

# HEREFORD REPORTER

HEREFORD MAY BE THE TERMINUS OF THE CHOCTAW RAILROAD

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## CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA & GULF RAILROAD

Wants to Build Their Line Into Hereford and  
Secure Some of Its

### IMMENSE CATTLE SHIPPING BUSINESS.

They Want the 150-Mile Limit Amendment Passed—A Meeting of  
Hereford's Citizens Held Last Wednesday and Committees  
Appointed—Resolutions Adopted and Ordered  
Sent to Our Representatives.

Last Tuesday Messrs. Witherspoon and Gough received the following communication from R. E. Montgomery of Fort Worth, who has been prominently identified with railroad building in this section of the country during the most of his business career:

FT. WORTH, March 31, 1901.  
MESSRS. WITHERSPOON & GOUGH,  
Hereford, Texas.

GENTLEMAN:

It seems to me that your people should make some effort to secure the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf Railroad into your county.

I have seen the officials of this road frequently in Little Rock, the Territory and Philadelphia, and I know that they would like to make their terminus somewhere beyond Amarillo at a point nearer in the center of the cattle shipment country.

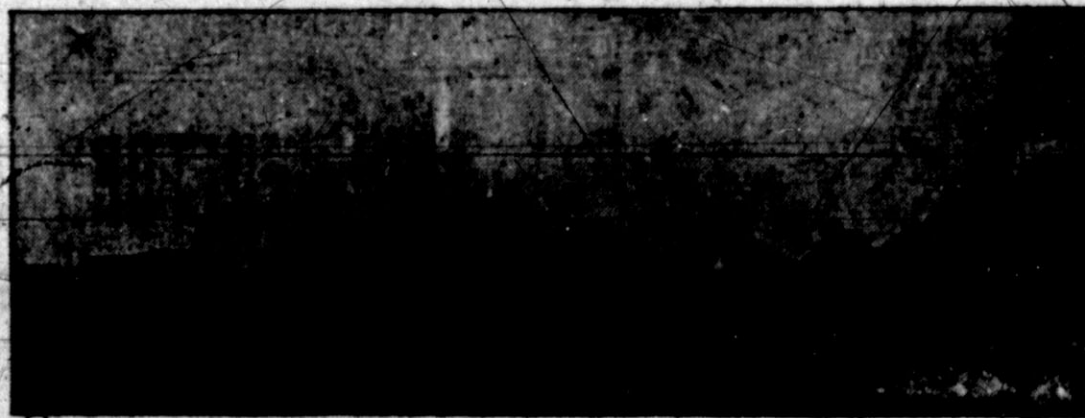
While the present bill before the Legislature, which provides that lines not to exceed 115 miles in length may connect at the state line with some foreign road and be leased to this foreign road and not be obliged to maintain general offices in the state, is championed and urged by several railroads and communities in this state, yet that part of it making the length 115 miles was framed by and is being supported by the Amarillo people because it practically would make the Choctaw line stop there. The Choctaw people, however, are anxious to have this length amended making it 150 miles so that they can build into your county and not have to stop at Amarillo. And it seems to me that with a little effort on

your part that you could have the bill so amended as to provide for 150 miles instead of 115, and that of course it would be greatly to your advantage. I know I am right about this because when I went to see the Choctaw people I urged them to build into your county as being in the center of the cattle country. I saw Mr. McLoud, their General Attorney, while in Austin the other day. He told me that he had asked for 150 miles but was afraid that he would have to be content with 115 miles.

Yours truly,

R. E. MONTGOMERY.

Taking their usual course in such matters these gentlemen proceeded



STREET SCENE IN HEREFORD—DEWEY AVENUE, LOOKING WEST.

to inform the business men and progressive citizens of Hereford of the contents of the above letter and called a meeting of the people at the court house on Wednesday afternoon.

At about three o'clock on Wednesday all who could get away from their business assembled at the court house for the purpose of arranging some plan of action in order to gain the enterprise.

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PROPRIETOR OF

## The Hereford Saloon

...SPECIALTIES...

## FINE WINES, WHISKEYS AND CIGARS

Judge D. Gough called the meeting to order and upon motion T. J. Davis was elected chairman and F. L. Vanderburgh secretary.

Judge Witherspoon read the letter received from Mr. Montgomery and concluded with a short talk to the effect that if it was possible for Hereford to induce the Choctaw,

on further south it would be a bad thing as such a procedure would cut Hereford off from all the southern trade which she is now enjoying.

