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TRAIN ATTRACTS LARGE CROWDS

IS REPLETE WITH CONVINCING ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF BETTER FARMING AND SCIENTIFIC SOIL CULTIVATION.

Addresses Are Elaborate and Complete—Hundreds View the Train. All Are Pleased.

The arrival of the Texas and Pacific special agricultural train in Pecos Thursday afternoon was heralded by five hundred or more people which were gathered from a radius of fifteen miles around this city.

Seven cars of this train were jammed full of educational exhibits of all kinds of farm products and by products of the farm including everything relating to farm life from a fireless cooker for the kitchen to a farm electric lighting plant.

In the program that was carried out from the lecture car, Agricultural Agent R. R. Claridge acted as master of ceremonies. In his introductory talk, he said that the agricultural department of the Texas and Pacific had been organized to help the farmers along their lines and that this was one of the means that they had taken to do this.

The silo exhibit of this train, including models of four different kinds of silos was a thing of vital interest to the farmers of this section. This exhibit is in charge of C. M. Evans, superintendent of the extension department of the Texas A. and M. College.

The cattle exhibit was another one that attracted a great deal of attention here. With an Aberdeen Angus heifer, 27 months old, weighing 1849; a short horn heifer, 13 months old, weighing 1149, and a Hereford calf, 15 months old, weighing 390 pounds to represent the best type of cattle, and a Jersey cow that has been giving four and five gallons of rich milk on the train and a grade Holstein cow that has a record of producing eight gallons of milk per day, to serve as concrete illustrations.

The all-important matter of hogs was not overlooked by the management in making up this train. With a car of the hogs which are furnished by the Fort Worth stock yards to illustrate his talk, W. B. Starr, assistant agricultural agent of the Texas and Pacific, made a plea to the farmers of this section to devote more of their efforts to raising the coin-producing swine and thus keep in Texas the million dollars per week which is now being sent to the North for pork and pork products.

Being admirably adapted to raising hogs, Mr. Starr said the Pecos Valley could furnish a good portion of this demand. With alfalfa and peanuts with some nice maize and raffia corn all of which can be grown very successfully in the Pecos Valley, there was very little need to feed corn to hogs. Having this cheap ration for hogs, the high prices that porkers have been bringing on the market, he thought should encourage the farmers here to devote more attention to raising hogs.

The agricultural and horticultural car from the A. and M. College has been described as a miniature fair on wheels and this is a fitting description for in this car there were exhibits of farm products from all over the state, besides a number of exhibits from the mechanical department of A. and M. The exhibit of balanced rations for the farm stock was one thing in this car that was of general interest to the farmers. These ra-

tions were displayed in glass tubes, giving the formula in pounds of the various kinds of feeds to feed to beef and dairy cattle, hogs, horses, etc. A number of the farmers copied these formulas. This car was in charge of S. A. McMillian, assistant professor of agronomy at A. and M. and O. H. Sellars, in charge of the correspondence courses in agriculture which the extension department of A. and M. offer.

Perhaps the car that was of greatest interest to the women and girls was the good housekeeping car from the College of Industrial Arts. A trip through this car was almost equal to a short course in domestic science and household economy. In the model-kitchen, which is a part of their car, Miss Bell, the lady in charge, has all the modern conveniences which make housework a pleasure instead of a burden to the women. She demonstrated two fireless cookers, one a \$20 patented cooker and the other a home-made cooker, made by one of the girls in the manual training department of the College of Industrial Arts at a cost of \$2.45. There was practically no difference in the rice cooked in the home-made cooker and that prepared in the patented cooker.

A number of the women copied the plans of the home-made cooker and it is safe to say that some husbands, sons and brothers in Pecos who have mechanical turns will be called on by the women to duplicate this cooker.

The dry cleaning exhibit, showing the various processes for cleaning wearing apparel, was another exhibit of this car that attracted a great deal of attention. A number of these formulas were copied by the women.

The exhibits in this car included showings from all the various departments of the college.

The poultry car carrying a good showing of the better breeds of chickens was filled during the entire stay in Pecos, with chicken lovers. This car was in charge of Carl White, who is known as a "chicken crank."

The subject of good roads which is of such vital interest to the people all over the state, was not overlooked by the department in making up this train. A special car was devoted to this important subject, and a road expert from the A. and M. College was put in charge. R. B. Pierce, a teacher in the highway engineering department of A. and M. College, in charge of this car, ably discussed the subject of the building and maintenance of roads. The exhibits in this car included models of eight types of roads adaptable to all sections of the state.

Pierce advised the use of gravel and crushed rock wherever possible as building material for roads, but he advocated the using of the materials at hand rather than going to the expense of importing material at a great cost. He laid great stress on the maintenance of roads and said the split log drag was the greatest invention in the world for this purpose.

Although the exhibits of this train are a great factor in its success, they only serve to illustrate the lectures of the corps of experts on farm subjects that the management has gathered from all the agricultural forces of the state of Texas to co-operate in this movement for better agricultural methods in Texas.

The state department of agriculture has an able representative of this train in the person of T. A. McGalliard, who is not only a theoretical farmer, but a practical man as well. He has farmed in Denton county for the past thirty-five years. Mr. McGalliard insists that twenty-five acres of this land in the Pecos Valley is enough for a man, a wife and fourteen children to make a living on, and when he learns the actual facts as to soil and soil conditions to grow crops in a scientific manner, then he will have twenty acres to give to his son-in-law.

The United States department of farm demonstration work carried on in co-operation with the Texas A. and M. College is represented on this train by William Ganza. A number of questions were asked of Mr. Ganza in Pecos in regard to the failure of tomatoes to properly fruit. He answered that there were two causes for this. Tomato vines ought to be pruned as soon as the suckers start and kept pruned until there is enough fruit set, and then the vines ought to be topped. Also each plant ought to be trained on a stick.

