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## SHOWING OF GAS FOUND WHICKER NO. 1 AT 200 FEET; DRILL CONTINUES

## "RED BED" STRUCK 300 FEET HIGHER THAN IN ANY OTHER WELL ON THE PLAINS; GEOLOGISTS ENCOURAGED

Drillers in the Whicker No. 1, drilling near Bledsoe, are showing a good showing of gas struck late Friday afternoon at 210 feet.

In the past week dozens of men from Bledsoe and surrounding country have visited the well, as several carloads of interested men from Lubbock and Littlefield returned to verify the gas.

Several oil men who have visited during the past week say they have strong indications that a field may be opened in that section.

The "red bed" was struck at a much shallower depth than before located in any well on the plains of West Texas. The generation of the well, as shown by the careful log being kept, is all in the fact that this well is at a junction of the cross of these two fields and only a few miles from New Mexico.

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Because of unfavorable conditions a special roadway had been constructed to the well over to haul the heavy machinery. A water well was put down also, before the machinery could be accomplished. The drillers have been holding out for the arrival of casing and material which has been in the most of it coming in Tuesday and Wednesday, and everything is in readiness to re-begin the drilling and push the bit on down the hole as rapidly as possible.

The well is being drilled with a new standard rig. The derrick is new throughout, as is all the machinery, which is being handled by a horsepower gas engine.

As a result of the gas strike last week more than ordinary interest is manifested in this well. It is reported that leases in that section have begun changing hands and values are striking higher values. W. Wood, formerly of Eastland, has been engaged by the Whicker company to have charge of the well and royalties for them, and is expected to work with the company in the reality department. Mr. Wood has had several years experience with some of the leading oil companies and is thoroughly familiar with the details of his particular line. Saturday he visited the well, checked up the log of it, and declared one should ask for better conditions,

### Gains High Post



Gen. Charles P. Sumner, Jr., who was elected Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army to succeed Maj. Gen. L. H. Howland.

expressing his belief that it was only a matter of time and feet in the hole until another oil field would be opened in that section.

This well is located about thirty miles southwest of Littlefield and adds much interest and impetus to the test wells that are going down in this vicinity.

## OLD LANDMARK PASSES TO MAKE ROOM FOR A NEW

The gradual passing of the old frame buildings, the landmarks of Littlefield, is being witnessed by the people here and especially are memories recalled to those who pioneered Littlefield, who well remember noting with pride their construction which was an evidence that Littlefield was growing and more people were coming in, as we do today when work begins on a new structure.

The old frame building located just back of the Ford garage, which was torn down this week and moved into the country to be used in building a barn, is well remembered by many. Its outside walls were plastered with posters of various sows and occasions of the past thirteen years, and the inside walls bore marks of age and usage.

George Janes, one of the first mechanics in Littlefield, erected the building for a garage, later it was sold to Bruce Gertis, who continued the garage business. Then came the late Roy J. Smith and his brother, C. D. Smith, who enjoyed a successful garage business until a better location was secured. Then Fred Lichte, who now lives three miles east of Littlefield, operated a blacksmith shop within its walls, and the last occupants were the Beisel brothers who operated a machine shop there until about a year ago, when a new building was erected just back of the old structure in order to install more modern machinery and equipment.

In all probability a new concern will erect a building on that spot within the near future.

## PASTOR OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH GIVES ADDRESSES

Rev. C. E. Ahlbrand, pastor of the Littlefield Lutheran church, is giving a series of informative Friday night talks at his church that are proving very interesting and attractive to not only the members of his own denomination but those of other sects as well.

The addresses are being given for the purpose of acquainting the people of Littlefield and surrounding community with the teachings and practices of this particular denomination, and are followed by open discussion. Topics for future discussions are as follows:

Oct. 8—Why do Lutherans baptize little children.

Oct. 15—What is the Lutheran confirmation.

Oct. 22—Various Lutheran bodies in America.

Oct. 29—Why doesn't the Lutheran church practise "open communion."

Dec. 5—Why doesn't the Lutheran church join with other denominations in union services.

### FIRST BASKETBALL GAME.

The initial basketball game of the season of the girls town team vs. the high school team was played Friday evening in the gymnasium with a large number of spectators present. The game resulted in a score of 50-21 in favor of the school team.

### CHANGE CARS

By A. B. CHAPIN



## MANY FINE ANIMALS BROUGHT TO HORSE AND DAIRY COW SHOW HELD AT LITTLEFIELD ON MONDAY, TRADES DAY

Trades Day in Littlefield last Monday was both an interesting and very profitable event. One of the largest crowds ever attending such an occasion in this town began coming in early, bringing with them their cows and horses for the dairy and horse show, and by the noon hour the streets were full of people, while the official corrals were full of line live stock.

There were 37 entries in the horse and mule show, and the quality of stuff shown was extra good. In the single class for work horses there were five entries, and all so good the judges had difficulty in making decision as to the best. In the work mare class there were eight as fine mares as could be found back in Iowa or Missouri, the judges stating the quality was far above average. In the team class four teams were entered, all of them so good the spectators could scarcely refrain from trying to assist the judges in their decisions, one man remarking, "It would be a pleasure to own a team like that, and with such a team farming would be lots of fun." There were several good colts and mules, and especially one team of mules present brought forth much favorable comment.

