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All of our customers use such words as these on seeing our complete stock of **Rogers 1847 Silverware** in Knives and Forks, Tea, Dessert and Table Spoons, Sugar Shells, Letter Knives, Etc.; Ruby and Gold Glass Sets, Cut Glass in Berries, Nappies and Art Bowls; Gentlemen's Shaving Sets; Razors; Pearl handle Pocket Knives; Imported German China; Art Globe Lamps; Rosemary Lamps.

In Guns we offer the largest and best selected line in Hedley---prices right; All kinds of Ammunition, Boys' Air Guns, Boys' Express Wagons. Moonstone Enameled Ware, English Porcelain Queensware. All kinds of Dooking Vessels. Good Cook Stoves and Ranges that **Pleases the Queen of the Kitchen.** Stone Churns, Jars, Crocks and Jugs, Lard Jars, Lard Cans and Etc. Etc. Etc. Etc.

Come in and look through our well-bought, well-selected and priced-right stock. It is our genuine pride and pleasure to show our goods to every one whether you buy or not. Our Motto: "COURTEOUS TREATMENT TO ALL--YOUR MONEY'S VALUE OR MONEY BACK."

....See and Hear Our Free Talking Machines....

Good Grain Bags.

HEDLEY HDW. & IMP. CO.

THE HEDLEY INFORMER

J. CLAUDE WELLS and PEARL E. WELLS, Editors, Publishers

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STOLE COTTON AND IT NOT WORTH MUCH

The Post has it on good authority that Ben Parker was arrested last week and thrown in the Memphis jail on a charge of stealing cotton and it is stated that he is ready and willing to plead guilty to the charge. The report goes that he acknowledges theft of several bales and that his manner of operation was to go out with his wagon after night and take a few hundred pounds from each wagon found in the fields until he had a bale. Then he would take it to the gin and sell it.

This report came as a great shock to his many friends here,

who always regarded him as a man of high honor and good principals, but there seems no doubt of his crimes. He is said to have stated that he was stealing to pay his debts and not for personal gain, and that he had paid out all money received from the sale of the cotton.—Childress Post.

Hardware and Furniture—big things for little money.
A. A. Koup, Memphis.

POSTED—All hunters are warned not to hunt on my land on the Jesse Arroyo.
R. H. Jones.

Imperial Shop for Barbering

Build residences.

Corn fed fat hogs for sale at once. See or phone J. M. Brokaw.

Don't forget those dishes; they are cheap. Wood Bros.

None better—those shaves and hair cuts at The Imperial.

I write plate glass, fire and tornado insurance in the strongest of companies.
J. C. Wells.

Homer Rowe was here from Dalhart Saturday.

The Hedley Hdw. & Imp. Co. has some rare Xmas. gifts. Read the ad concerning them.

Mrs. L. L. Palmer of Lelia Lake visits Mrs. W. G. Brinson Sunday.

Everything for everybody's home and farm.
A. A. Koup, Memphis.

John Waldron is convalescing from a spell of fever.

N. Nelson went up to Hedley Monday to complete the work on the new Reeves brick building. Hedley is enjoying a wonderful growth this fall.....We notice in the Hedley paper that Alman Kinard has accepted a position with the First State Bank of Hedley. This will be good news to Alman's many friends in Memphis. Alman is a fine young man and we wish him well in his new position.....Mrs. Scales of Hedley and Mrs. Goss of Paris and Miss Myrtle Cornelius of Dallas came in Tuesday morning for a visit with their nephew and cousin, J. N. Mann—Memphis Democrat.

Careful Service

is characteristic of our eye examinations. Our tests are unerring and your eyes are safe in our care.

LET US SHOW YOU

that we can relieve that squint, take away those frowns, overcome headaches, and relieve much strain.

From the wee child to the gray haired sire we offer this careful service.

Each Pair of Glasses Fitted Sells Others

CHAS. OREN Jeweler & Optician

Located at Jot Montgomery Drug Store, Memphis, Tex.