The other trouble is that the soil is deficient in acid phosphate and some potash. As a remedy for this I would suggest the use of a 10-4 that is 10 per cent acid phosphate and 4 per cent potash. Two tablespoonsful under each plant mixed well with the soil about ten days before planting, Ganza said.

Prof. McMillian, sometimes known as "Alkali Mc," in talk on soil conditions, said in part:

Alkali is an accumulation of various water soluble salts. These have come from decomposed minerals that have gone to form the soil.

alkali. Black alkali is sodium carbonate, the same chemical as common washing soda. It has the tendency to dissolve the organic matter of the soil and form a black, sticky crust on the surface, whence the name. In soils that do not contain considerable amounts of organic matter the presence of black alkali is often difficult to detect. Under such conditions, place a tablespoonful of the soil in a small bottle and shake up with double the quantity of water, and add a few drops of dilute sulphuric acid after the soil has settled. If bubbles and effervescence appear on the addition of the acid the presence of black alkali is indicated. Both kinds of alkali may be removed by flooding, then draining off water containing dissolved salts. Black alkali is frequently difficult to remove because of the intimate combination with the organic matter. The addition of 800 to 1000 pounds pulverized gypsum will greatly remedy in such cases.

This is acknowledged to be one of the most complete demonstration trains that has ever been operated in the south, and it is doubtful if there was ever a train in the North to compare with this one. Not only is it the most complete train ever operated, but it has covered three times as much territory as any demonstration train ever operated. The train has been operating over the International and Great Northern lines in Texas since February 10. During this time the train has covered more than 2,500 miles and stopped at 72 towns. At every stop the schools have closed and crowds of from five hundred to eight thousand have met the train. In many places the local band gave a concert while the people went through the train. In every instance the business men, commercial secretaries and local newspapers have heartily co-operated with the road in getting the people to turn out to this great educational train. It has cost the department about \$150 per day to operate this train, but with the improved methods of agriculture that are sure to follow in its wake, the company feels like the money has been well invested.

THE SARAGOSA GOLD MINE

The Development Up to Date and a Resume of the Story.

By HAROLD B. LINK.

Work on the main shaft of the Saragosa Gold Mining Company is progressing most satisfactorily, according to the reports of H. Robbins, president of the company. Following the plans that were outlined in this paper some time ago, the round hole that was intended for a well, has been converted into a rectangular shaft five and a half by ten and a half feet in proportions. The work is being done by Mexican laborers, and is purely preparatory to the real development of the mine. In this the management of the company is showing good judgment, for, before anything definite may be determined about the real possibilities of the deposits underlying the surface, the main shaft must be enlarged sufficiently to allow an adequate force of men to work with some degree of comfort in it. Since this involves the deepening of the four-foot, round hole for its entire depth of eighty feet, it will be seen that it is no small task.

At the time of making the weekend report last Saturday night, the force employed had negotiated something over three feet of the eighty to be gone. There still remained at that time some thirty feet more of a clay-gravel formation to be penetrated, after which, at the depth of sixty feet, the floor of the gold-bearing limestone will be encountered. Immediately upon reaching this stage, the company will bring out its engineer, Mr. F. Kohnmeyer, at present of El Paso, but prior to the last revolution a minor camp was located in Old Mexico.

Mr. Kohnmeyer is a man of splendid training and admirable equipment for the position, and will have entire charge of the work after he arrives, some time within the next two weeks. Besides being an engineer, he is an assayer of long experience, and will himself make assays of samples taken from the different levels and formations in the shaft. An assay house has already been built on the ground, and it will be equipped within a short time so that there will be not the slightest hindrance to prevent the most intelligent development.

To some who do not realize the magnitude of the work that attends the getting under way of a project of

this sort, it may seem that considerable time is being expended in getting at the true face of the whole proposition, but to those who know and appreciate the physical and technical difficulties to be overcome, the statement made above as to the progress of the work in the shaft will mean that no time has been lost. There is one thing certain: The Saragosa Gold Mining Company is not going at its work with closed eyes, and it will not be long, now, until its officers will be able to make authoritative statements as to what they have or have not in the new mine.

Some Other Prospects.

Since the announcement of the discovery of gold on Section 321 of Block 13, there have been other finds reported in Reeves County, and it may be that there will be developed, also. In fact, there are rumors current of at least two other prospects that will be looked into. More than a few of the good citizens of Reeves County who formerly seemed to have not the slightest tinge of romanticism in their make-ups have of late developed into authorities to be quoted by their fellows, and every man who remembers having seen some iron-stained lead during his peregrinations through the Davis Mountains or foothills is secretly cherishing a desire to get out and see whether there may not be a fortune secreted below the spot.

But the fact remains that, in "Stump Robbins' mine," at least, "real sure-enough gold" has been found, and that of a quality that makes men eager to hear more of it. The first sale of stock in the company was sufficient to provide ample funds to start the work, and no attempt is being made at present to sell more shares, but within three weeks it is thought that the company will be in a position to send out a report that will make present shareholders glad that they are living.

This being a sort of "special" edition of the Record Times, it may not be amiss to give here a general review of the story of the discovery of gold in the well referred to. The following is reprinted from the Waco Morning News of February 23, having been prepared for that paper by the writer of this article:

Ten or twelve miles southeast of Saragosa, in Reeves county, Texas, is a low range of lime-rock hills that juts out of the tabosa flats, to divide Cox Draw from the Borilla Draw, and to form the extreme east border of that great basin that has come to be so widely known as Toyah Valley. South and westward upstands the back wall of the Davis mountains, the big blue range that tumbles Toyah valley so comfortably to a sixty-mile, semi-circular sweep. Aside from being good grazing land, these little lime rock hills had never been regarded as being of any special value, and those who owned them, for the most part, wished that they could change them for the rich soil of the flats. The gray outline of their rough surface is broken only by ragged growths of catclaw, acacia and "black-brush," with occasional clumps of prickly pear sprinkled about.

