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HEREFORD-

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Wholesale and Retail

Bain and Mitchell Wagons, Imple-
ments, Hardware, Barbed Wire,
Water Supplies, Eclipse
Windmills

Panhandle News

The Clarendon Chronicle says that the local option law in that city is being openly violated.

Stratford citizens are needing telephone accommodations and are endeavoring to form a company to put in an exchange.

The strike of the machinists in the employ of the Denver road at Childress, has been amicably settled, the men returning to work at an advanced rate of wages.

The dipping vat will be in operation the first of the week. It is expected that several thousand head of cattle will go through the vat this spring and summer.—Childress Index.

The dry goods stores at Quanah will be closed each evening (except Saturday) at 7 o'clock until September 1st, thus giving their clerks a chance to rest—and work up marriage contracts.

Beginning with Sunday there will be protracted revival services at the Methodist church. Rev. J. H. Stewart, of Vernon, will arrive Monday and assist the pastor, Brother Hardy. Services will continue some ten days or two weeks.—Clarendon News.

Several showers visited many parts of the county this and last week which was a great benefit to the growing crops and especially the grass, which is in some places 5 and 7 inches high on the prairies.—Vernon Hornet.

R. Sedgwick brought to this office this week a lemon raised at his place two miles northeast of town, measuring 12½ inches one way and 11½ inches the other, and weighing ¾ of a pound. Mrs. Sedgwick raised the lemon.—Silverton Enterprise.

The state school department has refused to buy the Memphis school bonds and they will be sold on the general market. The reason given for the refusal is that they are for a sum greater than 5 per cent of the real estate values of the district.—Memphis Herald.

As an example as to what hogs are bringing The Index man did a little figuring Tuesday with Monday's Fort Worth market report. A car of thirty-two fat heifers weighing 642 pounds sold at \$3.30, or \$677.95 for the car. The same day a car of seventy-six hogs weighing 223 pounds sold at \$7.40, or \$1,254.15. The car of hogs brought \$575.20 more than the heifers, in fact almost as much as two cars. This is something the farmers of this section should study over.—Childress Index.

Stringfellow & Hume have closed out their business in this town, selling part of the goods to Donahoo-Ware Hardware Co and shipping the balance to their Lubbock house. We still have two hardware houses in this city.—Plainview Herald.

We are reliably informed that the large land holdings by Frank T. Howard in this and adjoining counties will be settled this summer by a colony of Boers from South Africa. Now, watch things come to pass if these sturdy, hard-working people build homes in the Panhandle.—Silverton Enterprise.

Mrs. J. B. Grinsley, who resides in the Omen settlement in Hall county, is insane, the result of overwork in nursing her nine children, who were suffering from the measles, and from being herself taken seriously ill with the disease. It is feared that she will have to be taken to an asylum for treatment.

Melvin Deggs had a narrow escape from death Saturday. He in company with three other boys went down on the river to fish. The bank caved in completely covering young Deggs. The boys started for help, being frightened, and while gone his dog scratched enough of the dirt off of him to allow him to free himself. His back and legs were badly bruised.—Vernon Hornet.

The county commissioners met Friday last and took up six Armstrong county jail bonds and one court house bond, all of the denomination of \$500. Two of the jail bonds were for the benefit of the county school fund.—Claude News.

After a bad crop year \$315,000 deposits to the credit of our people in our two banking institutions is not a bad showing. If the present fine prospects are realized and a good price for grain is obtained, this should be swelled to a million before the close of the present year.—Wichita Falls Times.

Cut up your large land holdings and convert same into small farms. Wilbarger only wants more people to make it one of the best agricultural counties in the state. Whenever you find a satisfied set of farmers they are close neighbors, have their school house, their church and postoffice. This can't be done with a large ranch between each farm. Farmers are a social, neighborly class of people the world over.—Vernon Hornet.

Notice to Prospectors.

On Monday and Tuesday of each week I will be prepared to take parties out for inspection of the XIT lands, advertised for sale elsewhere in this paper.

IRA ATEN,
Manager



**FLOWERS, BERRIES,
GRAPES, GARDEN FRUITS
AND VEGETABLES, SHADE TREES
AND A VINE-CLAD COTTAGE.....**

-- ALL ARE WITHIN YOUR REACH --

**ALL THAT YOU REQUIRE IS ONE
OF THOSE HANDSOME AND EFFI-
CIENT IRRIGATION OUTFITS**

**ERECTED
BY THE**

....Hereford Manufacturing Co....

Latest specialties in Bath Tubs, Kitchen Sinks and Irrigation supplies.

Texas Land Laws.

Texas needs the actual settler more than any other state in the union. In spite of this her land laws are calculated to drive the settler out of the state, and our solons show but little inclination to end the present intolerable state of affairs.

While millions of acres are laying idle around us for want of hands to work them, we hear politicians seriously discussing ways and means to stop immigration to this country. Our present land laws are sufficient safeguard for Texas in that quarter. —Quanah Tribune-Chief.

The editor of this paper, not having made a study of Texas land laws, is not competent to offer any reforms, but we are ardent believers in the glorious future of the Panhandle as a farming and fruit raising country, and will exert every influence THE BRAND may have to the sooner make it such. Inasmuch as Brother Koch of the Tribune-Chief has taken the initiative in this movement we would suggest that he offer some solution to the land law troubles, which, if feasible, will, we believe, receive the hearty support of every newspaper in the Panhandle. With the exception of the XIT ranch we believe that this county has no so-called large ranches, and the XIT people are offering their land for sale to the settler in any quantity desired and at reasonable prices and terms.

E. W. Harrison has the best line of underwear in Hereford. To see is to be convinced. 9tf

A New Law.

County Clerk Magee has been advised that under a law passed by the regular session of the legislature a department of vital statistics has been created in connection with the quarantine department. It requires that every birth or death in the county shall be reported to the county clerk, together with the particulars and a fee of twenty-five cents, and shall be recorded by the clerk. A penalty of from five to fifty dollars for each failure to report is attached. The law is now in effect. —Quanah Observer.

A Thoughtful Man.

M. M. Austin of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr. King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c, at Gough & Davis' drug store.

Get your paint brushes at Gough & Davis'. 52tf

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**Contractor
and Builder**

Can give the best of references. Practical framing and joining together a specialty. Estimates given on short notice. A fair share of patronage solicited.

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FRANK GAMBLE, Proprietor

**Short Orders a Specialty
Oysters Served in any Style**

ALSO DEALER IN

**Fine Confectioneries, Fruits, Nuts,
Cigars and Tobaccos**

First Door North of the Postoffice

DYER & SONS

Retail Dealers in

**Lumber & Sash & Doors
AND SHINGLES**

We carry one of the largest and best stocks of

Building Material

anywhere in this section of the country

YARDS AT Plainview and Hereford, Texas

**FIRST-CLASS
ACCOMMODATIONS**

**THE BEST TABLE
IN HEREFORD**

THE HEREFORD HOUSE

ASA MARTIN, PROPRIETOR

NEAR THE DEPOT

HEREFORD

TEXAS

THE BRAND

Hereford Mercantile Company

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN

General Merchandise, Ranch and Trail Supplies

Millinery Department

We have received our Ready-to-Wear Hats and a complete stock of Millinery Goods. These goods are the latest creations in the Millinery Art and were purchased at the 1904 World's Fair City, which is a guarantee of their up-to-dateness.

MISS MATTIE FORE, Manager

Grocery Department

In this department we have one of the largest and freshest stocks to be found in the Panhandle. We make a specialty of filling large orders for ranchmen. If you don't see what you want, ask for it---we've got it.



