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Some County News.

From Augusta

Augusta, Texas, July 12.—Ere this reaches you Kennedy & Holcomb will be en route to Myrtle Lake with a large force of men and teams to rebuild the dam. Your humble correspondent will be with them to do the rough bookkeeping for the contractors in the way of driving a team to a No. 1 scraper. We will take dots while there and tell you about it when we return. Come down, Mr. Editor. Our agreeable bosses will be glad to entertain you in our camp royally and you can enjoy taking in the situation for awhile anyway.

The time for candidates and picnics is about ripe. The pleasant smile and hearty handshake is all the go now but in a few days it will be a very sour look and merely a nod of the head. Look well before you leap; this is a time that men should consider well before casting their vote.

From what some of the state papers say, Mr. Williams, candidate for governor, is gaining ground fast all over the state and we believe that if Campbell is not beaten he will receive one of the most pointed rebukes that any man in public office ever received in Texas. Surely no sane man in Houston county can vote for Campbell, considering what he and his gang done for us in regard to the state rail road. Judge Gardner says they only used Houston county as a prize to make Palestine put up a big bonus. Another very responsible man of Palestine says that town has never put up a cent nor never will. The treatment has been too severe for Houston county to support Campbell.

Our school is still without a teacher for another term. Our trustees seem to be laying on their oars waiting for some fine fellow to flop up and take the bait that is floating on the breeze. We believe a good teacher can be obtained by paying a fair price and we believe in paying a fair price for the work to be done. B. Richardson and Miss Amelia Fowler were married last Sunday. The contracting parties live in Angelina county. They are commencing life quite young together. May they climb the hill of life hand in hand, overcome all the obstacles and make life worth living and when they grow old may they pass down the valley surrounded by flowers of delight and cross over the river to joy for ever more.

Capt. Jim McLean and Jim Kennedy attended the shoot at Palestine.

The Augusta ball team is jubilant over winning a game from Denson Springs.

Chester Kennedy and lady are visiting in Crockett.

Charlie Cunningham and wife are visiting his mother.

We are still dry, although copious showers have fallen in communities nearby. We still suffer from a two months' drought.

Social news is at the low water mark.

Hoping that the tree that bears good fruit may fill your platter full, we are as ever,

Old Gray.

Oriole Warbles

Oriole, Texas, July 14th.—Last Saturday is a day that will long be remembered by those who attended the picnic at Crockett, which was held in the beautiful shaded enclosure owned by the public school. There was a bountiful supply of everything that was needed to satisfy the appetite, and polite attention from those who had the dinner in charge. There was some lively speaking by the different candidates during the day which was enjoyed by the large crowd in attendance.

As there is no preaching, Sunday school or singing in our community to interest our people, I think it would be a good idea for each family to supply themselves with Sunday school literature and good religious papers to read on Sundays, and also good books. It used to be that every body had the gospel preached to them without money and without price, but it is not so now, as money is the first thing to put up. I remember very well when the Methodist circuit rider traveled over a large territory sparsely settled horse back with his bible and hymn book and with very little pay for his services. You will not find any of these kind of preachers at this time.

Was sorry to learn from the Messenger that Mr. Madden was called away just as he was about to commence his round with the candidates to speak for prohibition. Can't the prohibitionists get another good speaker to fill his place? I notice that the saloon men and antis have got to be in favor of local option. This looks a little funny.

I hope the candidates and everybody will have a pleasant time at Latexo and Grapeland.

A. K.

Oak Grove Items.

Oak Grove, July 12.—The protracted meeting is still going on and doing untold good. Rev. Carter is a fine preacher, and is prizing up some of the sin that has been buried so long. He is one of those preachers that does not "sugar coat" but speaks plain English—what sin is, and what it will do for men and women. There has been several additions to the church up to date, and I don't know when it will close. While I am not a Baptist, I endorse Bro. Carter's way of preaching and if there were more such preachers, there would be less sin.

I notice in last weeks issue of the Messenger an article from Dr. Robertson in regard to C. C. Stokes, The Doctor said he had great confidence in Carl's ability to do great good for this district. I wonder if the Doctor knows how Mr. Stokes stood on the "Bucket Shop" Bill, when it came time to vote there. Were several petitions signed by good citizens asking him to give that bill his support and he wrote that he would do all he could for the measure, but when it came time

to vote he voted against it. Of course Carl has the ability to do good, but will he do it?—

Now Mr. Editor, I write this to let our public servants know that the man behind the plow with one gallas is watching them as well as other professions. I think if a public man will go back on one promise, he will go back on another. Hoping this will receive careful consideration by the Editor, I will ring off by saying we are enjoying good health and a glorious meeting.

Old Timer.

(There is not enough in the charge to challenge the consideration of any fair minded man. We never did believe the charge and Senator Mayfield's letter confirms our belief. We are for Stokes teeth and toe nail, and hope Old Timer will change his views.—Editor.)

Daily News.

Daly's Texas, July 13.—The hot dry weather was broken by a cool refreshing shower Saturday; not enough, however, we are thankful for small favors as well as large ones.

Misses Laura and Dora Kyle have returned home after a few weeks' visit in the New Prospect community.

Miss Venie Kyle is visiting Miss Johnnie Smith at Reynard.

Little Miss Pearl Spence spent a pleasant time last week with her cousin, Little Miss Florence Pennington.

Miss Etta Pridgen left last Tuesday to join her sister, who is visiting relatives at Elkhart and Palestine.

The young folks enjoyed another party last Friday night.

Smith Dailey is on the sick list this week.

Miss Lizzie Edens is visiting relatives in Grapeland.

Watermelons are ripe and roasting ears are fine and we appreciate them as much as we do hog and hominy in the winter.

Our Sunday school is at a low ebb now; only a few attended last Sunday. We hope after the warm weather to again have a full attendance. We should all take interest in this work.

Sylvester.

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Grapeland and Oak Grove played a slow and featureless game of ball Saturday, in which Grapeland won by a swelled score. Both teams seemed to take no interest, however, they can play excellent ball when they try.