Judge Gough then gave his views of the proposition and said that according to his interpretation of the letter they would not build any further south as they would then be running over the 150 mile limit, and that it was his opinion that if they did not make Hereford their terminus they would build on further west, as he believed El Paso was their objective point.

T. J. Davis then spoke and said there had been a great deal of acting and counteracting between the Santa Fe and the Choctaw, and that it was his opinion that if the latter road came into Hereford they would use a joint track with the Pecos & Northern Texas to Roswell or some point on the latter's line, and then build into El Paso.

After much discussion as to the good or bad effects of having the road enter our little city on the part of all present a motion was made and carried that the chairman appoint a committee of three to draw up a set of resolutions and send

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REPORTER OFFICE.....

HEREFORD, TEXAS

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

### War Between Japan and Russia.

#### THE HAWAII DEBTS PAID

By the United States—The Philippine and Cuban Question Discussed—Osage Indians Richest Race in the World.

(From our regular correspondent.)

If Japan goes to war with Russia, as now seems probable, because of Russia's grab of the province of Manchuria, what will be the effect, if any, upon American commercial interests in China? That is the very important question that now confronts this government and people. This government has diplomatically informed Russia and the other powers of its disapproval of the land-grab, although Russia has declared that its occupation of Manchuria will only be temporary—a declaration which everybody regards as meaningless and which it is the usual thing for land-grabbing nations to make. That is why Europe finds it difficult to believe in the intention of this government to get out of Cuba. Under the same conditions no European country would do so. Representative McCleary of Minn., who made a close study of the tangle in China, thinks that nothing short of a diplomatic miracle can prevent a war between Japan and Russia, because of the enmity which has existed since Russia blocked Japanese intentions at the close of the war be-

tween Japan and China and because both countries are better prepared for war than they have been for years. He thinks that the United States and the European powers would remain neutral in the event of war, provided that both Japan and Russia gave acceptable guarantees of the preservation of their rights.

Gen. Funston's capture of Aguinaldo was both brave and daring, but the problem of what to do with him is not an easy one to solve.

The Treasury Department will send two expert officials to Honolulu in a few days with the cash to pay the bonded indebtedness of Hawaii, amounting to \$3,200,000. This payment was authorized by the act of annexation, but the money was not appropriated by Congress until the last session. Holders of Hawaiian bonds in the islands will be given thirty days notice and the English bondholders, who have about \$800,000, will be given three months notice of the contemplated payment, and at the expiration of these notices the bonds will cease to draw interest.

In the opinion of the Attorney General, all persons guilty of advising or aiding in the perpetration of census frauds can be made defendants in criminal action. This opinion was given in answer to inquiries of the Census Bureau as to whether others besides enumerators could be arrested if shown to have participated in the census frauds in Maryland, and a number of arrests are expected. United States District Attorney Rose of Baltimore is

now representing the Census Bureau in the investigation. He will decide who will be arrested and will conduct all the prosecutions.

Ex-Representative Walker of Mass., who was prominent as chairman of the House Committee on Banking and Currency, was in Washington this week, and who had been supposed to share the views of Senator Hoar on the Philippines, was asked to define his position on that question. He replied:

"I have sympathy with Senator Hoar's views, but I don't believe in attacking the administration till we get across the stream. And when we get across the stream I expect we shall be amazed at the success we have accomplished. We shall be amazed when we realize the difficulties that were in our way, and be glad, in spite of the unfortunate circumstances in which we have been placed, in spite of the losses we have sustained and the immense cost of our operations in the islands, that it was not worse. Even yet our hindsight regarding the Philippines is hardly better than our foresight when we first acquired them. It is not always easy to justly comprehend the policy of an administration on such important questions."

Capt. A. C. Tonner, Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs, while speaking of recent renting of

600,000 acres of pasture lands in Oklahoma, belonging to the Osage Indians, who are the richest race in the world, gave the following facts concerning the wealth of the tribe:

"This new lease will add about \$120,000 a year to the tribe's income. In addition they have \$8,000,000 received from the sale of their lands in Kansas, in the United States Treasury, from which they derive an annual income of \$400,000. Besides they own 1,570,175 acres of land which is fairly worth \$5 an acre. There are 1,972 Indians in the tribe, counting men, women and children. They all share alike in the tribal wealth, and when a child is born it becomes a joint property owner with all the other Indians in the tribe. The profits from the \$8,000,000 held in the Treasury, the recent rental of pasture lands, and other sources of revenue give the Osages an annual income of approximately \$600,000, a per capita income of \$304.25. Where a family consists of man and wife and eight children, as often happens, the family receives each year in cash \$3,040 and on their lands they raise all their food stuffs and considerable grains for the market. The reality holdings of the tribe have a per capita valuation of \$3,987. There is no other race of people in the world that make such a showing."