The winners, as announced by Judges Freeman, Story and Howe, are as follows:

Best mule, any age or breed, F. M. Dodd.

Best mule colt under 1 year old, Fred Lichte.

Best span of mules, any age, F. M. Dodd.

Best mare, any age, N. H. Humphries.

Best horse, any age, John Manuel.

Best team of work horses, any age, Y. G. Love.

Best mare or horse colt under 1 year old, W. D. Dunagin.

In the dairy show the entries were smaller, on account of the weather and bad roads, several of the fancy dairy cow owners being unable to get their animals in for showing. It is safe to say that at some future show of this character the entrants will be much greater, as all who participated were well pleased with the result of this showing. Many citizens present remarked that they did not realize there were so many good animals in the country.

Winners in the dairy show were as follows:

Best yearling calf under 1 year, (Jersey) Carl Allen.

Yearling heifers under 2 years, any breed, (Jersey) T. B. Woods.

Cow and calf at side, any breed, (Jersey) Qua Bruce.

Best dairy type male, any breed or age, Milt Seale, (Jersey).

Champion cow, over 2 years, any breed, Qua Bruce, (Jersey).

Grand champion heifer under two years, any breed, T. B. Woods, (Jersey).

Best Jersey cow or heifer, Qua Bruce, (Jersey).

Best Holstein cow or heifer, F. R. Jones, (Jersey).

After the horse and dairy shows, there was a free boxing contest between two local would-be pugilists which furnished considerable amusement to the crowd attending, the old picture show building being filled to capacity.

Following the boxing the cash prizes given by local merchants under the auspices of the Littlefield Retail Merchants Association were drawn, the winners being as follows: Mrs. C. R. Spann, \$10.00; Verna Paden, \$8.00; Chas. Touchan, \$5.00; Mrs. Maude Foster, \$5.00.

## LAMB COUNTY IS SEVENTH WINNER AT THE S. P. FAIR

Lamb county ranked seventh in the agriculture exhibits at the South Plains fair held at Lubbock last week. Garza county won first place, Dawson county second, Crosby county third, Hale county fourth, Lynn county fifth and Terry county sixth. The score showed there were but 12 points difference between Lynn and Lamb counties and but six points between Terry and Lamb.

The Lamb county exhibit taken as a whole was not representative of the county's agriculture ability by any means. On account of the prevailing heavy rains the work of gathering exhibits was deferred until the last minute, and even what was gathered was done in an unsystematic manner. Some of the scores were not filled at all, while others did not contain the best products that might have been obtained if gone after in time. Exhibit Manager G. M. Shaw and his assistants deserve considerable credit for the effort they put forth in the limited time to gather such exhibit as was obtained, working all night to get it placed and ready for the opening day. "Considering what we had to do with," said Mr. Shaw, "we were properly rewarded; but the exhibit shown at Lubbock was not representative of the products of this county by any means."

This week an exhibit is being taken to the fair at Austin, and, according to Shaw it is going to be a good one. Exhibits will also be shown at the Dallas state fair and the cotton palace exhibit at Waco.

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Official Cotton Weigher W. A. Dunigan has opened another cotton yard on the south side of the railroad track near the Littlefield ice plant.

The yard will be in charge of A. L. Porter, cotton weigher elect, and will be of great accommodation to the farmers having ginning done at the gins in the west part of town.

## GIRL DETAINED HERE.

Claims Ran Away Because Her Father Whipped Her.

Elnora Waters, 16, of Idalou, was detained here Monday by Officers Wynn and Anderson upon representation of her father that she had run away from home.

The girl came here Sunday from Lubbock seeking work. Officers were notified by her father to watch out for her, and offering a reward of \$25.00 for her detention, according to Officer A. A. Anderson. The father was here Monday, going on to Clovis, seeking the girl, and it was after he left Littlefield that the girl was found.

When taken in custody she alleged that her reason for leaving home was because her father whipped her severely, and according to the officers, she pulled down her stockings and showed the welts made on her leg.

## LAMB CO. WINS SECOND PLACE AT AUSTIN ST. EXPO.

Lamb county won second place at the Texas State Exposition, at Austin, according to a telegram received Wednesday morning by the Yellow House Land Co.

EXHIBIT AT AUSTIN.  
Shaw Says Lamb County Has Fine Chance for Winnings.

G. M. Shaw returned Monday night from Austin where he went to place the Lamb county exhibit in the fair there.

Working under adverse weather conditions and numerous other difficulties, Shaw succeeded in getting the exhibit at the train in Lubbock just ten minutes before, and through the courtesy of Santa Fe officials it was promptly billed and loaded. Arriving in Austin one box of very important products was found short; but it was located by telegrams and forwarded, the fair officials in the meantime granting six hours extension for placing.

Shaw states that Lamb county was the only county on the Plains represented at the Austin fair; that it was the only exhibit to adhere strictly to the entry requirements and to fill a complete score card, and that it is generally conceded by the fair officials that this exhibit has an excellent chance for first winnings.