New Line of Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing

ITS THE CHEAPEST ITS THE BEST ITS A Superior

We have just received our stock of

Spring and Summer DRY GOODS

and invite your early inspection of the same.

HEREFORD MERCANTILE COMPANY

HEREFORD, TEXAS

Finest line of cigars in town at Gough & Davis. 52tf	Don't forget E. W. Harrison's new attractive neckwear. 9tf	School books for all grades at Gough & Davis. 52tf	Wanted—Boarders and roomers at Mrs. S. E. Busters. 50tf
S. N. Connally of Abilene came in Tuesday on business.	John E. Day was in Monday from his North Draw ranch after supplies.	John McClure of Portales, was in town this week on business.	Mr. Griffin was in Monday from the ZV ranch after supplies.
Ladies and misses best Lisle lace hose at E. W. Harrison's. 9tf	The City Bakery for fresh bread, and all kinds of pastry cooking. 5tf	Buy tickets of the City Bakery and save 25 per cent on the dollar. 8tf	Horse shoe brand of mixed paint is the best made. Gough & Davis. 52tf
C. C. Sanders of Castro county was a caller in town Monday.	E. C. Oberthier and wife were in town from their Castro county ranch Tuesday.	Mrs. Charles Hodges of the North Draw was a pleasant caller in town Wednesday.	J. T. Rutherford came in Wednesday from his North Draw ranch on business.
Hanna at Meeks' can make you a picture that will flatter. Come on boys. 9tf	Once a wearer, always a wearer of the Drew-Selby ladies' shoe at E. W. Harrison's. 9tf	Don't be bothered with flies when you can get any price screen door at Stringfellow-Hume Hardware Co. 10-2t	If you want alfalfa hay, remember I keep it constantly on hand. C. C. Ferguson. 43tf
N. Hollingsworth of Castro county was in town this week on business.	Miss Ruby Weaver of Dallas arrived Wednesday and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Weaver.	A. J. Thompson was in from his ranch Tuesday and ordered the address of his BRAND changed from Gainesville to Hereford.	F. L. Miller, who has been here for the past week on business, left Wednesday for his home at Henrietta.
We can furnish you with any kind and size screen doors. Stringfellow-Hume Hardware Co. 10-2t	It won't cost much to keep flies out and have plenty of ventilation if you get a screen door from Stringfellow-Hume Hardware Co. 10-2t	Lost—My day book with accounts and a note. Finder please return to J. A. Johnson's grocery store and get reward. D. E. Weaver. 10-1tp	My line of spring hats have arrived with a fit for every head, a shape for every face, a touch that brands them a little above the ordinary. E. W. Harrison. 9tf
Mrs. E. J. Tuttle of Chicago came in Wednesday and is the guest of her brother, D. E. Weaver.	J. K. P. Gilliland of Lilydale, Tenn., who was a visitor here some time ago, at which time he purchased some of Hereford's real estate, came in Wednesday and will soon commence the erection of a residence for his family, which will come later.	Carl Gilliland and family arrived this week from Lilydale, Tenn., and will henceforth make Hereford their home. Mr. Gilliland is an attorney and will at once open an office for the practice of law.	W. A. Tate, the popular Dimmitt landlord, was a pleasant visitor at this office Wednesday inspecting our new machinery. He says that Castro county received a good drenching rain on Tuesday, in fact more fell there than did here.
Those trolley cars are now at Gough & Davis' drug store. Children, bring in your coupons. 10-1t			
J. P. Harding has purchased the residence of Judge L. Gough and is moving the same to the lots he recently purchased from C. E. Spath.			

General Stock News

There are good prospects for much trading in small ranches for stockfarming purposes when spring opens up well. There is not a great demand for large ranches.—Miami Chief.

A cattle deal involving some \$50,000 was closed in El Paso recently. R. P. Bean of Roswell sold his ranch and cattle at Van Horn, to J. Y. Cannon and Mrs. R. T. Hall of the latter place.

If you fail to grow a big feed crop this year you are placing yourself either at the mercy of the man who does, or inviting disaster at the hands of the next winter.—West Texas Stockman.

It is stated that the El Capitan Land and Cattle Company, better known to the cattlemen as the "Blocks" on account of their brand of three boxes on the side, have disposed of their interests near Richardson, N. M., to a syndicate headed by W. A. Johnson of Buckner, Mo. The deal includes all ranch land owned by the company, a general store at Richardson and 25,000 head of cattle, the purchase price being \$400,000.

Beautify Hereford

By beautifying your home with flowers, shade trees and vines. What will add several times its cost to the market value of your home as well as to its comforts is a good tank and irrigation outfit, bath, etc. The Hereford Manufacturing Co. builds 'em. They are cheap. 5tf

The Biggest Trust.

Newspaperdom has the following: "The biggest trust on earth is the newspaper trust. It trusts everybody, gets cussed for trusting, mistrusted for cussing, and if it busts for trusting gets cussed for busting."

Fresh Bread

every day at the

City Bakery

next door to Searchlight Office

W. C. Green

Proprietor

Nothing has ever equalled it. Nothing can ever surpass it.

Dr. King's New Discovery

For CONSUMPTION, Coughs and COLDS. Price 25c. 4 for \$1.00

A Perfect Cure For All Throat and Lung Troubles. Money back if it fails. Trial Bottles free.

Had Good Reasons.

An editor died and slowly wended his way down to where he supposed a warm reception awaited him. The devil met him and said: "For many years thou hast borne the blame for the bad spelling that the printer has got off in the paper. The paper has gone for one dollar and alas! the printer has bedeviled thee for wages when thou hadn't a farthing to thy name. People have taken thy paper without paying for it and cursed thee for not getting out a better sheet. Thou hast been called a deadbeat by the railroad conductors when thou hast shown thy annual pass to their gaze. All these wrongs thou hast borne in silence. Thou shalt not enter here. And as the editor turns and walks away, satan mutters: "Heaven is his home, and besides, if I let him in here he would have been dunning his delinquent subscribers and thus creating discord in my kingdom." —Ex.

Lost—Silver watch and black fob. Finder return to this office.

County Seat Election.

Channing fearing Dalhart will soon be strong enough to pull the court house here has called an election to determine whether the county seat shall be "removed to the center of the county" or remain at Channing. Many believe that Dalhart can assist the "center of the county" to win. The election will be held May 5th and the result may prove that Channing was too risky. There is little doubt that Dalhart will vote solidly for the center of the county, and that an effort will be made to poll her full strength.—Dalhart Sun.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at Gough & Davis' drug store.

Demand a Salary.

Did you ever stop to think that possibly your neighbor knew much more than yourself about how to conduct his own private business? And if you insist on giving him instructions, why don't you demand a salary. In that case he might fire you, and then you could have a good excuse to quit and attend to your own affairs.—Vernon Homet.

Sand in Wells.

The Hereford Manufacturing Co. is making a sand strainer that has exploded the theory that quick sand will go any where that water will. It is a positive success. Call and see them about it. 10tf

For Sale.

4-room house and 4 acres of land in Ricketts addition. See O. M. Daniel. 9-2tp

Furniture! Furniture!!

Wall paper and glass, Queensware, Water Sets, Chamber Sets, Glassware, Lamps, etc. cheap. Sewing Machines, Carpets, Mattings, Rugs, Window Shades, Pillows and Mattresses at special low prices. See our complete line of high-grade Chamber Suits, Folding Beds, Couches, Rockers, etc. at surprising low figures. We do all kinds of Upholstry and repair work. Our undertaking stock—including full line of burial Robes is complete. We guarantee low prices and best goods.

