

ECHOES OF THE RANGE

Weekly Compilation of Interesting Ranch and Stock News from All of the Great Range Country of Texas

The Alpine Country
ALPINE, Texas, Dec. 21.—This place was again visited by a good warm rain and snow last Saturday. The ground is thoroughly soaked and water holes filled, and conditions more favorable than ever for winter and spring.

In New Mexico
Deming Graphite.
A. W. Wilson is buying and shipping steers north from here.

In Brewster County
Brewster county has long been noted for the best grass cattle that go to any of the markets; more recently it has become noted for quicksilver mines which are among the richest in the world.

For marble, and possibly also for gold; and there are other probabilities and possibilities too numerous to mention. Add to all this the pleasantest and most salubrious climate on earth and you have a pen picture of Brewster county.

In Deaf Smith County
Hereford Brand.
Conner Jowell is in the city again after several months' absence in Kansas City, where he has been in the employ of the Frank Witherspoon Cattle Commission Company.

In Llano County
J. R. Reed sold 116 head of sheep yesterday to Ben A. Ligon at a little better than \$27.50 per head.

In Coleman County
Coleman Democrat.
Whenever Coleman county stock are exhibited they prove to be prize winners.

In Tom Green County
San Angelo Standard.
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In Sutton County
Sonora News.
Jim Smith, the young stockman of Edwards county bought five head of full-blood Hereford bulls from Sol Mayer & Brother for \$50 per head.

In Crockett County
Ozona Kicker.
Doss Russell sold to Dr. A. W. Clayton 200 sheep at \$3.75.

In Eastland County
G. M. D. Garner of Scurry county is an old Texan, and has been west for a long time.

Among the well-known Crockett county stockmen who were last week admitted to membership in the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, the Miller, Homer Smith and J. W. Owens. Bruce Drake bought 150 cows and steers in the Twin Hill neighborhood.

In New Mexico
Carlsbad Current.
Mac Fletcher brought in the report yesterday morning from the A. J. Crawford sheep ranch that about 1,000 head of sheep had been lost on that ranch.

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NEWS OF THE TEXAS RANGE

Sold to Settlers
ELECTRA, Texas, Dec. 19.—About thirty thousand acres of the vast tract of land lying just north of town, recently acquired by R. S. Allen from W. T. Waggoner, has been sold to actual settlers and is now being improved.

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payments. The contract of sale was made and forfeit money placed in the bank Tuesday afternoon of this week and all that remains is for the title papers to be prepared and deed passed. Chris and George Hagelstein of San Angelo and Cleo Smith of Mineral Wells are the purchasers, all of the parties to the trade being at that place yesterday. The deal has been brewing for several weeks and the parties came to an agreement at Corpus Christi this week.

Sold Fifteen Sections
MENARDVILLE, Texas, Dec. 20.—Dr. A. C. McDaniel, who has charge of the Galveston, Houston and San Antonio railroad lands in this county, has sold fifteen sections this week.

Ayers Ranch Sold
STERLING CITY, Texas, Dec. 20.—Herman & Cook of San Angelo, in connection with Rasberry & Straley of Sterling City, have effected the sale of the Ayers Brothers' ranch in Sterling county to Baskett & Reynolds of Coalgate, I. T. The sale includes about 1,000 acres of land, and the cattle on the ranch and the consideration is slightly above \$11,000.

Sales at Menardville
MENARDVILLE, Texas, Dec. 20.—J. T. Simpson of Brady bought four sections of Galveston, Houston and San Antonio railroad land from the agent of the road, Dr. A. C. McDaniel, Mrs. Lizzie Simpson, four sections, and Mrs. Ruby Carson, two sections.

Benefit From Rains.
SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 20.—Louis Hinde, the cattle and sheepman of Crockett county, was in San Angelo the latter part of last week. Mr. Hinde said that the recent heavy rains had done much good in his country.

Sales at Sonora
SONORA, Texas, Dec. 20.—J. W. Martin sold this week to George S. Allison his stock of cattle and three-year-old steers at \$13 and \$23 around. T. D. Word and Sons bought from T. J. Clegg a ranch consisting of fifteen sections of land and improvements, north of Ozona, for a consideration of \$25,000.

Dealing in Cows
BRONTE, Texas, Dec. 20.—R. B. Hudson was over from his ranch on Wednesday. He has recently returned from San Angelo, where he bought of Fred Baker at private sale a herd of thirty fine cows—Durhams. He also sold white on the trip a four-year-old horse for \$100. Mr. Hudson expects soon to leave for Austin, where he



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Lot of Yearling Bulls
PECCOS, Texas, Dec. 20.—Ed Steigler, one of the U managers, returned last Saturday with ninety-two head of Shorthorn Durham yearling bulls which he bought from Kansas City, where they had been purchased. They were a fine lot of yearlings and will add greatly to Popham and Wilson's herd of cattle. They were branded and sent out to the ranch at once.

20,000 Acres Sold
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Netted \$35 a Steer
MERKEL, Texas, Dec. 20.—J. S. Swan shipped another car of fat cattle to the Fort Worth market Monday night. He shipped a car last week which proved the finest stuff shipped from this section for some time. The entire car netting him more than \$35 per steer.

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In the Public Eye—A page every Sunday on which appears letters from the public on questions of the day.
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DOCTORS LOSE A THOUSAND DOLLARS

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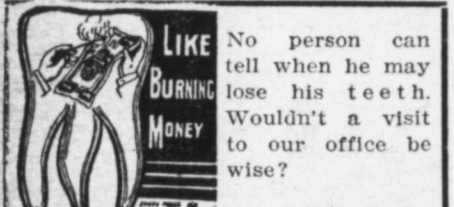
He is Enjoying Good Health for the First Time in Ten Years

"I would have given \$1,000 to the doctors of this city if they could have put me in the condition in which I am today," declares H. B. Bell. For many years Mr. Bell suffered from a complication of diseases that made life a living hell. His stomach, liver and kidneys were affected. Doctors by the dozen were tried, but no benefit was derived from the dollars poured into the hands and pockets of the medical profession. Perhaps it was not the fault of the doctor, probably he did not know what the trouble was and what was needed to effect a cure. Then, the thousands of his brethren, he experimented at the expense of the patient.

Hearing of the good being done by the Hot Springs Doctors, Mr. Bell decided to take advantage of the free consultation and treatment offer and give them a trial. To be sure, he was skeptical and thought he was continuing his habit of donating his money to a doctor. He knew, however, that if he did not cure him he would get his money back because they guarantee to give or refund the money in every case that is accepted. This is what he says now:

"I found instant relief. The first dose helped me and I am now getting stronger every day. I would gladly have given \$1,000 to the doctors of this city if they could have put me in the condition in which I am today."

There are thousands of people in Fort Worth today who are saying the same thing. The offices of the Hot Springs Doctors at 900 Houston street are filled daily with young and old, men, women and children, suffering with chronic organ of the body. The Hot Springs Doctors' stack of testimonials is daily increased by letters from people who have been cured.



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WEST TEXAS GROWING WITH PROSPEROUS TIMES

A Prosperity Congestion

COLORADO, Texas, Dec. 18.—Never in the history of Colorado have things been in such an overcrowded shape as they are now at the Texas & Pacific depot, yard, express office, compress and cotton yard, etc. Last Sunday afternoon over 2,000 bales of cotton on the compress platform at one time, more than 500 in the yard, and 95 cars loaded with freight in the yards to be unloaded, and no room to put it in. The compress is short on help and the railroad and express office has about half enough men to handle the business and no room to put it in. We have a promise from the road that they will put in more tracks and a larger depot platform early in the spring, but we are also informed that they have made that same promise to all the towns on the line. Merchants cannot get their freight, and the express office is a creek bed of delivery. This is no fault of the men in charge, they are simply overloaded and have more than they can do. The compress people say they will build a platform next year large enough to hold the cotton if they have to extend it over the river.

New and Prolific Cotton

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 18.—George Clayton of this city has discovered a new and prolific variety of cotton. He gathered from one acre exactly 3,300 pounds of seed cotton and has at least 200 pounds more open. This means a 300 per cent increase in the yield of seed cotton per acre. He recommends that the seed be planted in check rows, three and a half feet each way, and that this plan will bring the best results one year with another. "It is safe to plant for dry weather in this country for all crops. It is the only way to insure good crops, as well as cotton," said he. "It also means air and sunshine in wet seasons, which discourages worms. D. M. White has arranged to plant acres of this cotton on his farm next season, and will observe the rule laid down by Mr. Clayton.

Schleicher County Fire

EL DORADO, Texas, Dec. 18.—On Wednesday afternoon, while a woman was getting dinner near Robert Bailey's north well, about ten miles from town, a fire started, which did a great deal of damage. The wind was blowing from the west and this brought the fire toward the town. The town people got ready for a fire fight. They left town in wagons, buggies and on horseback. After a hard fight the fire was whipped out within two miles of town. It burned something like nine or ten miles and over ten sections of grass. This is the largest prairie fire Schleicher county has had for several years.

Prosperous Ice Plant

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 18.—The stockholders of the San Antonio Ice & Power Company met Saturday afternoon in annual session and heard the reports for the current year. The business showing was a satisfactory one and the stockholders decided to increase the capital from \$40,000 to \$60,000. Their 75-ton plant has been able to meet all demands of the present year, shipping as many as five cars daily. The company is now negotiating for a new and larger plant east on the Santa Fe and with interior towns has grown rapidly during the year and it is with a determination to keep up with the growing business that the capital was increased. This plant is the largest in this entire section.