Stokes' Attitude on The Bucket-Shop Bill

Senator Mayfield, Author of the Bill, Tells How Our Senator saved the Bill from Being Defeated

In view of the fact that some are opposing me on account of my position on the Mayfield-Jenkins "Bucket Shop" bill, and believing that those who are opposing me on this account are not familiar with all the facts in the case, I herewith submit a statement of facts from Senator Mayfield, the man who championed the bill in the senate. This is so plain, and coming from the source it does, unsolicited, I will content myself with submitting Senator Mayfield's letter without commenting upon it.

Very respectfully,
C. C. Stokes.

Senator Mayfield's letter.

Meridan, Texas, June 9, '08.
Hon. C. C. Stokes,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Senator:

I saw a friend of yours some time ago, and was informed by him that you were being charged by your opponents with having made an effort to kill the "Bucket Shop" bill, which measure was introduced by me as a member of the Senate in the 30th Legislature.

Having led the fight in the Senate for this measure, and knowing who were its real enemies, and who did not want any legislation at all along this line, perhaps I am in a better position to say whether are not you made any efforts to kill my measure. Not living in your district, I have no desire to meddle with its affairs, but I am interested in seeing that injustice is done no man, and that the truth is always known.

I desire to say that you were not so much opposed to my bill, as you were of the opinion that some of its features went too far. I understood that you were opposed to gambling on the farmers products, but that you thought that my bill unless modified, would hurt rather than benefit the farmers of Texas. The fact that you were opposed to gambling is supported by an amendment which you offered to the Watson bill, but which was killed.

While you were opposed to my bill as it stood, it is but just to you to say, that my measure would never have gotten out of the Committee on a majority report had it not been for you. You voted in the committee to report the bill favorably and with your vote the vote was a tie, and Senator J. M. Terrell being in the chair, and being in favor of the bill, untied the vote, and thus my bill came out of the committee with a favorable report, and this always helps a measure before a Senate body.

If it had not been for you, although opposed to the bill, the Mayfield-Jenkins bill wouldn't be the law to day. We had made a stubborn fight for the measure, and when it came before the Senate for final action, Senator J. M. Terrell, who favored the bill, was out of the city of Austin. Senator Paulus, who was against the bill was out of the

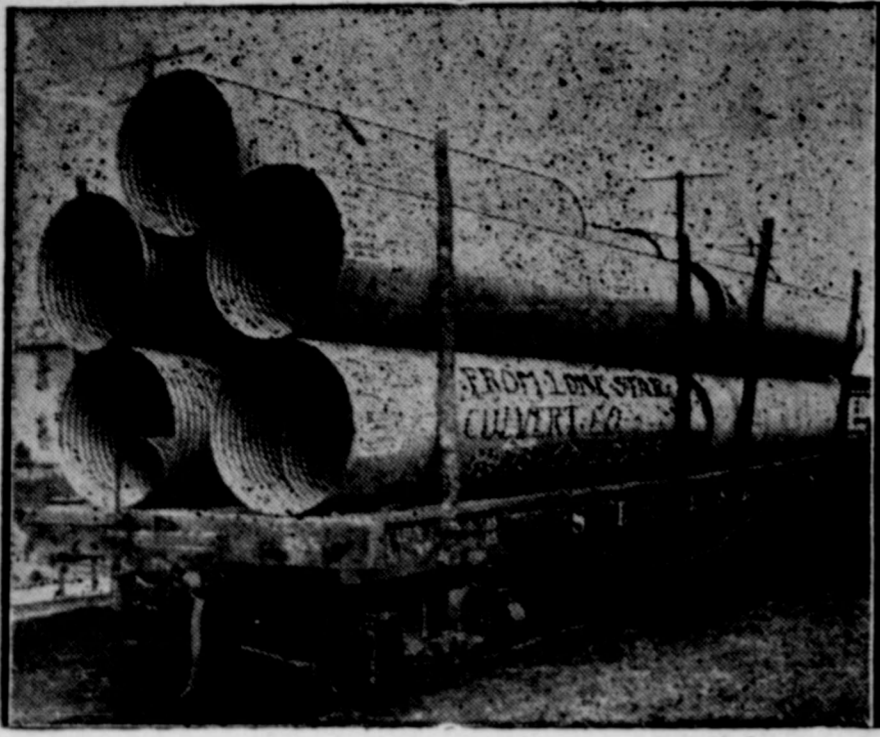
city and it developed that some way or other Senator Paulus was paired with two of our men, and Senator Terrell was paired with no one. I got permission from Senator Terrell to pair him with some Senator who was opposed to the measure. I went to several Senators, and they absolutely refused to pair with Senator Terrell, although they had Senator Paulus paired with two of our men. I finally approached you upon the subject; told you the situation, told you how we were going to be defeated out of a victory which we had justly earned, and then asked you to pair with Senator J. M. Terrell. You told me that you had had your eyes opened, and you saw their scheme, and that you would not be a party to any such scheme, and that you would be glad to pair with Senator Terrell, while at the very moment you did so, you knew that your pairing with Senator Terrell meant the passage of our bill.

It gives me pleasure to state these facts as they really exist, for we who introduced the "Bucket-Shop" bill, and who were interested in its passage, have felt very kindly toward you for your assistance, and have felt under lasting obligations to you. Hatton W. Sumners of Dallas, who was representing the Farm & Ranch, was in Austin during this fight, aiding us very materially—in fact, he was there for no other purpose—and when he learned that Senator Terrell could not possibly reach Austin in time to vote for this bill, Sumners then and there gave up all hope for the passage of the bill, and had his grip packed to leave on the midnight train for Dallas. When I told Sumners that there was one man in the senate that I believed would pair with Terrell, he had little faith in my statement. When I told him I had seen you and you had agreed to pair with Senator Terrell, he was one of the happiest men I ever saw, and said: "I will never forget Stokes and will be under obligations to him always." If you will write to Mr. Sumners I am sure that he will verify all I have said.

I do not want to appear as meddling in your district, but when a man has the nerve and backbone to come out and stand right against a sham and a fraud I think it's a shame to try to slaughter him by saying the adverse is true. I have no interest in your campaign but that the unvarnished truth be known. I do not know your opponents, do not even know who they are, and as said above have absolutely no interest in your race, except I know that if you had not joined us as you did, we would have lost our bill.