It so happened that one T. N. Wilson, a tall, spare, gray-haired man, bought a section of land a comparatively short time ago—section 321 was the way it was numbered on the map, and, besides including some of the rich tabosa flat, it took in a portion of the limestone hills. Mr. Wilson "dry-farmed" for a season or two, irrigating in a small way for a family garden from a windmill, but, though he managed to raise some good feed, he felt that dry farming was too uncertain, and determined to do better.

Not Looking for Gold—Wanted Water

The centrifugal pump and the gasoline engine have been doing some notable things in Reeves county during the last two years, and Mr. Wilson decided to try for water that would support a big pump, the supply of his shallow well not being more than sufficient for his windmill. The idea came that the water might be found in the limestone, and he accordingly set two Mexicans, Tomas and Diego, to work sinking a round hole in the hill, telling them to go until they got water.

The work went ahead with comparatively good speed until a depth of sixty feet had been reached, when, one day, came both Tomas and Diego to the ranch house in excitement. "Tomas oro, Senor, oro! Oro! Oro!"

"Gold! I'm not looking for any gold—I want water. Don't be loafing around here hollerin' gold," and he sent them back up the hill to their work. Perhaps it was because they had told him several times before that the formation was a good one for gold, and that they might make him rich with something other than water, that he thought they were trying to fool with him, so he kept them at work, sinking the round hole deeper.

But Tomas and Diego had worked in the mines of Chihuahua, and rumor had it that they might still have

been there had it not been for their alleged connection with "Red Flaggers" that made them cross the Rio Grande until times ceased to be so perilous. At any rate they knew something of ore, and they kept insistently at their employer with their talk of "oro" (gold). Finally one day Wilson threw one of the pieces of rock that they had brought him to the house in his wagon as he started off for Saragosa for mail and supplies, and, while in town, showed the rock to "Stump" Robbins, telling him what the Mexicans had said.

"Them fellers ought to know what they're talking about," said Stump, "for they've worked in the mines in Chihuahua. I'll tell you what I'll do; I'll put up the money and we'll go into this thing on the halves if there are any profits. If it don't pan out, then you don't lose anything."

Stump Robbins Took a Chance.

But Wilson didn't think the proposition was an attractive one, and went off, saying he didn't want to fool with it. Stump Robbins, as first stated, didn't (and doesn't) know gold from pyrites, but he is a wide-awake man and was willing to take a chance on an assay that wouldn't cost him more than two dollars and a half. So the first sample was sent to El Paso. When the return came, Stump rode out to the Wilson section, and opened his conversation with:

"Say, Wilson, that assayer in El Paso says that there's rock runs about ten ounces of gold to the ton. What do you say now about our going in on the thing and splitting even? It might pay big."

"Oh, I don't know, Stump. If you want to buy the land, I'll sell, but I don't want to go monkeying around after gold," and they fell to dickerin' for the land. When Stump rode away he had purchased the 440 acres for \$1800, and he felt on a "hunch" that it was a good buy.

He was without cash, however, for even the cattlemen of means have been hard put to it during the last three seasons, with "yellow" summers and cattle to feed during the winter, and some plan had to be evolved for the development of the property.

"I had two ways of going about it," said Stump, in talking it over. "I could have taken three or four of these fellers in with me, and could have got through all right that way, but if the thing hadn't panned out to suit 'em, they'd always have given me down the country about it, and if it had been as big as it seems to be, they'd always have wanted to run it and run me thrown in. So I decided I'd organize a company, with five million shares and put the price of the share down to ten cents, where every man in Reeves county that's got as much as a five or a ten-dollar bill, can get some of the stock. That way I believe that we can raise enough money to test it out, without hurting anybody, and at the same time I'll help every one of 'em, if it's as good as I think it is."

And with this plan he went to his Pecos lawyers.

How Stump Robbins Organized.

They urged him to capitalize for the same amount, if he wished, but to make it 500,000 shares, and to start selling them at a dollar the share, for the proposition seemed to justify that price, but Stump was obstinate. That price would shut out the small man to a large extent, and he wanted every Reeves county citizen to be able to invest something in the stock without fear of going broke if the deposit "petered out."

So it was that the Saragosa Gold Mining company was organized, and the first shares were put on the market February 11 of this year. The results have more than justified Mr. Robbins' statements, and the people of Reeves county have shown their faith in his sincerity by purchasing upwards of a hundred and seventy-five thousand shares up to this writing. This has furnished sufficient money to start the development as it should be started, and his guarantee that the proposition will not suffer for sufficient backing. But so much for the company.

With the realization that there had really been gold found in Reeves county, folk began to catch the contagion that has caused so many rushes that have become historic. Six automobiles loaded with people left Pecos one morning, after the second lot of assays was received, and there has hardly been a day since then when there has not been some sort of an outfit setting out from Pecos for the thirty-five-mile drive to the round hole in the limestone hill.

During the first week in February, when the word was beginning to spread to all parts of West Texas, men gathered from points within 100 to 400 miles. The land around section 321 was not open to location in the ordinary manner, because of the fact that the alternate sections are "railroad lands"—part of the great birthright of the state that was given

by the legislature to the railroads of half a century ago (the railroads that were built through East Texas, by the way), while the rest of the land was "public school," and had been previously sold to four-sectioners. In this sale, the settler waived his rights to whatever mineral there might be on the land, in accordance with a bill that was passed in 1905; but this bill was defective, in that it did not provide a mode for the state to convey these mineral rights on lands so sold.

In spite of their knowledge of these facts, the prospectors who hurried to the scene staked off claims right and left for three or four miles, and the little limestone hills were covered with their monuments.

"A fellow has to do something when he gets there," said one man, "and the only thing to do was what you'd always heard of everyone else doing—locate a claim. We thought that there might be some way of making the location stick."