Sweetwater Waterworks

SWEETWATER, Texas, Dec. 18.—The Neill Engineering Company of Dallas, which has been figuring on our waterworks proposition, writes to the city authorities that it is prepared to go into the work. They propose to keep the old plant and build a new plant and waterworks plant. They estimate the entire system will cost \$34,000 and after all expenses are paid will leave the city with \$13,000 will be derived. The proposition is that the citizens subscribe for \$10,000 of the capital stock, the light and ice plant would always be in operation, day and night, a fan service could be inaugurated, thus adding more revenue.

Cutting Up Ranches

BALLINGER, Texas, Dec. 18.—The Geiseke Bennett Company closed a big deal in selling the Honey Lakin ranch, consisting of two sections of land near Miles, to Sellman and Schenz for a consideration of nearly \$25,000. The business was cut up into small tracts and sold to settlers, as they have been doing successfully with other tracts.

Population Boom at Graham

GRAHAM, Texas, Dec. 18.—Every available house in town is occupied. There is a spare room in every residence that can be rented has been let out to tenants. Even the upper story of the old Carter-Battle store has three or four families in it. The town is overflowing from each other. The hotels are crowded to their full capacity each night, and it is nothing at all unusual for men to sit up all night in the hotel office. Graham is truly in the middle of a boom and what we need right now more than anything else is a whole lot of new houses, both stores and residences.

Proposed Abilene Cotton Mill

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 18.—While the promoter is not mentioned, a proposition has been made the citizens of Abilene to erect a cotton mill here that will employ 400 people. There is to be 25 automatic looms and 17,000 spindles. The contracts call for the people of Abilene to take \$100,000 worth of stock and the promoter will agree to take \$300,000. The proposition comes thru W. H. McGoldrick of the Federal Gas Company, and his financial connections are good. There is no idle talk in this matter, but a bona fide proposition.

Big Bonus for School Lands

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 18.—R. A. Freeman of Godley, Texas, bought last week from M. M. Beavers, 320 acres of school land in Schleicher county for a bonus consideration of \$1 per acre. Mr. Freeman, accompanied by his father, went to Godley Saturday, expecting to move to his new property in Schleicher county and make his home there. W. H. Collins sold Friday to J. W. Thornton, 1,440

Fat Palo Pinto Hogs

GORDON, Texas, Dec. 18.—John Jones of the Narrows sold two hogs at the market here last week that weighed 801 pounds net. He sold three this week that weighed 1,003 net. He received 7 cents per pound, that is \$13.72. He has another hog that will weigh about 400 pounds, but he says that he wants to feed it longer, as it is not yet fat.

Big Receipts of Cotton

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 18.—Public Weigher Walter B. Withers states that about 7,800 bales of cotton have been received in San Angelo this fall. Mr. Withers also stated that recently went into office, has himself received and weighed over 1,000 bales of cotton. Cotton continues to come in at a rapid rate. It is estimated that there will have been about 9,000 bales received.

Small Coal Vein Found

BAIRD, Texas, Dec. 18.—Captain Powell has discovered a four-inch vein of coal in the creek in the south part of town. This is a small vein, as shown by a test made this morning. It is almost certain that coal in paying quantity will be found down right under the town.

New Bank Organized

BARSTOWN, Texas, Dec. 18.—At a meeting held Monday afternoon in the office of Starley & Hudson, Barstow's new bank was permanently organized with the exception of the election of officers, which was referred to a subsequent meeting. Arrangements were made for a suitable building to house the new institution. A meeting of the preliminary work was held on Monday afternoon at the office of Starley & Hudson, when the election will be held and the amount of capital stock made public. The new bank will be ready for business Jan. 2, 1907.

Enlarging Hotel

SWEETWATER, Texas, Dec. 4.—One of the great enterprises of the town is that of the mineral wells. These wells are noted far and near for the curative power of the water. They have effected cures often after the patient has tried numerous other healing waters. The Grogan hotel is crowded to its utmost capacity and the proprietor is forced to add more rooms to his building. He has forty rooms and will at once commence the erection of ten more.

New Academy at San Angelo

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 11.—The Immaculate Conception Academy of San Angelo is to be built during 1907, a commodious two-story structure, a boarding college east of San Angelo, and the site for the handsome addition to the schools of the city having been donated by the late Mrs. Messrs. T. P. Bell and J. Willis Johnson tendered to the sisters of the Catholic church, to a tract of land in the northeast corner of the town, amounting to something over fourteen acres. Mr. Bell gave seven and a fraction acres and Mr. Johnson a like area.

Six Hundred Pound Hog

CARNEY, Texas, Dec. 11.—C. L. Carter, an enterprising farmer, living west of town, killed a Berkshire hog which tipped the beam at 690 pounds. At the market price of \$5.25 this hog is worth \$3,600 and he has made a very clear profit for time and labor than two bales of cotton. Mr. Carter is an all-around farmer and has a large big cotton crop, being one of the best in the county.

Cotton Over Bales Per Acre

SAN SABA, Texas, Dec. 11.—A. L. Boyd, who farmed at Live Oak, reports that he gathered thirteen bales of cotton from 1 1/2 acres and eight bales from 1/2 acre. He has also a ten-acre corn field. The corn was thin and he planted cotton in the middles.

Midland Commercial Club

MIDLAND, Texas, Dec. 11.—The Commercial Club has moved into its new quarters, in the "Commercial" block, and its officers are busy getting the rooms fitted up in club-like style. It is safe to say there is no club in the west which has more commodious or convenient rooms and no effort will be spared to make the furnishings and appointments all that could be desired. The membership is of the most energetic and progressive men, both young and old, of the Midland country, its already successful career being but the beginning of a still more successful future. Such an organization means much to any town, for it provides that nucleus of civic-minded men who instill that spirit of co-operation, without which any small town must ultimately mean nothing to the town.

More Homes Needed

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 11.—The increasing number of tourists coming to San Angelo and the still larger number of prospectors and homeseekers begin to emphasize the necessity for the building of more houses in town and in the country. The population of San Angelo and the whole country is growing so rapidly that the housing problem will soon become a problem of vital importance, and its timely and proper solution will mean much to the town and country. The influx of population this year will, if all signs do not fail, increase in arithmetical progression during the next succeeding year. It will be well to take time by the forelock and prepare for the coming of the stranger to this section.

Land Titles Involved

EASTLAND, Texas, Dec. 11.—By all the signs and portents there is trouble brewing for Eastland county, which involves the title to a large slice of valuable coal lands in the northeast corner of the county. Our county has been divided into sections by the title to Palo Pinto county has appointed a surveyor for the purpose of defining the south and west boundaries of said county. Palo Pinto county makes claim that the south and west lines as at present constituted are not sufficiently well defined and that necessity exists for relocating and defining said lines. Eastland's county surveyor will be in charge of the survey, and work will begin on the 12th instant. If the line is established at a point claimed by Palo Pinto county, comprising several square miles, which is underlain by rich deposits of coal, it will wrest from Eastland county a corner comprising several square miles, which is underlain by rich deposits of coal. The surveying work will take in the mining town of Thurber and relieve the drouth under which miners have been suffering by placing them in a wet country. This will be delightful for the

miners. This movement promises to be very expensive for the counties involved, and may result in a long drawn out legal battle.

New Variety of Cotton

SAN SABA, Texas, Dec. 11.—W. O. Callaway, head of the bureau of plant industry, agricultural department, has prepared an important report on a variety of cotton recently discovered in Texas, and that will ripen before August. The plant is a bushy tree. This cotton will be able to escape the ravages of the boll weevil. The variety is known as the bushy tree cotton. The department believes it has discovered a successful method of handling the boll weevil.

Pays for Land in Sorghum

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 22.—Truck and fruit farmers in sections of the state peculiarly adapted to the growth of such things have often made small tracts of land produce far more in the value of the crop for one year than the land originally cost, and during the big cotton year of 1906, north and west Texas many purchasers of land were able to pay same out with the yield of that single crop, but with the exception of a few, Green county farmer in the production of sorghum here is a sample that will distance most any other crop. J. B. Dugan, a tenant on the farm of W. A. Guthrie, three miles south of San Angelo, planted ten acres in sorghum this year, and has harvested a total of 130,000 bundles, weighing from 19 to 20 pounds, or in the aggregate of 2,600,000 pounds. This is an average of 10 tons per acre. Figuring the sorghum at \$6 per ton and ten tons per acre is shown to be \$60, which is far in excess of cotton or any other ordinary crop that can be grown on the soil. This is the first year that the crop has been raised in this section. The crop is not going to be such a large one after all, and this claim of a bale to the acre is wrong, as it relates to the whole acreage of cotton.

Cotton Crop Disappointing

John W. Bales is a farmer and stockman of Scurry county and resides near Snyder. "I read a lot," said he, "about extra fine crops of cotton that the west is making, and as a farmer I would like to say a few words from my own knowledge, relative to the crop out my way. I had in my crop of cotton this year and at one time my neighbors told me that I certainly would have a crop to the acre and I thought so too. The boll worms got in their work later and now at this date if I get forty bales it will be all I look for. I am speaking for myself and I suppose other farmers are in the same fix. It is never prudent to bet on the yield of a cotton crop until it is picked, kinned and sold, then you may calculate how much you had. Another thing: This constant boasting about the size of the maximum profits after they are in, in boosting their own towns, regard less of any other interest, and real estate men who are anxious to dispose of the property for a commission, is hard on the farmer, for it gives the cotton gambler in New York the chance he wants to hammer down the price of the staple. The crop is not going to be such a large one after all, and this claim of a bale to the acre is wrong, as it relates to the whole acreage of cotton.

