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Head Quarters at

Big Springs, Texas.

Phone 189,

### Cowboys Captures Three Loafers.

Monday of this week while riding over the Youngblood range north of town, Jay Heard and Andy Williams routed up three loafer wolves, Andy succeeded in roping his after about a two mile chase. While Jay was given a longer run, but finally put his rode around his royal highness.

The boys skinned their victims and later on discovered the third loafer. After a hard chase Andy ran this one down and dragged him in home alive. While running the last loafer, a bobcat was scared up and Jay, whose horse was not as fresh as Andy's quit the loafer and gave his attention to the cat, which he brought to grief in due course of time. The capture of these loafers, which were nearly grown, paid Messrs. Heard and Williams well for their few hours sport as the Youngblood ranch gives \$20 for each such pelt.—Senirole Sentinel.

Cooper, Tex., May 12.—A couple of days ago J. C. Cauley, who lives near Rottan, in this county, was in town and looking exceedingly spry and healthy for a man of his age. He is now 105 years old and will be 106 in January 1910. He is yet able to do considerable farm work and looks as though he might live for a number of years.

J. H. Cooper returned the first of the week from an extended trip to the coast country and says that he saw a fine country, but that land is so high that a poor man cannot get a hold in that country. He incidently mentioned a peculiar kind of a bird that inhabits that country, and after describing it minutely to the town ornithologist, and the long named man said that taking all things topographically, isothermally, and generically, that the aforesaid varmint, was a curlew, but Mr. Cooper said that in that country they called them Miss Ketos.—Stanton Reporter.

### Called Meeting

Of the Stock-Holders of the Gomez State Bank, of Gomez, Texas.

Gentlemen:—Whereas it appears that a majority of the stock holders of the Gomez State Bank are desirous of increasing the capital stock of said bank, and also of amending the charter, Now, therefore, we the directors whose names are attached to this instrument, do hereby call a meeting of the stockholders of said bank, in accordance with Section 64, of the Banking Laws of the State of Texas, to be held in the office of said bank on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1909, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4. p. m., for the following purposes to-wit: First; To increase the capital stock of the Gomez State Bank, to fifteen thousand dollars, (\$15,000 00

Second: To strike out the first clause, in the charter, and insert in its stead the following clause, to-wit: The name of this corporation shall be, "The First State Bank of Plains, Texas."

Third: To strike out the Second clause, and insert in its stead the following clause to-wit: "That the bank shall be located at the town of Plains, in the county of Yoakum, and the state of Texas.

Yours Truly,

J. J. Lane, —Director.  
R. M. Kendrick "  
J. T. Gainer "



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### Gomez High School.

Gomez High School closed last Friday the 14th inst. and was the most successful term in its history.

Prof. Colthorp, who has been in charge this last term has been employed to head the faculty for the next year. This session passed without a hitch in any way and all the students have been advanced most satisfactorily. At the commencement of the school last September, Dr. Griffin offered a gold medal for the highest general average to the school at large and was won by little Audry Black, who made 98.7-10 average.

The trustees' medal was won by Misses Gay Broughton and Lillie Garrison. Those young ladies made the highest grade in Prof. Colthorp's room.

S. H. Key's medal was won by Miss Willis Black who made the highest grade in Miss Knox's room.

Little Nora Black made the best grade in Mrs. Rambo's room and won Mr. J. T. Gainer's prize.

The school closed by a two nights exhibition and our specious hall was taxed to its limit with patrons and friends.

Next term will begin in September 1909, and before that time our building will be completed and every room furnished, the campus fenced and a well and windmill on the ground. Steps are already taken to accom-

odate those from a distance with good board at a very reasonable rate. We will soon have out our first annual catalogue, one of which will be gladly mailed to everyone who will address the trustees of Gomez High School, Reporter.