Your public life merits another term, and I believe the people will reward a faithful servant.

Very truly yours,
E. B. Mayfield.



Corrugated Iron Culverts and Laterals.

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The Lone Star Culvert Company of Houston, Texas, has just forwarded the last car containing about 200 L.N. ft. of 42-in. Dia. corrugated flume to the Hidalgo Canal Co. at McAllen, Texas. This car also had in it a lot of smaller diameter pipes for the same people, and is the last shipment on a contract they had with the Hidalgo Canal Co. to furnish them the large flume which they are putting in at their second lift. This flume is 590 ft. long by 42 in. in diameter, and is designed to carry the life giving fluid from the lower to the upper canal. It is made of heavy gauge sheets (No. 12) of specially prepared pure iron. This iron is called ingot iron and is made especially to meet the needs of the culvert and flume construction, and is warranted to 99.86 per cent pure iron, and therefore is practically pure, and of course will not corrode like the ordinary roofing sheets carrying heavy percentage of carbon, sulphur, manganese and other minerals present in usual corrugated sheets as are used for general construction. When finished it will represent a considerable expenditure on the part of the Canal Company, but it is justified, and only shows good business judgment displayed by them in selecting a material which will be permanent in its nature for that class of work. This flume is up eighteen feet in the air at pump connection and gradually falls toward the end of earthen canal. The frame work carrying this monster pipe is put up in the most substantial manner, out of cypress. The design of framing is very similar to the ordinary railway frame trestle, which is familiar to all of us, only not so heavy. The bents or benches carrying the load are spaced 8 ft. apart, and the caps are long enough to receive the flume and allow room for a foot-board alongside of the flume. When finished it will represent

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Taken all in all, the Hidalgo people are to be congratulated on the evidence of prosperity as shown by these betterments and improvements, and are only an evidence of what well directed energy, backed with common sense and co-operation, can do in what used to be called semi-arid sands of our great State.

Unquestionably, the Lone Star Culvert Co. have evolved a system of construction which in its variety and adaptability, simplicity and durability, should be investigated by all irrigating companies and managers who contemplate the same or similar improvements.

The Mechanical Mother.

Susan and I both belong to the Parental Suffrage League, and in that way we have managed to be up-to-date with our children. So when we heard of the food machine we decided to try it, the twins and Clara Belle being still on the bottle. Our confidence in the machine was partly due to itsings with the agent who handled it.

It was from this man we had purchased the combination trunk and bath tub, which also served in emergency as a crib. We had found this very serviceable, es- we always paid excess baggage on account of the zinc lining. The woven wire tray hung inside made a capital crib, and had it not been for an accident we would still be using it. But one night at the seashore, Susan forgot to hook the lid back, and had it not been for the escape pipe at the bottom James Augustus would have been smothered. It makes an excellent ice box.

So naturally we were prepared to like the food machine. Any mother who has had three sets of bottles, with their respective nipples to boil and fill every morning will appreciate our eagerness to secure an automatic affair of this kind. Susan was president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Mothers, and just when she was pouring over Parliamentary law, bottle time would arrive.

The new machine obviated all this. It was an imposing nickel-plated affair, with an ice chamber and an alcohol lamp, and which rubber tubing and nipples could be attached in any reasonable number. The arrangement was such that each child received its individual nourishment regardless of what its next neighbor was imbibing. Thus Clara Belle was taking milk whey made with sherry wine, while Thomas Aldrich and James Augustus were getting respectively condensed milk and barley malt.

It was an inspiring sight to see those three babies, each in his little chair, deriving nourishment and satisfaction from that intelligent machine, while Susan read comfortably in an adjoining room. Once or twice Susan—have I said she is prone to absent-mindedness?—forgot to consult the thermometer, and the children were blistered somewhat, though not fatally.

One week, most inexplicably, Thomas gained immensely in weight, while James lost proportionately, but no harm was done, as we discovered in time that Thomas Aldrich had been usurping his brother's tube as well as his own. Another time something went wrong inside the machine, and after a terrible three days, during which James Augustus yelled incessantly, it transpired that through a defect in a valve, James was getting plain water with a little lime water, while the lucky Thomas was simply puffed out with a double quantity of solids.

But we would still probably be using the machine had it not been for Clara Belle. Without any warning whatever, she began to act strangely. She would sing and yell at the top of her voice, and she was either extravagantly happy or saturated with tears. Her gait became a roll, with a lurch now and then, and her tongue was chronically thick.

I think Clara Belle would be taking the Gold Cure by this time had we not discovered the trouble. Mary Ann, the stupid, had been making mistakes in the cylinders, and for a week poor Clara Belle had had sherry wine ad. lib. every two hours, with a peg or two at night. It was terrible. But when we discovered the mistake, Susan gave her for a week, a preparation advertised to kill the drink habit or money Belle's early intemperance will have no ill effect. But having by this time, we sent the machine to the barn, where Mike has successfully reared with its assistance three calves and a litter of kittens.—Hallavel's Magazine.

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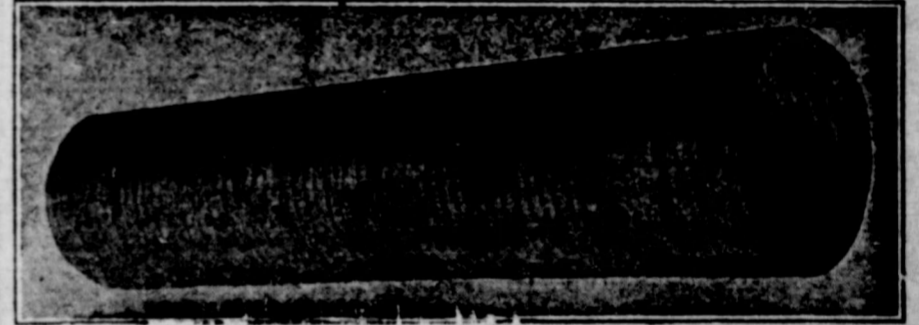
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The New American Farmer.

If the American farmer went out of business this year he could clean up thirty thousand million dollars. And he would have to sell his farm on credit; for there is not enough money in the whole world to pay him half his price.

