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How to Plant Trees.

1. Select first the trees best suited to purpose, be that shade, ornament, fruit, production of lumber, wind break or fence posts.

2. Bear in mind that the tree you are planting, if proper species, may be a shelter for and a pride of future generations, of wrongly selected, it may last but a decade.

3. The one advantage, th of rapid growths, should not decide which tree to plant. Innumerable insects, fungoid diseases and the necessity for frequent pruning, besides a brief period of existence, may characterize the tree of your choice; and it should be discarded.

4. Where there is slight opportunity for frequent watering, tree species demanding large quantities of water should be discarded. They will be disappointing.

5. Elms, cottonwood and swamp maples are among the class requiring much water.

The oaks, ash, sugar, maple, Norway maple, walnut, catalpa, etc., succeed with a moderate quantity of moisture.

6. Good roots in ample quantity are of vital importance to the tree's successful growth. In digging spare not the labor, but secure all the roots possible without mutilation.

7. The top of a tree should not be mutilated. Cutting off the leading roots is extremely bad practice, only to be tolerated with cottonwood and soft (swamp) mable.

8. Too large a tree should be avoided.

9. Keep the roots moist by wrapping in wet burlap while conveying them to planting grounds.

10. Evergreens, especially, should be kept moist. When the resinous sap hardens from a few moment's exposure to sun and wind the tree is dead.

11. The larger the hole, more thoroughly prepared the soil, the greater the care in planting, so much more satisfactory will be the growth of the tree.

12. Grass sod is the deadly enemy of newly set trees. No grass should be permitted within two feet of the trunk. The grass secures the first water which falls and in dry weather the trees suffer for want of moisture.

13. Digging the holes. A philosopher of the past century said "the ground should be prepared the full extent of the field" which assertion has never been disputed. The hole should never

be less than four feet square and eighteen feet deep. The soil if not a good quality, should be removed and good loam brought to fill the cavity. If of less size, the new roots strike the hard side of the excavation, which they cannot penetrate and are thus turned back, coiling about as in flower po. It thus requires several seasons for the trees to secure a thrifty growth. No fresh manure should be placed near the roots, but well rotted compost, well mixed with a friable fertile soil, will produce a surprising growth of tree.

14. Planting the tree. The roots should be spread out in natural position without crowding and fine earth sifted in from the shovel by a shaking motion, until all the roots are covered and the interstices well filled. When half filled, a bucket of water may be slowly poured in and the hole filled. If the soil is dry and drainage good, the surface may be somewhat depressed to maintain water in dry season. If, on the contrary, drainage is not good, and soil inclined to be wet, then surface about the tree should be raised a trifle that the roots be not in too much water.—Arboriculture.

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It is the object and purpose of this paper first to furnish its readers the local news of Terry county; secoud, in a condensed form, to give the important news of the Plains country, gathered from its exchanges and other sources. It will make a epeciality of reporting all matters pertaining to the agricultural and stock interests of Terry and adjacent counties; will continue to direct the home-seekers' attention to our wonderfully productive lands, what they are producing and will produce, their cheapness as compared with lands in other parts of the country, our unexcelled water supply, etc. It will also keep the reader prsted in regard to the school lands coming on market in the near futnre, and all other matters that will interest those who want to keep in touch with this portion of the country.

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Send in your subscription and keep posted about the Plains country and about Terry county in particular.

Ties for Hereford Road.

A special from Hereford to the Dallas News, dated Dec. 25 says: The first shipment of ties reached here for the C., H. & G. Railway that is building from this place. The management is expecting at any time to receive the first shipment of rails and engines. It is said the work will be pushed as rapidly as possible from this place north, and as soon as the road is completed to Adrian work will commence south of Hereford.

If you don't want your land sold, you had best not list it with us. We expect to have at least fifty buyers here within the next sixty days, and they are coming to buy land, too.

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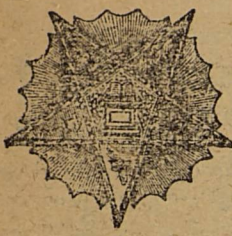
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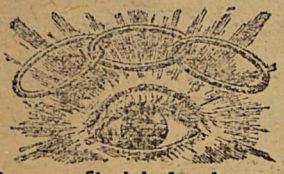


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Auto Road to Hereford.