LOVELESS & BLACK

Furniture Dealers and Undertakers

J. L. SMITH J. A. WALKER B. C. D. BYNUM G. A. F. PARKER

Smith, Walker & Co., Bankers

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY \$450,000

A General Banking Business Transacted

With our old friends in our former Mercantile Business, we hope to continue the pleasant relations we have so long enjoyed.

To those who do not know us, we say

Come in and get Acquainted

Who is your Grocer?

If you have tried others and were not satisfied with the qualities or quantities received for the price paid, we respectfully request that you give this store a trial order. We guarantee satisfaction and prompt delivery. If you are in a hurry, telephone us your order—No. 7.

JOHN A. JOHNSON

No More Ordering Furniture

from mail order houses. To show you that we mean what we say, bring your mail-order-house catalogue, tell us what you want and you will find that our prices are so low that you will henceforth buy at home. "Well made goods, courteous treatment and one price to all," is our motto.

**C. E. Spath & Co. The Furniture People
HEREFORD, TEXAS.**

In Business For Your Health

BURNS & SMITH

...DRUGGISTS...

**We Keep Your Patronage By Treating You Right
Hereford, Texas**

BEST SERVICE

BEST PRICES

**B. W. MILLER
LIVESTOCK BROKER**

List your cattle with me and I will do my best to give you good service. Office in rear of Smith, Walker & Co. Bank.

HEREFORD, TEXAS

..Prosperity is Headed Your Way..

The Panhandle country is rapidly coming to the front and every business man in every town should come in for his share of the boon. Can you afford to continue to do business in your wooden building, taking great chances of losing it and its contents by fire and on that score paying a high rate for insurance?

The Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Co.

would be pleased to figure with you on the erection of a substantial brick building. We are prepared to prove that it will be to your financial interest to make the change.

Job Work of All
Kinds Solicited

No More Waiting for Material

Orders Filled
for Lumber Dealers

It is with pleasure that we are enabled to announce to the Panhandle Public that we now have installed the latest improved machinery for the manufacture of all kinds of finishings, such as casings, mouldings, balusters, extra heavy store doors, etc., which we can furnish on short notice, thus obliterating the chief cause for unfinished buildings. Other contractors' shop work solicited.

No Contract Too Large * No Contract Too Small

Plans and Specifications
Furnished.....

Remember that we will be pleased to figure on your work, whether it be a brick block or a small cottage

Architectural Designs
a Specialty....

The Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Co.

D. F. JOHNSON, Sec'y and Treas.

J. P. SNYDER, Business Manager

R. J. Kibbe was in from his ranch Wednesday on business.

We have an extra fine line of toilet articles, perfumes, etc. Gough & Davis. 52tf

A. J. Thompson and family arrived Saturday from Gainesville and will henceforth make Hereford their home. They are at present on their ranch east from town.

I now have nice light quarters in the D. R. Gass & Sons new store and cordially invite the public to call when in need of anything in my line. Lee S. Smith, jeweler and optician. 8tf

The Hereford Fuel Oil Co., having completed their large new ice house and filled it up with first quality ice, are now prepared to fill all orders promptly, whether they be large or small. 9-2t

The college students enjoyed a picnic Wednesday at the home of their classmate, Ezra Norton. On Thursday they partook of the hospitalities of the Misses Lura and Empriss Jowell at their home on the Tierra Blanco.

Dr. Lyman B. Raschbaum, the Amarillo ear, eye, nose and throat specialist, will be at the Hereford Dental Parlors on the 1st and 15th of each month, where he will be pleased to attend to the needs of the the citizens of Hereford and vicinity in his line. Dr. Raschbaum is also a scientific adjuster of eye glasses. 51tf

Geo. L. Muse was a pleasant caller at this office yesterday.

Substantial and sturdy—the Giesecke guaranteed shoe—just right for spring wear—a real and good economy for buyers. For sale by E. W. Harrison. 9tf

C. L. Davis would be pleased to have you call at his office in the Witherspoon & Gough building and see his fine samples of spring and summer clothing. 52tf

The Women's Christian Temperance Union of Hereford has appointed Miss Fanny Robinson as a delegate from this local union to the convention to be held at Fort Worth soon.

My books and accounts will be left at Gough & Davis' drug store while I am in the Chicago Post-graduate Schools. If convenient please call and settle with Mr. Harding or Mr. Davis. R. H. Gough, M. D. 10tf

Those who mail their letters on the trains would desist perhaps if they knew that often times their letters lay over at Amarillo for twenty-four hours before starting again to their destination. This is made necessary by the large amount of work to be done between this point and Amarillo, and instead of putting up the mail on the train they are placed in a sack and left for the postmaster at Amarillo to sort and send out, thus taking twenty-four hours longer for the mail to reach its destination.

Pianos, organs, sheet-music. Everything in the music line. Thos. Goggan & Bro., Galveston, Dallas, San Antonio. 10-tf

Meeks, the jeweler and optician, invites his friends and customers to call and inspect his watches and jewelry before purchasing. 44tf

Miss Adele Underwood left yesterday evening for her home at Dallas. She expects to return in the fall and finish her course of studies in the Hereford College.

Wanted—an opportunity to demonstrate to you the merits of the Drew-Selby ladies' spring slippers. Call and examine them, examine the material and workmanship. Try a pair and be convinced. E. W. Harrison. 9tf

Mrs. Parker and grandson, Clifford Acker, the latter of whom has been attending the Hereford College during the sessions of 1902-1903, left Thursday evening for a visit among friends at Ennis and other Texas points.

Miss Mary Louis Wilson, the accomplished instructor of the piano at the Hereford College, left yesterday evening for her home at Belton. That she is a competent teacher will be testified to by her large class of pupils, each of whom has shown marked improvement since coming under her tutorage and her admiring friends and patrons will gladly welcome her return in the fall.

A. O. Thompson came in from his ranch yesterday and paid us a pleasant visit.

It is a treat to see those beautiful ties just received at E. W. Harrison's. Superior in quality, latest in styles and attractive in colors. 9tf

Garrison Bros. commenced Thursday morning to move their hardware stock in their new quarters in the Hay brick building. As soon as they have arranged their stock this firm will have one of the finest hardware stores in the Panhandle.

Ideal Dairy

J. E. BRIDGES, Prop.

We deliver pure Jersey milk and cream in sealed glass dairy jars in any quantity desired. Pure butter delivered in pound packages, wrapped in parchment and cardboard cartons.

'Phone No. 38

W. H. CUMMINGS

Carpenter
and Builder

Leave orders with Rayzor & Ricketts, Hereford, Texas.



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Official Organ of Deaf Smith County

A Weekly Journal Devoted to the Interests of the Panhandle Country of Texas

F. L. VANDERBURGH
Editor and Publisher

WITH the completion of the brick buildings under course of construction and those in contemplation Hereford will assume city airs.

AN excellent quality and an inexhaustible quantity of water obtained at a shallow depth is one of the inducements Hereford can offer to the locating committee of the proposed Baptist college for the plains.

THE new City Council is working assiduously on the proposed ordinances for the city of Hereford and expect to have them ready for publication soon. Our citizens made no mistake when they elected this body of men to govern the city, as they are making every effort to give the city a clean and economical government.