One man, J. F. Hartshorn of Carlsbad, N. M., who has seen several gold rushes in his experience in the southwest, upon hearing of the find, packed his automobile and started post haste for the spot. He reached Pecos about 6 o'clock one evening, about the time that the second lot of assays had been heard from, and decided that he must pull on out. He had had no supper, and in negotiating a "high center" in the road down the Pecos river, he had snapped off the crank of his car. He would not wait for repairs, however, but threw a few tins of meat into the car, found a monkey wrench that he could use to turn over the engine, and set out at break-neck speed.

That night it snowed. For the next week, too, the weather was as sloppy as West Texas ever sees, with two good falls of snow, but despite the fact there were men roaming all over the foothills and for several miles into the mountains. This interest seems foolish to those who know that there was no possibility of making claims that would "stick," but "Gold!" had been shouted in its presence had been proven, and these men were but answering the call that has pulled civilization around half the globe. They "had to do something" as the Pecos business man remarked, so they staked claims.

And new work will go ahead immediately, with the original find on the section of land bought by Stump Robbins. A "whim" hole will be put in, and the round hole will be converted into a four by eight shaft that will be large enough for men to work in it with some degree of comfort. Then drifting can be started on the two main leads that have been encountered.

Confidence is Growing.

Confidence in the proposition is growing daily for several men of some experience have believed in it enough to invest their funds in the stock of the company, and at least two mining engineers have returned favorable reports to interested parties. Requests for the sale of stock have been received from all over the southwest, and the matter of financing the proposition is now no longer a problem.

As for "Stump" Robbins, he is no longer a "row-puncher" but a "shining man." The bow-legged old pioneer whose dumpy form has been known and loved by people in the Pecos country for so many long, pioneer years, has it now seems certain, "struck it rich." And there is not a man across the Rio Pecos who does not wish the proposition well simply for "Stump's" sake.

The Pecos country last year achieved some considerable fame for the production of cantaloupes and in "pea-green" alfalfa hay has long been sought by buyers, while since the memory of the stock man, Reeves county steers have been bringing top market prices (bearings are worth thirty dollars a round) this spring.

Now because Fate sent a "thunder" to live on a section of land that is half on a limestone hill, because the finer of Destiny guided a couple of Mexican revolutionists to the spot to dig the nester a well, and because a cowman was enterprising enough to run the gamut of the "hollerin'" of his fellows, Reeves county is second in to enter the list of the gold-producing sections of the world. So moves it, Kismet.

R. C. CLARKE IS DEAD.

Prominent Business Man and Citizen.

R. C. Clarke, for several years a resident of Pecos, having come to this city from Wauchoha, Fla., passed to the great beyond Friday night at midnight, surrounded by a loving wife and family. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock from the family residence in this city, and will be conducted by Rev. J. Frank Hedgpeth.

Mr. Clarke was born in Choctaw county in southern Alabama thirty-seven years ago, and was a prominent Christian gentleman, having a host of friends in this city.

"As It Began to Dawn Toward the First Day of the Week—!"
 (By Rev. F. W. Pratt, Missionary Rector, Episcopal Church, Pecos.)
 How graphically, and with what a touch of poetry, is the Easter fact in its relationship to light set forth in this fragment from the narrative of the Resurrection. "As it began to dawn toward the first day of the week!" An age-long darkness drew near to its final and permanent end. A new day was at hand that would never end; a day illumined with a light that would never fade. That Easter morning ushered in an extraordinary transition, thenceforth the Light of Righteousness would shine.
 The world had gone to its rest in darkness on Easter Even, as it would never go again. As long as He who made the all-atoning sacrifice on Calvary remained in Joseph's tomb there could be no light, but when He arose the light of His sacrifice began to shine. Associated with Calvary was darkness—"from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour"—and the shadows remained through Easter-even. Good Friday and the hours that follow it until Easter morning belonged to the world's long night. The new beginning was on Easter. As the first gleam of the approaching dawn sparkled on that first day of the week it ushered in a new era. The age-long night was ended, never more to return so long as the world shall last. That dawn was to the world; literally a new creation, as when God at the first said "Let there be light, and it was so."
 Easter, then, throws light upon, makes visible, the life to which we are called as followers of One who has conquered all foes and destroyed "the last enemy," even death.
 What then shall be the practical lesson of Easter to us? What can it be but this: a reminder of which side of the dawn we stand; an appeal, that we go not back into darkness as though Christ had not risen; a command, even from the Invisible Throne on High, that as redeemed men we "walk in the light" which attached itself to the world when "it began to dawn toward the first day of the week."
 The light that came with Easter is a light to illumine life; and it is a light to illumine death. We must not reverse this order as though death were the primary consideration. The first of all Easter considerations is the fact that by His resurrection "Jesus hath brought life to light." We think too much of Easter in its bearing upon death and not enough of its bearing upon life; and by so doing we fail to learn the full lesson of Easter. St. Paul insisted more than once that the baptized man who lives not the

Risen Life, so far as he himself is concerned, closes Joseph's tomb again and imprisons therein a dead Christ. Nothing can be plainer than the fact, that, in the case of Christ's first followers, it was the Resurrection of their Lord which roused and liberated the powers of their being, and enlisted them without reserve in the service of the Kingdom of Heaven. Thenceforth for them the sole aim of existence the sweetest joy of life was to serve their Risen Lord.
 The old-time death, the going of men hopeless and helpless out into the darkness was abolished by the rising again of the second Adam, the new Head of the human family. The light from the open tomb streams out upon the world, in which His followers are to work and to serve. Shall we not walk in the light of the Son of Righteousness. He left a fountain for sin and uncleanness; shall we not seek that fountain and wash ourselves free from the stain of sin, and walk henceforth in the light of purity and love?
Christian Endeavor Program Mar. 18.
 Subject: How to make the Lord's Day belong to the Lord.
 Leader, Miss Vera Heath.
 Song.
 Scripture lesson: Jer. 17:21-27.
 Leader's talk.
 Prayer.
 How to Spend Ideal Sabbaths—Miss Ora Heath.
 Questions and Answers—Endeavorers.
 Conserving the Lord's day—Mrs. R. N. Couch.
 Sentence prayers.
 What do you get out of the Lord's day that helps you during the week—Mr. Floyd.
 What are some of the things that hinder it from being truly the Lord's day?—Miss Hill.
 Voluntary talks on the subject.
 Song.
 Business.
 Mizpah.
W. A. WILSON EMPLOYED.
Roswell Man Selected as Consulting Engineer.
 W. A. Wilson, formerly city engineer of Roswell, N. M., and at present a resident of that city, has been employed as consulting engineer by the city of Pecos, to pass on the plans for the construction of Pecos' new \$33,000 sewerage system. Mr. Wilson arrived here Thursday and met with the council Friday afternoon last.
 A report of the council meeting appears in another column of the Record Times today.
 J. B. McGuire of Porterville and P. G. Lane of Barstow are among the Pecos Valley folks in Pecos today.