Representative Warner of Ill.,

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# PUBLIC SALE OF REGISTERED HEREFORD AND SHORTHORN BULLS AND HEIFERS

From Jackson County, Mo., at Hereford, Texas, on Wednesday, April 10th, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

20 Head, consisting of Shorthorns from 10 to 18 months old, and Herefords from 9 to 15 months old. A few 2-year-old bred heifers.

Certificates of Breeding will be given on delivery of each animal.

C. R. HUDSPETH, LAKE CITY, Mo. G. M. CHILES, BUCKNER, Mo.

who has just returned from Cuba, says the irresponsible element of the island, which is a large majority, will agree to anything to get Cuba into their hands and carry out their ideas of looting. He predicts that a state of anarchy will prevail on the island within ninety days after the withdrawal of American authority, and that we shall eventually have to forcibly take the island and do over again what has been done under American occupation. Gloomy as he considers the outlook, Mr. Warner says he sees no honorable way for this government to escape keeping its pledge to withdraw from Cuba.

## HART POURRI

Happenings in the Busy Castro County Town

TOM TWIST EDITOR

News of an interesting nature is very scarce with us down here.

Several stockmen in these parts have just about quit feeding notwithstanding the weather has been very threatening for the last few days, with a little snow to cool the atmosphere.

The loss of grown cattle will not be very great considering the way they have eaten loco down here but it is a "dead shot" on the calf crop.

W. R. Reagan has lost twenty-one calves out of forty-one to date,

and he says that he believes it will break him up. Will has been confined to his house with a lame hip this last week, but he is able to be out again.

The REPORTER will please tell us where the railroad that is getting its supplies from Hereford is going to and where did it come from. Some have become excited and want time to get out of its way.

[For the benefit of our Hart readers we would say that the Rock Island railroad contractors who are getting their supplies at Hereford are building a railroad from Liberal, Kansas, to White Oaks, N. M., to connect with the El Paso & Northeastern at the latter point, which road was recently purchased by the Rock Island.—Ed.]

### For Sale.

Fresh hen eggs, 25c per setting. Fine bronze turkey eggs, \$1 per setting. Also two Berkshire pigs, at \$5 a piece.

MRS. J. S. WYCHE.

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### Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining uncalled for at the Hereford postoffice March 31, 1901.

R. G. Arnold  
W. E. Banks  
E. L. Daves  
Mrs. I. J. Davis  
R. D. Garr  
Henry Rucker  
Abie Smith  
R. L. Simpson  
John Wilson  
Geo. A. Winn  
Bert Wadhams  
George Fisher

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O. F. SMITH

Prescription Clerk and Manager

Try Martin's for chilli. 4tf

Rat Jowell was a pleasant visitor in town Tuesday.

Stambaugh & Lipscomb will pay cash for good second-hand grain sacks. 4-tf

Dr. Spurlock of Gainesville is registered at the Humphrey, being a prospector.

See Stambaugh & Lipscomb for African millet seed, cane, Johnson grass, milo maize, kaffir corn, millet and seed corn. 4-tf

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SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1901

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All adv. copy must be in by Wednesday  
noon to insure insertion in current issue.

Advertising bills due on the first of each  
month; job work on delivery.

SUBSCRIBE for the REPORTER.

THE Canyon City Sayer entered  
on the fifth year of its journalistic  
career with last week's issue. May  
it see many more birthdays.

Remember that there is to be a  
meeting of the Hereford Sanitary  
and Improvement Society at the  
court house next Tuesday afternoon  
at 3 o'clock.

HAVE you cleaned up your yard?  
If not, you should do so at once.  
Prospectors are arriving daily and  
the general cleanliness or filthiness  
of a town makes a great impression  
upon them.

HEREFORD should make hay  
while the sun shines. Her business  
men were never more prosperous  
and it would take but a little effort  
on the part of her citizens to obtain  
anything in the way of improvements  
or enterprises that she may see fit  
to ask for.

