do not study or think. Student's who find themselves making D's, Ought to do as our teacher says, and think.

Shall we study English, or fail, Or what do you think? Let's not go along by guess, But rather to ourselves confess It would help us more or less, If we'd all do as she says, and think!

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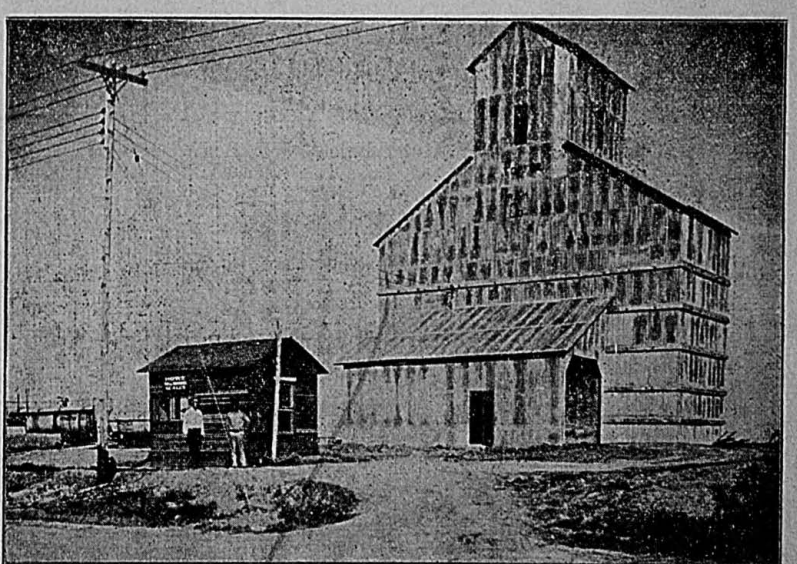
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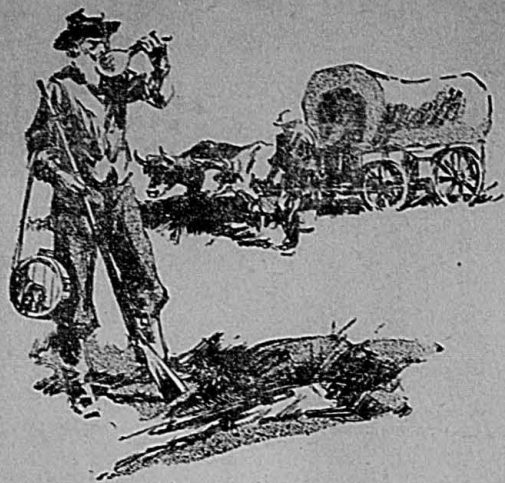
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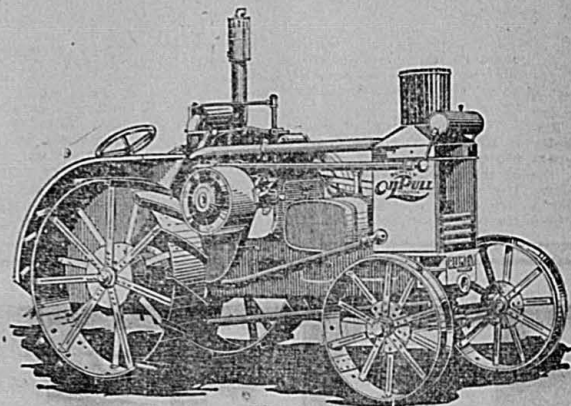


The Cry of Yesteryear Was Westward Ho!

Westward—Westward—ever westward into a practically unknown land, came the pioneers—hunting, seeking a land where all was well, where they could live in safety—where they could till soil that was fertile. Braving the Indians and the hardships of their day they came. Every man, woman and child, worked together as one—the spirit of co-operation was the watchword of safety, in their undertaking; co-operation was the watchword of safety, in their undertaking; co-operation was necessary. They came to this plains country and here they settled to rear their families. They wrote to their friends in the east and told them of the wonderful opportunities offered here and of the wonderful fertile soils.