### The Elephant's Sense.

Why an elephant should be afraid of a mouse is a mystery. Some have doubted the elephant because of his aversion to small animals, but none can doubt his intelligence. Buffon, notwithstanding his idea of the mere mechanism of animals, speaks of the elephant as at the same time a "miracle of intelligence and a montee of matter." Earnest Mehaul happily referred to him as the animal that carried his nose in his hand: hence the marvelous intelligence of his trunk, the senses of touch and smell cooperate. The nerves which extend through his trunk are so numerous that they equal in number all those distributed over the rest of the body. The elephant is distinguished from that of other animals by the pathetic expression of sentiment. Take him all in all, naturalist agree that he is the most intelligent of animals. And why should he be afraid of a mouse.—Exchange,

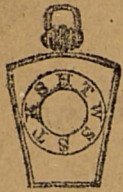
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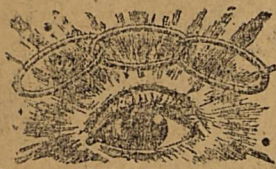
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 W. R. Spencer.....High Priest.  
 L. W. McPhail.....King.  
 Ben Broughton.....Scribe  
 J. L. Webb.....Secretary.  
 Meets second Saturday after the full moon in each Lunar Month.



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 R. M. KENDRICK.....Senior Warden  
 GEO. L. STEPHENS.....Junior Warden  
 A. R. BROWNFIELD.....Secretary  
 W. R. HARRIS.....Treasurer  
 C. A. McDaniel.....Tyler  
 WILL ADAMS.....Senior Deacon  
 J. J. LANE.....Junior Deacon  
 Lodge meets Saturday before the full moon in each month at 4 o'clock p.m.



**Brownfield Lodge,  
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 No. 530.**

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 R. F. Banowsky.....V. G.  
 W. J. Byrd.....Treasurer.  
 W. N. Copeland.....Rec. Sec.  
 Geo. E. Harman.....Fin. Sec.  
 Lodge meets every Friday night, at 8 o'clock p.m. in the Lodge Room in the town of Brownfield.

**Dr. J. W. ELLIS,**  
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 Brownfield, Texas.

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**Meeting of the Federation of Commercial Clubs.**

Dear Editor.—Will you mention in your valuable paper that the 8th of June, the Federation of Commercial Clubs and Newspapers of the Plains, Panhandle and south Plains will be held in Crosbyton.

We expect a great number of visitors from all parts of the country, and expect the Governor of the State, as well as other men who we feel ought to better acquaint themselves with this country, our resources, and the possibilities here.

Homer D. Wade and Judge L. M. Bowie of Stamford have already accepted our invitation to be here. Thanking you for the mention, and we cordially invite everybody from everywhere. Especially are we anxious to have all editors and newspaper men here. Come yourself. Don't fail

F. E. White,  
 Sec. Commercial Club.

Remember the election for June the 12th for a bond issue of \$2000.00 for an addition to the school building, also the 25 cents additional tax for a longer term Don't hit your children a blow but remember you were once a child yourself and would probably have had a better education had the condition been as favorable then as today. It is in the school room of the public school that the destinies of the child is shaped. Let the vote be unanimous for a greater school.

**Lumber Yard Number Seven.**

The Knox Lumber Company, are to open a new yard at this place as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made for the procuring of suitable lots. The opening of this yard will run the number of lumber firms in this place to seven, and they are all doing a good business. This goes to show that Lubbock is doing things.—Lubbock Avalanche.

Mr Knox and son, are somewhat interested in Brownfield, having bought a fine section of land just east of town. We learn that they are considering the proposition of putting in a lumber yard here.

**Special Meeting of Commercial Club.**

At a call meeting of the Commercial Club Thursday night arrangements were made for securing about 10,000 folders descriptive of Terry county. This booklet will be neatly printed, and will be furnished free to every person interested enough in Terry county to mail them out.

J. R. Hill will leave in a few days for a trip to Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama, armed with a generous supply of these circulars and scatter them broadcast wherever he goes.

Every citizen of Terry County who makes a trip this summer should constitute himself a missionary and scatter these tracts of the gospel of prosperity.