POOR old Amarillo! With her  
back number business men with  
antedeluvian business methods, she  
is to be pitied indeed. A town  
whose business men are not pro-  
gressive enough to support at least  
one newspaper is in a sorry plight,  
sure enough.

WE have received many compli-  
ments upon the newsy and neat ap-  
pearance of the REPORTER. While  
we accept the many expressions of  
praise with due modesty, we cannot  
help but feel that were it not for the  
splendid support which is given by  
the citizens and business men of  
Hereford and vicinity we could not  
put forth our best energies to pub-  
lish what we aim to do—the best,  
newest and cleanest paper in the  
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If you would see Hereford stand  
at the head of the Panhandle towns  
in matters of improvements and en-  
terprises you should join the Here-  
ford Sanitary and Improvement  
Society next Tuesday afternoon.  
With a hearty co-operation among  
the citizens she can be easily put  
there.

WHAT are you doing to help  
build up Hereford? Is it fair that  
you should allow a few to do all the  
work and you sit back in your easy  
chair and derive the benefits and  
profits of their hard toil? Come to  
the court house next Tuesday after-  
noon at 3 o'clock and get awakened  
from your lethargy.

W. Y. SWITZER has formed part-  
nership with B. R. Weatherspoon in

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the blacksmith business and will  
take charge tomorrow. His place  
on the Industrial West force will be  
taken by Geo. L. Tipton of Mem-  
phis.—Clarendon Industrial West.

We know that printers are cap-  
able of entering nearly every call-  
ing they deem advisable, but this is  
the first time we have heard of one  
becoming a blacksmith, though we  
have known of many (so-called)  
who should have been relegated to  
the blacksmith's trade during their  
apprenticeship.

**OZIER RANCH SOLD.**

This property, consisting of 10,880  
Acres, Bought by S. T. How-  
ard of Quannah.

On Saturday last a large ranch  
property deal was consummated  
through Hereford's enterprising  
real estate dealers, Witherspoon  
& Gough, whereby S. T. Howard of  
Quannah becomes the owner of the  
land and improvements and ap-  
purtenances thereto of the ranch  
property formerly owned by W. R.  
Ozier and others, situated about  
twenty miles north of here on what  
is known as the North Draw.

Mr. Howard, in a conversation  
with the REPORTER representative,  
said that he bought the property for

his two sons, S. T., Jr., and Hugh,  
who would arrive in a few days and  
take charge and materially improve  
the property by adding more wind-  
mills, barns, etc.

The property will be stocked with  
fine Herefords and will be made a  
model stock farm in every respect.

Mr. Howard has one of the finest  
registered Hereford herds at his  
Quannah ranch to be found in the  
county, consisting of 135 head.  
These will be placed on his new  
Deaf Smith county ranch and will  
make this country the peer of any  
county in the state in the matter of  
fine cattle. Mr. Howard will move  
his family and interests to Here-  
ford in the fall and will make this  
his future home. We will all  
gladly welcome them.

**A Good Suggestion.**

EDITOR REPORTER:

It is a well-known fact that there  
are a number of people in Deaf  
Smith and Castro counties who have  
been using registered and high  
grade Hereford and Short Horn  
bulls two and three years that will  
have to be replaced this year to  
avoid inbreeding.

In view of this fact I would sug-  
gest that these owners consult one  
another and set a date some time  
in May, or before the breeding sea-  
son, to drive their bulls to Here-  
ford to sell or exchange.

By having a common meeting  
point I think a great many trades  
could be made that could not be af-  
fected if the bulls were left at home.  
I think the many advantages of  
this plan can be seen without ar-  
gument. Respectfully,

A. P. MURCHISON.

On the 1st inst. Mr. B. C. D.  
Bynum will leave Canyon City to  
take charge of Smith, Walker &  
Co.'s store at Hereford in place of  
Mr. John McKnight who has re-  
signed. Mr. Bynum has been  
identified with Canyon since its real  
growth began two and one-half  
years ago. In that time he has  
made a splendid record as a busi-  
ness man and gentleman. Our  
best wishes go with him to his new  
home. May happiness and the  
fullest measure of success ever at-  
tend him.—Canyon Sayer.

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**P. V. & N. T. TIME TABLE**

Pass. Train	Arrives	Leaves
No. 1 Northbound	2:37 a. m.	2:38 a. m.
No. 2 Southbound	7:23 a. m.	7:43 a. m.