HEREFORD is soon to have one of her greatest needs filled. With the organization of a social club, having suitable quarters for the entertainment of their guests, our young men, who are in a sense homeless in a strange land, will have a place of amusement and recreation, thereby lessening their chances of getting into the company of wayward companions. It is proposed by the promoters to place therein innocent games of amusement, plenty of good reading, such as newspapers, periodicals and magazines, and as their finances will permit to furnish the rooms with comfortable furniture and gymnasium appurtenances.

WE note with pleasure that the new board of directors for the Christian college, under construction in this city, are taking up the work of the former board and are exerting every effort to have the building completed in time for the opening of the college year—September. Notwithstanding that the faculty have been laboring under difficulties during the past year, they have proven to the satisfaction of all that the institution has been a good investment for our citizens, as a large amount of money has been expended among our business men this year which would have gone into other channels were it not for the college. This should be an incentive to our citizens to assist liberally in financing this institution to the end that it will be completed by next Sep-

tember, when it is expected that fully two hundred pupils will be enrolled for the sessions of 1903-1904.

BEAR in mind that Hereford is a contestant for the proposed Baptist college and needs the assistance of every citizen of the town in securing it. If you are not able to assist financially you could at least clean up your premises and thus show to the locating committee that we have a clean, well kept city, and one in which prospective patrons of the institution will be proud to reside.

FROM TEXICO.

Interesting Items From the New Town on the Mexico Border.

Paul Miller, our bank cashier, went to Portales yesterday on a business errand.

Jack Harwell squared himself with the Pea Vine and rode off to Hereford yesterday.

The Hoaglin Cattle Company are having 800 acres of land broken for alfalfa about 12 miles south of here.

There is quite an epidemic of la gripe going the rounds of this community at this writing, whole families being down at one time.

J. B. Green, our real estate dealer, left this week for points east and south in the interest of his business. He expects to visit Waco, Texas, while gone.

Bob Dixon's father and mother from Tennessee came in this week and will locate on the Frio, near Bob's ranch. Bob was in town this week after supplies.

White faces are rapidly taking the places of the Mexicans along the great Pea Vine railroad in track work which is another evidence of civilization and progress.

Some people are getting real anxious about Teddy's not returning from that lone bear jaunt in the park, but I am not a bit uneasy, he is predestined to come back.

Wheat and oats in this neighborhood are looking well. The acreage of kaffir, sorghum and other feed crops in this vicinity is something immense, and with the present season in the ground it will require very little rain to make good yields.

Last night our young people initiated the new hotel, with a grand ball and supper. Several ladies and gentlemen from Portales were in attendance. The night was lovely, the ladies beautiful, the music elegant, the supper sumptuous and the management by Paul Miller did credit to a professional.

To Perfect Organization.

Wednesday evening the promoters of the proposed social club for Hereford met at THE BRAND office for the purpose of perfecting plans for the organization of the same. On motion Judge Jno. P. Slaton was made chairman of the meeting and D. F. Johnson secretary. The object of the meeting was stated and a committee, consisting of Judge Jno. E. Ferguson, L. F. Alby, D. F. Johnson and Judge Slaton, was appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws governing the organization, to be presented before the membership at a meeting to be held in the I. O. O. F. hall next Tuesday evening. Another committee, consisting of Hon. Ross W. Davis, W. R. Evans and I. Jennings, was appointed to solicit charter members, the number to not exceed twenty-five.

After some little discussion and suggestions on the part of those present the meeting adjourned to meet next Tuesday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall, as before stated.

Notice.

All parties having accounts at the grain and coal store of Johnson & Ferguson will please call and settle the same at once. C. C. Ferguson having purchased D. F. Johnson's interest in the business, all accounts are payable at the old stand.

D. F. JOHNSON.
40-44 C. C. FERGUSON.

Cattle Wanted

To pasture or on shares. Plenty of good water and grass and the best of attention given them. Address J. E. Bridges, Hereford, Texas. 4tf

Advertised Letters.

The following is the list of letters remaining uncalled for at the Hereford postoffice for the month ending April 25, 1903:

Mrs. J. C. Banks, J. W. Brown, G. E. Cavener, Miss Lizzie Cassles, James Copeland, Mrs. L. E. Counts, C. S. Cravey, Officer Cummings, Will Dardy, M. J. Delaney, F. R. Dwiper, S. D. Goff, T. E. Gray, O. M. Guest, Eddie Harbison 2, Edgar Ireland, J. N. Jones, E. S. Jones, Miss Marie Kelley, Willie Kuhn 5, A. G. McAdams, Viola McEntire, Mrs. Jas. E. McRady, W. W. Mitchell 2, I. A. Morgan, Mrs. Jimmie Morris 2, Mrs. J. H. Norris, Mrs. Nettie Peabody, C. W. Perry, U. T. Pruitt, Mrs. A. G. Redding, W. B. Roberts, Ed Robinson, Miss Mary Rogers, Miss Bell Shaw, Wesley Smith, Washington Storm, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sullivan, B. E. Tarfton, Miss Jessie Vandeman

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Towel Rollers	5c
Large Tablets	5c
Envelopes, per package	5c
Coal Hods	50c
Butter Moulds	20c
Paper Napkins, per Hundred	15c

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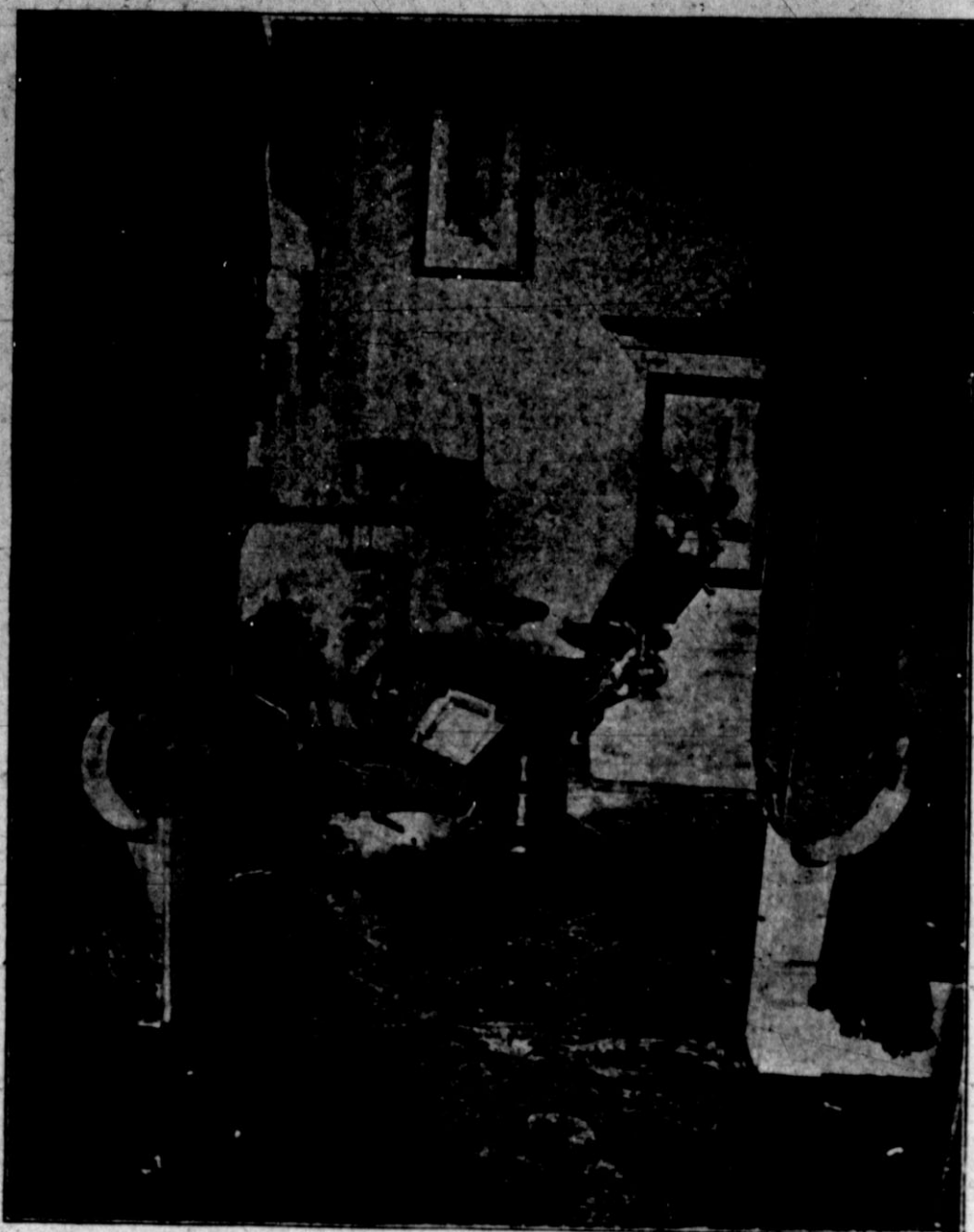
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Orthodontia and Diseases of the Mouth
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News From the Old Town.