**School Land Coming on the Market.**

There will be 22 sections of school land come on the market in Terry county July 2nd, 1909. This land is situated about 15 and miles 20 southwest of Brownfield, near the T4 headquarters. It is generally good land and is classified at \$4 per acre.

There is also about the same number of sections coming on the market at the same time in Yoakum county. It is in the Hooker range, about 20 miles from Brownfield, and is averaged land in the county. Parties wishing to file on any of this land would do well to write to the Land Commissioner in Austin for list and instructions governing the same.

**To Open New Hotel**

The old building formerly occupied by the Nicolett Hotel as an annex, on the east side of Sanger street is being remodeled, added to and fixed up generally for the purpose of opening a hotel in, within the next few days.

Messrs. Harden & Sanders will conduct this business, and every thing will be kept in up-to date style.

They will name this institution the "Hotel Clyde and Cafe."

Van Sanders is so well known in this section of the state as a hotel man for the comment as to his qualifications by us to be necessary, and while Mr. Harden has not been with us so long, it is a well known fact that he is a man who is experienced in this line of business, and will add greatly to accommodation that will be offered at this place.—Lubbock Avalanche.

**Pride Dots.**

Here I come with a few dots, Everybody are busy planting. We did not get much rain over here, but I think they got a good rain around Pride.

Health is good at present. Mr. Harvey Martin returned Friday from shipping his steers to market. I saw Mr. Simmons the other day and he was all smiles, I asked him if he was tickled over the rain; he said no. He was pleased over a fine grand son that was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee the other night. All enjoyed themselves at the party

Friday night at Mr. J. C. Preston's. I saw Mr. French and family riding around in a big auto the other day. He says it beats a buggy and I guess he will sell his young mules cheap now. I will write again some day.  
 Sand Lapper.

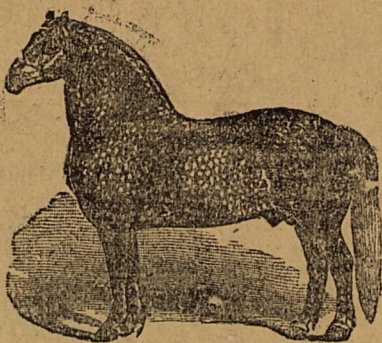
**To Trade.**

We have two good sections of school land, lying together, which we can exchange for good residences or business property in Central or Western Texas. Call on or write us for particulars.  
 Bigger & Hill  
 Brownfield, Texas,

**Special Offer**

For the next three months parties who reside here and want to send the Terry County Herald to relatives and friends in other parts of the country can do so for 75 cents per year. We are making this liberal proposition in order to assist in advertising our wonderfully fine country and we hope that many of our good people will take this opportunity of letting their friends and relatives know what they can find on the Plains of Texas.

**NERO**



My fine registered Percheon stallion, lately brought to this country from Iowa, will stand at my place the present season.

NERO is a solid, black with the exception of a white streak face; weighs 1700 pounds, and is six years old. He brings with him as good a record for siring colts as any horse ever brought to this country.

He is a first-class horse in every respect, and those wanting to breed to a horse of his kind and record are invited to come and see him. He will be let to mare to insure foal for \$15, money due when the mare is known to be in foal.

**Joe Fisher,**

Seven miles northeast of Brownfield.

We have a telephone system in a good town, valued at \$14,000 to exchange for land. This is a splendid proposition for the right party.

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**We Want to Sell Your Land.**

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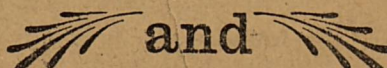
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# Local & Personal

Happenings About People You Know.

Judge Copeland made a trip to New Mexico this week.

District Court will commence in Tahoka next Monday.

Prof. Shields, of Jones county, is up this week prospecting.

District Court will convene in Brownfield on Monday June 14th.

Mr. S. J. Jackson is spending a few days with his Brownfield friends.

Mrs. Lou Key was in town Thursday afternoon looking after after business matters.

