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THE NEGRO PROBLEM.

A proper solution of this problem has exercised some of the bist taient of the country and until quite recently it has been a much vexed question, both on the forum and in the press. By the cruel arbitrament of the sword the negro was transformed from a condition of servitude to that of a freemar. They were enuowed with the rights and privileges of citizeaship, when ignorant and totally unprepared for this change of condition.

Is it strange that the former slave, when suddenly placed on an equal footing with one who once held him in bondage, should ue jeolous of his newly acquired rights and be continually on the watch for some infringement or denial of such rights, or that the former master should regard the ignorant negro, once a slave, not entitled to the rights and privileges which were contended for and secured at the cost of the best blood of nis ancestors? Notwithstanding the laws of the country fix, for all time to uume, the status of the negro, and should be strictly observed, yet wherever negroes come in contact with the whites, there

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The Borden Citizen

Gail, Borden County Texas, Tnursday, June 14 1906.

We wonder how many of our boys realize that land is going fast—Leys brought up to think that in America land can never be scarce, that when they have played out at everything else they can somewhere get a piece of land for nothing and the next

No. 25

In 1865 there were but little over 81,000,000 acres under cultivation in the united States. Today the cultivated acres number 236. 000,000 and these acres are not only our best, but they are fast going up in value beyond the reach of men of small means. Keen scented corporations, snuffing the inevitable battle afar, are turning their attention to land. and greedily buying whole courties with no idea of ever letting an acre go, but the boy who thinks he is made for something higher looks camly on, thinking there will be plenty left for him should he ever have to stoop to it. But what is the real situation. In the better settled areas in Texas, lands that are selling for from \$10.00 to \$40.00 per acre are no etter than the lands of Borden county, that can be bought now at \$3.00 to \$7.00 per acre. Besides our lands are increasing in value at the rate of 25 per cent per annum. What section can offer such advantages to the young man, or to the man of family who wishes to secure a home. The sons of half starved teachers, lawyers, traders and others, who are unsuccessful in their over-crowded callings, are turning to our cheaper lands, sure to find there what they nor their parents have ever known before-truly independent homes.

will continue to be conflicts and antagonisms, between the two, hence that country is fortunate that is free from a class of neople that are sure to cause t and with whom associati degrading to the society of w because they are morally info

The citizens of Borden county are strongly opposed to the introduction of negroes among them and as this sentiment is well nigh universal, we do not think any one can afford to ignore it. If the people do not give employment to them we will never have the negro problem to contend with.

We are trying to make Big Springs the furniture market of this territory. Our prices are such that you cannot afford to buy elsewhere.

Big Springs Furn. Co.

Mrs, Middleton, of Milam Co. who is visiting her brother, S. L. Jones, of the Plains was in Gail with Mr. Jones last Saturday.

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T. JONES, MGR.

BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

Cures old Sores.

Westmoreland, Kans, May 5, 1902: Ballards, Snow liniment Co., Your Snow Liniment cured an old sore on the side of my chin that was supposee to be a cancer. The sore was stubborn and would not yield to treatment until I tried Snow Liniment, which did the work in short order. My sister, Mrs. Sophia J. Carson, Allansqille, Muffin Co Pa. has a sore and mistrusts that it is a cancer. Please send her a 50c. bottle. Sold dy D. Dorward & Co. and all Druggist.

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Gail, Cexas. June, 14 1906.

. Does Gail compare favorably with other towns of its size. Are the streets kept neat and tidy or are they disfigured by gullies and washouts, showing an entire absence of snything like pride and enterprise on the part of its citizens? att Salaro

There is nothing that helps the looks of a town and induces newcomers to settle in it more than neatly painted houses and iences, neat and tidy streets and sidewalls and fruit and shade trees on your lots. Let us see what you will do for the beneit of our little city.

GARZA LOCALS. Accept my greetings, Mr. Editor, and a few news items from Garza County. The farmers here are all busily engaged with many kinds of farm impliments, cultivating their

crops. them very much and the pros- Cream Vermituge pects now are favorable for a good crop this year. Thompson Askins, of Verbena sold a Mr. Snodgrass, of Floyd Co., 21 head of stock horses, con-ideration \$792 50 and a good bunch of yearling steers to John Wheeler, who lives at the head of Salt Fork.

