

V. G. STREET REVIEWS EARLY HISTORY OF CITY

REELS OF EARLY MURCH, SCHOOL, BUSINESS LIFE

... That First Mail Was brought From Abernathy In Mule Drawn Hack

By W. G. Street
... here in February, 1913, my brother, J. T. and I built building which Homer Hall's

Grocery now occupies, and opened up a hardware business. At that time there was a small grocery operated by Mr. Richards. It wasn't long until we saw there was not sufficient business here to justify an exclusive hardware store, so we decided to add groceries and a small line of work clothes to our business and bought out Richards, who at that time occupied a little wooden structure on the corner lot opposite the building which up until a month or two ago was occupied by the Texas Utilities Company, and which was later burned. We moved the stock to our new building. In April of that year (1913) I went back to Beaumont and mar-

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We first got our mail from Abernathy, and it was brought over in a hack hauled by mules. This mail hack had to change mules half way over at a ranch owned by a man named Vaughan, at a community then called Barton Site Community. George Plummer was the mail carrier. Later on the mule route was discontinued and W. H. Willis, father of Clyde Willis, brought it in an automobile. W. H. Willis is now living in Olton. The mail usually got in about seven o'clock in the evening, and everybody in this section met in the postoffice. That was the event of the day. Our store did practically no business until after the mail came in, and from then on until ten or eleven o'clock at night we would do a good business. The first Sunday J. T. and I got here they organized a Sunday school, (which was strictly non-denominational), in what is now the residence of Jack Brannen. That was the church and school house. C. J. Duggan was the first Sunday school superintendent, and Mrs. Loraida Knight (she at that time was Miss Loraida Smith) was the first Secretary of the Sunday school. The first school we had we started in the spring of 1913 as a paid subscription school, with Miss Armstrong as teacher. This was conducted until that fall—in September—the county created for us a school district, and the first Principal was Mr. Hatchett. The school grew, so they added Miss Page—making two teachers. The pupils who attended the first school here were: Alta Hillburn, (now Mrs. Bob Smith of this city); Davis Hillburn, Hadley Hillburn, Berta Smith, (now Mrs. Monte Davis); Gladys Smith, (now Mrs. Frank James); Carl Smith, Hubert and Bennie King, Lee Bennett, Luther Hargraves, Hattie Hargraves, Alice Duggan, Simon Coulter, Ethel Barnett, Grace Bennett, Emmett Barrett. Mr. Hatchett stayed two years, which would bring up to 1915, when the first brick school house was built—a part of the present grammar school. The first superintendent was E. B. Brawn, and he had two teachers, Miss Faris and Miss Etchison. By the way—Miss Faris and Mr. Brawn got married, and are now living in Chicago. He has developed into a very capable chemist. The first train came in on July 4, 1913, which was a special train for the July 4 picnic. That was considered the official opening of the town. We got regular train service about January 1, 1914, and then had identically the same train service as we have now—one train a day each way. The first depot agent was L. E. Bowman, who stayed here until sometime in 1918, and then he left to serve in the War. E. C. Cundiff took Bowman's place, and was agent several years. Those who enlisted to go to war from Littlefield were: A. P. and C. J. Duggan, Roy Campbell, J. T. Street, Arthur Mueller, Jack Johnson, K. Arnett, Arbie Joplin, Jim Douglass, Joe Douglass (who died from pneumonia in camp), Roy Smith, R. W. Steen, Collie Bryant (brother of Mrs. Ab Beckner), and Richard New, who was killed in action, and in whose memory the local American Legion unit was named. Mr. New was a son-in-law of Mrs. Jennie Parker, and Mrs. New later married Rue Roberts, and is living at Roswell, N. M. At the time we had the only store for a year or two, until two ladies, Miss Clara Matlovsky, and her sister, Mrs. Johnson came here from Abernathy, and established a dry-goods and grocery store. I believe F. G. Sadler established the first drug store. About 1915 or 1916 he started a little drug store

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Father of Mrs. J. T. Street Passes Away at Sanger

Mrs. J. T. Street, on receiving a message Sunday, to the effect that her father, J. C. Whisenant of Sanger was very ill, left immediately for that city. Mr. Whisenant passed away Monday at the age of 83, and funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at Sanger, with interment in the local cemetery. Mr. Whisenant is well known here, having lived in Littlefield from 1925 to 1933, and has many friends here who will regret to learn of his death. He is survived by his wife and four daughters; Mrs. Street, Mrs. C. L. Christian of Sanger, Mrs. Beatrice Chaddick of Kilgore, and Mrs. Eula Wallen of Hobbs, N. M. Mrs. Street is expected to return home Friday.

Senator Duggan Talks At Lamesa

Senator A. P. Duggan addressed the Business Men's Club at Lamesa at noon Tuesday. Buy a Royal Portable this summer and teach yourself typing—You can purchase one at the Leader office on terms. Everything in office supplies at the Leader office.


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There was not a building on Main street except the little grocery store and A. P. Duggan's land office. The only residents here, as I remember, were Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Duggan, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and family, B. F. Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Kling, Carl Munson, Albert Disher, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Courtney and family, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hedges, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Griffin, and another man and wife and children but I cannot recall their names.

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While you're here, you're more than welcome to drop in and rest a while with us. We want you to enjoy your visit. In keeping with old-time Littlefield hospitality, we'll do anything in our power to make you feel at home.

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Visitors—
Your Biggest Treat Will Be To Taste Littlefield's Own **ICE CREAM**

● Littlefield's own Ice Cream is made from the purest ingredients. It's richer... it's better... and it cost no more. Try it today and we feel sure you will have none other. Made in a pleasing assortment of flavors!

Made In Littlefield and Sold Only at the...

Palace Drug Store
"THE BIGGEST LITTLE STORE IN TEXAS"

W. H. BADGER, REPRESENTING THE YELLOW HOUSE LAND COMPANY BECAME INTERESTED IN LITTLEFIELD AND SECTION IN 1923

"It was early in 1923 that I became deeply interested in that wonderful country, and will always be proud that it was, and still is, my privilege to be identified with the splendid citizenship of that section, and to have had even a small part in its development," states W. H. Badger, Manager of the Yellow House Land Company, who has long been active in the development of this section.

