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WITH ARRIVAL OF NEW SETTLERS AND MARKETING OF THE EXCELLENT CROPS LAMB CO. ENJOYS GREAT PROSPERITY

Never before in the history of the South Plains was there so much money in circulation. Of course in the years gone by, when some cattle baron sold a few carloads of cows or yearlings, there was a big bunch of money received in return, but even when much of it stayed in some of the eastern banks of larger cities, and the expenditures of these few cowboys never equals that of the public in general when universal prosperity abounds.

Business conditions all over the country seem to be "locking up", but in West Texas they are not only looking up but also "reaching out." The wool industry, which is generally taken as the barometer of business conditions, indicates that the coming winter and spring condition will be good throughout the United States. Money is getting cheaper all the time, and when money becomes cheap business activity increases.

Locally the good business conditions are caused largely by the excellent crops of this vicinity. Never in the history of the South Plains have been so good, nor nearly so large. In Lamb county this year, multiplied thousands of idle acres are being put to production which before would have yielded only a little grass for some "critter." Many of these acres have yielded enough that the new homesteader has been able to make his final payments on them.

Furthermore, the hundreds of new settlers brought into this vicinity by the real estate dealers, have put into circulation thousands of dollars. Every time a new settler buys a farm it means the expenditure of money for plowing, fencing, digging of a well or two, buying material for a windmill, house barn, sheds, etc., to say nothing of what is needed for the purchase of household furniture, cooking utensils, stoves, groceries, the new farming implements, and a hundred and one other incidental expenditures that come up every day or so, causing a general circulation of money through the various ramifications of the business.

Every day now the business houses in this town are thronged with shoppers and prospectors. As

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COMMISSIONERS TO ISSUE \$3,000 IN ROAD WARRANTS

The Lamb County Commissioners last Monday issued an order for the granting of \$3,000 worth of warrants payable February 1st, to be used for road construction in District 4. This order was in consideration of the raising of money also by the citizens of Littlefield for road building purposes.

The influx of new settlers into this part of Lamb county has increased the demand for roads and highways. In several sections this year the new farmers have been seriously handicapped in getting their cotton to the market and their other products to market. Tracts of land being put on the market has created the demand for roads and highways, but the county is short of funds, it was found that, in order to meet the demand of the occasion, warrants were issued, providing an equal amount of money was raised by citizens of the named precinct.

As much as this money is to be used for road building purposes, the Littlefield business men will lead out of Littlefield. The road will be on road going south of Littlefield section, another west of Baileyboro neighborhood, another north into the center of the county. A committee was appointed by the Chamber of Commerce to raise funds for this road improvement, and up-to-date \$1,000 has been received in \$100 subscriptions as follows: F. A. Butler, Lamb County Mercantile Co., Ernest Co., Arthur P. Maginbotham Bartlett Co., Motor Co., Yeager-Chesham Co., F. G. Sadler, Panhandle System, Stokes & Alexander. There have also been subscriptions taken, amounting to \$400.

MISS BURKHALTER MAKES EXCELLENT REPORT OF WORK

Progressive enthusiasm, is the proper term to apply to the spirit prevailing among the women of Lamb county, regarding the home demonstration work that was inaugurated last July by Miss Bertie Lee Burkhalter.

The Leader is just in receipt of a copy of Miss Burkhalter's report that was recently filed with the authorities at College Station, and it is so mealy with vital and interesting accomplishments that brief resume is herewith given.

The report shows that six community canners and sealers have been ordered and placed in service in Lamb county within the past five months, while fifteen of the farmers wives have declared they will have one of their own in their several homes "just as soon as the cotton is ginned." Several of the women have secured dress forms and are learning how to make their own clothing. Two women have rebuilt and rearranged their kitchens for labor saving conveniences, 18 have enrolled in home management work, seven have installed additional labor saving devices, while a large number have been inspired to a more beautiful arrangement of their homes and surrounding grounds.

The report shows that there are now three girls' clubs with 60 members. There are six women's clubs with about 150 members. Twenty-eight girls are enrolled in the poultry club work and have selected their particular breed of chickens. There are 34 women enrolled in poultry several of whom have culled their flocks under the direction of the county demonstration agent, while 32 girls have enrolled in the gardening club for the coming year.