Prof. McConnell has been employed to teach the school at Plains this year.

John Daniels, who has been spending the past year here, left Tuesday for Old Mexico.

The farm implement dealers are having a fine trade selling farming tools to the farmers.

Farmers are keeping the blacksmith busy since the fine rain repairing their farming utensils.

Rev. G. W. Givens, of Elkins New Mexico, who has been spending some time here, left Wednesday for home.

Judge H. C. Ferguson, of Lubbock, was here Thursday preparing his cases for District court which meets on June 14th.

Rev. M. D. Williams has sold his new touring car to Mr. Humphrey, of Tahoka, and will spend some time traveling for his health.

Misses Effie Brownfield and Flora Robinson returned from Sherman last Saturday, where they have been attending the Kid-Key School.

Every farmer in Terry county is busily engaged this week planting his crop. The work of planting corn, milo maize and caffir corn will be continued late as July 1st.

Rob't Cook, who is employed as cook at the Nicolett Hotel in Lubbock, is spending a few days here visiting his mother's family.

C. F. Williams is figuring on an auto line from Brownfield to Lubbock. When established he proposes to put service on it and make one around trip each day.

Mrs. Hattie T. Lewis, formerly of San Francisco, who has been spending a few months in Plainview is in town, and will remain a few weeks.

Dick Brownfield has ordered three more automobiles of the Buick model. One is a model 17, a four cylinder car; the others are model 10's of the same style as Dr. Ellis' car.

G. F. Higbee, of Daffau, Erath county, arrived Tuesday afternoon. He came prepared to spend the summer here and will probably locate permanently in Brownfield.

New Mexico is getting quite a number of settlers out of Terry county. The recent act that enabling the settler to file on 320 acres of land there is a great incentive to those seeking cheap homes.

The contract for the entire line of railroad from Plainview to Lubbock has been let and work actively commenced. It is claimed that cars will be running into Lubbock by October 1st.

P. M. Guthrie, who our readers will remember had some business dealings with N. D. Goree some time since, was brought back here by Sheriff Tiernan Tuesday on a warrant. Mr. Guthrie waived examination and his bond was set at \$500.00 binding him to appear before the Grand Jury at the next regular term of the District Court.

J. B. Richbourg, of Lubbock, bought section 146, block T, situated seven miles of Brownfield, last Tuesday. This section of land was owned by Rev. Geo. W. Givens, of Elkins, New Mexico, and the deal was made through the land firm of Bigger & Hill, of Brownfield.

We had occasion to visit the City Barber shop this week which Mr. Cook the proprietor has just moved into. He has it nicely papered with a neat pattern of paper and with a tasteful arrangement of his mirrors and other appliances his shop gives one a feeling of welcome and cheer. In the near future he will install a nice bathing apparatus in connection.

Since the fine rain last week grass is growing wonderfully fast and stock will soon be in good condition. here is no other place in the world where rain makes things grow faster than on the Texas Plains. Farmers are all busy planting their crops of corn, maize and kafir corn, and in a few weeks the prospector will be most favorably impressed with the country when he visits it.

J. R. Hill is making arrangements to attend the Confederate Reunion at Memphis, Tenn., and will start the last of next week. He will take with him a grip full of Terry county products, and a supply of descriptive literature and will do some good advertising. He will visit Mississippi and Alabama before returning home and will be absent about four weeks.

Uncle Jack Cross, of Lamesa, come over Tuesday afternoon in his new Runabout Maxwell car, having with him a prospector. Uncle Jack is an old confederate soldier and says the camp in Brownfield can rely on him assisting them in their reunion here on August 13th and 14th. He will not only come himself, but will bring several of his old comrades with him.

Roy Beal, of Plains, Yoakum county, stopped over in Brownfield last Sunday night on his way home from Plainview. He had just purchased a fine Rio touring car which he was taking home for his private use. Mr. Beal is now the largest cattleowner in Yoakum county and has leased both Rockefeller and Cone ranges which he has well stocked.