Mr. Badger, who is spending the summer in Austin, is always enthusiastic about this section, and further commenting on the opportunities here, said:

"The true merit of the country itself, with its many advantages, is what brought thousands of new citizens with the stamina and determination to build for better homes and a brighter future, and to these good people belongs the credit for the almost unprecedented development of the Littlefield and adjacent sections of the South Plains. There is no better country and no better

people to be found in the South." "Here's hoping the Old Settlers Reunion will be a big success and pleasant gathering for all. Sure would like to be there, but will have to forego the pleasure."

PASTURE FOR RENT
Have pasture for a number of cows. \$1 a month each. Mrs. Lillie Dixon, 10 miles north of Littlefield on the Blackwater Draw. 48-11

Try CARDUI For Functional Monthly Pains

Women from the teen age to the change of life have found Cardui genuinely helpful for the relief of functional monthly pains due to lack of just the right strength from the food they eat. Mrs. Crit Haynes, of Essex, Mo., writes: "I used Cardui when a girl for cramps and found it very beneficial. I have recently taken Cardui during the change of life. I was very nervous, had head and back pains and was in a generally run-down condition. Cardui has helped me greatly." "Thousands of women testify Cardui benefited them. If it does not benefit YOU, consult a physician."

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AND THE
Old Settlers Reunion



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G. R. SANDIDGE, Littlefield Wholesale Agent

SUDAN

"A City Where A City Belongs"
Joins All Lamb County In A Cordial Welcome To The Pioneers Attending The Old Settlers' Reunion Littlefield, Monday, July 15



OLD SETTLERS' REUNION
Littlefield
Monday, July 15th
YOU ARE INVITED

Chesher Chevrolet Co.
SALES . . . SERVICE

—:0:—

"WELCOMES THE OLD SETTLERS!"

WELCOME, OLD SETTLERS'

—:0:—

C. H. NICHOLS
GROCERIES

GARDEN THEATRE

—:0:—

Is Glad to Extend a
Welcome to the Reunion

Salem Dry Goods Co.

"Quality Goods for Less"

—:0:—

Congratulations to Littlefield and the Old Settlers

WELCOME, OLD SETTLERS!

—:0:—

M & M FOOD STORE
Owned and Operated by
C. E. KING

WELCOME, OLD SETTLERS!

—:0:—

Dryden & Dryden, Ins.
"In Business for Your Protection"

WELCOME!

—:0:—

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

HOWDY, OLD SETTLERS'
CONGRATULATIONS

—:0:—

Walter Price Motor Co.
Sales—FORD—SERVICE

WELCOME, OLDTIMERS!
and Congratulations to Littlefield

SUDAN
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A PIONEER RAILROAD
Welcomes the Old Settlers

—:0:—

SANTA FE RAILWAY

Felted and Inner Spring Mattresses . . .
. . . made for Lamb County's Old Timers.

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Go To Church on Sunday—

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Eat at the . . .

WHITE ROSE CAFE
and Give Mother a Rest!

SUDAN MERCANTILE

—:0:—

WELCOMES YOU
OLD SETTLERS

CONGRATULATIONS . . .
. . . to the Old Settlers on their REUNION

—:0:—

R. E. DOSS GROCERY
"The Red & White Store"

Saunders Variety Store

—:0:—

WELCOMES THE
OLD SETTLERS!

Looking Over A List of Texas

Cities Is Interesting Reading

ALLAS, TEX. July 10.—UP)
ing the names of Texas towns
standard, the Lone Star state
equipped for almost everything,
postal directory reveals.
lovers of use there is "Ely-
Fields," "Comfort," and "Para-
while for those who prefer
vigorous life there is "Board
"Raid Prairie," "Frost," and

was well read by the early settlers.
There is a "Midlothian," and an
"Ivanhoe."
Lovers of gaiety would do well to
visit "Jolly," or "Joy," or "Fol-
lie;" flirts should find a big wel-
come at "Wink."
Star gazers might do well to visit
"Venus," "Vega," or "Etoile."
Texans too, can have all of the
advantages of travel, along with the
comforts of home. They can visit
"Albion" or see the "Alhambra," go
to "Dublin," "Jericho," "London,"
"New Ulm," "Paris," "China,"
"Rhombus," or "Tokio"—all without
leaving the borders of the state.
Or they can go to "Telephone"
and "Call" "Louise" or "Fred" or
"Katy," or "Margaret," or "May."
Cowboys will particularly like
"Lariat," "Bronco," "Snipe," or
"Spur." Barbers ought to be at home
at "Razor," and farmers at "Pump-
kinville," or "Blossom."
For soldiers there is a "Fife" and
a "Flag," and for sailors an "Ad-
miral."
Business men should find "Acme,"
"Progress" or "Prosper" attractive.
There is almost no end of "trick"
names in the Lone Star state. The
last town in the directory is "Zy-
bach," but a more appropriate one
to end the list on is "Goodnight."

Why a Friend Recommends

BLACK-DRAUGHT

People who have taken Black-
draught naturally are enthusiastic
and it because of the refreshing
and it has brought them. No won-
der they urge others to try it. . . .
Jo G. Roberts, of Fort Worth,
writes: "A friend recommended
Black-Draught to me a long time
ago and it has proved its worth to me.
Black-Draught is good for constipation,
but that taking Black-Draught prevents
me from headaches which I used to
get. . . . A purely vegetable medicine
of kind of
CONSTIPATION, BILIOUSNESS

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be without your home paper—The
Lamb County Leader.

Centennial Farm,
Home Demonstration
Contest Planned

A Centennial Farm and Home De-
monstration Contest directed by the
Texas Extension Service and spon-
sored by the Dallas News and the
Semi-Weekly Farm News for the
purpose of recognizing improve-
ment in agriculture and the impro-
vement and beautification of rural
homes has been announced by O. B.
Martin, Texas Extension director.
Prizes amounting to approximately
\$2500 will be awarded the winners.
Any Texas farm family living on
a farm or ranch, or in a town or a
village of a population of not more
than 2500, on a designated state or

federal highway, may enter the con-
test by registering with the county
farm and home demonstration ag-
ents in the county and working
under their supervision. The house
must be on the contest property.

Registration cards can be obtain-
ed from the county agricultural or
home demonstration agent. They
must be filled out and returned to
the agent's office not later than
September 1, 1935.

The county judging committees
will be composed of three members:
one appointed by the county agri-
cultural agent, one by the home de-
monstration agent and the other ap-
pointed jointly. A district agricul-
tural agent and a district home de-
monstration agent will select the
district winners immediately after
June 1, 1936.

State winners will be selected by
the director of the Extension Ser-
vice, the vice director and state
agent, and the state home demon-
stration agent, or by a committee
appointed by them.