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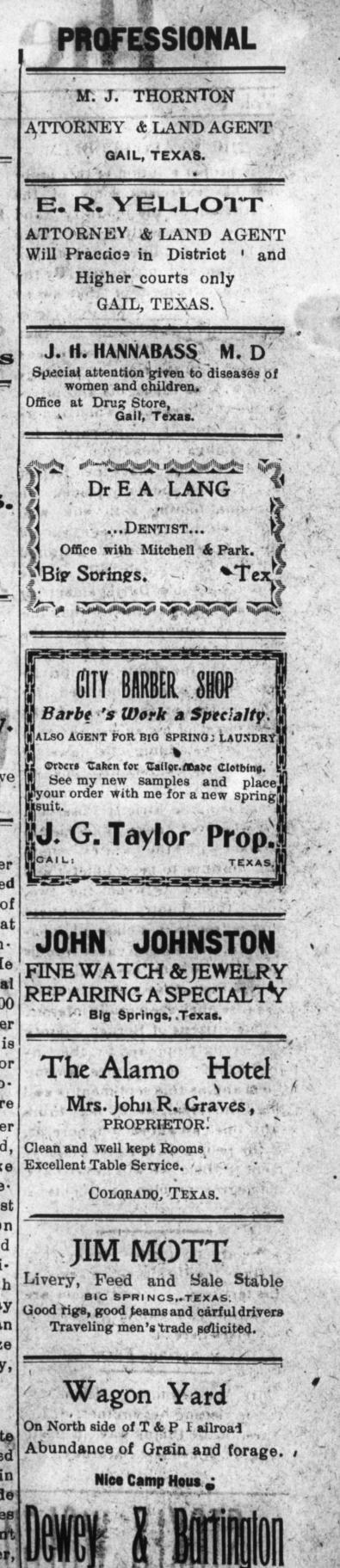
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J. B. Cotten, Post Master at Verbena, has gone to Emma on business.

I have heard quite a number of Garza Co. voters say, they wished some of the Borden County candidates would remember that a polite gentleman would not stop a man from his work, but would go with him and talk as the voter worked. "A hint to the wise is sufficient."

The whole U to herd stamped. ed in the LFD pasture, about 8 miles South of Emma, several days ago and the boys had to make a big round up to get them

again. One of Arthur Gates' work mules ran away from Mr. Gates' place, near Litwalton, Thursday and Mr. G is still hunting him.

C. W. Justis, of Litwalton, took his new show cutfit to Taboka few nights ago. Your friend,

Garza.

Lingo's Lumber Yard. Bran new stalls, camp houses and feed pens and plenty of feed, Give us a call and we will take good care of your stock. PORTER & CROW Big Springs, Texas.

A CALL Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Executive committee, of the Democratic party of Borden county; at the court house thereof in Gail. on the 3rd Monday, the same being the 18th day of June 1906.

