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# THE BIG PACKERS TALK

Some of the Evidence Offered Which Seemed to Influence the Decision That Beef Trust Is Only Imaginary

Six pages of the appendix in the 315page report of Commissioner Garfield entitled "The Beef Industry" are devoted to a statement made by Edward F. Swift, under date of Feb. 1, 1905. Such portions of this statement as our space will. permit are given below:

"The unusually high prices for beef in 1902 were due to the high price of corn and the diminished supply of cattle marketed, as statistics will show, as well as to the good demand which prevailed at that time owing to generally prosperous times throughout the United States and also good European demand for meat stuffs of all kinds. I believe that the consumption of beef for several years has tended to increase more rapidly than the population, though I have not looked up statistics to prove this definitely.

"The advance in the price of beef in 1902 was proportional to the advance in sections for the purpose of killing comthe price of cattle, and not more than proportional. It is expected that when report of the commissioner of corpora- price of beef, I should say that if these the prices of cattle goes up by, say, 2 tions on the beef industry. cents a pound, the price of beef will advance by more than 2 cents a pound, tinues Mr. Armour, "we have frequently to any considerable extent, for the reabecause there is such a percentage of been obliged to sell meat products at a son that there are a sufficient number waste in the cattle that the dressed cost loss in certain sections for certain periof the beef has to make allowance for

ter months of 1903 there was a rapid fall tain sections the killing of locally grown in the price of cattle. The primary cause of this fall was the increased receipts of cattle. The receipts on the Chicago market during six months of the fall and winter of 1901-02 were 1,518,020 head. During the six months of 1903-04 the receipts were 1,744,280.

"There was an inclination on the part petition. of cattle feeders to market their cattle, caused somewhat by the uncertainty of the feeding value of the corn that year. a great deal of the corn being soft and not fully matured. Not only was a largely increased number of cattle marketed during the latter part of 1902 and the early part of 1903, but the cattle dressed considerably more in live and dressed weight, which in the aggregate gave a much larger amount of product to be disposed of. While the corn crop of 1901 was short, making high prices, the corn crop of 1902 was large, and the prices during the winter and spring of 1903 were much lower than the previous year.

"I am satisfied that the calling in of loans on cattle affected the number of cattle which came to market during 1903. In times of depression in any branch of the business the bankers get very conservative and reduce the amount of money loaned on that particular branch of the business, preferring to use their funds in some branch that for the time being seems to be on a better founda-

"My information as to the calling in of loans comes from bankers, commission firms and individuals. I would estimate that about 25 per cent of the cattle feeders in the west borrow money to carry their cattle, but this is strictly an estimate, and I have no figures on the subject. While perhaps a larger per cent of those who are strictly cattle feeders and not farmers borrow money, it appears to me that there are a great many farmers feeding ten, twenty or thirty cattle per aggregate number of cattle fed by these farmers is, I think, larger than the aggregate number fed by the larger cattle

"I distinguish between the cattle feeder grain and very often raises his own cat-

for 100 cattle, probably, during the win- ably from 40 to 45 per cent of the size, which compete with the western

ter months, when most of the grain-fed cattle are produced. During the summer months when the cattle are on grass the area required is much larger, ranging all the way from one acre to take care of a steer to thirty acres in Texas or other semi-arid lands.

"I consider the elements of chance in the strictly cattle feeding business as rather great. The country is so large that it is hard to know the number of cattle which are going on feed in different parts, and it is hard to fortify one's self against an advance in the price of grain after having bought the cattle.

"The marketing of western range cattle in the fall generally affects the price of the highest grade of native cattle very little, but these western cattle come in excess supply of one kind of cattle. I

his supply of cattle from the immediate cattle and beef prices, I believe that vicinity, it is to his advantage in competing with western packers, because of the saving of the freight rate which he

methods of the packers in competing with other concerns in the sale of beef I will say that Armour & Co. do not make it land values will be higher in the futhan cost in any particular markets or apt to advance. petition," says J. Ogden Armour in the control by the large packers over the

ods of time in order to keep our branch houses running." From this point Mr. "In the fall of 1902 and the early win- Armour goes on to explain that in cercattle supplies the home markets. This reduces prices and the volume of business is cut down. It is shown that closing of the branch house is impracticable, through the expenses go on. Mr. Armour denies that prices have been cut with the express purpose of crowding out com-

#### DENIES ANY DISCRIMINATION

Mr. Armous admits that information is received from other markets relative to prices that have been bid on reshipped sock, but denies that any discrimination is practiced against such cattle. "We do not care from whom we buy," says Mr. Armour, "and do not aim to pursue any so-called speculators or persons who reship cattle. Our object in obtaining information regarding reshipped cattel is to help us to buy our cattle, so far as possible, upon the cheapest market. In this way we ascertain whether the markets are in line with one another." Mr. Armour adds that information is exchanged among their buyers at different points in order that they may be familiar with the values at other markets.

In the opinion of Mr. Armour the large packers do not kill more than 40 to 50 per cent of the entire amount of cattle slaughtered in the country. From this estimate it is shown how the large numbers of locally slaughtered cattle are constantly coming in contact with the meat products of the large packing concerns. In local towns Mr. Armour says the resident butchers are frequently able to kill stock and sell it below a profitable figure for the packer, but in cases where the stock is purchased upon the same market, the better facilities of the packer for handling the by-products enables the large concerns to put meat upon the market at a lower price.

"Possibly the best illustration of reyear who do not borrow money, and the striction in the demand for canned meats may be taken from the exports to Germany. On June 1, 1900, a law was passed in Germany restricting the importation of American canned meats. This law became effective Oct. 1, 1900. and the farmer-the cattle feeder strictly In the year 1900 812,200 cases of canned being one who buys both his cattle and meats were exported from the United his grain, while the farmer raises his own States, and in the following years up to date the exportation, I think, has not Co. encounter considerable competition "I think as a general rule the cattle amount any year, and in some years feeder proper rents his land. An acre of not nearly that much. I can give only large eastern cities there are important land would furnish sufficient feed yards an estimate, but I should say that prob- local packing concerns of considerable

canned goods produced by western packers are exported.

The South American, Canadian and Australian competition is becoming a large factor in the packing business each year. The meats from these countries do not come to the United States, but they go to the principal foreign market that the United States hasnamely, England. For the period since 1902 the beef supplies sent from South America to England has grown very considerably and taken the place to a large extent that was formerly occupied by American meats. Figures have been shown to me by which it appears that in the year 1903 Argentina shipped to England an amount of meat, almost equal to 50 per cent in weight of that shipped from this country. This means a three-fold increase in their volume since 1899, and means a displacement of practically the same amount of meatwhich would ordinarily be shipped from this country.

"The market for range cattle during the fall of 1904 was a very irregular one owing to the strike. The prices were rather low, the two reasons for which were the strike conditions and direct competition with the medium and the fact the the cattle in the northlow grade natives, thereby making an western states were not as fat as us-

"Where the local butcher can obtain "Regarding the future outlook for the corn producing area of the country is pretty well developed and that there is not very much more land that can be made available for corn raising and that unless some substitute is found for "In regard to the question of the corn the population of the United States. will increase faster than the beef and corn supply. I believe that a practice to sell meat products at less ture, and that prices for cattle are also

"With regard to the possibility of large packers were acting in harmony, "On account of local conditions," con- they would not be able to control prices of other individuals, companies or corporations in the business who would increase the volume of their business the minute abnormal profits appeared. Therefore, they would gradually take away the business from the larger packers should the latter attempt to buy their cattle unreasonably low or sell their beef unreasonably high.

> "Generally speaking, I should say that England receives very large proportion of dressed beef from the western packing centers, and the farther west you come the smaller the proportion supplied by the western packers. Possibly the proportion decreased from about 65 per cent in New England to 10 per cent in a great many points in Iowa, Nebraska, Texas, Colorado and Montana. Possibly the western packers supply 40 per cent of the beef consumed in the southern states. When I speak of the proportion of the beef supply furnished by the western packers, I include the consumption not merely of the towns, but of the rural districts. I think to a considerable extent the rural districts use western beef in some parts of the country. The refrigerated beef is preferred by a great many, and in many rural districts they do not refrigerate beef, being without refrigerators. I think the most progressive country butchers can continue to compete with the western packers, since there is some local preference in certain sections for homeslaughtered beef, either on account of preference for beef freshly slaughtered or as a matter of sentiment in supporting home industries.

#### BY EDWARD MORRIS

"I have no idea what proportion of the cattle killed in the country is killed by the large packers at the leading western packer centers. I think there is a difference in the proportion of the beef supply of different parts of the country which is furished by the western packers. In the states immediately east of Chicago-Michigan, Ohio, etc.-I do not believe that the western packers supply the greater part of the meat. There is large local supply. In the territory which is encircled more or less by the packing plants, including such cattle-feeding states as Iowa, Missouri and the like, the large packers supply a very small proportion of the beef consumed. The same is true of the southern states. Morris & been more than 10 per cent of this from local slaughterers of beef in almost all sections of the country. In all of the

packers. These competitors buy some of their cattle at the western packing points in competition with the packers there, and they also buy cattle in the east. I suppose that the proportion of the beef consumed in Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburg and various towns of that class which is supplied by the western packers would be small compared with the local supply.

I suppose that the reports of the amount of mileage traveled by Morris cars as made to various states are essentially correct. Morris & Co. transport the greater part, but not all, of their packing house products in their own cars. When we have not sufficient cars, we obtain them from railroads or from any one else. We do not have to pay for their use, since their owners are willing to have them used, when not otherwise needed, on account of the mileage which they receive. I do not think that we have at any time received a consideration from the owners of private cars for using them.

In my opinion the cause of the unusually high price of beef in 1902 was the shortage in the corn crop in 1901. The prices of corn in 1902 were very high. I believe there was some shortage in the supply of cattle coming on the market, and that the average weight of cattle in 1902 was less than usual. I do not think that the price of beef advanced more than in proportion to the davance in the price of cattle. I think that there was a greater demand for beef in 1902 than in previous years, on account of the general prosperity of the country. There was a general increase in the amount of work being done and the workingmen got better

Just about the commencement of 1903, as I recollect, the high prices of cattle broke quite sharply. The chief causes which I would assign for this fall in prices were the larger corn crop and the increase in the number of cattle coming upon the market. Farmers did not care to feed their cattle longer on account of the high prices of feed. I suppose also that the high prices of cattle during 1902 tended to increase the feeding of cattle for the following season, and thus to increase the supply of cattle coming on the market in 1903. I think that, taking the average for a number years, the cattlefeeding business is a fairly profitable

#### FEEDING CATTLE IN PANHANDLE

If you are hunting for the next section of country that is going to develop as a cattle feeder and finisher, you want to head for the Panhandle of Texas. This was in substance the language of J. W. Dorr of Des Moines, Iowa, who was a guest of the Transit house last night. Mr. Dorr is a cattleman of wide travel and experience and let loose an interesting talk on Panhandle possibilities.

"They raise plenty of Kaffir corn out there," said he, "and it makes a splendid food for cattle and hogs. But the people out there have not yet learned how to feed cattle. Up here in the corn states when the experienced cattle feeder gets his steers on full feed he shovels out corn to about the capacity of the said steer's appetite, and if he is a decent steer and weather is right he will lay on fat at a good rate. Out there in the Panhandle they get into the habit of shoveling out nothing more than an appetite teaser and calling it a feed. I have never been in a country where they had all conditions for both raising and finishing cattle combined as they have out there, but we have not yet seen any finished cattle coming from that country. It is because they have not learned how to feed."

The whole range of Mr. Dorr's talk was full of thought germinators. In discussing the feeding proposition in the corn belt states he saids: "No more long feeding for me. I have quit carrying cattle through the long winter months. Take a good thrifty steer weighing around 1,-000 pounds right now and the corn that it would have taken to carry him through the winter from December to March and make a small gain will carry him through to the summer market and make a good fat beef of him. I empty my feed lots in the fall and fill them up again about this time of year. That style of feeding may not suit some people, but it suits me first rate."-St. Joseph Journal.

NO CATTLE LOSSES

A slow steady rain has been falling here since the 1st of March, and is still raining. It has rained all day today, and the weather is very warm. No loss of stock here this winter. The sleet and snow was very heavy.

E. RAMSEY.

Eclipse, Texas.

# CATTLE PRICES

#### Says Increase Will Fade Away When All Feeding Stuff Is Under Contract

Lon Barkley does not believe the advance in cattle prices has come to stay, but that at the proper time the packers will knock off the increase with as much

ease as it was put on. 'I believe that if all the available feeding stuff was contracted for at this time it would not be ten days before the packers would announce a drop in prices from 50 to 75 cents on the hundred," said Mr. Barkley this morning, discussing the cattle situation.

Mr. Barkley has just returned from an extended trip through the country about San Antonio, where he went to make purchases of cattle for feeding purposes, but returned without buying as cattle are being held at entirely too high prices in that section of the state to warrant a

feeder in buying. He said:

"Cattle in the San Antonio country and that section west of that city are all in fine condition, and if rain continues there will be plenty of fat cattle for the Fort Worth and St. Louis markets. It is estimated at San Antonio that there are about 500,000 head of 4-year-old steers in the country extending from Eagle Pass to Brownsville and west from San Antonio, all on grass, but the prices asked are not low enough to warrant buying them for feeders. A man cannot now contract with any assurance of making money out of them, as buyers generally are under the impression that the packers are booming prices now to induce the speculators to load up on these cattle and that when they are tied up for future delivery, prevailing prices will decline. For this reason the buyers are timid and refuse to make anything like extensive purchases. Speculative feeders cannot see why there is any greater demand for cattle now than there was some months ago, hence they believe that the packers are not sincere in the prevailing increase in

with the favorable conditions and prospects in the country west from San Antonio, and believes that in the course of a short time that part of the state will be the garden spot of Texas, so far as the farmer is concerned. He says that the cattle are looking fine in South Texas, and with anything like favorable weather and grass conditions that part of the state will furnish a very large per cent- rooms Thursday afternoon, it was decided age of fat cattle this year.

#### GOOD RAIN AT ALPINE

Range Now in Excellent Condition for Spring Feeding

ALPINE, Texas, March 11.-The yearlings sold last week by J. B. Gillette and the fact that it is doubtful whether the J. R. Holland to A. B. Hunt brought \$12 per head.

H. B. Griffin bought of Bud Malone a number of cows to be delivered at the Griffin & Young ranch in Presidio county. J. D. Jackson has bought of L. C. Brite \$66 fat cows at \$2.15 per hundred at the Brite ranch. These cows averaged 948 pounds after a 3 per cent shrinkage.

O. R. Slavens of Kansas, the cattle buyw, is here looking after his spring trade. Alpine and the surrounding country were visited by the heaviest rain last Thursday night that has fallen for many months. With the good season in the ground re-sulting from plenty of snow this winter and continued rains and cloudy weather, the stockmen have nothing to fear in the way of loss among cattle this spring. Green grass is springing up everywhere and the country looks green as a wheat field, which is something unusual at this time of year in this country.

and garden truck on his four-section ranch. This experiment will be watched with a great deal of interest, as this has never been considered a farming country. Incorporated at Springfield, III., for \$200,-Although almost anything grows well and water is plentiful, still many crops fail to mature on account of early frosts.

REPORT HEAVY LOSS

A special from Wheatland, Wyo., says: south of here, state that losses of cattle in that section during the recent severe weather were the heaviest known there. Cattle were found frozen stiff, and many others wandered into the brush along the creeks and were either snowed under and smothered or drowned.

CONDITION OF STOCKMEN

Speaking of the condition of the live stock interests throughout the southwest, W. C. Henrici, cashier of the Interstate National bank at the Kansas City stock yards, said to The Telegram: "The financial condition of the stockmen on the whole is most encouraging. We sent out e large number of letters recently to cor- reau of labor and commerce has made the one particle with regard to the belief that respondents throughout the southwest, remarkable discovery that the beef trust there is a beef trust. Mr. Garfield may For Sale at \$4 to \$8 Per Acre on Easy asking for information regarding the

since the storm, and they say the losses in that section have not been heavy. Of course, the cattlemen have another hard month ahead of them. Their stock is reduced in flesh and another slege of severe weather doubtless would result in heavy losses. But should the weather from now on be favorable, the cattlemen will get through the winter in good shape, considering the exceptionally severe weath-

THE AMARILLO COUNTRY

KANSAS CITY, March 10 .- Judge O. H. Nelson, Al Popham, Wallace Goode and W. P. Anderson, all from the great Panhandle country of Texas, are in Kansas City and were at the local stock yards. All of the gentlemen mentioned, with the exception of Mr. Anderson, are prominent ranchmen and cattle raisers on the great plains. Mr. Anderson, as is well known, is the live stock agent of the Santa Fe's Pecos Valley lines.

Judge Nelson talked interestingly about conditions in the Panhandle and was enthusiastic over the flattering prospects for a splendid grazing season for the cattlemen down there this year. "The blizzards that swept down on us periodically for about forty days the past winter," said he, "did us some damage, to be sure, but the losses are far less than we first thought they would be. The severity of the weather, and the heavy snows put such a season in the ground as we have never seen before. For the past twelve or fifteen days we have had spring-like weather and the grass is starting nicely. If the good weather continues it will soon cover the entire Panhandle as the waters cover the great deep, and the year 1905 will be the year of jubilee for us.