Like a letter from your sweetheart,
Or an increase in your pay,
Making you forget a moment
That your hair is growing gray.

Is the clipping or the picture,
Or the paper marked in blue,
Of some trivial occurrence
That has interest for you.

'Tis a welcome interruption
Of your work or of your rest,
And you greet the mute memento
Almost as you would a guest.

Then you smile in reminiscence
With a shrewd, complacent air,
As the old town comes before you—
And you're glad you're out of there.

Habitual Drunkard's Law.

A bill which has recently become a law reads as follows:

Section 1. Any person who shall knowingly sell or give, or cause to be sold or given, or who shall be instrumental in the selling, giving or procuring of any spiritous, vinous or malt liquors or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication to any person who is an habitual drunkard, shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$100.

Section 2. An habitual drunkard within the meaning of this act is one who makes it a habit to get drunk or who habitually becomes intoxicated by the voluntary use of intoxicating liquors.

For Sale.

About 200 head of stock cattle, good graded, native raised and no old cows, will sell any kind or any amount to suit purchaser. Will sell at a bargain. Apply to W. R. Reagan, 12 miles southeast of Dimmitt. 10-1f

Pretty Large Toll.

"A woman who has been working in the heathen business for a good many years says it takes \$16.75 to get one dollar to the heathen," says the Eldorado Republic. "All on account of people who take toll for handling the contributions. She further remarks that if one will put \$1 into a bottle, cork it up tight, and throw it into the river, it will stand just-as good chance of arriving in heathen lands as it would by giving it to some collectors of heathen money."

We were aware that but a small per cent of the funds raised each year for the enlightenment of the heathen ever reached its supposed destination, but had no idea that it was as small as the above article states.

Notice.

I will prosecute to the full extent of the law anyone found fishing on the section of land formerly known as the Henry Clary place. This is the section of land above the dam on which there are hackberry trees on the south side of the creek. 8tf B. B. PEARCE.

Right You Are, Brother.

Hereford has incorporated. She is a live town in a good country.—Quanah Tribune- Chief.

Notice.

All who wish to see me professionally will find my office in future at Burns & Smith's drug store. 8tf C. P. ESTES, M. D.

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Special Conveniences for Drummers' Trade

HEREFORD

TEXAS

Subscribe for The Brand—\$1 year

Big Furniture Sale.

Loveless & Black on Tuesday had a number of large circulars printed at THE BRAND office, announcing that on Wednesday and Thursday they would place on sale their entire stock of furniture, carpetings, queensware, glassware, etc., at a reduced price, and offered as an inducement for cash purchases, a premium or prize for the lucky holder of a ticket, which would correspond to a duplicate to be drawn from a basket, ten dollars worth of merchandise from their stock of the holder's selection and an additional present to the holder of the ticket corresponding to the second ticket drawn, each dollar spent entitling the buyer to a ticket or chance for the prizes. Those who paid their accounts were also entitled to a ticket for each dollar paid. On the opening morning a prize of a bowl and pitcher was given to Miss Lena Daniel, she drawing the prize for being the first lady customer after 8:30 o'clock. That the sale has been highly successful and gratifying to the proprietors is evidenced by the numerous loads of furniture, etc., which has been drawn from their store during the sale.

At prompt 6:30 Thursday evening a citizens' committee, consisting of Hon. Ross W. Davis, Judge W. B. Boyd and F. L. Vanderburgh, placed the tickets in a large basket and gave them a thorough shaking, after which little Miss Velma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. P. Staton, was blindfolded and drew from the basket a ticket numbered 347. Mrs. C. L. Sullivan, having the duplicate, therefore captured the first prize—\$10 worth of merchandise from the Loveless & Black stock. The next number drawn was 196, the duplicate of which calls for a 20-piece set of glassware. It is not yet known who has this duplicate.

There were nearly five hundred tickets in the basket, which shows that during the two days' sale Messrs. Loveless & Black disposed of nearly that amount of goods—all on a cash basis.

A Fine Rain.

On Tuesday of this week this section was treated to a most refreshing rain, which will not only be of inestimable value to the agriculturists of this country, but will start the grass in fine shape to feed the old sisters on the plains. We do not know how general the rainfall was, but so far have heard of but one part of the county which was not well watered—the northeastern part. Advices from Castro county state that that county received a heavier fall than did Deaf Smith. Those of our farmers who received this necessary adjunct for good crops are duly thankful. What we need now is rain enough to fill the lakes for the accommodation of the large number of cattle which will be shipped from this point this season.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby warned against hunting or otherwise trespassing on the Escarbada division of the XIT ranch. IRA ATEN, 37tf Division Manager.

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Can be enjoyed by the "rich" as well as the "poor." For particulars ring up 76 or see Troy Womble. 9tf

Ranch and Town Property

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27—7-section ranch 10 miles from Hereford; 4 patent and 3 school sections; 200 acres in cultivation; good corrals and windbrakes; well improved otherwise; about 400 head of high-grade cattle to go with place.

31—640 acres of school land 5 miles from Hereford; part fenced; well, windmill and drinking tub; 40 feet to water; \$5 per acre.

31½—320 acres patented land joining above; part fenced; \$5.50 per acre; one-half cash, balance 1 and 2 years.

33—4 sections (2560 acres) solid body; 30 miles from Hereford in Deaf Smith county; no improvements; school land; \$1 per acre cash.

38—640 acres patented land in south part of Oldham county; no improvements; \$2.50 per acre; one-third cash, terms on balance.

39—2560 acres 5 miles from Hereford; well improved; well watered by Tierra Blanco creek; \$7 per acre.

62—640 acres patented land 7 miles of Hereford; no improvements; \$4.75 per acre; part cash, balance long time.

72—7-section ranch 18 miles from Hereford; 3 school, 2 patent and 2 sections of leased land; \$9,600, part cash, balance on time; 100 head of cattle can go with place.

75—2800 acres of school land in Castro county in solid body; 4428 acres of leased land, absolute lease for 7 years; 700 head of cattle; mules; saddle horses; all farming tools; all for \$30,000; terms given on part of the above.

