

# THE AVALANCHE.

Motto: "What shall it profit a nation if it gain untold wealth and its people lose their liberty."

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## Are You Going to Build?

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We are receiving a new stock of Lumber and can fill your bill, at railroad prices with freight added.

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### Notice to Shippers:

Amarillo, Texas, August 15, 1904.

Beginning Saturday, August 20th, and continuing thereafter on every Monday and Friday up to and including November 26th 1904, we will run regular stock trains for Canyon City, St. Joseph and Chicago markets on the following schedule:

Hereford 7:30 p.m.	Monday—Saturday.	Leave Canyon 9 p.m.	Monday—Saturday
Amarillo 9:50 p.m.	"	"	"
Washburn 11:15 a.m.	"	"	"
Ampana 1:30 a.m.	"	"	"
Canadian 3:25 a.m.	"	"	"
Age 6:25 a.m.	"	"	"
		Arrive Woodward 7:25 a.m.	"

here connection will be made with train No. 528 on the A. T. & S. F. Ry. With our weekly stock trains we expect to give our patrons the best possible service on shipments to market. These two trains are intended to take care of the small lots which would otherwise have to be handled on way freight trains, but on account of the necessity of gathering these shipments all along the line we cannot guarantee above schedule at all times. We will continue to handle trainload shipments, upon notice, on any day of the week as suits the shipper. Shippers should file their cars at least three days before date on which they intend to load, and long bills should be given whenever possible.

A. L. CONRAD, Traffic Manager.

### A Homesteader's Recollections

From Life.

Death having robbed him of his family and home, leaving him, heart-broken, lonely to roam, Estey, our hero, decided one time Fortune to seek in the western clime. Grasping at hope, he, in dusty July, boarded his wagon, West Texas to try the mountains and rough, rocky hills, gorges and canyons, within them, no hills. These were the Brakes; and the country seemed drifter Than any place out of Satan's great fire.

But, while the Brakes, were suffering for rains, Es climbed the cap rock and viewed the Staked Plains. "Never on earth," thought he, "ever was seen Lovelier sight than this ocean of green." Well might he, thus, at the soul-stirring sight, Gaze in such wonder with thrilling delight; God, having thrown up the Brakes without pains, Then showed his master work on the Staked Plains. Rolling gently he patted them down; Smoothed from their face every wrinkle and frown. Grassy and level, though often they rise Sloping again down to where a lake lies Sparkling and waving the wand'rer to come Bidding him make in its domain his home.

Yonder a windmill which, fanned by the breeze, Purest cold water is pumping at ease. Sleek saucy white faces ran up and drank, Bellowed for thanks as pawed dirt at the tank. Modest and neat, in its cotton-wood grove, Nestles the shrine to the Author of Love.

Whom, here, the stock farmer's family adore, Where there's no wolf to be driven from the door. Out in the orchard, as cunning as apes, Laughing wee children are eating wild grapes. And in the garden of cabbage and greens Mother is singing and picking snap beans; While from the field where kaffir heads shine, Father comes whistling with a melon so fire. "Heaven!ureka! The Paradise found!" Estey exclaimed upon looking around. "Here I shall settle no longer to roam. Merciful Father, grant me such a home."

Then to help answer this heart-spoken prayer, Estey to looking began with much care Over the country endeavoring to find Land for a home that suited his mind. Texas was selling her school land quite low, Taking one fortieth, balance to go, Thirty-nine summers with never a dun! And the perannums just three per cent run! Then if the interest is paid up each year, No further claims from the state will appear.

But every buyer of this land was compelled Truly to settle on the land that he held, Making his home on it, living three years; Having though, half of it off without fears, That he might educate children was planned, Or to earn money to pay on his land. Then if another decides that he saw, Purchaser failing to comply with the law, He can make claim, and, if proved on the stand, Sadly the first one may lose all his land. This is called "land jumping" and "jumper" the man Who from another takes land if he can.

