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EUROPEAN OPPORTUNITY FOR AMERICAN MEATS

It is clear that one of the first important matters to come before the new National Live Stock Association should be a vigorous effort to extend our foreign trade. Germany and France will take millions of dollars' worth of American meats if we will tote fair and admit certain of their products which in no wise compete with the output of American stock farms. There is a chance for a bargain here when it comes to the proposed revision of the tariff schedules that will mean much to the meat makers of the Corn-belt and the range. The Gazette proposes to try to throw some light upon this subject and to point out some of the difficulties that stand in the way of securing proper recognition for American stockmen in this matter.

In the first place there is no question of partisan politics involved. It is not a question of Democracy or of Republicanism. The Gazette is not concerned with mere political maneuvers. We are very much alive, however, to all that affects the welfare of our producers of meats, and we believe that if there is to be, as seems probable, a general overhauling of the tariff within the next twelve months, it behooves all friends of the live stock industry to wake up Congressmen on this subject of opening the markets of Continental Europe to our beef, pork and mutton; for it promises material relief from a congestion that now often occurs at the great market centres.

In a recent issue we referred to the French reciprocity treaty which was negotiated some five years ago and which failed of ratification in the Senate. We are no advised that this treaty is dead, the limit for its adoption having expired. Furthermore, it is apparent from an examination of its provisions that it was not drawn with due regard to the interests of the farming community, so that it is probably advisable to let it sleep and begin anew.

The simply fact seems to be that American live stock and meats have been excluded from the most important markets of Continental Europe largely because the United States government has no settled "foreign commercial policy." All the leading governments of the world, with the exception of the United States, give careful attention to the interests of their exporting industries. Germany and France especially take great pains to frame their fiscal legislation so as to favor the exportation of their products. The United States gives practically no attention to the question of obtaining foreign markets for the surplus of agriculture and other exporting industries. We might offer to Germany and France, without injury to legitimate American industries, inducements which would lead them to open wide markets for American meats, but the authorities at Washington do nothing because they have no "foreign commercial policy."

This plain statement, however, does not tell half the truth. Germany and France have excluded American food products because the United States has been grossly unfair to them in tariff legislation. The American tariff is about three times as high, on an average, as the protective tariffs of Germany and France, but this is not all. Congress has deliberately incorporated in the American tariff provisions which discriminate against the products of Germany and France. For example, Germany is the largest producer and exporter of sugar, and the United States is the leading sugar importing country of the world. There is no reason why this country should not import from Germany a fair share of the sugar that must be bought from the world. In the Wilson and Dingley tariffs there were provisions which were deliberately intended to exclude German and French sugar from the American market until all other sources of supply throughout the world had been exhausted. Java, a country that buys but little from the United

States, was favored at the expense of Germany and France, two of the best customers for American products. When the Wilson bill was pending in congress with this provision in it, the German government made two formal protests, intimating that Germany would be compelled to retaliate if this provision became a law, but no attention was paid to these protests. When the Dingley tariff was enacted congress, instead of removing this discrimination, made it worse.

It must be confessed that the German government acted in a very moderate manner in the face of so pointed, direct and unnecessary a discrimination against an important German product. In 1892 Secretary Blaine had obtained certain reductions in the German tariff on meats and flour, but when we reversed Blaine's policy Germany did not withdraw these concessions, as she had a right to do, and they remain in force to this day. The only measure of retaliation which Germany adopted was to exclude American meat products and live stock by the simple expedient of "sanitary" regulations. It would seem as though Germany expected that the large packers in this country would have sufficient influence in Washington to secure redress for her grievance, but the packers either did not "see the point" or were unable to outbid the sugar trust.

The provision of the American tariff which is largely responsible for the exclusion of meats from the German market was also the cause of an ugly quarrel with Russia four years ago over a small importation of sugar from that country. This did not affect the live stock industry, but American hardware manufacturers lost a large market in Russia which would amount to probably \$10,000,000 a year by this time. The indifference of the United States government to the needs of exporting industries has involved this country in a "tariff war" with Germany, France and Russia, the three leading countries of Continental Europe; and Austria has been forced into a commercial position that is hostile to us, although our trade with her is not so important.

It is not alone with continental countries, however, that the United States has pursued an unfortunate policy. In 1891 and 1892 several Latin American countries and the West Indies were coerced into reciprocity treaties with the United States, in which this country made no concessions whatever in regular tariff duties. In 1894, after these treaties had only been in effect two years, congress unceremoniously tore them to pieces, without so much as giving the six months' notice this country had agreed in the treaties to give in case we wanted to abrogate them. This unscrupulous method of doing business did not add anything to the confidence of Latin American peoples in American methods of diplomacy.

In the Orient the United States has given a striking example of what the people at Washington can do to protect the interests of exporting industries. The Standard Oil Company and many of the eastern cotton mills are building up a large business in China and other Asiatic countries and the American state department works overtime, with the hearty approval of the people, to maintain the "Open Door." This has won the good will of Oriental countries to such an extent that exports from the United States to China grew from \$2,946,209 in 1890 to \$15,259,167 in 1900. Exports to Japan grew in the same period from \$5,232,643 in 1890 to \$29,087,475 in 1900. Exports from the United States to all Asia grew from \$19,696,820 in 1890 to \$64,913,807 in 1900. In no other part of the world has American trade gained so rapidly in recent years, and a large share of this gain must be credited to the good horse sense which the United States has exhibited in its Oriental policy. If the same sense had governed our relations with Continental Europe there would have been

a gain in exports of live stock products to those countries in the last twenty years, instead of a loss. The United States should adopt a conservative and consistent "foreign commercial policy" that will be in keeping with the dignity of a great commercial nation and the agricultural interests should have first consideration. Prosperity for the farmer means prosperity for everybody.

Commenting upon a late interview upon this subject with the managing editor of the Gazette, the Davenport (Ia.) "Daily Democrat," under the heading, "Open the World's Markets," says:

"The people of this country are great consumers. That is to say that Americans as a whole live better than Englishmen, Germans, Frenchmen, or those of any other nation. Americans deserve to live better because they work hard, and for the further reason that their country is a great producer, no other equaling it or closely approaching it. America produces more than it can consume, and on this account the in-

terests of large classes would be served by the opening of markets which are now partially or altogether closed. President McKinley saw the advantage more than four years ago when he caused reciprocity treaties to be prepared. He thought these treaties would become operative, but the senate has put them on the shelf, and without pressure from the people will let them remain there.

"The legislation demanded today is such as will open the door. The markets of continental Europe bar out products that we have to sell. This is particularly true of those of France, Belgium and Germany. The conditions as they exist in this country and abroad have not been more strongly presented than in a late interview by Alvin H. Sanders, editor of the Breeders' Gazette. Mr. Sanders speaks with authority on some phases of the reciprocity question because he is thoroughly informed. It is his business to know the stockmen of the country and to guard their large interests. He does so whenever occasion offers."—Breeders' Gazette.

LOCAL STOCK YARDS RECEIPTS SHOW GAIN

The annual statement of the receipts and shipments of live stock at the Fort Worth stock yards for the year ending Jan. 31, 1905, has just been issued by Secretary O. W. Matthews, and shows a very favorable increase of 55 per cent over the previous year.

22,667 CARS RECEIVED

The total number of cars of live stock, including all classes of cattle, hogs, sheep, horses and mules, received during the year is 22,667, while the re-shipment was 7,300, showing that 15,376 cars of stff were consumed by Swift & Company, Armour & Company and the other local butchers.

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1904, the total receipts of live stock yards were 16,020 cars and the shipments out 5,120.

"The showing for the year just ended is the best record ever made by any new stock yards in the United States," said General Live Stock Agent Galbreath of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway Company. Mr. Galbreath continued his comment by stating that the market here is bound to grow in importance.

In addition to the local demand Cudahy has a buyer on this market and is taking considerable stuff for his Los Angeles, Cal., plant. Twenty-four cars of cattle were shipped today to Los Angeles over the Katy for Cudahy.

STATEMENT BY ROADS

The statement of Secretary Matthews shows that the railroads handled the following stock into the Fort Worth market during last year:

Santa Fe—Cattle, cars 1,943, head 57,884, calves, cars 140, head 10,344; hogs, cars 804, head 30,328; sheep, cars 133, head 26,789; horses and mules, cars 89, head 2,203. Total cars 3,109.

Fort Worth and Denver City—Cattle, cars 1,400, head 44,245, calves, cars 38, head 2,531; hogs, cars 125, head 8,727; sheep, cars 27, head 6,753; horses and mules, cars 167, head 4,551. Total cars 1,757.

Cotton Belt—Cattle, cars 354, head 11,178, calves, cars 3, head 243; hogs, cars

179, head 14,672; sheep, cars 16, head 3,152; horses and mules, cars 13, head 272. Total cars 565.

Rock Island—Cattle, cars 1,779, head 54,489, calves, cars 42, head 3,150; hogs, cars 1,041, head 84,664; sheep, cars 30, head 5,078; horses and mules, cars 50, head 1,140. Total cars 2,942.

Missouri, Kansas and Texas—Cattle, cars 3,156, head 90,096, calves, cars 263, head 17,677; hogs, cars 568, head 43,598; sheep, cars 121, head 24,971; horses and mules, cars 72, head 1,530. Total cars 4,180.

Texas and Pacific—Cattle, cars 5,377, head 181,069, calves, cars 720, head 50,560; hogs, cars 234, head 19,115; sheep, cars 63, head 8,085; horses and mules, cars 141, head 3,604. Total cars 6,535.

Houston and Texas Central—Cattle, cars 493, head 16,851, calves, cars 21, head 1,590; hogs, cars 290, head 24,199; sheep, cars 47, head 12,231; horses and mules, cars 15, head 272. Total cars 866.

Fort Worth and Rio Grande—Cattle, cars 1,616, head 51,077, calves, cars 94, head 7,094; hogs, cars 15, head 1,059; sheep, cars 37, head 6,600; horses and mules, cars 40, head 988. Total cars 1,802.

Frisco—Cattle, cars 186, head 5,717, calves, cars 4, head 246; hogs, cars 236, head 19,033; sheep, cars 10, head 1,942; horses and mules, cars 7, head 149. Total cars 443.

International and Great Northern—Cattle, cars 204, head 5,835, calves, cars 7, head 430; hogs, cars 241, head 21,937; sheep, cars 14, head 2,569; horses and mules, cars 2, head 37. Total cars 468.

Driven in—Cattle, 45,597; calves, 152; hogs, 8,705; sheep, 9,726; horses and mules, 2,260.

Total receipts—Cattle, 626,251; calves, 125,984; hogs, 312,008; sheep, 112,529; horses and mules, 26,652.

Total cars—Cattle, 16,508; calves, 1,332; hogs, 3,733; sheep, 498; horses and mules, 596.

Shipments out—Cattle, 582,064; calves, 150,171; hogs, 312,008; sheep, 112,529; horses and mules, 26,652.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Consular reports of the wonderful cures effected by the new Austrian drug, ascatco, in asthma, catarrh, bronchitis, hay fever and even consumption, continue to pour in from all parts of the world. Diseases of the respiratory organs evidently this time have met their master. Records show that obstinate cases of asthma have been cured by 500 drops. The dose is minute, being but seven drops, twice daily.

The Austrian dispensary, No. 6 East Fourteenth street, New York city, has been empowered to carry on the work in America of stamping out these dreaded diseases, and to this end will send sample bottles free by mail to all who write for it.

AMERICAN MEAT FOR PHILIPPINES

A resolution has been introduced in the United States senate calling on the secretary of war for a statement in regard to the supply of beef and other meats for the use of the army in the Philippines. The resolution has been prepared at the instance of ex-Senator Harris of Kansas, who represents numerous live stock interests. It will ask for information as to the source of the supply of meats, the cost to the government and a statement of the cost as compared with American meats.

It is said the resolution will be the first move made by the cattle interests of the west to force the use of American cattle by our armies in the Philippines. Western packers have for several years shipped large orders of American canned meats to the Philippines, and their business is on the increase.

CATTLE CONDITIONS IN WEST TEXAS

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 14.—For years past the range conditions in the territory tributary to El Paso have never been better than they are at the present time. Heavy rains at the beginning of December, again at the outset of January, and within the past few days, have combined to place the ranges in prime shape. The cattle are wintering well without any losses. The only effect of the heavy weather of the fore part of this week will be to shrink the stock somewhat, and this will only be temporary. No damage has been done. In this district there have been none of the storm losses which were reported in the Panhandle.

Up to this time there has been beef on the range, but the local needs will be served henceforth more by fed stuff. For 30 or 40 days past feeding has been carried on here, some 2,000 to 3,000 cattle being fed at the present time. Hulls and cottonseed meal are being used to excellent advantage, following the experiment first tried here last year.

Five hundred cattle are being fed here, for shipment to Clifton, as needed, by Crumb, Shannon and Webster of Clifton. A. B. Urmston of Chihuahua, Mexico, is also feeding 500 cattle. Settler and Schneider are feedings a good deal of stuff for local demand. It is found, according to the men who are doing the feeding, that the cattle fatten more rapidly than in points at lower altitude and farther east in Texas, because of the heavier feeding that is possible. It is not so hot here.

It will soon be necessary to go to the feed stuff for local needs. It is probable that all will also be necessary to go to Fort Worth and San Antonio to supply the local trade.

Feeding is not being carried on in Mexico as in past years. The Terrazas people, who carried on the experiment at some length, are said to have found it an unsuccessful, or at least unprofitable, proposition.

No recent sales have been made. Some ten days ago Cudahy's buyer shipped a train load of cattle out of here, most of it canning stuff, which was weighed at the union stock yards, bringing 2 cents a pound. It was shipped to Los Angeles.

For spring delivery, to be shipped to Colorado, Stinson lately contracted with Murphy, Walker and others for about 2,000 2-year-olds at about \$14.

Contracts are not being made at present. A few buyers have showed up in the local market "prospecting," but contracts have not been closed. There is more trading in New Mexico, in the district adjacent to El Paso.

No ranch sales have been reported recently.

Several shipments of southern cattle, from below the quarantine line,

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have passed through El Paso lately, en route to California for slaughter. For the Majer Packing Company of Los Angeles there were 200 head from Connelly of San Marcos and 225 head from George McHardy of San Antonio. W. H. Hitchcock of Seguin shipped a lot of fat stuff to Julius Ohls, at Coulton, Cal. Other shipments have been for Cudahy and for the Houser Packing Company.

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO PAY FOR LOSSES FROM INDIAN CATTLE DRIVE

Early Texas History Recalled
by Filing Claims Aggregating Thousands

35,000 HEAD ARE STOLEN

During the civil war the white settlers of Texas, especially along the northern and western borders of the state, were made the objects of many barbarous depredations by the Indians. The raids became so frequent that Governor Throckmorton sent a request to the leaders or chiefs of the Comanche and Kiowa tribes of Indians to meet him at a point near Red River for the purpose of holding a peace conference. At the time and place agreed on Governor Throckmorton and his staff met the Indian chiefs. It was agreed then between the governor and the Indians that in consideration of a certain number of horses and cattle to be given the Indians by the state of Texas annually the Indians were not to cross the line of Red River, except for the purpose of hunting buffaloes, which were then to be found in great numbers on the broad prairies of this state.

At the conference the Indians demanded that the governor smoke with them the pipe of peace. Governor Throckmorton not being a user of tobacco in any form endeavored to escape this ordeal, but the customs of the redmen were not to be trifled with. Not only did they require of him that he smoke the pipe, but they also required that a cloud of smoke be exhaled through his nostrils. After many unsuccessful attempts Governor Throckmorton succeeded in forcing a small amount of the tobacco smoke through his nasal organ, and the peace treaty was signed.

For many months the Indians were quiet and docile. But at the end of the civil war the treaty between the redmen and the state of Texas was annulled by the Federal government. Then followed a period of Indian outrages worse than had ever been known in the southwest. Villages were plundered, houses burned and whole families murdered. Troops of minute men were organized for the protection of the frontiersmen and his property, but these troops were immediately disbanded by the United States government.

Thus the people along the borders of the state of Texas were left entirely without protection and at the mercy of the Indians except by the forts that were established at remote distances by the Federal government. These forts, for the most part, were poorly equipped and a long distance apart. This left the pioneer practically unprotected from Indian invasion.

In August, 1856, a band of Indians, said to have been Comanches and Kiowas, commanded by Mexican outlaws, attacked the settlers located along the San Saba river and its immediate tributaries, beginning at a point a few miles above Fort McCavett, and commenced gathering cattle off the ranges. This was about 8 o'clock in the morning. A few miles below Fort McCavett they met and killed a settler named McDougall, a young army officer who had received his discharge from Fort McCavett and married a daughter of another pioneer. Finding the business of stock raising a lucrative one, he had purchased a small number of cattle with his earnings saved while in the army. Further down the river they encountered a young girl, then Miss Clara Shellenbarger, in the garden gathering vegetables for dinner. One Indian rose almost over the woman. As she was endeavoring to scale the fence the Indian lanced her, when her mother appeared in the back doorway with a shotgun, which frightened the Indian away. On down the river the Indians went gathering cattle until they came within a few miles of the present town of Menardville.