The pressure cooker which Miss Burkhalter has introduced into the county seems to be very fascinating "implement." In one instance after an old rooster had been cooked for just thirty minutes and the flesh was dropping from off his bones, so tender it had become, one husband, who was present and filled himself to the top side boards, wrote out his check saying, "please order a pressure cooker for my wife, we have lots of old hens and roosters that need to be turned into fryers."

Miss Burkhalter's report shows that the women of her six clubs have canned 1005 quarts of fruits and vegetables, the cost being practically negligible and most of the products were raised at home. According to her figures if these products had been bought from the stores in sacks and

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BELIEVES HIGHWAY MAY BE GRANTED BY COMMISSION

County Judge, W. E. Dameron, returned last Monday from his trip to Austin, where he laid before the State Highway Department the joint petition of the commissioners courts of Olham, Deaf Smith, Castro and Lamb counties for a state highway connecting the four county sites. Monday afternoon the court assembled and listened to Judge Dameron's report. He stated that when the Commission assembled there were hundreds of similar petitions ready for presentation to them, and that such applications are filed on the docket in the order in which they are presented; so that those filed first receive attention first, etc. Judge Dameron was fortunate enough to be selected as the first to present his claims, so that the application should receive attention very soon.

The funds available are limited and the Commission did not pass on the matter at the time. But they listened appreciatively and Judge Dameron has strong hopes that the road will be allowed somewhere around the first of the year.—Hereford Brand.

NEW FURNITURE CO.

Buy Out Arnold & Son In Order To Secure Building.

The Littlefield Furniture Co., under the management of Messrs. D. C. Houke & J. W. Yelverton, is a new concern open for business in Littlefield this week.

In order to secure a building in which to place their recently purchased stock, they bought out the grocery business of Arnold & Son. Monday the doors were closed while the invoicing was done, and practically the entire stock of groceries was sold at reduced prices on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The new furniture firm have already shipped in two cars of furniture, and have other supplies coming. They will handle both new and used goods.

GRADING COMPLETED

The work of grading West Side Ave., from the Roger Q. Mills highway to the Ozark trail has now been completed, the work being carried on into Southmoor addition.

A new crossing has been opened at the north end of the avenue, furnishing a convenient entrance to Broad Acres subdivision and an outlet to the people living north in that vicinity.

Your home paper, \$1.50 a year.

TEXAS THE LARGEST STATE OF THE UNION IS LATENT WITH NUMEROUS OPPORTUNITIES YET UNDEVELOPED

By Phebe K. Warner

THE WAY TO FIND

What you have lost, is to let the other fellow help you look for it. The cheapest and best way to put the public on the trail is to put an ad in the LAMB COUNTY LEADER. First insertion, 7 1/2 cents per line. Following insertions 5 cents per line.

It has been a long, long time since the Stone Age of Man. Historians tell us perhaps 12,000 years. But what of it? Who knows where TIME came from or whither it is going. Who knows when it began or when it is to end. Time to us is the most mysterious of all creations. It is the gift of our span of life. That's all we know about it. To many it is only a few hours. To a very few it has been a hundred years.

But one thing we all know, and that is Man is born with a creative, constructive instinct. The constructive instinct in Man is eternal as the stars in the heaven. If it had not been, where would this world be today? We would still be back in the Stone Age. Would we? Or how could man even have reached the Stone Age with out the instinct to build something.

COMMERCIAL BODY TO HOLD A MASS MEET F R I. NIGHT

The regular monthly meeting of the Littlefield Chamber of Commerce will be held Friday night, December 12th in the dining room of the Gold Star Cafe.

The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock and all members are urged to be present and on time, as there will be important business matters to consider from the beginning. Speeches will be made by the following representative citizens:

Littlefield Schools, Present Conditions, Future Prospects and Arrangements.—Prof. R. L. Speight.

How to develop the Littlefield Spirit.—G. M. Shaw.

What Good Real Estate Means Toward Community Development.—D. C. Houk.

A NEW GARAGE

C. D. Smith To Put Up New Building For Auto Business.

C. D. Smith, one of the oldest garage men of Littlefield, this week closed a deal for lot 1, in block 29 just west of the Littlefield State Bank, and as soon as plans and specifications can be arranged, will begin the construction of a 50x120 foot garage building on it.

Mr. Smith states that his new building will be modern in every way, having a nice display room for cars, drive in features, etc. He plans putting in a work shop that will be well equipped with machinery for auto repair work.