**STAGE TO DIMMITT.**

Lv. Hereford at 7:30 a. m. Daily ex. Sunday  
Ar. Dimmitt at 12:00 m. " "  
Lv. Dimmitt at 1:00 p. m. " "  
Ar. Hereford at 6:00 p. m. " "

**STAGE TO ENDEE**

Lv. Hereford Mondays-Fridays at 6 a. m.  
Ar. Endee " at 8 p. m.  
Lv. Endee Tuesdays-Saturdays at 6 a. m.  
Ar. Hereford " at 8 p. m.

**LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**Happenings in Our Busy County Seat Briefly Told.**

Remember

The meeting

Tuesday afternoon

At the county court house

Time—3 o'clock sharp. Sabe?

Seeds at Gough's Drug Store. 7tf

New spring goods at Smith, Walker & Co. 6tf

Accuracy and cleanliness is our motto. Gough's Drug Store. 5tf

Go to Stambaugh & Lipscomb for sotton seed, hay, grain, salt and coal. 4-tf

A line of new zephyr gingham. New! New!! New!!! Smith, Walker & Co. 6tf

For Sale—6-room house with hall and gallery. A bargain. Call and see me. H. Smith. 4tf

A. G. McAdams has a very large and complete stock of lumber. Prices reasonable. 4-tf

Will Kenyon, who recently sold out his interests at Canyon, was in town this week prospecting.

E. F. Connell has been laid up at the Humphrey House with erysipelas, but is out around again.

You are invited to inspect our handsome line of new dress goods and spring novelties. Smith, Walker & Co. 6tf

Attention is called to the adv. of Mrs. J. S. Wyche, who has some fine hen and turkey eggs for sale for breeding purposes.

John McKnight went over to the Rock Island extension Tuesday to look after the New Mexico trade of his firm, Smith, Walker & Co.

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JOHN E. FERGUSON  
President

F. M. AVIS  
Vice-President

F. J. CLINKINBEARD  
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See Smith, Walker & Co. for the latest in spring novelties. 6tf

Go to A. G. McAdams' Lumber yard for screen doors and yard fence pickets. 4-tf

Call and see me when you want paints, nothing but the best handled. Gough's Drug Store. 3-tf

M. L. Hammond, representing the F. C. Austin Manufacturing Company, came in Tuesday morning, and immediately left with Contractor Lee for the new Rock Island extension.

Good coffee at the restaurant. 4tf

New fishing tackle and baseball supplies at Gough's Drug Store. 6tf

McGlothlin & Black will order your wall paper cheaper than any one in town. 7-2t

A full assortment of new embroideries and laces to be seen at Smith, Walker & Co. 6tf

Frank Morris of Gainesville, brother of S. H. Morris, the gentlemanly bookkeeper at Smith, Walker & Co.'s, is spending a few days looking over this country with a view of locating here.

A scientific cook at the Hereford restaurant. 4tf

An elegant line of new spring percales and lawns at Smith, Walker & Co. 6tf

Go to A. G. McAdams for Platt & Thornburgh mixed paints, linseed oil and paint brushes. 4-tf

T. D. Hunt of Dexter is in Hereford this week prospecting and greeting old acquaintances, this town being his former home.

Stambaugh & Lipscomb are the exclusive agents for the International Stock Food and Poultry Food. Give it a trial and be convinced of its merits. 4-tf

W. J. Killough was under Dr. R. W. Bounds' skillful care this week. Wednesday he was moved to the home of his brother, Joe, and is much better.

We are prepared to make prices on the various lines that we carry that will astonish you. Call and price before buying elsewhere. D. R. Gass & Son. 4tf

Dr. W. E. Robertson of Liberty, N. M., will be at the Ritchie House about May 1st, to attend the dental needs of the citizens of Hereford and vicinity. 6tf

Are you going to ride a wheel this year? If so, you want the strongest, the easiest running and the prettiest wheel made, which is the Thistle. Call and see it at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Vanderburgh went to Amarillo Sunday, the former returning Tuesday. Mrs. Vanderburgh remained for a few days' visit with Mrs. Hamlin Palmer, formerly of Roswell.

The way to make money is to save it by buying what you need where you can get them the cheapest. We make no concessions to our competitors. Don't fail to call on us. D. R. Gass & Son. 4tf

The attention of our readers is called to the professional card of Dr. Claude Wolcott of Amarillo. Dr. Wolcott makes a specialty of the diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat and is the eye and ear surgeon to St. Anthony's Hospital at that place.