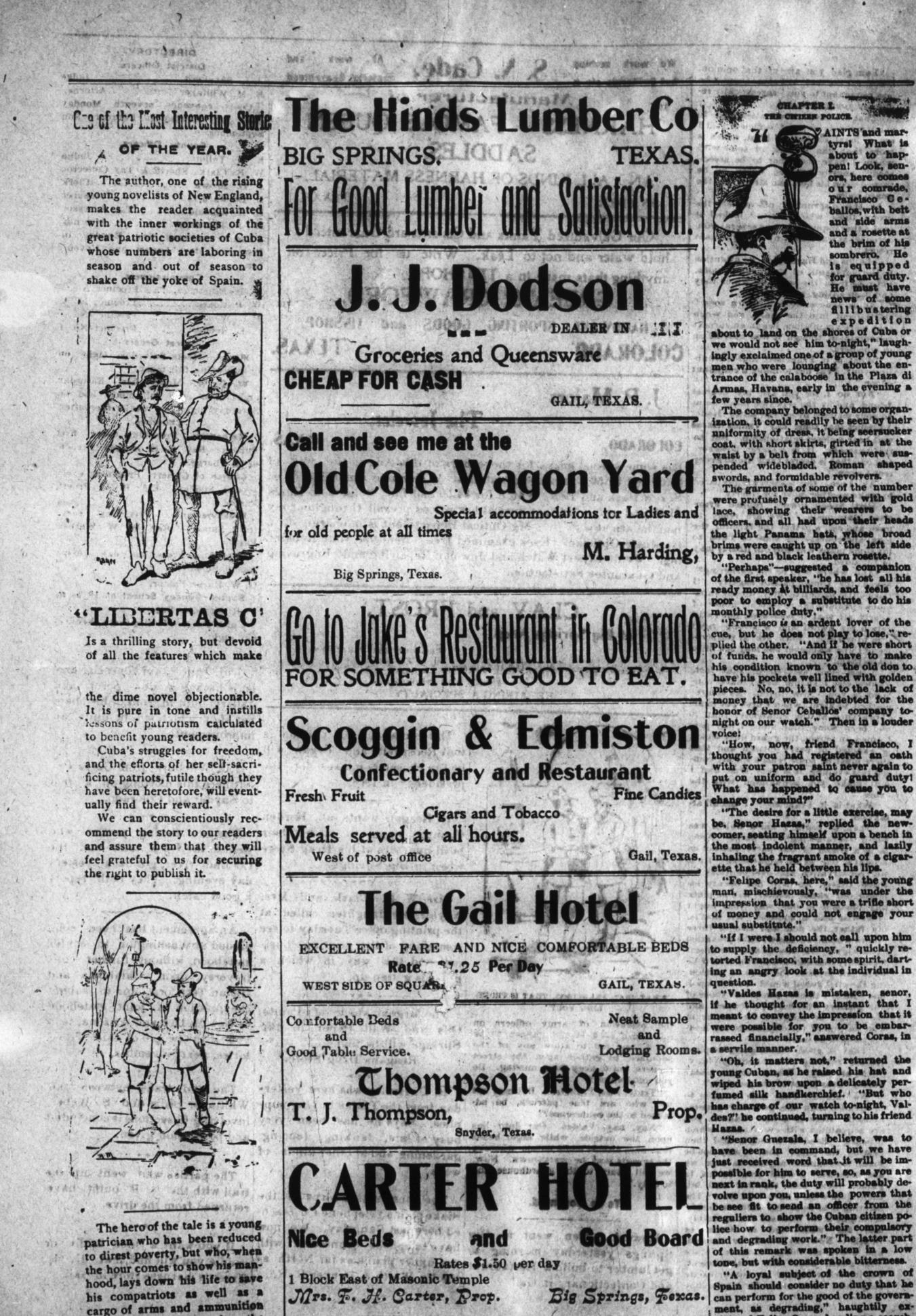
J. K. Mitchell

Chairman.

investment a community can make. It may not be crowded with great thoughts, but financially it is more benefit than both preacher and teacher. Today editors do more for less pay, than any men on earth. Patronize your home paper, not as charity, but as an investment."-Ex.

Compere Bro's., Real Estate Dealers of Abilene Texas, passed through our town Saturday in an Automobile. Having made the run from Lubbock, 70 miles distant, in the morning, they went on to Snyder, 35 miles futher, that afternoon. They were returning from a visit to the plains.

BIG SPRINGS.



INTS'and martyrs! What is about to happen! Look, senors, here comes our comrade Francisco Ce-ballos, with belt and side arms and a rosette at the brim of his sombrero. He is equipped for guard duty. He must have news of some fillibustering expedition

about to land on the shores of Cuba or we would not see him to-night," laughingly exclaimed one of a group of young men who were lounging about the en-trance of the calaboose in the Plaza di Armas, Havans, early in the evening a

Armas, Havana, early in the evening a few years since. The company belonged to some organ-ization, it could readily be seen by their uniformity of dress, it being seersucker coat, with short skirts, girted in at the waist by a belt from which were sus-pended widebladed. Roman shaped swords, and formidable revolvers.