Some of the real estate men and the auto owners of Brownfield have taken the enterprise in hand and are making an auto road from Brownfield to Hereford. The contract to make the road was given to Messrs. Brooks & Cordill, of Brownfield, and they commenced the work Thursday. Mr. Cordill has the work in charge and has for his assistants Messrs. Tom Holley and Chas. Courtney. The road will pass the center of Hockley county, where a town is soon to be started, thence to the county seat of Lamb county, thence to Dimmitt and from there to Hereford. In addition to dragging and grubbing the road, there will be 25 or 30 stock gaps to put in, and it will be about three weeks before it is ready for service. Among those who have contributed to the enterprise are S. S. Lees, of the C. H. & G. Ry. Co., \$50, and M. G. Abernathy for the same amount. This auto line will certainly prove to be a great benefit to this part of the country. It will be a direct route over which to bring prospectors into the country, without encountering knockers on the way; it will open up a route from the Santa Fe road on north to the T. & P. on the south, passing through one of finest and most beautiful parts of the Plains country. It will, also, give a direct and rapid means of travel to those who desire to reach the railroad to go east, west or south. It is intended to put daily service on the line and there will be no waiting for an auto going to the railroad. Until the railroad is finished from Hereford to Brownfield, there is nothing else that will be of more benefit to this part of the country than the auto line between the two towns. Not only will the line be of much benefit and convenience as a means of travel, but it will not be long until a daily mail will be established between Hereford and Brownfield, which will be carried on autos. Steps are already being taken to accomplish this end.

People are continually asking us about the C. H. & G. railroad, and many of them add that the prospect of getting it looks mighty gloomy to them. Well, the outlook doesn't look gloomy to us. Surveyors are between Brownfield and the T. & P. road, going right on with the temporary survey and grading is being pushed as rapidly as possible on the north end of the line, and what more can be expected of the company. We have never heard of a line of railroad being built without first surveying it and securing the right-of-way. The C. H. & G. railroad is going to be built and finished as far as Brownfield within the next twelve months. The company is fulfilling their part of the agreement in every particular, and instead of continually playing the part of "doubting Thomases" let us be ready to comply with our of the contract.

There will be an entertainment given in the Court House Monday night February 22nd—Washington's Birth Day—by the Home Mission Society. Watch the paper for particulars.

A section of land in Terry county, north of the center, for sale at a bargain if taken within thirty days. See

W. R. SPENCER & Co,

Farms to Trade.

Two good farms in southwestern Oklahoma to trade for Terry county land. Address
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On Monday January 19th, 1909, I will open and have on sale a big list of staple articles that I will sell for 5, 10, 25, 50 cents, \$1 and \$2 each. The line will be complete and embrace everything from a tooth brush to a suit of clothes.

Look out for DATE and come to the SALE.

JACK ALLEY,
West side square, Tahoka, Tex.

WANTED.—To buy school land that has been lived on the required three years. Address J. J. Snyder, 115 E. 9th Street, Austin, Texas.

Lost.

Cross about two inches long, amethyst in center, three pearls below, one above, one each side, cable chain. Lost on Christmas day; finder will please return to Miss Mable Farrar.

To Sell or Trade.

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One section nice level, red sandy sage land, fifteen miles from Brownfield, at \$2 per acre bonus, \$2.55 due the state. A bargain. Bigger, Hill & Co.

A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons will be organized in Brownfield next week. Mr. Bryan, of Midland, High Priest of the Grand Lodge of Royal Arch Mason in Texas, and Judge Bartley, of Tahoka, a member of the committee on works, will be here. The organization will take place on the 13th, and the work of initiating candidates will probably consume four or five days, as a large number of Master Masons are expecting to take the Chapter degrees.

The Maids and Matrons were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Daugherty last meeting. Miss Dora and Mrs. Diel being too busy to be present. After all business had been attended to, lemonade and cake and watermelon were served for refreshments. Watermelon on December 26th brought happy recollections of "the good old summer time." The meeting adjourned to meet with Miss Farrar, January 9th, 1909.