New School for Stamford

STAMFORD, Texas, Dec. 22.—The school board of Stamford independent district is advertising for plans for their new school buildings. Bids are invited to the board of the new school. It is probable that it will not be a great while till the board will have the building in construction. The building is to cost \$17,000.

He Will Raise Apples

WEATHERFORD, Texas, Dec. 22.—G. S. Maddox has placed the apple orchard down southeast of town where he gives rein to that peculiar desire in the hearts of most all traveling men to visit a country where the apples are so good. Mr. Maddox has made a pretty good nest. His reputation as a hog raiser has spread far over the land, and it is probable that he will have a very good crop of apples and pumpkins, but just now his hobby is apples, and a right sensible hobby it is making it.

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Comanche Cotton Receipts

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Cotton Yield Good

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 22.—Z. T. Adam was in from his place in North Park today with cotton and says that he made more than twenty bales of the crop. He says the yield was good. He sold the first fourteen bales at 10-15 and hopes to get more than an average of ten cents for the whole crop.

Cotton Crop Disappointing

John W. Bales is a farmer and stockman of Scurry county and resides near Snyder. "I read a lot," said he, "about extra fine crops of cotton that the west is making, and as a farmer I would like to say a few words from my own knowledge, relative to the crop out my way. I had in my crop of cotton this year and at one time my neighbors told me that I certainly would have a crop to the acre and I thought so too. The boll worms got in their work later and now at this date if I get forty bales it will be all I look for. I am speaking for myself and I suppose other farmers are in the same fix. It is never prudent to bet on the yield of a cotton crop until it is picked, kinned and sold, then you may calculate how much you had. Another thing: This constant boasting about the size of the maximum profits after they are in, in boosting their own towns, regard less of any other interest, and real estate men who are anxious to dispose of the property for a commission, is hard on the farmer, for it gives the cotton gambler in New York the chance he wants to hammer down the price of the staple. The crop is not going to be such a large one after all, and this claim of a bale to the acre is wrong, as it relates to the whole acreage of cotton.

New School for Stamford

STAMFORD, Texas, Dec. 22.—The school board of Stamford independent district is advertising for plans for their new school buildings. Bids are invited to the board of the new school. It is probable that it will not be a great while till the board will have the building in construction. The building is to cost \$17,000.

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A BREEDER'S SUGGESTIONS

When a pig's testicles are hard it should be fed for the butcher. Alfalfa and rape are among the standard rations for the flock. Don't let a superior stockman you to part with your best ewe lambs. Exercise for the ewes is as necessary for a good lamb as for a pig.

MULE-FOOTED HOG

A writer in an exchange, a breeder of mule-footed hogs for eighteen years, says that he has never lost one of them from disease, although cholera has several times annihilated all the swine in his part of the state. The doctor does not advance any scientific argument to explain the supposed effect of the foot's shape upon the health of the animal. He simply claims that this peculiar type of hog is immune from the common ailments of his kind.

SWINE

A TEXAN RECOGNIZED
At the annual meeting of the American Poland China Association held in Chicago recently, Mr. H. E. Singleton of McKinney, Texas, elected national president of this very prestigious body of swine breeders. This recognition of Mr. Singleton's services to the Poland China breed is a high honor. Mr. Singleton has been president of the Texas Swine Breeders' Association, member of its executive committee for years and a popular lecturer in all parts of the southwest in treating the subject of swine breeding. Poland breeders of other states have known Mr. Singleton as the premier breeder of the southwest and as an influential director in their association for a long period. Now they confer on him the highest honor in the gift of the American Poland China breeders and we who know him best feel confident that his administrative and breeding talents will be a great benefit to the swine industry of the southwest and far and wide.

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CATTLE FEEDING IN TEXAS
There is considerable apparent demand for cattle to go into Texas feed lots, in spite of the allegations made by a number of feeders that feeding is being greatly restricted by the high prices demanded for all cotton seed oil mill products. There is hardly a day passes without the appearance of buyers upon the local market who declare they are on the lookout for good feeding stuff, and willing to take prime stuff at good figures.
A new feature of the feeding business this season is that these men who are looking for animals to go into their feed lots are uniformly insisting that they shall be well graded. They are not content to take an animal just simply because it looks good, but want some good blood behind it to insure returns on the investment. This new departure on the part of feeders is indicative of progress in the art of feeding on the part of the Texas feeders. The coming of the corn belt feeders down into Texas is largely responsible for this, and it is a good omen for the future.
The corn belt feeders have found from experience that the very best results can only be obtained from Texas range bred stuff, but they are not content to accept anything that comes off the Texas ranges. They demand the very tops of the production, coming down in person and selecting the animals themselves, even with the realization that this procedure costs them more money. They have found from former feeding operations that it requires something more than a good appearance to make an animal a desirable feeding proposition, and unless it has had the proper breeding the results are not going to show the desired profit.
Texas has learned and is mastering the feeding business at a very slow rate. The rule in this state has been to run almost any kind of a bunch of cattle into the feed pens, and trust to luck for results. Of course, under such procedure feeding operations in the past have not been as profitable as would have been the case under different circumstances. But the Texas feeder has had to learn, and he is now profiting both by experience and observation. The experiments conducted by the Agricultural and Mechanical college people are being closely watched, and the Texas feeders are learning something about a well balanced ration and something concerning the desirability of having good blood in every animal that goes into the feed pens.
The agricultural and mechanical college people are now conducting a feeding experiment in the Panhandle, which will be watched with a great deal of interest by the cattlemen and stockfarmers of that section. One hundred head of steers have been placed on feed at Clarendon, the property of T. S. Bugbee, president of the Panhandle Stockmen's Association. Colonel Bugbee furnishes both the cattle and the feed, and the feeding is done under the direction of the college people. Professor F. R. Marshall has the matter in charge, and the feeding will be done principally on Panhandle products. Professor Marshall speaks very hopefully of the experiment and expects some valuable developments.

Texas feeders are right in insisting on having well-bred animals as a basis for operations, and they are justified in paying several dollars more for the animals they want than to take what they can get at any old price that will satisfy the producer. To get the best results should be the aim of all who engage in feeding, and the best results always come from the utilization of the very best material. The scrub may give as good account of himself in the feed lot as possible, but it is not possible for him to measure up with the animal of good breeding.
There has been a process of grading up in progress among all Texas herds now for several years, and while it has been curtailed for some time by the demoralization existing in the range cattle business, it is clear it must be continued for the future. The man who is producing cattle out in the range country cannot afford to rest on what has been accomplished with

the idea his stock are now good enough. If he does he is certain to see his more progressive neighbor sell his stuff at good prices while his are passed up as unavailability. Never was there a greater incentive to improve Texas herds than exists at present.
Texas feeders will continue to insist on having the best, just as will their well posted brethren in the corn belt states. Texas producers must hearken to this demand, or they are going to find the cattle business an up-hill proposition. Good blood must be introduced in the herds and kept there. The work that was done in this respect five years ago will not answer the demands of the present and the future.

SHEEPMEN SHOULD GET WISE
Complaint is made that sheepmen in the western portion of the state are not properly observing the law with regard to scabby animals, and are liable to get themselves into serious trouble. Dr. Joseph W. Parker, federal inspector at San Antonio, gives out the following timely suggestions:
"Sheepmen generally do not seem to be advised that instructions were issued last April that government inspection could not be secured until thirty days after sheep had been dipped by an owner when such dipping had been done without the supervision of an inspector of the department. The orders are very positive and we have no alternative except to enforce them and this will be done. The order on the subject was issued by Secretary Wilson on April 12 last, and his instructions to inspectors are as follows:
"You are advised that owners of sheep and cattle may use whatever preparation they desire in the unofficial dipping of their flocks and herds provided that such dipping is not in conflict with the state or territorial regulations. By the term unofficial dipping is meant dipping without supervision by an employe of this department. An interval of at least thirty days must elapse before animals dipped without supervision may be examined for interstate shipment, regardless of the kind of dip used, and diseased animals must have been dipped twice ten to fourteen days between dippings. When animals so dipped are found on examination to be free of disease and exposure thereto they shall be certified and their movement permitted without restriction. The above applies only to localities where scabies or mange is not prevalent and where animals have been confined after dipping, and does not provide for the dipping of animals in localities where the animals run upon the open range and where disease is generally disseminated. In areas where a general dipping is required by the department, or where the dipping is co-operating with a state or territory, the dipping must be done under the supervision of an employe of the bureau, or an employe of the state or territory previously agreed upon, and in such cases when the dipping has been properly performed shipment may be made as soon as the animals are dry. In hot weather shipment may be made at once."