The garments of some of the number were profusely ornamented with gold lace, showing their wearers to be officers, and all had upon their heads the light Panama hats, whose broad brims were caught up on the left side by a red and black leathern rosette.

of funds, he would only have to make his condition known to the old don to have his pockets well lined with golden pieces. No, no, it is not to the lack of money that we are indebted for the honor of Senor Ceballos' company tonight on our watch." Then in a louder



cargo of arms and ammunition sent to the conspirators from the United States.

"How, now, friend Francisco, I thought you had registered an oath with your patron saint never again to put on uniform and do guard duty! What has happened to cause you to change your mind?"

"The desire for a little exercise, may be, Senor Hazas," replied the new-comer, seating himself upon a bench in the most indolent manner, and lazily inhaling the fragrant smoke of a cigarette that he held between his lips.

"Felipe Coras, here," said the young man, mischievously, "was under the impression that you were a trifle short of money and could not engage your usual substitute."

"If I were I should not call upon him to supply the deficiency, " quickly retorted Francisco, with some spirit, darting an angry look at the individual in

"Valdes Hazas is mistaken, senor, if he thought for an instant that I meant to convey the impression that it were possible for you to be embarrassed financially," answered Coras, in

"Oh, it matters not," returned the young Cuban, as he raised his hat and wiped his brow upon a delicately per-fumed silk handkerchief. "But who has charge of our watch to-night, Valdes?" he continued, turning to his friend

"Senor Guezala, I believe, was to have been in command, but we have just received word that it will be impossible for him to serve, so, as you are next in rank, the duty will probably devolve upon you, unless the powers that be see fit to send an officer from the reguliers to show the Cuban citizen police how to perform their compulsory and degrading work." The latter part of this remark was spoken in a low tone, but with considerable bitterness.

"A loyal subject of the crown of Spain should consider no duty that he can perform for the good of the govern-ment, as degrading," haughtily ex-claimed Felipe Coras, bending a searching look upon his outspoken compan"I am glad you are of that opinion, senor, for the task will consequently be less repugnant to you," sarcastically remarked young Ceballos.

"That I have never attempted to shirk my duty is proof sufficient that I am a loyal subject, at least, which is more than can be said of some with whom I have the honor to be associ-ated," angrily retorted Coras, as he turned upon his heel and strode into the guard room.

As the disgruntled officer left the group, those who remained looked at each other inquiringly. and several wondered what was meant by the significant retort.

Ceballos and Hazas paid no attention to the comments of their companions, but rose from the bench on which they had been sitting, and with an:

"Adios, senors, we will return soon." started out into the plaza. and when they were again alone began an carnest conversation, though it was carried on in whispers.

"What is it, Francisco, that is troubling you? Fear not to make a confidant of me."

'Nor do I, for you are my dearest friend, and by the repeated inquiries as to your welfare by my fair sister Isadel I predict that some day Valdes Hazas will bear a closer relationship. But to this business. It is a secret, however, and one that is dearer than life to every true Cuban."

"Ah! I see. Our leaders are prepared to make another move for liberty.

"Hist! Speak lower," replied Fran-cisco, cautiously. "We are ready to meet and call together the faithful, the loyal and courageous sons of Cuba to lay some plans whereby our liberty may be obtained."

'And where is to be the gathering?" asked the young patriot eagerly. "I have little money to offer, for the rapacious Spaniard has robbed my house of nearly all that it possessed, but I still retain my sword and a strong right arm to wield it. Both are at the service of Cuba whenever she may see fit to claim them."

"I am well assured of that fact, Valdes, else I should never have confided in you. Now, listen. As you remarked to-night, when I first put in an appearance at the calaboose, that it had been some time since I had performed in person the guard duty which is exacted of every citizen and that there must be some reason for my coming this evening, it is very true, and 1 will make you acquainted with the cause."