He also secured the agency for the Dodge automobile, one of the most popular makes of cars on the market.

NEW STATION OPENS

Jim Douglass will Furnish Service for Autos & Trucks.

The Ozark Service Station, located on the corner of Tenth street and X I T Drive is opening for business. The proprietor is Jim Douglass.

Jim has been a citizen of Littlefield too long to need any introduction to the public. Everybody knows Jim, and if they don't they ought to. Affable, courteous and gentlemanly to the highest degree, he knows how to make his customers smile and come back again. That Jim will take the "ice" out of the service there is no doubt.

SHIP SHEEP

Boone & White Dispose of Sheep To Make Room for Settlers.

As the new settlers keep coming in the livestock has to keep going out to make room for them.

This week Pat Boone shipped 6,500 sheep to Colorado and New Mexico, receiving \$10.00 per head for them. Incidentally this is the best price ever paid for sheep in this part of the West.

Last week J. P. White, of the Yellow House ranch, shipped out 6,200 head of sheep to Colorado.

APPOINTED DEPUTY

C. J. Duggan has been appointed deputy to County Clerk, Marshall R. Cavett, with headquarters in Littlefield, and invested with authority to take legal acknowledgements.

The appointment will be a great convenience to the business men of Littlefield, and Mr. Duggan is eminently qualified to handle such matters as he has previously served under two different county clerks.

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WHITHARRAL BEING SURVEYED READY FOR THE MARKET

The Yellow House Land Co., this week began surveying the new townsite of Whitharral, located 11 miles south of Littlefield, 12 miles north of Levelland and 12 1/2 miles west of Anton. The townsite comprises 88 acres, and will be cut into business and residential lots and placed on the market for sale.

Five acres have already been set aside by the company for school purposes and a school building erected. Several parties have already been figuring on business location, and it is understood that the company will offer a free site to a competent gin for the location of a gin on the new townsite.

The land surrounding Whitharral is as fine as to be found anywhere on the South Plains. There is scarcely a foot but is tillable. Recently the company have been showing the land in that vicinity and within the past six weeks about 75 farms, of 177 acres each, have been sold. Already the new land owners have begun moving in. There are perhaps 20 families now living in the vicinity of Whitharral, and it is probable there be enough within the next month so that school can be started sometime in January.

One notable fact about the settlement of the Whitharral section is that it is being occupied almost entirely by farmers who are to become actual residents. Thousands of acres of new ground in that section will be turned over this winter and coming spring. There are several who have already signified their intention of putting in from 100 to 300 acres each, while one recent buyer is this week setting the stakes for a 1600 acre crop.

FOR YOUR UNCLE SAM



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Obituaries, cards of thanks, and resolutions of respect will also be charged for at the same rate.
Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of the Littlefield Leader will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publisher.

THE COUNTY AGENT

Lamb county took a distinctive step forward when it employed a county health nurse and home demonstration agent. It should now take another step ahead by employing a county agricultural agent.

In another six months the majority of the land sold in this county will be actually occupied by farmers many of them coming from sections of the country where farming operations were carried on in an entirely different manner than they are on the South Plains. Not a few of them, for their best accomplishments, will need the advice and assistance of the county agent.

Lamb county has always boasted of her progressiveness, and rightly so and the Commissioners' Court will be highly commended if it would see to the appointing of a capable man in this capacity.

J. Floyd Clouse, field man for the Federal Reserve Bank at Dallas, recently made a tour of the western counties of this state, checking up the files of his financial institution and he unhesitatingly made the statement, that "counties with agents are as a rule, better financial risks than those non-progressive enough to employ an agricultural demonstrator."

Mr. Clouse further explained his statement by saying that counties with agents were invariably ahead of others in diversification of crops, in poultry dairy, cows, hogs, better grade of cattle and garden stuff put up at home, consequently were in a more prosperous condition, their bank loans were paid more promptly and their paper more readily accepted by his institution. He stated that one of the first questions he asked when he came into a county is "whether or not a county agent is employed."

DECEMBER

One, two weeks of the month have already gone, and only a few days remain for the Christmas shopping. Christmas is the most important event of the month, and shopping for holiday gifts is its chief occupation.

The year is dying—preparing, with its drab fields, to follow the green of summer and the brown of autumn, in the eternal cycle of nature. The birds, save a few sparrows and an occasional pair of some other kind have gone to the south to spend the winter.