'At Amarillo we have begun work on our new union stock yards. We have four railroads now entering the city and we propose to build the biggest and best stock yards west of Kansas City. The union yards in no sense will be a competitive institution. We are not large enough for that. We will prepare cattle for this market and when we ship we will be able to put the stock here in fine condition and in quick time. We have long been the banner shipping point in the west and we propose to still maintain that title as the years go by."

Mr. Barkley is very much impressed New Program Committee Appointed to Secure Attractions for Annual Smoker

> At a meeting of the entertainment committee of the Cattle Raisers' convention, which was held in the Board of Trade to secure the Childress hall, corner Fourteenth and Houston streets, for the purpose of holding the cattlemen's smoker on the second night of the convention. The committee recommended either the Eagles hall or the hall named, but owing to Eagles' hall can be secured it is decided to rent the one first named. The smoker will be given on the evening of March 22.

> In regard to the vaudeville entertainment for the smoker the committee appointed Wednesday afternoon for this purpose declined to act and another commit-tee, comprising John King, James O'Dowd, Dr. J. L., Frazeur, Jacob Washer and J. T. Rogers was appointed with instructions

> to report next Monday afternoon. Concerning the form of entertainment for the last night of the convention, nothing definite was done. A. S. Goetz was appointed as chairman with power to appoint such sub-committees as he deems necessary. Though nothing definite has been announced it is probable that the Elks' minstrel will be given on this night at the city hall.

### James Arthur is preparing to plant a little of nearly every kind of forage crop

000-Will Be Independent; Chicago Attorney at Head

CHICAGO, Ill., March 10 .- A new pack-Reports from the Bear creek country, ing concern, which, according to Alderman Milton J. Foreman, its attorney, will invest \$1,000,000 or more in the manufacture of dressed beef and kindred products, has been incorporated at Springfield under the name of the Western Packing and Provision Company. Attorney Foreman, Jacob Levin, a lawyer, and Joseph F. Grossman are named as incorporators. The capital stock is placed at \$200,000, but this, Alderman Foreman says, is only a beginning.

The concern, it is said, will be independa

missioner Garfield of the government bumakes only a profit of \$1.50 on each beef have arrived at his conclusions in a perlosses resulting from the recent severe butchered by that concern, Remarkable, fectly legitimate manner, but the losses weather, and have received a large num- The Journal has often heard it stated he attributes to the packers do not include Cattle Company are being sub-divided ber of replies. They are from men who that the packing houses made the first the \$163,000,000 that has been lost to the and sold out. Fuel near by and plentican be relied upon, and they show that cost of the beef out of what the ordinary producers in the depreciated value of beef ful; good water near the surface; Grathe losses have been light-much lighter slaughter house throws away as offal- during the past three years. These are ham, a fine market close by, for what than there was reason to fear they would such as bones, horns, entrails, etc. Gar-government figures, but from some cause you raise. Let me tell you about it.

be. I have recently talked with men who field is a wise investigator. After he or other they appear to have escaped the PHIL. A. AUER. G. P. A... have been through the Texas Panhandle looks into the affairs of the Standard Oil attention of Mr. Garfield,

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#### NEW IN

Heavy Precipitation Has Delayed Spring Work

DEMING, N. M., March 14.—Unprecewill be deferred until the regular spring the memory of the oldest inhabitants. The soil is supersaturated, the gulches on a prolonged tear. Promptness in railmore or less elaborate arrangements to try farming as a side line.

good demand for heavy mares is develop-

A number of our leading stockmen will be in evidence at Fort Worth on the 21st inst, and will be prepared to close contracts for spring delivery if prevailing prices suit. With the unsual prospects ahead, many of our largest growers will make no effort to dispose of their young stuff this year. It is the general opinion at least two years to come by the recent heavy rainfall.

Many of our heaviest producers are holding in anticipation of something approaching competition in prices, Denver buyers being the only ones to appear so far. To their way of thinking, there is when a territory like this, producing hundreds of thousands of head annually, is given up to one or two men and other the recent Denver organization of stockraisers to bring relief from established soon as possible. conditions, and it is safe to say the first annual meeting of that body at Denver on May 9 will be well attended by growers from this section.

islation authorizing a bounty on the loco range interests is here today in consultaplant, which is found in some sections of tion with Secretary Wilson and Dr. Salthe territory. The proposed plan is to pay about \$5 per ton for the cleaned roots of mon. The committee consists of Hon. the plant delivered to some designated Conrad Kohrs of Helena, Mont., chaircounty officer, and furnish a fund there- man; E. McCrillis of Denver, secretary; for by levying a special tax on stock interests. The plan is in favor among stockmen in this section.

An unsually good crop of calves is anticipated. Orders are being placed for an unusual number of good bulls, and breed- dealing with the cattle mange infection.

#### STOCKING CUBA WITH CATTLE

Whether the Cuban cattle craze is a good thing or merely a combination of delusion and snare, remains to be determined. Certain it is that many time of going to market, when it would United States cattlemen have the fever badly. The Duhamels, the Driscolls and the Ashes of South Dakota, are already in heavy. B. R. Pierce, the Illinois Angus breeder, is investigating and others are looking to the Pearl of the Antilles as an avenue to wealth?

Live Stock Agent Harding of the Mobile and Ohio, says he has sent 30,000 American cattle to Cuba recently. Peter Duhamel, of Rapid City, S. D., one of the exodusters, tells the Omaha Stockman of the prospect in this fashion:

"The Gem of the Antilles is entirely free from that great pest of this country, and I have thoroughly enjoyed the

MEXICO past two or three seasons I have spent in that part of the world. Not only is the climate about as near perfection as could be asked, but now that there has been established a stable government there are abundant opportunities of all depted rains have rendered anything in kinds for investment in the island and the way of early spring work impracti- Americans are flocking there in large cable, and many proposed early deliveries numbers every year. I do not particularly like the Cuban people, they are too work. The incessant downpour, which much like our Indians to suit an old continued for nearly six weeks, baffled plainsman and they simply tolerate us. Americans are coming into the country so fast, however, that there is plenty of and arroyos full, and the Mimbres river society and companionship even now. Fruit and sugar cane culture appear to way traffic is only a memory, and the offer the most attractions to the newmajority of our stockmen are making comers, but the country is developing very fast and the ubiquitous Yankee is there with his townsite proposition and Several good horse deals are delayed investment in land appears to be a good by the soft condition of the range. A proposition. I think there is a splendid chance to go into cattle raising as the weather is fine and stock has excellent grazing the year 'round. Of course, in a tropical climate, practically no grain is raised for feeding stock, but the cattle keep "green grass fat" all the time and there is always a good demand for them. A friend of mine who has been there in the stock business for the past five years is doing well and finds a ready market that range conditions are guaranteed for for his steers at \$5 per hundred, live weight. Most of the cattle in the island are Texas or Mexican grades, and generally what a western man would call poor quality, but the customs of the country are so different from ours that good beeves would not be appreciated. It is almost impossible to describe the beauty and luxuriance of the vegetation an African concealed in the woodpile, of all kinds and in contrast the plains and hills of South Dakota looked like a barren desert when I got back." Mr. Duhamel closed out his range interests in buyers hold aloof. Many of them look to South Dakota a few years ago and expeets to close up his business there as

#### CATTLEMEN IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON. March 14.-A commit-An effort is being made to procure leg- tee of cattlemen representing the western W. G. Comstock, Ellsworth, Neb.; Henry Boice, Kansas, and Murdo Mackenzie, representing Texas. This committee was appointed at a meeting in Denver in January to represent the range interest in ers generally are feeling much encouraged. The committee is down to see about the department regulations for the movement of cattle from sections where this infection exists. The government proposes to quarantine all such sections and permit no cattle to move unless dipped. This would involve the dipping of cattle at the not only shrink them badly, but would put them in such condition that would injure their sale. The committee has behind it the entire organized cattlemen of the west and it is hoped that the government will consent to leave the regulations as they are at the present time, as the infection is not nearly serious enough to call for such strenuous action as proposed by the government. The committee will also call upon the president.

#### PROPER TREATMENT OF PNEU-

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The state legislature has now reach ed the \$2 per day period, and it has velop for early adjournment. The lion. orable body may now be confidentl; have been the et expected to rather rush things.



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worse. But as one philosopher puts it, caused the expected inclination to de-

# MMISSIONER GARFIELD NOW UNDER SCATHING FIRE

is now under the gun, and earnest ap- tal invested in the business, which is peals for his removal from office are the real test of whether the business heard. Several western stock raisers is profitable or unprofitable. were at the Willard last night, and one "The 'summary' also recites that, Garfield's report, exclaimed:

posed to give him sympathy for be- members of individual families. ing an easily duped young man."

body of the report is pointed out.

"It has been so interpreted by the press connection with the meat business. and the people. The public, from a leads to a different conclusion.

lowing points:

resulted in whole or in part from any States. contract, combination or conspiracy or restraint of interstate commerce.

Third-Whether the prices of catinterstate commerce and, if so,

divisions, and covers them only in

of trade, were not intended to be re-

"It is apparent," Mr. Martin said porations." further, "that the basis of most the data compiled has been furnished by the packers themselves. It is, to this extent, a one-sided compilation. The commissioner claims that the 'Big Six' under investigation, control only 45 per cent of the meat business of the United States. If this is true, there would have been manifest propriety in publishing the statements of independent packers and individuals whom we are told carry on their 55 per cent of the business, upon the question of profits and the mragins between live cattle and dressed beef, which are the items

now particularly reported upon. "Whoever prepared the preliminary summary has performed, unintentionally, no doubt, a temporary service to the six big packing companies under is estigation, by misleading public opinion for the moment as to the real

quality of the report. "Upon the question of profits, the so-called 'summary' states that the from winter plowing. It will be several ville (two entries); E. J. Wall, Quanah; packers made only 99 cents on a steer. and that the profits did not exceed the sandy land. There is some trading tion; Harrold D. Brown; Fort Worth.

WAMINGTON, March 14.—Commis- Nothing is said as to how often the mioner James R. Garfield of the bureau capital of the packers has turned over of corporations, who prepared the as- in the course of a year, nor as to what tounding report in the beef trust case, are the annual net profits on the capi-

of them, in discussing Commissioner contrary to popular opinion, that profits of the business were not large "Why, it is infamous. How Theo- in 1902, when the prices of beef were dore Roosevelt, who raised cattle him- unusually high, and that 'some, at self on the Little Missouri river, can least, of the leading packers were acbe hoodwinked by any such report is tually losing money on every head of a wonder to us. We have heard on cattle slaughtered.' But the body of good authority that Commissioner Gar- the report shows that, for the year tels and boarding houses in this little town field was in Chicago on the Sunday be- 1902, Swift & Company made 13 per fore his report was made public, and cent and Cudahy 20 per cent on their there is an intimation that he consul- total capitalization. The report shows ted with counsel for the beef packers, that, in recent years, the packing comand that they assisted him in bringing panies have made not less than 12 to out the 'essential' points, in the sum 20 per cent on investments of the packmary which he had the hardihood or ers themselves. It also appears that lack of appreciation to include in his these companies have accumulated, in report. That summary certainly is a a few years, capital and surplus wonderful piece of work. When Gar- amounting to many millions of which field or anybody else tries to tell old has come out of the profits of the meat cattlemen that only 99 cents is made business and with the exception of on a steer from the hoof to the hook, Swift & Company, the entire capitalizahe must think we are senile or dis- tion of these companies is held by

"The summary states that 'the Representative Martin of South Da- changes in the margins between the kota, who introduced in the house the cattle prices and beef prices give infororiginal beef trust resolution calling mation as to the change in the profits for an investigation of that gigantic of packers,' and otherwise discredits "combine," gave Commissioner Garfield the use of the margin between the a severe raking tonight in a prepared cost of cattle and the selling price of statement. Mr. Martin says that the beef as an evidence of the profits of alleged summary of the Garfield re- the business. So far from these changport is misleading, and creates an im- ing margins furnishing 'little informapression not warranted. Marked dis- tion' as to profits, they furnish a most crepancy between the summary and the important factor in the problem. Indeed, these margains, considered in "This alleged summary, evidently connection with the relative feight of without such intention, is in the nature live dressed beef and the selling price of a special pleading in the defense of of the by-products, solve the whole the business methods of the six large question of profit and loss, except the packing companes," said Mr. Martin. profits on the private car service, in

"While the report does not treat of hasty reading of the introductory the subject of competition or combinastatement, has received the impression tion in restraint of trade, the sothat the commissioner concludes that called summary makes use of langu-'Big Six' do only about 45 per cent of the, ladies and all. "This misapprehension is particu- the meat business of the country, and ous criminal prosecution, based at least frequent references to the 'potential I. T.; Henry Taylor of Bonham, Texas; W. partly upon important evidence de- competition of local butchers. The reveloped in the course of this investiga- port, however, shows that the Big Six tion by the department of commerce." concerns slaughter 98 per cent of all Attention is then called to the scope the cattle killed in the eight leading of the original resolution introduced western packing centers, Chicago, by Mr. Martin a year ago, under which Kansas City, East St. Louis, Omaha, the investigation has been made. This St. Joseph, Fort Worth, Sioux City and resolution, he says, covered the fol- South St. Paul. These eight packing eenters furnish practically the only First-The cause of the low price of markets for the cattle product of the. cattle and the unusually large mar- west and northwest, and it is evident gins between the prices of beef on that this entire business is as comthe hoof and the selling price of fresh cerns mentioned as though the same companies had 98 per cent of the cattle Second-Whether these conditions business of the balance of the United "The report also shows that the six

concerns usually control 76 to 100 per cent of the dressed beef business in tle and beef were controlled in whole localities where these companies are or in part by corporations engaged in established. The complteness of their control of the market they enter is not Fourth-To investigate the organiza- lessened by the fact that there are tion, capitalization and profits of such other section of the country, where, corporations.

The Garfield report, however, relates their control of any portion of the only to the first and fourth of these cattle or meat markets is exercised in free competition, it is legitimate. If there is combination in restraint of The second and third, relating to the trade, it is a violation of the law, and existence of a combination in restraint against public policy. That practical question is now under examination by ferred to in the present report, in the the department of justice and was the light, of criminal prosecution contem- most important question under investigation by the commissioner of cor- Partial Compilation of Lists

the moral vineyard has been blessed with good rains four days this week and there is a fine season in the ground now, grass will come jumping. The prospects for wheat and oats are very flattering in P. French, Temple; A. T. Murchison, Parker and Palo Pinto counties. However, Farmersville; J. B. Wilson, Dallas; H. the farmers are behind with other farm B. Johnson, Chickasha, I. T. work, owing to so much sleet and snow from 1.8 to 2 per cent on the sales. going on here in this county (Palo Pinto). Best car steers, 1 and under 2-Wil- Worth is now growing.

I met H. Kapp here from Jacksboro, who has bought 800 2 and 3-year-old steers in this county and was receiving them 'yesterday and today; will ship them to the Indian Territory soon. He informed me that I. W. and B. L. Knox of Jack county sold last week 300 head of 3-year-old steers out of their famous herd of Hereford cattle to Mr. Allen of McKinney, Texas, to be put on feed near McKinney at once. These are top cattle. The stockmen I have met in this section are all smiling over the rainfall and prospects of early grass. There has been but small losses of stock in this county this winter and the outlook for grass in the near future was never better in this county at this season of the year. It has been eighteen months since I was here last and I am astonished at the improvements of the town, fine substantial buildings being completed almost every week. The saw and hammer can be heard on all sides. The merchants are all busy as bees and there are more visitors here tum and has saved the lives of more now than ever before at this season of children than any other medicine in use. the year. They are here from all parts of the United States, health and pleasure ened it is pleasant to take. seekers. There are about one hundred hoand one can get board and lodging at from \$5 to \$20 per week. I have talked to several visitors here who have been here before, and they say the waters here not buy it now and be prepared for such always cure or greatly benefit them. There are a dozen wells or more here. Mineral Wells is fast looming up as the most popular health resort in the south. This liam Bryant, Cedar Hill. water seems to straighten a fellow out from all ills or afflictions of the human family. I can heartily recommend this water to any one who is afflicted. Min- lo. eral Wells is situated fifty miles west of Pinto county; pure fresh air, the Mineral Wells railroad connecting with the Texas each way; no delay at Weatherford. The Texas, Carlsbad well is a good one. Here is the analysis of the No. 4 Carlsbad well of Palto Pinto crystal wells, natural water, by Seth M. Morris, M. D., professor of chemistry of Texas State University:

Sulphate sodium 23,082, sulphate potassium 176, chloride of Sodium 1,943, bicarbonate sodium 2,095, bicarbonate calcium erty Hill; John E. Brown, Granbury. 1,685, iron alumina 156, silica 141, volatile matter 131.

any part of the United States when any one desires it. Give them a call.

to all who use it. They, too, are pre- kamp, Fort Worth. pared to ship water to any part of the United States. Judge R. E. Hendry, prothe great packing companies are strug- age which, by inference, conveys the feel at home and glad they came to Min- College Station. gling along at a dying rate under in- impression that there is no combina- eral Wells. I am stopping at the Richsignificant profits, and that, if they tion, and that competition is complete, ards House. T. H. Watson, proprietor. ben, Nocoma (two entries); M. R. should make any effort in the direc- free and potential. The packers them- He is an old Confederate veteran and has Hoxie, Taylor; D. L. Donald, Krum; tion of combining, it would be unsuc- selves have put this construction upon the happy faculty of making all his guests cessful, because their volume of busi- the document, and consider themselves glad they are living; good rooms and ness is too small a proportion of the vindicated. The impression has result- meals and nice attentions. Give the old total meat business of the country. A ed naturally from the emphasis given rooster a call when you come to Mineral careful reading of the entire report in the summary to the fact that the Wells. Everybody here carries a big bot-

Now, Mr. Editor, don't misconstrue me. larly unfortunate at this time," Mr. that 'their control,' even if they acted I mean mineral water. I met a number of 'San Angelo (two charles) the large for health and health Martin continued, "when the depart- in harmony, would be confined to com- old-time friends who are here for health ment of justice is engaged in a vigor- paratively narrow limits.' There are and pleasure. J. B. Coleman of Wagoner, C. Perry of Celeman, J. E. Simpson of Weatherford and others too numerous to mention.