Talk of the money-mad trusts! They might have reason to be mad if they owned the farms, instead of their watered stock. When we remember that the American farmer earns enough in seventeen days to buy out Standard Oil, and enough in fifty days to wipe out Carnegie and the Steel Trust off the industrial map, the story of the trusts seems like "the short and simple annals of the poor."

One American harvest would buy the Kingdom of Belgium, King and all; two would buy Italy; three would buy Austria-Hungary, and five, at a spot-cash price, would take Russia from the Czar.

Talk of swollen fortunes! With the setting of every sun the money-box of the American farmer bulges with the weight of twenty-four new millions. Only the most athletic imagination can conceive of such a torrent of wealth.

Place your finger on the pulse of your wrist, and count the heartbeats,—one,—two,—three four. With every four of those quick throbs, day and night, a thousand dollars clatters into the gold-bin of the American farmer.

How incomprehensible it would seem to Pericles, who saw Greece in her Golden Age, if he could know that the yearly income of his country is now no more than one day's pay for the men who till the soil of this infant Republic!

Or, how it would amaze a resurrected Christopher Columbus if he were told that the revenues of Spain and Portugal are not nearly as much as the earnings of the farmer's hen!

Merely the crumbs that drop from the farmer's table (otherwise known as agricultural exports) have brought him in enough of foreign money since 1892 to enable him, if he wished, to settle the railway problem once for all, by buying every foot of railroad in the United States.

Such is our New Farmer,—a man for whom there is no name in any language. He is far above the farmer of the story-books as a 1908 touring car is above a jinrikisha. Instead of being an ignorant hoeman in a barnyard world, he gets the news by daily mail and telephone; and incidentally publishes 700 trade journals of his own. Instead of being a moneyless peasant, he pays the interest on the mortgage with his earnings of a week. Even this is less of an expense than it seems, for he borrows the money from himself, out of his own banks, and spends the bulk of his tax money around his own properties.

Farming for a business, not for a living—this is the *motif* of the new farmer. He is a commercialist,—a man of the twentieth century. He works hard as the old farmer did, but in a higher way. He uses the four Ms.—mind, money, machinery and muscle, but as little of the latter as possible.

Neither is he a Robinson Crusoe of the soil, as the old farmer was. His hermit days are over; he is a man among men. The railway, the trolley, the automobile, and the top buggy have transformed him into a suburbanite. In fact, his business has become so complex and manifold that he touches civilization at more points and lives a larger life than if he were one of the atoms of a crowded city.

More Good Horses Needed

Increasing Demand for Horses at High Prices.

A horse famine of serious proportions now prevails in Texas and the Southwest. So far as the automobile putting the horse out of business, the demand for horses at the present in this part of the United States far exceeds

the supply and the price is constantly rising. Contractors who have for many years been furnishing horses to the United States army, are either refusing to make bids or are making them with limitations and restrictions. They declare that after scouring Texas and the States adjoining they find an unprecedented scarcity of available stock, and that at present breeding is not being embarked upon a scale large enough to promise relief in the next three or four years.

They are unable to account for the scarcity except on the theory that the breeding stock was depleted in this part of the country during the Boer war and the Spanish war and has never been re-established. Texas is ideally adapted to the raising of horses and there are many large horse ranches in this part of the State. It is probable that this scarcity of horses and increase in prices will attract men to the breeding of these animals.

Popularity of Automobiles Increasing.

Automobiles Are Taking the Place of Interurban Trolleys.

A state automobile club is in process of formation in Texas and is indicative of the widespread uses to which the automobile is being put in this part of the country. San Antonio has a club with about three hundred enthusiastic members, and all of the neighboring towns from here to Brownsville have active clubs. The fact that the rainfall is so distributed in this section as to leave periods of dry weather makes during a large portion of the year the ordinary country roads well adapted to the use of the automobile. As a result a great many of the ranchmen and farmers who live off the railroad are using the automobile to go back and forth. In addition, there are half a dozen places in Southwest Texas where automobile lines are running on regular schedules in lieu of railroads. As a reflex of this automobile movement an aggressive campaign for better roads has been launched and is being pushed vigorously in this part of the country. Land agents, commercial clubs and kindred business organizations rightly see in the automobile a means of transportation that is proving an excellent substitute until the country is settled up sufficiently to warrant a network of railroads.

Ballooning at the Fair.

International Fair Is Planning to Have Balloon Races at the Next Annual Fair.

Plans are being made for holding a series of balloon races in San Antonio during the International Fair this Fall. A short while ago the San Antonio Aero Club was organized for the purpose of developing interest in the sport of ballooning. Dr. Frederick J. Fielding, President of the club, had had a large balloon built in St. Louis which he expects to enter into the International races in Chicago this summer. The San Antonio Aero Club expects to raise several thousand dollars to offer as prizes at the balloon races here this Fall. They are arranging equipment for the inflation of at least ten balloons and expect to get that number to enter these races which will be the first of the kind ever held in the Southwest.

Texas expects to figure very largely in the pending political campaign. The Brownville episode will be used to alienate the negro vote and is likely to be a much discussed topic. Some of the political prophets believe that only Foraker can prevent the Brownville matter from loosing Ohio for the Republicans. Then the Taft trousers, made from the mohair of a Texas Angora billy goat, which is the subject now for campaign buttons and post cards, as well as cartoons and the like, promises to keep the Lone Star State very much in evidence in this campaign.

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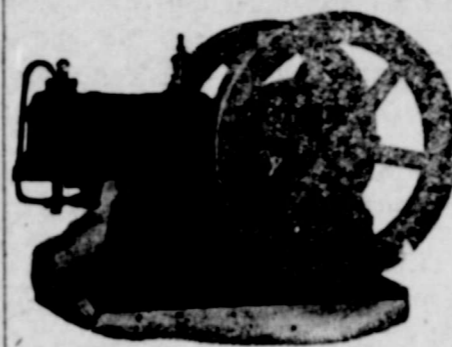
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From W. E. Hollingsworth.

Harlingen, Texas.

I promised to write something of what I have learned of this new country and as I receive a good many letters from old time friends up there you will do them as well as myself a courtesy

The Lone Star Culvert Commission placing this attempt at description in your columns.