Professor and Mrs. J. R. Overstreet were in Vernon Friday and Saturday. On their return Mrs. Overstreet entered the sanitarium at Amarillo for treatment. Mr. Overstreet returning to his school duties Monday morning. It is sincerely hoped that Mrs. Overstreet will return soon much improved in health, if not fully recovered.



**GONE TO HIS REWARD.**

**S. H. McCracken Received a Summons From One On High Yesterday.**

While it was well known that S. H. McCracken, one of the most respected citizens of Hereford, was very ill with pneumonia, it was a shock to his many friends and acquaintances to learn that he had succumbed to its power, life having left his body at 6 o'clock yesterday morning.

Mr. McCracken was 44 years old the 15th of March and had been a resident of Hereford since February, 1900, coming here from Elkhart.

Besides a heartbroken wife he leaves to mourn his departure eight children, Mollie, Nora, Mart, Lena, Cleveland, Joe, Frank and Amy, an aged mother living at Elkhart, and four brothers, John McCracken, living at Jacksonville; Zeak McCracken, living at Henderson; W. B. and P. H. McCracken, living at Elkhart.

Deceased was a member of the Baptist church, being a devout and consistent christian. He was also a prominent and respected member of the Masons, Odd Fellows and Woodmen of the World, and was buried according to the rites of the former order. The funeral was held this forenoon at 10 o'clock and was largely attended, many going to the grave, there to pay their last respects to a man honored and respected by all. "Dust shall return unto earth as it was, and the spirit unto God who gave it."

The bereaved wife and little ones have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in their loss of a loving husband and an indulgent father.

Farewell, dearest loved one!

We must say our last farewell,  
Till we meet beyond the river,  
Happy there with thee to dwell.

Just across the shining river,  
Where thy happiness has begun,  
Help us, now, our Heavenly Father,  
To say, Thy will be done.

A FRIEND.

**COMING AND GOING.**

**Movements of People You Know and Other Items Picked Up Here and There.**

Claude Jackson of Amarillo was in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Don't buy shingles until you see our red cedar stock. Hereford Lumber Company. 7tf

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J. B. Gillespy of Dallas was registered at the Ritchey last Tuesday.

Best unmixed paints, window glass, cement and limes at Hereford Lumber Company. 7tf

A new and complete line of stationery, toilet articles, soaps, etc., at Bounds' Drug Store. 7tf

We have put in a stock of paints and oils. Get our prices before buying. Bounds' Drug Store. 7tf

Rev. Robertson of Canyon was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. R. Hough, during the first part of the week.

Plain and fancy screen doors in white pine or oak with prices to suit you at Hereford Lumber Company. 7tf

M. A. Wogan of Kansas City, one of the Rock Island extension contractors, was in town during the latter part of the week.

Mr. F. T. Denson and myself will be ready to take your picture in an up-to-date style now in a few days. W. W. Meeks. 7tf

R. L. Stringfellow of Amarillo, senior member of the Stringfellow-Hume hardware firm, was in town Saturday last looking after his business interests at this place.

Thursday J. E. Williams pitched a large tent on the vacant corner opposite the Ritchey House to be used as a storehouse for supplies for the railroad contracting firm of Creech & Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. McAdams of Endee, N. M., were guests of the Ritchey last Sunday.

C. Marshman and wife of Granite, I. T., came in Wednesday and are stopping at the Humphrey.

Will H. Stone and mother of Bovina are guests at the Humphrey, having arrived yesterday.

E. Burke, a hardware drummer of Fort Worth, was a business caller in town Wednesday, stopping at the Ritchey.

P. H. McCracken of Elkhart came in Wednesday, having been called here by the serious illness of his brother, S. H. McCracken.

Dalton Johnson brought to this office phenomenon in the shape of a natural sized hen's egg containing another one inside of it. A case of an egg within an egg.

G. F. Fisher and wife of Lima, Ohio, are guests at the Ritchey, having arrived Wednesday. Mr. Fisher will leave soon for the new Rock Island extension, being employed by Creech & Lee, the contractors.

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H. H. Riddle of Liberty, N. M., was a visitor at the Ritchey last Wednesday.

C. C. Daily, a drummer from Denver, was among the Ritchey's guests Tuesday.

W. D. Breckenbridge of Fort Worth was a business caller in town the first of the week.

On account of the absence from school of the editor of the school briefs, that interesting column does not appear this week.