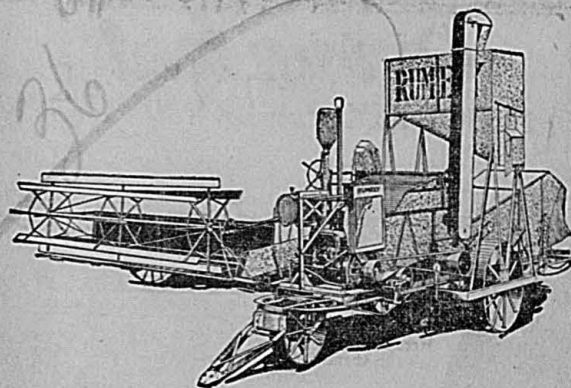
Then there was another call of "Westward Ho!" This time it was answered with modern machinery, such as is to be found on the markets today. The soil was broken and planted—Today that self-same land is the bed of oceans of wheat. And that same spirit and watchword still stands—CO-OPERATION. The pioneers were successful in co-operation—Today it is still the byword of successful farming. This is the WHY of co-operative buying and marketing.

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INTEREST TO OLD TIMERS

will fall to cause the water in the creek to rise up to the turtle. It was getting most awful dry up the creek the latter part of last week, so Joe resorted to his old trick that had never failed to bring moisture.

Personals

oper, a good farmer from a miles northwest, was in a business. Mr. Roper rec- right ten good cows from L. as at \$50 per head.

JULY 6, 1917

June Weddings as always been the popular weddings, and it seems furnished the usual num- nishing brides and handsome ns in spite of the short p, or the war with Germ-

24, Edwin D. Sheets and ie Lackey were united in at the home of the bride's Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lackey, southwest of Hansford.

27, R. H. McNutt and ie Henderson of Lieb, were marriage at Texhoma.

ashli Wright returned Sat- om Wichita Falls, where she for several days attending encampment of the Camp

Holt and family living 15 th, were trading in Hans- nday.

Barns, county assessor of on county and well known tile and hog buyer, was in d on business Saturday.

owers was in Monday attend- business matters and rejoicing ers over the recent rains. Mr. says his Indian corn had be- nifer for rain but will come now.

JULY 20, 1917 A Measly Trick F. Jones was in town Tuesday somewhat peeved at the way cent visitor to his premises aved. It has long been known en rain is badly needed on es ranch Joe goes down to the atches a turtle of a breed nly to himself, ties this turtle ten feet away from water, in 36 hours sufficient rain

in the extreme northern portion of the county Monday, trading and look- ing after business matters. P. M. Maize and F. L. Carson made a business trip to Texhoma, Wednesday.

AUGUST 3, 1917 First Call is Made

The following named men have been called to appear before the local board at Hansford, Texas, on Mon- day, August 6: Dave Lucille McClel- lan, Wesley Maupin, Luther Hamner Reynolds, Horace D. Weaver, Marion Partman, William Luther Godfrey, Edward Franklin Bennett, Charlie Davis, Alva Francis Garner, John Silas Longley, Perren Allison Lyon.

Land Commissioner Grants Aid A letter received by county clerk R. L. McClellan from J. T. Robinson, commissioner of the General Land Office, Austin, says that on account of conditions resulting from an un- precedented drouth throughout the school land territory, he has conclud- ed not to forfeit lands on August 15 this year, for the non-payment of interest due to November 1, 1916.

Births Sunday, July 15, 1917 to Mr. and Mrs. James T. Smith, 4 miles east of Hansford, a daughter. Thursday, July 12, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas Davis, ten miles north of town, a son.

Personals T. L. Hobbs was in town Saturday, the first time in a week. Tom's friends were getting uneasy about him, and were making arrangements to send a committee out to see what was keeping him away from his ac- customed haunts for so long.

Sever Forest was in from his home north of Hansford, Monday, looking after business matters. Mr. Forest in- formed the Headlight that he would leave on Thursday, the 16th, for Raymond, South Dakota, to spend the summer. He will take the entire fam- ily and will go through in an auto.

M. B. Wright and family and Cecil Winder and Bob Thom Sundayed at the Turkey Track ranch.

Frank L. Carson of the City National Bank made a business trip to Kansas since the last issue of this paper.

The death of Herbert V. Nesbitt on July 16, 1917, is reported in this issue of the Headlight.

JULY 27, 1917 The Colors Call Max Lackey, Walter C. Sikes, Ed F. Bennett and Harry Wilcox are Hansford's latest volunteers to Uncle Sam's army, having been sworn into service at Amarillo on Wednesday.

