

The Rustler.

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GRAHAM VALLEY.
Dear Editor.

We are having some beautiful weather after a week of dismal weather and farmers are going to work in good earnest.

Mr Carraway and charming daughters Ella and sookey of Hayrick were among our visitors Sunday.

Judge Graham was unable to preach for us Sunday on account of bad roads.

Mr. Sam Stepps of Roerbt Lee, is getting quite popular among our girls.

Mr and Mrs Tom Long spent the latter part of last week in Robert Lee with Mrs Long's father Bro. Warren Graham.

Mr. Arthur Lennox is at present domiciled at the home of Mr Tom Long's.

Indian creek was well represented here Sunday and Sunday night.

There were several young men in our neighborhood Sunday whose names we did not learn. Call again.

Lawyer Roberson of Robert Lee was in our community Monday evening selling fruit trees.

Mrs Rambu in was in Robert Lee Sunday evening.

Rose Bad

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A F. & A M. Meets on Saturday night on or before each full moon—M. B. Sheppard W. M. T. D. Evans, Sec.

I. O. O. F. meets every Thurs. night C W McCutchen, N. G. W. T. Savage Sec.

W. O. W. meets on first and third Monday nights in each month. Chas. Roe C. C. W. B. Green, Clerk.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

In compliance with law and upon the return of A. J. Adkins Co. Commissioner for Precinct No 4 Coke County Tex. I hereby give notice that there has been found running at large, and not estrayed the owner of which is unknown, one Brown horse about 10 years old branded F with bar above on left shoulder, about 14 1/2 hands high: Said animal is now ranging in neighborhood of R. Whitesides on Boezer Creek in the North Eastern part of Coke County Tex If not legally proven away by the owner thereof within twenty days from date hereof, the same will be advertised, and said Commissioner will proceed to sell the same according to law.

J W. Barnett County Clerk.
Robert Lee Tex April 23rd 1903.

SPECIAL OFFER.

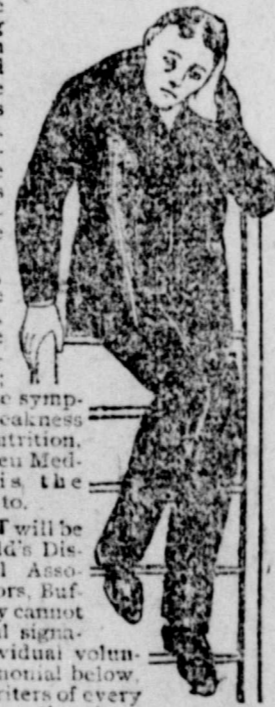
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TRESPASS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that any one driving stock in or through my pasture, or hunting posts, or wood, on land owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

A. S. Chapman.

Estray Notice.

In compliance with law and upon the return of W. R. Pruitt, County Commissioner for Precinct No. 1 Coke County, Texas I hereby give notice that there has been found running at large, and not estrayed, the owner of which is unknown, one black and white spotted two year old white faced, muly steer, with small rattle horns Blotch brand on side, V on hip. Said steer is now ranging in the neighborhood of James Yates about 10 miles north of Robert Lee Texas, if not legally proven away by the owner thereof, within twenty days from date hereof, the same will be advertised, and said Commissioner will proceed to sell the same according to law. By J. W. Barnett county clerk Robert Lee Texas, this 23 day of Jan. 1903.

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Following is the tally list of the ball game at Bronte, Tuesday.

Robert Lee, Nine.	
E. Powers, tallies	2
Tom Cross	5
Geo. Barham.	2
Berry Cox.	2
Forest Cox.	1
Tom Powers.	1
Jim Perry	2
Brance Perry.	1
A. J. Taylor.	1
Total	17
Bronte Nine.	
J. M. Vangbu.	3
Howard Wilkins.	5
Bob Cumbie.	4
Joe Wilkins.	4
Ed Cumbie.	1
Jake Wilkins.	4
T. Johnson.	1

Ed Walten.	"	1
Jno. Majors.	"	3
Total		26

Joe Turney, who who has been prescription clerk at the city Drug Store, quit Wednesday.