And still it rains here, coming down all the morning a slow steady rain, which makes it unpleasant for people who are grunting. I presume other people are like myself. It does me good to grunt when I am sick and it does not cost a cent to

I wish to say to all the boys from the forks of the creek that I will be at the Fort Worth cattlemen's convention and will be a willing soul to take your money and send you The Stockman-Journal in return for the same. Please have your dollar and a half in your left hand jeans pocket for the occasion. C. C. POOLE. Mineral Wells, Texas, March 11, 1905.

of Cattle to Be Shown Has Been Made

Partial compilation of the entries for the coming Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, which opens Tuesday, March 21, have been prepared as follows. Full Editor Stockman-Journal: This part of record of entries will not be completed until late Wednesday:

#### CATTLE

Best car steers, 3 years and over-J.

Best car steers, 2 years-J. M. Panthis winter, which has prevented them nell, Kemp; T. A. Merrifield, Duncandays before plowing can go on, except on Texas Experiment Station, College Sta-



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Car yearlings (Herefords)-M. R. Hoxie, Taylor; Lee Brothers, San Ange-

Best car calves, under 1 year-George Fort Worth, in the mountains of Palo D. Elliott, Midland; Mayfield & Reynolds, Roanoke; William Bryant, Cedar Hill; E. C. Sterling & Sons, Seymour; and Pacific at Weatherford twice a day E. J. Wall, Quanah (two entries; L. A. Peters and W. A. Briggs, Waxahachie.

Single steers, grade Shorthorn steers by registered Shorthorn bulls-N. W. Goodrich, Marlin (two entries); J. R. Dendinger, Fort Worth (two entries); Matt Zollner, Fate (two entries); W. A. Rhea, Rhea's Mills Dave Harrell, Lib-

Single steers, Shorthorns, 1 year and under 2-Texas Experiment Station, These wells ship water by the case to College Station; J. F. Green & Co., Gregory; Howard Mann & Bros., Waco; W. A. Rhea, Rhea's Mills; Leon Bryant, The Crazy Well is very popular also. Cedar Hill; William Bryant, Cedar Hill The water is something similar to the (three entries); William Pearson, God-Carlsbad and gives perfect satisfaction ley; H. C. Holloway and J. F. Hoven-

Single steers-Herefords, steers 2 and under 3-Lee Bros., San Angelo; prietor, is a pleasant, nice gentleman and W. W. Potts, Watauga; T. M. Hoben, makes all who call at his place of busines Nocona; Texas Experimental Station,

> Herefords, 1 and under 2-T. M. Ho-Lee Bros. San Angelo (two entries); W. Hovenkamp, Keller (two entries).

Herefords-Calf under 1 year-J. B. Salver, Jonah; J. O. Rhome, Saginaw; M. W. Hovenkamp, Keller; Lee Bros., San Angelo (two entries); W. S. & J. R. T.; T. M. Hoben, Nacona. HOGS

Heavy hogs (225 lbs. and up)-R. B. Whisenant & Son, Allen; Maedger Grain Co.; Troy; George P. Lillard, Seguin; Hill, Williams & Co., Frisco; B. Gearhart, Celina; Ed Edmonson, Newark; J. T. Fisher, Frisco; Davis Bros., Sherman; N. B. Boyd, Mexia; C. A. Pagan, Yale, Ok.; E. Kile, Cushing, Ok.; D. B. Jones, Perry, Ok.; F. E. Henley, Custer City, Ok.; W. Jorgenson, Tryon, Ok.; Coyle & Bledsoe, Skee-

Light hogs, 175 to 225 lbs., carelets-Davis & Myers, Sherman (two entries); Davis Bros., Sherman; J. P. Fisher, Frisco; B. F. Gearhart, Celina; Hill, Williams & Co., Frisco; J. H. Myers, Sherman; John T. Teel, Frisco; R. B. Whisenant & Son, Allen; T. E. Hurley, Custer, Ok.; D. B. Jones, Perry, Ok.; E. Kile, Cushing, Ok.; C. A. Pagan, Yale, Ok.

Hogs in pens of five barrows or sows. 1 year or over-George P' Lillard, Seguin; T. D. Hovenkamp, Birdville; B. F. Gearhart, Celina; Ed Edmonson, Newark (two entries); A. B. Earl, Fort Worth; E. Kile, Cushing, Ok.; W. Jorgensen, Tryon, Ok.

Same, under 1 year-George P. Lillard, Seguin; D. B. Jones, Perry, Ok.; T. D. Hovenkamp, Birdville; Ed Edmonson, Newark (two entries); A. B. Earl, Fort Worth.

Best fat barrow by registered sire-George P. Lillard, Seguin; Ed Edmonson, Newark (two entries).

Best fat registered barrow-Same entries as above.

Best fat barrow under 12 months-R. B. Whisenant & Son, Allen; George P. Lillard, Seguin; T. D. Hovenkamp, Birdville (two entries); Ed Edmonson, Newark (two entries); E. P. Freeman, Fort Worth; D. B. Jones, Perry, Ok.

SHEEP Sheep in car lots-Wethers 90 lbs. and up-William Bryant, Cedar Hill (two entries).

Best mutton wethers, pens of five, year and over-William Bryant, Cedar Hill (two entries); A. B. Earl, Fort Worth: T. D. Hovenkamp, Birdville.

Best pen five mutton wethers under year-William Bryant, Cedar Hill (two entries); A. B. Earl, Fort Worth. Registered Shropshires-T. D. Hovenkamp, Birdville eight entries).

The handsome sum of \$150,000 will be expended on improving the Worth hotel, and this is but another evidence of the rapid manner in which Fort

# CATTLEMEN SLOW

West Texas Stockmen Wait Result of the Coming Fort Worth Convention

EL PASO, Texas, March 11.—Awaiting the result on cattle prices of the session of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, convening at Fort Worth March 21, few contracts have been made. The dealers, for the most part, are inclined to quite prices in a tentative way, admitting that their figures are subject to sudden variations after the cattlemen have completed their deliberations.

Buyers from the north-Colorado, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana and Canadaare especially cautious about closing any deals until the Fort Worth meeting has been brought to a close, and as a natural result the district tributary to El Paso has been unproductive of many stock transfers during the past week.

While some buyers have been in the city looking about for news of the range and conferring with the cowmen, they do not regard the season as sufficiently advanced to warrant closing their negotiations immediately.

Local cattlemen confidently anticipate opportunity for unusually large shipments into the northwest this season, owing to the satisfactory conditions prevalent on most of the ranges, making the ranchmen cheerful and in a mood for contracting for many cattle.

One of the largest movements of cattle during the week was that of 900 steers delivered by H. W. Broaddus of this city to Cobb & Culver of Temecula, Cali. The cattle were all from his ranch, not far from this city.

Twenty-two hundred head of cattle were brought into this country at Nogales by the Brady-Lavin Commission Company. Dr. T. A. Bryan, local representative of the bureau of animal industry, and George T. Black, special representative of the treasury department, inspected the stock.

J. D. Woods of the Woods-Hagenbarth Few Sales Being Made By Stockmen Company of Chihuahua has been in the city buying heifers. He announced that he was about to close a contract for 600 high-grade and registered short horn bulls at Fort Worth, to be delivered at the ranch in Mexico.

Lige Estes and Tom Martin, the wellknown cattlemen of Midland, Texas, spent some time in the city this week in conference with other cattlemen,

Henry Newman was in town from his

ranch in New Mexico, about fifty miles north of this city.
O. R. Slavens, the Hutchinson, Kan.,

buyer, has been in the city, contracting for Nebraska and Colorado delivery. A. W. Wilson has been buying cattle

for May delivery in Colorado. Up to the present time the cattle shipments to California have been light, compared with some years, but the continued rains in that section give promise of some remarkably heavy shipments of stock to that state.

C. T. Turney was in the city from Mesilla Park, New Mexico, and announced that he had closed a deal for 1,000 head of cattle at Sanderson.

Travis Pearce, the Sonora ranchman, spent several days here.

John H. Hicks, superintendent of the T. O. ranch, made a brief business trip

to the city. Reports of range conditions day by day take on a rosier hue. For the third time this season it snowed today, a thing practically unprecedented. The snow changed to sleet and then to rain, and the snow did not remain on the ground. The abundance of moisture is extremely cheering to the cattlemen. The weeds are growing rapidly, and the cattle are fast coming into prime condition. The cattle are already shedding-unusually early in the season for this district, and this is taken

dition of the stock. A. W. Wilson of Deming reported that in his district the cattle are in the best condition that they have been in for twenty years or more.

as another indication of the thriving con-

In Mexico the cattle are in fully as fine shape as in West Texas and in New Mexico, but the Mexican cattle are not cutting a great figure in the local situa-

"Mexican cattle are being held at such high figures that the prospect for a large movement from there is very poor," declared Charles F. Hunt, the cattle agent of the Rio Grande, Sierra Madre and Pacific railroad. "Mexican cattlemen are quick to take advantage of any rise in the market, but it takes two or three seasons for the price to decline to normal. The American market, which in all cases should govern the price of Mexican cattle, is practically disregarded."

Preparations are being made to attend the Cattle Raisers' meeting by practically all railroad stock agents and by many other cattlemen as well.

#### NO BUYERS FOR CATTLE

Near Clarendon

CLARENDON, Texas, March 11 .- For several months the cattlemen of the Clarendon country have been in a peculiar condition. When bunches of cattle could have been bought at an extremely low figure no buyers could be found and even now to a great extent this rule holds good, although at the present time there is on need of buyers offering less than the face value for stuff, for cattle have wintered so well that the prospect for loss is small indeed. On account of the unsettled condition of the weather no trading has been indulged in for some time, but it is expected that sales and trades will be frequent by April 1.

Grass is coming fine and the damp winter assures the cowman excellent pasturage for his stock.

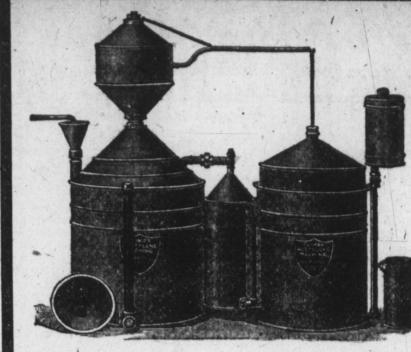
A light snow and sleet, preceded by a slow rain fell here Tuesday night and Wednesday, our feeders wore faces that would have been a credit to a dealer in indigo. The prospects were never better for a cold damp spell and coming on top of the severe winter Interesting Papers to Be Disthis could not have helped but have spelled an enormous loss. However, after a few hours of warmth the snow disappeared and this time, it is to be hoped, spring has started in for good. The snow was much heavier north of here, necessitating the use of snow plows on the Denver, but no losses are reported as yet from the plains coun-

Mr. Hall of England has accepted the position of business manager of the RO ranch, and arrived last week to assume charge. It is understood that Mr. history of the association is expected. Rowe, owner of the ranch, will hereafter leave the active management of the ranch in the hands of Mr. Hall, while he devotes the major portion of his time to his other interests.

week purchased from L. C. Beverly 150 coming 5-year-old steers. He also purchased from D. J. Murphy 150 threes for spring delivery. Both deals p. t.

#### INSOUTH TEXAS

Marion Sansom of Fort Worth was "The cowman has lots down yesterday. of trouble," said he, "but a lack of rain is evidently not worrying the South Texas man any and it does seem that the day of drouths down here has about passed. We all remember that just two years ago down here the woods, the brush and the cactus, as well as the 'ills, 'ollers and 'igh places were full of fat cattle and that they were bringing good prices, too. A year ago, the range was in fair shape and prices in a measure satisfactory. It looks like this spring would be a repetition of 1903. I hope it will. The cowmen down here have a great advantage over journment. us fellows further up the country. If they are going to have a good time they know it earlier in the year. North and West Texas has had plenty of moisture. but the cattle won't be ready for market before summer, and if the rains should Worth, treasurer, and Dr. A. E. Flowers, fail to come at the proper time we can- Dallas, secretary. not tell whether they will be fat this, summer or this fall. Another thing, we have a long time to guess how the market is going to be."-San Antonio Express.



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# ISSUE PROGRAN

cussed at Third Annual Meeting This Month

Invitations are now out for the third annual meeting of the State Veterinary Medical Association, which will be held at the Stock Exchange building in North Fort Worth, Friday, March 24. Veterinarians from all over the state will be present and the largest attendance in the

On the assembly of the members at the stock yards members and visitors are to be escorted through the packing plant by Fort Worth members.

A collection of pathological specimens A. M. Robbins of Eureka, Kan, this from meat producing animals will be exhibited by members of the bureau of animal industry at Fort Worth, and a discussion of same will follow.

The remainder of the program is: 11:30 a. m.-Meeting of the executive committee.

1 p. m .- Roll call, reading of minutes of last meeting, report of treasurer, report of committees, election of new members, election of officers, unfinished business, new business and address by president.

Papers will be delivered as follows: "Behring's Work on Suppression of Tu-berculosis," Dr. J. H. Rietz; "Traumatisms in Beef Animals," Dr. H. D. Paxson; "Cattle and Sheep Scab," Dr. Joseph W. Parker; "Food Poisoning," Dr. E. L. Lewis, and "Fistulous Tracts and Their Treatment," Dr. W. G. Langley.

Reports of cases by members and appointment of committees will precede ad-

Officers of the association are: Dr. M. Francis, College Station, president; Dr. W. A. Knight, Houston, first vice president; Dr. L. A. Klein, Fort Worth, second vice president; Dr. H. D. Paxson, Fort

SOUTH DAKOTA RANGE PIERRE, S. D., March 13.-At this season of the year live stock interests are

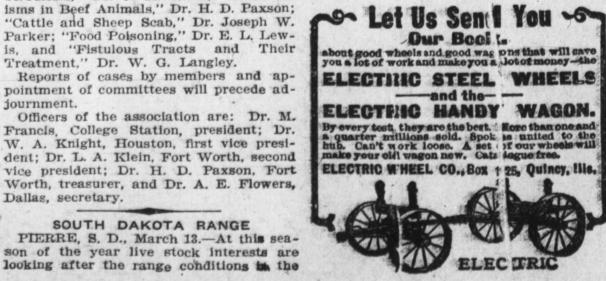
cattle country, following the winter season. The reports are most encouraging. From Leslie Dan Bierwagen of the Bierwagen Cattle Company reports the winter loss at less than 1 per cent and that cattle are in the best of/condition.

Foreman Ed Delehan writes from the Ash ranch on Moreau river that the winter losses are not worth considering.

Henry Scoville, in from Stearns, on White river, says the loss in that section will not be 1 per cent, as the cattle had good feed on the prairie all winter and start the spring in good flesh. This condition he reports to prevail practically all the way from his place to Fort Pierre. He reports some loss on the lower White river, where cattle started the winter in a poor condition, and in a section where feed was short, but that so far as he has learned that is the only section of the whole range in which there has been any material loss.

These three reports cover the conditions in the western central part of the state, and are all from men who are thoroughly acquainted with live stock conditions and who can be depended upon to make accurate statements.

It is gratifying to note that the officials of the department of justice at Washington announce that they will not be affected or influenced to any extent by the Garfield report on the beef trust. These officials say that the Garfield investigation was conducted along lines qu'tte different from those on which they are engaged, and they intend to proceed with the prosecutions that have been instituted just as if there had been no report made by Commissioner Garfield.





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### Echoes of the Range

#### IN POTTER COUNTY

Amarillo Herald.

