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AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

Clippings From Last Week's Exchanges.

Clarendon Chronicle.

Under the head, "Under Oath to Run 'Em," the Amarillo Advocate reproduces the following from the Star: "The one who would have the publisher to violate his oath to cut a saloon ad is too short sighted to ever get a glance of St. Peter at the golden gate."

Now, the wonder to us is, that anyone who would be under oath to run a saloon ad should have ever heard of St. Peter.

Hereford Brand.

One among the oldest citizens of Burnet county, Jack Humphrey, came in on Monday's train prospecting. Mr. Humphrey is highly pleased with Hereford and the Panhandle country and contemplates buying land while here.

President Randolph Clark returned Monday from his trip in the interests of Ad-Ran College and reports that his trip was more than successful and that the funds necessary to complete and equip the college has been raised. He also informed us that he had associated with him in the college faculty Prof. L. A. Wyatt, for eight years president of Wyatt's Commercial College of Jackson, Miss., and showed us excellent recommendations as to his ability as an instructor in this branch of college work, one being from Ex-Governor J. M. Stone of Mississippi, and others from bank presidents and cashiers. This will insure a student in this branch the most thorough training and the College is to be congratulated upon securing the services of Prof. Wyatt.

F. Herron, president of the Board of Directors, says that they are now in shape financially to award the contract for completing the building, and are awaiting the submission and considering of plans and specifications, which had to be changed somewhat from the former plans on account of finishing the building with brick instead of stone. There was great rejoicing on the part of our citizens on learning the above facts, as many of them came here and invested in a home or business solely on account of the college prospects.

Farm and Ranch.

June, the popular month for weddings is here and as Farm and Ranch always feels a special interest in newly married couples and wants to see them start right in life, it has decided to give a year's subscription free as a bridal present to every couple married during the month of June, 1903, provided the address with date of marriage is sent to this office with request to send Farm and Ranch one year under the terms of the above offer.

Higgins News.

Great is Texas. Just think of it, 268,000 square miles of territory as rich as ever the sun shone on, left as an inheritance for the present generation to make use of. The Panhandle is a portion of this vast expanse. It is yet undeveloped and we are now calling on the "man with the hoe" to come and help us do it. We want immigration. We have homes for thousands upon thousands, a soil that is as productive as any on earth, water that is as pure as the River of Life and a climate equal to any in the world. Land can be purchased at from \$1 to \$6 per acre, one fortieth down, balance at 3 per cent interest with forty years time. With terms of this kind we can't see why a man will pay rents in Missouri, Illinois and Kansas. The first crop in this country will pay for the land. What other men who own land here have done can be done over again by an enterprising, energetic tiller of the soil. Besides the state school lands, each alternate section in this country is railroad land and this land can be bought at from \$3 to \$5 per acre on very reasonable terms. There are also many individual claims that can be purchased at a small figure. Taking all in all there is no new country today where the original settler will have such advantages as are offered right here in the Panhandle of Texas. These conditions won't last long and those who wish to avail themselves of the opportunities of a life time should now "jump at the chance." Come now while you can get a better choice. We extend you a hearty welcome. Come.

Quannah Tribune-Chief.

That the people love to be humbugged is never more evident than when some traveling fakir calling himself "Doctor" passes through town with a couple of singers. He may be drunk most of the time, and more ignorant of physics than any man in his audience; if he has only brass enough and his assistants succeed in entertaining the crowd, he will rake in more shekels in half an hour than the man who has given a life time study to medicine and has a good reputation to uphold, can collect in one month. Speaking of this subject, reminds us of an old English physician, who, attracted by the reputation of a quack salver, called on him. He was surprised to recognize in the latter a former flunky of his who had become rich.

"John," he said, "how is it so many people come to consult you, when you don't know anything about the profession?"

"Doctor," replied the quack, "how many people in Loudon

do you think are passing your house every day?"

"About a thousand, I guess."

"How many of them would you think are real sensible?"

"Real sensible! Not over one dozen, I suppose."

"Well, doctor, those sensible people go to you when they are sick, the balance come to me."

RANDALL COUNTY A SUMMER RESORT.

In the nearby future the News will attempt an exhaustive description of Randall county—its location, soil and products and the special advantages it has to offer the home-builder. For the purpose of this article, however, the News will confine itself to the subject announced—Randall county as a Summer Resort.

Of the Plains it has been well said that no country on earth can surpass its summers. With an elevation of over 3500 feet above sea-level, we are clear above the natural breeding grounds of malarial disorders and this fact taken in connection with the mild and pleasant climatic conditions, continuing as they do, through the summer and late into the fall months, presents to the sufferer, especially from lung troubles, a natural sanitarium. It is here on the Plains that we get that high dry atmosphere, so highly recommended by physicians, which creates an appetite to eat and sleep—nature's own medicine, and in very many cases the most effective for the run down human body. Indeed, the dwellers on the Plains may well say, and tell the truth, that they are exempt from many of the common bodily ills that effect less favored mortals.