A story of the activity and the

farm record and a simple plan of
the farmstead must be furnished
the judges. Points to be considered
in the judging are: the buildings
and equipment; the grounds; the
soil; the crops; the livestock; the
food supply and other resources.

COME UP FRIENDS
FOR THE
Old Settlers Reunion
Pioneers of Progress for over
half century . . . This
company joins all Littlefield
in extending you a hearty
welcome.
WM. CAMERON
LUMBER CO.

WELCOME Oldtimers!
TO THE REUNION
Here's a Tip Any Oldtimer Will Hand You—
The proper development of your pullets depends on the brand
of GROWING MASH you feed them . . . and you are assured
of the best if you feed . . .
RED CHAIN
. . . And you will get greater egg production if you feed Red
Chain's famous LAYING MASH . . . It's a balanced ration.
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"THE PICK OF THE PLAINS"
JOINS IN WELCOMING THE PIONEERS!
We Cordially Invite You To Visit Amherst When in Lamb County For The—
Old Settlers' Reunion Littlefield
Mon., July 15

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Yours for a Better Extension
Service
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COUNTY AGENT

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EARL LUCE
Old Line Life Insurance
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"A Good Man's Credit Is Good
With Luce."

HALSELL FARMS
COMPANY
—:0:—
AMHERST —:— TEXAS

CONGRATULATIONS!
FIRST NATIONAL
BANK
AMHERST —:— TEXAS

A Hearty Welcome From
DANIEL MOTOR CO.
Chevrolet
SALES—SERVICE

AMHERST CAFE
Under New Management
"BEST EATS ANYWHERE"
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E. D. PARKER, Prop.

WELCOME, OLDTIMERS!
We're Old Timers, Too—Eleven
Years in Lamb County
Honest Weights . . . Honest Tests
AMHERST PRODUCE
N. A. VAUGHTER
West of Post Office
AMHERST —:— TEXAS

WELCOME! . . .
We're Old Settlers' Ourselves!
—:0:—
AUTRY'S
5c and 10c —:— \$1.00 Up

M. L. PAYNE
FUNERAL DIRECTOR
—:0:—
COMPLETE—COURTEOUS
SERVICE

SID MORRIS
Grocery & Market
—:0:—
A RED & WHITE STORE

WAGNER GROCERY
& MARKET
—:0:—
A RED & WHITE STORE

JUANITA'S BEAUTY
SHOP
—:0:—
"WHERE BEAUTY WORK
IS AN ART"

THE GOLDEN EAGLE
—:0:—
AMHERST'S ONLY
EXCLUSIVELY DEPT. STORE

Pioneering in Littlefield

By Mrs. Vernie Wright

My first impressions on coming to West Texas would be hard to portray to one who has not spent the first few years of life East of the Mississippi. The memory is still fresh in my mind of my feeling of utter helplessness when I realized I was forty miles from medical assistance, train service, churches, schools, social life, all the conveniences which I had considered every day necessities. I imagined my son or myself getting desperately ill, the one automobile in the community out of commission, the 'phone line hooked off the fence posts by the cows and thus communication

with the outer world rendered next to impossible. However, those fears did not become realities.

Very soon we had our little school one teacher and possibly twelve pupils; our Sunday services in which all took an interest; our social life; our modern conveniences (much later); very soon our community boasted two automobiles instead of one. Soon we could see the smoke and hear the whistle of the work trains, and we knew the railroad was being rapidly laid, and in a few short months we had train service from Lubbock to Littlefield. Anyway the work trains came every day, and eventually through passenger service; a regularly installed telephone system, daily mail service having been established earlier, first by mule team then by automobile—great events in the daily life of the community—the arrival of that daily mail.

Many nights the weird cry of the coyote has filled my heart with dread forebodings and once I waked thinking surely a whole wild west menagerie had been parked beneath my window; but it was only the lone, some call of a donkey staked nearby. The blood curdling howling of a lobo wolf at midnight was a terrifying thing to bear.

Our modern lighting system, fuel and water service, is a far cry from those early day necessities, and we who have been through it all know how to appreciate them. Only those who tried to prepare daily meals from the shelves of "the little pink store" can truly enjoy and appreciate our much enlarged food and meat markets. Of course there was also the problem of household lines, clothing, etc. to be solved—but we could pack away one season's clothes and use them again the next like season. They would be safe from months or mildew. Sometimes they did shrink terribly—or was it that the climate was so health giving, and food prepared under such adverse conditions so relished, that another weight had to be put on the scales, and we found on taking out last summer's wardrobe, it was sadly lacking in size. No, surely, the cloth must have shrunk.

Our magazines were passed from hand to hand until completely worn

out. Once a neighbor was apologizing to a little ranch woman who lived far from our "conveniences," for offering her some magazines two or three months old. The little woman said that was all right, the ONE she had at home was a year old. That gave me just a small glimmering idea of the pioneering that woman was going through with, and I thought how small of me to have considered myself hardly treated on account of any fancied hardships I had endured.

Tragedy had its place in our little community. Illness and grief came to many. If I can still remember that feeling of despair, and even rebellion when carrying my own injured son over a seemingly endless road, to a surgeon, then what about my neighbor who started with her desperately injured child over the selfsame road I had traveled, but who had to turn back when only half way—because it was too late.

Pioneering is a great leveler of caste.

Through our glad days, through our sad days we pioneers have marched on, trying to keep heads up, smiling, together, learning to take whatever comes to us in life with all the fortitude we can muster, for who are we to murmur and complain when we know of many others who are bearing burdens as heavy, or heavier than ours. We have faithful friends; we have loved ones; what else matters?

GUNSHOT WOUND WAS FATAL TO R. D. SINCALIR

Funeral Services Tuesday Afternoon At 3 o'Clock

R. D. Sinclair, of 3 miles northwest of Whitharral, 56, died Sunday midnight, July 7, at the Simpson Sanitarium as a result of a gunshot wound sustained at the C. W. Down farm in the same community.

Mr. Dean was taken into custody early Sunday evening and confined in the Levelland jail.

Funeral services were conducted at the Sinclair residence at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, July 9, by Rev. McCormick, Church of Christ pastor, and interment in charge of Burleson Funeral Home, took place in the local cemetery.

Decedent had lived in this section for the past five years, coming from Erick, Okla., where he had made his home for 21 years. Previous to moving to Whitharral, he was a resident of Littlefield for several months.