AN EASTER REVERIE.
 (Written for the Record-Times by D. W. Henderson, Superintendent of Pecos Presbyterian Sunday School.)
 The coming of the Easter-time
 Inspires a reverie,
 And in a vision most sublime,
 Time's tragedy I see.
 I see the human multitude,
 A countless, moving throng;
 The aged by the youth pursued—
 Time pressing them along.
 They can not stop, they can not stay,
 But ever on parade,
 They keep the tenor of their way
 Toward a distant shade.
 That shade is death, their common foe
 Who lurks along their way;
 And when their shadows longer grow,
 He swoops upon his prey.
 I see the dark graves just ahead;
 Their cold, damp walls are bare—
 A loathsome city of the dead,
 And they must enter there.
 Such is the common fate of all,
 The heritage of sin;
 It is the wage of Adam's fall,
 And all must enter in.
 But in the midst of blackest gloom,
 A gentle voice rings clear;
 It says: behold an empty tomb,
 And empty grave-clothes near.
 It is the risen Savior's voice;
 It animates the dead;
 Wherefore the quick and dead rejoice:
 "He's risen as He said."
 The grave is that where Jesus lay,
 The cloth is that He wore
 When angels rolled the stone away
 That barred death's prison door.
 I saw the mystery of release
 Wrought there by God's Envoy,
 Convert their trouble into peace,
 And sadness into joy.
 The fear of death no more they feel,
 The grave no more despise;
 It bears the resurrection seal:
 "The dead in Christ shall rise."
 All hail that glorious mystery,
 And let the anthem ring:
 "O grave where is thy victory,
 O death where is thy sting."
 Don't abandon your state land. I want several blocks in Reeves, Loving or Andrews counties. Will buy or trade East Texas land for your claim. Write me what you have. R. L. Wiley, Oakwood, Texas. 31-4
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We can sell you a farm at Hoban in any sized tract to suit, from five acres up at from \$20 to \$70 per acre raw, according to location and distance from station and size of tract desired. Or, we will develop these lands for you at from \$75 to \$150 per acre. These lands are sold on either monthly or yearly payments and at low rate of interest, according to the size of the tract desired. If you do not care to come and live on these lands we will care for them for you and give you the benefit of their operation.

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We have many business opportunities along our line in the towns of Balmorhea, Saragosa and Hoban. Each of these towns are growing rapidly and the lots are selling on easy payments without interest.

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OF THE EMPTY GRAVE OF JESUS.

ought—Text, Matt. 23:6.— See the Place Where the Lord Lay."

J. B. Cole, Pastor First Baptist Church.)

darkest shadow that ever fell on earth is the "Shadow of the Death." Death is the darkness that ever baffled the mind. No wonder that even the dejected Job cried out, "If I shall be live again?" All the billions of the dead since man no traveler has returned the news of what comes after.

The hungry hearts of sorrow-lings have longed in vain for rest call from their loved and in silence and dust continue to their longing. Christian religion is the only helpless mortals. The earth with the broken links and ties of all the families and of all times. Will this grim, tragedy go on forever or is good hope for all? The Bible does not sorrow as those who hope and the angel messenger to those who were early at the grave of Jesus, "Come see the where the Lord lay." Let us go now in faith and learn what we will help our heavy, anxious. Yes, we are there and garden about us; and bud and flower are in riotous bloom and beauty and There is the grave sure but lo, it is empty. Outside stand two angels and all brighter and sweeter than all of the garden and their have marked the birth of hope broken hearts of all who be-

He is not here; He is risen as He would. "Oh, my soul, wondrous words. They who them took heart and swift as had go hastened to tell the best that ever came from the grave. They who loved Jesus ran to into the empty sepulcher and learned the greatest lessons that taught to sinful men. They

was indeed the Son of God who claimed. They had been so cruel to the divine one of the Gospel in the dead. "Paul risen, then is our your faith is vain your sins; but then the pain of the but now is Christ the first fruits of That Christ was died and rose again in fact in history and of teaching benefit to men.

our hope is hinged upon the Son of the Divine Redeemer. He lives we shall that Christ should rise is no more wonderful is our Creator. For have risen would have human hope and robbed of life. A world of life-wards engaged in one con-cessional march toward certain and wondering lifeless, hope-lessness dust would be a black the too gruesome to endure.

all our hopes and all our fears imprisoned in life's narrow way; through this vale of tears we saw no better world beyond."

of all created beings we would the most miserable. But there is God and he did give His Son to die on the cruel cross to atone for the