The many friends of Sheriff J. T. Inmon will be pleased to learn that he is much better and is on the rapid road to recovery.

The Hereford National Bank has placed a neat and attractive gilt lettered sign in front of their banking house. Priest, the sign writer, was the artist.

S. N. Lee, of the railroad contracting firm of Creech & Lee, was registered at the Ritchey the first of the week, leaving on Tuesday for the scene of operations.

Landlord Tygret of the Ritchey House received an interesting letter from Jack M. Russell, who is one of Uncle Sam's defenders in Company E, 9th Infantry, stationed at Pekin, China.

C. M. Harding, general manager of the Eagle Lumber Company's interests, with headquarters at Amarillo was in town this week looking after his company's interests at this place—the Hereford Lumber Company.

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# CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA & GULF RY.

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them to Senator D. F. Goss and Representative D. E. Decker, asking them to support the amendment to the effect that a railroad having less than 150 miles of road in the state need not have general offices, there already being a bill before the legislature to allow railroads having 150 miles or less to dispense with the hardship of maintaining general offices within her borders.

Chairman Davis appointed Judges Gough and Witherspoon and A. J. Lipscomb to act on this committee. A motion was then made and carried that the chair appoint a committee of five to correspond with the Choctaw officials or anyone else who can help the proposition along.

Prof. J. R. Overstreet, Judges Ferguson, Witherspoon and Gough and County Clerk F. B. Fuller were appointed on this last committee and the meeting adjourned.

It is very apparent to one acquainted with the situation as to the object of the Choctaw officials in wanting to come into Hereford. It is the trading and shipping center for a large tract of country and unless they can get nearer to it than Amarillo they cannot expect to get any of its immense cattle shipments, on account of the Pecos & Northern Texas railroad granting to the cattlemen the great privilege of shipping their cattle from Hereford to all points as cheaply as they can be shipped from Amarillo. The natural result of this equity in freight rates will cause Hereford to be the largest cattle shipping point in the world in the number of cattle shipped on account of its superior shipping facilities such as an abundance of pure fresh water, plenty of free grazing lands and new and up-to-date pens.

Therefore it is plain to be seen, even to the outsider, that in order to get any of this great cattle shipping business the Choctaw has got to run its railroad to Hereford.

However, if the 115 mile limit is passed by the legislature the extra

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expense of maintaining general offices in the state would not be recompensed by the profits they would derive from the cattle shipments at this point and the chances are that they will build no further than Amarillo.

Therefore let everyone either work to defeat the 115 limit or pass the 150 mile amendment.

If you are in need of babbit metal call at this office. We have a quantity of old type which can be had for ten cents per pound.

L. B. Tannehill came in Wednesday from Roswell, N. M., and left soon for his ranch 14 miles southeast of here. Mr. Tannehill said that it might be some consolation to the Hereford people to know that there had been as much wind at Roswell as here.

Sam Dunn, cattle inspector for this district, came in Saturday from Portales. He says there is little going on in the cattle shipping line on account of the unwillingness on the part of cattlemen to sell their cattle to northern buyers at the latter's figures. Mr. Dunn thinks

that sales will be brisk enough when the buyers see the superiority of Panhandle cattle and realize that it takes money to buy them.

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District Court convenes on the second Mondays of April and October.	
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**SOCIETIES.**

I. O. O. F.

Meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in their hall over G. M. McGlothlin's furniture store. All visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend.

F. B. Fuller, A. J. Lipscomb,  
Noble Grand. Secretary.

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Regular meetings Saturday night on or before full moon in each month in the Court House. Visiting brothers invited to attend.

John McKnight, W. B. Boyd,  
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Meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting Knights are made welcome.

John McKnight, Geo. W. Dale,  
Chancellor Commander. K. of R. and S.

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Meets every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. Hall. Visiting Sovereigns always welcome.

J. T. Inmon, M. O. Meeks,  
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Meets every Friday evening in the Court House at 8 o'clock.

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HEREFORD SANITARY AND IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 3 p. m. in the Court House.

L. Gough, F. B. Fuller,  
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Meets once each month.

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Rev. H. M. Banda, pastor - Services held on the first Sunday of each month at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

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Services held on the third Sunday of each month at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

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Stockman should read in another column of this issue the article written by A. P. Murchison. It is of vital importance from a financial point of view.

F. T. Denson returned yesterday morning from St. Louis, where he has been taking a course in Guerin's School of Photography. He will be associated with W. W. Meeks in the photography business.