The old soldiers' re-union and barbecue to be held in Brownfield on the 13th and 14th of August. Let everybody bear this in mind and lend a helping hand to make this the most successful gathering ever held in the county. Prominent speakers from other parts of the country will be here and address the meeting. An interesting program will be arranged and it is intended that all who attend shall have a good time.

Geo. L. Stephens, of Gomez, has been awarded four sections of school land in Winkler county, and will go there in a few days to commence making improvements on the land, and will take his family there some time during the summer. Mr. Stephens is one of the very best citizens in Terry county and will be greatly missed in the neighborhood in which he has lived several years. His place in the real estate firm of Stephens & Lockhart will be supplied by Mr. Rufus Lanier.

There will be two propositions voted on by the voters of the school district on the 12th of June. One is to levy a special tax of 25th per cent, and the other is to issue \$2000 in bonds to make improvements on the school building. If the bond issue carries, it is intended to put two more rooms to the building and add a busi-

ness department to the school where young men can be taught book keeping, shorthand etc., without having to go away from home to study those branches.

Elder J. T. Stricklin, of Anson, has been spending the week with Brownfield friends, Elder Stricklin is engaged in the Evangelistic work, and will commence a ten day's meeting in Lamesa tonight: when that closes he will open a meeting in Tahoka. That closed, he will begin a ten days meeting in Gomez, which will commence on Saturday before the first Sunday in July. He will hold these meetings under a specious tent, and will have a good singer accompanying him to conduct that part of the exercises.

**Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution in Regard to Formation and Taxing Power of School Districts.**

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6.** House Joint Resolution to amend Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts.

**Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:** Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 3. One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax at such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax hereby authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

Sec. 3. That \$5000 or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above. (A true copy.)

W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

**Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.**

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6.** Joint Resolution to amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.

**Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:**

Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:

Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.

Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purposes shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.

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At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution."

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W. B. TOWNSEND, Secretary of State.

Dr. E. J. Houston, the Veterinary Surgeon, arrived yesterday afternoon will remain in Brownfield all next week.

**DR. M. T. GRIFFIN**  
Physician and Surgeon

Special attention paid to Diseases of the eye. I am Prepared to fit glasses to any eye that responds to light. Gomez, Texas

W. R. Spencer, Prentis Gregg, Percy Spencer.

**W. R. Spencer & Co.**  
Land and Abstracts.

Owners of complete set of abstracts of land titles in Terry county.

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Will also keep feed of different kinds.

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**Big Buffalo rang at Dalhart Texas.**

ENID, Ok.—W. J. Blair of Dalhart, Tex., 300 miles west of here has conceived the idea of perpetuating the American buffalo by turning him loose once more on the plains of his nativity. Mr. Blair has converted 3000 acres of prairie adjacent to the town of Dalhart into a buffalo range.

Mr. Blair believes that the United States government will not succeed in its efforts to keep in existence the American bison and that it is only a question of a few years when the specimen now guarded by Uncle Sam in western preserves will become much greater curiosities than they are today.

On the Blair buffalo ranch there are now 29 thoroughbred buffalo. Agents of Mr. Blair are scouring the earth to pick up additional specimens of this rare animal at any cost to increase the herd. Recently one buffalo was shipped from England, where it had been in a circus, to the Blair ranch.

Inclosed in the 3000 acres tract is a lake two and one half miles long and forty feet deep, where the buffaloes and their young bathe winter and summer.

A correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor visited the Blair ranch and secured the view accompanying this article. As far as the eye can reach unbroken plains reach away in every direction from the ranch, flat, treeless, specked only at great intervals by sod houses. If the buffalo cannot maintain his existence there he will soon be a forgotten species.

There is no better country on earth than the Great South Plains. We have rich soil, good water, a delightful climate. And what is there to say on the other side? The sandstorms, lack of rain—well, that's about all. And what do the sandstorms amount to, after all, compared to the numerous ills people have to put up with in other parts of the country and as to the rainfall, we refer you to those who have lived in the Plains country for years. They will tell you, as they have told us, that even under present conditions there is no cause for alarm. Rains have been much later than this and yet crops were made. Come to Dawson county and buy a home while yet the prices of land is low. It will be the best move you ever made.—Dawson county News.