Personals Mrs. Tom Coble came in from the Turkey Track ranch Monday to spend the day with friends in town and to do some shopping.

A. L. Thoreson and wife and son Arthur, were in from their fine farm

our soil, but the possibilities that await the truck-grower.

Personals

Warren Neilson and son Howard, from over the edge in Hutchinson county, were trading in town Tues- day. Mr. Neilson says it is rather lonesome around his place now as his wife is visiting with her mother down at Hereford.

G. F. Mahan was in from his farm ten miles east of town, Tuesday. Miss Vio Woodring entertained a number of friends at her home last Saturday in honor of her tenth birth- day. The regular weekly meeting of the 4 o'clock club was also held at the same time and place.

OCTOBER 12, 1917 A Big Feed Crop

Joe Close has produced an excep- tionally large crop of milo maize and kaffir corn on his farm seven miles south of town, this year.

J. H. Buchanan has been out there all week assisting with the work of harvesting, and says this crop of Joe's is one of the best he has ever seen in this county.

On one 5-acre tract they tied out 2,000 bundles, averaging 100 pounds to the bundle. At five cents per bundle this year, and if the grain is threshed out and sold it will easily bring \$2.00 per bushel, and will make 25 bushels to the acre.

Personals

J. G. B. Sparks, who raises a bumper crop on his fine farm six miles south of town every year, and yet spends two thirds of his spare time in town, brought ten heads of maize in Monday, with which he hopes to win that \$250 prize offered by A. E. Townsend. A man who can raise a crop with as little effort as Mr. Sparks should not be allowed to enter a contest with ordinary farm- ers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Steel were trad- ing in Hansford Tuesday. Mr. Steele says an immense feed crop was raised on his farm this year and that owing to the scarcity of help, he has had no little trouble in saving it.

The Missionary society will meet with Mrs. Lee McClellan on the after- noon of Wednesday, October 17, and the Fancy Work club with Mrs. Bailey on Saturday, October 20.

The Darning Club met with Mrs. J. R. Collard on Monday of this week. Miss Elizabeth Beck was a guest of the club.

The Four O'Clock Club was enter- tained last Saturday afternoon by Miss Olivette Hancock. The little misses spent a very delightful after- noon with fancy work, books, dolls and games. The horrid boys were not allowed to attend. The guest list in- cluded Misses Annie Cator, Roby Marney, Dorothy Lilly, Wilma Yancy, Priscilla, Elizabeth and Oli-

ette Hancock, Waureka and Juanita Haney.

Help

A couple of weeks ago a red sow and several pigs strayed away from their accustomed habitat on the Phil Weaver farm south of town, and the Headlight was duly instructed to ad- vertise for the wanderers. We forgot to insert the ad, and now comes O. Weaver, democrat, farmer, weight 210, who deposes and says that it is his private opinion publicly expressed that the Headlight man has had something to do with the disposal of the glittering prospects of ham an'. If you know anything of the where- abouts of this mamma pig and her brood, for the love of Mike notify Mr. Weaver at once.

OCTOBER 26, 1917 Personals

Born on Monday evening, October 22, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Barkley, a sweet little daughter, who has been named Gertrude.

When the wheatless days and the meatless days produce a real reduction in the price of the necessities of life, then the American public will consider Mr. Hoover quite compe- tent.

Our Volunteers to Date

DeWitt Cheek, Walter Winters, Oscar Eizemore, John Pollock, R. T. Bucy, Max Lackey, Robert Balentine, Edward Bennett, Tom Burges, Ham- mer Reynolds, Sul Spivey, Harry Wilcox, Joseph Jones, M. D., Forest Cline, and Robert McKenzie.

In the Selective Draft Perren Allison Lyon, Jesse Erwin Hays, Jimmie Matney, Jack Grace Johnson, Wm. Sylvester Frizzell, Eber Adam Hogle, Willie Ernest Spencer, Gordon Alexander Prevo, Wilburn L. Shelton.

DECEMBER 7, 1917 Section of Land Sells Well

Mrs. Harry L. Endicott recently sold to W. A. Vickers one section of land located eight miles east of Hans- ford for \$22,000. Although this is a splendid body of land and is well located, still we believe this is a little above the average price for which Hansford county land is selling. This section is located near the Spearman townsite, and is choice land, but there are hundreds of acres in other sections just as good, but located a greater distance from the railroad, which can be bought for considerably less money.