It is reported that Coke county has sold her school land, situated in Cochran county, to Lubbock people. Yoakum county, through her attorney, Mr. Ashby James, has brought a mandamus suit in the Supreme Court to compel the Land Commissioner to award this tract of land to her. The grounds set up are that when Coke county was a part of Pom Green county it got its compliment of land and had no right to land set part for unorganized counties. When Yoakum county was organized the appropriation of school land had been exhausted.

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Local & Personal

Happenings About People You Know.

Bring your butter to the Hill Hotel.
Jim Gamble is off on a trip to Big Springs.

Judge Beaty, of Lubbock, was here Thursday looking after legal business.

Miss Annie Hamilton returned this week from a visit to Plainview and Lubbock.

Alvan Groves and family left this week for Fort Worth where they will reside in the future.

Dr. Craddock, of the Cedar Lake neighborhood in Gaines county was up last Saturday.

Quite a number of the Odd Fellow boys will take in the supper at Lubbock next Tuesday night.

Jake Leedy, the popular cook at the Hill Hotel, is off for a week on a visit to his parents in Tahoka.

Mrs. Myrtle Patten came over yesterday to accept the monument for her husband's grave and to suprenthnd its erection.

Big Jolly Jim Russell, of Lamesa, came up yesterday with an auto load of passengers for plains.

Rev. A. B. Johnson, of Sweetwater, has been called to the pastorate of Brownfield and Lamesa Presbyterian churches, and will preach here once each month.

Since the last issue of this paper, Judge Copeland and C. F. Williams have bought new Buick autos, which makes ten cars now owned by Brownfield people.

The Herald has arranged to have Gomez news items furnished it each week, which will be of much interest to its readers.

It is a singular coincidence that Brownfield Lodge A. F. & A. M. is numbered 993, and Brownfield Royal Arc Chapter is numbered 309.

Deacon Donaldson spent Christmas with his Brownfield friends. He and several other ranch boys will spend the winter poisoning Prairie dogs for Col. Slaughter.

Mr. W. W. Johnson, of Blanket, Texas has purchased the 80 acres lying just south of the Brownfield townsite for a consideration of \$12,80. The deal was made thro the agency of Bigger, Hill & Co.

Uncle Dave Benton and Judge Covington, of Emma, Crosby county, came in Thursday afternoon and will spend a few days here looking after real estate interests which they both own in this county.

W. D. Currier, of the J Cross ranch, and Rufus Lanier and George McPherson, of Gomez, are off on a trip to Austin on business connected with the general land office.

Prof. Huckleberry's school at the Howard school house is out, and he has been employed to teach there again this year. He is one of the most successful teachers on the plains and the people of the community in which he lives so highly appreciate his merits as a teacher that they will retain him as long as he will consent to serve them.

Colby Farris, of Nolan county, was here several days this week visiting his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Shrock, and his uncle and aunt Mr. Mrs. J. L. Randal.

C. H. & G. engineers are running the temporary survey via Lamesa. This may mean that the company intends buying the O'Donnell grade from there to Stanton.

Messrs J. L. Powell and Doc. Walker have bought the Phinzy herd of sheep, which added to the herd they recently bought from Messrs. Beal, gives them a herd of 3,000.

Mr. J. F. Holden and son Cleveland have been summoned to appear in the federal court in Kansas City on next Monday, as witnesses in a suit wherein the government is prosecutor and the Santa Fee railroad is defendant.

A change is being made in the mercantile business at Gomez. Messrs. Adams - Holgate Co. have exchanged their dry goods to Messrs. Gainer for their hardware. Hereafter there will be one dry goods house and hardware store in that town.

There is talk of carrying the mail from Big Springs to this place in automobiles. It would be great convenience to the public if this could be effected. Let the matter be agitated until the change made.

Word has been received here that Mr. S. S. Lees, president of the C. H. & G. railroad, will be in Brownfield within the next few days, when it is supposed he will determine the exact location of the depot and attend to other matters of importance to the town.