Randall, is only one of several counties, which form this great plateau called the Staked Plains. In its general features—prairie—it resembles the others; its distinctive characteristics being its running streams of clear, pure and health-giving waters and its scenic Canyons. What the News has here said relative to general health giving conditions applies with equal force to neighbor counties—it would not knowingly detract from one of them—but possessing those common to all, it has yet others uncommon, and to these others it would now attract attention. It is a well recognized fact that too much sameness tires the eye and through it the mind. Thus, all level prairie, everywhere the same, is not near so pleasing as the same country would be if interspersed with beautiful streams and here and there living reminders of northern and eastern forests. Such we find in Randall county, and then her Canyons! But why attempt to describe these wonders, of Nature's handiwork, when a far more eloquent pen than the News man can wield has already drawn the picture and done it well. This, our readers can find in a special edition of the

Why Send Away?

When your local Furniture Dealer can supply you with anything in our line, from the midget carpet tack to the most elegant Piano? A great many people in this country have been lured on by the pleasure of the bait set by such firms as Montgomery Ward & Co. and Sears, Roebuck & Co., and have given no thought to what your local dealer could do.

Here's A Proposition!

Where the cash accompanies the order for Furniture, we will meet the prices of all legitimate competition, Montgomery Ward & Co. and Sears, Roebuck & Co. included.

This Is No Idle Boast

Just bring in your old worn catalogue of these mail order firms and we will supply value for value for the SPOT CASH. More sales and a less margin of profit is our business maxim.

THOMAS BROS.

Amarillo Evening Star, May 19, a portion of which is here reproduced. The parts left out are the beautiful half-tone cuts of celebrated places on the Palo Duro, nearby Canyon City, where many of Amarillo's best citizens come for recreation and refreshment during the summer season. Referring to this portion of our county—Randall—and vicinity of Canyon City, the Amarillo Star says:

Driving south from Amarillo a distance of twelve miles, one suddenly comes to a deep and precipitous canyon through which flows a tiny silver thread, the head waters of the Red river. This great chasm in the level plateau extends for a distance of nearly a hundred miles and varies in depth from three hundred to a thousand feet. Gnarled cedar and mountain holly find precarious foothold on its crazy sides, while the water course below is fringed with a heavy growth of beautiful timber, vines, underbush and wild flowers.

The stream frequently forms large pools of water, in whose clear and ample depths there is an abundance of black bass and other game fish. Never a fishing party from Amarillo that comes not back with a heavy catch of the toothsome quarry. In the shady recesses of this the Palo Duro Canyon, there abounds large and small game in great numbers. Here are probably more black-tail deer than can be found in any other part of Texas. A few miles on the waters of the Palo Duro rush over a broad rock shelf and fall a distance of forty feet, forming a fall which in beauty is not excelled in Colorado. Springs almost icy cold and of crystal clearness, gush from the sides of the canyon at intervals of every two or three miles, and these are favorite camping places for hunters and tourists. The fierce lobo or grey wolf has been exterminated and only an occasional coyote is seen, which accounts for the great abundance of small game in and along the canyon. The half-tones accompanying this article will give some idea of the beauty of the scenery, although of some of the more sublime and rugged landscapes, we have no cuts.

The roads leading to the canyon, river, creeks, lakes and other places of interest, are unexcelled for speeding an automobile or driving or riding horses.

THE MORAL AND SOCIAL SIDE. This country is filled with sturdy, adventurous, home-loving people;

sturdy, because the invigorating climate and free-from-worry life have made them so; adventurous, because they left the old states and tender ties to invade a new and unknown land; home-loving, because they carved their vine and fig tree out of what was originally an inhospitable desert.

Now pleasant ranch houses dot the prairie at frequent intervals and merry children gambol over the domestic green, formerly the undisturbed domain of the bison and Comanche.

The number of churches and school houses to the population attest the moral and intellectual character of our people. Drawn from the best brown and snow of the older states, and far removed from the enervating influences of populous cities, they have developed those qualities of excellence in manhood and womanhood that make the people truly great. Here the aristocracy of character and intelligence reigns supreme. No matter how rich—no matter how brilliant the man may be, if he lacks moral character, he is ostracised as effectively as if he belonged to a servile race. Here then is a country where merit counts, where golden opportunities are as plentiful as the sands of the sea, and where there is a place waiting for every honorable and industrious man from less favored regions who would desire to better his condition.

FOR SALE.

Some good milk cows, 200 head of stock cattle, very cheap. Will sell for cash or on time, with good note. Also have some houses to rent at reduced rates. If you want to rent a house see me.

G. C. LONG.

After reading this paper, if interested in the Re-union or Randall county, send it to a friend.

The Amarillo Telephone company requests the News to inform the public that communication can be secured with the Amarillo Exchange, and all points down the Ft. Worth & Denver, at Wirt & Money's Drug Store. Prompt, polite service to all our patrons.