Jack Frost, our winter wind, has come as the advance agent of the real winter that is soon to come. The chief interest of the household has changed from the refrigerator to the air tight heater.

And yet December, whose latter days usher in the winter time, is a cheerful month. The spirit of the Christmas holidays, pervading the air, makes it perhaps one of the happiest months of the entire year. Not until the 22nd of this month do the days cease becoming shorter, then the Sun gradually turns backward and adds a minute or so to each day of light.

Originally December was the tenth month of the year on the Roman calendar, as its Latin name means. It had 29 days. But Censer added two more and it became the twelfth month of the Julian calendar. Its special flower is the holly and its gem the turquoise.

December is one of the richest months of the historical anniversaries. More states have been admitted into the Union in December than in any other month.

UNITED CHARITIES

With the coming of winter, also come the mendicant, professional beggars and the folks who are unfortunate and can't help it. Within the past two weeks there have been three

or four cases of the former type in this town, panhandling the public for a living. Sometimes they ply their vocation against certain organizations lodges, churches, etc.

The Leader believes strongly in helping those who need help, and is always glad to do its part toward relieving the suffering and want of the unfortunate, but it does not believe in encouraging the professional rounders who prefer to make their living begging than by the sweat of their brow.

We would like to suggest that a United Charities organization would be well for this town—where every beggar would be sent, his name and address taken his case investigated and reported on before assistance is granted. Other cities that have tried this system say it relieves them of about 75 per cent of the applications they otherwise would receive. They soon learn of the organization and pass the town by.

THE BRUT INSTINCT

Badger fights may be a source of barbaric amusement to the idle public but the people who pull them off ought to be visited by the Law with a warrant sworn out by some representative of the "Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Dumb Animals."

If some of those who stood by Saturday, gloating over the fun and watching the captured badger, with one foot tied, fighting for its life, were placed in a similar position of torture, handicapped, yet compelled to defend their lives as best they could, they might have more sympathy for the dumb brutes.

Verily, the primigenous nature of some Littlefield citizens is not yet entirely extinct.

WHAT CARE THEY?

Jack London writes:
I shall not pass this way again,
So it's no matter what I do;
I'll mess the pasture, spoil the track
I do not care a hang for you.
With broken bottles, empty tins,
I'll strew the road you've got to take:

I shall not pass this way again,
I care not what mess I make.
That, verily, is the attitude of some Littlefield citizens, tho they expect to remain here, getting theirs while the getting is good, yet not caring a whit for those yet to come.

Every true citizen desires to contribute something toward the welfare and permanence of his town. The he may not expect to remain in a given place always, yet he takes some pride in the knowledge that he has assisted toward making it better place for others who remain there or who may come after him.

The four foot iron pipe imbedded in a slab of concrete and planted in the street intersection opposite the Littlefield State Bank has long ago been crushed beyond recognition. It may still serve as a "turning spot," yet it is an eye sore to civic pride, an impediment to public travel and an unsightly obstruction for any man thoroughfare. If not removed, somebody is going to strike it with the result that the city will be sued for damages, just because of somebody's carelessness.

With all kindness, yet in all sincerity, the Leader would like to know if Littlefield is really incorporated? The people voted that it should be so, but has it really been done?

Perhaps if the City Commissioners would establish a regular time and place for the transacting of city business, it would be just as well for the city interests.

Business is business, and people who have so much business they can't attend to business had better get rid of some of it.

A 100 PER CENT TOWN

Just now Floydada is boasting of being a 100 per cent commercial city. Recently a Chamber of Commerce campaign was closed there and practically every citizen came in as a member.

Floydada is certainly to be congratulated. They have there an excellent little city and growing rapidly. They have set an example that many other towns, including this one, might well follow.

It is estimated that about 95 per cent of those who tried to get something for nothing either went broke or else have their original stake.

There is some consolation in knowing it is impossible to transmit crossword puzzles by radio, yet it may not be.

One just can't do business with the School of Experience on a charge account.

LIGON LEADERS

A very successful box supper was given by the Ligon school last Friday evening, the magnificent sum of \$87.00 being realized from the sale of boxes. The prize cake, put up for competition for the most popular girl, brought \$33.00, and was carried off by the teacher of the Bull Camp School.