I reached this country in the early part of February 1906 and found what I thought at the time the most undesirable, ugly, cruel fit for nothing, lonesome, thorny, rough and ready old country I had ever struck, except that I admired the climate from the start.

Since that time however, I have learned to like the country better and better as days go by, and I have finally awakened to the fact that this is one of the best sections in these United States, for the following reasons.

First the principle thing that we all look for is good health and I find this as near perfect in that particular as any place I know of as the climate unlike the far or middle west is very mild and even all the year round, thus one avoids to a very great extent those awful colds, catarrhal, pneumonia, lagripe, rheumatism and other troubles of that nature, also avoid the malarial fevers, the chill and jaundice habits and various other things that make unhappiness for mankind, and poverty is not contagious in this particular section, although (like in my case) there are some cases of poverty bought into the country and stick like the seven year itch, though I hope mine doesn't last that long.

The land is very rich and all it needs to make it produce good crops is water, which we have in abundance from canals coming from the Rio Grande River which for years and ages have overflowed the country leaving a fine deposit of silt making the soil now average about twelve feet deep, and being that deep can hardly wear out.

We make from one to two bales of cotton per acre regardless of the boll weevil as that pest is easily handled here on account of very little rain falling, and the fact that we can water our cotton when we please or let the hot sun have the boll weevil to his displeasure.

Besides this we keep our cotton growing evenly from February till January, thus giving it nearly a year to grow and make in, and in keeping it watered just right it don't shed any of its fruit, and it is my hope to make big money raising cotton and other things in proportion such as cane both sugar and sorghum as they both grow very rank and fine and many people are simply getting rich here from the products of their farms, well to sum it all up it is an easy living one makes here and even half try.

There are plenty of deer and turkey in a mile of Harlingen and quail by the thousand, also some wolves wild cats, leopards

and other things of that kind that hunters delight to find, although such things are harmless as to bothering people as they are all on the run, and as wild as deer.

The land is very thickly covered with a very scraggy, baggy, ugly thorny mesquite tree and brush but they make very good wood, and the post out last any post I know of, they also make many ties out of this timber and sell them for sixty or seventy five cents each.

Another thing the Mexicans are easy to get along with, not at all boisterous or impudent, they seldom ever give trouble, and they are good cotton pickers and work at anything for very moderate wages or contracts.

This place is 25 miles north of Brownsville, 25 miles from the Gulf, and 10 miles from the Rio Grande River thus making it a central point and besides it lays a fine piece of work inlet and on an extended gunnison pipe will get deep water for ships navigation, ect. Will write the rest later.

W. E. Hollingsworth.

Houston County Confederates.

The Messenger has been supplied with a list of the old Confederate veterans of Houston county by Mr. J. E. Downs, and half of the list will be printed this week, the other half to appear next week. The list includes all so far as Mr. Downs has been able to get their names. At the foot of the list is the following note: "Any of those who do not belong to our camp, Crockett No. 141, we would be glad to have you join.

"J. E. Downs."

The first half of the list is as follows:

W A Allen, H W Allen, B B Arrington, A A Aldrich, Sr, Earl Adams, Sr, E L Ashmore, J L Ainsworth, R A Arnold, W J Austin, Arch Adams, J F Allbright, J W Allbright, W T Blakeway, James Breeze N B Barbee, S T Beasley, Jno. Brown, A J Butler, Jackson Baker, F A Beckham, J W Barte, G A Brimberry, Zack Brown, I M Baber, J H. Beasley, F H Bayne, E T Brazier D J Cater, J B Cunningham, G M Callhoun, E H Calloway, B J Cash, W M Campbell, P C Clark T J Cook, R C Colkin, Jno. E Crawford, J W Channell, J T Currie, W J Chaffin, W H Cook, J M Cox, W W Davis, E F Dunham, E L Dunham J E Downes, D H Dickey, John Dickey, Jerry Dotson, W L Douglas, E H Darsey, Wm. Dickey, W H Duren, M L Davis, J B Ellis, Jno. R Edens, S S Elliot, G W Woodson Dan S Williams, T J Wilson, E A Williams, E Winfree, R R Wilson, W A Fambrough, N P Green Jas. Gray, F A Gossett, J H Goolsby, M P Grayson, D M Gantt, Miles Gardner, B F Gardner, John Goodwin H E Hager, Wm. Hooper, T R Hester, C J Hassel, Edmon Hill, T J Hart, I J Hart, J J Hammond, J A Hughes A P Hester, D M Herod, Wm. Hooper, H C Hyrams, Jira Had-dox, T H Holcomb, E H Henderson, A S M Hyder, R H Hyde.

A Revelation.

It is a revelation to people, the severe cases of lung trouble that have been cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. It not only stops the cough but heals and strengthens the lungs. L. M. Ruggles, Reasnor, Iowa, writes: "The doctors said I had consumption, and I got no better until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It stopped the hemorrhages and pain in my lungs and they are now as sound as a bullet."

Candidates at Crockett.

Crockett, Texas, July 11.—About 2000 people attended the barbecue and opening of the county and district campaigns here yesterday. There were many speeches made during the day by the different candidates. Speeches for State prohibition were made by Judge A. A. Aldrich of this place and Rev. F. M. Boyles of the Methodist church.

The day passed of pleasantly and both the dinner and speeches were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

A Healing Salve for Burns, Chapped Hands and Sore Nipples.

As a healing salve for burns, sores, sore nipples and chapped hands Chamberlain's Salve is most excellent. It allays the pain of a burn almost instantly, and unless the injury is very severe, heals the parts without leaving a scar. Price, 25 cents. For sale by G. W. Harrison & Son.

Graveyard Working.

All parties interested in the Parker Graveyard are requested to meet there Wednesday July 22 for the purpose of working and cleaning off the graves. Bring a conveyance to move the litter off of the yard.

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Do You Itch?

The cup of human misery is never quite full until some form of itching skin disease is added. Then it overflows. Hunt's Cure is a specific for any itching trouble ever known. One application relieves. One box is guaranteed to cure any case.

One Primary

To the Democracy of Houston county: It was decided by the Democratic Executive Committee to have only one primary election and that none but white men who would take the test printed on the ticket would be allowed to vote in the primary to be held July 25th next.