79—640 acres of school land in Castro county, 20 miles from Hereford; well and windmill, cribs and windbrakes; 50 acres in cultivation; all fenced; \$2200 cash.

80—640 acres of school land 2½ miles north of Summerfield switch; small house and windmill; \$4 per acre.

87—5-section ranch in Castro county; 3 school and 2 patent sections; farming implements and 100 acres feed; \$12,500; terms on part.

88—640 acres school land in Castro county 17 miles from Hereford; \$1700.

91—1280 acres patent land 17 miles from Hereford; \$3.50 per acre cash.

92—640 acres patent land 25 miles from Hereford; \$3 per acre; one-third cash, balance 1 and 2 years at 8 per cent interest.

98—640 acres school land 10 miles from Hereford in Castro county; 4-room house; 16x41 barn; well, windmill and reservoir; \$3300.

99—640 acres school land fenced with above; \$2200.

102—5-section ranch 10 miles from Hereford; all under fence; well 120 feet deep; 50 acres in cultivation; \$4 per acre; can give long time on part.

104—1280 acres school land in Castro county; no improvements; \$2.50 per acre cash.

On all school land 97½c per acre will be due the State in addition to the purchase price, payable in from 35 to 37 years at 3 per cent interest.

640 acres of land 8 miles from Hereford; perfect title; fenced with 3-wire fence; 2 miles of fence owned; 50 acres fenced in field; 35 acres in cultivation; good young orchard; about 100 locust trees; 65 head of 2 and 3 year old stock cattle including 2 Shorthorn bulls; will be about 50 calves this spring; one-third of calf crop reserved; possession of place given in October, 1903; \$5 per acre; \$1280 in 4 equal payments at 8 per cent interest can be assumed; \$20 around for cattle. This property will be on the market but a short time.

Hereford City Property

4 acres and 4-room house on south side of creek in Ricketts addition; \$1000.

4 acres in Evants addition; no improvements; one block from College; \$150 per acre.

4-room house; good barn; well and windmill; quarter of a block; close in; \$1200.

3-room house and one lot; close to school and church; \$750.

5-room residence near college; 10 acres ground; \$3000.

No Ball Game This Week.

In last week's issue of THE BRAND it was announced that the Hereford and Amarillo ball teams would cross bats at this place, but on account of later arrangements, whereby Roswell plays with the latter nine at Amarillo the Hereford-Amarillo game would have to be postponed. The Hereford boys are now trying to arrange a series of games with the Roswell boys to be played here on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

Strayed.

One black mare mule, 8-years-old, 14½ hands high, wire cut on right fore foot, white speck over left eye, collar and harness marks, fresh sheared, has been missing about a month. Will pay liberal reward for information leading to recovery. J. J. Calvert, Bovina, Texas. 9tf

For Sale or Trade.

Two fine stallions. E. Roberts, Hereford, Texas. 8-2tp

Mrs. J. W. Hanna came in yesterday from Malaview.

The tenants who are to occupy the new brick block in the burned district, are rejoicing with the thought that they will be able to move in their new quarters in a couple of weeks' time.

John Droke and family arrived Tuesday from Stephens county and have decided to locate here. At present they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garner, Mrs. Garner being Mr. and Mrs. Droke's daughter.

Rev. J. Sam Barcus, ex-president of the Clarendon College, will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church next Sunday at the morning and evening services. Rev. Barcus has the reputation of being an eloquent and gifted speaker and those who fail to attend these services will miss a rare treat.

We received a letter this week from Mr. R. H. Gough, who is attending the Chicago Polyclinic and Hospital, taking a postgraduate course. He says that the advantages there are quite superior to any college he ever attended. He also enclosed a local adv. which will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Judge Gough will soon commence the erection of a modern 9-room residence on his land in the Welsh addition. Having sold his residence to J. P. Harding, his family are domiciled at the J. C. Coker residence until their new structure, which will be built by the Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Company and will cost in the neighborhood of \$2500, is completed.

Misses Lola Tolbert and Mary Coffee, Rodger Gist, Mansell Coffee and Lester Renfro went up to Amarillo on Tuesday to see the ball game between Hereford and Amarillo. They were also accompanied by Miss Lena Daniel and Mr. Bob Daniel who were returning to their home at Hereford after a week's visit to friends in Miami. Mr. Renfro also went on to Hereford expecting to return on Friday of this week.—Miami Chief.

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IN OUR NEW QUARTERS

It is with pleasure that we announce to the dry goods buying public of Hereford and vicinity that we have the large addition to our store finished and have filled the same brimfull of the latest spring and summer goods

Spring Goods	Grocery Department	Hardware
Our stock is complete and well selected in every detail and we are prepared to please the most fastidious tastes, both in quality and price.	Don't forget our grocery department, it is complete in every detail and we can fill your order—whether it be large or small.	Our store is also headquarters for anything in this line. We have also received a car load of buggies and surreys we will sell at a small profit

Call at our store, inspect our different lines and be convinced that ours is the store for the best quality and the lowest prices. Yours truly,

D. R. GASS & SONS, Hereford, Texas

A full line of musical instruments at Gough & Davis. 52tf

E. Carter was in from his ranch Wednesday on business.

We now have everything in paints, oil and glass. Gough & Davis. 52tf

J. R. T. Bassett was in from his ranch yesterday greeting his many friends.

Save time, save money, save patience by having your picture made at Meeks' Studio. 9tf

Miss May Cook, one of the students at the College, left on last night's train for her home at Lela.

Wind mill repairing of every kind. We will work your old mill over and make it new. Hereford Manufacturing Co. 4tf

S. L. DeSpain, accompanied by his wife, father and mother, arrived Monday from Grayson county and will reside at Hereford permanently.

For Sale—1 section 3 miles from town. \$700 improvements. Also pair of mules. For particulars inquire of Mrs. S. H. McCracken. 5tf

J. C. Newman and family arrived home Tuesday from their recent trip to Galveston, Dallas and other Texas points. J. C. said that he had the "time of his life."

For Sale—All my property in Hereford including that large and up-to-date building just completed and now occupied by Loveless & Black. Will sell at a bargain. See S. Loveless. 7tf

Fresh pies, cakes, cream puffs, etc., at the City Bakery. 5tf

Miss Maggie Patrick is the guest of her sister, Mrs. James Roberson.

Buy tickets of the City Bakery and save 25 per cent on the dollar. 8tf

Finest line of stationery ever shown in Hereford. Prices right. Gough & Davis. 52tf

J. N. Ivy, a prominent stockman of the North Draw, was a business caller in town yesterday.

J. W. Hanna at Meeks' Studio has the patience of Job when trying to secure a baby picture. Try him. 9tf

For first-class dressmaking and French styles go to Misses Gamble and Douglass at the Hereford Mercantile Co.'s store. 10-4t

Clifford Slayton was a business caller in town yesterday. He says that but little rain fell at his ranch, about eight miles northeast from town.

As the spring days grow longer your need for a new suit grows more urgent. You should see E. W. Harrison and have the matter remedied. 9tf

Miss Fanny Robinson, the popular teacher of elocution at the College, left Wednesday for her home at Henrietta and where she will spend the ensuing summer vacation. Miss Robinson has made many friends in Hereford who will be pleased to see her return next fall.