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GEO. A. BRANDON, Prop.
WALTER R. BRANDON, Editor.

Economy in Tooth Powder.

"I never buy prepared tooth powder." This is a declaration made by a woman who manages to keep house on an absurdly small sum and keep it well. This probably explains it.

"I can make exactly as good a powder as I can buy, and for 20 cents I can fix up enough to last the whole family a year. I buy prepared chalk in bulk. You know chalk is the basis of all tooth powder. With it I mix some ground castile soap. The proportions are seven-eighths chalk to one-eighth soap. With this quantity I fill up all the bottles and jars in the house."

NOTICE.

For a nice hair cut or shave it will pay you to see me on south side of Stockmen's National bank. Am also agent for Sherman Laundry. First class work and courteous treatment is our motto. Give us a trial and be convinced.

Yours to Please,
J. A. WOMMACK.

ODD COMPARISONS

"Some very amusing dialogues are heard at times," remarked a prominent citizen the other night, while waiting for a shave in one of our barber shops of Canyon City.

The other day I heard one of these pessimistic specimens of citizenship mumbbling and jabbering about the Western country being a bad place in which to live and finally said "that New Mexico would be a good place to live in if it would only rain and the wind would not blow." Upon hearing this one of the heretofore silent listeners to the party remarked that "purgatory would be a pretty good place to inhabit if it was only cooler and had more water." This comparison elicited more windy yarns and ye reporter strolled out.

My Bakery is headquarters for ice cream and all kinds of cold drinks. A favorite resort for "cooling off." Also well baked bread, pies and cakes.
W. B. JONES.

Muddy in Canyon City this week.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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GENERAL PRACTITIONER.
All calls answered promptly, Day or night. Office at Canyon Drug Co., Canyon City, Texas.

Dr. Geo. J. Parsons,
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Answers all calls day or night. Office in the Canyon City Pharmacy CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

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\$1 PER DAY.

This hotel is the workman's favorite. Liberal rates by the month.

Helpful Reading. Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of **The Semi-Weekly News** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department Has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil. If you are not taking **Special Offer** The Stayer you should. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For \$1.75 cash in advance, we will mail you **The Stayer and The Galveston or Dallas Semi-Weekly News** for 12 months. The News stops when your time is out.

NOTICE.

All persons desirous of having me do Dental work for them in the near future will kindly call in this week or next as I will leave about the 20th, to be away 6 or 8 weeks.

Very Respectfully,
S. B. TAYLOR.

Do you like to have that "comfortable feeling" that you have sent your orders to the right place? Then send them to the
CANYON LUMBER CO.

Prohibition Elections Void.

It is stated by "knowing ones" of the legal fraternity that the prohibition elections held in Milam and other counties last Saturday would be declared void by the authorities on account of the day upon which the election was held (Saturday, May 30th) being a State and national holiday—Memorial day for the decoration of the graves of the soldiers of the "Lost Cause," in which instances these elections, with their bitterness, turmoil, and strife, will all have to be held over again.

This calls to mind an incident which occurred in Taylor a few years ago. One of our old-time citizens who was occasionally given to looking upon the wine when 'twas red, lingered at the bar until he became "drunk'n a biled owl," as the saying goes. Wandering home in the late afternoon he was met at the gate by his good and faithful wife, who, amid tears, thus accosted him:

"Daddy, dear, what on earth do you mean by coming home in this condition?"

"Well, you see, Mary," he stammered out, "this, you know, is my sixty-first birthday, and, while celebrating the event with some of the boys, I drank a little too much."

"You blamed old fool," said Mary. "Your birthday does not come till next month!"

"Great guns," replied Dad, "do you mean to tell me, Mary, that I have got to do this whole blamed thing over again?"—Taylor Texan.

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets Better Than Pills.

The question has been asked, In what way are Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets superior to pills? Our answer is—They are easier and more pleasant to take, more gentle and mild in their action and more reliable, as they can always be depended upon. Then they cleanse and invigorate the stomach and leave the bowels in a natural condition, while pills are more harsh in effect and their use is often followed by constipation. For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

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You can always depend on something well worth while when you come here. We furnish the things you like to carry away with you. The price is right; the goods are pleasing; our methods are attractive. Come and get the most attractive things you ever bought for the price.

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If you have not bought your spring suit we would like to show you our elegant line of samples in Cassimeres, Worsteds and Crash, from \$12.50 to \$35.00.

Ladies' Crash Skirts.....75c to \$2.00.
Ladies' Silk Skirts.....\$10 to \$12.50.
Ladies' Woolen Skirts.....\$2.50 to \$10.00.

In fact the largest and best line of Skirts ever shown in Canyon City. We have just received a line of drummer's sample pants, size 33-32, which we are closing out at less than wholesale cost.