Saturday J. B. Mixon bought 997 acres of the J. R. Roberts ranch, four miles southwest of the city, and this Hereford Brand. week has two plows running, preparing 200 acres for early crops. Mr. Mixon, who for years operated one of the best of farm work. farms in Central Texas, expects to put five or six thousand dollars worth of weather at present is that we are havimprovements on his ranch this year. ing copious rains in March, the time Mr. Mixon has lived in Amarillo about, when we usually have our dry and two years, and is contemplating selling heavy winds. one of his cotton plantations located in

After thirty years of work spent in done, thou good and faithful servant, day. enter thou into the joys of life ever-

The funeral services were held from nett Hatcher officiating. Interment on account of their being so poor. took place in the Amarillo cemetery.

Miss Fannie C. Manning was born in Channing Courier. Hood county, Texas, Jan. 18, 1875, and married Henry C. Harding July 18, 1893, cake 100 head of cattle, whitefaces and at Colorado City.

With her husband and children she the LX ranch.

#### IN SUTTON COUNTY

Sonora News.

John Rae of Buckhorn sold to Dameron Bros. of Sherwood 1,000 head of ewes at \$3.50 per head.

J. F. Collins and son of San Angelo bought the Lee Snyder ranch in Sleicher county last week at private terms. The ranch consists of twenty-one sec-

Frank Sparks and Colman Whitfield arrivel home last Friday from New Mexico, where they purchased about 4,000 sheep. The sheep are at present near Greason's Springs on the Pecos, coming this way. They are for sale.

#### IN BREWSTER COUNTY

Alpine Avalanche.

Oliver Billingsley returned this morning from Roby, Fisher county. At Sweetwater he saw the work of the Orient in progress. The late severe in this one particular. If followed out by cold resulted in some losses of cattle, but they were not serious.

and all signs portended rain. In the afternoon, at intervals, showers fell, of this character through the mails with and at night a steady rain set in and request for our views on the matter. The continued throughout the night. It was a ground soaker.

that it rained all night at Gage's upper ranch.

News by telephone has been received from all the ranches south of Alpine to John Rooney's and every one reports a fine rain. At Rooney's it rained most of yesterday.

Henderson's and other ranches to the northward report an all night rain, which is continuing this morning.

From Marathon we learn by telegraph that it rained enough to make a good season and the stockmen are happy.

J. A. Pruett, who was raised in this vicinity, remarked this morning that he has never seen such a season at this time of the year.

#### IN HALL COUNTY

Memphis Herald.

W. M. Cross was brought to town Wednesday from the ranch, some Bwelve miles south of town, by George Doshier and another party, with a leg badly gored. He was helping dope pome cattle when a bull made a charge on him and pierced the flesh of his left high, making a bad flesh wound, from which he lost a great deal of blood before reaching town.

G. M. Bugbee was in from his ranch Dear Deep Lake Tuesday and reported nattle in his neighborhood in better Dhape at this time of year than they had been before, in years. Mr. Bug-Dee says he does not believe the hecl flies will bother cattle much this pring, as there has been but little sign lo get in their work is now about

#### IN CHILDRESS COUNTY

Thildress Index.

H. S. Swearingen was in from the T-Tripe ranch yesterday. He says cathe are looking much better than one Abilene Reporter. Tould think, after going through such

ad weather. Tuesday night was hard on cattle. Zain fell nearly all that day, about Abilene oil mills, and will ship them soon. lark a norther blew up and during the hight sleet and snow fell, which drew the cattle badly. Many such days and ket on Friday. nights during this month will cause a

big loss in this section. Judge Fires returned Saturday night from the Fires & Crews ranch, where steers today. he had been to see how the cattle had stood the cold weather. He says their from his ranch foreman in which he says loss has been scarcely nothing, a ride the spring weeds are three inches high ever the ranch showing only thirty on the ranch on the line of Texas and

dead animals. Grass is showing up and no further loss is anticipated.

#### IN DEAF SMITH COUNTY

The fine rains of last Saturday and this week have put a check to all kinds

The remarkable feature of the

Old settlers say they have never seen McLennan county, and investing fur- so much moisture at this season of the

It is something unusual for fat catthe Master's cause, Mrs. Fannie C. tle to be shipped from the Panhandle Harding, wife of Henry C. Harding, re- to the northern markets in March, but sponded to the divine call of "well such was the occurrence on last Satur-

C. W. Roberson shipped one car lasting." The temporal life passed which he has been feeding near Boom way at 11:30 o'clock Sunday morning, and Captain H. Trow shipped five cars her, demise being quite sudden, every which were finished at his ranch north New Mexico, and the cattle are shedding. it. earthly power being administered to of town. Both were shipped to Kanprolong this most useful of lives, but sas City and brought the owners a handsome sum of money.

This is only an object lesson for the residence of Dr. D. R. Fly at 3 those who are accustomed to having to o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. Ben- lift their cattle up these cold spells

Judge H. M. Eubank is now feeding on blacks, and they are putting on fat beautifully. The judge is also preparing to came to Amarillo July 1, 1900, Mr. plant 500 fruit trees. He will, in setting Harding assuming the management of out, adopt the Stringfellow method, i. e., close trimmed roots, fitting snugly in a hole post-auger size, with hard tamping above roots. This manner of planting is said to be far and away superior to the

old method of large holes and uncut roots. George Findlay is gratified with conditions on the XIT ranch. The entire property has now been carefully inspected, he and Mr. Farwell returning from the last tour on Monday. Cattle have stood the recent severe cold snap remarkably well. This is explained, in a large measure, by the fact of the cattle entering the winter in superb condition. Some cattle, of course, are weak and thin from the ordeal, and strict orders have been given all employes to watch such cattle closely, and should they show a disposition to succumb to the rigors of the weather they are to be immediately coraled and fed generously and systematically until all danger is past. This is not only a fair and good business proposition, but is humane as well. We would like to see all the great ranches follow the XIT'S lead all ranches it would serve to allay the harsh criticism so often leveled at ranch Yesterday morning dawned cloudy owners by P. C. A. societies, etc. The Courier has frequently received protests best answer we can give is the above action of the Syndicate people. The expense Pat Murphy reports by telephone will be great, but the ultimate saving will be correspondingly high. Let other ranches follow this lead.

#### IN WARD COUNTY

Barstow Journal.

The rains make our cowmen wear a happy smile. The prospect for wonderfully fine grass is par excellent. A good price for stuff only remains to put the stockman on his feet again.

Bert Simpson, one of the best known and most popular cowmen in West Texas, has shipped several thousand head of calves from here since last fall late. He has just sold 1,000 steers, to be delivered at Longfellow, on the Southern Pacific road, at \$27 per head, which were bought by a California party. Another neat deal he has recently consummated is the disposal of 2,700 steers to Chase Brothers at Dunlap, Kan., at \$27.50 per head, to be delivered at Pecos on the 15th of April.

#### IN DONLEY COUNTY

Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

Mr. Hall, late of England, arrived in Clarendon last week, and will, we understand, take charge of Alfred Rowe's ranch as business manager.

A Mr. Robbins of Eureka, Kan., this week bought from L. C. Beverly 150 head of the J. H. Beverly coming 5-year-old steers; also 150 head of threes from D. J. Murphy. The prices were not made public.

Cattle conditions, locally, seem to be in tip-top shape just now. Two weeks of warm, spring-like weather has made a big change for the better; green blades of them so far and the time for them of grass and weeds are beginning to show all over the country; the spring calves with their white faces and wobbly legs are dotting the landscape everywhere, and prospects look bright for early grass and early grass-fat cattle.

#### IN TAYLOR COUNTY

R. G. Love has bought five cars of black Polled Angus calves from Morgan Weaver, who has been feeding them at the Jesse Cope shipped four cars and Wiley & Guitar three cars of fat steers to mar-

McGee & McBride will ship sixteen cars of fat stuff today.

Abdon Holt is to ship five cars of fat

C. W. Cowden is in receipt of a letter



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train from his New Mexico ranch. He found that few losses occurred during the with moisture in a most promising shape for grass this year. He reports the biggest snow he has seen this year, and it at noon Wednesday.

#### IN UVALDE COUNTY

Uvalde Leader-News.

Simpson & Mitchell have bought 100 head of Ike West's big steers at \$40 per head. The steers are now on feed, and will be delivered in May. Our home people appear to be setting the pace as cat-

Jack Mangum shipped four cars of steers to the Houston Packing Company on Wednesday. Jack says this rain was much appreciated and that his cattle will all weigh more by May so he will do petter with his deal with the packing com-

O. T. Cardwell tells us that the steers he shipped out Friday night last reached New Orleans for Monday's market. This was a fast run and shows what the railroad can do. Mr. Cardwell had his steers in the pens Thursday, but could not caten

a train until Friday.

George Houston is in from his Uvalde county ranch and says the rain out there Friday night fixed everything up in good shape for a while. "Weeds are plentiful," said he to the Express, "and the comforting thought is that the cattle are as fond of them as the average citizen is of the first garden sass in the spring. The cold spell caused a 1ew hump backs and a little shrinkage of course, but it is better to have little hindrances like these occasionally if they are followed by all winter without any rain, any weeds or any grass."

#### IN CROCKET COUNTY

Ozono Texan.

Albert Kincaid has the Charlie Schauer range this year, and he says sheep feed is as fine now as he ever saw it. Albert says there isn't a thing in the world to keep sheepmen from being happy now, except worrying about getting and keeping lambing hands. It seems that the Mexicans have got the sheepmen coming their way this time every year. In order to get hands for lambing purposes they must be engaged a month or so in advance, and when a Mexican engages that sheepmen have become reconciled to -San-Antonio Express.

There is indeed a "lambing hand C. W. Merchant came in on the noon trust" here that comes very near running things its own way.

It is reported that the J M's have lost hard weather and left the earth soaked heavy on bulls the past month. They brought quite a number of fine Herefords down from their Quien Sabe ranch, and turned them loose on the Pecos in was still snowing when he left Calsbad this county. A big per cent have died, but we have not heard the cause.

R. S. Brennand, the sheepman from the Shannon range, was in town Wednesday looking for hands. He reported sheep doing fine.

Steve Cosse, the genial boss of the Val Verde Land and Cattle Company's ranch, was in yesterday and reports everything all right down that way. He says that it sure did get cold down there the early part of February, but that they didn't lose thing. Steve was just in receipt of a letter from Sol Mayer from Chattanooga, Tenn., and Sol says the weather is out of sight below zero there all the time. The company is feeding cattle there for the Chicago market, and he re-

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#### THOSE PANHANDLE LOSSES

S. B. Burnett of Fort Worth spent Friday in the city on business. He is one of the most prominent cattlemen in North Texas and in speaking of conditions generally up there he said: "There has been some losses in North Texas and the Panhandle, but they have not been as heavy as was anticipated when the really bad weather set in last month. It is impossible to get anything like a correct estimate of the damage, but the cattlemen are content simply with the knowledge that it was light. The measures adopted by the cattlemen for caring for their cattle in winter is the reason why losses were light. They have learned that a very effective means of disposing of a herd of cattle in winter, during such weather as we had up there a while back, is to prohimself he must have \$5 or \$10 down. vide neither shelter nor feed for them and Then, oftentimes, you haven't got them they all now quite generally agree that a cinched, for if another fellow comes along man who persists in such methods hasn't that will advance them a little more, they much business with cattle anyway. Duraccept it, hire to him, and return the ing the recent cold snap considerable first fellow his money. It is a very snow fell, from one to three inches, but troublesome way of doing business, but it I do not apprehend any serious results has been a custom for years, and it seems from it, as the weather is not so cold."



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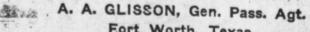
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The mating up of the different teams of horses, and they are all beauties, The mating up of the different teams "perfectly lovely." Each one of these is an object lesson to the eye, unihorses can find the car in which it formity of size, color and style always travels at night and can find its proper predominating. When to the 300 head stall. In the morning when the train of beautiful black dapple gray and bay is unloaded it knows where to go and horses is added the 68 cute Shetland where to stand. It knows when its cage ponies, it is not strange that the or den is ready to be taken to the lengthy street parade of the Floto of Denver arrived yesterday from Wash-



The Ben Hur Arabian Stallions With the Great Floto Shows

big tents, and when the parade is ready it knows where it should fall in. These show. It has been claimed and is be needed in the ring, that they can tell by the music of the band.

and when to lay down; they know how to stand up in a moving car and they know how to hurry in case of a storm. They can do everything but talk.

To select the kind of horses which Thursday, March 22 and 23.

where its load should be taken. The sight. And capping the climax to all horse will find its proper place in the equine collections are the fourteen steeds of the Black Eagle Feather, the Ben Hur herd of Arabian stallions.

When the Great Floto Shows exhibit circus horses know as much about the here, citizens will not only find the performance as do the people with the circus and menagerie exceedingly worthy of their patronage, but they probably true that the ring and per- will find that the Floto Horse Stables forming horses know when they will compose a veritable horse fair and they should always be visited. The visitor should not ask what becomes of The circus horses know when to pull these horses if they become crippled, as they will be displeased with the answer, which is that they are fed to the animals.

The big show comes Wednesday and

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Entries for the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show to be hold during the week of the Cattlemen's convention, which closed Friday evening, show an increase of 40 per cent over that of last year in registered stock.

stock, it is announced, from all parts of the state and the southwest. Cattle and hogs are entered from this state, the two territories and New Mexico.

The list shows five entries of 3-yearold steers; five of 2-year-old and unin the lights, and four cars of sheep will be shown.

Among the exhibitors are Aycock & Scharbauer of Midland, who will both have large exhibits in their respective classes. All who have entered have promised to send their very best stock and the show is assured as far as the exhibitions are concerned.

#### IN MIDLAND COUNTY

Midland Reporter.

George D. Elliott is feeding a lot of fine de gus calves at his residence here, , .hip a carload of them to Fare Worth for the convention.

D. C. McCormick got in early in the week from the Pecos country and reports the range there in splendid shape. He says stockmen sustained but little loss during the cold and sleet and snow.

George G. Gray was in this week from Beeville reports condit "Gray's Grey Gable" ranch south, and range and weather good. reports the black muleys in good shape. Lost only one cow during the season, and she died from gorging herself on cotton seed cakes.

the range at Monument Draw. He says the cattlemen of that neighborhood lost

practically nothing during the recent seery indication of an early spring.

IC TATOV ICT from Chicago perhaps the finest Angus' created a big sensation at the time. bull ever brought to the Midland counshipped from Chicago under the care of ing. a keeper, and arrived in good condition. He is a 4-year-old, and will be used by Mr. Elliott as a herd bull in his fine herd northeast of town. A number of stockment have pronounced him the finest specimen of the breed they have ever

Stockmen have entered their prize Inspectors Writing to Cattle Raisers' Association Say Grass is Growing Nicely

der: three and four of 1-year-old and Estelline, Quanah and Childress, reunder 2; seven entries of calves have ports to the Fort Worth headquarters been made. Twenty-nine loads of hogs, of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association sixteen in the heavy class and thirteen that the weather is warm and cloudy, cattle looking better and grass growing fine.

The Carlsbad inspector says cattle are in fine shape, weather pleasant and conditions satisfactory.

From Alice the news is that the weather is warm and clear and grass growing rapidly. Several shipments of horses to Cuba have been made the past week.

The Laredo and Hibrone report says good rains have fallen.

The Ashland report says the range is good for the season of year and cattle are in very fine shape. Reports from Amarillo say the

weath is fine. Snow is reported gone in Collingsworth county. Purcell and Cotulla reports are very

favorable. Beeville reports condition of the El Paso, Van Horn and Pecos reports

are favorable. The inspector at Portales, N. M., says the losses from the recent bad bliz-I. C. Bell got in Wednesday night from zards were very small in that section. The reports generally say that the

weather is fine and grass growing

El Paso-Weather clear; eight cars of cattle shipped. Marfa-Weather cloudy and rain;

three cars shipped. San Angelo-Warm and rain; cattle doing finely; grass growing fast. Alice-Warm and clear and range in

fine shape; eight cars of horses ship-

Laredo-Nice rain on March 4; range Chickasha, Ok .- Warm and pleasant;

Amarillo-Feeding cattle; weather Pecos-Range good and weather

Van Horn-Shipment of twelve cars;

Wharton-Weather good; no shipments; grass starting in good shape. Roswell, N. M .- Plenty of rain; quite

Carlsbad, N. M .- Ranga in fine shape: weather warm with some rain.

#### CATTLE ARE SAFE

CHICAGO, March 11 .- A. E. de Ricqles ground, it sizes up the situation and Shows is a most imposing and pleasing ington and promptly repudiated exaggerated losses of range cattle during the re-

'Range cattlemen have never pulled through a winter season as satisfactorily as they have this one," he said. "Cattle went into the winter in good shape and met with no set-back until the recent cold spell. It was severe, but fortunately short. Since the break came, conditions almost springlike, have existed all over the range country. At Rapid City yesterday the mercury stood at 72 and the Cheyenne has already broken up."

In proof of his assertions, Mr. de Riccles showed letters received by him this morning from Richard Walsh of the J A ranch and Corbin Morse of Rapid

Mr. Walsh, after riding the range several days, says the loss below the plains in Texas amounts to practically nothing. He found only a few dead cows and they had gone over banks. Steers are in good shape. Nesters on the plains have suffered practically no damage, he says. The snowfall insures grass and the whole prospect is encouraging. Since the cold snap, weather has been good and the cattle have thoroughly recovered from the effects of the recent inclemency.