According to arrangements made at the confederate's reunion in September, there was to have been a meeting held yesterday to outline a program for the annual meeting in August, but owing to some misunderstanding, there were only three or four members of the camp in town and no meeting was held. The president will probably call a meeting at an early date to make the necessary arrangements for the big gathering in August.

The Brownfield Hardware Co. has bought J. W. Welch' stock of dry goods in the trade or the building and is selling it at cost. Call and get some bargains.

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We have a farm consisting of 640 acres within two miles of Brownfield. 200 acres in cultivation, good 4 room house, well and windmill, stock sheds, etc. Price \$15 per acre, long time given on a large portion of the purchase money.

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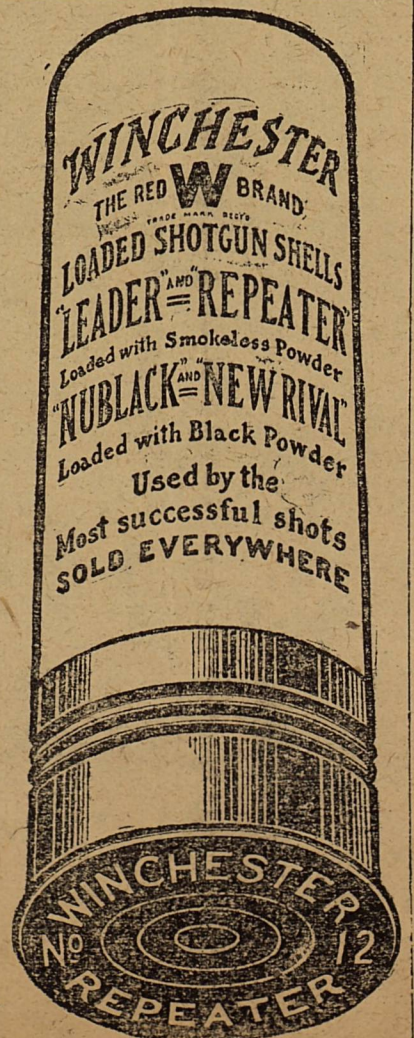
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Two Railway Project.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 25.—Major George W. Littlefield, cattleman and financier, reports that two lines of railroad are now projected through his large ranch, purchased from the Capital Syndicate. It comprises 390,000 acres. One line is on the verge of being built, Major Littlefield having guaranteed a large bonus, and the management of the other is giving assurance that it will be a reality. Major Littlefield also confirmed the report that several officers have been made for the ranch property in question, and that negotiations were entered into, but nothing accomplished. It is understood that Major Littlefield holds the property at an average value of \$10 per acre, or a total of \$3,900,000 and that it may be purchased at these figures by Eastern capitalists who are financing the railroad proposition in that section. It would probably take \$1,000,000 cash to float the deal and make first payment in the purchase of the ranch. The matter will be considered in detail after the holidays and the deal put through.

In addition to the ranch in question, Major Littlefield owns a large ranch property and irrigated farm in New Mexico, a ranch in Mason and Kimble Counties, Texas; also one in San Saba and Kimble Counties.

Moving to Florey.

From the Midland Examiner.

Last Tuesday morning five farmers and their families, twenty one persons in all, arrived in Midland enroute to farms near the new town of Florey in Andrews county. They came in three big 40 foot cars and brought with them every essential to good farming except the land, and this they have bought, and is waiting for them in Andrews county. The party is composed of the following families: Mr. and Mrs. Craighead, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Mayo and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, and all came from near Venus in Johnson county.

Plant Trees.

Sometimes a selfish motive will aspire when none other will interest. If such is the kind of motive you prefer, why not plant trees? Nothing is more profitable from a money standpoint.

Twenty-five dollars spent in putting shade trees around your home means a hundred dollars added to the value of the property when you come to sell it a year from now. A little increase of 400 per cent in one year is not to be overlooked.

And in planting trees, plant the best you can. The best are the cheapest. Get a reliable nursery man to do the work and don't stint him on quality. Fort Worth this fall might plant 10,000 trees and still not look like a forest. But the general appearance would be greatly improved and every salable property would share in the increase of values.