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FOURTH ANNUAL REUNION

**Camp Stonewall Jackson U. C. V.,
WEST TEXAS COWBOYS' ASSOCIATION**

And Randall County Fine Stock Show

AT CANYON CITY, TEXAS.

August 4, 5, 6 and 7th., 1903.

Among the features will be Music, Orations by leading speakers, Parades by Veterans and Cowboy sports, such as "broncho busting," and roping contests, and Fine Stock Exhibits, Etc.

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OVER THE PANHANDLE.

Amarillo Star.

It is now believed the Block pasture will not be placed on the market this month as had been expected. This will be a serious blow to our neighbor, Canyon City, and may be considered a direct result of the policy pursued heretofore by the Commissioners' Court of Randall county who were willing enough to raise the valuation of the resident land owners, but could not be induced to put a fair valuation on the non-resident lands and so make them bear their pro rata part of the burden of government and thereby make it undesirable to them to hold these lands for speculation. The present county judge is a man who is far sighted enough to see beyond his own interests and this court has done all it could to repair the damage done heretofore by the old ring whose policy was to go easy on the large land owners and let the home owners build the schools and churches and keep up the county expenses.

Haskell Free Press.

During the present era of cheap land in West Texas is the time for the man who expects to remain in the cattle business to

anchor himself permanently to the soil. Buy while land is cheap or you will live to see the day when it is beyond your reach.—West Texas Stockman.

This same advice has been given to the stockmen for the past ten years. But ten years ago they didn't believe or heed it. Most of them said land was too high, that they could better afford to lease than to buy land and that they believed that it would go down instead of up in price. Instead of going down land has gone steadily up in price, not only in Texas, but in all the range territory, until today the price is from two to four times as great as it was ten or twelve years ago, and there is but little purely range country left. Yet the stockmen use this higher priced land and must continue to do so or go out of business. But they still find it profitable, owing to the fact that they have improved their stock and are producing more value on the same area. But the same process of development and rising prices will go on in the future as it has in the past, and the stockman who realizes and admits this inevitable fact and takes advantage "of the present era of cheap land in Western Texas"—we emphasize this because it is cheap now compared to what it

will be in a few years hence—is the man who will find himself profitably "anchored to the soil" and on the safe side of a living for the remainder of his days.

Amarillo Star.

The Star is a business proposition and will be run on the best business lines its managers can devise. It is not run to exploit any ism, fad or hobby either of its editor or anybody else. We will take such advertisements as in our judgment will pay for the space they occupy, always provided they are not immoral. Some of our would-be critics, who have had quite a good deal to say about our running a saloon ad, run the most disgusting patent medicine advertisements with reading matter that should be barred from the mails and certainly not fit for ladies and children to read. They also print many other things as news matter that would not be allowed in the Star. Read your own journal, brother, and see if the saloon ad in the Star is not cleaner than some of your stuff.

Dalhart Sun.

Editor Geo. M. Kerr, of the Stratford Star, is adding a new cylinder press to his office. He publishes a good paper and is liberally patronized. All the papers of the upper Panhandle or "Trans-Canadian Country" as

appropriately called, by the sprightly Panhandle Bulletin, are progressive and worth a great deal to their respective towns and counties. They are the immigration agents, the statisticians, and histories of a great new country. Do you ever stop to think of the real worth of your local paper to the community.

Boyd Index.

If you toot your little tooter and then lay aside your horn, there's not a soul in 10 short days will know that you are born. The man who gathers pumpkins is the man who plows all day, and the man who keeps a humping is the man who makes it pay.

Garden Spot of Texas.

(Fort Worth Register.)

The Panhandle country just at this time is certainly the garden spot of Texas. Plenty of rain has fallen over the greater portion of the northwest part of the state, making conditions all that could be desired by the farmer and stockmen. Ranges are looking fine and cattle are in excellent condition. Good grass and pure water abound in abundance everywhere in the Panhandle country. All these things have put the rancher in the best of spirits, making him to feel that providence has taken especial care of him.

Cattle transactions have been numerous during the past few weeks, many sales having been consummated.

Supplies of butcher stock and of stockers and feeders, have been comparatively light this week and prices have not undergone such radical changes as those on Steers. The supply of stockers and feeders has not been so light this year as during the present week.

Damage to packing interests by the flood at Kansas City have

been grossly exaggerated," said Edward Tilden, speaking for the Swift interest. "Our land on the east bottoms, just over the Hannibal bridge, was not even covered. The Kaw did all the damage and it is a little stream that soon subsides after such a rampage. At the rate the water has been falling all the flooded establishments will be killing again within a week."

At this season of the year, when so many cattle are on grass, they should not be shipped until they have been deprived of that feed for several days. The less evidence of grass they show the better, and a few days of dry feed will give them a hard, dry appearance they can never have if shipped direct from pasture. They will fill better here and find more popularity with buyers.

Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years with rheumatism," says W. H. Howard, of Husband, Pa. "At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact, she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keeps away the pain that she was formerly troubled with." For sale by Thompson Drug Co.

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U. C. V. Re-Union August 4, 5, 6 and 7th., 1903.

OUR NEW SCHOOL TEACHERS.

The Canyon City board of school trustees held a session Wednesday evening for the purpose of hearing applications for, and determining who, should teach the next public school.

The members of the board present were B. Frank Buie, L. T. Lester, J. C. Pipkin, W. C. Baird, George Long and E. A. Upfold. For the position of Principal, the board had some very excellent material to select from, judging from the appearance of the four gentlemen who represented their cases in person. Upon the News reporter, who was present at the session, these applicants for the Principalship, Professors M. F. Horton, A. W. Corothers, B. T. Ansley and W. T. Batchelor, made a very favorable impression, and, although the mantle of choice did not fall upon any of them, the News knowing the high intelligence of the board feels secure in saying that it has chosen wisely and for the best interests not only of the school but for the town as well.

A more painstaking board of trustees it has never been the lot of the News reporter to see. Just think of it! One hundred or more applications for the chief places in the faculty of the school, and nearly all of them coming with such recommendations as would, if judged alone, have entitled the bearer to a chair in a University. To choose from such an array of talent is no easy task and when done, as in this case, a very high compliment is conferred upon the person selected. The writer has never had the pleasure of meeting the winner in this contest of educational leaders but as before stated, the News is satisfied that the choice has fallen upon one who is in every way worthy and well qualified for the responsible position of Principal, and those having the welfare of school and town at heart are to be congratulated. And this applies not only to the selection of the Principal of the school but to the entire corps of teachers chosen. It is a good beginning for one of the best, if not the best, schools that Canyon City ever had and taken in connection with the prospective new brick or stone school edifice, will most surely place our town in the front rank as an educational center in northwest Texas.

The newly selected teachers are Profs. W. J. Lackey, Principal, B. T. Hodges, 1st assistant, and Miss Eppie Earhart and Miss Maud Pope.

There is yet one other primary teacher to be employed:

Bob Pipkin organized a team yesterday evening to play the Canyon City team proper, which probably would have resulted in a defeat for the latter had not most of the former been disabled. Stratton, Pipkin, Redfearn and ye editor were more or less disfigured and if the wounded heroes were met at the door with a "I told you so" as was the editor, the result must have been edifying indeed.

All of the teachers employed for the Canyon City school have certificates of the first grade and will get salaries as follows: Principal, \$100, first assistant, \$65 and the others \$50 per month.

CANYON CITY VS. HEREFORD.

The two games of baseball played here Monday and Tuesday between the above teams resulted in the defeat of the home team both games. The games stood 5 to 12 and 5 to 18 in favor of the visiting team. In view of the fact that this was the initiatory game of the home boys, the result was not such a sore disappointment. The Canyon boys played well, and this of course is admitting that the Hereford boys played remarkably well.

The first game the writer had the pleasure of attending, and commencing from the third inning it was a close game. Bonner did the twirling act and his thorough knowledge of the game enabled him to hold the diamond. He was also a hard hitter and never failed to bring those on bases "in home." Reynolds and Myers did excellent fielding, and Reynolds also surprised many as a batter. Street did good work as shortstop at the beginning, but "fell down at the last. With more practice however, "Billy" will make a star player.

Probably nothing could have happened that would have caused the home team more discomfiture in the second game than the disabling of Bonner, which necessitated substituting another pitcher. With the change of bonner for Donaldson, the latter proved too light for the Hereford boys and resulted in a "walk-over."

The Hereford boys won the respect and admiration of all the spectators by their gentlemanly demeanor and the home boys find consolation in the fact that they were defeated by worthy knights.

Attorney Sowder has gone to Cook county to see "The Old Folks at home" and "the Girl I left behind me." He says he will be missing from Canyon for about three weeks.

A prominent enterprising citizen remarked to the reporter the other day that Canyon City would organize a Board of Trade in the very near future if he had to organize it and be the only member. It is a pity that we can't organize something that would meet with the approval and membership of all for the town's improvement.

Married at the Court house by Judge Henson, Tuesday, A. C. Elrod and Miss Kittie Simer.

The News has heard no complaint of dry weather in this county.

ST. LOUIS FLOOD NOTES.

(Post-Dispatch.)

Good results were accomplished Monday in the work of rescuing and caring for the flood victims of the East Side; but the task is just beginning. While the waters are likely to recede within the next 24 hours the effects remain. When the unfortunate people who have been driven from their homes have been provided for until the waters are gone, many must begin life over again, with nothing with which to make the start. The wise plan of helping them to re-establish themselves should be adopted. That sort of charity is the best. St. Louis must take the lead and do the greater part of this work.

Scenes that drew tears from the eyes and others that evoked smiles were witnessed every time one of the Merchants' Bridge Terminal trains brought over a consignment of refugees from the deluged communities on the east side.