Notice To Subscribers!

All long distance calls made by nonsubscribers must be O. K'd. by subscriber from where telephone call is made. We positively will not accept calls otherwise. This is a protection to you as well as us.

THE HEDLEY TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

Killian & Son DRAYMEN

We want to do your Dray Work and will give you satisfactory service.

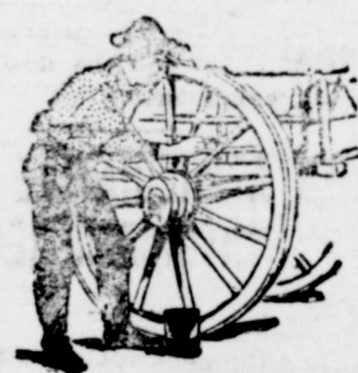
Telephone No. 3, and we will get your order



Anyone finding stock straying off branded two circles will confer a favor by notifying me concerning their whereabouts at any time.

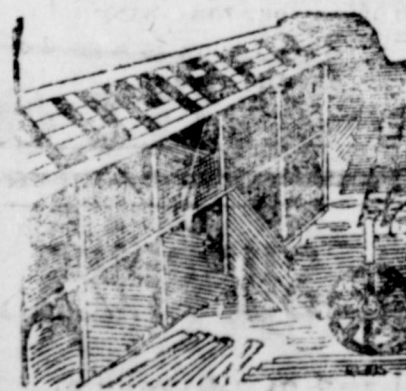
C. F. DOHERTY
Phone 29--2 1-2r Hedley, Texas

Good Wagon Paint Saves Wagons



If you want your wagon to last the longest possible time, keep it painted with Sherwin-Williams Paint. It keeps the wood from decaying, keeps the tires from running loose, and lengthens the life of your wagon for years. Use the paint that's best for the wood, and that is said by all to be the best.

DOORS
WINDOWS
LIME
CEMENT
SHINGLES
POST
BRICK
BUILDING
HARDWARE



And everything else to build a house. We can furnish and complete your house for you, and we will help you to have the best lumber in your house, whether rough or dressed. Submit your plans--We'll estimate for you.

J. C. Wooldridge

Christmas just 10 days off



We will send goods on approval to those who are not able to visit our store

No matter what you want to spend, no matter who the present is for, we have it and we want to show you we have it. We are building up our business by giving dependable goods at honest prices. It will pay you to trade with us.

Come in and see us

C. C. Mitchell JEWELER
Clarendon, Tx

The Split Log Drag In Grand Old Texas

THE proper maintenance of a public highway is as important as its construction. It costs a few thousand dollars per mile to build macadam highways but by the intelligent use of a split log drag, dirt roads can be kept in good condition at a nominal expense. The drag can be built for five dollars, and operated at a cost of from \$4.00 to \$6.00 per day. The road mileage which a split log drag can keep in proper condition varies according to the character of the road and the amount of rainfall, but the average mileage assigned a split log drag is 12 miles. The average cost of operating the drags, according to the Federal Agricultural estimate, is \$3.20 per mile.



There Are 656 Split Log Drags in Operation in Texas.

In some cases the drags are built and operated at the expense of the county; in others the county furnishes the drags and the farmers along the route operate them.

Every County May not be able to permanently improve its Public Highways, but every County can operate Split Log Drags.

WEALTH OF FARMER GROWS THE FASTEST

PERCENT INCREASE 117 PER CENT
AGAINST CITY'S 59

121 NEW TOWNS IN TEXAS

During the past decade the value of our property assessed as town and city lots, which includes the lands and buildings within our city limits, has advanced in value from \$189,760,825 in 1900 to \$506,255,238 in 1910, making an increase of \$316,494,413 or 167 per cent, but city property not being rendered at its true value it is likely that its actual increase in value will exceed \$600,000,000. No attempt is made to separate the value of the buildings from the value of the land within our city limits by either the State Comptroller or the Federal Census Bureau and the information is therefore not available.