Mr. Moore's letter effectively counteracts published reports of losses in South Dakota. This week water is running from draws, the Cheyenne has broken up and cattle are in fine shape, no dead ones being seen. Another letter received by Mr. de Ricgles from Stein in the northern end of South Dakota is equally optimistic. Sufficient snow has fallen to start early grass.

#### CHITTIM MURDER CASE

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 14 .-After a postponement last fall the J. M. Chittim murder case has been set for trial in the Thirty-seventh district court for April 10.

Chittim shot and killed a man named Elwell several months ago on West vere weather. A few norses froze to Commerce street, about two blocks from death, but no cattle at all. The range the court house, while shooting at Bill there, he says, is in fine shape, with ev- Jones, a stockman of Beeville, with whom he had a previous difficulty. Chittim is George D. Elliott this week received a well known stockman and the affair

A special venire of 200 men has been try. He is of course registered, and Mr. ordered for the trial. Jones and Chittim Elliott paid \$700 for him, and he was have renewed friendship since the shoot-

> EASY INSPECTION RULES A Washington dispatch says: Senators and representatives who have interviewed Secretary of Agriculture Wilson regarding the national quarantine law, which had the support of the department and president, are convinced that no drastic measures will be taken to deprive cattle owners of their rights or holdings. It is a fact that Dr. Salmon of the Bureau of animal industry pledged the department to an honest and impartial enforcement of the law and that all possible concessions will be made to meet local conditions, but the whole power of the government was invoked to place on the statute books a law that would put a stop to cattle

being used for feeders without first going through an inspection. Judge Kincaid, who is closing up his T. M. Pyle, inspector for Clarendon, business in the departments preparatory to leaving for home, made another call at

the agricultural department today in the interest of the stockmen in the Sixth district, who desire some modification of the rule of the department regarding cattle inspection. The judge was assured that everything would be done within reason to meet the wants of the cattlemen, in view of the lack of sufficient inspectors to perform the work at the point of embarkation.

Senator Warren, who is a large sheep owner, said he had received assurances from Dr. Salmon that the department did not desire to be tyrannical with the cattlemen, but it did desire to have Federal law on the statute books that would act as a deterring force to owners of cattle who rushed diseased cattle into market without proper dipping.

FEDERAL DIPPING RULE

It is hereby ordered, That cattle orige inating in the district quarantined on account of the existence of the diseases known as splenitic, southern or Texas fewer of cattle, as defined by the regulations of this department, may, after having been properly dipped in the mont crude petroleum, under the pervision of an inspector of this department be shipped without further restrictions. excepting such as may be enforced by local authorities at point of destination: Provided, that application be first made to this department and permission granted to establish dipping stations, and after being dipped the cattle are examined and certified by an inspector of the bureau of animal industry; and further, provided, that the cattle when dipped be shipped in clean cars and not driven through the fnfected district or unloaded therein, except at such point as may be duly designated in regulations of this department.

A correspondent from Hereford writes: Deaf Smith and Castro counties have had more snow in the last twenty days than they have experienced for a number of years. However, farmers and stockmen have not suffered, and the loss of cattle has been unusually light; in fact it will not reach 2 per cent loss. All kinds of stock are going through in good condition. An unusual feature of the winter has been that the weather in New Mexico has been very much colder than in the Panhandle of Texas. When the thermometer was 12 degrees below zero here, it registered 19 below at Roswell, N. M.

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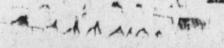
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#### SPECIAL EDITION

The Stockman-Journal will issue a special edition next week in honor of the coming to this city again of the Cattle Rajsers' Association of Texas. The issue will be more than double the usual size of the paper, and will contain a number of handsome illustrations and special articles prepared expressly for the occasion. he It will be printed or an excellent quality He has furnished many figures pertaining of book paper, and will be altogether about as handsome a publication as has been issued in Texas for some time Advertisers will find this an excellent medium through which to reach the stock interests of the country, and those who desire to be represented in that issue should send in their copy at once.

The Stockman-Journal has made no noise in the journalistic field concerning this issue, for the reason that it is not much given to blowing its own horn or singing its own praises. It is getting out ing the roles of undiscovered philansomething a little out of the ordinary thropists, had not they been forced to in order to demonstrate to the cattlemen admit their generous benefactions in a of Texas and the southwest that it is always keenly alive to their interests and known, justice should be done. The peocan always be depended upon to come up ple must eat more porterhouse and less with its end of the single-tree. Cattle- chuck. They must eat more chops and men have already found out that this is canned soup. They must encourage the the one paper that can always be de- railroads in giving special concessions to pended upon to stand up and fight the packing trust. They must boycott the buyers for the packing houses on the straight from the shoulder when their interests are at stake. There is nothing private cars. And if his generous patspasmodic about the policies of The Stockman-Journal. It is always on the watchtower when it comes to looking out for and guarding the interests of its people. It has gone into the fight and stood manfully by its guns when such action resulted in the alienation of other interests and the sacrifice of business. And why? Because there has never been a time in of the country to the burdens under the history of the great live stock indus- which they are laboring. The packers try when it needed a fearless and un- are a patient and long-suffering people. compromising champion so badly as dur- For about three years now they have only ing the past year, when it has appeared been making a net profit of \$1.50 per that the hand of every other interest was head on the cattle they have been killraised against the stockman. While it ing, according to the official finding of has suited other alleged live stock pub- Commissioner Garfield, while the producer lications to treat these matters very gin- has been mulcted out of an average that gerly and handle them with gloves on, may safely be placed at \$5 per head. And The Stockman-Journal has stood alone all the time the producer has been and fought singlehanded for all the re- squirming like a fish out of water, the forms the stockmen have been contending poor packers have pocketed their little

And we have no apologies to offer for complaint of the ill wind that was blowour course. Opposing interests may say that the paper is radical and its policies are drastic, but the occasion would war- company, which is only capitalized for rant or justify nothing else. This paper has had the moral courage to stand up able to declare a 5 per cent dividend for for the right and battle against the the past three years, but he does not wrong every time it has shown itself, and say a word about the enforced depreciawhat has been the result? The sacrifice tion in beef cattle values during the same of some business that could have been period of time amounting to the sum of obtained on a more conciliatory policy and at the sacrifice of principle. Thank God, The Stockman-Journal is not out for that say one word concerning the kindness of kind of business. It will never sacrifice principle or cater to an antagonistic or occasioned by the great Kansas City unfriendly interest in order to hear the floods, and there is not one word of comjingle of a few more dollars.

of Texas and the southwest appreciate tne by the packers during the great Chicago effort that we have made to give them strike last year. Mr. Armour mourns that just the kind of paper that has been demanded by the occasion. Letters received duced to such a narrow margin of profit, by the editor from the most representative but denies that the producers of the couneattlemen of the country breathe the most try have any serious cause for comfriendly and encouraging spirit and in- plaint. forse every policy of the paper. And that is most gratifying to the management. have been led to expect any change in The fact that the paper is being recog- the prevailing conditions, from the fact nined as the organ of the interests it is that it appears an almost hopeless exhere to represent and the Texas authority pectation. It will be remembered that on all matters pertaining to the live stock during the time the last national camindustry is a great recompense for the paign was in progress one of the big Chiardnows toil and struggle that has been made to spetch victory from the very sociate of Mr. J. Ogden Armour, anjaws of defeat.

remabilitate a paper that has through present national administration, even neglect and mistaken policies been suf- though the beef trust investigation and fored to reach such a low ebb in public Chairman Cortelycu were both doing busi-

estimation, but in one year's time The Stockman-Journal has been able to do it. It has won for itself an appreciation in the hearts of the cattlemen that no other Texas paper has ever been able to win. The fight has been a hard one, and at times a most discouraging one, but that period is now past, and the paper starts out upon a new era. Every promise made the patrons of this publication has been carried out to the letter and improvement has been steadily made. No other paper in the southwest maintains such a corps of efficient live stock correspondents, and its every issue contains ail the live stock news of the southwest that is worth publishing. The Stockman-Journal is now in close touch with the people where it can and will surprise its best friends with the rapidity of its improvement.

Other special editions will be issued during the year at stated intervals, and it is gratifying to note that the Texas breeders of fine stock are beginning to take the proper interest in the one paper that can render them such valuable returns for every dollar expended with it. They are doing the proper thing.

#### THE POOR PACKERS

Pity the poor packers! They are in a trust, but it is a benevolent trust. They fix prices on live stock and packing house products, and they observe these prices religiously, but it is all for the sake of the dear people. They exact rebates from the railroads which their competitors cannot secure, but that is merely a way of serving the consumers of meat. They operate private cars and demand that not only packing house products, but fruits, vegetables and almost every other kind of perishable shipments be carried in them, but this is merely another way of being good to the public. They are satisfied with small profits, and when they cannot make even small profits without imposing hardships on the people, they do not mind operating at a loss.

At least commissioner Garfield, after investigating the packing trust under orders of the president, has "found" these things to be true. He has discovered that the packing companies are not overcapitalized and that they make small profits. He declares that comparisons between the cost of live stock and the cost of meats mean nothing. He knows these things because the packers themselves have explained them to him, and reports them for the same reason. to 1901, 1902 and farther back, but few in relation to 1904 and none for 1905. But what of that? In the matter of trusts ancient history is, of course, much more significant than current events.

As a result of the distressing condition of the packing companies, as revealed by the "findings" of Commissioner Garfield, some formal public action should be taken. The modest packers probably would have suffered on in silence, playcourt of law. But now that the truth is things that are not shipped in the trust's ronage does not help the packers out of the hole, let the hat be passed. "Us" for the packers!—Kansas City Star.

It is fearful to contemplate to what extremities the poor packers of the country might have been reduced had it not been for the Christian act of Commissioner Garfield in calling the attention profit of \$1.50 per annual and made no

ing in their direction. Packer J. Ogden Armour says that his the small sum of \$20,000,000, has not been \$163,000,000, according to the United States government estimate. He does not the producers in making good the losses mendation of the action of these same We believe the representative cattlemen producers in replacing the millions lost the business of the packers has been re-

It is a great pity that the producers cago packers who is a close business asnounced to the world that the poor down-It has been a difficult undertaking to trodden packers were satisfied with the

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it may be true that the poor, patient, ject for the department of justice and long-suffering packers were not officially the courts. The profit and loss of a advised of the tenor of the Garfield re- combination charged with violations of port just at that particular juncture, jet the law does not enter into the quesit must appear that they were gifted tion." with a wonderfully clear vision. They were able to foresee that there was nothing partaking of the nature of dynamite in that Garfield report.

It has now been about three years since the producers of the country began to pay such large enforced tribute to the poor packing interests of the country, and during that time the cattle industry has suffered as it has never suffered before. The poor men engaged in the packing business have continued to fix the prices on every hoof of stock sold on the different markets every day in the year, and when a bid is refused on one market and the cattle are shipped to another, other market are promptly advised of the refused bid and govern themselves accordingly. When the shipper arrives at the last market he only finds himself more completely at the mercy of the poor packers than he was before, and there is nothing left for him to do but divide the shipment between the poor packers and railways and come home with a feeling in his heart for these poor packers that is not taught in the Sunday schools.

That Garfield report has aroused the ire of the cattlemen all over the country. Its unfairness is such that they can but resent it bitterly from the fact that it enables the packers to go under cover face of the earth today.

Williamson county is now shipping a few hogs to Fort Worth to market. The packeries there want 500,000 more Texas hogs and will buy a fat hog any day a decrease in the selling price of hides. whether he has been fed on cane, alfalfa, corn or slop. The packeries do not wait loss in oleomargarine was by adding for northers to buy and kill hogs.-Georgetown Commercial.

There is always a ready market and ready cash in Fort Worth for every hog that the packers cannot do the very that can possibly be produced in Texas, thing that all the world knows they This may appear somewhat hoggish on Fort Worth's part, but Fort Worth has big packing plants that must be operated supply but forty-five per cent of the regularly in order to earn money on the trade of the country. It may be true investment. These packing plants are continually clamoring for more hogs and have to go outside the state to get them. Texas people are making a great mistake cent of the meat consumed, but when in not producing more hogs and better you reach the centers of civilization

#### TOUCHED A VULNERABLE SPOT.

The action of the Kansas state Legislature in passing ringing resolutions condemning the report of Commissioner Garfield on the beef trust investigation, has evidently touched that gentleman in a vulnerable spot. The matter has attract-Mr. Garfield he said:

"I will probably see several of these gentlemen when I go to Kansas, and we will talk the matter over. Our inquiry shines immediately put in motion. was thorough and we proved our figures. That report does not touch on the questions as to whether the packers have sumer does not constitute all of the

ness with the packers at that time. While discuss that question at all. It is a sub-

"Do you believe that as a result of your inquiry or a successful prosecution by the government, the cost of beef to the consumer will be reduced?" the commissioner was asked.

"I do not. Our investigation showed that there was practically no difference in the 2 price of beer in the Southern states, where the big packing houses supply only a very small per cent of the meat consumed, and in the New England states, where they supply ninetyfive per cent. Again in the city of Cleveland, where the local packers, who are independents supply the meats the price is the same to the consumer as in the cities exclusively supplied by the six packers who are charged with having formed a combination. The investigation showed that there was a price beyond which people refuse to buy beef. For instance in the big centers of the population on the coast the investigation developed the fact that whenever the price of beef reached a certain figure the people began to buy fish. The fact is, the packers involved in the investigation supply only forty-five per cent of the trade and cannot regulate the price throughout the country."

In referring to the profits on the byproducts, Mr. Garfield said: "These and point to the fact that they are just profits have been much less since the about the most badly maligned people enactment of laws which have practithat are doing business on the whole cally destroyed the oleomargarine industries. The profits per animal on the by-products average about twentyfive cents. Strangely enough the price of hides has not been advanced to meet this loss, but there has been The only make-up for any part of the to the price of dressed meats or by-

Mr. Garfield acts on the hypothesis are doing, because, as he says, they that in some sections of the country the packers only furnish forty-five per they control practically all the output, and they control it mercilessly. Does not Mr. J. Ogden Armour say in the statement embodied in Mr. Garfield's report that the packers often operate their branch houses at a net loss in order to drive out competition? It may be true that Mr. Armour neglected to ed much attention in Washington, and state in the same connection that when when it was brought to the attention of competition in the shape of local butchers had been eliminated these losses were speedily recouped, and the policy of making more hay while the sun

But the price of meat to the conviolated the law. I do not propose to investigation that Mr. Garfield was ex-

the hoof that is of peculiar interest to every producer of beef in the country, country a bad case of nausea. and they would have been pleased for Mr. Garfield to explain why it is that one man in Chicago is permitted to every day make the prices on every head of beef cattle that is sold in all the markets of the country. Further than that, they would be glad to know ters is permitted, and when the glut rule that prices are immediately marked down below cost of actual production. Again, the producers would have been delighted for Commissioner Garfield to have explained why it is that a shipper on the Fort Worth market who refuses the price offered here dictated from Chicago and ships on to another market, is blacklisted on the other markets by having the price offered him on the Fort Worth market telegraphed to the other market before his arrival there. If that is not an evidence of collusion and determination Garfield call it?

The truth of the business is that in being unduly influenced in his re- box" developed under such circumport by the statements made to him by stances? the packers themselves. It could but be expected that these gentlemen would endeavor to place themselves in as favorable a light as possible when the opportunity was so graciously extended. They were smart enough to recognize their opportunity and they took advantage of it with a celerity that was only to be expected. Mr. Garfield conclusions from another source, and in that event his report would not apdetermined whitewash.

#### DENVER MEETING IN MAY

Unless there is another "hot-box" in the Texas delegation between now and May, it seems probable that the recent split of the livestock men over the proposition of forming an organization to take in all affiliated interests may be patched up. After the conclusion of the heated proceedings at Denver, when the Texas and other cattlemen broke away from the National Livestock Association and formed the American Cattlegrowers' Association. there was a cooling down and a getting together, in which President Hagenbarth, Nelson Morris and other prominent diplomats among the reorganizers took the lead. They proposed that the bolters work with the National reorganization any way, even while maintaining their new body, will go through at the joint conference to be held in Denver in May. Thus the ruction will have served to stir up and stimulate new interest among the live stock and meat men, and will have real cute in the entertainment comdone good rather than harm .- National Provisioner.