IS CATTLE BUSINESS DOOMED?
Is the cattle business in Texas really doomed? This is a question the ranchmen of this state are beginning to ask themselves with more or less forebodings, and the worst feature of the situation is that there is so little in existing conditions that seem to promise much for the future. In many instances Texas ranchmen are preparing to make the last fateful stand over in the adjoining republic of Mexico, where they believe they will be secure from agricultural intrusion, and the probabilities are that thousands of head of cattle now in Texas will be grazing peacefully in Mexico before the passing of another year.
Down in southwest Texas where the ranchmen have been in control since the time Texas passed from under the dominion of Mexico, there has been a great shaking up and readjustment thru the advent of lines of railway into that territory, and some of the most noted ranches in all that country are just on the verge of forever passing out of existence. The well known King, Kennedy, Armstrong and Driscoll ranches are about to pass into the hands of a big New York syndicate, headed by H. H. Rogers of the Standard Oil Company and James Stillman of the National City bank of New York. While the terms of this gigantic purchase have not been agreed upon, the matter has progressed sufficiently far to cause Major John E. Armstrong and Captain J. G. Kennedy, owners of two of the big ranches involved, to go hurriedly into Mexico in search of new ranch locations.
These two noted Texas ranchmen are now in the city of Monterey on their way to the state of Tamaulipas, where they expect to close the purchase of more than a million acres of Mexican land, which will be used for ranching purposes. They propose to begin cattle raising in Mexico on a large scale and will ship thousands of head from their Texas ranches to the new location within the next few months.
Both Armstrong and Kennedy express the opinion that ranching in Texas is doomed, and declare they are looking for other fields in which they can pursue the avocation of cattle raising with profit. Both admit they have been offered very high prices for their Texas ranches, and say the inducements are such they will have to open them up for settlement.

There is a well authenticated rumor to the effect that Secretary James Wilson of the department of agriculture at Washington will probably find time to attend the next annual meeting of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, and Fat Stock Show, which will be held in this city next March. And if such proves to be the case this true and tried friend of the great live stock industry will receive such a welcome as will make him glad that he came. All Texas and the southwest will unite in doing honor to Secretary Wilson.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR
Most of our lunatic asylums are filled with critics. When you remember about avoiding temptation it's too late.
You can never convince a girl that a man loves her unless she can make him jealous.
Men are so naturally conceited that even one with whiskers thinks people admire them.
Hardly any rich men could make a living following the advice he gives to young men on how to do it.
If no man has ever kissed a girl you must not believe her.
A man who harps on one string isn't necessarily high strung.
It's difficult for a man to keep cool when he is between two fires.
Truth isn't always a thing of beauty, but it isn't the truth's fault.
The shadow of suspicion often results from the casting of reflections.

POULTRY

EGGS PACKED IN SALT
There is no cheaper way of preserving eggs than by packing them in salt and the only objection to such a method is that the salt sometimes becomes packed in the receiver, making it unpleasant to eat. To remove the eggs, salt in which eggs have been packed is not harmed in the least and can be used for the stock. Almost any receptacle can be used to pack eggs in, in fact anything that will hold salt. Crocks, kegs, barrels and boxes are most commonly used for that purpose. The layer of salt on the bottom of the receptacle, then a layer of eggs, but be careful that the eggs do not touch each other. After filling the receiver, pour over the layer of eggs with salt and so on until the box or barrel is filled. Eggs can be kept better and for a greater length of time if not fertilized. Eggs generally command the highest prices during the latter part of January or first of February, but a scarcity early in December sometimes boosts the price. At any rate, from now on the price will constantly increase. Do not hold stored eggs later than the middle of the season, as a sudden weather always brings lower prices.

POULTRY PESTS
One thing the average farmer is altogether too slow about is keeping his farm free from pest animals. Of what use is a rat, skunk, mink or weasel? Is there anything they are fit for except to eat your chickens? If you have any of these chicken thieves that is put out of business benefits the poultry yard, to say nothing of the fact that they are a nuisance to wholly dry feed.—Farm, Stock and Home.

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I am not exaggerating when I say that at least one-third of the young chicks hatched and reared to frying age die from every kind of pest, and several at other times. Others have had similar experiences. There has never been such a universal destruction of chickens as this fall. They are so thick they have driven out every rat and every rabbit. There is not one of the pest animals in this vicinity, something unheard of before.—Journal of Agriculture.

Cackles From Hen House
There is poor economy in feeding burnt wheat.
Be sure that the mash is mixed crumbly, not sloppy.
Poultry in orchards destroy insects and keep trees in good condition.
Sour or sloppy food will bring on sickness.
Milk is one of the very best things for laying hens or growing chickens.
Clover or alfalfa cooked and mixed with the mash, is relished better than any other feed.
There is no better scratching material than unthrashed millet straw.
Guard against flymating the hen house by keeping everything spotlessly clean.
Fresh eggs are always at a premium. Wipe the eggs free from dirt with a moist woollen rag; washing spoils the keeping qualities.
Do not feed too much mash for breakfast, or the fowls will add about one ounce of fat to every pound of egg they produce. Give them only partially satisfy their hunger and give them an incentive to work for more.
Pay to wash out the drinking vessels every week. The man who allows scum and filth to accumulate in his drinking vessels is inviting sickness to his flock.
Stale bread, soaked and mixed in the mash, is a great treat for the poultry.
The ducks' drinking trough should have slats nailed across the top to prevent them from getting in it and making the water filthy. The duck is rather filthy and messy bird and needs constant watching.
Never have a fear that there is a danger of the poultry business being overdone in this large country unless you consume more and more of eggs and poultry every year. Our supplies fall short, and eggs are imported into our country by the millions of dozens every season.
Burr Knapp says a pint of linseed meal to twenty-five hens, given with their feed, will keep them healthy and produces both eggs and health, and makes the feathers of a finer luster.
About as good an evening feed as any is equal mixture of bran and corn. This is especially desirable during winter.

BREEDING FROM CHOLERA SOWS
An Iowa subscriber writes to an exchange paper that he does not believe "A good many hogs in their neighborhood have died with cholera. Will sows which have gone thru this disease, and are now getting their piglets to any degree immune? How long a time should elapse before other hogs could be brought on a cholera farm, should elapse before the disease has been on a farm before new hogs can be purchased with safety depends upon the care the owner of the farm exercises in disinfecting. If he does a thorough job of disinfecting he can bring other hogs on with reasonable safety, but if he fails to do this there will be danger for some considerable time. One reason why cholera breaks out so frequently in some neighborhoods is that the premises are not properly disinfected."
Looking for Hogs
B. F. Simmons, who resides at Payne, E. T., and is an all round cattleman, has been looking for two inches for hogs this time, it is supposed, to run behind his steers.
"I am looking for some hogs to feed, but have seen nothing yet on this market that suits me," said Mr. Simmons. "I am feeding some steers on the railroad at a place fourteen miles west of Purcell, not at my home place. I buy, feed and sell, and run hogs behind my feeding steers. We have plenty of feed this year and there will be some money in the business unless the market goes back on us."
The cotton in the territory, that is in our part of it, has not turned out

nearly so well as it was supposed it would at first, when everybody was predicting a bale to the acre. We will not get near a half bale average. This is owing in the first instance, to the ravages of the boll worm, which has done its first, and then the freeze came along and that finished it. It is not always the best plan to count your eggs until they are safely in hand, and it is so with cotton. One can never tell what a week will bring forth of injury to the crop and make it short.

HOG BREEDING AND FEEDING DECLINING
The agricultural returns of Great Britain show a diminution of half a million pigs, and so it is in the case of the European countries. Hog breeding and feeding is declining, as are indeed all classes of live stock on their high-priced lands and intensive farming. They can buy good American pork, beef and mutton cheaper than they can produce it. Now that the opportunity of the American farmer to supply this increasing export trade with the best class of stock and meat that will command the highest price now.

Pumpkins for Pigs
Pumpkins serve nicely as a relish and keep in good laxative condition. The pumpkins may be stored away in the cellar or other suitable place and kept until late in the fall before being fed. Some people seem to be of the opinion that the pumpkin is valueless except for medicinal purposes for the pig, but it will soon discover that a hog's taste for pumpkins is as well developed as that of the pig. If you have any pumpkins at hand this year, see to it that another fall finds you with a large supply ready to help tide the hog over from pumpkins to wholly dry feed.—Farm, Stock and Home.

THINKS CONGRESS WILL DO LITTLE
Attorney S. H. Cowan Returns From Visit to Washington
Sam H. Cowan returned Thursday night from his trip to Washington, where he went in the interests of the Cattle Raisers' Association on the tariff revision and inspection questions. On his return trip he stopped off at St. Louis and Kansas City where he attended the meetings of the Interstate Commerce Commission dealing with the shortage of cars for freight purposes.
Judge Cowan said: "It doesn't look as though anything will be done in congress except a few special matters, aside from appropriations. I don't think that congress will take up any plan for tariff revision and that means any bill which seeks to extend foreign trade of the country by means of reciprocity. In my understanding of congress there is no probability of any bill to take up these matters. The meat inspection matter is going to come up in the agricultural appropriation bill and Senator Beveridge is tearing off his shirt to put a system of inspection fees on the packers, as he says. Of course it is popular to the packers and ought to pay for the inspection, but anyone at all acquainted with the subject knows that when the cost of inspection, which amounts to about \$300,000 a year, is added to the cost of the packing house business of the country the packers are going to saddle it on somebody. It is pretty hard to argue that they should do it, that is, unless it can be shown that the inspection is more for their benefit than that of the public."
"I will be perfectly natural for them to work along lines of the least resistance, and that means that they would naturally put the burden where it would most easily be added, and that would be on the cattlemen. It doesn't take any argument in Texas to satisfy anybody who knows anything about the subject, to know that that is what would happen here. My understanding is that the packers made up their minds last spring that if the inspection fee was applied that they would buy all live stock subject to inspection, and that if the animal or carcass was condemned in either case the shipper would lose it, whereas now the shipper only loses where the animal is condemned."
"This much can be said about it, that there will be a strong effort made in congress to adopt this fee system, and it remains with the stockman and the farmer of the country to prevent it. The packers are making no efforts in that direction and if they adopt the plan which they say they will put in, of charging the fees against the account and deducting the condemned carcasses and holding back the proceeds until after post mortem examination, it is difficult to see how they have any particular interest in opposing the inspections system."
"It may be that the packers cannot adopt that sort of system as against independent concerns engaged in packing hogs, but it is quite plain that it should be adopted as far as the cattle business is concerned."
"I want to give this warning to the stockmen, that unless they take a very active interest in defeating the inspection fee system, it is liable to be passed and most probably will be."
"There are more stock cars today than there have ever been. There is a shortage of stock shipments at all markets during the period of the car shortage. The stock cars are used for other purposes which has been a deterrent to the stockmen. The railroads have not prepared themselves in advance for their share of the business. The Texas would have a few cars. They have hitherto depended upon borrowing cars from other lines, but have made no arrangements in which they have secured where stock cars are plentiful enough where they have used them for other kinds of freight and consequently the railroads have not been clearly shown in the hearings before the interstate commerce commission at St. Louis and Kansas City and are not present. The railroad representatives claim that they had ample motive power to move the cars, but the shippers deny this. The situation amounts to this, that the railroads simply cannot perform their chartered duty."

