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Keiser Brothers & Phillips Buy and Sell Panhandle Lands

THE COUNTRY SCHOOLS.

Present Conditions and Needed Improvements.

I have finished my round of visits to the public schools and wish to make a few observations as to their condition and suggest some needed improvement.

I am happy to say that on an average we have an efficient, honest and conscientious class of teachers in the county who seem to be doing the best they can under the circumstances.

The children, too, are bright, active and intelligent.

I notice a marked upward tendency on the part of the teachers as to methods, more especially as to those who have had the benefit of Normal training, and I would urge upon all our teachers the importance of attending our State Normal schools.

The salaries of the teachers are reasonably remunerative—in fact there is more liberality in using the funds in this respect than in needed improvements. Not that the teachers are paid too much—for they are not—but that not enough attention is paid to the school house and grounds. I know that heretofore our funds have been small and trustees and patrons have been interested in trying to get all the teaching possible out of them.

But with uncomfortable houses and particularly no apparatus or conveniences the money spent for teaching is largely lost.

Then we have not done our best in the way of raising funds. Several districts in the county levy less school taxes than the law allows.

Several of the school houses are a reproach to the districts, to say nothing of inferior furniture, small worthless stoves, blackboards, etc.

It is surprising that children leaving snug and comfortable homes with papered walls, adorned with pictures, should be repulsed by an unceiled and dilapidated old building where they spend the day shivering around an old cracked "Bachelor" stove impatiently waiting to be released to return to comfortable fire-sides. I do not call attention to this so much to criticize present conditions as to inspire an ambition to improve them. Let us start a crusade for better school buildings. Let us ceil every school room and paint the ceiling. Let us purchase a set of charts and a globe, good large stoves and plenty of blackboard surface. Let us put in good, heavy doors and paint them, good solid windows and screen them

with heavy steel screens. Where the buildings are not painted outside they should be.

Those districts which levy but 15c should at once petition the commissioners' court for an election to raise it to 20c.

Of course these things cost money, so does any good thing. Besides the efficiency of the school and the money paid teachers is largely hampered and wasted on account of the conditions I have mentioned.

A. N. HENSON,
Co. Supt. Ex-Officio.

PLAINS FARM EXPERIENCE.

The first Randall county man to respond under this head is J. L. McReynolds. Mr. McReynolds is one of our best citizens and his statements can be relied upon as the truth. His letter addressed to The News reads as follows:

I have lived in Texas forty-two years; forty years of that time was spent in Denton county. I lived there many years before it was thought to be fit for anything only the cow man. Now for farm-

ing Denton county is conceded to be one of the best counties of the State.

For wheat, oats, corn, cotton and fine artesian water Denton county has no superior.

But with all those advantages for Denton county I will say from my observations and experiences which I have had in Randall county in the past two years, I would rather risk a crop here than there.

In 1906, which was my first year in this county, from the labor of one man I had fed 175 head two and three year old steers, 8 horses and 8 hogs; and after feeding was over I sold \$250 worth of feed, and then had 75 tons of sorghum cane and millet left over which I am feeding to my steers this winter. I consider this an ideal country for raising hogs and poultry. And for health the Plains can truly be called one vast sanitarium.

Now in conclusion, I will say to the readers of this paper, that I sincerely believe that when this country is well developed she will be the garden spot of Texas.
J. L. McREYNOLDS.

And here again is another letter from a Deaf Smith County man, also a Plains farmer, as published in the Hereford Brand of last week:

My former home was in the black land district of Texas in Dallas county. It was considered one of the best farming parts of the state. My special crops there were corn, oats and wheat. I came to Hereford six years ago and have been farming since. I take the same pains cultivating my crops here as I did there and I always make as much to the acre on the average. After the land has been broken two years I have no trouble raising as much corn to the acre here as I did in Dallas County. From my last crop of corn, I sold ten acres that weighed out 50 bushels per acre and forty acres that weighed 40 bushels per acre. I have never raised any corn here that made less than 25 bushels per acre. I also think from my experience here in growing wheat that this country is well adapted to that crop. Last year my wheat which was already jointed was frozen down the last day of April, yet it succored out and made 804 bushels from 50 acres. I consider it should have made 25 or 30 bushels per acre but for the late freeze.