The Federal Census shows that we have built 121 new cities during the past decade, and our city population has increased from 559,872 in 1900 to 938,104 in 1910, making an increase of 378,232 or 67 per cent. We now have twenty cities with ten thousand population and over, and three cities that approximate 100,000 in population.

The per capita increase in wealth of city population, taking the assessed value of city lots and buildings as a basis, has advanced from \$339 in 1900 to \$540 in 1910, making an increase of \$201 per capita or 59 per cent.

Compare these figures with those of the per capita increase in farm wealth and we find the farmer has made an increase of 117 per cent against an increase of 59 per cent within our cities. These figures prove that we have greater opportunities on the farm for money making than in the city and if our citizenship could fully appreciate the force of this comparison it would turn the tide of our population back to the soil.

Texas has probably suffered less from the rush of its citizenship from the farm to the city than any other State in the Union. While our

cities have shown a rapid increase in population our farms have suffered more than held their own. Our cities have been built up by immigration, inter-state and foreign, and have drawn very little from the farms.

Silver-Eyed Beefsteak.

The London cop calls his half-penny herring his silver-eyed beefsteak, and there are hundreds cooking every minute in London towns where one is eaten here. Any time of the year a big part of this city would profit by eating fish for a spell instead of beef. With no open air exercise beef is a heap harder than fish for the body to get rid of, because there is a good deal more water in fish than in beef or pork. Fish are fat or lean. Eel, salmon, herring are more than five per cent grease. Halibut and mackerel are two to five per cent fat; cod, whiting, haddock, even less than two per cent.—New York Press.

It Seems Puzzling.

Recently in Pittsburg Mrs. Katherine Maxon-Smith-Baumgardner, reputed to be the wealthiest woman in Louisville, Ky., embarked on the matrimonial sea for the fourth time by becoming the bride of Carl Neumeyer, also of Louisville. The bride is said to be very close to eighty-three years of age and the groom somewhat over half of that. At somewhat the same time in Paris Mrs. Albert Clifford Barney, of Washington, who owns up to sixty-one winters and who is worth some \$5,000,000, married Christian D. Hemmick, of Washington, who is twenty-six years of age. There are times when matrimony looks like maternal love.

OYSTER DINNER

The B. W. M. U. will serve oysters in Hedley Dec. 23, in the Bond building. Price 45c per dozen and 25 half dozen.

Kendall & Gammon are putting on a reduction sale for one week beginning Saturday. This is an excellent opportunity for people needing such things.

BAIN & NEWSOM'S BIG COST ...SALE...

Has begun in earnest. Our Goods were bought early, and you will not find any wholesale "Junk" in our store. We are receiving goods every day to keep our stock complete. We buy for cash and sell for cash. Remember our Clothing, both Ladies and gents Furnishing Goods must go at Cost or below. We are closing them out to make room for Groceries. Call and see our display and get our prices. We want your trade and will appreciate it. Remember our Hamilton-Brown Shoes--the old standard. A nice line of Jewelry has been received, just the thing for Holiday gifts--don't fail to look at them. The store Where Price and Quality Meet.

CLOTHING

\$15.00 Suits for only.....	\$7.50
12.50 " " " ".....	6.00
10.00 " " " ".....	5.00
8.00 " " " ".....	4.00
3.00 " " " ".....	1.75

PANTS

\$3 to \$4 Pants going for.....	\$2.00
\$2 to \$2.50 " " " ".....	1.50
1.50 " " " ".....	1.00

LADIES CLOAKS

\$12.50 Coats for only.....	\$7.50
8.00 " " " ".....	4.00
7.00 to 7.50 Coats for.....	3.50
6.00 " " " ".....	3.00

LADIES SKIRTS

\$6.00 Skirts only.....	\$3.50
4.00 to 4.50 " ".....	2.00
3.00 to 3.50 " ".....	1.75

BABY CLOAKS

\$1.50 to \$2.00 Cloaks only.....	\$1.15
1.25 " 1.50 " ".....	90c

MENS HATS

\$3.00 to 3.50 Hats only.....	2.25
2.00 to 2.50 " ".....	1.50
1.50 to 2.00 " ".....	1.10

Our Union made Overall and Jumpers going for.....85c
Kaiki " " \$1.00

Lace Window Curtains

\$3.00 to \$3.50 Curtains only.....	\$1.75
1.50 to 2'00 " ".....	1.15

We have a few lace pillow Shams left that we are going to sell at 10c apiece.