He married Miss Luella Parsons in Paul's Valley, Oklahoma in 1899, to which union were born twelve children, two of whom have passed away.

Surviving him are his wife and ten children; Mrs. C. B. Stinson and Mrs. F. B. Richards of Shamrock, Texas; Mrs. Homer Fite of Clovis, N. M.; Mrs. Roscoe Woods of Levelland; Misses Selma, Lula Mae and Reba at home; and L. D. and L. E. Sinclair of Littlefield; and Bill Sinclair of Whitharral.

Among the out of town attendants at the funeral were; Mrs. C. B. Stinson and Mrs. F. B. Richards of Shamrock, and Mrs. Homer Fite of Clovis.

AUSTIN, TEX., July 10.—(UP)—A microphone has been added to the regular furnishings of Gov. James V. Allred's office. The "mike," placed on a neat cabinet, is connected with a local radio station, ready for hook-up at any time.

Frequent calls upon the Governor to broadcast, led to the "mike" as a permanent fixture.

Neal A. Douglass Establishes First Newspaper Here

The first newspaper to be published in Littlefield was started by Neal A. Douglass, Sr., in April 1918, and located in a building directly behind the Rumbach Bakery building on L. F. D. Drive. Mr. Douglass had been operating a plant at Roaring Springs, Texas, and it burned down and he bought new equipment and started a newspaper in Littlefield, naming in the Lamb County News.

He leased the plant in 1918 to a man by the name of McCormick, who operated it for a short time, and then shut down. Mr. Douglass then sold out to a newspaper man in Eastland, and the equipment was shipped to that city.

There was no newspaper published here until May 24, 1923, when Jess Mitchell began publishing on the west side of Phelps Avenue as the Lamb County News, later changing the name to the Lamb County

The Newspaper that Better Serves the Farmer and Communities—The Lamb County Leader.

J. C. WHICKER BRINGS 800 FARMERS HERE

Settlers Came From Indiana, Oklahoma And Parts Of Texas

By J. C. Whicker

I made my first trip into Littlefield in 1913.

I had land offices in Lafette, Ind., and Kansas City, Mo., and in 1915, a year after the railroad, I brought 54 people as prospects for land on one trip. We got as far as Lubbock. That was during the first part of June, 1915, and we had 18 inches of rain in three days. The whole Plains was covered with water, and I wasn't able to show land to a single prospect.

We had two private hotel cars, and went on west from here to Albuquerque, N. M., San Diego, Los Angeles and to the World Fair at San Francisco.

I established a land office and came here in 1915, and entered into a contract with Major Littlefield for the selling of Littlefield lands that year, and was connected with him until the Yellow House Land Company purchased the ranch land, and I was sales manager for this company for over 3 years. I then took over 19,000 acres of land near Bledsoe in Cochran County and sold that out in 1925, 1926 and 1927. I took an active part in bringing over 800 farmers to this section from Indiana, Oklahoma and various parts of Texas.

The Littlefield Hotel was built by Major Geo. W. Littlefield in 1913, operated by Moulton, C. H. Curl, Mr. and Mrs. Whittington, Taylor and purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Engledow, and sold by them to J. S. Hilliard, who later disposed of it to R. S. Thomas, and myself in 1924, since which time Mr. and Mrs. Wicker have been in possession with the exception of a short time when it was operated by Mrs. Crump.

Mrs. Vernie Wright was the first guest of the Littlefield Hotel, staying there before the building was completed.

The town was incorporated in 1923, and the first Chamber of Commerce organized. I was the first president of the Chamber, and Jess Mitchell secretary.

There were less than 500 people here in 1923.

I remember during the war, at one sale we had for the benefit of the Red Cross—about 1918—a little calf that Pat Boone donated brought \$480, and a rooster someone else donated brought \$13—eggs \$1.00 each, and everything else in proportion.

High School Band, 30 Pieces Strong, To Furnish Music

A. B. Taylor's school band will provide the major part of musical entertainment for the Old Settlers at their Reunion here Monday.

Loss of nearly half of his regulars by graduation and moving away has failed to dampen the ardor of Maestra Taylor's 30 lads who have gone through their paces steadily each Sunday since the close of school.

The band will play two concerts Monday, one at 10 a. m., the other at about 4 p. m. Concerts will be either on the grounds at Laguna Park or on Phelps Avenue.

Leader. Mr. Mitchell continued as owner and publisher until July 21, 1930, when Morley B. Drake, the present publisher purchased from Mr. Mitchell.

WELCOME! OLD SETTLERS

We're proud to have you with us, and will be glad to have you visit us while in Littlefield.

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FOR TRACTORS AND ALL IMPLEMENTS

SWEEPS . . .

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J. T. HARRIS Hardware & Implements Littlefield, Texas

Woman Writes Cannot Do Without Leader

An example of the reader interest in the Lamb County Leader is contained in the fact that Mrs. Herman Gregg, when failing to get her Leader for the past four or five weeks, wrote us the following:

"Please send the last four or five back copies, if possible. I did not realize my subscription was out as you failed to notify me of the same, or I would have renewed sooner as we cannot get along without the Lamb County Leader."

Good printing will aid your business. Let the Leader take care of printing needs.

Graham Preacher Conducts Services Here Sunday

Rev. Bryan H. Keathley of Graham preached at the Presbyterian church here Sunday at both morning and evening hours. Special music was enjoyed.

Texas has handled AAA programs in which the aggregate payments amounted to about one-eighth of the total for the United States.

Renew or subscribe to the Lamb County Leader now at the reduced rate—in effect a short time only.

A CORDIAL WELCOME TO THE . . .

OLD SETTLERS' REUNION LITTLEFIELD, MONDAY, JULY 15

We extend to all visitors a cordial invitation to visit us while in Littlefield for the reunion.

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We join in extending a hearty welcome to former residents of Littlefield and section to attend the Old Settlers Reunion, Littlefield, Monday, July 15.

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PRESENTS:

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"DINKY"

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"Champ" Jackie in a picture filled with laughs.

Good Comedy—Admission 15c

Saturday Matinee and Night

TIM MCCOY, your favorite Western star, in

"SQUARE SHOOTER"

Admission 10 and 15c

Also Good Comedy and News.

Saturday Night, Starts 10:30 and Box Office Closes at 11:00—Sunday and Monday

"G-MEN"

With JAMES CAGNEY and MARGARET LINDSAY Shot-by-shot report of how Government Agents "blot out" the nation's Public Enemies. You can't afford to Miss this! Also Comedy and News

We are pleased to join in welcoming the Old Settlers to the Reunion, Littlefield, Monday, July 15. Attend the Palace . . . You Will Enjoy the Show

The Old Settlers' Reunion Brings to Mind . . .