Estimates place the number of cattle driven out on that raid at about 35,000, possibly less. As a result of this raid there have been nearly fifty cases filed in the court of claims at Washington, ranging in amounts from \$700 to \$25,000. Testimony is now being taken as rapidly as possible in all these cases.

In taking testimony in these cases but few people can be found who lived in that section of Texas and know anything of the raids from their own personal knowledge.

RANCHMAN SEEKS DAMAGES
DEADWOOD, S. D., Feb. 11.—A suit to

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recover \$88,800. is on in the Federal court here, in which M. V. Boughton of Great Falls is plaintiff and the United States government defendant. The suit is for the value of 1,000 head of cattle and 1,500 horses alleged to have been stolen from the ranch of Boughton near Deadwood in 1876 by Indians under Chiefs Touch the Cloud, Crazy Horse, Red Cloud and Spotted Tail. Red Cloud is the only surviving chief and he refuses to talk. The question to be settled by the court of claims is whether or not the Indians were at peace at the time of the big raid.

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PROMINENT COWMAN CROSSES THE DIVIDE

Twenty years ago last spring, on a mild April day after a long, tiresome drive across the plains, we dropped down on Wolf Creek, Lipscomb county, Texas, and continuing up the valley a couple of miles struck the horse pasture of the "BarCC" ranch, and shortly after alighted at the door of that hospitable camp. An old man—a pensioner more than an employe—greeted us, and being told our errand we were soon in the presence of "Hank", himself, for it was by that name that Mr. Cresswell was known far and wide. He was then a man of about fifty, possibly a year or two older; stout, well built, with a rosy, weather-beaten face and a quick active step, every movement of mind or body virile and expressive. Withal there was a native reserve, some would call it shyness, and as we found afterward it took some time to break the secrecy of his soul. Our mission was to examine the ranch for a Scotch syndicate, who, after a lot of shifting and bargaining, eventually bought it. The sale was a disappointment personally to Mr. Cresswell and he always regretted making it, but other parties were associated with him and their interests had to be looked after. His heart was in the Panhandle and he liked the country probably better than any spot he had ever lived in.

Riding steadily for a week, eating and sleeping at different camps, mixing up with the cowboys, looking every hour at cattle, you get to know a man pretty thoroughly, and it was our good fortune then to commence with Cresswell a friendship which grew with the years and was intensified when he came to our office to do his business. During these rides he related many a story of frontier life, of prospecting in Colorado. One day he was riding up a canyon in Southern Colorado. It was about noon and he was looking for a shady spot to camp when two shots rang out from behind a boulder, two bullets whistled past his head, and two Indians stood up behind the pile of rocks. They came out boldly and began loading their rifles. Cresswell had just gotten a repeating Winchester, the first he had ever seen. His pony had stood fire like an old military mount, as probably he was. The Winchester came out of the scabbard and one Indian promptly dropped. The other with a ghoulish laugh and a gleam of revenge in his eyes evidently thought he could feel the white man's scalp already in his hands, when "Hank" pumped another shell into the barrel and just as the redskin was placing the cap on the nipple of his gun another shot broke the silence. "He jumped six feet into the air and turned a somersault; never gave a kick, but it was a bit too close to be comfortable," said "Hank," and then he dropped into a reverie which it would have been sacrilege to disturb.

Cresswell was one of the most modest of men. He scarcely ever used the personal pronoun, and yet he was brave as a lion. He had the blood of old England in his veins, for he was born there about seventy-four years ago. He had led an adventurous life among Indians, Mexicans and miners, and latterly among the cowboys. The wild and woolly Texans loved him, and his ranch was ever open to any of them. Many of them grew rich in his employ. If they were diligent he "staked" them with a few cattle, and many a man can thank "Old Hank," as they loved to call him, for a start in the world.

When he went into the cattle business we cannot say, but he moved to the Panhandle about the fall of 1877. Judge Nelson is our authority for this. He settled south of the Canadian. Later he made his headquarters on Wolf Creek. During these days he had Goodnight, the Days, Chisolm, Nick Eaton and a host of others as neighbors. One helped another and Mr. Cresswell backed many a worthless note. He took his losses good naturedly and the friendships continued. As a range cattleman he had few equals and no superiors, not even Goodnight himself could claim much vantage in those balmy days. Cresswell was a close observer, strong in his opinions but open to conviction. He was successful in business principally because he was not bullheaded, but flexible, and could change quickly. In other words, he was an ideal business man. While he got into some bad things he could beat a hasty retreat and it is a good general who can do that successfully. After selling out his big Canadian river ranch he operated more or less in the Panhandle, but his most successful venture was in South Dakota, on the Grand river. There under the name of Cresswell & Day and Cresswell & Company he did a great steer business. His wonderful knowledge of southern cattle gave him a grand chance to purchase the best brands. He did the purchasing and the marketing while Tony Day did the practical work on the range. It was a rare combination and worked like a charm. After financial success there he sold out and latterly had been ranching in Canada. His desire was

ever to be on the frontier. He loved the solitude of the plains, the silence of the canyons, the ozone of the mountains, and when they had lost their primeval beauty by the inroads of the railroad, the barbed wire fence and the settler, whose barking dog was discord to his ear, he sought out new fields and pastures green. So he died up at Medicine Hat, birthplace of blizzards. And none will more sincerely mourn his passing, nor more frequently turn in mind to the place of his burial in the little Ontario cemetery, than Henry Boice, his old-time friend, staunch and true, with a love like that of David Jonathan, and Charlie Robinson, for whom in his later years Henry Cresswell had formed an intense and lasting friendship. J. C.

Since the above was written we are in receipt of a letter from Mr. H. W. Cresswell Jr., nephew of the deceased, which gives the following biographical data:

Henry Whitehead Cresswell was born at Fairfield House, Ashton, Lancashire, England, in 1830, making him seventy-five years old at time of death. He emigrated to Huron county, Ant., about 1845 or 1847, where he remained for some ten years. From there he went to Colorado and engaged in the mining business, prospecting all over New Mexico and Arizona. About 1870 he, in partnership with O. H. P. Baxter and J. A. and M. D. Thatcher of Pueblo, Colo., were engaged in the cattle and ranching business in Colorado, and along about 1878 started the celebrated BarCC ranch in the Panhandle of Texas. This they sold in 1885 to a Scotch company for a million and a half dollars. Then he and Mr. Harper started the "21" ranch on the Cimmaron in the Cherokee strip, and he and A. J. Day also started at the same time the "Turkey Track" ranch on South Canadian in the strip. On the closing of the strip they moved their cattle to Grand River, S. D., buying out the range of the E6 outfit, owned by a Canadian concern. This they ran until 1900, in the meantime buying the "Lazy F" herd from Mr. Moore in the Panhandle, and in 1902 bought the CA Bar ranch from the late Mr. Casey of Missouri. In 1882 the company on moving into South Dakota merged into the Cresswell Cattle Company, with A. J. Day, M. D. and J. A. Thatcher and Mr. Cresswell as sole owners. In 1899 the company closed out the South Dakota business to Harris Franklin of Deadwood, and in 1903 closed out the "Lazy F" and CA Bar ranches and concentrated everything in Canada, in Assiniboia, N. W. T., where they leased some 350,000 acres from the Canadian government.

Mr. Cresswell was taken ill at the Assiniboia ranch in the fall of 1904 and was removed to the Medicine Hat hospital where he underwent three operations for gangrene, which finally resulted in his death on the morning of Saturday, Jan. 29.—Chicago Live Stock Reporter.

CATTLE FOR SLAUGHTER

Three shipments of "southern cattle"—cattle from below the quarantine line—the second shipment since the beginning of the "open season," which will close with this month, passed through here yesterday en route to California for slaughter. They were all cotton seed fed cattle, fat and ready for the slaughter pen.

Two hundred head were from William Connelly, of San Marcos, 225 head were from George McHardy, of San Antonio, and 125 head were from W. H. Hitchcock, of Seguin. The first shipments were destined for the Maier Packing company, of Los Angeles; and the latter was for Julius Ohls.

A shipment of 125 head from W. H. Hitchcock, loaded at Fort Worth; destined for Mr. Ohls, passed through here early this week and was the first shipment of "southern" cattle this season.—El Paso Herald.

OKLAHOMA PROGRAM

The Oklahoma Live Stock association meets at Guthrie Feb. 14. It is expected that the meeting will be a very important one. The rapidly increasing prestige of Oklahoma as a live stock territory owing to the natural advantages of the country and the increasing population of agriculturists and live stock farmers is bringing Oklahoma into greater prominence each year as a live stock country, and it is certain that the meeting this year will be better attended and the results more far-reaching than in any previous year.

The program as at present constituted includes a number of papers by men prominent in various lines of the live stock trade which will no doubt be very interesting and instructive and redound to the great benefit of those who attend. It is probable that addresses will also be made by others who have not permitted their names to go on the list of stated speakers. The order of business as just announced by Secretary Bolton follows:

TUESDAY.

9 a. m.—Business session by members; reports of officers; appointment of committees; election of officers.

10 a. m.—Address of welcome, Mayor C. M. Barnes of Guthrie; response by George W. Carr, president of association; address, "The Needs of the Hour," Hon. Frank Cooper, Kansas City; paper, "Quarantine Legislation," Hon. Thomas Morris, secretary Oklahoma Live Stock Sanitary

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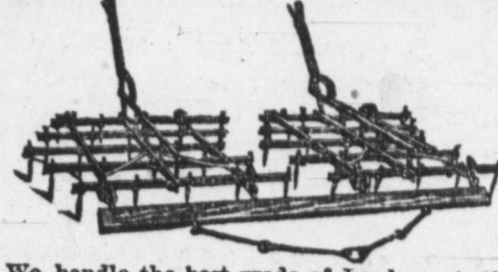
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commission; address, "The Range, the Stock Farmer and the Feeder, Hon. W. E. Campbell, Tulsa, I. T.; address, "Does It Pay to Sell to Shippers or Consign Direct to Commission Merchants at the Markets?" Hon. L. A. Allen of Kansas City. 12 m.—Adjournment.

TUESDAY EVENING.

8 p. m.—Invocation; music, the Guthrie Mandolin club; address, "The Value of Oklahoma Live Stock and its Relations to the Material Development of Our New State," Governor Thomas Ferguson; vocal combat, Scottish Rites choir; reading, "How Salvator Won," Miss Estelle G. Burke, Wichita, Kan.; music, Guthrie Mandolin club; address, "Past, Present and Future of Cattle Raising in Oklahoma," Prof. John Fields, director Oklahoma experiment station; "Soldiers Chorus," Scottish Rites choir; reading, selected, Miss Burke; music, Guthrie Mandolin club.

WEDNESDAY.

9 a. m.—Report of legislative committee.

10 a. m.—Address, "Relationship and Powers of State and Federal Quarantine Regulations and Importance to Oklahoma," Colonel Albert Dean, agent bureau of animal industry.

11 a. m.—Report of committees on membership, resolutions and quarantine; selection of place for next annual convention; final adjournment; evening—Cattle-men's ball, under the management of the Guthrie Commercial club.

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REAL BATTLE JUST BEGUN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Signs multiply in Washington that the government's fight against the beef trust not only did not end with the decision by the supreme court of the United States, but has really just begun in the matter of vigorous proceedings. In the last two weeks important

men in the government service who had to do with the beef trust prosecutions in Chicago have been summoned to Washington for conference with Attorney General Moody. The most important of these were District Attorney Bethea, who brought the suit in Judge Grosscup's court, and United States Marshal John C. Ames, of the Chicago district.

The conferences lead to the belief that the department of justice contemplates immediate action of a criminal character against the trust for violating the injunction and for contempt of court.

High officials of the beef trust are known to be on the anxious seat, and reports are current that they have attempted to engage at high salaries men who have hitherto been connected with the government in legal matters.

The department of justice at the present time is keeping to itself its intentions for the immediate future, but that it has evidence that the injunction has been violated flagrantly is not denied.

Representative Martin of South Dakota, whose resolution in the house prompted Commissioner Garfield's investigations, still believes that the trust continues to operate as it did before it was prosecuted, although he says there has been more semblance of the competition since the investigation began last summer.

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IOWA STOCKMEN

DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb. 13.—The Corn Belt Meat Producers' convention of Iowa has gone on record with these resolutions:

We congratulate the association on its success during the first year of its existence and especially the officers who have been faithful in the discharge of their duties.

We most heartily indorse President Roosevelt's recommendation and his several efforts to vitalize and strengthen the interstate commerce commission, and we believe that he expresses the sentiments of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association to the word.

The interstate commerce commission should be given power to fix and establish rates to take effect immediately and to continue in force until set aside by a court of competent jurisdiction.

We congratulate the people of the country upon the recent decision of the supreme court in the beef trust case. We urge that our foreign markets for meats and other farm produce be enlarged, and extended by means of reciprocity. We appreciate the untiring work and assistance of Governors Cummings, La Follette and Van Sant in their efforts to secure favorable action by congress on the transportation question.

We denounce the use of the railroad pass and franking privilege by public officials as bribery. We demand that the legislature of Iowa at the next session enact a law making the use of the same unlawful. We believe, furthermore, that the legislature of Iowa should proceed to enact an adequate primary law, and we pledge ourselves to support the same.

We congratulate the country upon its exhibition of the power of the independent voters in the national election of 1904, and we call upon the members of our organization to hold themselves in readiness at all times to use the elective power in

furtherance of the interests of meat producers of the country.

As the Russian and Japanese nations, are still at war we could hardly expect our Iowa delegation to congress to devote their attention to the troubles of the Iowa farmer. We would suggest to those gentlemen that as soon as other great questions are settled that they endeavor to hear the voice of the people from Iowa and proceed to take up their cause.

Hon. A. L. Ames of Buckingham was re-elected president.

The following officers of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association were elected as follows: President, A. L. Ames, Buckingham; vice president, H. M. Letts, Columbus Junction; secretary, J. J. Ryan, Fort Dodge; treasurer, Charles Goodnow, Wall Lake.

Hitherto the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association has been largely restricted to Iowa stockmen. Some outside bodies have been organized that affiliated themselves with the Iowa institution, but no active efforts have been made to encourage this organization until Iowa itself was thoroughly united.

At the present time it is announced that there are no less than eighty-five counties in the state of Iowa that are thoroughly organized, with associations ranging from fifty to two hundred members.

Active efforts will be made to complete the organization throughout the state until every county is represented in the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association. The officers believe that it is merely a matter of time and a little work when this will be fully accomplished.

It is now the purpose of the officers of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association to extend the organization until every leading state in the corn belt is represented in the Corn Belt Meat Producers' Association. It is believed that this will be an easy task, inasmuch as the feeders of live stock are working for a common end, and all will be anxious to enroll themselves under an association that promises to be of practical benefit to them.

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FEEDING CATTLE MOLASSES

M. N. French, who is employed at the stock yards, has the following to say regarding the feeding of molasses to cattle:

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molasses in their feeding at Temple for three years, and the result of their experience is to convince them of the good effects of it. Three years ago they fed 800 cattle on a ration of meal, hulls and molasses, and another bunch on the same proportion of meal and hulls without molasses. The bunch on meal and hulls were fed 120 days. After eighty days one of them showed the effect of the meal, and after 107 days ten of them began to go backward. The gain of this bunch in 120 days was but little more than 300 pounds per head. Of those fed with meal, hulls and molasses, none showed any bad effects from the meal. At the end of their feeding we found the following gains: 550 head gained 347 pounds, 200 head gained 356 pounds, and 100 head gained 399 pounds. They were all sold together, so that we could not tell whether the molasses steers sold any better than the others.

"The next year we fed 850 head, 600 with molasses and 250 on the same ration with the molasses left out. These cattle were all of the same brand and all looked alike. The advantage in point of gain was in favor of the molasses fed steers, about the same as the year before. This time they were sold separately, and the molasses steers brought 20 cents more per hundred weight than the others.

"J. P. French & Son now have on feed 350 steers, and profiting by experience, all of them are getting molasses. Not only do they put on more flesh and sell more per hundred weight, but they are cleaner and smoother. We find, too, that the molasses holds the feed together. On a windy day more or less of the meal and hulls is generally blown away, but when mixed with molasses it is not lost that way.

"The cattle now on feed will average about 1,400. Some of them will be at the Fort Worth Fat Stock show."