FIRE OVER 15 SECTIONS
W. D. Reynolds Returns from Shackelford County
W. D. Reynolds returned Tuesday morning from a trip of several days to Shackelford county, where he has been on his ranch near Aveyon. Mr. Reynolds reports a great deal of trouble with hogs generally over the entire county Saturday night, but which melted off immediately in the morning. Just before his arrival fifteen sections of the Reynolds Cattle Company ranch was burned over by a prairie fire which started on a farm just west of the land and was swept by the wind across on to their property Mr. Reynolds saw the fire when he was some miles away, but it had burned out before his arrival.

ADDITIONS FROM ALL OVER TEXAS

Hangs on Hairs
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 22.—The fate of the Mexican Arrendo, who is confined in jail here, charged with being the leader of the Jimenez Mexican revolution literally hangs by a hair, or more specifically, by a number of hairs, which adorn his countenance. The question of a beard will play an important part in the question of his extradition to Mexico, to be tried for the crimes of robbery, kidnaping and murder. The penalty, if convicted in any of the cases, is death by being shot. All witnesses who were present at the attack on Jimenez, and especially the city officers of the police who were kidnaped and robbed, describe the leader of the revolution as clean shaven. They are certainly in a position to know, for he made them stand and deliver at the point of a carbine handled none too carefully. The Arrendo confined in the jail in Escar county has a full beard, in fact it is flowing over his shoulders. His constitutional right under the law, Arrendo refuses to submit himself to a barber. He is identified by the witnesses brought here from Mexico. It will be done with a full growth of whiskers on his face. Arrendo claims that he can prove that he has worn his hair whiskers for years, and at the same time he was supposed to be a clean-shaven revolutionist in Jimenez, he was on the right side of the law. He is identified by the witnesses brought here from Mexico. It will be done with a full growth of whiskers on his face. Arrendo claims that he can prove that he has worn his hair whiskers for years, and at the same time he was supposed to be a clean-shaven revolutionist in Jimenez, he was on the right side of the law. He is identified by the witnesses brought here from Mexico. It will be done with a full growth of whiskers on his face. 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Shipping Season Ends

CANYON CITY, Texas, Dec. 20.—Light Knight had on Monday holding for shipment here, about forty-five cars, fifteen of which were cows, the balance steers. This about closes the stock shipments from this point for the season, and the country hereabouts, generally speaking, is pretty well cleared of all kinds of cattle.

mules and can easily raise, sufficient feed to keep them. I have a pasture too, but the main dependence of a stock farmer should be his feedstuffs that he raises on his farm. Our hay from the beans and goobers cannot be excelled for feeding purposes, and we can raise in any quantity of this, and with the hogs in the field eating the peas and goobers and sweet potatoes, and the other stock doing well on the tops, who would wish for more. We all kill our own meat and our hogs are of good quality now, and the old-time razorback is out of the racing now.

"Turkeys and chickens are plentiful, and the latter are expert bug and grasshopper eaters, and turned loose in a pea patch will soon lower the crop of insects that are so injurious to crops generally. A few of the farm canaries are being used successfully by farmers in our neighborhood, and they will become common after a while, when their success is appreciated by the rest of the farmers. There are several pastures yet on the creeks in the glades, and on the creek bottoms there is good pasturage for stock. My place from the beans and goobers creek, and my address is R. F. D. No. 1."

The Abilene Country

T. W. Clark, an old time stockman, now living at Abilene, where he first landed in 1872, remained until 1874 and then returned for five years and returning in 1879 and has remained in the section ever since. "I never saw the country in just such a good fix as it is at present," said Captain Clark, "there seems to be no end to the production of crops since they have earnestly taken hold of the farmers. There are several lands to the control of the plow and cultivator. Just think, when I came out here it was a grass land; indeed, the grazing ground of countless herds of buffalo, antelope, deer and turkey. No one ever believed that what has occurred would ever be realized in their generation. It was looked upon as a kind of folly for a man to suggest that crops of any kind except calves could be raised in the Abilene country. But the farmer can be relied upon to bring about revolutions in methods and it is thru his work and experience that this section as it has happened in others, has become as a garden and a paradise. I still own my farm out about eighteen miles from town, but I don't work it any more, but let my son run it. There is 220 acres in tract, when my son D. S., married I loaned him \$200 to put in cattle. That was only a few years ago and now he has paid me back. Last year he had in two acres and a half of onions and he paid me for my share, one fourth, \$120. He is a stock farmer and is making a success of it. It is not a trouble now for a man to make money farming here, since they have learned that this land has to be cultivated after a plain very different from the practice in other sections of the state where more rain falls each year."

Here for Holidays

Major Frank Sansom, formerly of Texas, but now located in Kansas City, has come down to spend the holidays among his relatives and friends, and revisit the haunts where his childhood days were spent. Talking with a reporter he remarked:

"I am glad to come home on these occasions, for there is nothing that revives a man's vitality as association with the friends of his youth who in confidential converse will surely recall and remind him the incidents that occurred when 'we were boys.' There is American Johnson now, also we have but just met is full of the old-time doings of he and I when we were boys."

"Yes, I am glad to get home. Kansas City is all right, but just now is in the throes of a big freight blockade, which is testing the patience of the shippers and the ingenuity of the railroads to explain. I will return some time after the holidays."

Stock on Farms

J. S. Franks of Erie, Cooke county, Texas, called on the market with a car of cattle for market. Mr. Frank

is a stockman and deals in cattle primarily, but doesn't object to handling any other classes of stock at the proper time.

"Our county is almost out of the old-fashioned way of raising cattle," said he, "but there are still a very few of the old timers left. Agriculture, including stock raising, has taken hold of the mind of the people and in future stock will be raised by them on their farms. In time this method will produce a large percentage of cattle, more even than the old way, for under the present and planned to feed crops, an acre of land will produce feed enough to sustain at the very smallest estimate, for not less than two head of good quality now, and the old-time razorback is out of the racing to a beast."

"At present many head of young stock is bought direct from the stock farmers of the county, and all of them have a few head each year. As the lands are cut up into smaller holdings the number of head from this source will constantly increase and the supply of fat cattle be almost unlimited."

Conditions in Arizona

W. H. Johnson is in the city from Arizona, in conversation with a reporter he said:

"My father's ranch is in Arizona, near Foursee, Ariz., this being located in the northern part of the territory. He located out there nearly twenty years ago, coming from Georgia originally. He is 80 years old now and is gradually closing out the business with a view to getting out of the business."

"He runs Durham cattle altogether, and for all round purposes he considers the best there is for beef or milk and butter."

"He recently sold off 9,000 acres of his land at a good price for Arizona. The cold weather that hurt in some parts of the territory did not damage things up with us to any extent, as that part of the country is more or less protected by mountain ranges from the fierce blizzards that are so destructive."

"I would like to go to Georgia to spend the holidays, but can't see my way this year."

In Hood County

Among the prominent young business men who have located in Fort Worth is American Johnson. He originated down in Hood county and still has large interests there in the shape of farms and cattle. "We have something like four thousand acres down near Granbury," said Mr. Johnson, "and my two brothers look after them. There is something like 500 acres under cultivation and cotton, corn and forage crops have equal attention. Feeding stock for market is one of our main business here, and in a country where feed can be had readily and at comparatively cheap prices, it is a good proposition, this feeding steers. One of my brothers is a member of the Farmers' Union and takes great interest in the business of the order. The union is strong in Hood and has gone into business in a businesslike way, and is prepared to defend itself in its business interests. The president of the union in the county is Captain R. S. Whitehead, who is a stock farmer, a Confederate Veteran and one of the very best men of the county, and a thoro business man in every way, and a man who has made a success of all his business. With such a man at the head of affairs success will surely follow the efforts of the union. They have gins which in ginning their cotton saves them probably not less than \$1 a bale, and they have warehouse facilities for holding their cotton. If people think that these people are not in earnest in their business efforts and are not working intelligently along the lines laid down for their guidance, they will be badly fooled in the results."