J. W. ROBINSON.

Hutson Cattle Prizes.

Five prizes at the Denver Fat Stock Show to a Panhandle breeder, John Hutson, for exhibits from the Outdoor herd of Herefords. First in the class for bulls with "Strike Twenty," first for yearling Hereford bulls with "Princes 12th," and second with "Lallys Dale," second in the open class for "Strike Twenty," and third in the open class yearlings with "Texas Prince" fell to the lot of the Randall county breeder, whose exhibits attracted much favorable comment on account of its source and its excellence.—Panhandle.

County Agricultural Statistics.

The county assessor, while assessing, is required to take an account of the crops raised last year, also the number of acres set aside for the various crops of 1908.

He, the assessor, will ask for the number of acres devoted to wheat, oats, corn, maize, etc., for 1907, also for the yield in bushels or tons of forage, as the case may be. He will also want the acreage for this year.

The law requires the assessor to obtain this information from every citizen, so be ready with the answers when he comes to you.

Last Sunday evening the attention of the editor was attracted by a crowd which had congregated on a vacant lot near the old postoffice building. Our curiosity impelled us to move over that way to see what the excitement was. On our arrival we discovered that some emigrants who were passing through the country had stopped to feed their team and take lunch, and while one of the party was preparing lunch another of the party was engaged in currying the team. The man currying the team, we discovered, was the cause of all the excitement. Some of the Tullaites didn't seem to know what he was doing, and those who did seemed indignant over the idea that a stranger passing through the country would dare set such an example before the youths of our country.—Tulia Standard.

Sale Still On...

Our reduction price sale on Dry Goods, FOR CASH, is still on and will remain until the arrival of our Spring Stock—prices quoted last week.

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Our **JOHN DEERE SOD BREAKER** is a wonder of excellence both as to quality and price.

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Call--see our nice assortment of stock, get our prices and be convinced that lumber is not near so high as you've been led to believe

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12 " " "	37.50		Rock Island 1 Disc Plows	45.00
14 " Wood Star Windmills	60.00		" " 2 " "	55.00
14 in. John Deere Sulky Plows	30.00		" " 3 " "	65.00
14 in " " Common Sense Sulky plow	32.50		Hancock Single Disc Plows	45.00
14 in. Columbia Rock Island Sulky. plow	37.50		" Double " "	55.00
14 in. Rock Island 2 and 3 wheel Sulky Plows	\$27 to 30.00		" Three " "	65.00

East Side of Courthouse

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Canyon City Texas

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One Year out of County... 1.25
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- For County Assessor,
JOE FOSTER (re-election)
- For County Commissioner and Justice of the Peace Prec. No. 1,
JOHN ROWAN

All subject to Democratic Primary action, if any be had.

Our Taxes for 1908.

The total tax levied by the City for this year is forty cents on each one hundred dollars. The assessment is being made, as near as possible, on a sixty per cent actual market value.

Canyon City Independent school district tax is forty-five cents on each one hundred dollars—valuation about same as the City.

Last year the State and County tax, general, school etc., was 72½ cents on the hundred dollars on about a 66 per cent (estimated) value. This year the new law demands full valuation and promises a reduction of the rates to correspond. This reduction is to be made when the assessment rolls are complete and all in.

Local Weather Record.

From Friday to Monday was average weather with the fore part of last week—not bad at all. Monday and Tuesday with an un-

pleasantly sharp wind from the southeast, we had some drizzly East Texas experience. Wednesday it cleared and yesterday was also a nice day until evening when a rain storm blew up from the north.

Wheat crop doing well, preparation for oat sowing begun and new land for other crops being turned over every day. All stock are wintering well.

Pipkin-Fanning.

Sunday evening at the residence of J. C. Pipkin, uncle of the bridegroom, Elder Sam P. Shore spoke the words which united in marriage the destinies of E. W. Pipkin and Miss Fannie Fanning. An elegant supper followed the ceremony. Only relatives and a few near personal friends were present.

Ed. Pipkin is a rising young business man of the town, bookkeeper and cashier with the Canyon Merchantile & Hardware Company and deservedly popular with all on account of his gentlemanly deportment. Miss Fanning is a daughter of Judge Fanning of Mount Pleasant, Texas, coming here last September under engagement as one of the teachers in the Canyon City High School which position she now holds.