The Texas delegation to Denver in May in attendance' upon the meeting of the American Live Stock Growers' Association will go there with but one object in view, and that will be to properly represent and protect the great interests of which they are a component part. They will not be prepared to surrender any of the principles for which they have been contending, and they will not agree to be placed as an infinitesmal fragment of an organization of which they should trouble.-Comanche Chief. be the dominant figure. They will not agree to any form of compromise that can possibly be construed into stultification of their former position, and it is idle to invite them back into the ranks of the old National organization on any such terms

nected with the old National Live nection with the recent decision of the Stock Association. They brought about supreme court of the United States on the condition of affairs that prevailed at the late Denver meeting for a what apparent that the amount of specific purpose. That purpose is money and time spent on an effort to known to themselves and is generally bring the beef trust to time before the understood by the public. The Texas sentiment is that it would have been have soon known from the Garfield refar better for the old organization to port that there was no beef trust, have been permitted to die a thousand deaths than to have sold its birthright the high court its present humiliation. for a mess of Chicago pottage. It is It is a very safe proposition that the true that \$40,000 per annum is a big honorable court will hereafter risk no

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pected to make. There is a little mat- bunch of money to pick up annually. ter of controlling the price of beef on but the railway and packing house smell about that bunch of coin is such as to give every real cattleman of the

The question to be considered just now is what advantages can accrue to the cattlemen of Texas and the southwest from further affiliation with the old National Live Stock Association? They have been identified with that body since its organization and no marked benefits have yet accrued. The fact that it was necessary to organize why the practice of marking prices up an independent body in Denver last to produce a glut of the market cen- May is conclusive evidence that the cattlemen of the country had nothing to expect from the old National and comes why it is so invariably the did not expect anything. The organization then effected and since maintained was notice to the National that the cattlemen had lost any hope they might have been entertaining of help, and they realized the only thing left for them to do was to set up housekeeping for themselves.

When the packing and railway interests of the country were laying the heavy hand of enforced tribute upon the cattlemen, the National Live Stock Association was busy picking the wool out of its teeth and promoting the chimerical scheme of independent packing houses to be built upon the co-operation plan. When the cattlemen organized and went after the packers and the railways they found to control the market, what does Mr. themselves confronted by a proposition to turn the control of their national organization over bodily to the very interests they were warring with. Is Mr. Garfield has made a great mistake it any wonder that there was a "hot

There appears but one thing left for the cattlemen to do, and that is to emulate the example of the sheepmen who have practically dominated the affairs of the old National up to the time it was sold out to the packers and railways, and that is to perpetuate their organization and make it an exclusive cattlemen's organization, That is what the representative cattlemen of the country favor, and we believe it will be done at Denver when should have drawn his deductions and the meeting is held next May. There may be a disposition manifest to look pleasantly at the old National, but so far as membership in that body is pear so completely in the guise of a concerned it is neither essential nor desirable. It has amply demonstrated its incompetency in the past, and it will be but a waste of effort to cultivate further relations with it from that standpoint. What the cattlemen need is an organization of their own and to let the National Live Stock Association as it is now constituted severely alone. This we believe will be done. The indications all seem in that direc-

> Next week we are to have the cattlemen and the fat stock show, and Fort Worth will then be seen in her best bib and tucker. In fact, Fort Worth is always as much pleased to see the cattlemen as the cattlemen are gratified to see Fort Worth. There is a community of interest existing that only grows stronger with the passage of the years.

> Mrs. Carry Nation has announced that she will begin a three nights' course of warfare in this city during the Cattlemen's convention, and it was mittee to afford this attraction unknown to the public generally.

The Brownwood oil mill feed pens now contain twenty-eight thousand head of steers which are being fattened for the market. The Pecan Valley News says that a simple remedy has been found to prevent the steers from stampeding during the nights while on feed-that is the placing of a number of gentle milk cows and calves in the pen among them. These cannot be stampeded and the steers are thus reassured and is said no longer give

And so it is all through life. The gentler sex is the medium that keeps the turbulent masculine under control and prevents the stampede of the wild bunch when all other methods fail.

When one studies the Garfield report There are some very smart men con- in the beef trust investigation in conthe same subject, it must become somecourt was entirely wasted. We would and in that way we might have spared more trust decisions until Commission- sociation as members from other secer Garfield has been heard from.

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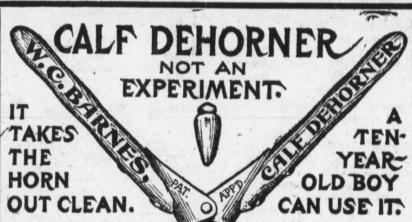
The Texas Stockman-Journal says graze, season 1905. J. C. O'Neal, that it is beneath the dignity of such an organization as the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas to meet at any for the convention. The Stockman-

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reason, has thought best to submit the ter of interest at this time, says the proposition to the convention, accord- Drovers' Journal. ing to reports. The Stockman suggests that the move was prompted in order to avoid such spirited contests as was witnessed last year when only Dallas and Fort Worth were candidates, ing a bill providing for the erection of Those who were there last year really regarded the selection of a place of meeting as a friendly bit of rivalry between the two cities. Some good speeches were made by representa- be employed. For this purpose an tive citizens of both places inviting the cattlemen to visit them in 1905. Fort Worth won out easily. She might as well own it that she does not want Dallas to take anything away from her. The Journal says Fort Worth is not selfish, and then goes right on and convicts herself of the offense if it represents Fort Worth sentiment. It says that the place of meeting should be fixed permanently in that city because that is the headan interest in the welfare of the asto the cattlemen about it later on .-San Antonio Express.

STATE PACKING PLANTS

Our own state of Illinois is the last to take action in this matter. Representative Canady yesterday introductwo meat packing plants-one at the state prison at Joliet and the other at the Chester prison. Convict labor is to appropriation of \$500,000 is asked, and the appointment of three commissioners by the governor for the management of this business.

There seems to be a general desire on the part of the legislators of the various states to learn something of the packing business by actual experience, and the plan offered by Reprequarters of the association. The sentative Canady seems about as feasistockmen of South Texas have as keen ble for making the test as any that has been offered. It might be well to tions of the country, but they are not modify this bill to the establishment ready to say that San Antonio should of one plant as a starter, however, as be barred from entertaining the con- the venture is wholly thus far a matvention occasionally. They would not ter of experiment. Just how successbe loyal to their, home section nor to fully prison labor may be employed in the interests of the organization did slaughtering operations must yet be they not desire to see every cattleman determined. Much skilled labor is rein South Texas a member. It is much quired in slaughtering operations and easier to secure new members when more in the successful handling and the association comes down in a body disposing of meats in the latter proafter them-but San Antonio will talk cesses of the trade. An outlet for a good share of the products of such state packing houses might possibly be found in various state institutions and some trade developed in other lines. Just to what extent the bills now but before any widespread movement place making the highest cash offer being introduced into state legislatures, is engaged in, it might be well to providing for the erection of packing profit by a practical experiment, grade at \$5 per ton on cars at Louise. Journal is not alone in this opinion, houses to be operated under state su- worked out at some point for the benebut the executive committee, for some pervision, will receive support is a mat- fit of the various states.

#### American Association to Meet in Denver, May 9, for Organization

the American Stock Growers' Association, which was formed in Denver following the convention of the Nareceived in Fort Worth. The call is as follows:

American Stock Growers' Association Colo., at the Tabor opera house, at 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, May 9, 1905, for the purpose of effecting permanent and by-laws, electing permanent officers and for such general business as of five dollars, and will be entitled to one vote in this convention.

Your co-operation, interest and memorganization formed in Denver, Colo., on Jan. 14, 1905, consisting of live stock producers only (meaning breeders, feeders and growers), and called the American Stock Growers' Asso-

It is believed that at this time the live stock producer has better standing in the public eye, before congress, and with the president of the United States than at any previous period in and receive no salary nor compensathis country's history and it is of the utmost importance that he be up and doing to secure improvements in the convention, as above, to be held in present methods, correction of abuses, Denver, Colo., May 9, 1905. Railroads business in the affairs of the world, rates. and proper legislation.

Among the objects to be attained are the extension of the powers of the interstate commerce commission so as to give it authority to name what is a reasonable freight rate; to secure proper service for the transportation of live stock; to impress on the proper authorities at Washington the importance of securing admittance for our meats and meat products in certain foreign countries that are now closed Important Measure Passed by Missouri .against us. Success in this direction with France and Germany alone would mean an added value of not less than 10 per cent to the meat producing animals of the United Staes: to support and aid the various bureaus of the eral government in their investigaof the business of the large cortions with whom the stockmen to deal, and in determining the position of such corporations tothe live stock producing public, iso in the matter of better fedcorporation laws. For the supion of diseases among domestic hals and protection of the various

tion by all the states and federal gov- for sale. ernment for the destruction of predatory wild animals.

For the first time in the country's history, the stock growers have a have had so far, with plenty of water, friend in Washington in President which will make lots of early grass, be Roosevelt. This is a great advantage in the best condition for shipment that to you, and as public sentiment is with you, it is important that you, as producers, advance your cause through this organization, that is free from all ber, with practically no cold weather, The call for the first convention of interests other than those of live stock producers, and demand in no uncertain most prosperous years they have had terms recognition and your just rights.

Producers of live stock only are intional Live Stock Association, has been vited to become members of this body. There is a limit to what you, as producers, can accomplish if you will or-The first annual convention of the ganize, band and act together for mutual benefit. It is your failure so to is hereby called to meet at Denver, do that makes you weak when compared with the great corporations who through mutual understandings and agreements, one with another, are organization, adopting a constitution powerful and successful. Therefore, you are now urged to join this organization, the membership fee in which may properly come before it. The has been made practically nominal, or present basis of representation of this the small sum of \$5, which you are reassociation is individual membership, spectfully solicited to send at once to and any citizen, a live stock grower, the secretary and treasurer of this orfeeder or owner, is eligible for mem-ganization, A. E. de Ricqles, at his bership upon payment of initiation fee address, Union Stock Yards, Denver, Colo. All money received from initiation fees will be used immediately for the purposes set forth in this "call" bership is earnestly desired in this and under the direction of the executive committee and to support and strengthen the work of the interstate cattle growers' executive committee, to whose efforts many of the present improvements are largely due, and as these matters are now before congress you are urged to remit at once. All members of the executive committee and officers of this new association are serving without charge of any kind tion whatsoever.

We request your presence at the

AMERICAN STOCK GROWERS' AS-SOCIATION. By Order of the Executive Com.

Senate Cuts Tariff \$4 Per Car

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., March 8.-The senate has passed the maximum rate bill by a bare constitutional majority after having amended the measure as it came from the house. The bill is considered the most important railroad legislation passed by the Missouri legislature in years. The measure reduces the rate on live stock \$4 per car and will be amended by striking out the entire section relating to coal and brick.

#### NEW MEXICO RANGE

SILVER CITY, N. M., March 11.-Cattle against others where contagion sales for spring delivery in this section exist; to secure adequate meas- have been very light up to the present

ures that will forever prevent the in- time, as there have been very few buytroduction of contagious diseases ers in this part of the country. There among domestic animals through the are large numbers of cattle in ones, twos importation of hides from foreign and threes on the ranges in the southcountries, or otherwise; to make prac- western part of this territory, as the tical recommendation to congress in sales last year were practically nothregard to the public grazing lands and ing and consequently the stockmen have forest reserves. To secure joint ac- a two years' production on the range

The cattle in the southern part of the territory will this spring, on account of the excellent winter and spring they they have been for many years.

Cattlemen, owing to the heavy rainfall ever since the latter part of Decemwill undoubtedly experience one of the

for the past ten years. The grass on the ranges is starting to grow at the present time and as soon as the weather gets a little warmer it will fairly shoot up, as the ground is full of moisture everywhere and cattle will be able to get water in most any of the leading draws for several months.

#### DISCUSS CATTLE ESTIMATE

The Telegram Wednesday published an interview had with Lon Barkley on the South Texas cattle situation, in which he places the number of 4-yearold steers in the country between Eagle Pass and Brownsville at more than 500,000 head.

Exceptions to this estimate are taken by Secretary Lytle of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association, and S. B. Burnett, who claim not to exceed 75,000 head are to be found in the country designated.

Mr. Barkley was seen today and sticks to his previous statements which he says, are based on a personal investigation. He says he has no reason to go back on what he told a reporter of The Telegram.

#### ARIZONA RANGE IS WET

PRESCOTT, Ariz., March 11.-According to the weather report made by Dr. W. E. Day, official weather observer for recognition of the importance of his have agreed to make greatly reduced Prescott, the months of January and February this year have eclipsed all previous records since a weather report has been taken here, which dates back to 1865 or forty years ago. Never in that period has the rainfall for the two months been as great as this year in Arizona.

> Dr. Day reports the rainfall for the two months as 12.3 inches, the rainfall for January amounting to 4.6 inches, and in February 7.7 inches. The nearest approach to this since 1865 was in 1874, when the January rainfall amounted to 5.51 inches and February produced 5.68 inches, or a total for the two months of 11.19 inches.

> A great many people are possessed of the opinion that the years 1890, when the Walnut Grove dam went out, and 1891 when larger floods occurred in the streams of Arizona were phenomenal years for rainfall during the months of January and February. Such, however, The storms which was not the case. caused the floods of those two years were very heavy but each was of short duration. The rainfall in January for 1890 was 2.29 inches and in February for the same year was 3.02 inches, or a total for two months of 5.31 inches. In 1891 there was no rainfall whatever in January and in February it amounted to 5.96 inches or over an inch less than this month.

In January, 1876, the rainfall amounted to 4.60 inches, the same as this year. The rainfall in 1886 was above the normal for the two months, being 7.14 inches, of which 5.99 inches fell in January and 1.51 inches fell in February. In 1897 it amounted to 4,62 inches, but February was short each year.

THE GOVERNMENT FIGURES

The census department only made a guess at the number of live stock in the United States on Jan. 1, as published in the Express about a week ago. Colonel Ike T. Pryor who is back in the city from a short trip over to Columbus read the report in the Express at the time it appeared and he noted that Texas was credited with 9,088,180 of cattle. He wrote asked to be informed as to the number of cattle rendered for taxation as shown by the assessors' rolls, and he is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Stephens stating that 6,914,571 head were rendered as being on hand Jan. 1, 1904. The government report pretended to show the number of cattle on hand Jan. 1, 1905. The Express is not advised as to the method employed by the department in arriving at a conclusion unless it figured the amount of the calf crop at 2,173,609 head and then failed to deduct anything for the cattle that were slaughtered and sent to the northwestern ranges. It is very generally conceded that the number of cattle on hand in Texas at the beginning of the new year was at least a half million less than on Jan. 1, 1904, for the very simple reason that there was nothing to encourage breeders, and cattlemen generally had marketed heifer calves very closely. The report is as bearish as that submitted to congress by the 'president a few days ago on the beef trust .- San Antonio Express.

FEEDING IN PANHANDLE Captain Harrison Trow of Hereford, Texas, who was reared in Jackson county, Mo., topped the Texas stocker market yesterday with a string of 140 head of his own raising that sold at \$4.55, which was not a bad price for a string of young

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"After all it pays to provide feed and look after the cattle in the Panhandle country," said Captain Trow. "There are three-year-old steers around in my neighborhood that are not worth as much as my yearlings, simply because they have not had the feed and care."-Drovers Telegram.

#### THE NORTHWESTERN DEMAND

DENVER, March 11 .- The outlook for a very heavy movement of southern cattle to northern ranges during the coming to Comptroller Stephens at Austin and season is not very bright. According to the northern buyers it will not be so much a matter of price this season, but principally because they cannot afford to risk any more in the cattle business under present conditions. This does not mean that there will be no demand, but that the demand will be confined to the small buyers. The big buyers have had enough and with range conditions as they are and the continued poor market for fat cattle, the big buyers are quietly announcing that they are out of it this season. The small buyers will be about as numerous as usual, but they will be particular as to price, and the prices now being discussed in the Panhandle country cause them to smile. They insist that \$22 to \$24 for twos is entirely out of the question and there seems to be more demand for yearlings around \$10 to \$12 than any other class of stock cattle. There will be considerable talk at Fort Worth the last of the month at the spring meeting, but it is predicted that there will be very little trading until the Denver meeting in May, when it is expected that the bulk of the trading will be done for this sea-

The fact that the beef trust admits that it is not being maintained for the purpose of making money primarily should not be construed into a declaration that it is not after coin in steers. Five years ago Captain Trow left every other way.



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# OUTLOOK FOR

"Texas has fewer cattle than at this time last year, and generally speaking the outlook is more favorable," said M. P. Buel. "One of the most serious phases of the immediate prospects is contraction of pastures in Oklahoma and the Indian Territory. Within a few years, in the natural course of settlement events, the Texas cattle breeder will be deprived of this outlet for all time to come, but in 1902. The general prosperity of the he has been breeding with full assurance that his surplus would be matured on territory pastures and the action of the Oklahoma legislature in throwing the territorial quarantine line below the Osage Nation is a serious matter, as Texas utilizes these pastures for maturing 250,000 cattle every season. It is to be hoped some compromise will be arrived at. Secretary Wilson of the department than where the same farms were valued of agriculture holds, that as the federal at \$25. So, too, the Texan is now forced quarantine runs on the north side of the to pay \$2.50 to \$5 per acre for land that Osage Nation, he cannot participate in the pending controversy.

"When I was in Washington assurance was given that no matter how the dispute is settled cattle pastured in the Osage Nation must be marketed in quarantine. Secretary Hitchock of the interior department holds that Oklahoma has no jurisdiction over the Osage Nation. Naturally he is anxious to derive the largest possible rentals from these pastures and favors the Texas cattleman. Bids opened at Washington last week, for No. 1 pastures in the Osage Nation, ran from 25 to 671/2 cents an acre, or about 10 cents more than last year. Ten years ago 30 cents an acre was the maximum all over the country and early grass is cost of this grass so that the increased expense of running cattle can be readily realized. Texas cattlemen are anxious to have the matter settled, as they usually begin moving their stock in April.