Hansford county land will advance in price at a rapid rate when the new railroad reaches Spearman, and prospec- tive homeseekers and investors will never have another opportunity to gain a foothold in this land of matchless advantages and unbounded resources.

The day of real cheap land is past in Hansford county, but considering its real value and the fact that such fine land is hard to find for sale at

any price, it is still selling "dirt" cheap.

DECEMBER 21, 1917

The Headlight recently received instruction from the Division of Pub- licity officer to print no more letters from soldier boys.

Mrs. Sid Clark and son Harbert are spending the week out at the L. D. Pierce home, seven miles south- west of Hansford. They took Count and the buggy along, which is seri- ously interfering with "Chunk's" social affairs.

Mrs. Frank Andrews and daughter Miss Lora are spending the holidays with relatives in Kansas City. B. J. Glover and sisters Ethel and Francis and Miss Opal Compton, of the Medlin community, were shop- ping in Hansford Wednesday.

We are informed by B. V. Andrews that he has severed his connections with the Guaranty State Bank, hav- ing resigned as active vice president. A report of the condition of the First National Bank, published on this date shows the bank to have loans and discounts of \$174,163.28, and deposits of over \$177,000.00.

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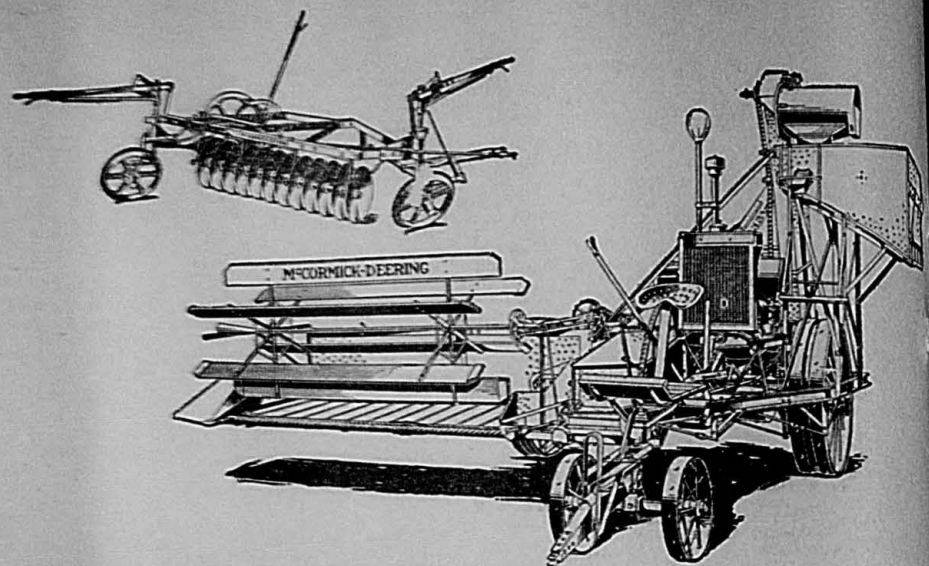
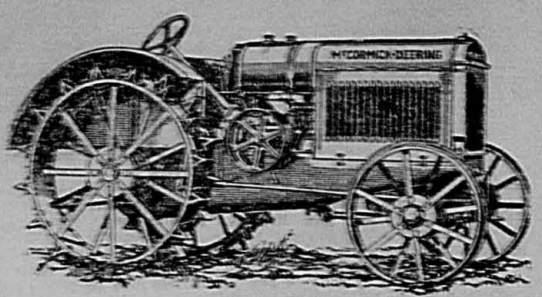
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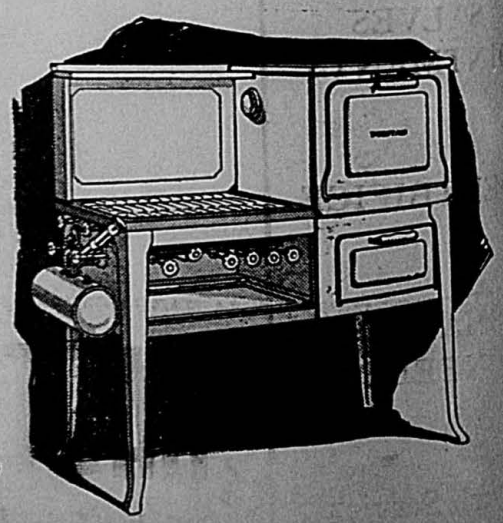
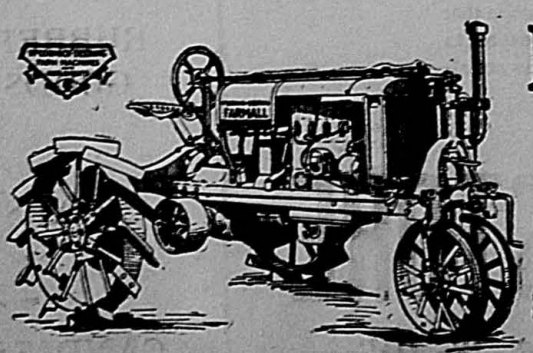
The International Line has done much towards the settling of the plains and the tilling of the once thought unproductive soil. Without proper farm equipment it would have been impossible to make productive the untold acres of grain that are now at our very door. We do not say this in a sense of braggartism or conceit, but facts are facts. In every frontier—in every stage of pioneering—International has been called to do their part.