"Cotton has done well this year and the crop is above an average one. Corn was fairly good and other crops were on a line with these. Farmers are in a good condition financially, as an inquiry at the Granbury banks will readily show, and they are prepared to put their surplus funds into enterprises that will help them in their efforts to sell their products for what they deserve a fair and just price, as all other business men do. They are going to succeed, too, in my opinion, and it will be an advantage for them to do so in every way, for the more money they receive for their products, the more business there will be for me and other business men."

"Stock are in good shape and will go thru the winter splendidly."

TALKS WITH TEXAS STOCKFARMERS

Reformed Newspaper Man

O. F. Dornblaser, formerly of Hill county, but now living on a farm in Johnson county, two and a half miles out from Cleburne and is very enthusiastic relative to his stock farming avocation. He is rather a new beginner in this line of business, having followed the newspaper road for years, and naturally, like all converts in the first blush of their convictions, he is impressed with little things that older hands in the business have long since passed up as natural incidents of the avocation too common to be noticed. "I have purchased a farm of eighty acres," said he, "and am determined to make stock farming in the future my constant study and means of making a living for myself and family. There is nothing like it. It beats running a newspaper all hollow. I am strictly a diversifier. In the first place my land is one of the oldest locations in Johnson county having been opened up as a settlement more than fifty years ago and was first grown on, as far as cotton is concerned, by constant repetition, until that weed will not grow more than six inches high and bear one or two bolls to the stalk. As a cotton growing place it has seen its best days. For peas, goober peas and vegetables of all kinds it is first class. It is in the timber belt and sandy. I am turning my attention to hogs, Jersey cows, chick-

ens, turkeys, fruits and berries. My wife, of course, gives her attention to the chickens and milk and butter and other small matters that in the aggregate go to make up quite a large sum in the savings of the year. I bought eighteen bronze turkeys, paying \$250 a head for them. There were sixteen hens and two gobblers in the bunch. Last week my wife took off twelve young turkeys that had just been hatched. This is unusual, for turkeys, as a rule do not lay in the fall, nor do they make a practice of setting in the cool season. I have fixed up things for my wife so that she is prepared to run the business without trouble. We are going to try to always have something to sell when we go to town, for I believe in the German custom of never running an empty wagon to town to haul a load back. I had thirty acres of cotton this year, but the coming one I will only plant ten acres and plant the other twenty in something else. I have a fine orchard, which was on the place when I bought it. There are apples, peaches, pears and plums and there are blackberries, dewberries and grapes. I also have twenty pecan trees, 30 years old that are bearing this year. These trees are planted in the orchard and are not on low lands or bottoms. Plenty of persimmons also to attract the festive "possum." I have ten acres in Bermuda and it is about the best in-

vestment on the place for most all kinds of stock. I have a neighbor who values it in the warm weather as pasture, then in the fall he plows it up and plants the pasture in oats. He turns his hogs in and they have a fine pasture of oats and the Bermuda is there green underneath, ready for the summer work. We farmers have determined to save our covets of birds, and will not allow any one to shoot them at any time. I have now three fine covets on the place and they do good work in destroying insects that are detrimental to fruits, berries and other crops."

Stock Farmer's Paradise

"We are most all stock farmers in my section, that is those who farm," said T. D. Holland. "I live in Anderson county near the line of Henderson, but my shipping point is La Rue, which is in the latter county. East Texas is becoming, and will soon be, the stock farmers' paradise, for, with the character of soil we have, which will produce many kinds of feed that do not produce well in other parts of the state, we can cheaply keep our stock in condition at all times. There is no better feed for hogs than sweet potatoes, peas, peanuts and the other kinds of vegetables and fruits that are almost indigenous to the soil. I make a practice of breeding hogs, some cattle and

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Mr. Renfrow has been studying bees for thirty years. He found that the native wild bees which he acquired by cutting down bee trees could not get the honey from the alfalfa flower which would not delve into the blossoms. So he crossed the wild bees with Italians and the resulting bees could delve deep into the flower and get the nectar with ease.

Recently he has imported bees from Switzerland because of their habits of making long flights to distant feeding grounds. He crossed these with his English and Italian or "five band" bees and thus his bees cover a very wide range of country. He recently paid \$50 for one queen bee from Switzerland.

Mr. Renfrow has found the bee business a very profitable one. He said recently:

I regard almost any part of the southwest as a good bee country. I get from twenty to twenty-five cents a pound for every pound I can produce, and today I could sell 1,000 pounds at twenty cents. Bees do best where natural shade is plentiful, and where both wild and tame flowers bloom all during the season, like they do here. My success, from a money point of view, has been largely from the careful attention to the business. I expect to develop the Switzerland bee and make them produce more money than our present bee. My recent shipment is partly an experiment, but next season I will be able to prove their value. The queen that cost me \$50 is doing nicely, and in fact, the small colony from there seems to be enjoying themselves and doing well.

I have spent nearly thirty years in bee culture and horticulture and I only wish I could live a hundred years more to experiment with and develop the wonderful study. I get from \$20 to \$25 from each of my bees, lives every year, and when the Switzerland bee becomes acclimated I believe will produce still greater results. The climate here is about on a par with Switzerland, and our alfalfa and numerous wild flowers furnish abundant honey for the busy little bee. No man can hope to succeed in grape culture without the honey bee. The

old idea that bees destroyed the grape was exploded by the supreme court in the celebrated case from California, wherein the poor little bee was accused of cutting into the grape hull. The fact is that a bee cannot cut the tenderest growth of any fruit, but on the other hand it polonizes the flower and crosses the varieties, and is therefore an absolute necessity in horticulture.

I have propagated over 5,000 varieties of grapes and now have 500 unnamed varieties on the market, he said. I am going to devote the remainder of my life to this work, and I would rather succeed in creating a new fruit for the benefit of mankind than hold any office within the gift of the American people. I adore men who spend their life and best talents in the noble world of scientific research and the propagation of fruits and flowers for the benefit of coming generations. I believe God will reward such men when this life is ended, and if my earlier life was a fruitless job, I shall endeavor to make amends by strict devotion to my present work.

In his younger days, Mr. Renfrow was an Indian scout, a buffalo hunter and later a government detective. He said recently:

I killed buffalo where the city of Wichita now stands from 1870 to 1873, and during that time I averaged about twenty a day. Our party killed about fifty a day, and kept skins busy all the time. We slaughtered them by the thousands simply for their hides, which sold in those days from \$1.25 to \$3 each. They were plentiful. We fought the Indians occasionally, but they learned to keep out of range after a goodly number went to the hangy hunting ground.—Kansas City Star.

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WEDNESDAY'S MARKETS

Supplies of cattle were unusually light for Wednesday. Thirty-three light cars were yarded early, with about...

Offerings of steers were in fairly good proportion to that of the week. These good quality steers were fed on...

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Today, the supply for the week shows a large decrease. Three cars arrived, one of which was fair quality mixed weights...

Offerings were about evenly divided between hogs from Texas and territory points on today's market...

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Several loads of steers arrived, a few were medium to heavy weight feeders. The market was active with a fairly good demand from both local packers and...

feeder buyers and an early clearance was made on all kinds of hogs. The market was topped today with two fancy heavy heaves averaging around 1,900 pounds at \$6.20.

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Owing to lower reports coming in from other markets, the sales from the start showed a decline, the bulk selling fully 10c lower. Tops today sold at \$6.40, averaging from 209 to 269 pounds.

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COLONEL POOLE ON THE WING

Editor Stock-Journal: This Presidio county is one among the largest counties in the state, being 120 miles long and seventy miles wide at the widest place.

enough fuel to shoot unless I saw something to shoot at. The next morning the boys peeled him nicely and fetched his hide off the grain horse but nary a buckshot hole could be found in it.

Views on the Markets - Godair-Crowley Commission Co. The volume of our business for the year 1906 has far exceeded our expectations.

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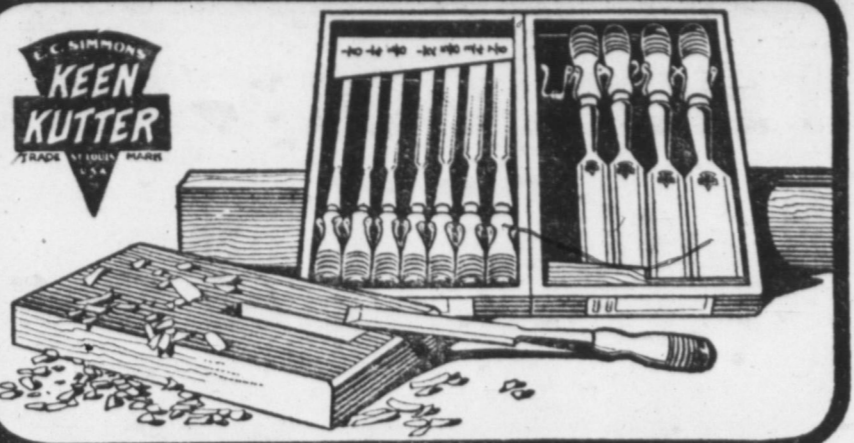
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J. B. Daniel of the real estate firm of Winters-Daniel Company of this city, has just returned from Amarillo, where he succeeded in selling the property known as the VVNS ranch, in Bailey county, for the first time within a year. The sale of the property by William Hunt of Rosanoke, Va., was reported in the Telegram of last Saturday. Mr. Hunt making a profit of \$131,958 on the property which he had owned but a year.