In addition to French & Son, other Texans are feeding molasses to stock for exhibition at the Fat Stock show. Among these are J. F. Hovenkamp, Charles E. Hicks, Colonel H. C. Holloway, Sterling Clark, Swenson Bros., D. F. Sansom & Co., and Tom Slack. Colonel Wade Hampton, who introduced the blackstrap here, is feeding hogs for the show.

San Angelo Cattle Deals

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Feb. 11.—Harris Brothers of this place have purchased from Sol Mayer 500 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers. These steers have been in pastures at Howard Well ranch and Frank Harris is now en route to that ranch to receive them. J. W. Henderson and Pleas Childress have finished shipping 1,000 steers from this place to the Territory which they brought in from the Ozona country. E. J. Pakenham of Pecos county has sold and delivered one car of bulls, for which he received \$17 a head; two cars of cows at \$14, one car of heifers at \$10. He is now gathering up five car loads of fat stuff.

MARKET CLASSES AND GRADES OF CATTLE

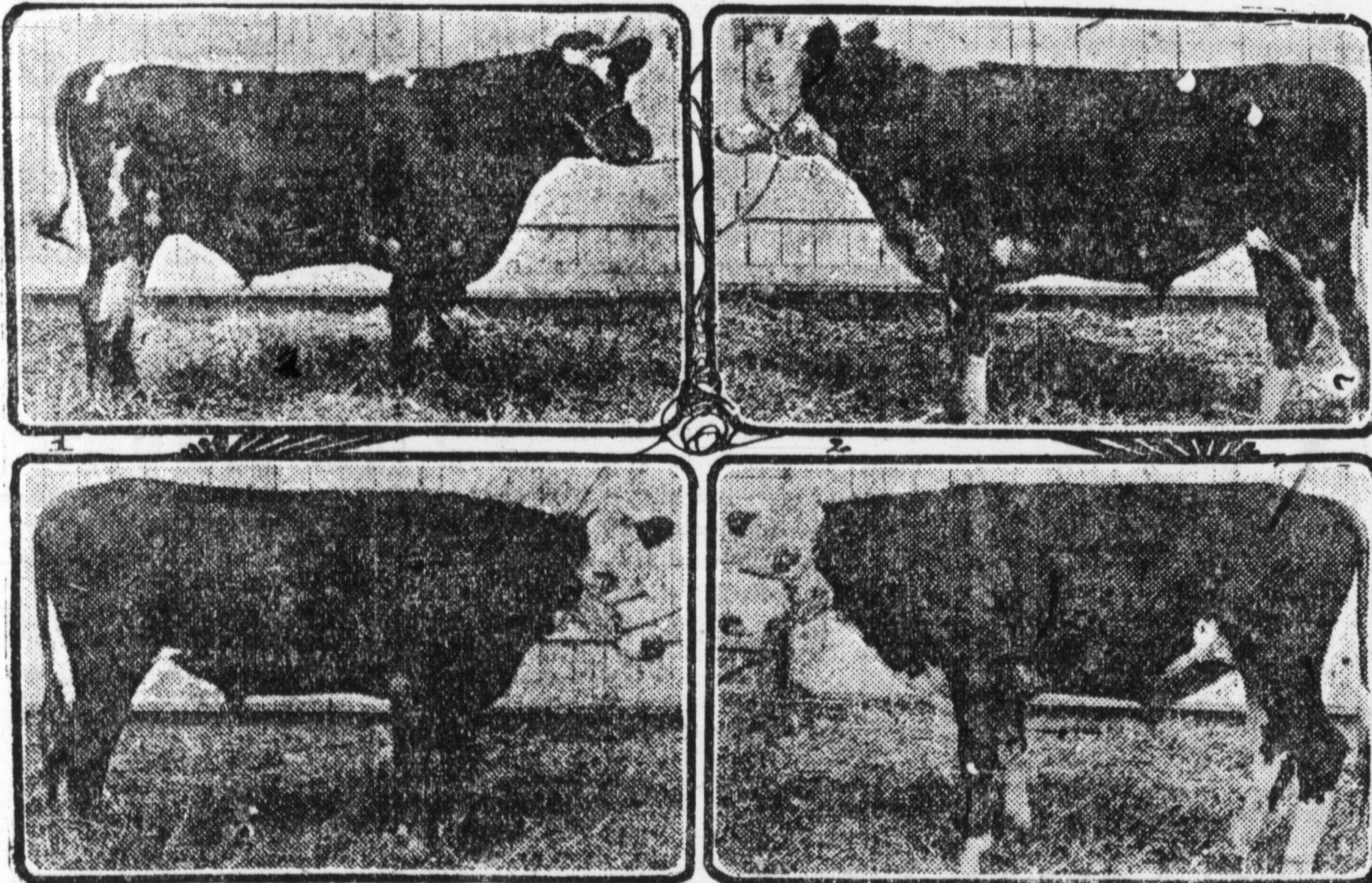


ILLUSTRATION OF GOOD, MEDIUM AND COMMON STOCKER STEERS.

The stocker is one step in advance of the feeder. He is bought to consume hay, fodder or grass for a few months and then be finished for the market as beef. He represents the beginning of the cattle feeding process, and this class should receive much study from the man who makes a business of breeding or feeding beef cattle.

It goes without saying that the breeder should aim to produce the best grades of beef cattle, whether he wants to finish them himself or sell to a feeder. It costs no more to feed a fancy select steer than an inferior one. The figures in the next paragraph show the difference in values of the classes.

Market nomenclature recognizes six different grades of stocker steers, namely, fancy select, choice, good, medium, common and inferior stockers.

In the illustration, No. 1 is a choice stocker; No. 2 good, No. 3 medium, and No. 4 common. These steers belonged to the Illinois experiment station exhibit at the late International show. The weights and values of the various steers exhibited as examples of stockers were:

Grade	Wt.	Value	Total
Fancy select....	910	\$4.50	\$40.95
Choice (No. 1)...	890	4.25	37.83
Good (No. 2)....	910	4.00	36.40
Medium (No. 3)...	860	3.75	32.25
Common (No. 4)...	850	3.00	25.50
Inferior	630	2.00	12.60

Which grade should be bought for growing out? Almost invariably the best grades are the cheapest in the end. The process of finishing a stocker into a ripe beef requires a year in most cases, and the difference in thrift plus the difference in price

when marketed will certainly more than overbalance the difference in first cost. It is not uncommon to find steers of equal weight and ripeness selling at a difference of as much as \$2 or more per hundred, owing to difference in conformation.

These four steers present an object lesson in conformation, that should be studied carefully. No. 1 has a good type of head, short and broad between the eyes. His back and rump is level, and body deep with low flanks and well developed thighs. His general appearance indicates quality.

No. 2 is longer in the legs and less deep in body and lacks the fullness of thighs of No. 1. The most marked defects of No. 3 are a long slim head, narrow chest, sloping rump and light hind quarter, which defects are very marked in No. 4.

CATTLE LOSSES THUS FAR LIGHT

Well Fed Stock Has Been Able
to Withstand Effects of
Prolonged Storm

No change in the weather conditions existing in North Texas has made the cattle situation still more critical, each day adding to the plight of the stock on the ranges.

An encouraging feature is that the cattle entered the present weather in first-class condition and reports from some sections show that fed cattle are withstanding the cold well. Heavy inroads from starvation where cattle are not fed, however, are being reported.

S. B. Burnett established telephonic communication with the 6666 ranch Tuesday afternoon, learning that his cattle there on feed had suffered little loss, the total being three yearlings. At his Dixon Creek ranch, with 1,400 head of cattle, the total loss Monday evening had been fourteen head.

Between this city and Abilene the cattle are reported as securing temporary food supply from corn stalks and other tall vegetation. It is believed that the majority will be able to survive in this way until the coating of ice has melted from the range.

Reports received by the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association covering the period up until last Saturday and showing the condition in which the cattle entered the storm are:

Miami and Amarillo—Entire country covered with sleet and ice and snow falling; worst spell on cattle ever seen in that section of the country, although losses are comparatively nothing yet; cattle are getting in bad shape, thus necessitating careful attention and plenty of feed to keep in fair shape; no shipments.

Ashland, Kan.—Hardest spell on cattle this winter; cattle that are on feed doing well, but those on open range are suffering; ground has been covered with ice all week; no shipments.

Dalhart—Cold and plenty of snow; cattle not doing very well; no shipments.

Pecos—Snow, sleet and cold weather; range good; no shipments.

Midland—Cattle losses will be small, as all are in good shape and are able to stand cold weather; snow and sleet all week; no shipments.

Clarendon and Estelline—Six degrees below zero Feb. 2 at Clarendon, with heavy snow; at Estelline light snow with sleet, from zero to 10 degrees above; cattle suffering but no losses reported. Effect will probably be bad from such a continued cold spell; no shipments.

Dilley, Cotulla, Encinal and Pearsall—Weather fine; thirty-six carloads of cattle shipped to Fort Worth and New Orleans.

Alice and San Diego—Range good; weather cold with sleet during latter portion of the week; five car loads of cattle shipped to market.

San Angelo—Weather cold with snow and sleet; twenty-nine car loads of cattle shipped to the oil mills at Brownwood by Winfield Scott; L. B. Maldrige shipped sixty car loads to Fairfax, Okla.

Marfa—Weather fine range extra good; no shipments.

Carlsbad, N. M.—Good range; snow, sleet and mist; no shipments.

Beeville, Skidmore and Mathes—Range good; weather cold with rain; three loads of cattle shipped.

Victoria, Blessing and Bay City—Range good; weather freezing; worst spell of weather on cattle this winter; losses not heavy so far; no shipments.

Fairfax, Ralston and Pawnee, Okla.—Very cold and heavy snows; eight inches of snow on ground at Fairfax Sunday, but plenty of feed in that section of the country; no shipments.

Lawton, Okla.—Snow and sleet all week; toughest weather ever experienced and the longest spell; regular Kansas spell; no shipments.

Floresville, Karnes City and Yorktown—Freezing weather latter portion of the week; some rain; range good; seven cars of cattle shipped.

Chickasha, I. T.—Snow and sleet; very cold—zero weather; no cattle losses reported; ten loads of cattle shipped to Kansas City.

Roswell, N. M.—Weather bad all week; very cold; snow and rain; no shipments.

Purcell, Byers and Lindsay, I. T.—Cold and plenty of snow; cattle suffering for water; creeks and tanks frozen; plenty of feed for stock; will be no losses unless cattle slip on ice; nine car loads of cattle shipped.

IOWA QUITS THE NATIONAL

DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb. 11.—The proposition of General Manager W. A. Harris of the National Live Stock association for the affiliation of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' association, now in session in Des Moines, with the national association, was turned down. The executive committee of the Meat Producers' association fears that the railroad and packing interests will have undue influence in the affairs of the national body, and thinks any combination of interests would work harm to themselves. The plan of ex-Senator Harris is for the producers' organization to select a repre-

sentative to serve on the executive board of the National Live Stock association, but the motion to do so was practically laid on the table. At the invitation of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' association, A. E. DeRielues, secretary of the American Cattle Growers' association, addressed the convention.

The second annual meeting of the corn belt meat producers of Iowa convened here yesterday, with 100 delegates present. Ex-Senator Harris of Chicago, prime mover in the reorganization of the National Live Stock association in Denver, was refused permission to address the convention. He stated that he is not here to interfere with the Iowa organization, but that he merely "dropped in" in passing through the city. The secretary of the American Cattle Growers' association an offspring of the National association, was invited to speak.

General Manager Harris of the reorganized National Live Stock association, who has recently returned from a trip to Washington in the interests of the proposed, reciprocal treaties with Germany and Austria, in speaking of his mission said: "I went to Washington with three objects in view. One was to ascertain what prospect exists for securing legislation by which shippers will be relieved of discrimination at present practiced. Inquiry and observation forced me to the conclusion that nothing can be done at this session, as there is a powerful minority in the senate ready to apply dilatory if not obstructive methods. With the time of this congress limited and the Swayne impeachment case on hand, this minority, led by Senator Aldrich, will have no trouble in preventing the enactment of legislation to empower the interstate commerce commission to fix minimum rates. But in Washington it is recognized as the question of paramount interest before the country and a decided majority, both in the house and senate, favors early action. It is now obvious that an extra session will be necessary and President Roosevelt will call it in September or October.

"If we insist foreign markets will be opened to our meat products. United the live stock growers of the United States could make congress do their will at a mere bidding. The trouble lies in the fact that they are unconscious of their power.

"The president is with us. He wants results and with such a friend at the helm we ought not to pass the opportunity by.

But eastern manufacturing interests are unquestionably opposed to further negotiating of reciprocity treaties. They want free hides and free wool, but are tenacious of the privileges they now enjoy in the way of protection on their own output. On this account I am satisfied that we need not expect any advantages that might be derived from the establishment of reciprocal trade relations with Germany and Austria. All we can do is to use effectively the club possessed by the secretary of agriculture, which enables him to exclude adulterated European goods from our markets. The agrarian interest in Europe is evidently determined to exclude American meats as much as possible and has been very successful in the pursuit of this policy, consequently if by barring foreign food products that are marketed in the United States under fraudulent guise we can force relaxation of the rigid and absurd so-called sanitary restrictions by which our meat products are practically excluded from the continent much effective work can be accomplished. Pressure ought to be brought to bear on the secretary of agriculture to exercise the power

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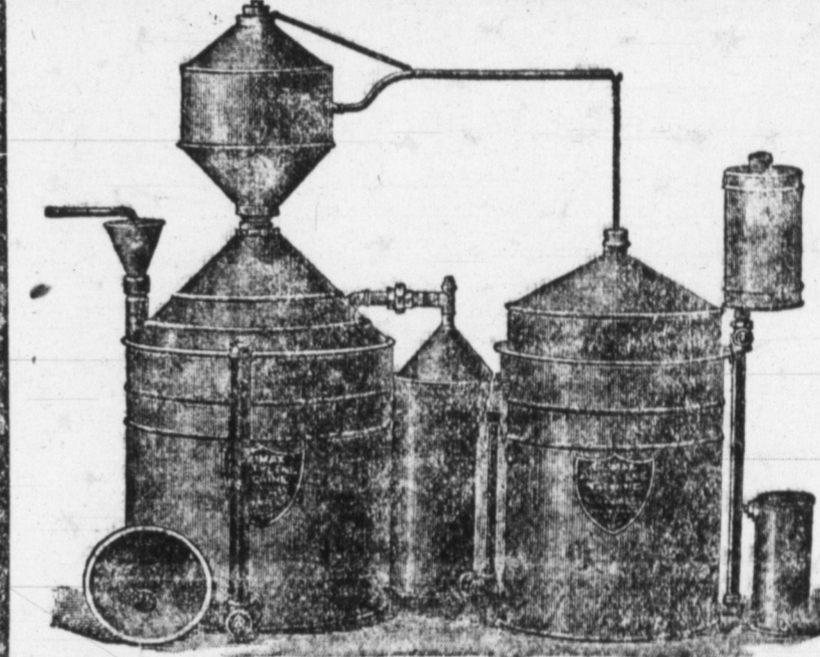
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Cattle Loss Heavy

DENISON, Texas, Feb. 13.—At 5 a. m. this morning a thermometer registered 5 degrees below zero. Information from the territory reports great loss of cattle.

Echoes of the Range

IN SUTTON COUNTY

Sonora News.

Ben Hill reports having bought 1,900 head of stock sheep from J. T. Woolridge of Edwards county.

Sol Mayer & Bro. of Sonora sold to Harris Bros. 500 three and four-year-old steers at about \$25 per head.

Blake Cauthorn and Russ Hamilton passed through Sonora Tuesday on their way home to San Angelo from Devil's River, where they had been looking after their sheep. Mr. Cauthorn says they are doing fine, but need rain to freshen things up.

Your Uncle Samuel has come to the rescue, and the Osage territory may be opened another year. Now then! You have had time to think. Get those cows shaped up.

R. W. Barton sold his ranch, sixteen miles east of Sonora, and his cattle to E. F. Tillman, his neighbor on the north. The ranch consists of twenty sections, ten deeded and ten leased. Mr. Tillman paid \$19,000 for the ranch and \$10 per head for the grown cattle and \$9 for the calves; 1,495 head in all.

IN CROCKETT COUNTY

Ozona Texan.

Millard Drake came in Wednesday from his stock located near Alpine. He says Pecos county has fine grass and fat stock.

J. W. Henderson and P. L. Childress returned Wednesday from San Angelo, where they shipped out 2,000 big steers Tuesday.

H. J. Packenham of Pecos county has sold and delivered one car of bulls at \$17, two cars of cows at \$14, one car of heifers at \$10. He began work on the 1st to gather five more cars of fat cows. How is this for Pecos county, gathering fat cows off the range 1st of February?