"These Osage pastures are now producing double the revenue they would if Texas cattle were prohibited from using as the Oklahoma legislature desires."

"What will the effect of exclusion of Texas cattle from Indian and Oklahoma territory pastures be?" Mr. Buel was

"Logically it will diminish production. We realize that within half a decade we must relinquish this maturing ground, but the cattle we have now were bred in expectancy of the use of territory pastures. Texas sends 500,000 head to the territories annually, and when settlement closes the outlet breeding operations must be decreased to that extent. Then Texas will grow only what cattle it can raise to the age of maturity and put in condition for the shambles. Loss of territory pastures means prompt curtailment wagon loads. of production, but this year we have the cattle and need a place to put them. Should the Oklahoma legislature carry its point San Angelo country will be affected more seriously than cattlemen in the San Antonio district. In the latter section of Texas range conditions were never more favorable at this season of the year. We have had copious rains and, with the exception of a single cold spell, the winter has been very favorable, consequently very few cattle will be moved to Oklahoma or the Indian Territory. But in the San Angelo country the cattle have not wintered as well. Cattlemen in that section always depend more on territory pastures than those adjacent to San Antonio as the identity of the high bidders for pasture leases indicates. My information indicates that although an unusually cold spell has affected the whole country, from the Gulf of Mexico to the Canadian fine, it was of short duration and as cattle were generally in good condition actual losses have been light. With favorable weather from now on cattlemen will have little to complain of. Losses in the cattle business are

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Questioned as to the immediate future of the Texas cattle industry, Mr. Buel said: "In my judgment the low point has been reached and liquidation is practically over. The present value of cattle is on such a different basis to that of two years ago as to justify the prediction that we will have a reasonable appreciation. Since 1902, the high year, there has been a depreciation equal to 30 per cent of the total value of the range cattle of the United States; natives I do not believe have suffered as much. It has been merely a case of history repeating itself. The previous summit of values was reached in 1882. On the subsequent decline a down grade movement, lasting ten years, was struck, the low point of that drop being reached in 1892. Then began another rise, its crest being reached country between 1898 and 1902 enabled western cattlemen to use high-priced lands, the price of their product warranting it, but when the reaction came, they were no longer able to do so. The same problem confronting corn-belt cattle growers is before the Texas grower. The former has discovered that the cost of producing cattle on \$100 land is greater was worth but 50 cents recently, consequently both are chafing under an increase in cost of production that materially affects their profits.'

Mr. Buel does not anticipate any serious delay in the movement of south Texas grass cattle marketward this spring. Under normal conditions these cattle are fat enough for the butcher in April but a cold snap of unusual severity has set them back this year. Said Mr. Buel: "In consequence of the big storm fat cattle from south Texas will probably be thirty days later than usual. My advices indicate that they have been set back that much. Good rains have fallen assured. April, May and June usually see the movement of fat grass cattle from that section and as a rule all south Texas cattle should be shipped before July 1.

#### RAISE FORAGE

Ranchmen Near Midland Going in for Farming

MIDLAND, Texas, March 14.—The recent rain has proven a good thing for the stock interest. A few more days and the weeds and new grass will come. The cold weather just passed drew the cattle very much, as they were not used to such extreme weather, but instead of blinding sandstorms we have had rains. which have made the stockmen conclude to plant large crops of forage and cotton. Hides are being brought to town in

Charles O'Neal and Blair returned from their ranch, making the best of their loss-

es by skinning the dead carcasses. Burt Holloway returned from St. Louis, where he has been with his young calves, fattened with cotton seed meal. The cold spell was against them, but they mar-

keted very well. I. P. Scott was in Midland trying to buy some good horses or mules. All is quiet in stock sales, as most of

the stock traders are waiting to see

#### what can be done at the convention. MARKETS ELSEWHERE

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market opened strong; beeves, \$3.50 @6.25; cows and heifers, \$1.30@4.75; = stockers and feeders, \$2@4.70.

Hogs-Receipts, 18,000; market opened steady and closed steady; mixed and butchers, \$4.75@5.10; good to choice heavy, \$5@5.15; rough heavy, \$4.80@4.90; light, \$4.70@5; bulk, \$4.10@5.10; pigs, \$4.50 @4.75. Estimated receipts tomorrow, 26,- Jury Probing

Sheep-Receipts, 18,000; market steady; sheep, \$4.50@6.10; lambs, \$6@7.65.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK

KANSAS CITY, March 13.-Cattle-Receipts, 8,000; market steady; cows and heifers, \$2@4.40; stockers and feeders, \$3 @4.50; Texans and westerns, \$3.50@4.85. Hogs-Receipts, 15,000; market slow; mixed and butchers, \$4.50@5; good to choice heavy, \$4.95@5.05; rough heavy, \$4.90@4.95; light, \$4.70@4.90; bulk, \$4.80 @4.95; pigs, \$3.50@4.40.

Sheep-Receipts, 5,000; market steady; lambs, \$6.75@7.25; ewes, \$4.75@5.35; wethers, \$5.25@5.95.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK

ST. LOUIS, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,000, including 3,500 Texans; market steady; native steers, \$3.25@6; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@4.50; Texas steers,

\$2.75@4.85. Hogs-Packers, \$4.95@5.10; butchers, \$5.10@5.20.

Sheep-Receipts, 600; market steady; sheep, \$3@6; lambs, \$5@7.50.

#### Farmer's Raising Poultry

GEORGETOWN, Texas, March 13,-The Georgetown Mercantile Company shipped 75,000 eggs yesterday. Shipments for the week aggregated 250,000 eggs, 1,900 turkeys anad 1,000 chickens. Shipments are heavier than ever known and farmers are going extensively in the poultry business. The cotton crop will be decreased 33 1-3 per cent.

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# Federal Grand

trust is believed to be on in Fort Chicago, brought about by an alleged

Between twenty and thirty subpoenas were issued Monday out of the federal court of the Northern district of Texas, Judge E. R. Meek, presiding. About half of these were served Monday afternoon, the remainder of them being served by deputy United States marshals today.

As a result of this service the witnesses are waiting their turn to go before the federal grand jury today.

SOME OF THE WITNESSES Among some of those subpoenaed, and who were seated in the ante-room of the grand jury this morning are General Manager Googins of the Swift packing company; Former General packing company, General Superinpany, Marion Sansom, cattleman; Dick Worsham of Henrietta cattleman; Frank Crowley, cattleman; Mr. Silverton, cattleman, and Mr. Hirsh, a representative of the Schwarzchild & Sulzberger company, with headquarters at Dallas. Besides these there are quite a number of others who are identified with the cattle industry in

CONDUCTED BY GOVERNMENT

The present investigation by the fedof an order issued by Peter S. Gross- their testimony.

Investigation of the alleged beef cup, United States circuit judge at violation of an injunction issued by Judge Grosscup to prevent the packers combining on beef prices, the same having been charged.

Instead of incurring heavy expense to the government by ordering all witnesses to appear before Judge Grosscup, it was decided that the evidence be taken before federal grand juries in the different states, by expert stenographers, and that the same be subsequently forwarded to Judge Grosscup who will pass upon such testimony. That portion of it which appears to be material will be used and the witness. furnishing this evidence will then be summoned to Chicago to go before the federal grand jury when a final investigation will be had. Belief that Manager H. A. Judd of the Armour such a course will be taken is strengthened by a portion of Judge Meek's adtendent Caskill of the Armour com- dress to the jury telling them to make a report to him on matters to be brought before them.

> It is understood here that the legislative committee appointed to investigate the beef trust matter probably will take up the case at Austin today. Secretary Lytle of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association and Sam H. Cowan, attorney for the same company, will likely be summoned before the com-

In addition to these officials, several eral authorities in Texas is the result prominent stockmen will also give

### ENDORSE STAND ARIZONA OF PRESIDENT NOW GREAT LAKE

Texas Lawmakers Hope Beef Heaviest Rainfall in Decade Trust Investigation Will Results in Remarkable

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AUSTIN, Texas, March 10.—For the Special to The Telegram. selves briefly as follows:

the committee will discover facts enough, boats over them. in its investigation to make a strong report to the two houses that will enable because roads are impassable from the the people of Texas to eradicate this great mines. evil from the land. I approve of the stand President Roosevelt has taken in RANGE regard to this monopoly."

W. B. Ware of Donley County-I favor

against the trust.

G. S. Gray, San Saba County-I hope

C. F. Greenwood of Hill County-I hope was heard. most sincerely the investigations of the facts locating this enormous and grinding three to St. Louis. trust in Texas, if in fact it does exist our cattlemen. The step is in the right two cars and Love & Chumley four. direction, and I trust the objects sought to be attained will be successful.

a known fact without much evidence, as cars. monopoly may be suppressed.

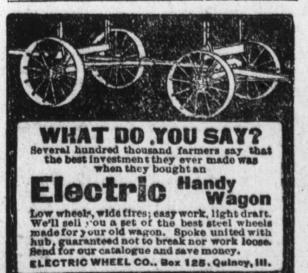
this joint committee is in possession of matter. some facts justifying the conclusion that the beef trust is operating in Texas and grass will be good grazing for stock. hope they will discover others and that money will be placed in the hands of the black mulies on feed near this city to R. attorney general to prosecute it to the limit of the law. Steps should be taken without delay to resist the formation and development of this oppressive trust inonly strengthens the grip of this mighty monster, and lessens the power of the people to resist and dislodge it.

R. E. Carswell of Wise-I know something of the purpose of the committee in a general way, and of the beef trust as a general proposition, but thing definite. I hope, however, the disclosure of the committee will be helpful to the stock inin the expulsion and suppression of this octopus in and from this state.

J. F. Onion of Bexar-There seems to be no doubt but that the beef trust is operating in Texas, and controlling the price of cattle on feet and fresh meat, but up to this time it is one of those strong suppositions that has not been legally demonstrated. I hope the work of this joint committee will unearth facts that will enable us to make this legal demonstration and suppress this gigantic and oppressive monopoly. If we can, then in that case we can build home industries to a far better advantage.

NEW MEXICO LOSSES

LAS VEGAS, N. M., March 11 .- W. G. Ogle has returned from a trip over Union, Colfax and Mora counties. He reports that some sheepmen have lost 40 per cent of their flocks and that cattle losses range all the way from 5 to 35 per cent. One Springer firm lost 10,000 sheep. Many stockmen are feeding, but as they received no special rates from the railroads, the cost is equal to the value of the stock. The prospect for early and good range is excellent. The weather is now summerlike, and the grass is growing rapidly.



purpose of ascertaining the sentiment of EL PASO, Texas, March 11.-All records the present house of representatives on for rain and moisture are broken in this the subject of President Roosevelt's atti- section. The great Arizona desert is now tude toward the beef trust and the prob- an immense lake and many sections that able result of the efforts of the joint have known no water for a decade are committee of the house and senate ap- now covered. The railroads are demoralpointed to make investigation as to the ized from washouts and soft track and trust in Texas, a Telegram reporter in- may have to rebuild grades in many interviewed a number of the members of stances. At Silver City, noted for its the house yesterday, who expressed them- dryness, there has been twenty-eight inches of rainfall in eight months and W. O. Murray of Wilson County-I hope dry streams for years now have ferry

Smelters are shut down in many places

#### OUTLOOK

ABILENE, Texas, March 11 .- C. W. taking all the steps possible to unearth Merchant came in yesterday from his this great combine in Texas. The decline New Mexico ranch and reports few losses in the price of cattle is owing to its ma- during the late cold weather. He says nipulation of the market, and the advance the earth is thoroughly wet and snow in the price of fresh meat is owing to was falling when he left. Stockmen are the same cause. I indorse the action of jubilant, he says, over the prospect for the president in the stand he has taken early grass and the advancing price for cattle.

Colonel J. H. Parramore is back from the committee will find facts sufficient to an inspection trip of the Daugherty and enable the proper authorities to smoke Black Mountain ranches, of which he is this trust out of Texas if it is operating receiver. His appointment as receiver for here. I am in sympathy with the presi- these properties was confirmed here in dent in his efforts in this direction and district court this week, and he was inthink it will result in good. To make the structed to make a full report of these effort entirely successful the state and concerns May 1 and every two months Federal authorities will have to co-oper- thereafter. The defendants except to the confirmation of appointment. No evidence

J. M. Chumley has just shipped five committee will lead to the discovery of cars of calves, two to New Orleans and

Shipment was made Monday of three here, and crushing it to pieces as it is cars of fed stuff by Luther Brothers, J. now, and has been for some time crushing F. Draham three cars, W. H. Childers

A. B. Holt & Co. sold four cars of cattle in Fort Worth this week, J. M. F. D. Love of Williamson County-It is Chandler two cars, D. M. Morgan two

many things are known, that the beef Cattlemen and farmers have killed near-trust is operating in this state, and I ly all the prairie dogs in this section, the most sincerely wish the joint committee late cold weather being a fine time for may succeed in bringing these facts to destroying them. The prairie dog law light, that this egregious and grinding has long been in effect here, but people were slow in killing them. No law suits R. D. Thompson of Hunt-I understand have resulted, however, to date over the

Stockmen say that within three weeks

Morgan Weaver has sold his herd of G. Love at a fancy price. Mr. Weaver will devote his entire time to his business concerns and let cattle alone hereafter.

#### fluence in Texas. Delay in our opposition SAN ANGELO SHIPMENTS

Heavy Movements to Territory Pastures Have Begun

SAN ANGELO, Texas, March 11.-Territory shipments opened today. J. M. Shannon is bringing in a big herd of steers for shipment to territory pastures. Arrangements have now been made here terests and people of the state and result for extra help at the stock pens and orders made for cars and there will be heavy shipments out from now on.

H. Gieseke shipped from Ballinger fifty steers to Fort Worth. He had been keeping these steers on feed at the Ballinger oil mill pens.

Charlie Runyon and Rod Campbell of San Angelo have bought fifty yearling steers at an average price of \$7 per head from Jim Gordon and others.

Pleas Childress of Ozona bought of S. E. Couch 200 three and four-year-old

steers at \$18 per head.

During the recent cold weather the O9 Cattle Company lost fourteen head cf cattle out of a total of 14,000. They consider this practically no loss at all, considering the extreme severity of the weather. Lee Brothers, fine stock breeders, lost one fine registered Hereford cow in the bad weather. Godfrey Massey of Point Rock lost sixty head during the cold weather.

KANSAS DIPPING STATION

ELGIN, Kan., March 11.-Under the recent ruling of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, cattle originating from below the Federal quarantine line will have to be dipped in crude Beaumont oil. Eugene Hays, stockman, has applied to Secretary Wilson for permission to establish a dipping station, under Federal supervision, at Elgin. Elgin has one of the largest and best equipped stock yards on these annual meetings to the highest the line for the loading and unloading of Texas cattle grazing in the Osage pastures. The outlook is for early shipments except when in the discretion of the exthis year, as grass is starting early this spring. The cattlemen bid on pastures before Secretary Wilson's decision in regard to the quarantine law. They are compelled to stock pastures or lose their this year will be as good as any ever held 10 per cent already paid on pastures.

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ton lawyer, also a former Rough Rider. city during the time the Cattle Raisers' The cowboy was examining the closed Association will be in session will be well opera hat of the lawyer, when it opened worth the attention and recognition of with a pop. The cowboy's eyes also every progressive stockman in the entire popped open and he said, admiringly:

'A self-cocker; don't that beat hell?" that one of the Arizona boys was out of the herd and should be corralled and sent home, the president insisting that the bill for whatever expense was incurred should be sent to him. The astray was rounded up, curried, fed, clothed and given enough vest, lavender trousers, patent leathers, puff tie and a plug hat, all of which came out of President Roosevelt's private of the beef trust.

San Antonio is entitled to and ought to have the Cattle Raisers' convention for 1906. There are only two great cattle centers in Texas, big enough to care and house this convention, and these are San Antonio and Fort Worth. This convention ought, by rights, to come to San Antonio at least every third year.—San Antonio Stockman.

Fort Worth is willing that the annual meetings of the Cattle Raisers should go to San Antonio when in the discretion of the executive committee such action is deemed to be advisable and for the best interests of the great organization. Fort Worth only asks that instead of selling bidder, the association should resolve that the meetings be annually held in this city, ecutive committee it may be deemed advisable to go elsewhere.

The Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth in that city or the state. Texas now has as good stock as can be found in any other state, and Texas breeders are proud of this fact. A visit to this great live .WASHINGTON, D. C., March 11.— of this fact. A visit to this great live enough good stories about the experience stock show on March 21 will well be worth of the Rough Riders are cropping out to the time and money expended .- Texas

Montana was the guest of a dapper Bos- The Fat Stock Show to be held in this

southwest. Preparations have been made which insure its success in every particu-The same Boston lawyer received a note lar, and it may be safely assumed that from President Roosevel: to the effect no visitor will be disappointed in the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show.