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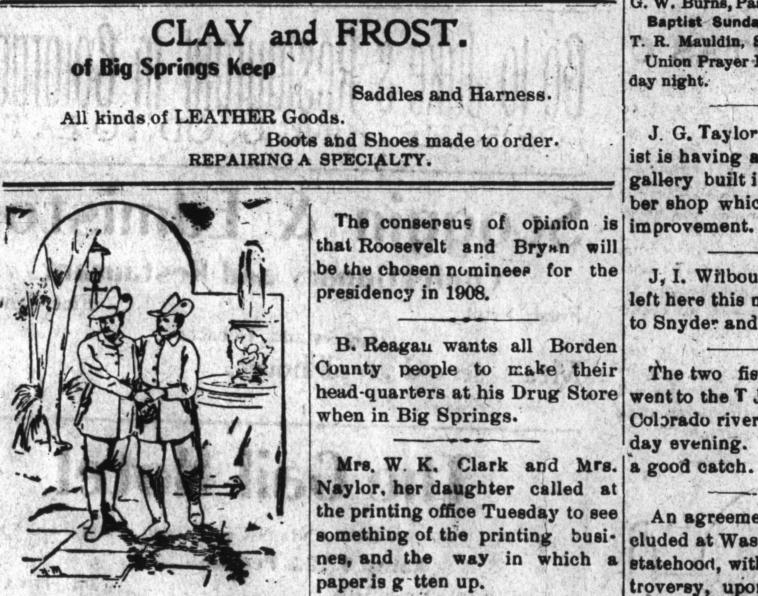
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County Officers,

E. R. Yellott....Judge W. K. Clark. . Sheriff & Tax Collector J. D. BrownClerk D. Dorward, Jr..... Treasurer H. A. Kincaid..... Tax Assessor M. J. ThorntonAttorney Court convenes first Monday in February, May, August and November.

Commissioners. H. D. Pruett..... Precinct No. 1 W. P. Coates..... Precinct No. 2 J. L. Waskom Precinct No. 3 C. E. Reeder..... Precinct No. 4 Secret Orders.

Mason.-Meets Saturday night on or preceding full moon.

W. O. W .- Meets first Saturday night after each full moon, and on Saturday night two weeks thereafter. Churches.

Methodist: Preaching every first Sunday. Rev. A. H. Hussey, Preacher in Charge.

Church of Christ: Preaching every second Sunday. Eld. H. D. Pruett, Pastor.

Presbyterian: Preaching every third Sunday. Rev, W. W. Werner, Pastor.

Baptist: Preaching day every fourth Sunday.

G. W. Burns, Pastor.

Baptist Sunday School at 10 a. m. T. R. Mauldin, Supt.

Union Prayer Meeting every Wednesday night.

J. G. Taylor, our tonsorial artist is having a new porch and gallery built in front of his barber shop which will be quite an

"What is . it, Francisco? I am all attention."

"Then, to begin. I knew well it was Senor Guezala's night in charge. Now, be is a friend of our party, but not as ardent a one as we might wish. He is too conservative and over-cautious for these times. He will not openly espouse our cause, neither will be place any obstacle in our way that might otherwise lead to success. We, that is, my father, the don, and two or three others whom you know, have prevailed upon Signor Guezala to absent himself from duty this night, knowing that if he were not present the work of stationing the civil guard would devolve upon me. Now, I think I can select those of our number who may be trusted. and they shall be assigned for service in that portion of the city where our leaders propose to meet."

"That is good, that is good," replied Hazas, rubbing his hands joyfully. "Who are they? Whom can we trust? Surely Coras is not of the number."

"No, indeed! That man is more to be dreaded than the governor general himself. Here is a list. Take it; you are acquainted with every name which it bears. Read it through, and then destroy the paper, that it may not be found to criminate anyone in case we are detected. I want you, Valdes, to gather these men together and tell them just what I have told you. The meeting is to be at my father's house. Midnight is the hour set for assembly. and the watchword is "Cuba. or Death.' Now, my friend, be discreet, and, above all things, cautious. Place your guard about the establishment, but in such a manner as not to excite suspicion. Instruct the force to occupy

WHAT IS IT, FRANCISCO, THAT IS TROUB LING YOU?"

the attention of army officers on soldiers, if such should happen to be about, and not to allow any of the populace to gather upon the street corners, but to keep them, moving. Do you understand?"

"Truly, I.do, Francisco. But may not we, who are true patriots, be admitted to the conference?"

"Nay, nay, Valdes. Our duty lies upon the outside, while sager heads than ours discuss some means whereby the tyrants may be overthrown. Now, we will return to the guardhouse and to duty."