Frank Harris passed through Ozona Tuesday on his way to the Howard Well ranch. We understand that Harris Bros. have bought all the Myers big steers in the Sonora country and are on a deal for the big steers on the Howard Well ranch.

Pecos News.

Two cars of cattle shipped by Franks & Hollingsworth of Roswell were transferred from the Pecos Valley to the Texas and Pacific railway yesterday, en route to Waskito.

Tom Hogland came down from Claude last Friday. In asking him about the probable effect of the cold snap on stock up there, he says the cattle will not suffer much in that part of the Panhandle, as the ranches are small and about all the stock is on feed.

The cold weather and blizzard of the past week must have been very severe on stock on the range. In Northern New Mexico, in the Panhandle country and through Oklahoma and Indian Territory the storm and cold weather has been very severe on the ranges and all stock must have suffered to a great extent. All over the above sections a sleet that formed a crust of ice covered the ground and on top of this snow fell to a depth of from

six inches to three feet. In the bitter cold weather that prevailed cattle would stand humped up and not stir for anything, going without water for days, starving and freezing to death. The loss by death and shrinkage must be great and cannot be estimated for a week or more after the range is clear of snow and ice.

IN HOWARD COUNTY

Big Springs Herald.

Alfred J. Williamson has sold his ranch south of town to Mr. Wilkerson of Runnels county. The deal was effected through S. M. Francis of our county.

W. R. Cole bought of B. Jones of Brownfield 800 head of 2 and 3-year-old steers. The cattle were delivered to Mr. Cole Wednesday. Mr. Cole recently bought of E. Jones 364 head of young steers and shipped them to Kansas.

THE LUBBOCK COUNTRY

Stockman-Journal: The sleet and blizzard that visited this range about three weeks ago was a little rough on cattle, but they were strong and in good flesh and quickly recovered from the effects of it. We are now having another tough spell of weather with about one inch of snow on the ground and the mercury a little below zero on two mornings. There has been, however, but little wind and nearly everyone has lots of feed and no losses are looked for. The range is in fine condition and generally the weather conditions have been so favorable that cattle will go through the winter in better shape than usual, unless the remainder of the season should be more unfavorable than usual. Cattle production is not increasing in this country, but improvement in breeding and class of cattle produced is advancing remarkably. Feed production also is increasing rapidly every year and the marketable stuff ought to bring good prices. C. W. HOLT.

Lubbock, Texas.

To Stockman-Journal.

LUBBOCK, Texas, Feb. 9.—The storm of last week closed with about eight inches of snow, which was on the ground several days, but is now going off rapidly. Except on the big ranches the cattle were fed liberally and show almost no bad effects, although the weather was extremely cold. It has been hard on cattle depending entirely on the range, but few have died and the weather is now warm and bright. The abundant moisture now in the ground will insure early grass and men who have known this country many years feel confident that the losses of early spring will be much smaller than in the spring of 1904. Altogether it is believed that all interests here are greatly benefited.

We are more than a hundred miles from the nearest railroad. The country produces lots of cattle and could raise and fatten many thousands of hogs. What we most need is railroad transportation to your Fort Worth packeries.

C. W. H.

IN MITCHELL COUNTY

Colorado News.

Dock Humble of Iatan was in town Thursday and reported cattle in that section in very good shape and to have stood the cold weather remarkably well.

W. A. Robinson, who looks after Judge Looney's ranch on Champion Creek, was here Monday and said the cattle were standing the cold weather very well.

M. D. Thompson of the H. S. ranch was here yesterday and stated that cattle on his ranch stood the cold weather all right. He said they captured another lobo wolf there a few days ago.

T. J. McEntire, manager of the T. U. F. ranch, twenty miles southeast from Colorado, was here Wednesday, and said he had been kept pretty busy for the past several days looking after cattle. He stated that his cattle suffered very little during the cold spell, and that they are in good condition.

Reports from all over the country tell the tale of sleet and snow during the recent cold spell.

This section of Texas received its portion of the cold weather, and the result will be a loss among unprotected cattle, to what extent cannot be surmised, though some of the cattlemen say they do not anticipate a very great loss, as the cattle are in a fairly good condition and strong enough to endure the cold.

Mr. A. B. Robertson of this city has received a letter from a prominent stockman living in Missouri, reading in part as follows:

"The government wants five thousand heifers between the ages of two and three years for the Rosebud Indian agency in South Dakota. Bids will be accepted for the same until March 1 by the Hon. F. E. Leupp, commissioner of Indian affairs, Washington, D. C. If you want further information about this and blanks to make the bids on, etc., write the United States warehouse, No. 602 South Seventh street, St. Louis, Mo."

This will be a nice contract for some of your range men to fill. For some reason or other the matter has not gotten much publicity, and I write you thinking that perhaps you might not have heard about it and that it might interest you.



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"You understand I have no 'ax to grind' in this. If you are interested, communicate direct with the department."

IN MIDLAND COUNTY

Midland Live Stock Reporter.

Clay McGonagill is in this week from the New Mexico range northwest.

R. T. Reid was in yesterday from the "O4" range and says the cows are standing the cold all right.

T. G. Hendrick was up from his Crane county ranch last Saturday, and reports everything in good shape.

Joe Brown was up from the range thirty-five miles south this week and says things are in pretty good shape there.

IN NEW MEXICO

Carsbad Current.

Sid Kyle and wife of Pecos were guests of T. A. Gray's family Tuesday.

W. W. Camp, a prominent saloon man at Pecos, was here Monday night.

W. A. Johnson returned to Kansas City Monday, after spending several days on his ranch near Lakewood.

George Beckett recently sold his entire stock of muttons to Whitfield & Sparks of Texas at \$2.75.

W. F. Dougherty, the Dayton sheepman, was here Wednesday. He recently sold his sheep to Whitfield & Sparks of Sonora, Texas, at \$2.75.

W. F. Dougherty and W. J. Owen, sheepmen from near Dayton, were here Wednesday morning on their way to Old Mexico. They go down to look up ranches for the sheep business, and will be in the kingdom of Castile for about a month.

In the hope of influencing the cattlemen to hold their next annual meeting

in that town, it is said that leading Dallas implement men are going out of business. But the hayseed in Dallas' unkempt locks is too apparent to be obscured by such a temporary subterfuge.

ELKHART, IND.

A good many people know this town because every Lake Shore passenger train stops there to change engines. Even the famous 20th Century Limited which does not enter the large city of Buffalo, N. Y., and passes through a great many other large places without stopping, halts for a few moments' rest at Elkhart. But many thousands more know Elkhart because it is the home of the famous Elkhart Buggies, and thousands upon thousands of these sterling vehicles are in daily use all over the country and abroad. For thirty-two years the Elkhart Company has been selling their product direct from the factory to the consumer. Their Catalog is most complete, showing over 200 styles of Vehicles and 65 styles of Harness. It is gladly sent free to any reader of this paper who will write for it. Address Elkhart Carriage and Harness Mfg. Co., Elkhart, Ind.

The ambition of Dallas to entertain the cattlemen of Texas is most commendable if Dallas were only capable of doing justice to the occasion. Dallas may have knowing and accommodating hackmen, but Texas cattlemen are not hankering for their acquaintance.

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**OF INTEREST TO
The STOCKMEN**

BROWNWOOD HEREFORDS

BROWNWOOD, Texas, Feb. 5.—Cattle in this section of the country are now in good shape, and the people generally have feed to carry them through the winter.

Our people have learned that there is no money in keeping cattle poor six months in the year.

Their last fall yearling steers from throughbred bulls sold for \$14 to \$15, this price would not have been so bad could we have bought our throughbred bulls 3, 4, and 5-years ago below the quarantine line or in the tick district at \$125 to \$200 as we can do today which is almost half of what we had to pay for them above the quarantine line in the middle and northern states and run the risk of fevering them. The larger breeders say they lost half and I know that is just what I lost of my little purchases in 1900. We have in the tick district some very high bred Bull Hereford cattle equal to any in the union and our increases are adapted to our country, they do better and are worth more to people in the tick district.

We now have of Hereford cow breeders 3 to 1 to what there was five years ago below the quarantine line or in the fever district.

The prospect for the beef man is better than it has been; in fact, he can get better cattle—cattle that he can prepare for the market in less time and with less expense and for the stock man it is by far better, from the fact he can buy his thoroughbred Hereford bulls at home at a price that he can no longer afford to use a common bull as a grade ewener.

W. G. LOW
Brownwood, Tex.

CHANGES ON THE X I T

Since the resignation of A. G. Boyce, several changes have been made on the X I T ranch. Joe Frazier, formerly with the Prairie Cattle Company, is now superintendent, H. E. Patterson, formerly of John V. Farwell Company, Chicago, is purchasing agent. A. G. Boyce, formerly their general manager, becomes general adviser to the company, besides being associated with it in land and other contracts.

CATTLE COMPANIES INVOLVED

The cattle companies involved in the closing of the American National Bank of our city have been put into the hands of committees who will attempt to bring them out of debt.

The Daugherty Cattle Company will be looked after by John Dyer of El Paso, Royal S. Ferris of Dallas and J. C. Harrison, a prominent banker of Fort Worth.

The Black Mountain Cattle Company will be managed by J. H. Paramore of Abilene, J. R. Daugherty of Sweetwater and E. F. Fries of the Hanover National Bank of New York.—Abilene Reporter.

BIG EXPORT TRADE

There were 11,039 head of cattle tagged for export at the Chicago stock yards last week. This is a record number for any week in the history of the export trade for this season of year. English markets are not particularly alluring at present but exporters have the steamboat space contracted and are obliged to fill this space at falling dates.

ROUGHING THE CATTLE

Away up in the frozen north the papers allied with live stock interests are beginning their annual discussion of the short-sighted policy of roughing cattle through the winter, of giving the stock a big range and letting it rustle for rations. Upon this subject a writer in the St. Paul Live Stock Reporter says:

"Successful feeders in the northwest assert that one of the most effective means of putting cattle out of a thrifty condition during the winter is to allow them to remain exposed to the elements and poor feed. Many farmers, it seems, do not care to go to the expense of feeding grain to stockers while they are being wintered, but the most successful—experienced feeders hold that feeding had better be carried on moderately during the winter rather than to carry the stock through in a rough manner with the intention of making it all up to them during the coming summer when they are put on grass."

The following is given out as the route the president will take on his trip to San Antonio to attend the Rough Rider's reunion: He will travel over the Katy from St. Louis to Denison. From thence he will go to Sherman and Dallas by the Houston and Texas Central. From Dallas he will go to Waco and Austin by the Katy and International and Great Northern, landing at San Antonio. On his return he will go from San Antonio to Houston by the Southern Pacific and from Houston by the Katy to Fort Worth and from Fort Worth by the Fort Worth and Denver City road to Amarillo and Denver. He will leave the train at Dallas, Waco, San Antonio, Houston and probably at Fort Worth, which means that he will stop a short time at these points. At the other points he will make short addresses

or see the public from the platform of his car.—Denton News.

It is hoped the president's visit to Fort Worth will be so timed as to come during the session of the cattlemen's convention. Efforts are being made in that direction and the cattlemen are quite hopeful of success, but nothing definite is yet known.

Has Fort Worth gone to sleep, dreaming about that great carnival announced for the spring? It takes wideawake activity for several months to make a success of such an event as Fort Worth planned a few weeks since.—Brownwood Bulletin.

Fort Worth has not fallen asleep on any proposition. Just at this time our people are more interested in making a success of the coming Fat Stock Show than they are in promoting the carnival idea. When the Fat Stock Show has been made the success it deserves will be time enough to turn to other matters.

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION

The tenth annual convention of the Oklahoma Live Stock Association will be held at Guthrie, Ok., (in Odd Fellow's hall) on Feb. 14 and 15, 1905, forenoon sessions, and evening of the 14th only. Cattlemen's Ball, evening of the 15th.

An interesting program has been arranged that fills in a two day session with business, liberally interspersed with pleasure of a literary and musical character to be furnished by Guthrie's talent.

Special sale of registered cattle will be held on the afternoon of both dates.

Reduced rates have been given on all railroads.

THE FORT WORTH MARKET

The following are the live stock statistics for 1904 as determined by receipts at the six leading markets, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, St. Joseph, Omaha and Fort Worth.

Total receipts at above markets:			
	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
1904	7,862,005	14,376,417	8,745,376
1903	8,218,762	14,794,973	8,725,471
Receipts 1904 and 1903:			
	1904	1903	
Cattle—			
Chicago	3,259,185	3,429,846	
St. Louis	1,074,126	1,139,749	
Kansas City	1,996,610	1,953,371	
St. Joe	587,892	624,979	
Omaha	944,192	1,071,171	
Fort Worth	642,906	446,796	
Hogs—			
Chicago	7,238,746	7,325,923	
Kansas City	2,227,470	1,969,381	
St. Louis	1,954,702	1,548,038	
St. Joe	1,655,972	1,700,544	
Omaha	2,229,627	2,231,057	
Fort Worth	280,378	150,504	
Sheep—			
Chicago	4,504,630	4,582,760	
Kansas City	1,004,099	1,151,730	
St. Louis	687,896	528,029	
St. Joe	794,386	599,189	
Omaha	1,754,365	1,863,763	
Fort Worth	102,353	125,342	

This is the first time that Fort Worth figures as one of the leading stock centers. Outside of Kansas City it was the only stock yards to show a gain and its gain was 44 per cent over the previous year in cattle receipts, 89 per cent in hogs and 22 per cent (dec.) in sheep. It now leads St. Joe by a good margin. It is primarily a cattle market and tributary to it are 15,000,000 cattle out of a total of 67,000,000 in the United States. Armour and Swift are now located at Fort Worth with two mammoth packing houses.—Boston News Bureau.

CORN AND HOGS

"We raised a bumper crop of corn in Montague county last year," says A. C. Black, a prominent young stock farmer of Nocona, Texas. "Some of the farmers of that county raised more corn to the acre than the land is worth, and made more money out of the crop than the cotton raisers. As a result a good many are plowing up their cotton that was not picked last fall for the purpose of planting the cotton land in corn this spring. The indications are that a large acreage of corn will be put in this spring. The low price of cotton has held most of the crop in the country and bottom bales are very common all over that section. The scarcity of help had the effect to keep a great deal of cotton in the fields last fall, and all that is not picked now will be left out."

"All over that country there is a great scarcity of calves, and the cattle supply is far below the average in Montague county. During recent years the cattlemen have been turning their attention more to raising grain and cotton and also to raising hogs. The country is well stocked with young hogs at the present time and all the cattle in that country are wintering exceptionally well. Farmers are well stocked with all kinds of feed."

IOWA STOCKMEN MEET

DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb. 10.—A forceful demand for radical changes in treatment of live stock in transit is made by the Corn Belt Meat Producers' convention, now in session here. These demands include:

- Permanency of the stockman's return pass.
- Abolition of delays at division points to five stock in transit.
- Feed in transit rates.
- Equal rates for live stock and packing house products.

President Ames, in his annual address says on this question:

"The question of transportation is far from settled. There are cases of unjust discrimination in every part of the state that must be rectified. On many of the

roads stock trains are habitually held from one to three hours or more, at division ends, and much needless time is consumed on the journey to market. Return transportation is still in an unsettled condition, with no assurance of its permanency. The matter of joint freight rates is passed over as quickly as possible that the man who pays the freight may never know how great is the tax. The feed in transit rates used west of the Mississippi river are conspicuous by their absence and pasture rates are unknown. Classification of different commodities and by-products used by the feeder are out of proportion. Rates allowed packing house products and dressed meats under cover of car ownership are unjust and discriminatory, and explain the whole situation."

CATTLE RAISERS' MEETING

From the present indications the meeting of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association at Fort Worth, Texas, March 21, promises to be one of the best attended meetings held by this great organization in years. Most of the cattlemen anticipate better prices for cattle than have prevailed during the fall season, the prospect for grass is reported good for most sections and the cattlemen are in better spirits.

The Fat Stock show held in connection with the meeting will draw hundreds of visitors and will undoubtedly put out some splendid exhibits of fine stock.

The Texas Cattle Raisers' association has a membership of about 1,600 and is the richest and most powerful organization of cattle growers in the world. While the membership is mostly in Texas there are members of the association in New Mexico, Kansas, Colorado, Indian Territory and other states.—Farm and Ranch.

NEW MEXICO SNOW

ANTHONY, N. M., Feb. 13.—Mountain, hill and plain this vicinity has been entirely covered with the "beautiful," presenting a sight seldom seen. Four inches of snow have fallen. The mild weather during the past few weeks had started the alfalfa until the fields were looking green and the fat stock grazing thereon was in fine condition to stand a blizzard. Range stock also is in better condition than usual at this time of year, but undoubtedly will suffer much, as weather conditions are more severe in the hills.