The News extends congratulations and with many other friends, all or nearly all of Canyon City for that matter, wishes for Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Pipkin a happy married life.

Pipkin-Jones.

At Hereford Wednesday at the home of the bride, R. S. Pipkin and Miss Helen Jones were married. Rev. M. E. Hawkins and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Pipkin accompanied the bridegroom there. The wedding took place at the home of the bride, Rev. Hawkins being the minister. St. Louis is the objective point of the honeymoon for which place the Wednesday evening train was taken. On its arrival here, an attempt was made by friends, gathered at the depot, to shower the newly wedded with rice but this the conductor prevented, not permitting the well-wishers to board the train; consequently the rice was thrown at a closed window where the couple were seen serenely viewing their discomfiture.

R. S. Pipkin, or "Bob" Pipkin as he is called by his friends, is a junior member of the Canyon Merchantile & Hardware Co., and his bride, nee Miss Helen Jones, was the milliner of said firm. Both are experienced and

skillful as to the needs of the house along dry goods lines and the best place for and how to supply these needs and while at St. Louis they will lay in the spring stock.

The News joins the host of friends who wish for Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Pipkin, a fruitful, pleasant journey along the stream of time.

HOFFMAN PARAGRAPHS.

Misses Emma Hoffman and Ora Cage of Canyon spent Sunday with F. Hoffman who celebrated his 49th anniversary.

Rev. J. D. Ballard delivered two fine discourses Saturday and Sunday at Palo Duro. He has given up his work at this place. We regret very much to lose him. Miss Mollie Hitchcock resigned as organist, secretary and treasurer, Mrs. B. T. Johnston being elected organist in her stead.

L. A. Pierce and wife visited Mrs. C. H. Hitchcock of Canyon Saturday.

Our Missouri nabor, T. Lester and wife, are highly pleased with their new home. He is busy turning soil for a large crop.

G. R. Stratton is preparing to turn 200 acres sod for a crop. We are in need of more such farmers to test this country.

TASSIE.

Op'ra House News

Next Week Attractions

2-NIGHTS-2

Beginning Monday
February 17th.

Whitneys Celebrated
Moving Pictures

Admission 25 & 35c.

WEDNESDAY
Feb. 19,

Frank Mahara's
FAMOUS
Operatic Minstrels

25 Colored Stars

Street Parade - Watch for it

Admission 35, 50 and 75c.

To Our Customers.

We are glad to say to our friends and customers that the financial sky is clearing and that the money panic, which at one time presaged so much disaster to the business interests of the country, is about over. Of course money is not as easy of access as it was prior to the stringency, nor, in our opinion, is it likely to be until after the issues involved in the present presidential campaign are settled, but it affords us pleasure to state that we are now in a position to extend to our customers all reasonable accommodations and will gladly do so. During the trying period, as all know, our doors were wide open to our depositors; we put no restrictions upon them and they, appreciating the situation, stood nobly by us thru it all. Without the aid of our depositors in this respect we might not have been able to do as we did—keep open house without time limit—and realizing this, now that the hour of trial is over, we feel deeply grateful to them for it and shall do all in our power to requite it in kind when opportunity offers.

With best wishes to all,
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK,
Per L. T. LESTER, President.

Mrs. Jordan is recovering slowly from her illness. There is talk of taking her to Deming, New Mexico, where she has relations, thinking the change will be beneficial.

Wednesday, accompanied by her son Frank and his wife, Mrs. Jordan went to Roswell.

The excellent personnel of the Whyte Dramatic Company, billed for the opera house this week, promises some fine entertainments.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Fresh Pork—Half or whole hog, small or large, at 7 cents.

CANYON MARKET.

Green ground bone for sale. Nothing better for fowls.

CANYON MARKET.

Garden Seed—Buy them at the Redfearn Racket Store, 2 packages for 5 cents. 2ts

Wanted—Sewing to do. Apply to Mrs. H. P. Lewis, two blocks N. W. of the Baptist Church. 2ts

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TOWN & COUNTY

PERSONAL AND OTHER MATTERS THAT CONCERN OUR CITIZENS.