Joe Hall is now hold ing down a job at the City Drug Store.

The Swallows are building their nests all over our court house. It seems that they will have to be killed out.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carlile, of Hayrick, on Monday, a girl

There is some talk of a barbecue at Robert Lee, the fourth of July. By all means lets have a big barbecue.

Personals

People You Know and What They Are Doing

10 lbs. good coffee at I. C. Williams for \$1.

Two men representing a grocery house in Omaha, Nebraska, were delivering goods in Robert Lee this week.

This office is still turning out job work. Give us a chance.

Trade with those who advertise in the Rustler.

Just received a new line of fresh drugs at city Drug Store.

Hayrick Lodge A. O. F. and A. M. will have private installation of officers in I. O. O. F. Hall, June 24th.

James Banton and wife were shopping in Robert Lee, Tuesday.

People who appreciate your trade advertise in the Rustler.

To Trade—A 3 inch Bain wagon for single buggy and harness. Inquire at City Drug Store.

Last—Money lost by not patronizing the city Drug Store.

If you have anything to sell, tell the people about it through the columns of the Rustler.

Mrs. J. C. Newton has some fine white turkeys for sale.

The Omaha men sell peaberry coffee at 26c. J. W. Reed & Co. sell it at 12 1/2c.

F. S. McCube and wife, and Miss Lola were trading with our merchants Tuesday.

It pays to advertise in your county paper.

The Rustler is now at home in the Dr. Martin office.

W. F. Reinson is taking advantage of this wet spell of weather, by selling our people fruit trees.

The roads from here to San Angelo, are getting almost impassable.

W. T. Savage will move to Dallas, where he will go into the law business with one of his brothers who has a good law practice in that city. We regret very much to give up Mr. Savage and his wife, but we wish them success in their new home.

Remember the Quarterly Conference at the Methodist Church tomorrow. Bro Mathews, P. E. of the Brownwood district will be here.

We are informed that W. M. Clift will move his family to Robert Lee in a short time. Come ahead Bro. Clift, we will give you a hearty welcome.

The local option election in Erath county about two weeks ago resulted in a victory for the prohibitionists by nearly one thousand majority. This election was for the whole county, except Thurber precinct. Slowly, but steadily prohibition is gaining ground in Texas.

The Sun rose clear Monday morning for the first time in ten days.

John Knight was in town last Saturday, he says he has got cabbage ready for the table.

Wood is legal tender at THE RUSTLER office for subscription.

Bro. George Ridgill will talk on the cause of the split in the Christian church, Friday night June 26th. Come out and hear him.

The third quarterly conference of the Brownwood Dist. will meet at Robert Lee Saturday and Sunday June 29th. 21st. every body invited to attend these services. W. K. Simpson, P. C.

A Mr. Rupp, representing James F. Ballard, of St. Louis, was doing our town the first of the week.

Will Hamilton and wife spent the latter part of last week with the family of his brother, J. T. Hamilton, of Boozier creek.

PIANOS, ORGANS, SHEET MUSIC, Everything in the music line. Thos. Goggan & Bro. Galveston, Dallas, San Antonio.

Fannin and Grimes counties went prohibition by a large majority, last Saturday.

Alexander, King of Serbia, his wife, and some others were assassinated last Friday morning about 2 o'clock. The King begged for his life, but with no avail.

Call and see us at the Hubert H. Pearce stand. Evans Drug Co.

Mrs. Dr. Zachery, of Tolpa, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Payne, for several days.

J. F. Cole of Sanco, was down on business the first of the week.

Woodlee & Brooks sell more shoes and better shoes, than any body in town.

S. M. Conner, a prosperous stock farmer, of silver, was in town Monday.

Our people are catching lots of fish, since the rise in the river.

Quality quantity and all, suits the times at Bell's store.