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PROPOSED LAND BILL

Senator Glasscock has given much time to the preparation of a bill regarding the sale of state and school lands and seeking on the part of the state to get the highest market price for those lands. The bill is now ready and will soon be offered to the senate. It provides a radical change over the present law and the sale and distribution of the public free school and asylum lands.

Under the present law a person wishing to purchase or lease any of such land must make the application to the commissioner of the general land office through the county clerk in the county in which the land is located, and the price of the land is fixed by the county surveyor, and that price is generally at the minimum figure fixed by law—the interest on deferred payments is 3 per cent—and the price fixed by law for the lease of such land is 3 per cent per acre.

The change proposed in this bill fixes the rate of interest at 5 per cent per annum—and the lease per acre not less than 3 cents—instead of the price of the land to be fixed by the county surveyor, the commissioner of the general land office is compelled to sell and lease such land at public outcry by giving thirty days notice of such sale, and lease—the highest bidder to be the purchaser and lessee; the terms of sale and the law as it now stands,

READS THE BOOK

"The Road to Wellville" Pointed the Way

Down at Hot Springs, Ark., the visitors have all sorts of complaints, but it is a subject of remark that the great majority of them have some trouble with stomach and bowels. This may be partly attributed to the heavy medicines.

Naturally, under the conditions, the question of food is very prominent.

A young man states that he had suffered for nine years from stomach and bowel trouble, and had two operations which did not cure, and was at last threatened with appendicitis.

He went to Hot Springs for rheumatism and his stomach trouble got worse. One day at breakfast the waiter, knowing his condition, suggested he try Grape-Nuts and cream, which he did, and found the food agreed with him perfectly.

After the second day he began to sleep peacefully at night, different than he had for years. The perfect digestion of the food quieted his nervous system and made sleep possible.

He says: "The next morning I was astonished to find my condition of constipation had disappeared. I could not believe it true after suffering for so many years; then I took more interest in the food, read the little book, 'The Road to Wellville,' and started following the simple directions.

"I have met with such results that in the last five weeks I have gained eight pounds in spite of hot baths which take away the flesh from anyone.

"A friend of mine has been entirely cured of a bad case of indigestion and stomach trouble by using Grape-Nuts Food and cream alone for breakfast.

"There is one thing in particular—I have noticed a great change in my mental condition. Formerly I could hardly remember anything, and now the mind seems unusually acute and retentive. I can memorize practically anything I desire." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

remain as it is, except the county clerk and county surveyor have nothing to do with such sale and lease. The commissioner of the general land office makes all sales and leases.

Senator Glasscock says that if his proposed bill had been the law since 1895, that the school funds and asylum lands would be worth today in proceeds of sales more than \$50,000,000 more than they are now; that the reports of Land Commissioners Rogan and Terrell as to the sale and lease of these lands since 1895 to this date will bear out the statement. One of the main objects of this bill is to protect these lands from further spoliation and loss, that under the laws since 1895 the purchaser generally bought the lands at the minimum price, and sold them within a short time thereafter at an advance of \$3 to \$4 per acre, which price they should have brought in the sale from the state, resulting in millions of dollars to these funds; that by a public sale of these lands the public free school and asylum funds would be the beneficiaries and not the speculator.

The other change in this bill allows the sale of detached tracts of less than 640 acres to be sold to any person, but all other lands must be sold to the actual settler. The reason for this change is that in small tracts of land caused by surrounding surveys not joining each other, the public land thus formed is too small for settlement, and the adjoining proprietor or land owner will give more than any other person for such lands, especially if the same be not susceptible of cultivation or suitable for settlement.

This bill also reserves to the state all the mineral and oil in all lands sold, and that reservation is required to be set forth in the patents to the same from the state.

RETURN PASSES

It is intimated by railway managers that the proposed new system of stock passes which was originally intended to go into effect March 1 will not materialize, and that the present arrangements will continue an indefinite period. Rumor is to the effect that the far western roads have strenuously objected to the installation of the proposed system, and have carried their point in the meeting of the traffic managers. However, a compromise will be effected, according to well-posted railway men, and while the system to be devised may differ considerably from that which was planned a few weeks ago, the new arrangement when finally put into effect promises to be a better protection to the railways, while the managers of the latter claim it will not in the least inconvenience legitimate shippers of stock.

There has been much opposition to the former plan, which proposed that shippers should pay their return fare to railway agents at the time of consigning stock, and then recover the transportation privileges. Western same on arriving home, thus proving that they had had personal use of the railway managers asserted that the proposition would prove very unsatisfactory to their interests, particularly in the northwestern range country, and have demanded that some other system be devised which would meet their requirements as well as those of the corn belt carriers.

According to reliable information, the proposed new plan is doomed, though another is now under consideration, and at no distant date will be put into effect. Railway men say that the continued activity of ticket scalpers in dealing in stock passes demands prompt measures of suppression on their part, and a new system of issuing passes will undoubtedly be in vogue during the next few months.

TEXAS IS VINDICATED

The World's Fair held at St. Louis is among the things that were, but there has been so much said and printed in former days concerning the position Texas maintained with reference to the late range cattle show at the exposition, that it is extremely gratifying to be able to state from an authoritative source that Texas has been amply sustained in the position taken. It will be remembered that Chief Coburn, the very eminent Kansas gentleman who was first in charge of the live stock department of the fair, was bitterly opposed to any cattle from below state quarantine line in Texas and from below the Federal quarantine line in the United States, being allowed to participate in the competition. The state of Kansas, it may be stated incidentally, is located above the line. The objection was urged that southern cattle could not be permitted at the exposition on account of the certainty of imparting southern fever to other cattle, and losses sustained by Tom Sotham, the noted Hereford breeder of Missouri, at the Charleston exposition were cited in substantiation of the contention. Chief Coburn had his way until it became necessary for the exposition authorities to go before congress for a big government loan, and this afforded the Texas delegation in that hon-

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orable body opportunity to get in its work. The measure providing for the loan went through all right, but it carried a Texas rider providing that it should not become available until provision was made for an exposition of southern cattle at the big show. Chief Coburn resigned in a huff, but the southern cattle went to St. Louis all right, and Texas came away with a big bunch of the premiums, and now the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company has just received the report of Dr. T. E. White of Sedalia, Mo., veterinarian of the department of live stock for the recent World's Fair, recounting his work during the period of the live stock shows. It emphasizes the remarkable state of health manifested and maintained by all the animals, and says that during the whole period of exposition events not a single case of contagious disease developed or was discovered among the animals of the various classes there exhibited. It was not found necessary to refuse a clean bill of health to any applicant for outside shipment. He compliments the exposition directors and particularly the head of the live stock department, on the result, which he says was due to the precaution taken and excellent arrangements provided. Dr. White's report says:

"I have the honor as the veterinary surgeon of the department of live stock of the Universal exposition of 1904 to report that the rule provided for the exclusion from the World's Fair grounds of animals known to be effected by or as having been exposed to any contagious disease within thirty days prior to Aug. 20, 1904, was called to the attention of all prospective exhibitors.

"The precaution taken by the department of live stock to have all the cars, crates, etc., used by the exhibitors in shipping stock to the exposition thoroughly cleaned and disinfected had not a little to do with the exceptionally favorable conditions of all classes of stock exhibited at the World's Fair.

"All the animals immediately upon arrival at the exposition grounds were carefully examined as a safeguard against infectious or contagious diseases.

"As veterinary surgeon of the department I made under your instructions daily inspections of the grounds, stables, stalls and pens to determine the health of animals on exhibition and to enforce the rules providing for the most thorough sanitary condition of the grounds and buildings occupied by the live stock.

"I was daily in the live stock forum during the exhibition of stock to make any examinations needed to determine the age, soundness or defect in the breeding animals shown but was seldom called upon.

"I take great pleasure in emphasizing the remarkably healthy sound condition of the exceptionally large and unusually meritorious display of animals exhibited at the World's Fair.

"The precautionary measures taken by the exposition to insure health and freedom from exposure to disease of the live stock exhibited at the World's Fair resulted in having the best sanitary conditions provided for the unusually sound and vigorous animals exhibited.

"The eminently satisfactory conditions and health of the animal shows at the World's Fair is cause for congratulating the exposition and especially the chief of the department who so thoroughly protected the show by wise precautionary measures and by untiring vigilance during the continuance of the stock show.

"I desire in this connection to state to President Francis that Colonel Charles F. Mills, the chief of the department of live stock of the exposition, was ever on the alert and most effective in aiding me in all matters pertaining to the health and comfort of the live stock exhibited.

"The favorable results from a healthy standpoint are the more apparent when it is considered that the various classes of live stock, including horses, cattle, sheep, swine, poultry, dogs, etc., in succession were on exhibition at the World's Fair with short intervals during the heat, cold and storms incident to the long season for exhibition extending from Aug. 23 to Nov. 12.

"In conclusion I take much pleasure in saying that my daily inspections revealed no evidence of any disease among the stock while on exhibition and the condition warranted me in giving all applicants a clean bill of health with permits for outgoing shipments of all classes of live stock exhibited."

LIGHT CATTLE LOSSES

When the bad weather of last week was at its height and the whole face of the earth was covered with sleet, snow and ice for seven days, there was quite general apprehension that the great live stock industry of the country would suffer severely. This apprehension was intensified to a considerable extent by reports that came in from the range country to the effect that a few half-grown cat-

tle, in good condition had been found frozen to death in the pastures. It was known that the storm was general, covering practically all the cattle producing section of the state, and the ground was so completely covered with ice, that it was known to be impossible for cattle to obtain any sustenance except that which was provided by their owners. And this was not all. The tanks and water holes were frozen so hard and tight that it was impossible for the suffering animals to obtain any water, and when cattle are shut off from both feed and water and are absolutely without any form of protection, it is a matter of impossibility to prevent serious losses if these conditions prevail for any length of time.

Fortunately for the cattle industry of Texas, the great majority of the cattle were in prime condition at the beginning of the storm period. There had been good summer and fall grass and they had taken on flesh in such manner as to be well prepared for just such a season as the one through which they have just passed. When the bad weather came they were of life and vitality, and they stood the storm in a manner that was truly remarkable. The losses have been trivial in comparison with what was generally anticipated, and that accounts for the smile of satisfaction irradiating the faces of our cattlemen. It cannot be denied that there was some loss of cattle. Such a period of bad weather—the worst in twenty years—could not pass without leaving more or less tribute upon the cattle industry. But while it was a remarkable spell of weather, its results were also remarkable from the fact that heavy losses were not more general.

It is probable that the heavy use of feed had much to do with averting what seemed to be an impending catastrophe. All over the range country the ranchmen hauled out large quantities of all kinds of feed that had been provided in anticipation of just such an emergency. The fact that the two preceding winters had been comparatively mild had served to put the long-headed cowman on notice that a continuation of such conditions could not be expected forever. That while dame nature had been wondrous kind for the past two years, she was liable to slip an eccentric and dish out the other extreme on practically a moment's notice, and they set about to prepare for it. The big cotton crop raised in west Texas last season was a god-send in furnishing the amount of feed that has been used in feeding during this emergency. The big ranches out west have hauled thousands of bushels of cotton seed hundreds of miles and stored them for this winter. When the cold weather came wagons were put to work hauling these seed out on the range and they served to keep the fires of life burning in many bovine frames that would otherwise now be dotting the prairies as a former asset.

Conversation with leading ranchmen for the past few days reveals the fact that while all are pleased with results so far, there still exists some apprehension as to the future. All cattle have come out of the storm period weakened and considerably less in flesh. If there is no more real bad weather they will be able to make it through until spring in fairly good shape, but the net result of the week's bad weather depends largely on the character of the weather that is yet to come. There now remains but about six weeks of the period when losses are to be expected. The fine season already in the ground insures an abundance of early spring grass, and if no bad weather intervenes before grass comes the country is still safe from the standpoint of the cowman. But no man knows how to figure on February and March weather. It is sometimes good, but it has been known to be very bad.

Losses so far reported seem to have been confined principally to old and thin stuff, and there was not much of this class of cattle remaining on the ranches. Texas ranchmen have been engaged in the cleaning up process for the past two years, and it is no doubt fortunate for them that such has been the case. Had this character of stuff not been shipped out to market earlier in the season when conditions were more favorable, the list of fatalities resultant from the recent blizzard would have been greatly augmented. As it is, no one has yet been seriously hurt, and the majority of the herds are looking much better since the weather cleared than the average ranchman really expected.

TROUBLE BREWING IN ARIZONA

During the meeting of the Arizona Cattle Growers' Association, in session in this city last week, it was known quite generally that there was a disagreement between the members of the board and Governor Brodie, owing to the threatened appointment of a new secretary to fill the place so ably filled by Horace Harrison for the past seven years. The situation came

to a head on Friday morning, when Chairman W. S. Sturges and Member J. J. Riggs handed in their resignations, after it was definitely known that Mr. Harrison was slated for retirement.

Their action has not greatly surprised the cattlemen who have been attending the convention of the territorial live stock association the past week. It was known that there had been a disagreement between the resigning members of the board and Governor Brodie regarding the secretaryship of the board. This was no recent difference of opinion, but it had its beginning last summer, when certain charges were made affecting the secretary, Horace Harrison. The board dismissed the charges, but the governor, not being satisfied, referred the matter to the attorney general, who concurred with the finding of the board.

That was expected to be the end of the matter, but on the return of the governor from the east last fall it was revived again. It was not asserted by the governor then that he believed the charges, but he desired that Mr. Harrison should be succeeded. In the meantime the secretary had filed his resignation, but the board would not accept it.

Just before the meeting of the convention of cattlemen the situation became more acute, and it was generally understood that the governor had determined that there should be a change in the secretaryship. In fact, about that time J. D. Carter arrived from Prescott, and it was not disguised that he had been sent to take the place of Mr. Harrison.

The live stock association took the matter up and unanimously adopted resolutions indorsing Mr. Harrison in the fullest terms and requesting his retention. It was stated that he had earned the confidence of the interests of the live stock territory, and that he could with difficulty be replaced. Many members of the association made it a personal matter, but their efforts were unavailing.

Short sessions of the board were held during the week, and on Friday morning, shortly after the board met, Mr. Harrison, unwilling to further embarrass his friends on the board, handed in his resignation with a request that it be acted upon at once. It was, in accordance with his wishes, accepted, and in conformity with the wishes of the governor the board proceeded to elect Mr. Carter as secretary. This was the last official act of the two members, who prepared and presented their own resignations shortly afterward.

At this writing the board has but the one member, Mr. Hirst, of this city, but it is probable that other appointments will soon be made to fill the vacancies. Mr. Harrison remained in the office until the 1st of this month, teaching his predecessor the ropes.

It is to be deeply regretted in live stock circles that such a feeling should exist at this time, and the hope is entertained by all that perfect harmony will soon be restored.—Phoenix Stockman.

THE CLARENDON COUNTRY

Editor Stockman-Journal:

Business in a live stock way has been extremely light for the past several weeks, caused probably by the extreme cold weather. Snow has been on the ground in and around Clarendon now for twenty-nine days and the thermometer has stood at or below zero three times during that period.

Reports from the range adjacent to Clarendon are to the effect that stock have suffered very little. Of course, so much cold weather can but bring its attendant amount of suffering, but it seems to be the general opinion that the death rate is not more than half as heavy as could reasonably be expected. Heavy feeding has had much to do with this light death rate. Donley and surrounding counties are fortunate at the present time to have such a feed crop as last year's was to draw upon when it was needed so badly and as a consequence stockmen have been feeding without stint, some averaging five bundles of Kaffir corn to the head in one week's feeding.

D. A. Stephenson of Ringgold, Texas, who recently purchased a five-section pasture from E. C. Maulfair, has stocked the same with about 250 head of high-grade cattle. He will move

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his family from Ringgold to this place in the spring.

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ALVIS WEATHERLY.

AMERICAN HEREFORDS

The board of directors of the American Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association, which met at Kansas City Saturday morning, continued in session until nearly 10 o'clock Saturday night. The board appropriated \$17,650 to be distributed in premiums at the national live stock shows and state fairs during 1905. The money is to be divided in this way: Kansas City and Chicago, \$4,000 each; Minnesota state fair, \$1,000; Texas state fair, \$1,400; Lewis and Clark Exposition, Portland, Ore., \$1,000; Iowa state fair, \$800; Montana state fair, \$500; Washington, West Virginia, South Dakota, North Dakota, Nebraska, Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Missouri and Wyoming state fairs, \$300 each; Kansas and Virginia, \$600 each; Maryland, \$250; Colorado, \$500; Georgia, \$100.

The directors also appointed committees to represent the Breeders' Association at the various state fairs and expositions and co-operate with the respective managements. The most important of these committees are:

For Kansas City—C. N. Comstock, Albany, Mo.; C. R. Thomas, Kansas City; C. A. Stannard, Emporia, Kan.