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Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never bro't to mind

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And days of auld lang syne?

CHORUS

For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne:

We'll tak' a coup o' kindness yet
For auld lang syne.

And here's a hand, my trusty friend,
And gie's a hand o' thine;

We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

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Cotton Brought Forty-one Cents per Pound in 1919

By Mrs. C. F. Smith

Formerly Miss Lena Esau, who came to Littlefield in February, 1914, and built a house on her land and brought his family here in February, 1915.

There was only one store, the postoffice here at that time. J. K. Esau, built the farm house on the west side of Main Street. We are now occupying the same property, but the house has been rebuilt. It was a three mile depot to our store with no fences. The Duggans, Wisemans, Meulons and others were among the first settlers.

The first store was operated by the name of Richards for two or three months and then taken over by W. G. and Street, who built a new and more store building, carrying hardware and drygoods, which

they operated a number of years. In 1915 we made a bumper crop of corn, maize, kaffir corn, sudan, and grew watermelons that weighed 60 pounds. We had four acres in melons, and shipped two carloads east to Fort Worth.

We didn't know anything about cotton those days. We didn't start growing cotton until about four or five years after that. We didn't have a gin here the first year we grew cotton, and had to take it all the way to Lubbock in a wagon.

That year it brought 20 cents a pound. When I started to school in 1918 I had to walk three miles as there were no school buses at that time. They began running in 1919. I think Mrs. Johnson was my first teacher, and later Mrs. H. W. Wiseman.

Among those who were in the room with me were Alma Toews, Petty Hopping, Olga Baize, Clarence Penner and Pete Toews. The community west of town where we lived built a church in

CHUCK WAGONS TO BE IN USE AT THE REUNION

Display Of Early Day Relics To Be Featured July 15th

One of the special features of the Oldsettlers Reunion, to be held here Monday, July 15, will be an exhibit of many of those items which form a part of the work day and the home life of the pioneers of this section.

There'll be chaps and spurs, bridles and saddles, branding irons and the famous old chuck wagons.

Buck boards, early day furniture, photographs, and many other items that made up the life of the pioneer, will be on display.

Two chuck wagons will be in actual use in charge of Charlie Barber, and coffee and red beans served.

The suggestion that such an exhibit be assembled was made by Mrs. T. S. Sales, a member of the Reunion Executive Committee. Her suggestion was enthusiastically approved by the committee, and Mrs. Sales was placed in charge of the gathering of exhibits.

In assembling the display Mrs. Sales will appreciate the cooperation of all oldsettlers and others who may have any of the above material. She asks that anyone having any relics for display that they bring them to Littlefield, or advise her at the Cuernod's Dry Goods, phone 133, and she will arrange to call for them.

1918 called the "Church of God and Christ." Later, when the drouth came in 1919, all the people of that community, and members of that church moved away, with the exception of C. W. Toews and P. P. Penner. We moved to Hillsboro, Kansas, where we stayed for five years, moving back here in 1924. We had 56 members when the church was built.

1919 was the first year we raised cotton, and didn't know much about it. We had never seen it grow before. We planted 15 acres, but it was a dry year, and we only got a bale and a half of cotton. It brought 41 cents a pound, which is the highest it has ever been. 1917 and 1918 were also dry years here, and we didn't raise much of anything. We didn't have enough feed for the cattle. We had about four years of drouth at that time.

During that dry time Ed Penner, one of the first settlers here, sometimes, when his horses would give out when plowing, he would hitch the plow to a cow and work with her for a while to give the horses a rest. He went to Hillsboro, Kansas, and never returned to Littlefield.

The first to be buried in the cemetery at our church was Jacob, the little three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Toews.

The first wedding in our church was that of Miss Tena Esau and P. W. Penner in 1917, conducted by Rev. Abe Entz of Inman, Kansas.

When we went to Lubbock for supplies in a two seated buggy, we would go one day, stay there all the next, and take the day following to come home.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. W. W. Shipman and daughter Maxine, are visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Malone, of College Heights Addition. They came Wednesday of last week, and accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Malone and daughters to Clovis to the wedding of R. C. Malone and Miss Mary Lou Ferris of Clovis, returning to Littlefield Monday. They will leave for their home at Ralls next Sunday.

Mrs. R. L. Byers and daughter Edna returned Sunday from Winters, where they visited relatives since Thursday. Misses Ida and Mary Drake, nieces of Mr. Byers, accompanied them home for a ten days visit.

J. W. James and sons, Jack, J. D. and Earl returned Saturday from a four day fish on Clear Fork River in Jones County. Mr. James reported that they caught plenty of small fish, but that he was so disappointed that he couldn't catch a large fish, that after eating all they could, they left the balance they caught there, and didn't bring any home.

Mrs. E. H. Purser and daughter, Anna, and son, Paul, arrived Wednesday, and will be guests of her sister and aunt, Mrs. Vernie Wright for the next two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice White and son, Courtney are expected Saturday to spend a couple of weeks in Littlefield. They will visit Mr. White's mother, Mrs. Vernie Wright, and Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. E. G. Courtney, and other relatives here.

Neal A. Douglass, Sr., arrived here Sunday from Hico to visit home folks for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Sales spent Sunday afternoon in Lubbock.

Mrs. David Mitchell of near Witharral, daughter of Mrs. E. M. Davis of this city, was taken to Lubbock hospital Thursday suffering from appendicitis. She underwent an operation Friday and is getting along nicely.

Mrs. R. F. Graves left Sunday for Rush Springs, Okla., to visit her father, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bigham and Robbie, and Miss Mary Jane Bigham spent the 4th of July and a few days following at Santa Fe, N. M.

Mrs. T. J. Bennett of Weinert spent the week-end here with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Riddling.

The many friends of Ray Riddling will be interested to learn he is connected with a tailor and dry cleaning establishment at Cortez, Colo. The shop is owned by Mr. White and operated by Floyd Patterson and Ray Riddling.

Millard Atkin suffered painful burns on his face Friday, when the gasoline in a machine he was working in the fixing of roofs, exploded. He was treated by a local physician.

Delbert Falls left recently on a two or three weeks vacation trip. He visited his grandparents in Lubbock for two weeks, and from there went to Breckenridge, where he is visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reed.