The Evans Drug Co. solicits your patronage.

J. F. Shook of Hayrick, was here Monday. He says they've had some awful heavy dews, for the last week.

Some one broke into the city Drug store last Sunday night, and took two bottles of Peruna. That's what the liquor traffic drives men to.

Shipman & Izzard carry the best stock of Tombstones, monuments etc, to be found in West Texas, figure with them.

Bro Graham filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning. Bro Young preaching at night.

Mrs. C. P. Lawhon, who has been with her brothers, the Newton boys, for some time, left for her home yesterday.

A terrible cloudburst last Sunday night, swept away the town of Heppner, Oregon, drowning five hundred people. Three hundred bodies found at Ione seven-teen miles distant.

Dr. W. A. Gustavus, Dentist office over Walker Drug Store Ballinger, Texas.

Grandpa Keller, who has been visiting in some of the eastern counties for several weeks, returned home Monday.

B. F. Tubbs, the Sanco merchant, was in town Monday.

Paints Oils Window lights at Evans Drug Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Rabin were in town Tuesday, after some groceries they had bought from the Omaha salesman.

M. W. Marks, representing the Chamberlain Medicine Co, was doing business in our city the first of the week.

Get Bell's prices before buying elsewhere.

Med Richards of the Fort Chadbourne country, died last Friday evening. Bro Simpson was sent for to hold the funeral service.

McDade, Bastrop county, went prohibited June 6, Let the good work go on, until the Lone Star State, the grandest State in the union, shall be a prohibition State.

If you want the best grade of marble work at the lowest prices try Shipman and Izzard. San Angelo, Tex.

Will Adkins, of Yellow Wolf, is down with a case pneumonia.

John Knight is suffering with colic, caused by gall stones.

Carbon and Strychome for poisoning dogs at Evans Drug Co.

I have bought Mr. E. E. Hoyt's interest in the photo and music business in this co. And parties indebted to Beeman & Hoyt. Please come in and settle at once as we will have to balance our books. Yours for a settlement. G. A. Beeman.

EDITH ECHO.

Editor Rustler: News is scarce this week.

Our people are very busy in their crops, since the recent rainy spell.

Some are harvesting their oats and Johnson grass.

Our black smith, Andy McLendon has been on the sick list, but is up now.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Sheppard, Tuesday, a girl Fred Blackwell is buying yearlings for Tol McCawley.

A Mr. Marks, representing the chamberlain medicine co. was doing business with our merchant, M. G. Reed this week.

Jeff Davis, car deputy sheriff was in our burg this week.

Some of our farmers have to plant their crops over on account of so much hail.

Rex.

CROUP.

Is a violent inflammation of the mucous membrane of the wind pipe, which sometimes extend to the larynx and bronchial tubes and is one of the most dangerous diseases of children. It almost always comes on in the night, Give frequent small doses of Ballard's Horshound Syrup and apply Ballard's Snow Liniment externally to the throat. 25c, 50c, \$1.00. At Evans Drug Co.

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Notice is hereby given that I own and control every acre of land in my Grape creek pastures situated in Coke and Tom Green counties and that all trespassers for hunting, fishing, hauling wood, hunting hogs, bee trees, gathering pecans, working stock or any other trespass will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

N. M. March.

Methodist Church, South.

Monthly preaching will be held on the Robert Lee circuit as follows:

First Sunday—Bronte, 11 a. m. and Sunday night.

Second Sunday—Rock Springs 11 a. m., and New Hope, 3 p. m.

Third Sunday—Robert Lee, Saturday night, Sunday, 11 a. m., and Sunday night, and Hayrick, 3 p. m.

Fourth Sunday—Sanco, 11 a. m., and 3 p. m.

Fifth Sunday—Hayrick. All are invited.