Only four pages this week.
281 polls were paid in Briscoe County.

W. I. Todd was up from Tulia Tuesday.

H. E. Hume and W. C. Kenyon were among our Amarillo visitors Tuesday.

Four hundred and sixty-eight poll taxes were paid in Deaf Smith county.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pipkin of Plainview, were visitors here the first of the week.

Mrs. Jordan has sold her residence property thru Smith & Monroe to Dawson Bros. at \$1250.

Dr. Cartwright, of Amarillo, was a courthouse attendant this week—interested in the Hughes case.

C. C. Slaughter denies having sold his eighty thousand acre S ranch, saying he has merely placed it for sale.

County Commissioner, M. S. Park, says that in his neighborhood there are 1,960 acres of wheat and all in prime condition.

The Hutson School term has closed and Miss Maud Brandon, the teacher, has resumed her always welcome place at the cases in The News office.

R. A. Campbell left Tuesday on a business trip to Cordell, Oklahoma. Before returning home he will visit his son, "Rob" at Weatherford, Oklahoma.

The same kind of smallpox we have here is also reported to be at Amarillo and W. I. Todd says they have it at Tulia. Better do as done here, quarantine all cases.

F. E. Cross, an electrician employed formerly by the Canyon City Ice and Light Co., went to Amarillo Monday where he has a job putting in 800 lights in an opera house.

For the bonds 306. Against the bonds 101. Such was the vote Monday at Amarillo on the proposition to bond the Amarillo Independent School district in the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting a new school building.

Wm. Ankrom and A. J. Hanika of Shubert, Nebraska, came in last week and may remain over this week. Mr. Ankrom owns a quarter section 1 1-2 miles south of town, out of the Knight land and says he will move down here as soon as he can dispose of his property in Nebraska.

Misses Ada Hawkins and Ray Law left yesterday for a few days' visit to friends at Claude.

W. H. Meador, a wholesale drug man from Amarillo was here Tuesday and that night gave appreciated assistance in some Royal Arch Mason chapter work.

Another distillery ad with cash attachments was turned down by The News last week. The present management of this paper will run no such, no matter what the price offered so long as Randall county remains local option territory.

The Clarendon Chronicle reports the death at Clarendon, Friday of last week, of Prof. W. F. Johnston, of pneumonia. The body was shipped to Rockville, Tenn., for burial. He had interests in the Clarendon Mercantile Company. Prof. Johnston will be remembered by our people as superintendent of the Canyon City school, which position he held last year.

The Lubbock Avalanche, number of January 31st, contained twenty-four pages and in addition to a general write-up of the Plains country, its resources, inhabitants and business progress, had Lubbock county pretty well in detail with fact and illustration. The information given was well worded and nicely placed, but the halftone printing lacks clearness. This fault, however, may have been in the halftones themselves.

Commissioners' court is in regular session this week and has a large amount of business before it including the consideration of the new courthouse, its size, etc. Yesterday was taken up on this question—the new courthouse—the particular phase considered then being plans as to dimensions and finish, etc., there being quite a number submitted and personally represented, some of them coming from as far off as St. Louis. The actions of this court will be given next week.

Rev. J. D. Ballard will leave this week for San Antonio where he will engage in church missionary work. His family left Wednesday and will stop at Decatur for a few days. Charley Long bought his residence property at \$1,250 and T. C. Jennings, now living in the country, will move in and occupy it.

More Newcomers.

Three more families, all from Jefferson, Iowa, came in with last week's excursion. One, S. A. Johnson, owns a place near T. J. Harter south of town; the other two are A. B. Moreland and his son. They own land about four miles southwest of town.

The Yellow Flag.

What was first thought to be chickenpox has, in the opinion of the local authorities, turned out to be smallpox and so the yellow flag, in affected quarters, is now in evidence.

The smallpox, if such it really be, is in a very mild form, the victims being only sick a day or two at most, and in no case so far has it left any outward sign.

Modified quarantine, called by some "house quarantine" has been declared and the same is to be enforced until the disease is stamped out.

Under these circumstances, with quarantine regulations enforced as determined upon by City Physician Parsons and County Physician Stewart, and with the cooperation of the other physicians of the town, there is little danger of the disease spreading and people may come to town without danger of coming in contact with infected persons.