The ranch comprises 5,844 acres and has been sold by W. H. Garrett and associates, who just purchased it a week ago, for a profit of a dollar an acre. They bought the land for \$4 an acre, paying \$343,378 for it, and sold it again this week to E. E. McGill, a Minnesota capitalist, for approximately \$5 an acre, getting over \$400,000. It is the intention of the new owner of the property to colonize the land with farmers and stock raisers from the northern states. Within twenty-four hours after he purchased the land he was offered a profit of \$68,000 net profit, but he refused it, preferring to sell it in small sections himself.

The advance in value of property in that section of the country is amply illustrated by this piece of property. A year ago it was purchased by William Hunt of Rosanoke, Va., for \$2 an acre. He sold it for \$4 an acre and a week later it went for \$5 an acre, and now it is worth \$6 an acre. He has been offered \$7 an acre. All these sales were made thru the Winters-Daniel Company of this city.

HORSES

THE OX AND THE ASS—NOT THE HORSE

It does not appear that the horse was employed by the ancients for any purpose of husbandry. The ox and ass drew the plow and the wagon and performed all kinds of drudgery until after the feudal system had broken down in Europe, when the numerous retainers of the feudal lord, who held their lands by the tenure of performing services for the lord, were excluded under the necessity of making the horses they were obliged to keep contribute toward the support in the cultivation. From that time I believe we may date, and from this cause may be attributed the introduction of the horse for the purpose of agriculture. Since that period the history of Europe is little else than the annals of war and its preparations; and no material for that—except the sword and the helmet—human victims, seems more necessary than the horse—accordingly we find that throughout the whole country—from the Rhine to the Seine, and beyond the Danube and Vistula, which has been the principal arena, the system of agriculture has remained almost exclusively the rearing of those animals for disposal to the different combatants, and it must be obvious that a little less in husbandry as a necessary consequence. It cannot be expected, therefore, but that the great numbers who have emigrated to our country should bring with them such strong predilections for the horse, which have continued with most of their descendants, especially in those sections where communities of that respectable and industrious portion of our population has been located.

THE WOMAN AND THE HORSE

The friend writes to the News of an automobile accident which came under observation, which shows how easily the horse will be sense can be made acquainted with the machine. A gentleman owned a fine horse which was terribly afraid of the big, bounding vehicles. The owner had not until the horse for some time because of this fear, but finally ventured out with him. He had not gone far before an auto containing a man and a woman appeared in sight. The horse soon became unmanageable.

The auto stopped and the woman alighted, approached the horse and seized his bridle. After talking in a quiet way to the frightened animal she took from her pocket some candy and gave it to him.

In a few moments she told the man to start on. This was done and the horse let the auto pass without without showing any signs of fear. Since then he has had no fear of these vehicles, but instead of this he wants to go up to the side of the auto to meet, doubtless hoping to get some more candy.—Newburyport News.

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"It will not be many years," said a leading poultry dealer, "until the American hen, the most valuable and least appreciated fowl on earth, will be relieved of one of her greatest responsibilities and will have nothing else to do but eat, scratch and lay eggs."

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"The United States department of agriculture is now experimenting on the head by crossing and feeding with a view of producing a non-setting breed of chickens and such progress has been made toward that end as to justify the belief that the desired result will be accomplished within a year or two. At an experiment station in Idaho this work has been going on for some time and the latest report is that there has been produced an almost non-setting breed of chickens that were as good layers as the Brown Leghorns. The department is not yet satisfied but will continue the work until there has been produced an absolute non-setting hen that will lay more eggs in a year than any fowl known at this time."

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County Seat Contest
MIAMI, Texas, Dec. 22.—The county seat election in Wheeler county last Saturday resulted in a majority for removal to Wheeler. The election was close and the majority something like half a dozen votes. The commissioner's court at the canvass of the returns declared the election in favor of Wheeler, claiming that the officers of one box sealed up the tally sheets in the box with the ballots, and according to law no one is permitted to open this box except in case of contest and if a contest is not filed in sixty days the contents of the box are to be destroyed, so the court declared its finding according to the returns. Before them. With this box it is claimed Wheeler had a majority, without it Mobets. The latter, anticipating an altogether different finding by the commissioners has spoken for attorneys to carry the matter to court. This finding puts the other side in the initiative.

New Oil Mills
BROWNWOOD, Texas, Dec. 22.—G. H. Benigni says that companies have been organized for the purpose of erecting oil mills at Goldthwaite and Brady and applications for charters have been made today. The Goldthwaite company is composed of Winfield Scott, E. B. Harrod, C. H. Benigni and N. A. Perry, and they plan to interest local capital. The capital stock is \$75,000, in shares of the value of \$100 each. The company with W. D. Crothers of Brady is interested in the Brady mill. At both places the company has asked for certain conditions and Mr. Benigni says the mills will be built if they are granted.

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CAR SHORTAGE HEARING BEGUN
 Cattlemen of Texas on Witness Stand in St. Louis

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 21.—The Interstate commerce commission car shortage hearing, begun in St. Louis, was taken up here Thursday by Commissioner Prouty, aided by P. F. Farrell, attorney for the commission. J. A. Crow, president of the J. A. Crow Coal and Mining Company of Kansas City, was the first witness and testified in reply to question that S. L. Fulton of Chicago, assistant to President Winchell of the Rock Island, holds \$10,000 stock in the Crow Company. He admitted that Mr. Fulton had received this stock without pay for it, but said he obtained the stock before he became employed by the Rock Island.

Mr. MacKenzie, president of the American Live Stock Association, testified that he had received many complaints from the southwest of financial loss resulting from shortage of stock cars.

"What is the reason of this shortage?" asked Commissioner Prouty.

"The railroads use the cattle cars for other commodities," replied Mr. MacKenzie.

Driven Overland
 Mr. MacKenzie said he had known of sheep being held for six or seven weeks, waiting for cars, and finally they were driven from Albuquerque to Kansas in order to get them to market. The shippers had experienced more or less delay every fall, but this year the delay was the most severe yet. In one case it took four days to ship cattle from Texas to Kansas, and in another instance cattle shipped from Texas to Kansas City had been sidetracked in Oklahoma for twenty-one hours.

H. C. Boyce, who owns a ranch at Channing, Texas, said he attempted to make a shipment from Texas on Sept. 29 of 125 cars of cattle. He could not get cars until Oct. 13, and then only a limited number, the last of the cattle not being shipped until Dec. 11.

H. C. Jett, of Fort Davis, Texas, said he had been since Oct. 17 trying to ship 5,000 cattle and had just received seven cars.

"Not 10 per cent of the cattle are being moved," he said.

On the way to Kansas City, he had noticed stock cars loaded with cotton, corn, railroad ties—everything but cattle.

"We cattlemen have got our blood up," said Mr. Jett in reply to a question. "We would like to tear out those railroad tracks down there."

While G. F. Kelley, president of the Champion Coal Company of this city, was on the stand developments arose which caused Commissioner Prouty to direct some questions to M. A. Low, attorney for the Rock Island. Mr. Kelley testified that his company had been discriminated against in the purchase of other coal companies, which, he said, sold coal to the railroads. He said on Dec. 1 the Frisco had served him with notice that it would not accept billing of nut and lump coal after that date, except to points on the Frisco system. He said his company had few customers along the Frisco, and as the order came without warning, his company now had coal in cars standing at the mines and was paying demurrage charges on cars in Kansas City which had been held since Dec. 1.

The witness, in answer to a question from Commissioner Prouty, said that the stock was not included in the Frisco order, because the coal companies which sell to the railroads had great quantities of stock to dispose of.

Railroads Don't Transfer
 M. A. Low asked the witness if he did not know that he could transfer coal in Kansas City to cars of other systems and reach his markets at the same rates that he would pay for a thru shipment from the mines to market, and Mr. Kelley answered that he did not know it—that his idea was just the opposite.

"Mr. Kelley would he make to make a transfer from the cars of one road to those of another, would he not?" asked Commissioner Prouty.

"I suppose so," answered Mr. Low. "There is nothing in our contracts calling for a transfer of coal."

"Well, if he saw fit to ship from the mine to points not on the Frisco, why wouldn't it be up to the Frisco to make the necessary transfer? Or if there is a fixed rate quoted between the two points, why should the shipper be out to the additional expense of making transfers?"

"Well, railroads don't transfer," replied Mr. Low.

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As an evidence of the universal permeation of the Christmas spirit no better demonstration may be found than at the North Fort Worth packing plants, which, in the strictest sense of the word, constitute a world within themselves.

For the past week the stock yards have been an exceptionally animated scene and without doubt every individual who has been on Exchange avenue has noticed the difference and more keenly felt the approach of Christmas.

In every office and in every stable the one topic has been Christmas trade and prices and too but recently packers touched the blue canopy overhead in prices, the steady stream of stock which continues, owing and up the long last march to the chutes beyond demonstrates that such mammoth concerns as Swift's and Armour's are but little affected by such fluctuations.

Once inside the plant and the holiday spirit is equally as manifest.

The youthful guide, clad in his long white coat, arouses from his lethargic state and hies the dexterously interested spectators from one department to another with an occasional explanation, a muffled jargon of words, which properly intrudes the word, "meat," "I don't hustle I won't get 'em out of here before Christmas."

The portly policeman who so zealously guards the big gas also seems to be inoculated with the holiday spirit and the you may have been repulsed with a gruff answer previously, today the "Yes, sir," or "No, sir," prefaced with the bland smile of affability.