W. K. Simpson, Pastor.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT OFFICERS.

J. W. Timmins, District Judge
D. T. Averitt, Attorney
J. W. Barnett, Clerk

Court convenes on the third Monday in February and September.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Gid Graham, Judge,
J. W. Barnett, Clerk,
W. B. Green, Sheriff & tax Col.,
C. L. Hughes, Treasurer,
W. W. McCatchen Tax Assessor,
C. C. Merchant, Attorney,
W. T. Savage, Surveyor.

County Court meets first Monday in February, May, August and November, and may hold three weeks.

COMMISSIONERS.

W. R. Pruitt, Precinct 1
B. A. Taylor, " 5,
A. C. Gardner, " 3,
Jack Adkins, " 4,

Court meet Second Monday in February, May, August and November.

L. V. Hamilton, J. P. Precinct 1,
Walter Green, Constable " 1
Court meets fourth Monday in each month.

HELPFUL READING.

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Small lumps of charcoal scattered about in the corners of cellars and closets will absorb much of the unpleasant odors and dampness?

The white of an egg brushed over a burn will exclude the air and check the smart at once?

Epsom salts dissolved in rain water until none remains at the bottom of the bottle, and applied three times a day and at bed time will remove pimples from the face?

Sinking butter in a brine that will bear up an egg will keep it sweet and fresh all winter?

A half cup of vinegar will make an old fowl cook nearly as quick as a young one without injuring the flavor.

There is nothing in words unless they are properly strung together.

Waste is the hand that opens wide the door to want and misery.

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SANCO

Dear Editor.

Well after so much rain we feel like reporting again.

We are not in need of rain any longer, but most of the farmers would be glad to see it clear up so they could work out their crops.

Little Miss Venia Craddeek who has been visiting her sister at Colorado has returned home.

Walter Scarborough made a trip to Windgate last week.

M. B. Ulmer has him a new Spaulding back.

Wm Scarborough made a trip to Colorado city last week.

Jess Scarborough of New Hope was visiting his parents Mr and Mrs Scarborough last week.

We are sorrow to report Mr. Will Adkison down with La Grippe.

Misses Ella, and Emma Preslar, Ora and Ara Campbell spent one eve last week with Mrs Will Campbell.

Mrs. John Campbell and Mrs. Preslar made a visit to see Mrs. Hazel last week.

Miss Lottie Fisher spent the day with Miss Tennie walls last Tuesday.

Roy and Fred Boatwright are welcomed among the Sanco young people again, as they have come back home from Sweet Water where they have been attending school.

Mrs Fannie Zachery of Coleman County is now visiting her parents Mr and Mrs G. W. Payne.

Mr and Mrs Boon Caloway of Rock Springs were visited Mrs Caloway's sister Mrs Perry Breed love the first of this week.

We hear that Dr Adams of Robert Lee has been called twice to see Mr Adkison.

Rev Hazel and family were intending to attend a fish fry at Cedar Hill last Saturday but were kept away by the rain.

On account of the bad weather the Methodist did not have Sunday school Sunday morning but meet Sunday evening and practised some for children's day, which will be the fourth Sunday Mr. Editor call around we are going to try to have a nice time.

Rev. Hazel and wife made a trip to Robert Lee last Monday.

Mr Silas Connors little child was buried here last week.

Mr John Tabb of Cedar Hill, was visiting his Bro. Mr. B. F. Tabb.

Mr. Wm. Presslar had business at Robert Lee one day last week.

Say Mr Ed. what do you suppose is the matter with the Olga correspondent that we dont hear up there again, do you really suppose some of his relatives are sick, or is it because they are so industrious they dont have time to write?

Success to the Rustler.

Sanco, Green horn.

DON'T Worry.