The school has been discontinued for the present and the residences under quarantine regulations for the present are as follows:

W. C. Baird, J. W. Prichard, J. F. Smith, I. C. Jenkins, I. W. McClure, Rev. Hawthorne, John Knight, A. N. Henson.

As previously stated, the cases are very mild in form, not near so bad as measles; no one need fear as to disastrous results among those afflicted and the only reasons for the quarantine is to stamp the disease out in its infancy and to remove fear of contagion from those who may have business in town.

District Court.

(Continued from last week)

Tuesday the case of J. E. Hughes vs. W. M. Burwell et als, transferred from Amarillo, was taken up for trial before a jury and in all likelihood will consume this week. This case is for damages growing out of the suspension of said Hughes, when sheriff and tax collector of Potter county in 1903-4 on the charge of official misconduct. During the pendency of the indictment in question, which failed to stick when brought to trial, said Hughes, for about a year, was cut out of the fees of his office hence this suit to recover. District Judge S. P. Huff of the Vernon district is on the bench, Judge Browning being disqualified. Reeder & Cooper represent Hughes and the defendants are represented by Messrs. Veale, Crudginton, Hazlewood and A. S. Rollins. The jury is composed as follows:

R. H. Caler, C. R. Burrow, J. M. Gorman, L. C. Dowlen, J. L. McReynolds, A. W. Handcock, C. T. DeGraffenreid, J. T. Coffee, J. M. Burkhalter, Clyde McIlroy, Dave Thomas and J. A. Guthrie.

Strain Residence Burns.

The Bob Strain residence of four rooms on East Evelyn St. burned yesterday morning between the hours of 9 and 10 A. M. Fire caught from an old bottomless cook stove in the kitchen. The stove was almost flat on the floor and the fire burning thru the floor swept under the house. Nearly everything in the house was saved even including the old stove itself. No insurance.

Uncle Tom Foster, reported ill last week, is not any better.

HAPPY ITEMS.

Happy was again visited by prospectors, several buying land. One more immigrant arrived in Happy Monday.

Mr. Guy Bumgarten has purchased his baker fixtures and expects to be ready for business before very long.

If Happy had a blacksmith shop and livery stable it would be well represented for business.

Mr. St. Clair, one of our enterprising steam-plow men, was in town over night and reports business good in his line.

W. W. Fry's residence near Happy will be completed this week and he expects to occupy it next week.

Mable & Cook are busy writing Fire Insurance this week.

Happy Mercantile and Banking Co. expect to be open for business in a few days. Most of their merchandise stock is already here.

Mr. Charles Innes of Sutherland, Iowa, returned to his home after a two week's stay in Happy. He was so well pleased with our country here that his desire is to return soon.

John Christian was in Canyon Monday.

T. F. Gilleland of Tulia has been in Happy several days. While here he shipped a car load of Kaffir corn heads.

Aug Rahlfs will leave for Nebraska this week on a business trip.

Three cars of Merchandise was set off at Happy Tuesday.

Hunters killed a great many ducks and geese around Happy last week.

First robins of the season were seen this week, good sign that spring is here.

HAPPY.

NOTICE.

I have sold my livery business to Geo. Reynolds and J. D. Gamble. I take this means of thanking the general public for their liberal patronage and hope that my successors will receive the same. You will please call at the Canyon Ice and Light Co. office and pay your accounts due me.

Respectfully,
T. H. Rowan.

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bles, Celery, etc.; Lunch Meats
and Fancy Table Delicacies.

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THE FULL RENDITION LAW.

The full rendition law is giving no end of trouble all over the State. Some counties are claiming to assess at full market value while others are said to be assessing at one-half that. Tarrant asserts that she is of the first named, taking all manner of property at one hundred cents on the dollar of its market value, and Dallas county is among those accused of taking it at just half of that amount.

It may well be said that all Texas is affected more or less and if one portion more than another it is North Texas, where the taxpayers are holding public meetings and resolving. The substance of these resolutions is about the same and in the following, given to the Dallas News from Hebron, Denton county, we have the entire song of the famous black land belt of the State: Resolved, That the actual cash value of our farm lands should be determined by the net returns from said lands (one year with another), or by what they would bring if sold under hammer, rather than by fluctuating and speculative values; also be it

Resolved, That there are at least four different grades of land in Denton county, \$20, \$15, \$10 and \$5, being a reasonably fair and uniform value for each grade, respectively.