Here, let me pause and digressingly say, "Land jumping" may be all right in a way— That is in knowing that purchaser has lied When for his homestead he, swearing, applied, Never intending to live on his claim. Otherwise, land jumping must be a shame. These things, however, were not in his way; Estey was wanting a place he could stay!

Land for a home was what he desired; Then to find school land he hunted till tired. Often a prospect excited his hope, Then disappointment would cause him to mope. One time he leased some public domain, But, lacking funds, had to sell it again. After long searching he found his ideal. Made application—the first, to seal. And, the next year, got to put the same. Had it surveyed—establish claim.

Then did his trouble cease? No! they, recruiting, came like geese! Ground that he picked and building had planned Lay where another man claimed for his land. Though this man's land didn't lie even near. Wrongly surveying, he said it was here.

Estey was threatened, forbidden to come in: Told to bring suit if he thought he could win. Then for a time, to a different spot, Estey removed till possession he got. He, just as close to his choice as he could, Gubbed out a farm, getting lots of wood; Sodding and plowing and planting it—whence Maize that he raised went to pay for his fence— Working alone, no one to speak. Often forgetting the day of the week. Such is the life of a bachelor lives— Such is the pleasure of homesteading gives.

After a year or more's fighting in court, Gladly the other man gave up the fort. But, the expense, Estey's cash went to pay; Then, to earn interest he worked some away! Often though came to his humble abode— Seemed that the sight of it lightened his load. Only one room, but all neatly arranged, And with the governor he wouldn't have exchanged. "No place like home" many times has he said, Washing his clothes or making his bed. Yet, one thing needed to gladden my life; Home isn't perfect unless there's a wife.

Now the said absence continued thru fall, Lasting not six months, though, in all. Estey the while suffering pains from a dart Cupid had fatally shot through his heart. Fate, in compassion, though, spared him his life Healing his wound with the love of a wife. Now the whole world seemed to overflow joy While they were planning how best to employ Gladly their time at improving their home Where they would be soon as wedding day come.

But! O what clouds darken sunny days planned! When they get home, there's a "jumper" on their land! Yet they, in faith, prayed for God in His power Not to allow the vile raid of their boarder. Soon they removed to their well chosen lot— Even the plains has no lovelier spot; Where from their well they can water the ground Sloping to every direction around. Soon they had sodded and worked with a hoe Patches for orchards and gardens to grow. Soon they had flowers, where vines they entwine, Glittering as stars that in evening shine. Now their green storage, when swayed by the winds, Whispers of blessings the Merciful sends.

Estey can almost in vision now real Reach and embrace his cherished ideal But! awful gloom there's the jumper to fight! What if he, losing sensation of right Get from the court a permit to this home Driving this family again out to roam! Knowing the laws do not grant such a thing And that our juries just verdicts still bring, Estey is hopeful, working with pains, Making more pleasant his home on the plains. Could any man with a heart in his breast, Favor now robbing this sacred home—nest?

Francis D. Wooly

See Pencil M.S. for original

## The Avalanche

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J. J. DILLARD, Editor  
WILL W. ARNETT, Associate Editor.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 2, 1904.

No. 3 of the Dawson Count-ty weekly reached us this week. It is a neat paper and we wish it success.

For F. H. Mudge, corps of railroad surveyors, was in town this week several days. They completed a line from Roscoe on the T. & P. to a point on the Santa Fe. They are surveying for C. L. Talmadge who is financing a proposed railroad through the plains.

These men have been in the field for several months and give every evidence that it is the intention of some one to build a road across the plains somewhere and of course Lubbock hopes to get it.

### Religious Notes.

G. I. Brittain, of Mat-filled the pulpit at the church Sunday morning and at night. Good audiences greeted him at each service.

The Methodist S. S. meets regularly each Sunday morning and is moving along nicely.

The Union Sunday school, with its faithful Superintendent and teachers, meets each Sunday to study the Bible.

Rev. S. B. Sawyers has returned from Conference. He is to go to Canadian another year while Rev. Walter Griffith will be pastor of the Methodist church here.

The Baptists of this place hope to have Rev. Brittain as resident pastor.