The next few weeks furnishes the proper time for tree planting. If nothing else is done, a single tree costing only a dollar will be a start is everything.—Fort Worth Telegram.

Jack Alley has moved to town and will make his home here as his mercantile business has grown to such an extent that he is compelled to devote all his time to his interests in Tahoka.—Lynn County News.

Martin County.

It is so evident that Stanton must have one or more of the north and south lines of railroad which are certain to be built in the near future, it seems hardly necessary to mention it, but to maintain our position on the map we've got to have it. There is no doubt now that the Hereford road is going to be built. Its already under construction and from the substantial nature of the work, such as reinforced concrete culverts, heavy steel bridges, and so forth, it can be readily seen that it is not the wild cat scheme of promoters, they don't do that kind of work.

This road is going to cross the T. & P. at or near Stanton and it will be here if we pay the price.

Mr. O'Donnell informs us he has the grade finished to Lamesa and is ready to put the ties and steel as soon as proper bonus is secured. If we can get this road started up soon, it will be the means of bringing the Hereford road cheaper or running it so far west of us that it wouldn't hurt. But we must have both. Wake up, men! Wake up! It is true that every railroad scare don't bring a road but how can we tell which one is the right proposition to turn down? Stanton should be alert to every proposition for her betterment, whether it be a railroad or not, but especially a railroad—her greatest need. Our time is just about up, it will soon be yea or nay with us. If the latter—time will tell the best tale. Stanton Reporter.

Hale County.

Hale Center, Texas, Dec. 18.—Hale County people met and organized a company called the South Plains Railroad Company. The object of this company is to build a railroad from Plainview, the terminus of the Santa Fe road to Hale Center, Tex., the center of Hale county thence east to Floydada, the center of Floyd county. When completed this will open up the great shallow water belt of the staked plains, the most fertile and productive part of the plains, where all kinds of fruit and farm products grow in abundance.

F. E. White, of Anson, passed through town this week with his entire printing plant enroute to Crosbyton in the northeast corner of Crosby county, where he goes to establish a paper. This is a new town, but it is surrounded by a fine fertile country and only needs developing to make it one of the best fields in west Texas. Bro. White has the material in him to greatly aid the development and we wish him abundant success in his new venture.—Aspermont Star.

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The soil is of a sandy nature, but one half of the county is firm mixed hard land, with enough sand to plow well, level and smooth. Portions of this land is covered with short grass and mesquite and cat-claw bushes; other portions with sage grass and shiner, and a great deal of the country is a mixture of both, with clay foundation. The country being level, not having any running streams or mountains, the land catches and holds every drop of rain that falls—none is wasted. The grass is splendid grazing for cattle and other stock, and furnishes a living for thousands of cattle every year. The land produces fine corn, kafir corn, maize, sugar cane, cotton equal to and averages with Central Texas and Oklahoma per year and per acre, while melons, potatoes, onions and vegetables are superior to that of either place. The rainfall is simply sufficient to produce good crops every year, as the farmers who have lived in Terry county for the past four years will bear testimony. Trees of all kinds that have been planted grow very rapidly; the water is pure, free from alkali, gypsum or salt, and found in abundance at 60 to 120 feet. Several large orchards in the county to bear fruit this year, and thousands of young trees set out every season.

The climate is dry in winter and early spring, but is as mild as Central Texas, and it is noted that during the past two winters several severe blizzards passed far south of us, one hundred miles east, and never affected this county. Like all prairie countries the wind blows at times rather hard, and on our deepest sandy land will blow the sand when plowed up, but this is not the case with all the county.

Fuel is obtained from the large grubs under the mesquites, some of which are six and eight feet long, large as a stove pipe, with some coal, hauled from the railroad. A man can cultivate a great deal more land here than in Central Texas or Oklahoma.

Brownfield:—Brownfield is the county seat of Terry county, a nice town with nearly 40 inhabitants, several stores, newspaper, church house, 4-room 2-story school building—nearest on the plains at present—runs an eight month term free school, good hotel, bank, lumber yard, livery stable, feed and long distance telephone, a nice growing town. Auto bus north and south, daily mail from three ways—daily stage. This town and county has never had an artificial boom, and no better time to invest than now.