The first proposition is entirely too thin for argument.

The second, as to the "fair" value of Denton county's land, is ridiculous when compared to the prices at which such lands are put upon the market.

The truth of the whole matter is that the rich lands of Central and North Texas have escaped their just proportion of the burdens of taxation so long that to "whack up" with the balance of the State don't suit them a little bit. If it be accepted, however, that \$20 per acre is a "fair value" for the best farms of Denton county, Panhandle lands are already assessed too high.

The News does not see in this full rendition law near what its friends claim for it, but if it must come it desires to see the Panhandle get a square deal.

The convention of county judges, assessors and commissioners assembled at Greenville on Feb. 6th, declared itself unanimously against the full rendition law. No solution of the alleged difficulties was offered save that the law be so amended as to enable "an assessor to perform the duties of his office without complicating so many people, calling on the assistance of the county judges and county commissioners for help in arriving at an estimate of the value of property, etc." What a quibble.

Thursday of last week at Happy, an auto, said to be an Amarillo rig, caused J. W. Stoddard's team to run away and wreck the surrey to which it was attached and wrought considerable injury to the team by contact with wire fences. The team was hitched and not "scary of autos," 'tis said, but the thing suddenly loomed up behind them, passing close and at racing speed and the horses broke lose with results stated. Such are the facts tersely told, as stated to The News reporter, and if proven there is beyond a doubt damages coming from the automobile men whom, it is stated, speeded on regardless of the consequences growing out of the unlawful act.

Want New County of Annexation.

J. T. Holland, of south of the canyon in Armstrong county, in town last week, said that he and his neighbors situated like him either wanted a new county carved out of Armstrong, Randall, Swisher and Briscoe or else they desired to be attached to either Randall or Swisher county. They preferred a new county, he said, but failing in this they desired to be annexed. These people, owing to the canyon, are unable, except under great difficulty, to get to their county seat, Claude, hence their reasonable desire as spoken by Mr. Holland.

In so far as the new county proposed is concerned it is hardly likely that Briscoe, Swisher and Randall will consent to give up any of their territory and so on this string Mr. Holland and those with him must fail. The annexation proposition, however, is different as only the consent of the two counties concerned is required to assure success. The one gaining the territory will consent, of course, and from information coming to The News it would seem that Armstrong, realizing the plight of her citizens on "the south side," will not object. In fact the following taken from the Claude News, indicates that much:

W. T. Helms, who lives in the southwest corner of Armstrong county, called on the Standard this week and advised us that there was a movement on foot in his part of Armstrong county seeking to have that part of that county lying south of the canyon attached to Swisher county, beginning at the northeast corner of Swisher county and running north to the bed of the canyon, thence west with the meanderings of the stream to the east line of Randall county, thence south with the east line of Randall county to the north line of Swisher county. As it is the county seat of Armstrong county is almost inaccessible to the citizens of this section.—Tulia Standard.

Mr. Helms was here during district court, sounding our people on this question. So far as we have heard the opposition to the movement is very light, not that our citizens want to get rid of this valuable territory and its splendid citizenship but all realize the hardships they have to undergo in coming to Claude to attend to their public duties. Our innate sense of justice would seem to dictate that we let them "depart in peace."—Claude News.

Now, these people, according to Mr. Holland, had about as soon come to Randall as to Swisher county and why not invite them in? Their concern, especially touching the proposed National Park, is ours, and ours is theirs; we should work together for the common good and can do it better under one local government. The News wants to see these people in Armstrong become citizens of Randall county.

One reason Hall county is talked about is that every citizen is an enthusiast. Every one is sure he has the best country in Texas and is willing to tell about it.—Hall County Herald.

That is the spirit that wins. The spirit that builds cities and populates counties. None of the Panhandle counties are lacking in this spirit, hence the forward march of development in this section which is startling the world today. Hall county is all right. Donley county is all right. The Panhandle is all right—and everybody knows it.—Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

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