Several old women, scantily clad and trembling from prostration, were lifted off the train

by stalwart men as tenderly as though they were assisting their own mothers.

Women with babes in arms were accorded the same gentleness, and everything was done by the crew to alleviate their situation as much as possible.

One young man wore his best black trousers, cutaway coat and derby hat, but was barefooted, while the trousers were rolled up to the knees.

Another was coatless and shoeless, but hung on grimly to a double-barrel shotgun, his most priceless possession, while still another was in overalls, but carried a stylish dress suit case.

Most of the women held their spring hats in their hands.

Joseph Hedges, proprietor of the Hedges Hotel at Madison, has achieved a reputation for grit attained during trying flood experiences.

The hotel is situated on one of the highest points of the town, on Third street, and was supposed to be safe.

When the swift rise came it was quickly demonstrated that the hotel, too, would suffer.

"I'll run it until the water reaches the roof, as long as a patron is registered," he declared to the dismayed guests.

They ate breakfast in the dining-room on the first floor Monday morning with the water up to their knees. As most of them had been out on rescue work all night and were wet to the skin, the innovation did not disturb them. The waiters wore rubber boots, but the service was prompt and complete, considering the difficulties under which they labored.

Provisions grew scarce and Hedges waded through water up to his shoulders and scoured the drowned-out groceries until he secured supplies for his chef.

As the flood still rose, the culinary department was transferred to the third floor and dinner was served to the guests in their apartments.

As long as a single patron remains Hedges swears that he will not desert the hotel.

TEXAS CROP SITUATION.

From almost all parts of the State come reports of good rains. In some portions, notably the central counties, they were badly needed, but in all instances they came in time to "save crops." At this date the general outlook is promising all over the state for a regular bumper field crop unless it be cotton and it is yet too early in the season to even make a good guess at what Texas can do with regard to this staple. It is very late in some sections it is troubled with "sore shin," in others with lice and in yet other parts the worms are said to be working on it, but the writer has seen this crop in even worse plights than it is said to be now and then come with a big yield. The very best judges can only barely guess at the outcome of a cotton crop this early in the season. Frequently, in the central counties a bale to the acre has been made from cotton planted on stubble land, as late as June 1. With spot cotton around 12c, considerable inducement is offered farmers in southern parts of the state to put in a lot of stubble land this year. However this crop may turn out, the prospect owing to shortage in stocks, is for a fair price this fall, but experience should have taught the cotton farmer ere this that prices fixed by stock gamblers now, have little if anything to do with what the planter gets when he markets his crop.

Wheat harvests are on from Vernon east and south and the yield is reported to be excellent both as to quality and the number of bushels per acre. From Vernon east to Wise county, an average of 25 bushels per acre is claimed. The general average of this crop east and south of Wise is estimated at 20 bushels per acre. Nearly all of this crop in the portions of the state named, is ready for the thrasher.

The oat crop also promises a big turnout. In the central counties it is said that the fall sowing will average 75 bushels per acre. Spring oats were injured by the dry weather and the average yield is put at 30 bushels per acre. All other grains are of course keeping up in the way of production with the leading cereals—wheat and oats.

Many things seemed to have combined to retard the growth of our great leader—corn. The unusually late spring, all over the state, baked ground, the result of floods in winter and early spring; then dry weather, cold nights etc., but with all this to

contend with it is generally reported as "coming out" and so it will if conditions be favorable this month and next. At least, from present appearances, Texas will not have to buy corn another year.

Forage crops and the present great staples of the West and Northwest—grass and stock—are in fine condition all over Texas.

All in all, in so far as Dame Nature's efforts are concerned, there is abundant evidence going to show that Texas will have an unusually prosperous year in 1903.

Mrs. T. M. Laster, wife of our genial section foreman, left this week for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Hill county.

Mrs. Ewell Brown, of Amarillo, daughter-in-law of our fellow townsman, A. E. Brown, came down Sunday on a week's visit.

Mrs. J. Rusk, after a severe sickness, is reported to be getting well.

Come to the News office and get some of those Re-union dodgers to put in the letters you send away.

Geo. Long returned this week from a trip through New Mexico. He says that territory is now thoroughly wet and that the stock interests, barring the price, are in fine shape. He also ventured the opinion, that no more high dry sand bringing southwest gales are booked for the Plains in the near future.

Alum Antedote for Snake Bite.

In 1873, just thirty years ago, I was told by a reliable gentleman in Louisiana that he was the summer before visiting his uncle, Judge Franks, in Georgia, and while sitting on the veranda in company with his uncle and cousin a young man from out west, in the Rocky mountain region, a rattle snake crawled out from under the house.