Rev. Walter Griffith, the new Methodist pastor will preach at the Methodist church Sunday at 11 and at night. Everybody invited.

A town that never has anything to do in public way is on the way to the cemetery. Any citizen who will do nothing for his town is helping to dig the grave. A man that will cuss his town furnishes the coffin. The one who is so selfish as to have no time from his business to give to city affairs is making the shroud. The merchant who will not advertise is driving the hearse. The man who is always pulling back from any public enterprise throws bouquets on the grave. The man who is so stingy and selfish as to be always howling hard times preaches the funeral and sings the doxology, and thus the town lies buried, free from all sorrow and care.—Ex.

We hereby give notice to all parties that our pastures are posted and we cannot permit the public to hunt and fish in said pastures. All will be welcome when we have picnics for the public. Kindly respect this notice or we will enforce it.

Respectfully,  
J. W. Kokernot,  
H. L. Kokernot,  
S. I. Johnson,  
Geo. M. Boles,  
F. E. Wheelock.

### Notice.

All persons are hereby notified not to leave the carcasses of dead animals on the town section of the town of Lubbock.

Published by order of Commissioners Court.

**John R. McGee,**  
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Examine Land Titles and Furnish  
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Lawyer.

Lubbock, Texas.

**J. J. Dillard,**  
Lawyer.

Lubbock, Texas.

**Dr. P. D. Reynolds,**  
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Office at the Palace Pharmacy.  
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DON A. SWEET,  
Traffic Manager,  
Amarillo, Texas.

L. T. LESTER, Pres. J. D. CALDWELL, V. P., W. S. POSEY, Cashier

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We press each suit bought from us  
once each month, where purchaser de-  
sires it.

Your trade wanted.

## Local and Personal

School tablets of all kinds  
at Rush & Bennett.

S. W. Jarvis, of Block 20,  
was in the city Wednesday.

Our line of stationary is  
complete. Rush & Bennett.

Uncle Johnnie Green visit-  
ed the county Sunday.

Go to E. B. Green for  
Kaffir corn chops and heads.

We have lots of Stevens  
rifles. They are the best.

Richmond & Sharp.

Invitation cards and all  
kinds of "up-to-now" sta-  
tionery at Rush & Bennett's.

Mark Lowry left this week  
for Kent county.

Elder Liff Sanders preach-  
ed at Ophir Sunday.

R. I. Tubbs was in the  
city Monday.

5,000 best XXX envelopes  
at Avalanche office. Call  
and leave your order.

Frank Tubbs visited the  
country the earlier part of  
the week.

J. L. Blake & Son have  
just received a nice line of  
ladies and gents watches.

G. L. Holmes and daugh-  
ter, of southeast Hockley,  
were in town Monday.

We are sorry to learn of  
the continued sickness of  
Mrs. G. O. Groves at Ophir.

Come and get your station-  
ery. The Avalanche office  
has all kinds and can suit  
the most fastidious.

J. F. Mathews and fam-  
ily visited Terry county last  
week.

Mrs. T. W. Sharp and  
Miss Zilia Price visited Hale  
Center last week.

W. S. Elkin and family re-  
turned this went from Scur-  
ry county.

Tubbs Bros. are having a  
coat of paint put on the  
roof of their store.

J. E. Fitzgerald, of Has-  
kell county, was in town  
this week prospecting.

Wanted—Grain.

Will buy and pay for  
grain for home delivery.

Address call on,

P. H. Mahoney,

16-17. Lubbock, Texas.

W. C. Green left this  
week for Kent County with  
a load of household goods  
for Mr. Cole.

M. C. McCrummen return-  
ed this week from a trip  
down east with a bunch of  
horses.

M. S. Acuff sold his resi-  
dence in the north part of  
town to J. L. O'Bannon, who  
has moved into the same.

House for Rent.

One-room house south part of  
town.

John McCrummen.