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sins of men and this same Christ did assuredly rise from the dead and became the sun of hope to all the generations of men. The darkness of the grave has been illumined by the Divine One and life and immortality has been brought to light. The one who died on the Roman Cross was too strong for the power of death and could not be held captive by it. He grappled with the chieftain and enemy of all our race and came off more than conqueror. Our own soul calls for a Divine One to conquer death for us and to take our place in a battle that none except a sinless and Divine One could win. The Bible teaches us that Jesus undertook for us and did destroy death. The fact of the resurrection of the Christ stands out as a mountain peak on the vast plain of human history. To deny the resurrection would be to fly in the face of all the proofs that go to establish a fact. As well deny that this glowing, growing springtime will not transform decayed matter into beautiful flower and fruit. The blessed God who expends his resurrection power each returning year on grass and leaf and flower will not mock the treasured faith and hope and love of those whom he created in his own image. Since no man has conquered death, and since Jesus met and conquered this "King of terrors and terrors of kings, we know that Jesus was, as said the soldiers who witnessed his death, "The Son of God" as clear as is written any human story. It is written large and inlaid through and through history that he who rose was God and is more than a mere man; that he is what he claimed to be—God manifest in the flesh—the Son of man who came to seek and to save all who will believe in him. No wonder that when he died the earth shook, solid rocks did break, the sun blushed and hid behind blackness; the dust of patriarchs, prophets and saints did revive and stand up among the living. Since the first funeral procession all the perished generations of men had been imprisoned in darkness and dust. What men had desired was life from the dead; yes, eternal life and that is the hope that inspires us as we look into the empty grave of Jesus and believe and doubt not that he is risen.

Jesus Christ lived like a God, died like a God and rose like a God—He was God come down to earth to redeem men. God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son. "The Son of man came to seek and to save that which was lost."

2. We learn at the empty grave of Jesus that he is indeed "The Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." What advantage is it to us to know that Jesus is divine and that He rose from the dead if we do not know that he can do helpless sinners good. But that is what we have gone to this empty grave to learn. John looked into the grave but Peter rushed into the grave. Oh, I fancy Peter was thinking "If he is risen then he can heal my backslidings and save to the uttermost all who come to God in his name." Peter carried a load to the grave and in the grave got strength to say, "Lord, thou knowest all things, thou knowest that I love thee." He ever liveth to make intercession for us. He is the world's deliverer from all sin. His blood atones for all who come to God in his name. How glad I am that I am trusting him for salvation from all sin! I believe that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin. As we stand here at the grave let us learn again that he was delivered for our transgressions and raised for our justification. He bore our iniquities in His own body and by His stripes we are healed. I can say of Him, "He came and saved me." We have a right to sing: "My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness. On Christ the Solid Rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name."

3. We also learn at the empty grave of Jesus that it is safe to trust in him for our salvation. Oh, what doubts and fears assail us when we depend on ourselves and how we start and far to face death and the great eternity. Why all this? Since Jesus has proved his promises true and left the grave empty as he said he would? If he has made good this great promise why doubt him again? If in the greatest thing he has been faithful why should we hesitate to trust him with our souls? When on Pentecost Peter preached with such courage and power what was his support? Was it not that he could say to men all out of heart and mourning over their sins, that God had made Jesus Lord and Christ and that he was the only and true Savior of men. Paul says he knew whom he trusted and that He was able to care for him. Oh, yes, the grave is empty and I know that the living Savior is my defense and strong deliverer and will never leave nor forsake me.

Our Christ is not a myth or a mere creature of imagination, but a real person, living and acting in our behalf. He stands between us and all the devices of the devil. No harm can come to us now. As I stand and look into the empty grave I am possessed of a glorious assurance for time and eternity and know that all is well with my soul. The battle with sin and death has been fought to a complete finish and once for all Jesus has redeemed my soul and no other sacrifice is needed for my sin. Yes, I am safe forever more and can say as did Paul: "If God be for us who can be against us," and John: "Beloved now are we the sons of God." In a world of change and failure we needed just such a Savior as this empty grave

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gives; one who can bring us off more than conquerors. As this empty tomb tells me that Jesus is not hidden of death so I know that sin hath no more dominion over the soul that trusts in Christ. Now I can say my citizenship is in Heaven; I am become a child of God and am a member of the family of the Father above and owe to him all love service and sacrifice. From this time his banner over me is love and I will delight to be his and my joy shall be found in loyal devotion to his will in all things.

4. Here also I learn the blessed truth that all those who believe in Jesus will one day rise as did He. He is become the first fruits of them that sleep. Bye and bye He will come in like manner as He went and He will come with power, such as wrought his own resurrection and raise all who love and trust him. Here I find answer to all my heart's deep longings. Here in the vacancy of Joseph's new tomb, loaned to Jesus for three days, I learn that when the slumber of the centuries is ended I too shall hear his voice calling my dust from the proud boast of the tomb. Oh here I meet the arch-enemy on high ground, and wave the banner of my king in his face and shout: "Oh death where is thy sting? Oh grave where is thy victory?" This! this! is the Christian's war cry through all the long battle with the enemy of all the living. Here! he learns that though a man die he shall live again. What terror has the grave since Jesus has left the light of eternal life burning here? Who would live always among the tombs of earth? Why dread what Jesus calls "Sleep," and says: "I go that I may awake him out of his sleep." He says to the mourners: "He that believeth in me though he were dead, yet shall he live again." Death is transformed and instead of being the end of life is its beginning; instead of its defeat its victory; instead of its loss, its gain; instead of its darkness its light; instead of its master, its servant; instead of its gloom, its gladness; instead of its humiliation, its coronation. Death is the passage way of the soul from the conquests of service to the crowning of the victor. The grave is the outer room in which we wait until the Father calls his children, to bestow upon them the inheritance of glory.

No message is so sweet as the news that Jesus is our resurrection. We rejoice in the coming of springtime and the opening of each new day, but the day of immortality of both soul and body is the goal of human hope and is the star of destiny that invites us to noblest endeavor. No man is fit to live well and do his best until he feels the joyous undergirding strength of the certain prospect of a glorious resurrection.