It is not work that injures or kills, but it is worry. Work means health; worry means death. It is almost impossible to put more work on a man than he can bear. It is not the revolution of the machinery that destroys it; it is the friction. The man who goes through the world growling and grumbling, violates not only the laws of nature, but he is a transgressor against the peace and dignity of the people of the commonwealth; and there ought, in all reason, to be a law to suppress him. In comparison with a fretting man or woman in a house a wasp is a very comfortable companion. A wasp will sting and then go about its business and permit you to go about yours, but a fretting person will worry and worry till you had rather a dozen wasps would sting you all at once than to submit longer to his grumbling. Whether right or wrong, crying or laughing, working or playing, gaining a victory or smarting under a defeat, playing or being paid some people grumble and snarl. These are the ones whom somebody has described as "folks who would not be contented if they were perfectly satisfied." There are just two things in this world that we have no right to grumble about. The first is that that which we cannot help; and the other is that which we can help.

He was engaged to be married and everyone knows how the engaged man talks when he gets a friend cornered.

"She is the loveliest and best girl that ever lived," he asserted.

"Sure?" inquired the friend.

"Sure? Of course I'm sure. You don't doubt it, do you?"

"Certainly not" replied the friend hastily, only—

Only what?

Oh, I suppose it's all right, but I'd like to introduce you to Doble.

Who Doble?

Oh, another friend of mine who told me yesterday that he was engaged to the loveliest and best girl that ever lived, and I'd like to have you two get together and settle the matter.—Chicago Post.

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A LANDSLIDE IN OLD BRAZORIA COUNTY.

On last Saturday we carried old Brazoria County overwhelmingly for prohibition. We don't know the exact vote yet, but feel sure of 2 to 1. We have had a very hot campaign. Our speakers were all good. Judge Pinkney and Dr. Ryley of Houston deserve special mention. And more telling work could not have been done by any men than was done by Rev. J. A. Madles, of Greenville, Texas. He is a perfect cyclone. Men go to hear him determined to vote the anti ticket, but leave the building Prohibition. He is up to date, new, an original. No Campaign Committee can afford to do without this man, if he can be had. Now that Brazoria has gone dry, let all Texas fall in line.

E. L. INGRAM

CLEAN THOUGHTS.

Beware of what you think; for what you think, quite as much as what you do, moulds your character. It not infrequently happens that people who live fairly good lives, so far as their actions go do not feel that it is at all necessary to set so close a guard on their thoughts. These are hidden, and of what harm is it to occasionally cherish a wrong thought if one does not allow it to escape in action? But the laws of life say that every thought effects the whole being. As a man's heart is, so will he be. Evil thoughts gradually undermine the character and some day these thoughts will burst into action which is irremediable. Therefore, keep your mind swept and garnished. And more than that, make the furniture of it beautiful and true. For if bad thoughts, persisted in, ruin a character, so the best of characteristics may be cultivated by keeping the mind constantly on good things. Very often one is called on to act in an emergency, and then one acts along the line of one's previous thought. No act is spontaneous; the seeds of it have been for a long time taking root in the brain. Of two men who have lived practically the same lives outwardly, and are suddenly called on to face a danger, one may play the coward and the other rise to heroic effort. The result is no matter of chance. Little by little the motor-tracts of the brain of one has been weakened by wrong thinking; little by little the brain of the other has been strengthened because he thought bravely. When the strain comes the hidden thoughts tell. We should see to it that we think heroically, think purely, think charitably. Then in action we will find ourselves doing the brave thing; we will act cleanly and sanely; we will be kind and helpful.—Woman's Home Companion.

INDIGESTION.

With its companions, heart burn, flatulence, torpidity of the liver, constipation, palpitation of the heart, poor blood, headache and other nervous symptoms, sallow skin, foul tongue, offensive breath and a legion of other ailments, is at once the most widespread and destructive malady among the American people. The Herbine treatment will cure all these troubles. 50c bottle. Sold by Evens Drug Co.

GETTING THE WORST

A boy came to the door of a lady's house and asked if she did not wish some berries, for he had been out all day gathering them. Yes said the lady, I will take them. So she took the basket and stepped into the house, the boy remaining outside, whistled to some canary birds hanging in their cages on the porch.

Why don't you come in and see that I measure your berries right? said the lady; how do you know but I may cheat you? I am not afraid, said the boy for you would get the worst of it.