W. C. Parks and family  
moved into the house recent-  
ly vacated by J. H. Stande-  
fer.

D. T. Bostick, of Big  
Springs, was in town this  
week with a load of fruit  
trees.

Waist patterns, skirt pat-  
terns and full dress patterns  
at Tubbs Bros., latest and  
most up-to-date styles, just  
arrived.

The Wigwam Saloon will  
sell you four full quarts for  
\$3.20. A. J. Gallemore,  
26-2m. Big Springs, Tex.

Mrs. B. Boyd, the enter-  
prising teacher from Acuff,  
spent the latter part of last  
week in town.

Miss Lillian Poole, the girl  
preacher, will preach at the  
court house on Christmas  
day.

Edgar Gililland, the en-  
terprising farmer of the  
north was in town Monday  
after a load of furniture.

W. G. Nairn, of the Nairn  
plantation, spent a few  
hours on our streets Mon-  
day.

H. O. Mahoney, the jolly  
Hebrew of the northwest,  
accompanied by his wife,  
was in town Saturday.

Stop dandruff and falling  
hair Quinine Hair Restorer  
50c. Palace Pharmacy.

R. B. Shaw, the handsome  
granger of the north part,  
was on the streets Monday.  
He has just returned from  
the St. Louis Fair where he  
saw all kinds of sights.

S. S. Rush is smiling over  
the advent of a ten pound  
cotton picker. Mother and  
baby are doing well.

D. McKeichen, of the  
northeast, was in the city  
Monday for the first time in  
a long while.

Stop dandruff and falling  
hair by using Harvard Qui-  
nine Dandruff Cure at Pal-  
ace Pharmacy.

J. E. Murfee and family,  
of Haskell county, moved  
into the W. R. Standefer  
residence in the south part  
of town.

See that case of Perfume  
to be given away Dec. 24th  
by Palace Pharmacy. You  
get a chance with each 50c  
cash purchase.

J. K. Carraway, the jolly  
farmer from the west, was in  
to see us Wednesday. He  
reports one of the finest  
crops out his way.

Richmond & Sharp want  
the public to know that they  
have all kinds of Queens-  
ware utensils and their  
prices are right.

M. Y. Childers was in  
from the northwest Monday  
Marion has lately secured  
school land in Yoakum  
county.

Instead of a wagon load,  
we now have a car load of  
"chips," and they are as  
good as ever. Try them.

Rush & Bennett.

Money to Loan.

I am prepared to secure  
loans on deeded lands at the  
customary rate of interest.  
If you wish to secure a loan,  
call or write me,

J. J. Dillard,

Holiday Goods

I have just been to the  
St. Louis markets and have  
bought a complete stock of  
Xmas goods.

We want you to come to  
see us before buying.

Palace Pharmacy.

C. F. Stubbs and family  
moved from the ranch to  
town this week and will oc-  
cupy the house vacated by  
H. P. Cole. They come to  
town for the purpose of  
sending the children to  
school, also that Mr. Stubbs  
may be more convenient to  
his work.

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farm lands in East Texas and  
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land. Have you anything  
to exchange? If so, come in  
and see me.

J. J. Dillard,  
Lubbock, Texas.

The family of H. P. Cole  
left Tuesday morning  
O—O ranch in Kent Cou-  
ty. They have lived among  
for some time and in the  
departure Lubbock loses one  
of her most highly respected  
families.

Medallion Contest

In our Christmas Goods arrive,  
as our Christmas Goods arrive,  
we will have on exhibition at  
our store a beautiful Medallion  
which will be given to the  
lady receiving the largest  
number of votes in contest.

One vote will be allowed  
for each CASH 50c PURCHASE.  
Mr. W. S. Posey, the cash-  
ier of First Nat Bank has kindly  
consented to count votes.  
Votes will be counted each  
night and results posted at  
Drug Store. Contest closes  
December 25th 6 p. m.

Save your Christmas order.  
Rush & Bennett.

## State Directory.

S. W. T. Lanham, Gov.  
Geo. D. Neal, Lieut. "  
C. K. Bell, Atty. Gen.  
J. W. Stephens, Controller.  
Jno. W. Robbins, Treas.  
Jno. J. Terrell, Land Com.  
Arthur LeFevre, Supt.  
Public Instruction.