Howe & Cotten went to Big Springe yesterday morning to and Confectionar; in Gail

that Roosevelt and Bryan will be the chosen numinees for the

TEXAS

B. Reagan wants all Borden County people to make their head-quarters at his Drug Store

Naylor, her daughter called at the printing office Tuesday to see something of the printing busines, and the way in which

The largest stock of Paints, Oils and Wall Paper in Big Springs will be found at

Reagans Drug Store.

R. D. Hurley was here yesterday from the Plains buying supplies. Says he has been yery busy of late, tanking, fencing, gardening and at other kinds of work.

The construction corps of the Stake plains Telephone Co. reached here last Saturday. We now have telephone connection with get lumber to build a Restaurant the upper plains as far North as the Ft, Worth & Denver R. R.

J, I. Wilbourn, from Garza Co. left here this morning on a trip to Snyder and Colorado.

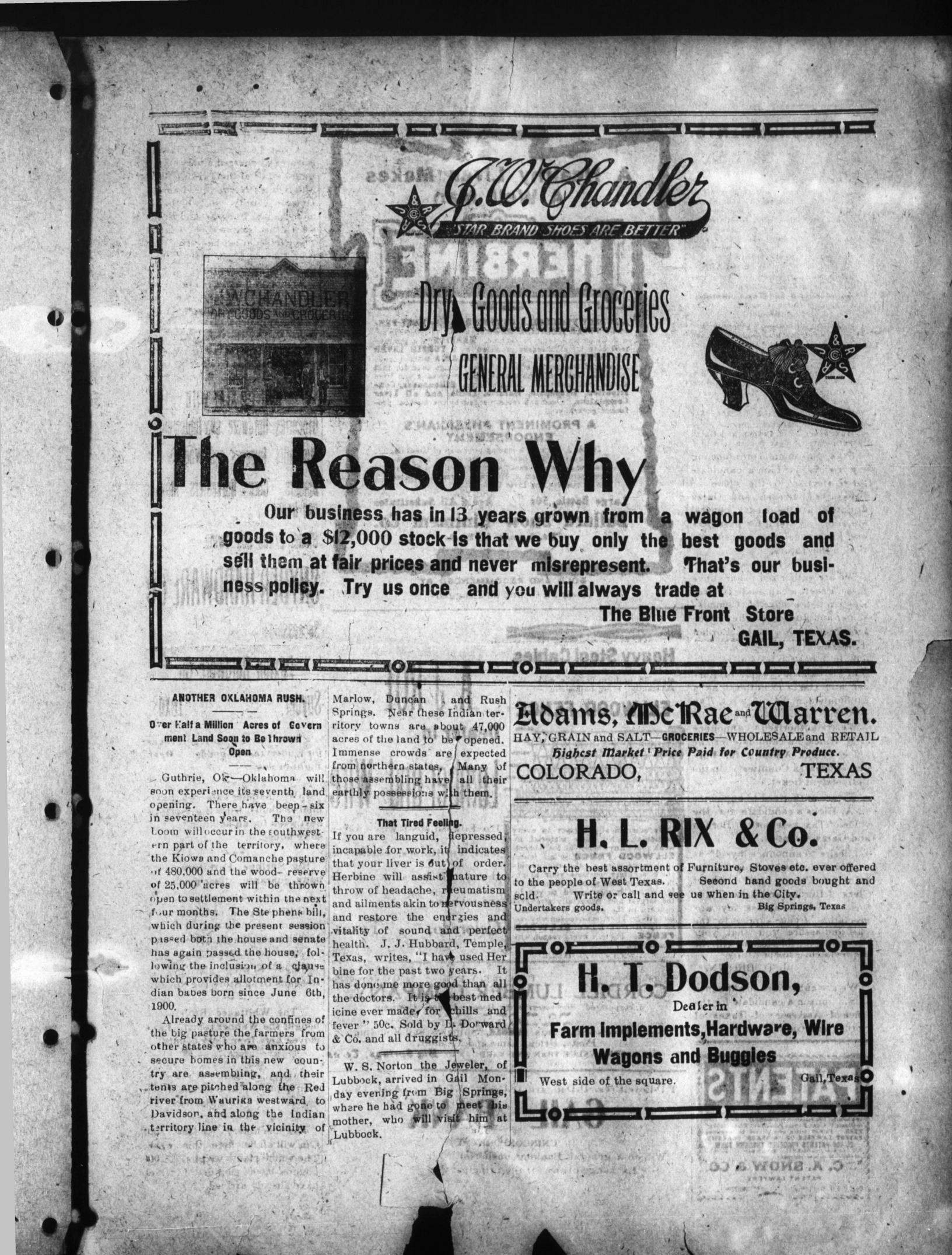
The two fisning parties who went to the TJF tank and the Colorado river, got back yesterday evening. They both report