See our diamonds and solid gold jewelry. Gough & Davis. 52tf

H. C. Fenton was a pleasant business caller in town Tuesday.

Buy tickets of the City Bakery and save 25 per cent on the dollar. 8tf

Don't fail to see C. L. Davis' new spring samples of custom-made clothing. 52tf

Charles Hannaford, proprietor of the Green Valley ranch, was in town last Sunday.

If you want a screen door String-fellow-Hume Hardware Co. can supply you with any kind you want. 10-2t

The Hereford Mercantile Company has just received a new line of men's hats—from the cheapest to the very best Stetson's. 2tf

When you buy a custom-made suit of course you want the latest styled pattern and a perfect fit. C. L. Davis will see that you get both. 52tf

Dr. W. E. Robertson was called to Amarillo last week to operate on a difficult case of abscessed antrum. The operation was successful, as are all his dental operations.

Miss Elizabeth Ghent, the popular vocal teacher at the Hereford College, left yesterday evening for her home at Belton. During her stay here she has proven herself a most competent teacher and her many patrons will be pleased to see her return next fall.

W. D. Keliehor was in from his ranch Tuesday on business.

Save your wife work by buying your bread, cakes, pies, etc., at the City Bakery. 5tf

C. L. Davis would be pleased to show you his new spring samples of clothing. See them before buying. 3tf

W. J. Meyers has awarded the Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Company the contract for a modern residence on his lots in the Ricketts addition.

When you are in the market for a suit of clothes don't forget that C. L. Davis can furnish you with them and guarantee every garment as to fit and workmanship. 52tf

M. F. Garrison came in from Cleburne Tuesday and will remain here, having associated himself with the Garrison Bros.' hardware store. He is a brother of C. S. Garrison of this place.

Mrs. W. M. Cogdell has the agency for the Charles A. Stevens Tailoring Co., and will be pleased to have the ladies call and see her when in need of anything in ready-made clothing. 8tf

The Hereford Planing Mill and Construction Company have commenced the erection of two brick buildings north of the Herron & Norman building, one to be owned by themselves and the other by F. B. Fuller. The buildings will each be 25x80 feet in dimensions, single story.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

Of the Hereford College Held this week—Miss Garvin Graduates.

On Monday evening occurred the opening of the commencement exercises of the Hereford College. The weather was all that could be desired and a large crowd was present at the court house to witness the ceremonies. It was also the occasion of the medal contest, in which there were four contestants—Messrs. Ezra Norton and John Herod and the Misses Verna Owen and Roxie Witherspoon. The judges were Rev. H. B. McGee, Judge Jno. E. Ferguson and Miss Margaret Syms, who, after listening to the different orations, decided that John Herod was entitled to the medal, he receiving 133 points. Miss Owen was awarded the second prize, a handsomely bound volume of Browning's works, having scored 132½ points. Rev. McGee announced the result of the judges' decision and in a few well chosen words made the presentation of the prizes.

The program was well rendered in every particular and the participants were warmly applauded on their efforts. Following was the program of the evening; those numbers marked with a star (*) were the contestants for the medal:

PROGRAM	
The Second Table	Gray
Leron Gough	
Iry, Billy and Jo	Riley
Willie Tygret	
Nothin' Tall	Piner
Roy Davis	
Daisy's Faith	Selected
Bertha Dameron	
*Bushel or Jug	John B. Gough
Ezra Norton	
*Brave for the Right	Sam Jones
Verna Owen	
*Boys of America	John P. St. John
John Herod	
*It Must Be Settled	John B. Finch
Roxie Witherspoon	
The Bear Story	Joaquin Miller
Ezra Norton	
Pantomime—Conquered Banner	Selected
Maud Patton	
Doctors' Diploma	Stevens
Mina Dameron	
How Salvator Won	Wilcox
Joe Clark	
Not a Success	Selected
Verna Owen	
Scene From King John	Shakespeare
Maud Patton	
Sunday Fishin'	Werner's
Judge L. Gough	
Farm Scenes	Werner's
John Herod	
TWO ROSES—(In Two Scenes)	
Grandpa Testy	John Herod
Kate, His Granddaughter	Verna Owen
Dennis Finnigan	David Martin
Nora	Mina Dameron
Egbert H. Melville	Joe Clark

We wish to call the attention of our readers to the fact that the Pantomime by Miss Maud Patton in the above program was arranged by Miss Fanny Robinson, teacher of elocution in the Hereford College. Hereford is and can well be proud that she has in her borders a teacher of such marked ability as Miss Robinson possesses and the College faculty are to be congratulated upon securing her services.

On Tuesday evening the commencement exercises were closed at the Christian church, Miss Lula Garvin graduating in the elocutionary department. Her selections were well rendered and reflect great credit upon her assiduousness in study, as well as on the competency

of her instructor, Miss Fanny Robinson. At the close of the exercises President Randolph Clark presented Miss Garvin with a diploma, which certifies that she has successfully mastered the elocutionary art, and is competent to enter the field as a professional.

On account of the heavy rain during the day and the muddy condition of the streets there were not as many present as would have been had the weather been more favorable, but all who did brave the elements were well paid for the coming, and highly appreciated the evening's program, which follows:

PROGRAM	
Duett	Selected
Mary Jones and Nellie Black	
"A Good Little Girl"	Gurlitt
Mary Jones	
Waltz	Guiliani
Nellie Black	
Valse	Geibel
Bertha Witherspoon	
Rosebud Galop	Engelman
Nellie Black	
Polka	Free
Ruth Hannaford	
The Revenge	Tennyson
Miss Lula Garvin	
"Only a Rose"	Hawleys
Louella Howard	
Faust Waltz	Gounod
Adele Underwood	
Ophelia	Shakespeare
Miss Garvin	
Meditation	Morrison
Nannie Jowell	
(a) A stump Speech by a Colored Suffragist	
(b) For the Slumber Islands, Ho!	
(c) Mrs. McGlaggerty on Roller Skates	
Miss Garvin	
Valse Styrienne	Wollenhaupt
Adele Underwood	
The Hippodrome Race	Ebers
Miss Garvin	

Great is Texas.

Rice fields whose area equals that of Connecticut, cane patches as big as New Hampshire, corn fields bigger than Maine, watermelon patches bigger than Rhode Island, cotton fields greater in combined area than that of the whole area of the New England States. Here's where we have snow covered plains in the northern part of the state while we eat fresh vegetables at Christmas time in south Texas, where the hum of the saw-mill in the east vies with the lowing of fat cattle in the west 600 miles away, and where peace, plenty and prosperity gently slumber beneath the sod awaiting the plowshare of enterprise, energy and push.—Lockhart Post.

Thanks.

The last issue of the HEREFORD BRAND contained sixteen pages of four columns each. It was one of the best Panhandle papers we have ever seen issued and was no special edition either. With their new press they do delightful work and are making that town famous as a good town to go to.—Memphis Herald.

Notice.

After February 1st coal and posts will not be sold on longer time than 30 days.

HEREFORD GRAIN & COAL CO.
C. C. FERGUSON. 50tf

Notice.

For sale, lease or trade for black land, three sections of improved land fifteen miles southeast of Hereford. Write quick. Lock Box 274, Wichita Falls, Texas. 39tf



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T. J. Davis

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A Card Of Thanks

We hereby extend thanks to the people of Hereford and surrounding country for their liberal patronage during the two months we have been in business. We appreciate your trade, you have helped us to add many new lines to our stock already, and we promise you if you continue your trade that we will add many other things to please and convince you. Why not have at least one grocery store in Hereford where you can get anything you want? Help us with your trade, and we will supply this demand. Watch for the new lines.