A. Holloway was here this week on business.

W. F. Strickland is ginning in Ligon this week.

J. W. Arrowood and J. W. Robinson have finished cotton picking.

Miss Bessie Yeary and Jewell Jaggers were in Ligon this week.

A. G. Davis was in Scrapeout this week.

Baileyboro Buzzings

G. L. Blackshear was a business visitor in Littlefield Saturday.

Miss Vesta Brannen and Jack Jr., Brannen spent the week-end with relatives in Baileyboro.

Several of the young folks from this community enjoyed the party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baker of Circleback last Saturday night.

Mrs. T. G. Gaddy was a business visitor in Sudan Saturday.

Mrs. Virgil Burnett left Saturday for Lubbock where she will visit indefinitely with relatives.

Ople Blackshear and Clifford Wallis were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blackshear Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The singing at the school house Sunday evening was enjoyed by everyone present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wallis, who have been real sick for several days are now rapidly improving.

Three big prairie fires this week have destroyed many acres of high grass, but damaged nothing else in this community.

The Busy B's.

IS THE AUTO RESPONSIBLE?

Three Horses Sold For Total of 87 Cents in Tennessee.

Whether the automobile is responsible or not dispatches do not say, but last week Lebanon, Tennessee set the low price mark for equines.

It was a sale that surpassed the dirt cheap kingdom days of Richard III who is said to have offered his kingdom for a horse, for on Tuesday of last week three horses were sold for the grand total sum of 87 cents.

The feature "low" of the sale was the purchase of an ancient equine quadruped for 10 cents. A second changed hands for a consideration of 27 cents, while a third, with a dollar bill pinned to its mane, brought 50 cents.

The 50 cent horse had been sold to a Cumberland University student for 25 cents a few days previous, and he was willing to lose 75 cents to get rid of the liability.

A negro boy bought one of the "white elephants," a white man bought another. After the sale the man proposed that they match to see who took both "crow baits." The boy lost and got both horses.

FRUIT AND SHADE TREES

To the new settlers and our new customers:

When you are ready to plant trees get in your car and drive to our nursery two miles north of Plainview and see our trees. You can make your selection from our large stock of growing trees acclimated.

After 15 years we ought to know the varieties that will bear here. Catalogue free. 81-82c

Help keep Littlefield clean!

PEP PARAGRAPHS

Pep community is rapidly forging to the front. There are now about 15 families residing here, and 25 children in school, under the tutorage of Miss Anna Cosgrove. Crops of all kinds in this vicinity were good, and to date about 100 bales of cotton have been ginned, with several more yet to be picked.

One of the most important organizations of this community is the pure seed association which has recently been organized, and capitalized for \$1,000. Its purpose is to specialize in the raising, using and selling of pure Mebane cotton seed.

Joe Hofman, of Lott has recently moved into this community and is making preparations to put in a crop here next spring.

Joe Blaschke and family of Rine-land are visiting with W. T. Jungman and looking over the country with a view of location. He is well pleased.

A. B. Urbanzyk is now in Pep im-

proving his land. He has two tracts, one of 190 acres and another of 210 acres.

Commissioner John Stengle attended the meeting of the Commissioners' Court at Levelland Monday.

A viewing committee has been appointed to lay out the road between Pep and Levelland a distance of about 20 miles. Work has also begun on the improving of the highway between Littlefield and Pep. We will soon have a good outlet to the markets.

Judge A. G. Jungeman was in Littlefield Monday on business.

A Pepper

Fair Question

He: "What do you think of trial marriages?"

She: Not so bad—but who gets the radio when the split-up comes?"

Wisdom of the Sages

"If you're satisfied with your lot—build a house on it."

Some fellows who haven't been out with their wives for years now occasionally bump into them in a barber shop.

LEE THEATRE

Littlefield Texas

THURSDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Carter DeHaven in, "Marry the Poor Girl" and comedy, "California or Bust."

FRIDAY

Mae Marsh and Harry Myers in—

"DADDIES"

SATURDAY

Leo Maloney in a 5 reel western, "Riding Double" and comedy, "Hot Sands,"

MONDAY

Carmel Myers and Geo. Walsh in, "Slave of Desire."

TUESDAY

"Into the Net" western, "Border Law," comedy, "Young Oldfield," cartoon "Barnyard Olympics."

WEDNESDAY

Elsie Ferguson and Mary Mac Laren in, "The Outcast."

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