His uncle wanted to kill it at once, but his cousin said: "Wait, I will teach you something." So he stepped out, pulled off his boot and sock and kicked the snake in the mouth with his naked foot until the snake grew angry and bit him on the foot. He went behind the house, swallowed something, returned, pulled off the other boot and sock and made the snake bite the other foot. He went again behind the house, took something, came back, killed the snake, put on his socks and boots, came into the house and took his seat by us again.

When his uncle told him he would give \$1000 to know what he took when he went around behind the house, my cousin said, "No I will not do that, uncle, but I will show you for nothing," and he took a piece of alum from his pocket the size of a hen egg, saying to all of us when out in the Rockies, where there are a great many very large rattle snakes, we carry a piece of alum in our pockets and as soon as bitten we bite off and swallow quickly a piece of alum the size of the end of the finger or a hazel nut and it will antedote the poison of the biggest Rocky mountain rattler or any other snake.

Since that day I have told this to thousands of people all over the south. Many have reported a successful trial in snake bites. I have never heard of a failure.

A piece of alum the size of the finger chewed and swallowed seems to be a perfect cure for the most poisonous snake bite, and every person who reads this paper should know it.—C. R. King, M. D., in Atlanta News.

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List of Lands and Lots Delinquent on March 31, 1903, For the Taxes of 1902, only, IN RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS.

NAME OF OWNER	LAND				STATE TAXES					COUNTY TAXES					Total Taxes					
	Abst. No.	Cert. No.	Surv. No.	Original Grantee	Acres Ass'd	Acres Delin	City or Town	Lot	Block	Revenue	School	Poll	Penalty	Adv. Spec.		Poll	District School	No. of District	Penalty	
H. S. Burnham	1106	56	18	T. T. R. R.	480	480				2 33	2 62	1 50	66	3 64	5 82	25	2 18	7 5	1 19	20 29
I. G. Trimble							Canyon	5	48	41	44	1 50	24	61	98	25	49	2 2	17	5 09
J. E. Beasley										2	2		1	3	4				15	15
Brown & Stratton		695	172	A. B. & M.	320	320				1 07	1 15		22	1 60	2 56		96	1 1	51	8 07
L. R. Bradley							Canyon	4	72	2			1	3	4				15	15
J. W. Bradley										11	46									
T. K. Elliott										5 6	72		5	5	12		6	2 1	3	40
Unknown					160	160	Canyon	9	3	80	86		17	1 20	1 92		72	2 1	38	6 05
Cal Walker										13	20		1	3	4				15	15
B. C. Adams										15	30		1	3	4				27	27
Unknown										13	32		4	25	40		20	2 2	9	1 33
Geo. A. Montgomery										15	39		1	7	12		6	2 2	3	39
Unknown										8	39		1	7	12		6	2 2	3	39
W. N. Brown										2	46		1	5	8		4	2 2	2	27
Unknown										3	53		1	4	6		3	2 2	2	22
Geo. A. Montgomery										15	53		1	4	6		3	2 2	2	22
Unknown										10	56		1	5	8		4	2 2	2	27
W. N. Brown										15	56		1	5	8		4	2 2	2	27
Unknown										19	57		1	4	6		3	2 2	1	21
W. N. Brown										20	57		1	4	6		3	2 2	1	21
Unknown										4	60		1	5	8		4	2 2	2	27
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W. N. Brown										8	64		1	4	6		3	2 2	1	21
Unknown										4	65		1	4	6		3	2 2	1	21
W. N. Brown										1	71		1	5	8		4	2 2	2	27
Unknown										11	72		1	4	6		3	2 2	1	21
R. H. Kirby	36	664	75	A. B. & M.	178	178				37	41		8	56	90		34	1 18	2 84	
T. W. Barrett	205	15-3559	39	H. & G. N.	640	640				1 33	1 44		28	2 00	3 20		1 20	7 64	10 09	
Unknown	946	867	41	A. B. & M.	12	12				2	3		1	4	6		2	4	19	
E. L. Dohoney	469	1-467	53	B. S. & F.	320	320				67	72		14	1 00	1 69		60	5 32	5 05	
Unknown	953	0-213	135	John H. Gibson	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
Unknown	954	0-231	171	John H. Gibson	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
Unknown	956	0-177	63	John H. Gibson	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
Unknown	957	0-195	99	John H. Gibson	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
Unknown	1154	845	4	A. B. & M.	360	360				75	81		16	1 13	1 80		67	5 26	5 68	
Unknown	736	644	36	A. B. & M.	178	178				38	40		8	56	90		33	1 18	2 63	
Unknown	1042	1-33	76	B. S. & F.	360	360				83	90		17	1 25	2 00		75	6 40	6 30	
Unknown	965	15-3546	14	H. & G. N.	320	320				67	72		14	1 00	1 60		60	5 32	5 05	
Unknown	967	205	125	S. K. & K.	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
Unknown	987	265	245	S. K. & K.	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
Unknown	988	285	114	S. K. & K.	12	12				3	2		1	4	6		3	10	21	
H. B. Shofner	160	0-149	7	John H. Gibson	640	640				1 33	1 44		28	2 00	3 20		1 20	7 64	10 09	
S. M. Sears							Canyon	4	48	4	4		1	6	10		5	2 2	32	

I, J. H. Garrison, County Clerk of Randall County, Texas, do hereby certify, that the above and foregoing is a complete and correct list of lands and town lots on which are due and unpaid the taxes for the year of 1902, only, as approved and ordered published by the Commissioners' Court of Randall County at its regular May term 1903. Witness my hand and seal of office this 14th day of May, 1903.