E. B. Hale, Chairman.

It's Fine.

C. M. Johnson, Louisville, Ky., writes: "I have used your Hunt's Cure and it is fine." We have many similar letters. Hunt's Cure is a strictly guaranteed remedy for any variety of skin diseases. It stops itching instantaneously.

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 NAPHTHA BALLS keep moths out of your clothes; any quantity from.....5c up
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Other chill remedies have sprung up, flourished for a brief season, then passed away—even from memory—but for twenty long years Cheatham's Chill Tonic has been in the field of action. The reason is simple. It has merit. It actually cures chills and fevers while the majority of others merely promise to. One bottle is guaranteed to cure any case.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Go to Howard's for groceries.

Let Odell Faris fix up your old clothes.

Mrs. G. R. Whitley and children of Palestine are visiting relatives in Grapeland.

Try Wherry first for groceries, if the price and quality don't suit don't buy.

John Guice begin a ten days singing school at Lone Star Monday morning.

Jasper Simpson called Saturday and renewed for another year.

If you have troubles of any kind, trust in God and buy your groceries from Wherry.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Henry of Palestine visited relatives in Grapeland a few days this week.

Winfred Sims left Monday for Jones County, where he will make his home for the next few months.

The young folks enjoyed a forty-two party at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Calhoun Friday night.

Miss Callie Spence has returned home from a visit to relatives in Shreveport, La. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Spike Dockery,

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Carsons came in from Jacksonville Saturday, and will spend some time near Grapeland visiting friends and relatives.

Ice Cream all quality at the Bon Ton.

T. H. Leaverton went up to Palestine Monday on business.

Flour, meal, chops and bran at Howard's.

Earle Adams of Crockett spent Sunday afternoon here.

Bring your laundry to the Bon Ton.

Mrs. S. E. Miller and children have gone to Forth Worth on a visit to relatives.

Jim Smith and family have returned home from a visit to relatives in Leon County.

Try Wherry's Flour, if it don't please you it wnt cost you anything.

Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Peagler of Butler, Ga., are here on a visit to Mrs. W. G. Darsey.

A man's glory is a clean face. Buy a guaranteed Shumate razor from Howard, price \$1.00.

Ice House Moved

I have moved on second street. Call in and see me.

Howard Anthony.

Harry Calhoun has had his barber shop repapered and painted and some seats put in, which adds a great deal to the appearance and convenience of the shop.

Laundry Agency

I have the agency for the Martin Steam Laundry of Palestine. Basket leaves every Wednesday and returns Saturday. The work is guaranteed to be the best and I solicit your business.

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For Constipation.

Mr. L. H. Farnham, a prominent druggist of Spirit Lake, Iowa, says: "Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are certainly the best thing on the market for constipation." Give these tablets a trial. You are certain to find them agreeable and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents. For sale by Guice & Son.

Mr. O. P. Brown and Mrs. Cora Keen were married Wednesday morning at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. J. C. Cameron officiating. They attended the picnic at Latexo and will spend a few days with friends at Porter Springs before returning home. We extend best wishes for their future happiness.

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"In 1902 I had a very severe attack of diarrhoea" says R. N. Farrer of Cat Island La., "For several weeks I was unable to do anything. On March 18, 1907 I had a similar attack, and took Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy which gave me prompt Relief. I consider it one of the best remedies of its kind in the world and had I used it in 1902 believe it would have saved me a hundred dollars doctor's bill. Sold by B. R. Guice & Son.

Picnic Saturday.

The candidates will be in Grapeland next Saturday, July 18, and will be entertained with a basket picnic. People of adjoining communities are invited to come and be with us on that occasion. The Committee wishes to impress the fact that it is a basket picnic, and all who come please bring one.

Remember

The cash produce market, will buy all of your chickens, eggs and beef hides and will pay the top market price for same. Bring me What you have to sell and get the mon, and "C" if "U" won't be better off.

Respectfully,

John L. Guice,
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Best of All.

R. J. Mayher, No. 406 South Clark St., Chicago, write as follows:

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It cures cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, aches, pains, stings and bites. It kills chiggers, too.

MADE BY LIGHTNING.

A log of mahogany which has been sawn through at Belfast, Ireland, was found to contain right through a very cleverly defined "photograph" of a small deer and a large animal running.

The "photograph" was probably transmitted by lightning during a storm and the pictures must have been taken a long time ago, as the tree, being four feet in diameter, is an exceedingly old one.

Every plank on the log right through shows the images clearly.—London Standard.

War Against Consumption.

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Dewberry Growing.

By Prof. F. C. Reimer.

The dewberry will grow on almost any kind of soil. It may be found on all soils from the poorest white sands to the heaviest red clays. Some people infer from this that it does equally well on all soils, and can be grown commercially wherever plants can be thrust into the ground. While it is not so particular about soils as some other plants, it has some preference, and thrives much better on certain soils than on others. Commercially, it is grown in North Carolina on three types of soils: First: On the light, poor, white sandy soils of the Sand Hill region. Such soils will give reasonably good crops when properly handled. These soils offer warmth and good drainage, which are essential to successful plant culture, but they are deficient in plant food and suffer considerably during a drought. Besides this, wherever the land is rolling, they wash badly during heavy rains.

The second class of soils is the sandy loams. These soils contain sufficient sand to provide ample drainage, and are also better supplied with plant food and retain moisture very much better.

The ideal soil is a sandy loam with a clay subsoil not deeper than about eighteen inches or two feet. This constitutes the third type. In the dewberry sections of North Carolina the best crops are produced on sandy loams, underlaid with a clay subsoil at a depth varying from six to twenty-four inches. These soils contain very considerable amounts of plant food, and the subsoil prevents the large quantities of fertilizers, which must be used, from being leached away.

Moisture is an important item in dewberry growing. While the plant cannot be successfully grown on very wet land, still it uses and must have large quantities of water. This is especially true while the fruit is developing and ripening. On light sandy soils it is often difficult, and sometimes quite impossible, to supply enough water. Thorough and frequent cultivation is by far the best means of conserving the supply. Often the size of the fruit and consequently the yield can be doubled by frequent cultivation while it is growing and maturing.