For Chicago—Thomas Clark, Beecher, Ill.; C. R. Thomas, Kansas City; S. W. Anderson, Blake's Mills, W. Va.

Minnesota—C. B. Stowe, Hamburg, Iowa.

The live stock exhibit at the Portland exposition will be under the exclusive management of the directors appointed by the state of Oregon. Each state included in the appropriation is to provide an amount of money equal to that given by the association. Of the \$4,000 set apart for Chicago, \$3,000 is to be offered in premiums for fine range steers. The money allotted to Kansas City will be assigned to fat stock classes and fancy breeds.

"There was some friction with respect to Chicago," said one of the directors, Saturday, "but all the differences were settled amicably and that city was given the same as Kansas City. We shall hold another meeting of the board some time in July or August to make further arrangements for the fall expositions and fairs. The American Royal show for this city will be the chief topic at that meeting. The American Royal will be held about one week earlier than usual, in October."

Dr. Ray, Osteopath, Fort Worth National bank building, Fort Worth, Texas.

BEEF TRUST INJUNCTION

Stripped of its legal verbiage, the recent decision of the supreme court in the beef trust case restrains the packers in the following particulars:

They must not instruct their live stock purchasing agents to refrain from bidding against each other.

They must not combine to raise prices of live stock to induce shipments.

They must not combine to raise, lower, or make uniform prices of meat.

They must not agree to curtail the supply of meat shipped to agents or markets, except where it is necessary to do so to prevent an over-accumulation of perishable meat.

They must not make credit rules which will restrict trade, but may do so to protect themselves from dishonest or irresponsible dealers.

They must not make agreement for uniform cartage charges, if such agreement restricts competition, but they are not forbidden to make such agreement if it does not affect competition.

They must not make agreements with railroads for rebates, but may charge for the use of their own cars.

SEARCHING FOR EVIDENCE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Attorney General Moody is making a persistent search for evidence with which he hopes to send some of the packers to jail, either for contempt of court, for disobeying Judge Grosscup's injunction or for violation of the Sherman law itself. District Attorney Bethea, who prosecuted the beef trust before Judge Grosscup, is working to the same end in Chicago. He has been ordered to submit to Mr. Moody at the earliest possible date all of the evidence he can secure and it then will be decided just what steps will be taken.

Special agents for the treasury department are assisting in the search for incriminating evidence, and every inch of the ground is being gone over with a fine-toothed comb. While he is waiting to hear from Mr. Bethea Mr. Moody is going through the mass of testimony regarding the methods of the beef trust, which was secured by Commissioner Garfield's investigators last summer and fall.

DAVE RANKIN'S FARM

The farm of Davis Rankin, at Tarkio, Mo, the largest farm in the world operated by a single individual consists of about 25,000 acres, 23,115 acres of which are under cultivation. It is estimated that it takes more than \$125,000 a year to run it. Mr. Rankin employs about 300 men and uses 700 horses and mules in his farm work.

Rankin's greatest pride is his corn field. It runs a mile and a half and is a mile wide. He is the man who has said he would never sell a bushel of corn he produced. He feeds it to live stock and markets it that way. He says it is the only way to get its value. The value of cattle sold annually from the Rankin farm amounts to around \$300,000.

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BIG CATTLE SUIT
Judge Fires went up to Denver on Saturday night, where he has a case for Jim McAdams against some Kansas banks. The suits for \$30,000 claimed by McAdams on cattle formerly owned by Al Yantis, on which the bank had a lien, but allowed the cat to be moved to Colorado, where they did not record the mortgage. The lower courts gave McAdams \$5,000 in a former hearing, but it is hoped to get the full \$30,000 in the supreme court.—Childress Post.

STATUS OF THE BEEF TRUST

When Uncle Sam gets down to the bottom of the beef trust problem this is about what he will find: That it is really the National Packing Company, consisting of all the packing houses except Cudahy and Hammond. These, unfortunately for them, did not come in in time to escape the Grosseup decision two years ago. They are, however, operating in connection with the other companies, and will no doubt get under the shelter of the beef trust. Uncle Sam will find furthermore that the books of these various companies are kept in such manner that only one man really knows the earnings, not even superintendents knowing them. He will also find that these companies bid against each other only so far as appearance's sake requires; that prices are regulated by a wink and a nod and understanding to "cut" shipments or hurry them up, these understandings being arrived at in the Chicago office at their meetings held about once a week.

If any of our readers were a bug in the wall in this inner room, which might be called "the unholy of unholy," the following might be heard: "How's business?" "Poor. How is it with you?" "Rotten." "Guess we had better 'cut' shipments, or 'hurry them up.'" And that is all.

He will find further that the life of a refrigerator car is about nine years, and in that time it has paid for itself about three times. He will find still further, that the worst sufferers are not the Iowa and Illinois feeders, who furnish the very best cattle, but the feeders of the half-fat cattle and the growers of the range and grass stuff.

Since the above was written the telegraph reports a decision of the supreme court, overruling the demurrer of the beef trust and making the injunction issued by Judge Grosseup permanent. This decision was sweeping in its character, and was unanimous.

The following is a summary of the points made clear in the supreme court's decision:

"Traffic in live stock transported from state to state is interstate commerce, and persons engaged in buying and selling such live stock are engaged in interstate commerce.

"The combination between dealers to suppress all competition in the purchase of live stock is an unlawful restraint of trade.

"The combination between dealers to fix and maintain a uniform price in the sale of meat throughout the country is an unlawful restraint of trade.

"The combination of dealers to obtain preferential railroad rates is an unlawful restraint of trade.

"All combinations suppressing competition between independent dealers fall under the prohibition of the Sherman anti-trust act."

The next thing in order will be to determine whether in point of fact the various corporations of the trust have been conspiring to make artificial prices for live stock or for dressed beef or in the way of obtaining rebates; and if so, to punish them as law breakers, no matter what may be their personal or financial standing. It is understood that both

the bureau of corporations and the judicial department of the government have been collecting evidence during the last year, and we need not be surprised to hear of some interesting and effective prosecutions of high-toned criminals. Let justice be done though the heavens fall! —Wallace's Farmer.

IN DONLEY COUNTY

The past week has been the worst of the winter on cattle throughout the state. Reports from all over the range country show this to be a fact, and yet no serious losses have as yet been recorded. From almost every section come reports of snow, sleet and ice, and the Panhandle country has fared no worse than other sections, although the snow was perhaps some heavier. The reports from Amarillo and Miami were to the effect that snow, sleet and ice prevailed to a depth of ten inches, and the spell the worst on cattle seen in late years; while losses were comparatively nothing as yet, cattle were getting in bad shape, necessitating careful attention and much feed. A like report was made from Burke Burnett's Dixon Creek ranch, with a loss of fourteen head and 1,400 head on full feed. Heavy feeding is being done all over this section. The weather began moderating Wednesday and conditions are improving every day, with snow melting rapidly. While hard on the cowman, the farmer is greatly benefited by the snow, as a splendid season is put in the ground and early spring planting assured.

We have it on good authority that the United States government is now asking for bids on 5,000 heifers between the ages of 2 and 3 years for the Rosebud Indian agency in South Dakota. Bids will be accepted on same until March 1 by Hon. F. E. Leupp, commissioner of Indian affairs, Washington, D. C. Further information and blanks for making bids, etc., can be had by address United States warehouse, No. 602, South Seventh street, St. Louis, Mo. For some reason or other the matter has not received much publicity, and we give the information, thinking that perhaps some Panhandle cowman may be interested enough to put in a bid. This would be a nice contract, and could doubtless be handled easily by any one of a large number of our stockmen readers.

Since the resignation of A. G. Boyce several changes have been made on the XIT ranch. Joe Frazier, formerly with the Prairie Cattle Company, is now superintendent; H. E. Patterson, formerly of John V. Farwell Company, Chicago, is purchasing agent. A. G. Boyce, former adviser to the company, besides being associated with it in land and other contracts.

D. A. Stephenson of Ringgold, Texas, came up this week to take formal possession of the five-section ranch recently purchased by him from E. C. Maulfair, near Rowe, this county. Mr. Stephenson made this office a pleasant call and left his application for membership in the Panhandle Stockmen's Association, listing 250 head of cattle. He informs us he will move his family to Clarendon in the spring and make his home here.

The sheriff's sale of the cattle of Gus Pyron, held at Story on Tuesday last, brought about \$11 per head, there being fifty-six head in all. Harry Mundy of Amarillo was the successful bidder, he and C. A. Linkey being the only bidders. The cattle sold were a well-bred bunch of Herefords.

IN MIDLAND COUNTY

Midland Reporter.
Last Wednesday, the 8th inst., dawned clear. The sun shone brilliantly and by

night almost all of the snow and sleet had disappeared and much uneasiness was dispelled from the minds of ranchmen. It had begun to look awfully blue to all. Snow and sleet covering the grass, many of our old-timers spoke very pessimistically, but it is all right now, and what looked as if it might almost destroy the cattle industry in West Texas now assumes beneficial proportions of almost immeasurable compass. A fine season has been put in the ground, and it is almost a certain fact that an early spring will result. The weeds are bound to come in abundance and there is but little danger to the cattle industry in shortage of good grazing.

In consequence of this severe spell of weather in some places there has no doubt been some heavy loss sustained, but only where the range has been overstocked or where it was exceedingly dry the latter part of last summer and fall.

R. Conley got in Thursday from Terry county. He says there has been no loss up there so far this winter, and this last spell of weather has had no noticeable effect on cattle.

Our former townsman, Ed M. Tyson, was here Monday from Bronco. He says he has been in Texas fifty years and never saw the weather so bad before. He thinks it will mean the loss of many cattle.

Spence Jewell came in Tuesday from the range north, W. F. Youngblood's. He says cattle seem to have stood the severe weather all right and if no other bad spells come will pull through in good condition.

Ernest Phillips and Earl Jackson got in Wednesday from about fifty miles southwest in the Pecos country. They say the cattle do not seem to have suffered greatly. They saw only one fresh carcass along the road and other cattle looked to be in good shape.

Reports from the range northwest, around Shafter Lake, S. H. Holloway's ranch and the neighboring country are to the effect that cattle are in good shape. Snow and sleet was heavier there than here, but the range was so fine and cattle in such good condition that stockmen had no cause to worry.

IN UVALDE COUNTY

Uvalde Leader-News.
W. F. White bought 1,000 head of goats from Hub Heard of the Dry Frio. Of this number he sold 350 head to Mitt and Lee Langford.

Chinn & Hollingsworth, the real estate men, tell us that they have just completed a trade with Buck Burnett for the old Chilton ranch, owned by Dr. Gerard. There are 5,000 acres and the price was \$2 per acre.

A. E. Mitchell and Colonel J. F. Simpson bought from Messrs. Blalock, Mangum and George Kennedy forty-eight head of big fat steers, which were shipped to New Orleans in the early part of the week. The price paid was \$38 and the guess at the weight was 1,150 pounds. They were exceptionally good bees and are expected to top the market.

A. E. Mitchell, the Zavalla stockman, was a visitor to Uvalde in the early part of the week. Mr. Mitchell says that instead of riding over the country buying cattle it is much easier to come to town and have the seller hunt you up. He and Colonel Simpson have been dabbling in big steers lately and the market can be said to have opened in full blast for fat cattle. All you have to do is to bring the fat stuff to the Uvalde pens and find all the buyers needed.

IN LLANO COUNTY

Llano Times.
Last week John Hamon sold to Ruff Carroll of Brady 700 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers, spring delivery.

Wiley Lewis also sold to Mr. Carroll 500 head of steers of the same age as above, spring delivery.

These are the biggest cattle deals made in Burnett county for a number of years, representing an expenditure of between twenty and thirty thousand dollars.

CATTLE SHOWING UP WELL

STURGIS, S. D., Feb. 11.—S. G. Sheffield returned home from the J. A. Bar Cattle Company's ranch. He is feeling jubilant over the condition of stock throughout the wide area of the grazing domain. He says that even though the weather between now and springtime should prove bad, there would be no losses to speak of, as the cattle are in fit shape to withstand a great deal of hardship. During the last two weeks Mr. Sheffield covered the range country most completely and everywhere he found the cattle wintering without signs of impending disaster. He says that by no possibility can the suffering and heavy mortality of last winter be repeated during the present season.

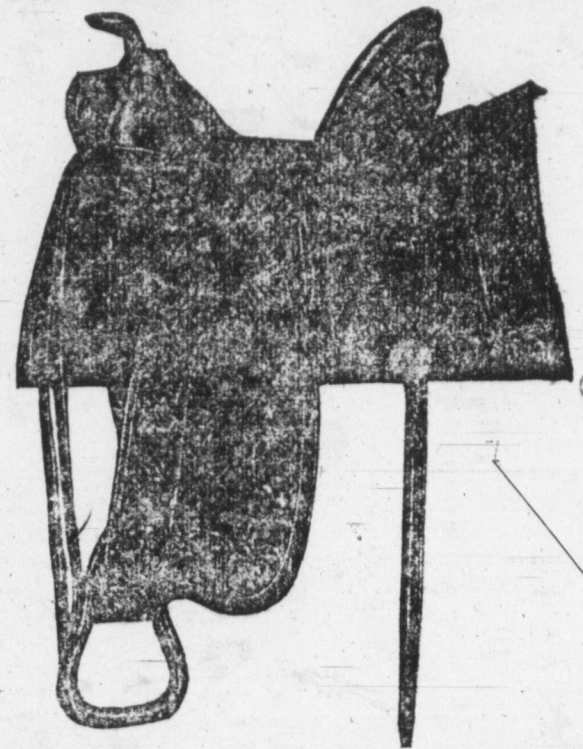
The beef trust is making the Texas cattlemen a price that barely lets him live. It pays him 3 cents for his steak and sells it to the consumer in the north and east for 30 cents. It is feared by many that in time the trust will cut the price to a cent and a half per steak and then the cattlemen will be in the same category with the cotton raiser. The cotton raiser sells his cotton for 6 cents and pays a dollar a pound for it back again.—Georgetown Commercial.

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The standing of contestants will be published in each issue of The *Stockman-Journal*, giving the number of subscriptions each one has and the five contestants who secure the largest number of subscriptions between Feb. 15 and April 15 will secure the awards.

To the Postmaster—If you do not wish to enter this contest, please hand this circular to your assistant or one of your clerks. This is a good opportunity for one to get a trip without expense to themselves and also to make very easy money.

Sample copies of The *Stockman-Journal* will be sent to each one of the contestants who enters this contest each week. Only one contestants will be allowed from each town.

The Conditions

Each subscription must be paid for a period of one year in order to count in this contest. A renewal for one year of an old subscription will also count the same as a new subscription. A commission of 25 cents will be allowed on each year's subscription to The *Stockman-Journal*, either new or old, and in order to make the proposition more attractive the management will give a year's subscription to The *Stockman-Journal* and a year's subscription to the *Pilgrim Magazine* all for the price of The *Stockman-Journal*, which is \$1.50.

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First—To the Postmaster, Assistant Postmaster or Clerk who secures the largest number of subscriptions to The *Stockman-Journal* between Feb. 15 and April 15 the award will be one round trip ticket from your home town to Colorado Springs.

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QUARANTINE REGULATIONS

The new government quarantine order establishing the line for this year was received at the local office of the bureau of animal industry recently. It includes a few changes from the line as established at the beginning of the year 1904, but some of these were made shortly after that order was issued and were in effect during nearly the whole of last year.

The principal changes in Texas are that Childress county is put back in special quarantine, having been left out last year; and that Garza county is left out entirely this year, and placed above the quarantine line.

In Oklahoma, Green county is put back below the quarantine line entirely. Last year it was in special quarantine, and cattle were allowed to be moved if accompanied by a certificate showing that they were not infected with splenic fever, or had not been exposed thereto. The probable reason for the change is that restrictions were relaxed or that too many cases of ticks reappeared to warrant the bureau in continuing the special quarantine at the present time.

MOST IMPORTANT CHANGES

Two new small special quarantine areas are created in Noble county from which cattle can be moved subject to inspection. They are described as "that portion bounded on the north by the Otoy and Missouri reservation, on the east by Pawnee county and on the west by the right of way of the Santa Fe, and that portion of the Ponca reservation east of the right of way of the Santa Fe and bounded on the east and north by the Arkansas river and the Salt Fork of the Arkansas river." Both are small strips, but the order giving them special privileges shows that they are making progress in cleaning up the territory.

From these indications it would not be surprising to see all of Noble county taken out of quarantine when the new order is issued next year. It may not come that quickly, but the movement is in that direction. Both of these areas were placed in special quarantine the latter part of February last year, and that while it is not a new condition it shows a change between the line this year and last year.