Very Respectfully,

Dunn & Martin

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R. F. HOLLOWAY

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW

Hereford - - - - Texas

When Bed Time Came.

In the Santa Fe train coming out of Kansas City last Thursday night was a mother and her brood of five—four girls and one boy. They had left Illinois the day before and were on their way to the "new country," where the husband and father had a claim which is to be the new home.

The elder girl appeared to be about fifteen, from that age they ranged down to the only boy, a chubby little fellow about four. Their dress and manner showed that they had not been reared in the midst of luxury and opulence but withal they were model children and scrupulously clean. The mother was thin and bony, her face was slick and shiny from much washing, and haggard from worry of her long trip and the care of her precious little flock, for there were twenty-four long hours yet before the journey's end. It was after bed time when the train left Kansas City, and the younger ones were seen yawning and scarcely able to stay awake. In fact the boy of the family had

closed his eyes and was fast approaching "shut eye town," while the next older tugged at him as she looked appealingly to her mother with an expression that was pitiful. He mustn't go to sleep yet. The others began to whisper among themselves and then to the mother as if something exciting had happened or would happen soon, all of which attracted the attention of the other passengers who sat in wonderment as they tried to divine the cause of so much whispering and such strenuous efforts to keep the least one awake. They occupied a seat in the front end of the car, including a long seat which runs along the smoking car partition.

Presently the cause of all this excitement was made plain. It was bed time and they had not said their prayers. Quietly, without ostentation or display, yes, even timidly the mother and her children knelt together at the long seat, the baby bowing his head with the rest, and rubbing with chubby hands eyes that would hardly stay open, while the evening prayers were said. Just for a moment, and then they arose, the children were made as comfortable as possible for the night, and soon all but mother was asleep, while the moistened eyes and quivering lips of the other passengers, the traveling men with their grips, the politician with his schemes, the business man with his worries, yes even the old reprobate of the News paid a silent but mighty tribute to the greatest civilizing agent of all ages, the christian religion.

Here, oh ye teachers of theology, is a sermon greater than you ever preached. Here, oh ye choirs, is an anthem sweeter than you ever sang.

Here, oh ye hosts of Israel, quarrelling over creeds and doctrine and torn with strife and envy, is a lesson more powerful than you ever taught. God save the mother and her brood, bring them to their home in safety, and to their last days in peace.—Wellington (Kansas) News.

You Should Visit The Brand

Editor Ladd of the Miami Chief, while in Amarillo recently, paid a visit to the Star office at that place. In writing of his visit he says:

"The Star has an up-to-date outfit, the largest and best equipped office in the Panhandle."

THE BRAND editor also paid the Star office a visit, and while we congratulate the Star management on their fine outfit, we would respectfully state that THE BRAND office is the largest and best equipped of any printing office in the Panhandle and will prove it to Brother Ladd if he will pay us a visit.

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There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, sores, bruises, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It's only 25c, and guaranteed to give satisfaction by Gough & Davis, druggists.

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Nearly 2,000,000 acres of this great ranch has been sold and it will be only a few months until the stock farmer of one or two sections

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It has been demonstrated that the small stock farmer can make more money compared to his investment, than can the large ranch owner, and the splitting up of this large ranch (until recently the largest ranch in the world) will be a great boon to this class of farmers.

As an Investment to the Small Stock Farmer

The Pecos Valley railroad (a branch of the Santa Fe System), the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific and the Fort Worth and Denver City Railroads are now intersecting this great ranch and the Choctaw road is now building from Amarillo to Tucumcari, N. M., and will traverse the entire Deaf

Railroad Facilities

Smith county portion of the ranch. It is also expected that the Santa Fe branch, running to Albuquerque, N. M., will be built from Bovina in the near future.

This land, being situated in the western part of the Panhandle, lies close to the mountains of New Mexico and therefore is more susceptible to good rains than is land farther east.

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This section of the Panhandle is noted for its mildness and even temperature—both in winter's cold and summer's heat—and has the right altitude for an invigorating and dry atmosphere. The nights are always cool, insuring sound and refreshing sleep.

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CATTLE TRAIL OPENED.

Arrangements Completed for a Cattle Trail from the South.

It is with pleasure that we can announce to prospective drivers of cattle to Hereford this season that arrangements have been completed whereby they will have an open trail from points south to Hereford. The trail will pass through the "Spade" and "S" ranches, but the managers thereof wish it understood that only those cattle which are nearer to Hereford as a shipping point will be allowed to pass through, there having been many drivers in the past coming to Hereford whose cattle were nearer to the Portales or Bovina shipping pens. This magnanimous concession on the part of the managers of these two ranches should be appreciated by the cattlemen who have herds to drive this season, and they should respect their wishes in regard to driving to their nearest shipping point.

Of course we realize that Hereford has accommodations which neither of these other points can give and cattlemen can hardly be blamed for wishing to bring their herds to this point for sale and shipment, but in justice to those who have a right to come through this trail to Hereford, they should drive their cattle to the point designated by this agreement.

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Business lot and 24x90 building on Dewey avenue. Will be sold reasonable. **WILL H. STONE,** 9-24 Agent.

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Too Often the Case.

I often see a man a "member" of the church. On Sundays he sits in the amen corner, nods his head at the preacher when he hits the congregation, but never thinks the preacher is throwing anything at him because he is an influential business man. But listen, I have heard that same man use language on the streets during the week before ladies and children that would make an infidel ashamed of him. This reminds me of a piece I read once. It has words something like this: The more honest a man is, the better his chance to land in the poor house. When a rich man murders his neighbor he gives bond, goes to trial and is acquitted and the people call him "colonel." A poor man does the same thing, and he is put to jail, sleeps with a nigger that smells like a third party office seeker, goes to trial and is hung as high as Gilroy's kite.

When a rich man dies the people close their eyes and wear crepe, when the poor man dies they hire two niggers to plant him, keep open all day and half the night in honor of the occasion. Would like to know if the world is not wrong, somewhere. **K. LAMITY.**

[K. Lamity presents some pertinent truths, but the world was ever thus. However, there is a law, which if enforced, would do away with the foul language sometimes heard on our streets, and it would teach the users thereof a good lesson if they were brought up before the courts of our city on the charge of using foul and indecent language on the public thoroughfares. It is also true that to outward appear-

ances a man who is known to be wealthy is tolerated in his shortcomings by the so-called respectable society, while the poor man is instantly ostracised if he steps beyond the bounds of decency or morality in the least; yet it is some satisfaction to the true christian to know that all these things will be changed in the world to come and the only way to realize this blessing is to stay in the straight and narrow path—let come what will.—Ed.]

Branching Out.

Portales is to have another lumber yard. J. C. Galbraith, of the Burton-Lingo Co. of Forth Worth, was here this week and purchased a location and will probably have the stock on the ground by the latter part of next week. This is a well known company and they have branch yards in various parts of Texas. We bespeak for them a liberal share of the public patronage.—Portales Herald.

This firm also has a yard at this city and if their Portales venture proves as profitable as their Hereford proposition they will be well repaid for their new investment.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between T. H. Collins and B. W. Miller, doing a real estate business in Hereford, Texas, has this day, by mutual consent, been dissolved, B. W. Miller retiring and T. H. Collins assuming the control of the business and all indebtedness and to whom all accounts are payable.

Dated April 9, 1903.

T. H. COLLINS,
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A Great Sensation.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. He writes: "I endured insufferable agonies from asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis and grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Guaranteed by Gough & Davis, druggists. Trial bottles free.

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