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FROM HANSFORD INVESTIGATOR

Continued from page five. Her one is a knocker. They are the contrary. Wilbanks, one of our good...

SEPTEMBER 25, 1907

Mr. Note:—In this issue applicant of prizes to be given away...

but is now convalescing and with no unforeseen complications arising Caesar will soon be himself again.

OCTOBER 2, 1907 Just News

T. E. Ward, a former resident of Hansford county and a gentleman pleasantly remembered by his many friends...

The pleasant country home of Mr. P. M. Woodring, northwest of town was made even happier last Sunday...

OCTOBER 16, 1907

W. H. Carlisle of Guymon has purchased a "regular touring car" and will hereafter handle the mail and passengers between here and Guymon by auto.

NOVEMBER 27, 1907 Limited Express Ditched

While the automobile that runs between Hansford and Guymon was en route to this place last Friday afternoon, the machine that nearly always goes against time, changed the program and went against a snag or something else near the Wilmeth ranch and was so "disfigured" for the time being that a messenger was sent on her and Lon Hays, the liveryman...

instructed to go out and get the belated passengers. Autos are alright—sometimes, but the old reliable horse need never worry about the twentieth century mode of transportation.

A Kansas City artificial limb factory has discontinued and will reopen as an automobile garage. The idea probably is to make business for some other artificial limb company.

ON SHIRTS IN SUMMER

(By Raymond Kirk)

I think shirts in summer are the most troublesome, worthless articles a person can have wrapped about him. I am not speaking of Sunday, but of the days that man earns his bread by the sweat of his brow.

Not long ago I was reading in a newspaper that New York girls paid as high as ten or even twenty dollars for an artificial sunburn or tan. To me that sounds silly, because all those girls would have to do in Texas is chuck their sunbonnet or parasol in a corner and get out under old Sol. Two or three hours would be ample time for their skin to turn from a delicate white to a flaming, burning red.

But I am supposed to be talking about shirts. As I was about to say, shirts have their merits for those of a very light complexion; but to those who possess a dark skin, I say chuck your shirts on a fence post and contract a healthful western sunburn.

I have seen instances where the sunshine was shunned. But after a fellow gets his shirt tail in the drive pulley of a tractor, and there remains nothing but a few buttons and a tattered strip of cloth hanging...

about his neck, he usually changes his mind and swears off wearing shirts, at least those with the tails flapping in the breeze.

Of course it is very advisable to have a shirt sticking around in the tool box or some place, because the fairer sex always likes to visit working men in the field. That cannot be helped, because they are like that.

About the only ambition of men who come from the cities to the harvest fields to find labor, is to take back home a western tan. Most of them start very enthusiastically, but find it a very painful and heated experiment. Some of the men will throw the works and don their shirts again, and stick and stick to it until the burning God of Daylight and the gentle zephyrs have given them a glistening tan. Then, after the long besought tan has been acquired they will look upon themselves in silent admiration, because of their accomplishments.