CUSTER COUNTY, OKLA., OUT

The most important change in the line is the taking of Custer county out of the quarantine district altogether. It shows the improvement that is being made by the Oklahoma counties along the line. Last year when the government order was issued, Custer was in special quarantine, but was taken out altogether Sept. 6.

CHANGES LAST YEAR

At the beginning of the quarantine season last year, the greatest change in many years was made. That part of Blaine county, Oklahoma, lying north of the Canadian river, which in reality meant nearly all of the whole county, was placed above the line, and also part of Noble county west of the Santa Fe, which embraced half of the county.

Notwithstanding this large territory taken out last year, the changes this year are fully as gratifying, when it is considered that the whole of Custer county is taken from quarantine under the new order, represents fully as large, if not a larger area, than the two districts released a year ago.

This line is not materially different from that established a year ago. However, a number of new rulings are made regarding the transportation of cattle and their unloading and feeding in pens and also in the matter of Federal inspection. Among other things the regulations provide:

"That when any cattle in course of transportation from the above named infected area are unloaded above—north, east or west of—said line to be fed or watered, or for other purposes, said cattle shall be placed in pens or yards set apart for infected cattle, and a sign shall be placed on all such pens or yards with the words "Quarantine pens," or yards, with letters not less than ten inches in height. No other cattle shall be admitted into said pens or yards, and when non-infected cattle are placed therein by mistake or otherwise these cattle shall be handled thereafter as infected cattle.

"On unloading said cattle at their points of destination, chutes, alleyways and pens, sufficiently isolated and marked with a sign as above, shall be set apart to receive them, and no other cattle shall be admitted to said chutes, pens and alleyways; and the regulations relating to the movement of cattle from said area, prescribed by the cattle sanitary officers of the state where unloaded, shall be carefully observed. The cars or boats that

have carried said stock shall be cleansed and disinfected as soon as possible after unloading and before they are again used to transport, store or shelter animals or merchandise.

The regulations also provide that: "The cars and boats used to transport such animals, the chutes, alleyways and pens used during transportation and at points of destination shall be disinfected in the following manner:

"Remove all litter and manure. This litter and manure may be disinfected by mixing it with lime or saturating it with a 5 per cent solution of 100 per cent carbolic acid; or, if not disinfected, it shall be stored where no cattle can come in contact with it during the period from Feb. 1 to Nov. 1 of each year.

"Wash the cars and the watering and feeding troughs with water until clean.

"Saturate the entire interior surface of the cars, including the inner surface of the car doors, and the fencing, troughs, chutes and floors of the pens with a mixture made of 1½ pounds of lime and one-quarter pound of 100 per cent carbolic acid to each gallon of water, or a solution made by dissolving four ounces of chloride of lime to each gallon of water may be used."

STOCK EXCHANGE FEARS PASS BILL

Sends Delegate to Austin to Represent Interests of Cattlemen

Resolutions calling for a careful investigation of the anti-free pass bill now before the legislature, and its effects upon return transportation for cattlemen, were adopted at a called meeting of the Fort Worth Live Stock Exchange held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

In addition to passing the resolution, the members urged personal representation at Austin during the time the bill is pending. Sterling P. Clark was appointed a committee of one to go to Austin and lay the matter before the legislature. No time was lost in starting the movement, Mr. Clark leaving for Austin last night.

The resolution adopted was: "Resolved, That the anti-free pass bill, now pending before the legislature, will do the cattle shippers of Texas a great injustice, inasmuch as it would require every shipper of cattle to pay return transportation for shippers. While we are not legally advised that this bill will go to the extent of prohibiting to shippers of live stock transportation, if, in fact, it does prohibit same, we must respectfully ask of the legislature to consider the cost to the cattlemen of Texas."

FINE RANGE OUTLOOK

Inspector C. O. Scott of Tonto was in the city last week in attendance at the convention. Mr. Scott is an old-timer in Gila county and a close observer of conditions. He says the recent rain storm amounted to 5.75 inches, and there is considerable snow on the mountains. Speaking of feed, he said the alfalfa has come up at least an inch since the rain, and what is more remarkable than anything else is the fact that the old dry grass in most places remained upright during all the storm, not being beaten down as is usual in heavy rains. The dry grass makes the finest kind of feed while standing, and in some places it is even now high enough so it could be cut with a mowing machine.—Phoenix Stockman.

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CONDITIONS IN DAKOTA

Fred Gale, who has returned from a trip throughout the cattle country in South Dakota, says that notwithstanding the extremely cold weather the cattle losses on the ranges will amount to little in comparison to other years, says the Sioux City Journal. Last Wednesday at Chamberlain the thermometer recorded 47 degrees below zero. Mr. Gale said that the cattle went into winter quarters in fine flesh, and as fodder was plentiful they withstood the cold weather.

"But," said Mr. Gale, who is a judge of cattle, "the stockmen on the ranges had their hearts in their mouths. If a wind had accompanied the storm hundreds of cattle would have succumbed to the severe weather. On the train I wiped the frost from the windows and noticed the cattle pawing the snow from the

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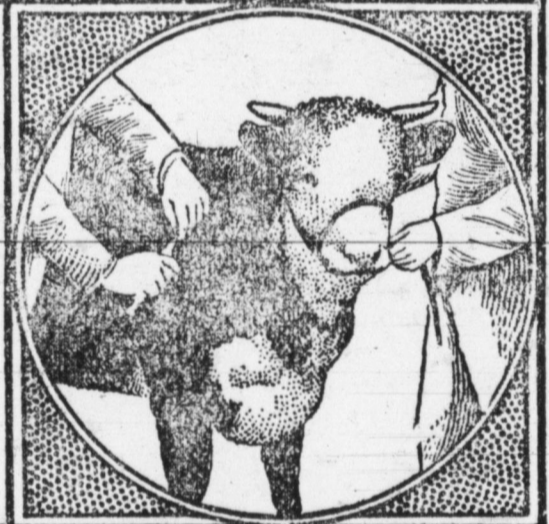
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grass, and as cold as it was they did not seem to be suffering much."

Most stockmen welcomed the snow, but not the cold. The moisture will furnish ample drinking ponds for the herds when the thaw comes.

"The melting of the snow," said one optimistic cattleman, "will ultimately result in saving a great majority of the range cattle. The cattle had the advan-

tage of a late fall, took on flesh, and as the winter is nearly gone the loss will not be one-half what it was last winter. The greatest loss results in the dying off of 'young stuff.' Commencing next month the cows begin to produce, and the tender little calves usually die if the weather is severely cold. I look for an early spring, and the saving of hundreds of cattle."

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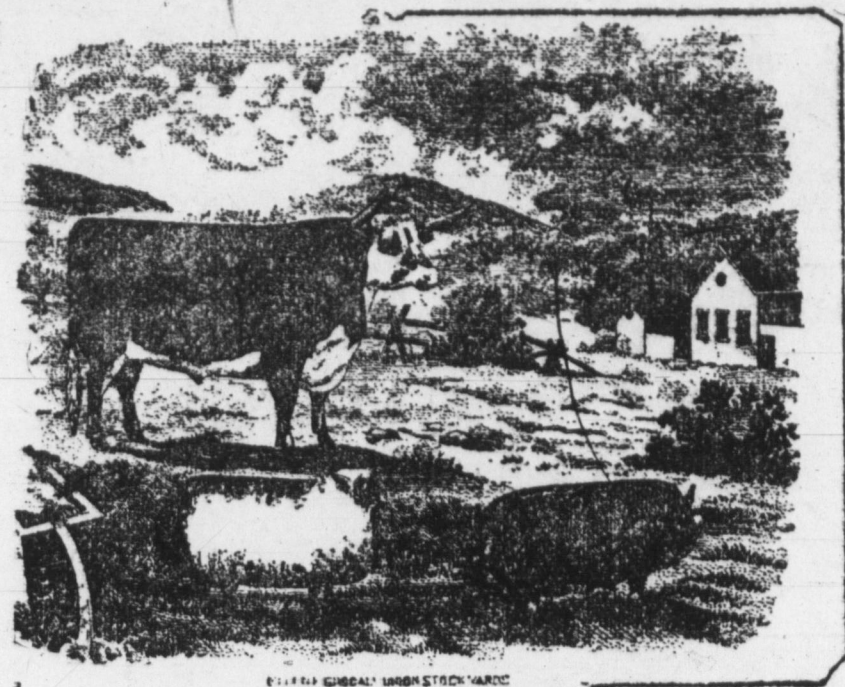
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TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

The week opened with moderate receipts, about half of the supply being steers. The market was active on both steers and cows from the start, and prices on good cows and fair to medium steers were strong to 10 cents higher than the close of last week. Tuesday's receipts were quite liberal, with a good representation of the different classes of both steers and cows. Trading was slow in starting, but when once begun, sales were made on a basis steady with Monday.

STEERS—The Northern markets were higher at the close of last week, and with moderate run Monday and Tuesday prices at those points showed still more strength. This condition had the effect of stimulating the demand here. Best heavy steers are bringing \$4.00 per cwt. here, but the bulk of receipts is fair to medium kinds, at \$3.15 to \$3.50 per cwt., and on these grades prices are generally strong to 10 cents higher than on last Friday, while the medium to good kinds are steady to 10 cents higher. Several lots of Southern Texas grass steers arrived on Monday, all of which sold at satisfactory prices compared with what fed steers are bringing. \$3.60 was paid for one train of good 1000-lb. grass steers, while fair to medium kinds sold from \$3.25 to \$3.40; common kinds, around \$2.80 per cwt.

COWS—Best, fat butcher cows show little change, as prices on this kind have ruled strong for some time. Medium to good butcher cows are in good demand, but those falling below medium class are slow sellers at steady prices.

BULLS—There has been a good demand for both fat bulls and good feeding bulls. On thin, light bulls the demand is very uncertain, and prices are far from satisfactory. Best fat bulls are ranging from \$2.45 to \$2.60 per cwt.; medium killing bulls, around \$2.25; thin to fair flesh bulls, \$1.65 to \$2.15.

CALVES—The bulk of the supply has been heavy, thin to half fat calves that are selling at \$1.75 to \$2.25. Medium weight and flesh calves are ranging from \$2.25 to \$2.75 per cwt., with best heavy calves \$3.00 to \$3.40 per cwt. Thin light calves are bringing \$3.25 to \$3.75; medium to good light kinds, \$4.00 to \$5.50 per cwt.

HOGS—The hog market has been getting better for the last four or five days. The market came in this morning from 5 to 7½ cents higher on all grades of stuff, the top being \$5.15; mixed and packers, \$4.80 to \$5.10; lights, \$4.25 to \$4.85; pigs, \$3.75 to \$4.25. Receipts are running low in the North, which stimulates prices on this market.

SHEEP—The sheep market still continues to be good. Good mutton wethers, \$4.50 to \$5.50 per cwt.; ewes, \$4.00 to \$5.00; good feeders, \$2.50 to \$3.50; lambs, \$4.50 to \$6.00. There is very little demand for stocker sheep of the inferior quality.

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MARKET REVIEW

For the past week receipts have been light in all classes of live stock, but no lighter than could have been expected, taking the stormy weather into account.

The market has ruled 10 to 15 cents higher on choice fed cattle, both steers and cows, but weak on the medium kinds. Packers and butchers are insisting on flesh as a prerequisite to bidding up the market. On choice veal calves the market has ruled 25 to 50 cents higher, and 25 cents higher on the common kinds. While the market is practically higher on everything except medium and canner grades in the cattle line, Kansas City has been steady for the week and St. Louis about 15 cents higher. Should the present conditions prevail, commission houses look for prices to improve for the coming week.

One thing that has contributed to the keeping up of prices has been the large purchase of steers by the California buyers, both on this market and in the country. Commission men are advising their customers of this new market and many orders are expected to be placed if no large advance in prices ensues. The week ends with heavy steers selling at \$4.00. Some of these have been on feed at the yards for eighty days and were taken by a Dallas feeder, who expects to put them on corn for the next sixty days, and then send them to the English market. Another bunch, a little lighter in weight, sold at the same price to a local packer.

Hogs—Excessive fluctuations have marked the course of the hog market this week. Very light receipts came in on Monday and Tuesday, resulting in top hogs selling at \$5.15, with the bulk at \$5.00. Increased receipts led buyers to take off 10 to 15 cents on Wednesday and on Thursday half as much more, making 15 to 20 cents decline in two days. On Friday a reaction set in, carrying the price back to 5 cents for extra heavy lard hogs, and on Saturday the market was so far strengthened as to cause hogs weighing less than 200 pounds to sell at 5 cents, with the tops on the late market at \$5.05.

Sheep are scarce and selling strong. Meal fed muttons sell at \$4.25 to \$4.50, and Saturday a consignment of over 500 corn fattened yearlings sold at \$5.10.

NORTH FORT WORTH, Feb. 11.—With only thirteen cars in the pens and none due to arrive, the cattle supply looked small, even for a Saturday. 500 head by rail. This was later supplemented by 100 rail. Compare this with fed steers driven in. Compare this with 1,096 Saturday of last week, 839 the same.

day last month and 545 the corresponding day in 1904.

The lack of steers in the pens and the urgency of an outside buyer brought in four carloads from a feed pen. These sold at \$3.15 a price strong for the week. Good steers brought \$3.70.

Cows made up the bulk of the day's run, and they were chiefly common to medium. The market on these was steady, packers being willing to take about everything in sight, and the supply was soon sold out in jack-pot lots. Top cows sold for \$3.75, with the bulk of mediums at \$2.50, and canners at \$1.25 to \$1.50.

The trade in bulls was steady, the demand being about equally divided between feeder and butcher bulls. Prices ran from \$1.65 to \$2.60.

The supply of calves was confined to mixed lots and sold steady with the week, the principal active demand coming from speculators. Tops, \$4.75; bulk of heavies, \$2.40.

HOGS

The hog market opened with 500 in the pens, which were helped by later arrivals to 650, against 1,315 at the end of the last week, 1,334 on the same Saturday last month and 731 the corresponding day in 1904.

The quality was reasonably good, about half the run coming from Oklahoma.

Selling began early to a strong and active market, extra heavy hogs selling at \$5, with the bulk at \$4.40 to \$4.92½.

Under active selling a quick clearance was made.

WEDNESDAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE		CALVES		HOGS	
No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.
W. J. Robbins, Plano	28 7.00	1,264	\$2.25	83	70
J. Waterman, Paris	46 1.00	700	1.50	80	67
W. M. Parks, Clarksville	51			70	82
G. F. Newberry, Honey Grove	47			86	80
J. Myth, Grandview	81			74	49
S. J. Wigginton, Itasca	27			194	19
Dyer & Stein, Kopperal	84			81	
G. C. & R. Waco	26			91	51
C. B. Elliott, Little River	50			81	
Elliott & Rudd, Arlington	48			91	51
C. B. Jones, Alvord	55			81	
C. Z. Vernon	20				
Briggs & Peters, Waxahachie	51				
W. F. Gill, Greenville	46				
J. C. Townsend, Mt. Vernon	35				
G. M. Vaughn & Co., Ballinger	48				
R. L. Parsons, Dublin	71				
Myers & Robertson, Dublin	24				
C. M. Thompson, Hico	40				
John Cage, Stephenville	23				
W. & G., Carbon	75				

HOGS		CALVES		HOGS	
No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.
Fate & Pain, Hennessey, Okla.	83 70	250	4.95	73	170
Stephenson, Ringwood, Okla.	80 67	228	4.80	88	210
Fender, M. & J., Hennessey, Okla.	70 82	193	4.77½	71	213
E. Kile, Cushing, Okla.	86 80	193	4.75	86	205
O. T. Maxwell, Cisco	74 49	158	4.02½	2 stags	200
Edge & Franklin, Bryan	194 19	150	4.02½	91	189
L. Wright, Tyron, Okla.	81				
W. Jorgenson, Tyron, Okla.	91				
C. B. Elliott, Little River	81 51	95	\$4.00	23	123

W. W. Weeth, Iowa Park		C. B. Jones, Alvord		George Johnson, Waukonus		W. L. Lyons, Foss, Okla.		Hutton & Mills, Hydro, Okla.		Hurley, Custer City		John Passmore, Arapahoe, Okla.		Beemer Bros., Thomas, Okla.		Duffert & H., Anadarko		William Schmidt, Llano		C. B. Swinney, Llano				
No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.			
67	25	117	4.10	37	100	4.00	13	8	127	4.02½	19	67	3.00	94	84	88	82	81	71	84	182	89	22	8

THURSDAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE		HOGS	
No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.
Starr and Wall, Grapevine	40	T. N. O., Dallas	83
Gray & Organ, Paris	60	R. L. Donald, Grapevine	50
Gray & Organ, Paris	57	F. F. Tillery, Grapevine	85
J. E. Hardesty, Godley	24	J. E. Hardesty, Godley	78
W. H. Green, Cisco	115	A. D. Stevens, Cleburne	83
McDonald & Jones, Cisco	23	J. H. English, Devine	56
P. W. Reynolds, Cisco	25	G. W. G., Dallas	79
Woody & Co., Weatherford	32	J. W. W., Dallas	78
J. H. English, Devine	7	F. E. Miller, Chockie, I. T.	48
Young & Chandler, Stoneburg	44	Mills & Orme, Binger, Okla.	37
Ball & Young, Bowie	40	H. A. Herman, Houston	91
D. R. Martin, Arlington	52	G. G. Allen, Navasota	87
J. B. Chilton, Comanche	42	Telzer, Ponca City, Okla.	68
A. L. Clement, Dublin	34	B. F. Bartholomew, Norman, Okla.	77
J. Anglin, Groesbeck	29		
W. D. K., Marlin	55		
F. C. D., Marlin	104		

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

STEERS		BULLS		CALVES		HOGS	
No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.	No.	Ave. Price.
29	878	13	897	30	959	8	900
48	949	30	959	8	900		
28	830	8	1,031	1	660		
9	1,100	1	660	8	796		
12	941	1	610	1	610		
27	1,028	2	1,080	3	832		
8	900	8	652	1	540		

REPRESENTATIVE SALES (continued)

38.....	145	4.57 1/2	50.....	220	4.55
3.....	380	5.00			

PIGS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
38.....	95	\$4.00	20.....	113	\$4.00
38.....	85	3.95	27.....	83	3.00

FRIDAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE

Moberly Bros., Italy	44
C. W. Piper, Italy	35
D. D. Fowler, Georgetown	49
J. D. Elliott, Georgetown	24
Elliott & Woody, Georgetown	55
J. R. Holland, Belton	27
S. P. Sadler, Gatesville	90
A. M. A., Hillsboro	20
P. M. S., Hillsboro	54
J. T. M., Hillsboro	25
W. & W., Hillsboro	25
S. A. Roberts, Blooming Grove	66
W. G. Mays, Barrow	37
E. J. Everly, Comanche	21
Ball & Yound, Bowie	48

HOGS

— Lowe, Ringgold	80
A. T. Harris, Kingsfisher	85
Dave Hill, Chickasha	70
C. R. Phillips, Chickasha	70
W. G. Fowler, Calcert	19
Terry McAfee, Corsicana	153
W. M. Allen, McKinney	40
W. L. Shipp, Rogers	70
Waltz & Akard, Rogers	77
C. W. Piper, Italy	22
W. F. H., Easterly	120
Britton & Thompson, Lovelady	138
E. J. Everly, Comanche	38
D. H. Stephens, Minnehaha, Okla.	70
J. R. Holland, Belton	78
H. Andrews, Belton	74
Elliott & Woods, Georgetown	27
Ross & Bell, Durant	114
— Wilson, Detroit	40
G. F. P., Gladewater	95

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

STEERS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
13.....	970	\$3.80	13.....	1,003	\$3.50
26.....	1,084	3.85	25.....	1,054	3.85
1.....	1,760	3.85	39.....	1,084	3.85
18.....	855	3.00	2.....	735	2.75
1.....	760	1.75	62.....	747	2.75
28.....	812	3.10	19.....	1,039	3.70
25.....	943	3.35			

COWS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
1.....	610	\$1.25	3.....	920	\$1.85
12.....	914	2.55	30.....	873	2.25
2.....	770	2.25	1.....	730	2.35
3.....	923	2.85	4.....	775	2.40
18.....	846	2.20	4.....	820	2.30
38.....	630	2.00	1.....	1,080	3.00
4.....	745	2.60	1.....	930	2.60
12.....	1,068	2.90	1.....	960	2.50
1.....	960	2.50	1.....	810	2.55
13.....	633	1.85	1.....	570	1.00
3.....	863	1.50	8.....	720	2.25
7.....	980	2.55	1.....	610	1.25
2.....	920	1.85	12.....	914	2.55
20.....	873	2.25	2.....	770	2.25
1.....	730	2.25	3.....	923	2.85
4.....	775	2.40	18.....	846	2.20
4.....	820	2.30	38.....	630	2.00

HEIFERS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
2.....	430	\$1.75			

BULLS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
1.....	800	\$2.25	2.....	1,160	\$1.75
2.....	1,540	2.50			

CALVES

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
5.....	166	\$5.25	5.....	114	\$5.25
2.....	160	5.25	2.....	225	4.50
4.....	387	3.00	2.....	385	3.00
4.....	165	3.00	6.....	117	5.25
7.....	121	5.25	8.....	230	4.00
11.....	231	5.25	191.....	323	3.50
6.....	333	1.75	4.....	235	3.25
2.....	105	5.00	14.....	371	2.75
2.....	550	1.75	24.....	326	2.75
17.....	237	3.35	15.....	379	2.25
4.....	450	1.25	16.....	387	2.50
2.....	350	2.50	1.....	360	2.75

HOGS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
58.....	210	\$4.92 1/2	1.....	400	\$2.60
70.....	240	5.10	73.....	215	4.95
1.....	700	2.00	1.....	150	2.00
11.....	200	4.75	7.....	134	4.30
20.....	155	4.50	2.....	205	4.30
11.....	146	3.00	16.....	133	3.75

Late sales yesterday:

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
10.....	230	\$5.10	108.....	213	\$5.10
10.....	264	5.15	70.....	252	4.15
10.....	237	5.10	74.....	204	5.10

PIGS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
.....	100	\$4.00	32.....	88	\$4.00
.....	110	4.00	103.....	75	3.00
.....	117	4.00	43.....	111	3.75
.....	129	4.50			

SATURDAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE

F. A. Jiergelbaer, Flatonia	20
J. H. Bray, Lindsay	60
A. T. Hunter, Oakwoods	45
Roy Hinton, Mineral Wells	35
W. S. Cook, Royce	32
W. L. Deardow, Corsicana	50
J. Wilson, Corsicana	39
C. D. Lafosse, Corsicana	76
J. S. Hubbard, Mansfield	31
Samson & Lane, Alvord	132
J. F. Green & Co., Encinal	361
W. T. Merrell, Granbury	59
Long & Price, Stephenville	43
G. W. Riley, Royce	57

HOGS

C. C. Rouse, Lexington	101
C. J. C. Henderson	100
E. Dawson, Hinton	84
W. E. Withersbee, Bedias	203
B. & B., Franklin	207
J. J. C. Franklin	91
R. E. Stevens, Lakoma, Okla.	81
R. A. Fry, Yukon, Okla.	73
A. P. Jones, Washita, Okla.	461
C. Watts, Yukon, Okla.	76
— Mildred, Weatherford	87
M. R. Paden, Gregory	86
First National Bank, Kyle	74

HORSES AND MULES

Roy Jackson, El Reno, Okla.	28
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REPRESENTATIVE SALES

STEERS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
76.....	990	\$3.40	141.....	983	\$3.60
99.....	949	3.35	11.....	826	3.00
			162.....	1,099	3.60

COWS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
14.....	748	\$2.15	9.....	584	\$1.20
9.....	894	2.50	27.....	842	2.75
28.....	751	2.25	1.....	690	2.50
1.....	920	2.00	1.....	940	1.25
2.....	625	1.25	7.....	598	1.50
1.....	870	2.75	1.....	870	2.75
1.....	910	2.00	2.....	745	2.50
19.....	806	1.85	22.....	859	2.40
3.....	836	1.75	28.....	790	1.80
1.....	8100	2.40	7.....	805	2.40
3.....	736	1.60	4.....	865	1.90
9.....	730	2.25	7.....	763	2.40
1.....	910	2.40	2.....	640	1.75
12.....	735	2.25			

BULLS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
1.....	1,050	\$2.25	1s.....	1,200	\$2.75
1s.....	950	2.50			

CALVES

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
4.....	406	\$3.25	24.....	208	\$2.75
1.....	370	2.75	1.....	130	4.00
1.....	340	2.50	5.....	434	2.50
5.....	150	4.00	3.....	186	3.50
16.....	330	2.25	14.....	161	4.50
1.....	500	3.50	8.....	153	3.25
1.....	420	2.25	3.....	456	1.35
70.....	347	2.40	6.....	180	3.50
3.....	623	2.75	3.....	156	4.00
25.....	342	2.75			

HOGS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
73.....	217	\$5.07 1/2	2.....	260	\$4.90
79.....	217	5.07 1/2	4.....	160	4.70
84.....	204	5.07 1/2	67.....	200	4.95
88.....	191	4.75	76.....	254	5.05
73.....	231	5.05	21.....	155	4.00
58.....	185	4.80	231.....	205	5.40
79.....	208	5.05	62.....	170	4.90
82.....	200	4.95	85.....	220	5.05

PIGS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
19.....	122	\$4.62 1/2	5.....	124	\$4.25
6.....	115	4.32 1/2	41.....	98	4.00
29.....	118	4.25	12.....	100	4.00

MONDAY'S SHIPPERS

CATTLE

J. N. Payne, Graham	101
D. Hoffaker, Pecan Gap	33
C. B. Harkham, Aledo	30
G. W. W., Denton	22
Coffin & Stone, Itasca	30
H. T. Holland, Midlothian	30
Dave Smith, Midlothian	59
Holloway & Neeley, Alvarado	40
Satchell & Co., Waxahachie	30
Fleming & Davidson, Flatonia	23
D. E. & C. C. Mitchell, Flatonia	158
G. C. R., Waco	45
W. E. C., Dallas	33

HOGS

Harmanson & Wilson, Justin	35
F. P. Shifflett, Krum	39
Fisher & R., Frisco City	74
H. T. Holland, Midlothian	24
Hill & Dawson, Mt. Vernon	70

REPRESENTATIVE SALES

STEERS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
4.....	892	\$3.50	23.....	1,018	\$3.45
24.....	986	3.45	1.....	830	2.80
1.....	800	2.00	23.....	1,073	3.50
4.....	850	2.75	16.....	973	3.00
21.....	780	3.00	1.....	820	2.50
2.....	705	3.00	28.....	890	3.00
2.....	1,010	3.00			

COWS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
3.....	690	\$1.50	5.....	734	\$2.90
22.....	813	1.75	7.....	711	1.25
1.....	710	1.25	6.....	880	2.60
5.....	722	1.75	2.....	835	1.75
14.....	796	2.35	6.....	828	1.70
2.....	680	1.00	1.....	860	2.85
5.....	768	1.50	6.....	1,045	2.75
6.....	768	1.50	6.....	1,045	2.75
1.....	960	2.40	1.....	740	1.00
12.....	809	2.40	4.....	747	1.75
16.....	1,000	2.45	6.....	851	2.85
4.....	772	2.00	1.....	690	1.50
2.....	935	2.70	1.....	980	2.20
1.....	920	1.75	2.....	70	1.90
58.....	710	2.30	1.....	620	2.30
4.....	942	2.35			

HEIFERS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
2.....	525	\$1.50	10.....	703	\$2.65
1.....	520	2.00			

BULLS

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
1.....	1,200	\$2.25	22.....	1,335	\$2.35
1.....	1,230	2.00	6.....	1,303	2.25

CALVES

No.	Ave.	Price.	No.	Ave.	Price.
3.....	170	\$5.25	5.....	332	\$3.50
4.....	350	3.00	2.....	180	5.00
14.....	232	3.10	30.....	344	3.10

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The thirty-ninth annual live stock report of the Union Stock Yards and Transit Company is an interesting document, and its statistical information is of great value. This year the statistician takes a forward look, and upon three important points of interest to every stockman he has something to say. We refer to the remarks made in that little book upon "baby beef," the prospect for the future for those who raise choice cattle, and the necessity and economy of raising none but good cattle. We quote: "One of the most notable features of the year has been the unprecedented demand for choice, well-bred, fat young cattle, called 'baby beef,' and at no time was there a



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dull spot during the whole season for this class of young cattle. Choice yearlings were in demand all the time, and the best qualities sold up among the top-notchers. There is no question but "baby beef" has come to stay, and it is as popular with consumers abroad as in the country."

CATTLE REPORTS SCARCE

Ranchmen and Association Officers Without Information Regarding Expected Losses to Stock

Cattle owners in this city fear serious losses as a result of the present cold weather striking the cattle in a weakened condition, following the earlier storm.

No reports of conditions since Saturday have been received by Secretary Lytle of the Cattle Raisers' Association. But two of the weekly reports have been received, one from Midland, reporting cold weather Saturday, but no cattle losses at that time. Cold weather was also reported from Bee county, the cattle, however, being in good condition. From the northwest no reports have been received.

S. B. Burnett has received no reports from his ranches since last week, the last received, from the Kings county ranch, showed the stock had passed the early cold wave in good condition. Mr. Burnett, however, fears heavy losses from the present weather.

Cattle on the J. B. Graves ranch, north of Quanah, were reported in good condition Saturday. Much of the stock in that country is on feed and it is believed the losses will be consequently decreased.

Ben Van Tuyl of Mitchell county is in the city and reports that no losses had occurred in that county up until Saturday. The present blizzard, however, he fears has entirely changed the situation. Thomas F. Turner of Amarillo brings a discouraging report from that place, declaring the continued snow, sleet and ice has left the cattle in poor condition to withstand the present weather. No reports have been received from the Scott-Harold ranches nor those of Sam Davidson.

NEW MEXICO MEASURES

The cattle sanitary board of New Mexico has recommended some good measures, which, if made into law by the legislature, will be of immense benefit to the stockmen of the territory. Among the most important of the recommendations are a ranger law, creating a force of rangers to run down not only cattle thieves, but other criminals as well, a law which has found the greatest favor in Arizona, where the rangers have brought to justice a number of notorious thieves and have made cattle stealing in that territory a decidedly precarious business; a measure to prevent the use of a brand that is not recorded, the lack of which law on the statute books of New Mexico is being taken advantage of continually by cattle rustlers; and a law that will give the cattle sanitary board the authority to stamp out the mange or Texas itch, an important measure, as the Federal government is taking vigorous steps to stamp out this disease, and has threatened the cattle sanitary board that, unless it is given as sweeping authority to fight this disease as is possessed by the territorial sheep sanitary board, Federal quarantine will be declared and every cattleman will be compelled to dip his cattle twice annually.

THE ARIZONA RANGE

February weather thus far is exactly what the cattlemen of the south wanted to see. The rain began to fall early Thursday morning in a gentle, soaking way that will add to the prosperity of the ranges and farms of Arizona.—Phoenix Stockman.

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SCOTT BILL PASSES

GUTHRIE, Ok., Feb. 3.—Notwithstanding the fact that Gov. Ferguson recently submitted to the Oklahoma Legislature a supplementary message, advising the members that a quarantine measure, which placed a line around the Osage Indian Nation, will be null and void, even if passed, the house today passed the Scott senate bill, which includes the Osage nation. It went through without an amendment, although Mr. McBride, representing the Governor on the floor, sought to amend the bill by leaving out the Osage Nation. He could muster but three votes for his amendment. Secretary Hitchcock is now closing leases with Southern cattlemen on Osage pasture lands for two years' duration, and the bill which passed today cannot be other than inoperative.

The important question, however, is what will Gov. Ferguson do with the bill, now that both houses have passed it. If he signs it he places himself in opposition to Secretary Hitch-

cock, whose agent as Governor Mr. Ferguson is in Oklahoma. Several members declare Mr. Ferguson will sign and then resign the Governorship, as it is known that personally Mr. Ferguson believes there should be a quarantine line around the Osage country. The general opinion, though, is that a veto awaits the measure; in this case Senators Scott and Hickam and Representatives Taylor and Walker will try and pass it over the veto. Several Osage Nation citizens were here today advocating the passage of the bill.

ANTI-ROPING BILL

The bill introduced in the house by Hon. S. E. Johnson Jr. of Gillespie county, prohibiting roping contests in Texas, has passed to engrossment in the house and has passed finally in senate, which means that it will finally become a law.

If the expressions heard from the members of the house are indications, this action will be hailed with great

satisfaction, not only by the great stock raisers, but all people who are in sympathy with humane treatment of dumb animals.

The bill as engrossed is as follows: Any person who shall engage in roping contest with other persons, or alone, in which cattle or other animals are roped as a test or trial of the skill of the person or persons engaged in of any character, or for anything of value, or upon the result of which any money or thing of value is bet or wagered, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not less than \$100, nor more than \$500.

The committee on criminal jurisprudence departed from the stereotyped form and made a strong and highly commendable report on this bill, asking the house to pass it.

The measure has many friends in the senate, and the probability it will pass that body by an easy majority.—Austin Statesman.

Reports from the range country indicate that cattle are suffering severely in consequence of the continued cold weather, but the extent of the suffering and fatalities will probably never be known.



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