Another important and necessary element in dewberry soils is humus, or decayed vegetable matter, generally supplied from such materials as leaf mould, compost, stable manure and cowpeas or other crops. In an open, porous soil, this humus tends to fill up the spaces between the soil grains and helps to make them more compact. It acts like a great sponge, absorbing and holding large quantities of water. During a drought a soil well supplied with humus retains moisture much better than a soil without humus.

PREPARATION OF THE LAND.

The first essential is good drainage. There are many sec-

tions where dewberry plants are dying, and the only cause, so far as can be ascertained, is a wet soil. Many of the plants examined in the field show that the roots are actually dying. The water excludes air from the soil, and tends to smother the roots. The remedy of course would be to drain thoroughly any portion of the field that is wet, and this is better done before planting. It is a waste of time and money to plant dewberries on low, wet soils. Such soils, however, when properly drained, are excellent for dewberries.

As the dewberry occupies the land for at least ten years, the preparation must be more thorough than for any of our annual crops like corn and cotton. The plowing should be deep, and if the land is underlaid with a clay subsoil close to the surface, it is necessary to use a subsoil plow to break up this compact soil beneath. This will furnish better feeding space for the roots, will offer better drainage during wet weather and will make it possible for the soil to hold a greater amount of moisture. If the soil is rough and lumpy, it should be thoroughly leveled and pulverized before planting. Usually, however, this condition does not exist in our dewberry sections.

Most of our dewberry soils contain a very small amount of plant food and little or no humus. These soils must be greatly improved if the best results are to be obtained. Plant food and humus must be supplied. In preparing the soil for dewberries, it is well to begin a year or two before planting, and improve the land by increasing the amount of humus and nitrogen in it, by growing cowpeas and crimson clover.

PLANTING.

Dewberries may be planted during the fall, winter or early spring months. As a general rule, fall planting, during November and December, is most satisfactory.

The distance apart for plants depends very much on the method of training. If the plants are trained to stakes, they are usually planted 5x5 feet or 5 1-2 x 5 1-2 feet, either distance giving satisfactory results. If the plants are trained to wires the rows are placed from 8 to 10 feet apart, and the plants from 18 inches to 2 feet in the row.

When plants are placed 5x5 feet it requires 1,742 plants per acre; when planted 2x10 feet, 2,178 plants per acre.

The cost of plants is from \$6 to \$8 per thousand.

The dewberry is propagated either by tip layers or root cuttings. In the South they are more commonly propagated by tip layers.

There are few varieties in cultivation at the present time. For the upper South and Northern States Lucretia is by far the best variety. For the lower South the Austin is the most popular variety.

CULTIVATION THE FIRST SEASON.

The first season the plants are not trained, but simply allowed to grow on the ground. The cultivation, of course, must be more thorough during this season than

after the plants are well established. The soil should be kept near the crown of the plant, where the cultivator will not reach them, they must be destroyed with the hoe or the fingers. A young dewberry plant must not be allowed to battle with weeds.

CULTIVATION THE SECOND SEASON.

Cultivation the second season should begin immediately, after tying up the plants, and should be kept up vigorously just as long as the young growth will allow it. It matters little, even if some of this young growth is destroyed, since all of it is destroyed later in the season anyway. Many of our growers stop cultivation before they should.

If cultivation is not continued until late in the season the fruit will be small.

The cultivator should be provided with a large number of small teeth instead of a few large ones. The Planet, Jr., No. 4, is excellent. Such a cultivator helps to keep a perfect mulch.

The number of cultivations per season will depend upon the conditions. It is impossible to state just how often one must cultivate. In general, one cultivation per week is about right. It should be done as soon as possible after every rain. This must be done in our dewberry sections to conserve moisture, as the soil is very sandy.

If cultivation is continued late, it is important that as little fruit as possible should be torn off. Another important matter is to keep the cultivator and single-tree from entering the fruit vines. The dewberry vines are quite slender, brittle and easily broken. Every precaution should be used to prevent injury. All of the vines, both young and old, are cut off as soon as picking is over. The plant must make sufficient growth during the remainder of the season to supply strong canes to bear the next year's crop. This growth should be at least six feet long and must be made between July 15th and the end of cultivation of the most thorough kind must be given. It should begin immediately after cutting off the plants and should be repeated every week. As soon as the vines are long enough to seriously interfere with the work, cultivation should cease.

FERTILIZERS.

The subject of fertilizers is one of the most important connected with dewberry culture. The soil is usually poor and large quantities of plant food must be supplied.

The first year an application of from 500 to 700 pounds of cotton seed meal is usually given, being supplied during March. Beginning with the second year, two applications are made each year, one in early spring immediately after tying up the plants, and another in summer after cutting off the canes.

Spring Applications This application is largely for the purpose of making the fruit. The canes have already been made during the previous season, and cane growth during the early part of the season is of secondary importance. The fertilizer added should be such as will give the largest amount of fruit. It should consist largely of potash and phosphoric acid. The fruit requires more nitrogen than phosphoric acid, but on our soils we find in nearly every instance that large applications of phosphoric acid rather than nitrogen, give better results.

The kind and amount of fertilizer to use depends considerably on the land and the distance. There is no fertilizer that is best for all conditions. If the writer knew nothing of conditions or the nature of the previous treatment of the land, he would suggest the following:
400 pounds of acid phosphate.
150 pounds muriate of potash.
200 pounds of cotton seed meal.

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We should like to nominate Mr. Eugene Schmitz, of San Francisco, for honorary chairman of the Just-as-Good League. He ought to be selected with unanimity and enthusiasm.

While ornamenting the mayoralty of that city Mr. Schmitz grafted very extensively. But the higher court has decided that the particular method which he adopted does not constitute a crime under the statutes of California, and that his sentence to jail was a judicial error.

"Shake down the dive-keepers," said Mr. Schmitz to his pal, Mr. Reuf; "but take their money as an attorney's fee. Thus we will enjoy the fruits of larceny without suffering its penalties."

"Here is an article," says the wholesale Just-as-Good to the retail, "for which there is a large demand because the manufacturer has spent much money to make the public acquainted with it. I will give you an imitation of it, which you can work off upon the familiar just-as-good plea. You and I, without any effort worth mentioning, will thereby appropriate as much as possible of the manufacturer's enterprise and expenditure, and the law can't touch us."