Sunburns have their merits also. After the tanning process is ended, you can almost laugh right in a mosquito's face. A mosquito may alight on your sunburned countenance, but no matter how long he may drill, it will be a long time before he reaches "pay dirt." When he does, his drill bit will be so embedded that he cannot get away without aid. Dressing partially like the prehistoric men also cuts down the laundry bill, although it causes unexperienced men to go through some painful experiences.

OF PARENTS

(By Nettie Lea Williams)

"The joys of parents are secret, and so are their griefs and fears; they can not utter the one and will not utter the other." When parents are happy or sad, they always act the same. They never mention their feelings, for if they did they might make someone unhappy. When children get excited or frightened, the parents remain calm. They realize that the children depend on them to do what is best. When they are happy no one ever knows it, for they can never express their happiness. They never talk about what they enjoy, as the children do. It is the same way when they are in trouble; they keep all things secret. The children have to tell their troubles, but the parents never mention theirs.

The parents are the children's protection all through their childhood. When a child gets hurt, he always asks for his mother or father first. He thinks that they know what is best to do. If they get scared they call for the parents. Mothers and fathers can always tell what is best for a child to do. They will never advise children to go where they are not safe.

Our parents are the best friends we have. They never forget us. When we are in trouble, they will do anything to help us. Often they suffer more than we. They are willing to give up anything to help one of their children. Parents are ready to help us to enjoy ourselves any way they can. If they can help a child in any way to have a good time, they are willing to do it. They often give up their own pleasures so that their children may better enjoy themselves.

WHO WERE THEY?—AN INFORMAL ESSAY

(Aaron Gill, in English IV)

It was one beautiful spring morning, when I was sitting on the front porch gazing over the landscape, that I discovered a new family moving in, rebuilding, changing the appearance of the adjoining estate. I say it was the adjoining estate, for sometimes the same front yard was used by both families, provided the children could play together peaceably.

It was quite interesting to sit and watch the new neighbors work. There was quite a number in the family, and everyone of them seemed to understand perfectly what was to be done toward the improvement of the new home. The old gentleman seemed to be very facile, and did not do very much work himself, but he would give orders and show his family how he wanted the new home built.

I watched the new neighbors, as most people do when a new family moves into a settlement. Their home was finally completed. It was a fine looking place too. There was only one objection I could offer as to the appearance of the place. The house was trimmed in red. That color looks very odd when it appears on the borders of a new dwelling.

This family was very industrious. They were always working at something. They seemed quite prosperous.

No youngster could stay unacquainted with a next-door neighbor with so large a family. The next thing then was our acquaintance. One day I met one of the family. After our meeting I had not a very good impression on my mind of them. They seemed to be very boastful, selfish sort of neighbors. If someone should mistreat one of the family, he or she would have the whole family to whip. Still I should not speak that way of the whole family, for the old gentleman was seldom seen outside the residence, and I know nothing of his character.

I think I can explain why this family was so prosperous. They would steal anything they could get hold of. After our family had worked hard gathering in the crops, the whole bunch were caught in our barn stealing maize, and carrying it away grain by grain to their store-house. After they had filled their store-house with their neighbors' grains, they would have a great family reunion, and then prepare their home for the winter months, and rest comfortably all through the cold season while their neighbors many times would suffer.

These peculiar little neighbors were the red ants, which dwell in the clay hills of Oklahoma, and the plains of Texas.

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EXAMINATIONS

(By Helen Buchanan)

What picture flashes before your eye Of bustle and confusion When on the desk before you lie Questions and answers in profusion

We rack our non-productive brain For knowledge stored there long ago. While our nerves are breaking at the strain,

At finding not knowledge, but ego

When a pop quiz suddenly appears Morning, noon, or night, Our composure disappears As we face our awful plight.

We are scarcely allowed to rest, and recover from the shock, When along comes a six weeks test, And leaves us empty as a crock.

The end of school draws near And makes everybody cram. We bid farewell to our teachers dear, Soon after the final exam.

Someday there'll be a final exam. With no hope of make-up test, Where teachers nor pupils can ever cram, After which will come eternal rest.

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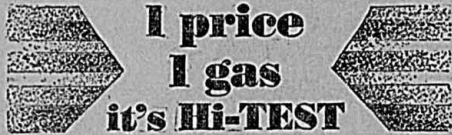
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