Get the worst of it said the lady what do you mean by that?

Why, ma'am said the boy, I should only lost my berries, and you would make yourself a thief.

Don't you think that would be getting the worst of it.

The boy was right. He who steals, or does anything wrong or mean just to gain a few pence or a few shillings, burdens himself with a sin which is worse than all the gain. Let this be borne in mind: the one who does wrong to another always gets the worst of it.—Unidentified.

A DOZEN DON'TS.

Don't ask all and give nothing. Don't live a lie in the expectation that it will never be found out.

Don't waste time in vain regrets if hustling will repair the mistake.

Don't forget that if you listen to gossip you have no right to complain when you are its subject.

Don't let a dollar get so large in your sight that you cannot see around it.

Don't give advice that you are not willing to follow.

Don't growl about your neighbor's chickens if your dog howls all night.

Don't get the idea into your head that money will buy true friendship.

Don't stub your toe twice on the same nail.

Don't buy this week's groceries with next week's salary.

Don't ask God to lighten your burdens until you are ready to give Him credit for your joys.

Don't imagine that every man who gives this kind of advice spends all of his time doing as he tells you to do.—Ex.

How big is Mr. Roosevelt Pa. That papers call him great? Is he like some huge mastodon? Why tasks a hundred weight? Is he so tall that he can stand like some Colossus high. And spraddle both his legs apart. To let the coons go by?

"Oh no my son, he isn't big. And neither is he tall. It's not the statue makes him great. But the greatness of his gait. (Harpoon)

Ladies of Amarillo Present Petition to the County Judge.

Amarillo, Tex., June 10.—On Monday a committee of ladies representing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Amarillo and other women of the city called on the county court while in session. Having obtained the consent of the judge to speak, they read a petition signed by 434 ladies of Amarillo. A great many more names could have been secured had not the canvas for signatures been cut short by the inclement weather and muddy streets. Ladies who were not seen by the canvassing committee are asking even now that their names be placed upon the petition. The document when unrolled was more than ten feet long and the petition, omitting the signatures, was as follows:

Petition of wives, Mothers And Daughters.

To the Honorable County Judge, Sheriff, and County Attorney of Potter County.

Gentlemen—This is a petition from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and other women—mothers, wives and daughters of Amarillo.

We do most earnestly petition and beg you to enforce the law against illegal liquor selling in our town. We make this appeal on the following grounds:

1. You have been elected to office for the purpose of upholding and enforcing the law. You alone have the authority. No citizens have the right to make arrests and prosecute for the unlawful sale of liquor.

2. When you assumed your official duties you gave bond and took a solemn oath that you would uphold and enforce the law.

3. We are helpless. We have no official voice in the matter. We are dependent upon you.

4. We appeal to your gallantry and your high regard for helpless womanhood.

Gentlemen, will you enforce the law in Amarillo?

Judge Replied.

The judge, having heard the paper read, spoke at some length in reply. He said in substance that the county court was powerless to enforce the law against illegal liquor selling. He laid large blame at the door of the prohibitionists and other citizens who, he said, were disposed to shirk their duty. He said it was the duty of the citizens to notify the sheriff of any violations of the law and if it came to the worst and the sheriff refused to do his duty, then that official should be impeached.

The committee of ladies thanked the Judge for his time and attention and retired.—Dalhart Sun.

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J. L. Barren

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

In compliance with law and upon the return of A. J. Adkins County Commissioner for Precinct No 4 Coke County Texas I hereby give notice that there has been found running at large and estrayed, the owner of which is unknown, one (1) smokey dan horse colt with 2 years old in the spring of 1903, unbranded. Said animal now ranging in Meniel's pasture, about 6 miles Northwest from Robert Lee Tex. If not legally proven away by the owner thereof, within Twenty Days from date hereof the same will be advertised and said Commissioner will proceed to sell the same according to law.

By J. W. Barnett County Clerk Robert Lee Tex. Feb. 9th 1903.



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