The office boy distributes the mail and innocees with a wonderful promptness and grace, but he dexterously juggles his wire basket, he imagines himself a grinning dusky-hued servant making his appearance with that indispensable Christmas luxury, the turkey.

In the plant proper the spirit is ever the same.

The hurculean darkey as he jabs his knife in the throat of a squealing porker, sings all the louder, for, as he explains to his fellow workmen, "Man, I substantially loves mah Christmas and mahes a mental note to the inspector looks at the meat with one eye and with the other attempts to picture out the old folks at home seated around the festive Christmas table."

As the saucy little maiden, with deft and nimble fingers ties up countless yards of sausage her mind is on a suit-case and she is winking at a fellow more probably "the" Christmas present and she does not seem to be at all aware of the fact that the foreman is giving his best to scowl with wonderously long if his department will have all orders ready for the Christmas delivery.

And so it is with every employe.

The chicken, duck and turkey pickers, thru clouds of feathers, catch glimpses of Christmas revelry, fitting in with the same bits of lively song or whistle.

The young lad whose widowed mother is dependent upon him and his very moderate salary, forgets for the time being his impoverished circumstances and makes a mental note to the effect that his Christmas money shall purchase a useful gift for his mother, even in the face of some keen disappointment to himself.

On the loading docks, the very atmosphere seems to hint of Christmas. "Big Joe" and "Dutchie" forget the heated argument of a few days ago over which one was really earning his salary and together hurl boxes thru space with a supernatural strength which bodes no good to the packer who may possibly have been the least bit careless in the holiday rush.

Those big iron grays paw the ground and restlessly toss their noble heads in their anxiety to be off on their last delivery, for their return to the barn means a good bedding and care from the hostler and perhaps a delicious bran mash may be forthcoming in the way of a Christmas delicacy.

In fact, each day witnesses a renewed strength, a more compact feeling of friendship and above all that perfect understanding between them which makes no good to the packer who who work and live regardless of salary, on the same plane. From the invoice clerk to the dock hand there exists an unspoken agreement to "work level-headed in order that we may enjoy Christmas as other people do."

The "other people" live completely outside of the packing plant world.

STRENUOUS TEDDY TAKES A HAND

Wants Legislation on the Car Shortage

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—That President Roosevelt has taken a determined interest with the view of finding a legislative remedy for the car shortage in the northwest which now threatens the people with freezing and starvation because the railroads are unable to transport fuel and food to them, is indicated by the conference at the White House today.

The President sent, for Senator Hansbrough and asked him whether the actual danger of suffering is as great as has been reported by the press dispatches and telegrams from individuals. The North Dakota senator replied that from the dispatches he had received the sentiment of conditions had not been exaggerated. The President promised to give the question his personal attention and said he desired Senator Hansbrough to devote time and energy to some legislative remedy in order to avoid a recurrence of the present conditions.

Mayfield Section Sold
 MEMPHIS, Texas, Dec. 22.—M. H. Miller of Wise county Tuesday closed a deal for the purchase of the Mayfield section, one of two miles road of Memphis. The sale was made by Brumley & Caviness real estate agency, the conveyors being Franks & Sney. The price paid was \$12,000. The place is well improved and has 400 acres of good tillable land, the balance being well watered grazing land. It is heavily wooded and crossed and was cheap at the price, being a little less than \$20 per acre.

Land at \$200 an Acre
 BOWIE, Texas, Dec. 22.—C. H. Miller of Deatur has purchased a three-acre tract of orchard land in the south part of town from F. A. Bell, paying \$600 for same. He also bought a two-acre tract from James A. Graham for \$200, and will build on the latter tract and move his family here.

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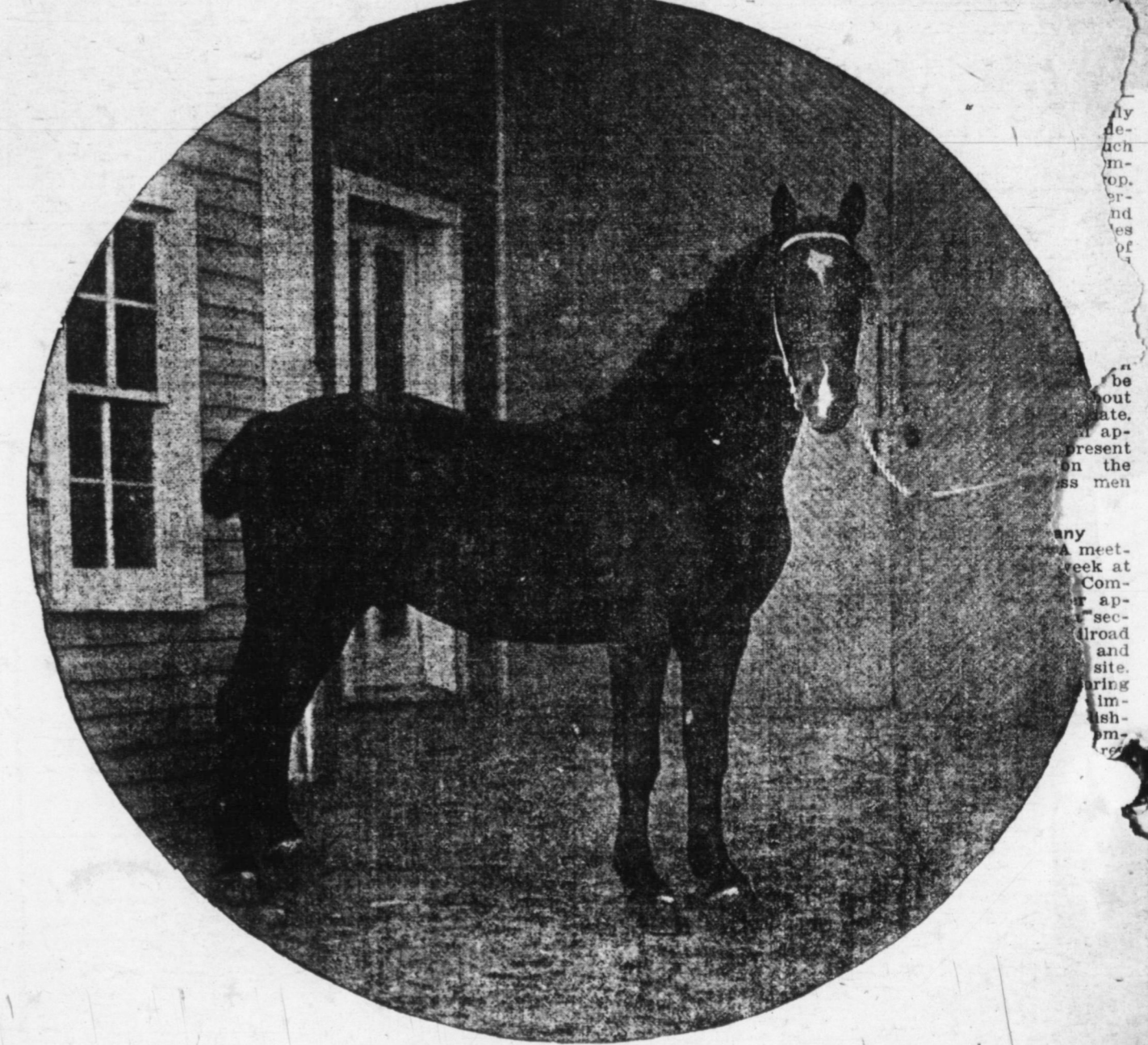
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Lights for Brownwood
 BROWNWOOD, Texas, Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the city council last night the matter of lighting the streets came up for discussion and was ordered that the business district and principal streets of the town be lighted so people could see to travel either in vehicles or on foot. The matter of arrangements for lights was left to Alderman Hoskinson and Charles Giddens and they are to investigate the cost of both electric and gas lights. The council will probably adopt the cheaper of the two.

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Gebhard Oltmanns of Watseka, Ill., junior member of the firm of Oltmanns Bros. of Leer, Germany, and Watseka, Ill., was in Fort Worth Thursday on a short business trip to Texas. Mr. Oltmanns said to a Telegram reporter:

"Texas is greater even than I expected, and my expectations were high, and almost all Texans with whom I have talked, assure me enthusiastically that they are enjoying unprecedented prosperity in all channels of industry. I'm mighty glad to find Texas so great a place, and gladder still that Oltmanns Bros. have established their southwestern branch at North Fort Worth."

Mr. Oltmanns had much of interest to say about the importation of German coach horses to this part of the southwest.

"According to records," continued this authority of German coach breeding, "it was in the early part of the fifteenth century, when a considerable number of horses were bred in the marshes on the rivers Jade and Weser, now the Duchy of Oldenburg. These districts, together with that of Jeverland, which is situated on the North Sea, remain to this day the principal breeding districts of the German coach stallions."

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"The senior member of our firm resides in the German coach horse district and within four hours' ride of the Percheron and Belgian-horse districts of France and Belgium, and, of course, is ever on the lookout for the finest and best that the old countries produce.

"We sell on a plan so that the purchaser make the stallion pay for itself, and we carry the insurance, so that the buyer of one of Oltmanns Bros' stallions takes no risk, and every animal is guaranteed.

"We expect a carload of fine German coach stallions, all registered, about the 1st of January. These will be handled from our North Fort Worth branch, of course."

For further information see our address J. A. Hill, Manager Oltmanns Bros', Fort Worth, Texas.