Russell Walker arrived Sunday and is spending this week with his parents, Bro. and Mrs. Tim Walker of two miles west of Anton. Following his visit here he will spend the balance of his two weeks' vacation in Carlsbad, El Paso and Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hewitt spent the week end at San Angelo. Saturday evening they enjoyed camping on the Concho river.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Crews, and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Garlington left Sunday morning for Creed, Colo., on a two weeks' fishing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Eagan spent July 4th in Portales visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Angley. Mrs. Eagan and Mrs. Angley are sisters.

Mrs. Dick Whittenburg of Deming arrived Saturday to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hemphill.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Jones enjoyed the 4th of July at a picnic at Post.

Dick Smith of Canyon is spending this week with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Whicker.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hemphill, Darrell Hemphill, and Misses Nora Belle Grizzle and Eloise Walker, all students of summer school at Canyon College, spent the week end in Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Riggie of Floydada arrived Thursday to spend to spend a month or two with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Falls, who drove to Floydada and accompanied them here.

Mr. and Mrs. Arbie Joplin had as their guests over the week-end Mr. Joplin's brother, Lieut. Julian Joplin of Chanute Field, Ill., and his mother, Mrs. C. A. Joplin of Slaton.

The many friends of Mrs. J. I. Carrell, will be glad to know she is improving from a three weeks spell of sickness which was caused from her nerves.

Misses Della Mae Shipley and Theresia Boatright of Amherst were in Littlefield Saturday.

Miss Annie Replin of Dallas is spending a few days with her parents, and assisting in Replin's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Nichols of Bula spent Saturday in Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Hersch spent July 4th with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Replin, and other relatives here.

Local Man Badly Scalded Saturday

Lewis McGowan sustained very painful burns about his arms and hands Saturday morning when he fell with a bucket of hot tar, while in the course of his work at the Speckled Inn.

He is getting along nicely, but is still under the care of a local physician.

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LITTLEFIELD
MONDAY, JULY 15

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Rub it on your feet and shake it into your shoes. Then take out your watch. If in 3 minutes you aren't jumping for joy at the soothing, cooling, healing relief, go back to your druggist and he will give you your money back.

But be sure you ask for and get Zeta. There's nothing that works so sure, so fast—and it's recommended by doctors, chiropodists, druggists everywhere for tortured, perspiring feet, water blisters, also for chafing and sunburn.



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4-H Club Boy Farms "By the Moon" And Gets Good Crops

MYKAWA, TEX., July 10.—(UP)—Elmer Alford Fowler, 15, who farms 15 acres "by the moon" and his weather almanac, is the envy of Texas 4-H club boys.

Elmer, barefoot and in the fifth grade at school, waits for the "full of the moon" to plant and to harvest because a "full moon yields a full harvest."

He expects to make 65 bushels of corn per acre. He has picked 75 bushels of peas from an acre and a half and expects to pick that much more.

Elmer is saving money from his cash crops. "Corn husks are thick, so you can look for a hard winter with lots of rain and cold," he says. He knows all the signs of the zodiac and plans according to "indications."

Elmer's father said he foresaw the depression and swapped his \$2,000 city home for his farm. Since 1926 the value of his place has grown to \$15,000.

Elmer likes to farm because of the freedom. "You can work when you want to and quit when you want to," he says.

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Sod House Club Woman Wins \$15 In Chicken Raising Contest

\$15 was won by Mrs. E. L. Ross, farm food supply cooperater of the Sod House home demonstration club, in the contest on raising chicks which was put on by the Hardeman King Co. at Amarillo and sponsored by Mileur Hatchery & Feed Co. at Sudan.

Mrs. Ross raised 380 chicks out of 382 to seven weeks of age. She contributes her success not only to the good feed which she kept before her chicks all the time but also to a clean, well ventilated brooder house, a constant supply of clean cool water and plenty of sunshine.

Mrs. H. K. Irwin, also of the Sod House Club, was one of the 20 high in this contest and received \$1.00.

Slumbering Gold—
(Continued from Story Page)

way's General Store. Money lending was one of his gold mines, and speaking of curious pledges, he mentioned an oddly shaped clover-leaf nugget on which he had loaned something more than its weight to a gambling client. Then the hunt was on.

The client wore a dicer hat and stuttered; was known as "Lefty" and suspected of being a pickpocket. Speed ran the man to earth in a rambling tent, where he cut into the same poker game, and dealing Lefty a hand on which the thief would willingly have bet his shirt, lured the nugget into the game on a raised pot. The shining, foliated piece of gold was weighed on the bar scales and played for twice its gold value.

Speed won it with a straight flush. When Lefty disconsolately quit the table, Speed grilled him about the nugget. Under pressure, the thief maintained the extraordinary story that he had lifted it in Skagway from the pocket of a man now dead—the shell dealer, in fact, whom Speed had shot at the door of The Pack Train saloon.

In order to learn something more about the man with the dicer, Speed had been looking for Ross when the marshal seized him. That the man he was accused of murdering should be the man who had brought the nugget to Skagway, was an apparently perverse loop of the influence he called luck. Now it lay in the marshal's safe, along with Speed's guns and the mail.

Speed's breath smoked in the old cold cell. They had freed his hands, and had not troubled to remove his gun belt—signs that pointed to brief imprisonment and swift judgment, although this was his second day in the cell.

He did not notice the darkening of the cell, or the wilder music that sounded from the camp during his long abstraction. It was the opening of the street door that made him aware of both. There was a different tread in the passage; different, yet somehow familiar.

"Take it in yourself," the guard growled testily to a shadow by the grating. The big door was unlocked, and as the figure edged into the somewhat clearer light of the cell, Speed understood why he had been trying to place the footfall in his memory. The man who confronted him was Frenchy, carrying a plate and curving his chest to bring a deputy's badge into more formidable prominence.

Speed bit his cheek as he glanced over the contents of the plate without accepting it.

"Well, you're a nice one, Frenchy," he commented mildly. "So they give you a deputy's star. Looks good on ye, too."

The ex-fisherman squirmed back a little, not quite able to keep firm front with that even voice in his ears.

"You don't forget, neither, do you, Frenchy?" his prisoner acknowledged, eyeing the fish, and then the knife in his belt, on which his free hand had closed. "Are you the marshal's official sticker?"

Narrow black eyes beaded with a rankling heat which only blood could quench, as the cool gray ones of his defenseless prisoner lifted to his face.