**School Land Suit.**

Austin, Tex., May 5.—Reversing and remanding the case of L. C. Barnes against J. B. Williams, from Donley County, the supreme Court today further explained a previous utterance and made the important declaration that proof and certificate of occupancy produced by a plaintiff in a school land suit does not preclude all inquiry as to his settlement upon the land. The Court also disagrees with the Court of Civil Appeals for the Sixth District with respect to the proposition that school lands were taken off the market and their sale suspended by the act of 1901 until the statement provided by Section 1 thereof had been made to the County Clerk. The Supreme Court maintains that the act does not so provide.—Dallas News.

**There is A Heel Fly**

Coliege Station, Tex.

Editor Stockman and Farmer:

Your letter accompanied by a fly in separate bottle received. Yes, in deed, there is a heel fly, more properly known as the bot fly or ox warble fly, because it is this fly that causes the so-called ox warbles, or wolver along the backs of cattle. This fly lays eggs sometimes upon the heels of cattle, but does not bite the latter as is the popular notion. A similar fly lays its yellowish eggs upon the front legs and shoulders of horses, attaching them to the hairs. No doubt every farmer has seen these eggs, which are very conspicuous on horses in the summer time.

These flies do not sting or bite the horses, although when they are flying about the horse will stamp and throw up its head, as though it were being injured by the fly. As a matter of fact this movement of the horse is evidently instinctive to prevent the fly from depositing its egg, rather than because of any harm, the fly actually does at the time. Exactly so with the heel fly. Cattle stamp and run when these flies are trying to deposit their eggs, not because the cattle are actually stung by the flies, but evidently as an instinctive movement of protection against the deposition of the eggs.

These flies have a very curious and interesting life history. In the case of the horse the eggs are hoked off and hatch in the mouth, where the grubs or larvae pass to the stomach, constituting the so-called bots of horses. When these bots have attained growth they pass out with the dung, bore into the earth a short distance, and in thirty or forty days come out as adults ready to deposit eggs again in a short time.

In a similar way the eggs of the heel fly are deposited on the hair around the heel of cattle, and are licked off by the animal into the mouth. Here they hatch into the grubs or larvae, which actually bore through the gullet and get just under the skin of the neck. From here they actually work their way between the loose blubbery tissue to their positions along the sides of the backbone of the animal. Here they are known as wolver. Each grub has an opening through the skin for air, and they may be killed by stopping these openings with grease. After the wolver complete their growth they come out of the skin, pass through the pupa stage and eventually develop into an adult fly, thus completing their life history.

GLEN W. HERRICK,  
State Entomologist.

**For Governor.**

The Daily Panhandle of Amarillo comes out in a strong endorsement of W. H. Fuqua as a candidate for governor of the state. It closes its comment upon his moral, business and political qualifications by saying: "He does not need to be governor of Texas, but Texas may need him as its governor." W. H. Fuqua is well known in Hereford being a frequent visitor, coming often on business and to visit his brother, J. L. Fuqua, who is president of the First National Bank. While it may be a little early in the year to announce candidates, Mr. Fuqua and his friends can rest assured that the rest of the state will bear about it when the time comes. The Pan-

would like to see a business man at the head of the state's business, Mr Fuqua is a business man and is capable of handling the immense affairs of the state Hereford Brand.

**Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Validating School Districts and Their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to Pay Such Indebtedness.**

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5 House Joint Resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 3a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas;

Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 3a, which shall read and be as follows:

Sec. 3a. Every school district heretofore formed, whether formed under the general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and lawful district.

All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been, issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of this State, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized to, and shall, annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to pay the interest on all such bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts, with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successor shall be duly elected and qualified as is or may be provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published. And the Governor, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

Sec. 3. That \$5000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

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