As I contemplate the empty grave of Jesus I see also a wondrous procession coming from all the cemeteries of all the earth. Oh great Easter morning! Then the cemeteries of the whole world will be plowed by divine resurrection power. Not a tiny grave will remain closed; every bud will be gathered from its long sleep and will bloom in the Paradise of God. The sea will give up its dead. All the wrecks will give back their toll of death and the old robber of human life will make full restitution from every place that he has hidden our loved ones away. What a family reunion that day will witness. How sweet to me is the fresh and fragrant flower that I have known so long. God is so good to give it back to me so often will not He also give back to me all the loved that twine about my heart? Ah, he will. Whatever Easter may mean to others, to Christians it means a restoration of all we love and that in incorruptible and glorious reunion with all that is good. Hail great Easter morning! Hasten on and let our feet stand in Zion and our eyes behold the King in his beauty. Then shall we be satisfied when we are awake in his likeness.

PECOS COMMERCIAL CLUB NOTES

(By R. M. Harkey, Secretary.)

To the Non-Resident Land Owners: It is impossible for us to address each individual who is a non-resident land owner in Reeves County, and we take this method of reaching you on this important subject, and, that you will not fail to answer same at once.

In going over the tax rolls of our county and city, we find some of the best city property and irrigated lands in Reeves County are owned by non-residents, and we do not believe but what these lands were bought for an investment, as many of the non-resident land owners purchased their property at a very low price some years ago and derived special benefit of all that has been done by the people who have come to Pecos and Reeves county and spent their money and time developing the different things that have improved and increased prices of the non-resident's property; hence, we do not hesitate to ask you who own this property to help in a way to bear the burden of these new developments and the great expense we have been in getting new people in this country to improve their lands, which, you know, has increased the value of your lands.

The Commercial Club of Pecos has used every legitimate effort to increase the valuation of every man's land in Reeves county, both in the country and in town, and, through the efforts of the staunch members of this club, many good things have been brought to bear upon our citizens, and have increased the value of every man's holdings. Through the Commercial Club, all new development work has been sent out and to all leading papers of the State, and I might say thousands of dollars have been spent in getting legitimate advertisement that has brought many new people to our country and town. These people spend money to improve their property right along beside the lands that belong to the non-resident owners. We believe in reciprocity from start to finish, and when one is benefited by the work of another, we think it right for those so benefited to help bear the burdens of this great work, and we are addressing this to the non-residents of Pecos and Reeves county, and think they should help in a way to bring into this country others, thereby increasing the value of their property.

The commercial club, through its efforts and with the assistance of committees from several different parts in Reeves county, are getting up a booklet covering the entire county. These booklets will be passed on by the different committees of the county and will be up to date in every respect, treating every man and his property alike, showing the advantages from every standpoint, thereby benefiting every non-resident land-owner of Reeves county, and we will not ask you for something that you will not get value received, and we wish to make you this proposition: these booklets when finished will cost fifteen cents apiece, and every dollar that you send toward advertising fund you will receive by express or parcel post enough books at the price above, to cover your donation. So we appeal to you to look at this as a business proposition, and one that does not only appeal to the home man, but to every property owner in any town or location in our county. Please do not consider this from any standpoint other than a beneficial one to every man or corporation who owns land in our vicinity.

We are ready to receive these donations and will mail you a receipt to cover every dollar that you send us, and, as soon as the booklet is off the press, we will forward you as many as you have sent money to cover. The writer will cover the whole of Reeves County, individually, and will give you facts relative to the new developments of every part of the county, thereby benefiting the non-resident land owners as much as the home man.

Do not cast this article aside when you read it, but consider it, and let us hear from you at once.

Notice.

I will be in position to give a detailed report of the finances and condition of the Reeves County Fair Association in the Record Times for Saturday next. This report has been delayed for many reasons, but it is desired to wind up the affairs of the organization for last year and get to work for this year, electing new officers and directors. It has not been my fault that the report has been delayed, nor do I consider it has been the fault of the president, Mr. Brady, or any of the other officers or directors. Several of the stockholders have been delinquent in paying for their stock, which has with other matters, hampered getting out the report. Respectfully,

PORTER A. WHALEY, Secretary Reeves County Fair Association

ROSWELL FIRM TO COME.

W. A. Johnson, president and general manager of the Roswell Hardware company, was in Pecos Wednesday investigating the probable needs for another plumbing establishment in Pecos. And making proper investigation of the field, state to the Record Times's representative that he had decided to open up a first class plumbing establishment here, and made arrangements for a building, and as soon as stock can be ordered, he will open up. He stated he was pleased with prevailing business conditions in Pecos.

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E. O. Olds, the popular merchant of Angeles, was a business visitor in Pecos Wednesday Mrs. D. D. Camp left Wednesday for Eagle Lake and Mason, Texas, where she will visit with her parents for several weeks, before returning home. R. L. Blades of Kansas City, J. N. Rode of Louisville and F. A. Butterworth of St. Paul are among the law men in the city, in connection with land matters. W. A. Yorder and wife of Oklahoma City are among the strangers in Pecos.

fifty more families, actual farmers, return is wanted from it for such best farmer or today is also hunting the best place to grow his produce in. substantial not and flowers get the hardships had in its development.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Bettie White returned to Van Horn Wednesday afternoon. She has had an extended stay in this city.

L. W. Anderson is back from a business trip to Dallas.

A. R. Phillips of Dallas and Chas. R. Baylor of Nacogdoches are among the East Texans visiting in the city.

Ben F. Thorpe, the well known Los Angeles irrigation contractor, is a visitor in the city.

J. J. Wheat of Grandfalls stopped over in Pecos Thursday.

Among the West Texans from the trans-Pecos in the city are C. M. Mickle and wife of Sierra Blanco.

J. T. Mith of Clovis and W. A. Johnson of Roswell were among the New Mexico folks in Pecos Wednesday.

W. M. Blocker of Little Rock is among the homeseekers in the valley this week.

D. T. Moore and wife of Hollis, Okla., are in the city prospecting.

Ves Smith, accompanied by his wife and baby, left Wednesday afternoon for Dublin and Whitewright, where they will spend some time visiting relatives and friends.