COURT DIRECTORY.

Dist. Court convenes 8th  
Monday after the 1st Monday  
in Feb. and Aug.

COUNTY COURT convenes  
3rd Monday in Feb. May.  
Aug. and Nov.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

Baptist Church.  
Rev. J. W. Winn, pastor  
holds services 2nd and 4th  
Sunday's in each month at  
11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Church of Christ.  
Regular Church meeting  
at Court House 3 p. m.  
Sunday. Preaching 1st Sun-  
day in each month at 11 a.  
m. and 7 p. m. at Court  
House. Liff Sanders, Elder.

M. E. Church South.  
Services 1st and 3d Sundays  
in each month at School  
building. Sunday School  
each Sunday. Prayer meet-  
ing Tuesday nights.—Sam'l  
B. Sawyers, Pastor.



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LUBBOCK, TEXAS.

Is Interesting, But the Following is More Interesting

**To the Home Seeker.**

THE LLANO ESTACADO OF STAKED PLAINS OF TEXAS, is a great Plateau comprising an area of approximately 30,000 square miles and is situated in the Northern or Panhandle portion of Texas, of 33 and 36 degrees north latitude and west of 101st meridian. Geologists say that the Llano Estacado is the bed of what in tertiary times was a great lake and that the soil is composed of the rich alluvial deposits of this lake. We do not know whether they are correct or not, but we do know that it is a vast, grassy—slightly undulating plain, almost destitute of surface rocks or waste land, and that the owner of a section of it, has 640 acres, every foot of which in most instances is good for farming purposes.

**Natural Advantages.**

The greatest natural wealth of any country is found in its soil, in this respect the Plains is exceedingly fortunate in having varied and rich lands. The principal kinds are: Black and red sandy loam, equally as good and very much the same nature as the very best black and red sand of Comanche and other central counties of Texas, loose red sand, which resembles very much in looks, and so far as has been tested, is equally as productive as the post-oak and black-jack sand of central Texas; and the red chocolate loam which resembles very closely in appearance and texture the valley soil of the Colorado and Brazos Rivers. This latter kind forms a large portion of the surface. The depth of these varied kinds of soil averages from three to twelve feet which is underlaid with a layer of clay varying in thickness from 10 to 40 feet.

In many portions of the great plains there is no underground rock of consequence till you strike the water stratum.

The soil is in its nature as rich as can be and will produce anything that can be grown in this zone, and of this fact, to come and see is to be convinced.

The whole plains country is covered with a thick growth of mesquite, gamma, buffalo, sedge and other grasses which are strong and very nutritious—an additional proof of the productiveness of the soil. The Stockmen raise as fine stock as can be raised anywhere.

An inexhaustible supply of the very best water may be obtained at depths varying from 20 to 100 feet, cool, clear and excellent for irrigating purposes.

The climate on the whole is delightful—the wind being the most agreeable feature, but this is not so bad as you might imagine or has been represented to you. All through the Summer the nights are cool and pleasant. The winters are not subject to such sudden changes as other portions of Texas.

**The Rainfall.**

The rainfall is not as great here as in many countries, nor is it needed. The depth and texture of soil is such as to make it, to an immeasurable degree, drouth resisting. The Plains are not subject to the extreme drouths of some other portions of Texas, though the rainfall is sometimes deficient.

The shallowness of the water and the cheapness of getting water to the surface makes irrigating on a small scale practicable hence making the drouth felt less.

**Farming and Stock Raising.**

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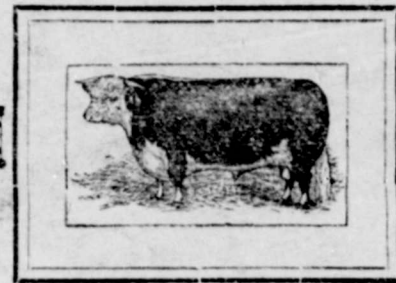
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