Senator Stewart says the meat served by Washington boarding house keepers is at least five years old, and if a money to see him safely back in Arizona. fact, it seems there are some people He departed wearing a frock oat, white who were wise enough in their generation to make preparation for the reign

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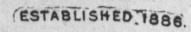
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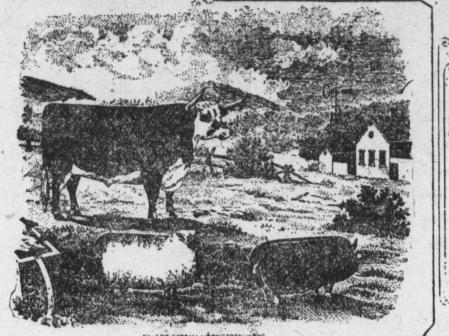
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#### TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:

The offerings on Monday were of moderate proportions; in fact, lighter than was expected in view of the strong tone pervading the market on all fat stuff at the close of last week. All butcher cows and fair to medium steers met with a strong demand at prices fully steady with last Friday, but the bidding was lower on good heavy weight steers, as reports from Northern markets indicated liberal runs, and forecast an easier tone to the demand. Tuesday's receipts were again moderate, and all offerings found ready sale at prices steady with Monday.

STEERS—There has been a good strong demand for all classes of steers; those of fair to medium flesh and weight being 10 to 15 cents higher than on Monday of last week, but what heavy steers have beeon sale here met with bids that are easy to 10 cents lower as compared with that day. All feeders showing any quality are selling at very satisfactory prices.

COWS—There continues to be a good strong demand for fat cows, but buyers are making a wider margin all the time between medium flesh good killing cows and canners. Thin stuff, unless of right age and having quality enough for the feeders to handle, are selling very low, being 10 to 20 cents lower than last week.

BULLS-Prices are generally steady at the range that has prevailed for the past ten days.

CALVES-Prices have not shown much change this week; good, fat kinds, both lights and heavies, being in good demand; other kinds slow.

HOGS—The hog market came in this morning about steady, but closed from 5 to 10 cents lower; the top being \$5.05 for a few choice heavy hogs. Mixed packers and medium weights sold from \$4.60 to \$4.90; lights, \$4.15 to \$4.60; pigs, \$3.25 to \$4.15. Good quality hogs are selling well, but hogs on the razor-back order still continue to be a dull sale.

SHEEP-Sheep receipts are very light; in fact, there are very few coming in at all, but prices are holding up exceedingly well. Good mutton wethers selling from \$4.50 to \$6.00 per cwt.; ewes, \$4.00 to \$5.50; lambs, \$4.50 to \$6.50; good feeders, \$2.75 to \$3.25; stockers, \$2.00 to \$2.25.

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MARKET REVIEW FOR WEEK

The end of the week finds a better feeling pervading all branches of the trade. Steers have advanced 10c on heavy fed and mediums, and a nickel more on light, short-fed stuff. Good cows are 15c better than a week ago, medium cows a dime to the good, while trashy cows are at least no lower. Feeder steers are selling stronger than a week ago, and the demand appears to develop with each fresh draft sent from the feed lots. Recent sales of fat stags at record-breaking prices are encouraging feeder men to buy more. Bulls remain about the same. Heifers of the best quality have advanced in about the same proportion with good ccws. Calves have weakened on good to medium weights, but choice vealers, when they can be obtained, are selling steady.

Saturday's hog market finds heavy packing hogs, ranging from 180 to 250 pounds, selling steady with a week ago. Light hogs, particularly those of the best quality, and corn-fed pigs, have lost 10c to 20c. Light and thin hogs, of the mastfed variety, are at least 2c to the bad, and buyers continue to discriminate against them.

Sheep sold at the end of the week steady with last week, with an inclination to more strength. Sheep of the best quality are in prime demand, packers having to send to Kansas City for much

of their mutton supply. Total receipts of cattle this week have reached 9,321, against 9,700 last week. Hogs receipts amount to 12,281, against 12.988 a week ago. Sheep ran up to 616, against 486 the previous week, and horses and mules 407, against 483.

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Moberly Bros., Italy
William Parks, Clarksville
Lansey & Cox, Flatonia
J. M. Sharp, Frost
W. T. Lester, Bailey
G. M. Gorbett, Sulphur Springs
J. I. Hubbard, Mansfield
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om the Trans-Pecos country, said to-

"I was surprised to find the country udalupe and Davis mountains, in such ls are covered with weeds six inches gh. The fillaree is blooming and a spees of tallow weed, common in the Abine country, is all over the flats. The ass is green on the hills, and the face the country is of advanced spring time. drove northwest forty miles from Toyah st Wednesday to the M ranch, through heavy snewstorm, and was surprised find among the hills big, fat steers, eek cows and little calves browsing unsturbed upon the weeds peeping out pove the snow. The weather was comaratively warm, and not a breeze disirbed the snow as it fell lightly. Before e night passed the snow was nearly one, and the weeds stood up in the sunnine next morning as green and as fresh Reports Received at Cattle any bed of flowers in spring time.

"There has been absolutely no loss in at country. I have passed through a umber of pastures, including Mrs. Kenall's, Hart's, Cowan's, Mac Sayles', Vhite's, Earp's and others, and did not ee a dead animal. I was told everywhere hat not a single animal in that section ad died from poverty this winter, and believe it, for I never saw a range ould make good beef today.

"The valleys and hill slopes are so thor-

J. J. BENNETT.

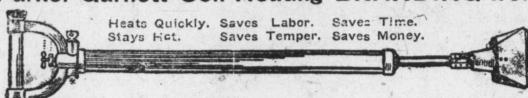
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empty hack pulled by two strong horses, is coming nicely. away from the beaten roads; that country is absolutely boggy all over.

tected against the northers that blow so ting fine and weather is clear. fiercely in this section of the state. This Heavy rains at Victoria have caused year, the dread to the cowman, a dry grass is growing fast. spring, is not a fear, but on the contrary From Alice and Range reports indithere is enough moisture to bring and cate local showers mature an immense grass crop. A great weather. Cattle are looking well. Henry Sayles of Abilene, who is just in many 3 and 4-year-old steers have been

this year. rthwest of Toyah, at the side of the 2c also that are in fine shape. There are no sheep in the country north of Toyah. he shape. The broad valleys among the I never expected to see the valleys green and the wild flowers blooming in the Toyah country at this season of the year."

The condition of range and weather at Corpus Christi, Beeville and other southern sections of the state is good. "The country of which I have spoken Cattle are improving rapidly in the is behind the high mountains and pro- Yorktown country. The range in get-

very wet ranges. As a consequence

The weather is cool and cloudy, but held over, and they will all be fat early not freezing in the Clarendon, Childress, Esteline and Memphis sections "There is a large number of coming of the Panhandle. Snow and sleet prevailed several days last week. The inspector reports light losses as a result of the bad weather.

> The range is reported good in the Carlsbad country, with snow and rain. Inspector White reports cattle doing finely with very little loss, in the Pauls Valley, Purcell and Wynnewood sections of Oklahoma.

Cattle are reported doing well at Dalhart, but the weather has been bad, with much rain and snow.

Reports from different sections indicate that there has been a very light movement of cattle to market during the last week. The total carloads does not exceed forty-nine, covering over twenty-five different points.

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able Spring Conditions

ughly wet that we could not drive an the Pecos and Toyah countries. Grass gales and San Diego.

#### MEXICAN CATTLE IMPORTS

According to the report of the bureau of animal industry for this department. issued today, 508 cattle were imported into the United States from Mexico during the month of February, 1905.

The class of animals, their destination and the purposes for which they were imported follows: Three-year-old steers, 193; 2-year-old steers, 156; stags, 9; yearling heifers, 2; yearling steers, 32; cows, t this season of the year. In Mac Sayles' Lytle of the Texas Cattle Raisers' As- 10; calves, 6; total, 508. Of these cattle, nd White's pastures there are hundreds sociation by the different inspectors, 315 were destined for Arizona and Texas for feeding and the remainder for California for grazing.

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#### OF INTEREST TO The STOCKMEN

THE COMING CONVENTION

ST. LOUIS, March 10.-Interest in the 1905 convention of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association grows as the dates for holding the convention draw near, and it is a certainty that this year's meeting will be the most successful in the history of the organization. Reports from all places which contribute delegations to the convention each year say that the number of persons who will go this year will be in excess of former years and that the greatest assemblage Fort Worth or any other Texas city has entertained at a cattlemen's gathering will be there.

The St. Louis market will send a large representation, as it always does in tribute to the great friendship which exists between Texas cattlemen and this market, as well as to adequately represent the market which sells 65 per cent of the quarantine cattle marketed. As yet the personnel of the delegation has displaying possession of good judgnot been fully determined, but it will consist of prominent commission men, stock yard officials and probably persons representing other branches of the business

Those who are going look forward to a great time. The reputation of Fort Worth for hospitality is proverbial, and it is a certainty that there will be 'something doing' in the entertainment line every minute of the time when the visitors are not engaged attending the sessions of the convenuon. The convention opens on March 21 and will last three days.

#### BIG RANCH SALE

BRACKETT, Texas, March 10 .- Something over thirty sections of land, about 20,000 acres, lying in the southern part of Edwards and the northern part of Kinney coutnties have recently been purchased from O. J. Woodhull of this county, by Mrs. Amanda Harris, R. L. Har-Edwards county, who will stock it with cattle. Mr. Woodhull has been running goats on the range, but has lately sold 7,000 Spanish goats to D. Hart of Del Rio at \$1.50 each. Mr. Woodhull still retains his range in the eastern part of this county, where he is engaged in the business of raising fine horses and cattle, but the deal above mentioned includes all of his entire interest in Edwards and north Kinney, the purchasers obtaining all land held by actual settlers within the limits of said purchase. The ranch will be run by the two Harris brothers and F. T. Coleman, all young men. Within the last eighteen months nearly one hundred thousand acres in this county have come under the control of young men, who are stocking the pastures with goats and cattle.

THE CUBAN MOVEMENT

GALVESTON, Texas, March 10 .- The live stock movement through the port of Galveston has started and the first shipment is being handled there by the Southern Pacific. It consists of several hundred head of horses for Cuba, and is being shipped via the steamship Habil, berthed at the Southern Pacific docks, C. P. Bareda, a prominent Cuban land owner and live stock man, is handling the consignment and is in Galveston to personally supervise the initial shipment which will be routed via the port of Cienfuegos, Cuba. He expects to ex- tous conspiracy.

port many thousand head of cattle this' season through Galveston and says the demand in Cuba for Texas cattle is growing very rapidly. It is expected that four or five concerns will soon commence shipping cattle through the Texas port and a new market has been created for Texas horses, which bring good prices on the island.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA CONDITIONS

CHICAGO, March 10 .- South Dakota has escaped well this winter," said Thos. B. Tomb, of the Lake-Tomb Cattle Company, who was here recently. "I do not believe we will lose a thousand head all through the winter. Abundance of snow has fallen and there is every assurance of good grass. I think the range will send some fat cattle to market this year. What is worrying us now is whether we will get anything for them or not."

#### CATTLE PAPER SAPE

According to the Cincinnati Price Current, the president of a western bank is credited with saying: "In recent years the banker, in making a cattle loan, knew almost to a certainty that the average borrower had to lose money. The credit man has a natural and deep seated aversion to sanctioning a transaction where loss is almost certain. This year the feeder, provided he knows anything about his business, ought to make some money, consequently the credit man regards his paper as good security.

"One of the greatest safeguards of the credit business is anticipation of borrowers' profits. In making a loan the credit man ought to feel reasonable assurance that before it is repaid there will be 'an accretion. If the borrower loses, unsatisfactory conditions are created for all parties. At present the banker stands in this po-Gazette for one year. The Gazette in- sition: He is not only ready but variably stops when the time is up, so anxious to finance cattle feeding opthat at the end of the year, unless you erations, being confident that the borrower will be able, not only to repay the loan, but make money for himself, a result achieved only in a few instances in recent years. Then we were facing almost absolute certainty of a declining market for finished cattle; now the outlook is for the maintenance of present prices if not further appreciations.

"It is true that feeders have been somewhat backward this fall in beginning beef-making operations. We have been looking for considerable offerings of cattle paper in consequence of the wide margin now existing between feeding and finishing cattle, but country advices are to the effect that while some feeding has begun the volume is not nearly as heavy as in recent years. This may be attributed to human nature. When values are booming everybody displays a desire to stock up, but when the pendulum swings the other way and prices go below the cost of production the crowd indulges in a mad rush to get out. As a rule the man who makes the money is the man who gets out when others get in and when the bottom is reached avails himself of those opportunities always within reach when the bargain counter is overloaded.

#### FEEDERS WILL MAKE MONEY

"My opinion is that those who are ment at this juncture by buying and feeding cattle will make money. Before long we will have a repetition of conditions prevailing three years ago when a mere handful of finished cattle was available. I do not look for an abnormally high market, but I do believe that the experienced feeder, the men who understands his business, can fill his feed lot under present and prospective market conditions with assurance of reasonable profit for his time and risk. Of course, he must buy his raw material right. Feeders who stock up wrong and feed wrong are not likely to sell to advantage. It is now evident that a large number of so-called small cattle feeders, smarting under losses of the past few seasons, will feed this year. They bought thin cattle high, fed torn of poor quality, and in many cases lost not only their season's work but their crop. As a rule, such men do not look for ris, W. T. Harris and F. T. Coleman of causes; they see only results and draw conclusions accordingly."

#### TO GARFIELD OBJECT

Members of Kansas Legislature Pass Strong Resolution

TOPEKA, Kan., March ..- The Kansas legislature yesterday adopted a resolution urging the president to reject the Garfield report on the beef trust and order an investigation by some man who knows his business. The resolution, which is preceded by half a dozen "whereases," is as follows:

Resolved. By the senate, the house concurring therein, that we request the president of the United States to reject this report and appoint some man with experience, intelligence, independence and nerve that will qualify him for the task of investigating this game of commercial highwaymen known as the beef trust, to the end that the public may be fully informed as to sources of their enormous profits and the foundations for their colossal fortunes and the means, instruments and agreements by which for a generation they have robbed both the producer and the consumer, to the end that legislation protecting both may be intelligently devised, and that the light of publicity, that light which is destructive to all trusts and combinations, may be thrown upon the operations of this vicious and iniqui-



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# CONDEMNS THE

James R. Garfield, commissioner of corporations, after a month of arduous work, has turned in to the president his report in the beef trust investigation. He finds that there is no such thing as a beef trust. He finds further that the packers make a profit not exceeding 99 cents on the beef steer, outside of the by-products, which yield a small revenue. The packers, according to his report, make only a very small per cent on their investment at best, and some years they have actually lost money. The commissioner reports that he has investigated the books of the packers and these are the things he has learned.

His report makes us feel real sorry for the poor packers. It also makes us feel corry for the commissioner. It shows that he is either a liar or a fool. His report will deceive nobody. The meat trust is composed of six giant concerns, all of which have made many millions of dollars out of their business. The Armours, Swifts and Cudahys are each worth over a hundred million dollars, which have been made out of the business which they control. This being true, and the wellknown fact that live cattle are now at the lowest price reached in years, while the products of the packing houses are at the highest price, how can it be possible that the packers are not making a big profit? The cost of slaughtering and selling has not increased, and the cost of transportation has not increased, the retailers are not reaping all the profit, so It seems that there is only one place for the profits to go, and that is into the pockets of the trust.

think there is a trust, but he offers no explanation of the fact that there is no competition among buyers of cattle, and it is a well-known fact that the same buyer purches the cattle for every one constitute the trust. If they do not fix

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the price of cattle, how can the above noted be accounted for?

Commissioner Garfield has deceived nobody, unless it is himself. He is now going to "investigate" the Standard Oil trust, and if he pursues the same course he has in investigating the beef trust, he will probably find that if the government does not grant the trust a subsidy of some sort it will have to go out of business on account of its inability to make ends meet. The trusts are, anxious for the commissioner to go on with his investigations, and offer him all the help they can tender. We should think they would. So thorough a whitewashing by a representative of the government as has been given the beef trust is a strong cord in favor of every trust, and they hope to use it in further hoodwinking the public. But the public is not deceived thereby, and the people are determined that the day of reckoning with these gigantic concerns shall not be much longer delayed. Public sentiment in this country, once thoroughly aroused, cannot be brooked, and it is fast being aroused. The trusts are already pulling down the pillars that supports the temple above their heads, and the fall thereof will soon follow .-Bonham News.

#### DINNER FOR STOCKMEN

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One of the most pronounced features of the cattlemen's convention in Fort Worth will be the Fat Stock Show. A visit to the show will prove a revelation, for it is The commissioner finds no reason to recorded that these annual exhibitions of Texas' fine stock are second to none in the United States. Wise county stock will be in the show ring, of course, and we feel that our share of blue ribbon is as good as received already. We are on the of the six big packeries that are said to ground floor in this particular line, as a visit to the many magnificent stock farms in the county will show.-Decatur Mes-

The annual Fat Stock Show to be held in this city during the cattlemen's convention, which convenes on March 21, promises to be the grandest event of the kind arranged for all who come and Fort Worth ever witnessed in the southwest, Wise county will make no mistake in sending her best stock here, and every other county in Texas should do the very same

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