An agreement has been coneluded at Washington to confer statehood, without further controversy, upon Oklahoma and Indian Territory, and to submit the question of joint statehood of New Mexico and Arizona, to a vote of the people of said Territories, next November.

The land trace between the Whittaker Bro's and S Weber. involving 64 sections is concluded and possession given.

The parties who went up the trail with the O B outfit have returned from the drive.

If you want a nice bridle or saddle you will find it at H. D. Pruett's harness store in Gail.



REDUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Inc. S grinz a candidate for the office of S. revin and Tax Collector of Borden and Garza Counties.

n announcing myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Borden and Garza Counties, I wish to thank my 1.lends for the support they have given me heretofore and ask each voter's consideration at the next gen-e.al election. Respectfully

W. K. CLARK.

We are authorized to announce John De Shazo as candidate for the fice of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Lorden and Garza Counties, subject to the vote of the people.

We are authorized to announce W. A. Bedell as a candidate for Tax Assessor of Borden and Garza Counties at the next general election.

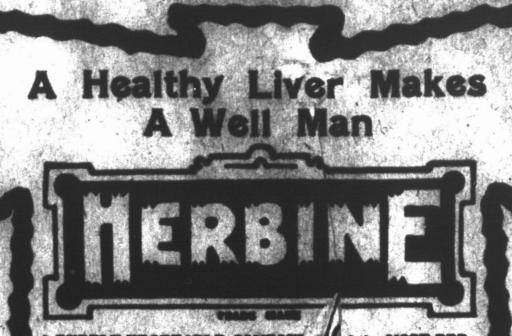
We are authorized to announce E. R. Yellott a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge of Borden and Garza Countles, at the next general election.

We are authorized to announce John Mason a candidate for the office of Tax Assessor of Borden and Garza Counties at the next general election.

I tak- this method of informing my friends that I am a candidate for re election to the office of Treasurer of Borden and Garza Counties at the next general election. Grateful for past avors, I ask your kind consideration in the future.

D. Dorward Jr. We are authorized to announce H. D. Pruett a candi late for re election to the office of Commissioner and Justice of the Peace for Precinct No. 1 of Borden County.

S. L. Jones requests us to present his name to people of Borden and Uarza Countjes as 'a candidate for the office of Tax Aspessor.



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A TRAGEDY.

About 4 o'clock P M on last Saturday occurred a very unfortunate affair at the Turbine Wind Mill 3 miles North of Lamesa, Dawson county, in which two men, named Puryear and Seeds, wa.s killed by gun shot wounds. The parties killed had driven out from Lamess to the place where the shooting took place.

Arthur, Sid and Claude Wasson and A. L. Grant, who are charged with the killing waived an examining trial and were allowed bail in the sum of \$5,000 each, except Claude Wasson whose bond was fixed at \$2,000.

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We are authorized to announce J. M Kincaid a candidate for the fice of Tax Assessor for Borden and Garza Counties. On the 1 idipendent ticket.

We are authorized to announce L. A. Hicks a candidate for the office of Tax Arsessor of Borden and Garza Counties.

I desire to announce mywelf as candidate for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk of Borden and Garza Counties. I wish to express my appreciation of your support in the past and assure you that your favorable consideration will be appreciated. Respectfully

We are authorized to announce O.S. Johnson a candidate for the office of Assessor of Taxes of Borden and Garza Counties,

A. SNOY

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Will do a general Banking business. Exchange drawn on the principal

The machinery for the Gail Gin will all be here this week, The whole plant weighs 15,000 pounds' 9,000 pounds of which have already arrived.

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