Dr. Mickle of Sierra Blanco, was in the city Wednesday. The doctor is conducting a general merchandise store at Sierra Blanco, but contemplates moving to some larger place, and was here looking over the ground with the idea in view of locating. He returned home without stating whether or not he would locate here, though he expressed himself as being well pleased with the prospects in store for Pecos.

On Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Williams entertained in honor of Miss Vera Williams, who is visiting them. Forty-two was the game of the evening and was played until a late hour. After delicious refreshments of cream and cake were served the rest of the evening was spent in playing contests. Those present were Misses Williams, Harper, Vawters, Mary White, Vickers, Ora and Vera Heath; Messrs. Cooper, Nowlin, Link, Elder, Loper, Calvert, Hobbs.

J. L. Williams, C. R. Prindle, B. H. Hopper and most all of the students of the Porterville school were in Pecos Thursday afternoon, for the purpose of inspecting the Demonstration train.

Geo. Boyd and wife of Hermosa, were in Pecos Thursday, visitors at the demonstration train.

W. D. Johnson, formerly of Pecos, and a brother of Hon. F. W. Johnson, arrived in Pecos Thursday afternoon from California, to visit the Johnsons here.

A large party of Toyah Valley people inspected the demonstration train Thursday, coming in via the P. V. S. in time to get to same.

F. W. Johnson went over to Barstow yesterday on business.

Mrs. Pat Wilson and interesting family are guests of the Vickers family.

Clay Cooke has returned from a trip to Fort Stockton, where he went on important legal business.

Will L. Glasscock, after visiting the Fat Stock Show, has returned home. He says Fort Worth is full of people.

T. H. Beauchamp and J. A. Drane have returned from Fort Worth, where they were visitors at the Fat Stock Show.

Starting to Dispute.

"I'm afraid I'll disagree with you," remarked Jonah as the whale swallowed him.

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I thank the public for past patronage extended the Studio, and promise in the future to give the best service the people of Pecos country have ever had. Watch for announcements from time to time in the Record Times.
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Manager and Owner, Pecos City Studio

Notice of Partnership.
This is to notify the public that we, the undersigned, have this day formed a partnership for the practice of law, and will maintain offices over the First National Bank of Pecos, and also at Barstow, Texas. The business will be conducted under the style and firm name of Buck & Starley.
Signed this 12th day of March, A. D. 1913.
J. A. BUCK,
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New Mining Company Being Organized.
It is reliably reported that the promoters of the Trans-Pecos Mining and Oil Development company will soon have their company organized. The capital stock of the new company, which will prospect for gold and silver and also for oil, is to be placed at \$1,000,000, it is stated.
It will have its main office in Pecos, and will work in the newly discovered Toyah Valley gold field.

Following Letter Received Here.
Dallas, Tex., Mar. 4, 1913.
Dr. R. M. Harkey, Secretary Commercial Club, Pecos, Texas.

Dear Sir: Referring to our conversation when I was in Pecos week before last relative to assigning to Pecos regular space in sleeper; am pleased to advise that, effective March 10th, section one on our train No. 6 will be assigned regularly to Pecos, for sale through to St. Louis. I am very glad to be able to so arrange.
Yours truly,
GEO. D. HUNTER.

E. E. Walker Married.
E. E. Walker of Springfield, Ill. and Pecos, Texas, has arrived here and tells some of his close friends that he married a popular St. Louis belle. The ceremony occurred Feb. 5th in St. Louis and was a quiet home wedding.

Mr. Walker contemplates making his permanent residence henceforth in this city, but has not definitely decided. Mrs. Walker did not accompany him on his trip here, but will arrive here shortly.

The Record Times on the part of Mr. Walker's many friends in the trans-Pecos take this method of congratulating both himself and his bride.

Elmer Johnson Appointed Receiver.
Elmer Johnson has been appointed receiver for the Arno Co-operative Irrigation company, which for several years has been operating under the management of Dandridge & Pugh, an irrigation system at Arno twenty miles north of Pecos.

This company has been in litigation more or less for the past several years, and it is not stated whether the present receivership is a friendly one or not.

New Englander Pleased.
Quaker Hill, Ct., Mar. 3.
Pecos Record Times, Pecos, Texas.
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MISDIRECTED ENTHUSIASM.
In the United States senate while the amendment to the constitution providing for a single term for President, was being discussed, Senator Bristow, of Kansas, offered an amendment for the recall of Presidents. The proposition only received ten votes and reactionaries all over the country, journalistic and otherwise, are very exuberant and say the recall principle of government is losing ground and has few friends in the senate.

This is a very unfair view to take of the situation, but is typical of the arguments of the reactionaries. As a matter of fact, the democratic platform committed the party to a single term and every senator with progressive principles was anxious to have it enacted into law. No party platform has ever declared for the recall of Presidents and it has never been an issue in a campaign. It was known that a considerable number of democratic senators oppose the recall of Federal officials and a few oppose the principle of the recall.

In view of this and to insure the passage of the single term resolution, to which the party is committed, many democrats, who favor the recall of unfit Presidents just as they do other corrupt officials, voted against the Bristow amendment.

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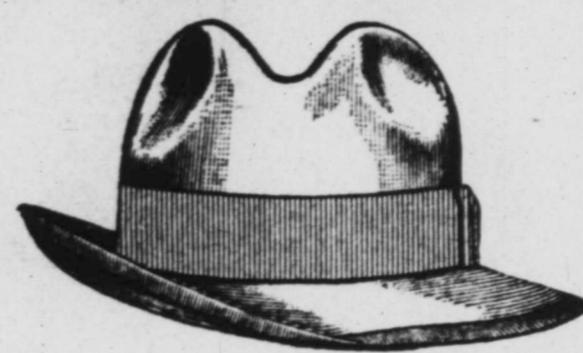
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