[L. S. J. H. Garrison, County Clerk.
By C. N. Harrison, Deputy.]

THE STOCK FARMER IN THE WEST.

Under the general head of "Range Conditions," the West Texas Stockmen of last week had an excellent article comparing the past with the present methods of raising stock in the West. The News would like to publish all the Stockman has to say upon this subject, now engaging so much attention in west and northwest Texas, but space at its command forbids, so it includes that portion only which deals with the present. After dealing with the proposition that the West is not, from the very nature of things, a strictly farming country and pointing out where many imbued with that idea had in times past met with disaster the Stockman says:

From the inauspicious beginning has developed the modern idea of stockfarming—an avocation that promises to work out the salvation of West Texas and transform it into the most permanently prosperous portion of the state, and has given expression to the truism that it is the stock farmer who holds the destiny of West Texas in the hollow of his hand.

The success that has persistently attended the stock farmer has encouraged others to cast their lot in the West, and the increasing numbers have hammered at the lease law until the absolute lease district has been incontinently bundled to the other side of the Pecos river, and the range cattleman is brought face to face with the new problem of land ownership. There are cattlemen upon the Texas ranges today who entertain the conviction that there is no money to be made in the cattle business where ownership of the land is necessary. They

are but prototypes of the element who swore by all that was good and holy that the lease law led straight to the poorhouse. They will argue that when land gets above \$3 per acre it can not be grazed successfully and profitably, losing sight of the fact that \$50 and \$100 land in Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky and other states is being successfully and profitably grazed by the same type of cattle that can be readily produced here today by the thousands. The long headed cowman has been quick to grasp the situation in all its details and where this is the case investment in pasture lands has been quick and sure. As a result of this policy more ranch property has changed hands in West Texas during the last year than was ever known before.

It is a safe proposition that no interest or industry can prosper permanently unless it is first anchored to the soil where it purposes to make its habit at, and it is even so with the great range cattle industry of this state. While there have been periods of prosperity in its past history, it has never been upon a permanent or stable basis. There have been too many elements of chance and uncertainty for this great industry to ever prosper as it deserved. The history of the past is replete with failures and long periods of depression, and it is a matter of repute that the prosperity of West Texas as a whole has been attendant upon the prosperity of the great range cattle industry. No truer index of real conditions is afforded than the average West Texas town. As the cattle industry has prospered the town has grown and flourished, and when disaster has come to the ranchmen it has marked a decadence in the town too apparent to be casually pass-

ed without comment.

Now that this paramount industry of the West is being placed upon a permanent basis and our ranchmen are producing cattle on the ranges that will not suffer by comparison with those grown anywhere else on God's green foot stool, when the large pasture of leased land is giving place to the smaller inclosure of owned pasturage, the result can but be a continued advancement all along the line that will bring with it a chain of attendant benefits that will accrue to all interests. The ranchman is rid of his biennial annoyance and trouble over the question of probable land legislation. He does not live in continued apprehension that some man to whom Texas owes a home will be favorably impressed with some portion of his pasture and will take possession of it under his constitutional claim of having a home coming. He goes to bed with a clear conscience, realizing that there are none to worry or make him afraid. Instead of spending time and money to influence needed legislation, he spends his time and coin of the realm in the further grading up and improvement of his herd. He gets some real, genuine satisfaction out of life and is worth something to his town and his community.

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Fourth Sundays morning and night, Rev. Randolph Clark, Christian pastor.
Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.
Christian Endeavor 3 p. m.
Choir practice every Friday night.

BAPTIST.
Preaching every Sunday, morning and evening, Rev. J. D. Ballard, pastor.
Sunday School every Sunday morning, J. W. St. Clair, Superintendent.
B. Y. P. U. every Sunday at 3 p. m.
A. H. Thompson, President.
Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday at 3 p. m. Mrs. A. H. Thompson, President.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
Choir practices and teachers' meeting every Friday evening.

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All members and friends of the Christian church are requested to meet at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m. every Lord's Day.

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Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m. A. Ernberger, Supt.
Junior and Senior Epworth Leagues every Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and 3:30 p. m., respectively.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday night at 8:00.
J. E. Stephens, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.
First Church of Christ, Scientist, services at the court house every Sunday at 2:30 p. m.
Sunday school every Sunday at 3:30 p. m.
Testimonial services every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.
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Mrs. V. Edna Henson, First Reader.

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