The pause grated on the impatient guard at the door. "If that's the best you can do, frog, back out here with them plates before he takes your knife and carves ye."

"Reckon this feller don't know who he's callin' Frenchy," Speed observed, as the fisherman backed an involuntary step or two. "Tell him what you done to Horse McGinnis of Spokane. Tell him you could lick ten half-baked deputies like him with one foot."

An oath from the guard showed that Frenchy's elevation to office was not popular with the marshal's squad. He swung the door, and hooked the fisherman with a boot-toe to speed his exit. In that finely measured instant, Speed jumped for the door.

Speed reached the corridor in a bound. A gun blazed out of the dark tangle but he was already clear of the passageway and gone.

The canvas between the frame and the rafters was dark. Unfortunately or otherwise, Steiner was out. Speed cut a slit in the canvas, and climbing through the aperture, drop-

4-H Club Girls To Enjoy Picnic

At a meeting June 25 of 4-H girls and sponsors an all-day picnic was planned for July 19. The picnic is to be at the Lubbock City Park where there is plenty of shade, grass, swings and other play ground equipment. Each Club is to be responsible for supplying its own transportation. The girls and their sponsors are to leave early in the morning arriving at the park as early as possible. Songs and games will be planned for the girl's entertainment throughout the day. The girls will bring picnic lunches and spread them in the shade of the trees. Mothers are welcome.

Government reports received here indicate that Texas handled wheat contracts covering 3,674,186 acres which, by October 1, 1934, had brought first rental payments of \$3,726,395.44 to producers.

ped inside. Though the tent had looked dark from outside, its interior was vaguely illuminated by a filtered wavering flow from the kerosene flare in the street it faced on. Rummaging uncovered a crowbar of handy size. In a drawer he found a collection of six-shooters, which said little for Steiner's judgment of firearms, but he quickly picked out a .45, loaded it from his own belt and put it in the holster.

Still the object of his search eluded him. He was beginning to think that the Jew had done some empty boasting when his eye fell on a longish box in the far corner, under a shelf. He pulled it out, and delicately prying it open with the bar, put his fingers inside. With a grunt of relief, he removed the cover and took out two sticks of dynamite.

As he dropped in the snow and paused to listen, his skin prickled with a sense of some lurking presence close by, soundless and unseen. He started swiftly back along his previous trail through the tents, without touching the gun at his belt.

Speed crouched forward tensely, gripping the bar, as a dark shape brushed along the tent wall within a yard of him. In that instant of its disclosure, his hand lunged out and clutched a man by the throat. He raised the pinch bar.

"Do-d-don't hit me," he protested in a hoarse whimper. "I's f-f-for ye. I-seen you prowl into the Jew's t-t-tent to get the d-dynamite. Do-d-don't try it! What'd the m-m-marshal take of y-yourn?"

"My guns and jack—they don't matter. The packet of mail I've got to get."

Lefty caught his arm, "I-leave me case this trick," he whispered busily. "You wouldn't have a chance in a m-m-million with dynamite. I seen that safe once when the marshal pinched me, and with a few minutes, I could f-feel the c-combination. It used to be my racket."

"What's in it for you?"

"I owe you a hand, and the m-marshal a bad turn. G-give me the bar," whispered Lefty. "You wait here."

"How—wait here?"

"W-watch for the mob. Whistle if they get too close. But give me all the t-time you can."

Speed yielded the bar, lying in the drift, his gun covered the only door to the jail, so the chance of Lefty's playing him double was slight. Long minutes dragged before a distant tramping began to pound on his eardrums. A shore party had been combing the beach. The empty boats at mooring and the ship in the gulf would naturally suggest that way of escape. As he sprang erect, his sharp whistle pierced the dusk.

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SYNOPSIS: Strange partners they are—Speed Malone, hardened gambler; Ed Maitland, young New Englander, son of seafaring folks. They set on their trip north to the Yukon gold fields in '97. Maitland in pursuit of lost family fortunes, Maone trading the law in the gold camps. Maitland, the fisherman who took the two men north; Lucky Rose, the beautiful girl who gave Maitland a ring for a keepsake; Fallon, trail boss of the miners and resentful

of Rose's affections to Maitland; Brent, old-time prospector; Garnet, who gave Maitland and Speed his outfit and horses when he quit the trail; Pete and his drunken partner Owens, drowned on the beach these were among the crowd of gold-seekers. After a hard trip north, with many hazards—and Speed killed a man at Skagway, the manager of a shell game who was out to get Speed—the two partners made camp for the winter near Bennett, where the Canadian Mounties held sway. Drew, head of the Mounties there, said there was a strange legend about a ghostly Siwash who left tracks in the snow—his new man Cathcart was specially interested in it. One night the two partners were surprised to have a half-starved dog join them while they were eating steaks from a deer Speed had just shot. A little later a man came out of the storm to them—the ghostly apparition of the Mounties' legend, they decided—and took half their deer. While Speed had gone to Skagway with mail for the Mounties, Maitland found a half-frozen figure in a storm, and discovered it to be Pete, who turned out to be a girl disguised as a man. Now Go On With the Story.

I'd imagine I was holding to the saddle horn and we were leaving a long coil of dust into the blue water of a mirage. I asked Bill about it once and he said I'd been chewing loco weed. There wasn't no such horse in the range. He said the only kin I had was a prospector who'd left Nevada, and he wasn't a man I would want to remember.

The enigmatical figure of the man with the mukluks loomed across Maitland's mind.

"Sometimes, when Bill was drinking, he'd mutter about this prospector—Dalton, he called him. He spoke as if he'd grabbed him once, 'to be rid of him.' They had a jealous quarrel over a woman Bill was married to, I think, and I was mixed in it somehow. He never talked of it when he was sober."

That fragment cast the shadow of a strange triangle, though Pete



Speed reached the corridor in a bound.

The golden head stirred at last on the pillow. Long lashes quivered; gray eyes opened and looked dimly around the cabin. Meeting them, they dropped in bewilderment to the bunk.

After an hour or so the pain began to relent.

"I can't ever thank you, Bud," she murmured.

"Forget that and try to sleep. Maybe this will help." He brought a toddy he had been warming.

When a real sleep of exhaustion presently stole over her, he went out to stable the mare.

"I'll have to travel as soon as the storm dies," she said upon waking, hours later.

"But why, Pete? If it's because you need—"

She shook her head in troubled reverse. "I made some money this winter cooking for a rafting outfit on the Teslin. I don't need any."