Mr. Shaw expresses his appreciation for numerous courtesies shown him by R. W. Walling and Mr. Badger, nephew to W. H. Badger, of this city.

Mr. Shaw will leave Thursday with an exhibit for the State Fair at Dallas.

## FRED PHILLIPS ACCIDENT VICTIM WHILE HUNTING

Fred Phillips, 20, was instantly killed at 10 o'clock, a. m., yesterday when a charge of bird shot from a twelve-gauge shot gun, accidentally discharged as he got into an automobile while hunting east of Idalou, entered his neck and upper chest.

Coung Phillips, who is survived by a bride of a few months, by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Phillips, of Amherst, and by several brothers and sisters, will be buried this morning, services to be at the home of W. F. Pruett, a kinsman, four miles east of Lubbock.

Phillips, with Truett Pruett, and a young woman, were hunting near a lake two miles east of Idalou. Pruett and the young woman were already in the car when Phillips started to climb in, with the gun in his hands. Pruett said that Phillips apparently struck the gun against the running board of the car, causing it to be discharged.

The Rix Furniture and Undertaking Company sent an ambulance for the body and will have charge of the burial.—Lubbock Avalanche.

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The P. W. Walker Seed and Grain Co. is this week having an addition put to their elevator that will double the capacity from 10,000 bushels to 20,000 bushels. This in order to take care of the big grain crop of this section.

## SCHOOL BONDS SOLD TO STATE.

Word was received here last week that the new school bonds, recently voted for the purpose of erecting a new Junior High building, have been purchased by the State. The bonds brought par, plus the accrued interest, netting the District \$60,616.66.

The plans have been prepared by Architect Geo. Gleen of Littlefield and the contract will be let one day this week.—Hockley County Herald.

"Why don't you engage a lawyer and fight the case?"  
"I'd rather fight it myself—then if I win I'll have something left."

## AN ODD DISH

R. M. sends us the story of a young bride who asked her husband to copy off a radio recipe she wanted. He did his best, but got two stations at once, one of which was broadcasting the morning exercises and the other the recipe. This is what he took down:

Hand on hips place one cup of flour on the shoulders, raise knees and depress toes and mix thoroughly in one-half cup of milk. Repeat six times. Inhale quickly, one-half teaspoonful of baking powder, lower legs and mash two hard-boiled eggs in the sieve. Exhale, breathe naturally and sift into a bowl.

Attention! Lie flat on the floor and roll the white of an egg backward and forward until it comes to a boil. In ten minutes remove from fire and rub smartly with a rough towel. Breathe naturally, dress in warm flannels and serve with fish soup.

Try baked carrots with canned pineapple.

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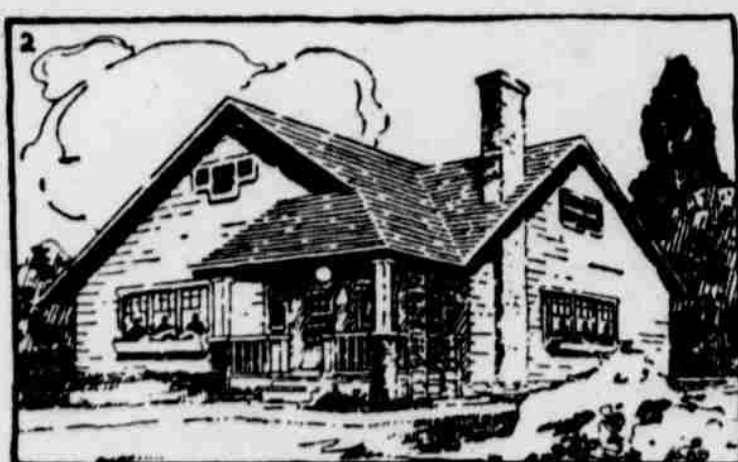
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The F. W. Walker Seed and Grain Co., is this week having an addition put to their elevator that will double the capacity from 10,000 bushels to 20,000 bushels. This in order to take care of the big grain crop of this section.

## SCHOOL BONDS SOLD TO STATE.

Word was received here last week that the new school bonds, recently voted for the purpose of erecting a new Junior High building, have been purchased by the State. The bonds brought par, plus the accrued interest, netting the District \$60,616.66.

The plans have been prepared by Architect Geo. Gleen of Littlefield and the contract will be let one day this week.—Hockley County Herald.

"Why don't you engage a lawyer and fight the case?"

"I'd rather fight it myself—then if I win I'll have something left."

## AN ODD DISH.

R. M. sends us the story of a bride who asked her husband off a radio recipe she was did his best, but got two once, one of which was the morning exercises and the recipe. This is what he had on the shoulders, raise knees, press toes and mix thoroughly half cup of milk. Repeat.

Inhale quickly, one-half teaspoon baking powder, lower legs, two hard-boiled eggs in the hals, breathe naturally and a bowl.

Attention! Lie flat on the roll the white of an egg back forward until it comes to a ten minutes remove from the smartly with a rough towel, naturally, dress in warm flannel, serve with fish soup.

Try baked carrots with pineapple.

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