Land Prices:—Lands adjoining town, unimproved \$12 to \$25 per acre. Unimproved 5 miles away at \$5 to \$10 per acre. Unimproved 10 miles away at \$5 to \$10 per acre. Improved places with houses, wells, windmills, fences, farms, orchards—a ready made home for \$8 to \$15 per acre, some near, some a distance away. Some of the more sandy lands, 20 miles away at \$2.50 per acre, both school and patented land. These lands can be bought on terms one-fourth to one-half cash, balance in two to six years time at 8 per cent interest, or each cash preferred. These lands are owned by different people. No one man owns this country. It is the small farmers country. Any sized tracts can be had from ten acres to ten sections.

YOAKUM COUNTY.

Yoakum county joins Terry on the west. It is very much such a county as Terry in quality of land, water, etc., about the only difference being that it has no oil and no yet and as yet has very few farmers in it. Yoakum was only organized last September, and now contains between 300 and 400 inhabitants.

Plains:—Plains, situated in the center of the county, is the county seat. The town is nicely situated, and just as soon as the county settles up, will make one of the best towns on the Central Plains. School lands in Yoakum county sell at from \$2 to \$4 bonus, and are among the best lands in the county. Patented lands sell at \$5 to \$6 per acre, and on terms of from one-fourth to one-half cash, balance in five years time. There is no better place in the west for a man with small means to get a cheap home than in Yoakum county, nor for the man of large means to invest his capital, because lands in that county are cheaper than in any other section of the Plains country.

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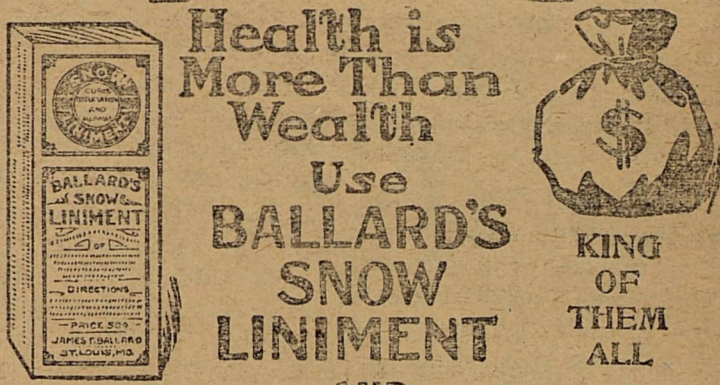
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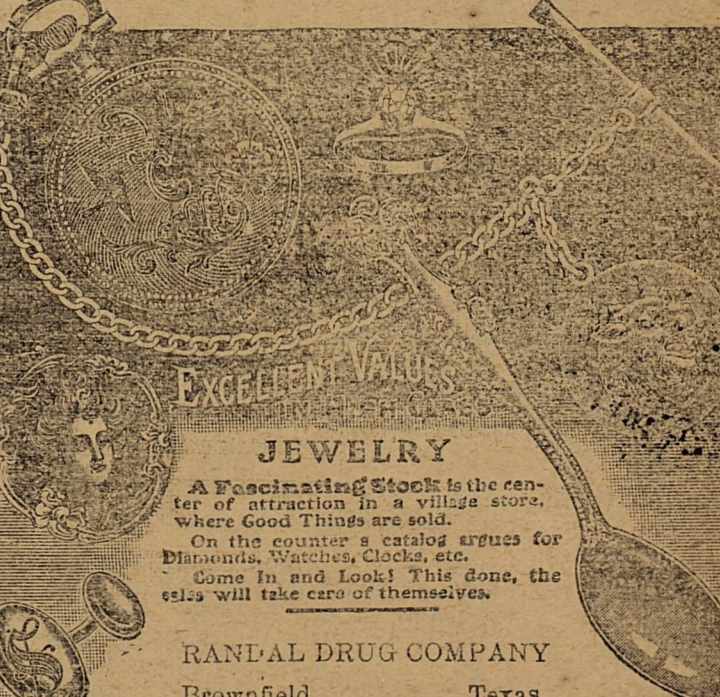
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