"Homesick, maybe?" he suggested, "for that warm desert country of yours?"

"It isn't always warm in Nevada, all desert," Pete smiled a little, with an effort to be a brighter guest—"There's lots of snow."

He encouraged her to talk.

"I guess, even if the place you grow up isn't wonderful," Pete mused, "you imagine it's so. Hardly anyone ever came near Bill's ranch, but I used to dream I had a friend out in the hills somewhere. He rode a big bay horse with a cream-colored mane. When the hot wind blew,

Pete, but why didn't he take you with him?"

Her hand brushed her eyes with a shadowy gesture. "I can't . . . My head's kind of jumbled, Bud."

"Anyway you're safe now, Pete," he said. "By the time you're able to travel, we'll figure something better for you than going out."

The cell of the Skagway jail was

a plain thick-studded box, except for a small grilled vent in the seaward wall, and the cot on which Speed was sitting, inwardly raw with chagrin. Outwardly he wore an air of composure for the benefit of the heavily armed guard in the passage, on the other side of the grated cell door.

Being arrested on the charge of having murdered the shell dealer in this camp last fall, was bad enough. But he had not discerned the real teeth in the trap until Fallon entered the marshal's office, just before he was committed to the cell.

Now when he thought of his dog team waiting for him by the warehouse wharf, and of Drew waiting at Tagish for the mail and freight he had been trusted to deliver, it was all he could do to refrain from getting up and kicking the wall.

The blizzard had caused a disruption in Drew's mail service at a critical time when the inspector was short of a driver. A sled shipment of gold was to be run to Skagway and a packet of mail brought back, containing a considerable amount of bank currency consigned to Dawson against the gold. Drew's choice of a substitute courier had been good gambling. Speed knew that life had left marks on him legible enough to that veteran judge of men.

On delivering the gold to the wharf agent in Skagway, he had not been able to pick up his sled load immediately for the return trip. A ship lay in the gulf in a twinkling fleck of shore ice. Her arrival, delayed by the storm, was being celebrated as a harbinger of Spring and spoils. Even the shore crew was drunk, further retarding the loading of her cargo. Meanwhile the mail was brought ashore, and the agent, previous enough at having custody of the gold, was still more uneasy about the police mail—an oilskin-wrapped and sealed packet of bank notes in easily portable form. His strong-box had been broken recently by thieves, and the packet was presumptively safer in the game pocket of Speed's coat.

Facts to be read by the marshal as indicating that Speed had stolen the regular mail runner's orders, had delivered the gold to obtain the mail, and had been prevented from

taking the ship only by the long-shore tie-up.

The strangely timed event that left him open to capture, occurred during the forced wait. With many hours to kill, he had decided to visit Steiner at what was now Shag-

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HISTORY OF CITY IS OUTLINED BY EARLY SETTLER

Bob Smith Traces Growth Of Littlefield From Early Days

By Bob Smith
Myself and my brother, Ben, first came to this territory in 1912 across a big pasture between here and Swallowwater, nearest postoffice. We hauled the first load of lumber ever to enter Littlefield, bringing it from Abernathy the same year, and my father, B. F. Smith, built the first house on the townsite where the present M. G. Vinther home now stands.

The territory, when the townsite was staked out in 1912, was a series of ranches, and nothing else could be seen here at the time but the surveyor's tent. The townsite included several thousand acres in the northeast corner of the Yellowhouse outfit, adjoining the Spade Ranch fence.

I'll never forget the first Christmas dinner in Littlefield. The citizens, all 13 of them, dined sumptuously in a tent located where the remaining shacks of the Littlefield experimental farm now stands, (southeast edge of town.)

Littlefield's first big event occurred July 4, 1913, when thousands gathered here to greet the first Santa Fe train to run over the new track from Lubbock. There was a parade, and a great number of tots were sold at auction.

Two days later, I killed a couple of coyotes which were eating the remains of the picnic, held just about where the present city hall stands. All that year, coyotes, antelope and wild mustangs ran at large over the townsite. Ben and I caught the last six mustangs in this territory. This was about 8 miles south of town in 1915.

By 1914, Littlefield had two general stores, present Homer Hall site was occupied by W. G. and John Street, known as Street & Street Hardware. My brother, Ben, carried the first mail for Yellowhouse ranch in 1913. First government contract was let to Clyde Willis' father in 1914, I believe it was. He hauled it in an old Hupmobile from Abernathy, closest railroad point at the time.

Rube Beard was our first banker. The bank, established in a 14x28 foot frame shack where Renfro Bros., Grocery now stands, was put in in 1914.

Although there was no acting law, the town was peaceful from the start. Rowdism, except when some fellow imbibed a little too much, was almost unknown. The nearest law was at Olton, the county seat.

Politics was fairly quiet for quite a spell. The county was established in 1903, but there were no votes this side of the sandhills anywhere, until a while after the Littlefield townsite was laid out. Tom Keenan, who now lives here, was county sheriff at Olton around 1915, as I remember it. There were no party lines then... men voted for the man, not for the party.

First school building was the house where J. E. Brannen now lives, somewhere on what is now East 7th street.

Littlefield Hotel, built in 1913 by Yellowhouse, was put up by Abe Hensley and the Dolph Brothers. These brothers were musicians and supplied what musical entertainment we had here for quite a long time.

First brick building went up about 1924. It was the present bank building. Yellowhouse people had it built. Phelps White's father-in-law, Mr. Thompson, built it.

This is about all I can remember about early days in Littlefield, except for the rapid progress of the town here after the big July Fourth picnic when the railroad reached here.

Mrs. Clydie Mobley Dies Thursday; Burial At Ridgeway Sunday

Mrs. Clydie L. Mobley, 47, wife of T. A. Mobley of ten miles southwest of Enochs, passed away Thursday, July 4, following a two months' illness from dropsy.

The body was shipped Friday night to Commerce, Texas, by Hammons Funeral Home, in charge of burial arrangements here, and funeral service took place Sunday afternoon at Ridgeway with interment in the local cemetery.

Decensed was reared at Ridgeway, Texas, and located at Amberst, in 1918, where she lived for three years prior to moving to Enochs. She lived in Enochs for a short

time, following which she moved to the location where she lived at the time of her death.

Mrs. Mobley is survived by her husband, one daughter and seven sons; Mrs. Aleatha Rhodes of Hollis, Okla.; and William, Hershel, Carl, Thomas, Arvin, Gene and Alfred, all at home; and a brother, Austin Prim, of Brasher, Texas.

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