T. P. Reagan was busy a week putting in new 'phones for E. F. Connell, N. E. Hord, Chas. Hodges and Ira Aten. The latter 'phone is for the X I T E carbala ranch, the headquarters of this division.

W. B. Beach of Dimmitt was a visitor in town this week. He called at this office and ordered his paper sent to Hereford instead of Dimmitt as says he will now visit Hereford more than Dimmitt as he building a nice residence for his family to occupy as soon as finished.

L. A. Woodruff, of the broom firm of Woodruff & Allison, was a pleasant caller at the REPORTER office Thursday. He came in from his factory about five miles south of here with a load of brooms made from broom corn raised in Deaf Smith county. He left a fine specimen of his work at this office for which he has our thanks.

We are in receipt of a letter from G. H. Price of Jewett asking for a sample copy of the REPORTER. Mr. Price runs a bakery at that place, but desires to put in a bakery at Hereford, thinking that Hereford's superb climate will be beneficial to his health. We will all gladly welcome him, if he decides to come and we believe that he would find a profitable business here.

Geo. Dale, the enterprising proprietor of the City Barber Shop, has added to his tonsorial emporium a new reservoir and heater, so that his many patrons may get a hot or cold water bath on a moment's notice. He has been promising his customers for some time that he would provide them with bathing facilities second to none and on Thursday last T. R. Reagan finished making the reservoir and attached it to the heater and fitted the hot and cold water pipes, thus giving the Hereford people no excuse for going unclean.



**Remember the free range, fresh water and new pens at Hereford when shipping your cattle this spring**

✓ Poultry netting and window screen of all sizes just received at Stringfellow-Hume Hardware Co. 7-2t

Last Saturday, A. P. Murchison, the well-known Hereford breeder with ranch headquarters on the North Draw, sold to C. E. McLean of Dimmitt four fine grade Hereford bull calves. Mr. McLean immediately took them to his Castro county ranch.

Ritchey Tygret, son of J. T. Tygret, proprietor of the Ritchey House, left on Sunday morning's train for San Antonio, where he was to meet his cousin, John E. Ritchey, a hat drummer. Mr. Tygret is to accompany Mr. Ritchey on a business trip through Old Mexico.

T. M. Palmer, of the stock raising firm of Avis & Palmer, whose headquarters are situated about three miles south of here, was in town Thursday. He took home with him for his residence a new 51 barrel galvanized iron tank. F. M. Avis, his partner, assisted him in conveying the large tank home, Mr. Avis having but recently placed a tank of 50 barrels capacity of the same make on his residence property.

Sam Wise of Castro county went to Amarillo Sunday night returning Tuesday. He went for the purpose of buying a ranch situated near here, but the owner after spending a few days in Hereford and seeing the thrift and enterprise of the town, decided that property in this vicinity was worth holding on to and declined to sell.

On Thursday last Witherspoon & Gough, Hereford's enterprising law, real estate and insurance firm, commenced the erection of an office building on their lot adjoining the Hereford National Bank. Their rapidly increasing business has caused them to recognize the fact that their present quarters are entirely too small, and their new office will be a model and roomy structure—24x28 being the dimensions. When finished it will be quite an addition to the business aspect of the town. W. B. Garvin is the contractor and builder.

**W. T. BRATTON RESIGNS.**

Will go to Brownwood, and Engage in Farming Pursuits.

W. T. Bratton, who opened this branch of the Eagle Lumber company under the name of the Hereford Lumber company in October,

1898, has resigned his position—the resignation taking effect April 1st.

Mr. Bratton came to Hereford in September, 1898, and was the first to erect a building in the new town. Mr. Bratton has seen the town grow as if by magic from a barren plain to its present city-like size, and regrets very much that circumstances cause him to leave.

Mr. Bratton had the extreme misfortune to lose the idol of his home a short time ago, leaving three small children without a mother's love and care and it was only after many appeals from his parents living at Brownwood that he was induced to make his home with them, thus keeping his children with him. Mr. Bratton's successor is his brother, A. C. Bratton, who has been employed at the yard for some time and is familiar with the business and trade, and who has shown himself to be possessed with more than ordinary business ability and we congratulate him upon his merited promotion.

While the retiring manager's many friends in Hereford regret his departure, they accept the inevitable and wish him success in his new home and occupation. Hereford's loss is Brownwood's gain.