No doubt that sounds plausible to some retailers. But to the consumer this must occur: "If they are willing to defraud the manufacturer of the genuine article, what, presumably, are they willing to do to me?"

Weeds.

Many different definitions have been given for weeds, the best of which probably is, "They are plants out of place." At the same time they are generally plants that are difficult to eradicate. The worst of the mere outcasts of plant civilization. Perhaps long years of abuse have been responsible for the tenacity with which some of them hold every inch of ground that they once occupy.

From one point of view, the more noxious weeds, such as nut grass, Bermuda grass and Johnson grass are nuisances of the worst sort in cultivated lands, for when they once gain access to a piece they hold it; the first named, viz: nut grass, is in our opinion, always a weed and nothing more, while some good things may be said in favor of the other two. But aside from these few which are very difficult to get out of a piece of ground, weeds probably do more good than harm.

We have all noticed that a piece of land stripped of its native timber growth, cultivated for a time, then left to bake in the sunshine and to be washed by the rains, is covered by a crop of plants of nature's sowing—mostly plants classed as weeds. They do efficient service in holding the soil, and keeping it in condition for further cultivation at a later date. Weeds add humus to the land, collect nitrogen (legumes,) prevent washing, make soil more porous, bring food materials to the surface layers and render other important services.

In cultivated fields, these outcasts of the civilized plant world, serve as a goad to man's industry. Weeds first make cultivation necessary, and as the tiller of the soil worked to destroy them he observed that his crops grew better. He searched for the underlying truths and found a store of benefits. He had done more than the weeds. His cultivation fine the soil, conserved the ure and added to the available supply of plant food. The as for cultivating the land been reversed and the de-

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struction of weeds has become of secondary importance. We have learned the lesson that the weeds have taught.

The End of the Panic.

The money panic which suddenly descended on the country last fall brought financial operations to a standstill for but a few weeks. It was largely a bankers' panic and there was little reason for it, to begin with. There was plenty of money in the country, but in an unexpected squeeze it was tied up in vaults where it could not be used. But the business of the country has been somewhat slow to recover from the scare; though there have been comparatively few actual failures, "things did not loosen up," to use a common business term, until about the first of June. Nobody felt much real uneasiness but people who had cash were slow to put it into circulation.

In the past few weeks, however, financial affairs have taken a turn for the better. Whether the National Prosperity association had anything to do with the matter or not, there are strong evidences of improved business conditions. The Prosperity association, taking St. Louis as a basic point for operations, named June 1 as "Employment Day" and appealed to manufacturers and business firms to take back their idle employes. The response was gratifying; seventeen thousand men were put to work in the St. Louis district and orders for over \$5,000,000 worth of goods were placed with the factories.

But the revival was not by any means confined to the St. Louis district. New England, on June 1, put thirty-five thousand textile operatives to work on full time, and several thousand granite workers resumed labor in the quarries. Miners in Alabama, Virginia, Montana and other states went back to their picks and drills. Throughout the Southwest, despite more or less storm and flood damage, the crop outlook is good and the people confident. Railroad cars are everywhere beginning to move again, and throughout the entire country active signs of returning seems to be good reason to believe that the country has at last seen the real end of the money stringency.—Hallavel's Magazine.

Out of the Other Fellow's Pocket.

Excepting a few Democratic editors, nobody is interested in the fact that the government has spent this year some seventy million dollars more than its income and that appropriations at the late session of Congress were larger than ever, in spite of the deficit.

The interest that increases appropriations is practical and personal. The interest in favor of economy is, with us, theoretical and general. Smithopolis nods in sage and somewhat drowsy approval of the proposition that the government ought to be economical; but turns out with petitions, processions and brass bands to boom the bill for its new post-office building.

The total of yearly expenditures—say, three-quarters of a billion—looks large; but there is no one item that it seems particularly worth while to reduce when the country is so rich and the money doesn't come out of your pocket.

Such is the disadvantage of indirect taxation. Not seeing the tax-gatherer, nobody in particular feels that he in particular contributes anything to the government's revenue. You can't interest a man by arguing for economy unless he can feel that his own money is being spent.

When England increases expenditures, deep groans resound, because the income tax moves up.

Before We Point with Horror.

At the beginning, so to speak, of a great pointing with horror, let us make the reflection, at once candid and comforting, that even the tariff is comparatively unimportant.

Winter wheat harvest began with the highest promise of recent years. Oats look bully, and hay "out of sight." If the summer proves kind, the crops will yield, say, four times the amount of the national debt; and we can bear an unrevised tariff, even, with comparative ease.

We suppose that about seven adult Americans out of ten regard an ordinary Presidential campaign as a bore—the women because it litters the newspapers with stuff they have no interest in; the men because it disturbs business. This threatens to be an ordinary campaign.

Along in October, we suspect, if many hearts beat fast with anxiety and many faces are grave it will be because there is danger of a corn-killing frost. There may be moments in August when the major voice would agree to swap both platforms for a good, soaking rain.

We are, after all, a pretty conservative people, and our politics conservatively concerns itself, for the most part, with differences in percentage. In a long, long time there has been only one Presidential campaign in which a great many people were really persuaded that the election of one candidate rather than the other would be a matter of deep moment to them.

Personally, we shall strive to perform our duty of becoming excited over the issues. But we hope tremendously that nothing will happen to the crops.

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For Sheriff
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Jno C Lacy (Re-election)
O B (Deb) Hale

For County Judge
John Spence (Re-election)
E Winfree

For County Superintendent
Public Instruction
J F Mangum

For Representative
W G Creath
J R Nichols
J B Smith
John Luce

For County Treasurer
D J Cater (Re-election)

For County Attorney
Earle Adams, Jr.
(For Re-election)

For District Clerk
Joe Brown Stanton
For re-election
Allen Newton

For Tax Assessor
Jno H Ellis (Re-election)

For Tax Collector
A L Goolsby

For County Clerk
Nat E Allbright (for re-election)

J R Howard

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

S H Lively (re-election)
J A Morris

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2

J A Hughes
G R Murchison (re-election)
Stell Sharp

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