We have a nice line of Grips and Telescopes going at prices never saw before.

Remember this Sale lasts until January 1st. New goods arriving every few days are put in this sale--Nothing reserved. It is a pleasure to us for you to come in and price our goods.

Don't forget our line of Christmas Jewelry!

Bain & Newsom

West Main street

Hedley, Texas

Safety Deposit Boxes FOR RENT

First State Bank
Hedley, Texas.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE INFORMER

C. W. Kendall

BLACKSMITH

We want to do your Blacksmithing, Woodwork and Repair work and promise you satisfaction and will appreciate your patronage. Give us a trial is all we ask of you

Horse-Shoeing A Specialty

The very thought
of
Photographs

Should Suggest

Mulkey's
Studio

Clarendon, Texas

TEXAS NEEDS GREAT MEN

X. EDUCATION.

THE Chinese made the first paper and the Germans made the first type and brought education within the reach of every citizen on the globe. These achievements, together with the printing press, were the crowning glory of civilization. The Texas press is a great industrial educator. To read our newspapers makes the farmer want to start another plow, the miner shoulder his pick, the manufacturer enlarge his plant and the banker increase his investments. Our marvelous progress is due largely to our inspired writers who sweetly sing the praises of Texas.



THE FIRST PRINTING PRESS.

The vigor of youth is upon Texas. The dew of prosperity falls upon it by night and the rays of a glorious sun nurture it by day. Our soil—warm from creation—is as fertile as the Valley of the Nile. Our land—the factory site of the Universe—invites the merry hum of industry and our minerals—nature's treasury box—await the prospector's pick. Texas opportunities light the universe like the blaze of a mighty fire, inviting whosoever will to come to a land as beautiful as the shores of Paradise and as full of possibilities as the Garden of Eden. Let everybody come. Texas needs great men.

B. W. M. U.

Met with Mrs. A. L. Miller Dec. 14. Lesson subject: Ezra teaches the law, Nemiah, 8th chapter. Will meet Dec. 28 with Mrs. Miller and this will be our meeting place through the winter months as it is near the center of the town. The ladies are all invited to come.

Corresponding Secretary.

Last Saturday Attorney M. J. Hathaway, acting for Commissioner Carthage and wife filed a suit in the district court against Rev. A. T. Culbertson for the sum of \$10,000 damages. This suit was filed as a result of an accident some weeks ago in which Mrs. Carthage sustained severe injury to her ankle by jumping out of a buggy when her horse got scared at Rev. Culbertson's buggy.—Childress Post.

It's easy to make a scandal. Here's an infallible recipe: Take a grain of falsehood, a handful of runabout, the same quantity of nimble tongue, a sprig of herb backbite, a teaspoonful of don't

you tell it, six drops of malice and a few of envy. Add a little discontent and jealousy, and strain through a bag of misconception; cork it up tight in a bottle of malevolence and hand it out on a skein of street yarn; keep it in a hot atmosphere; shake it occasionally for a few days and it will be fit for use. Let a few drops be taken before walking out and the desired result will follow.

AN APPRECIATIVE INFORMER READER

Willington, S. C. Dec. 12, 1911
Dear Sir:

I have been receiving the Informer for some time which I appreciate. I like to read the paper as it keeps me in touch with Hedley and as I have considerable interests around there I want the paper continued and I want to pay for it. Enclosed find check for \$1 on your town bank. I think the Hedley country a good one and I like the paper.

R. F. Morris.

WINDMILL SUPPLIES

We keep on hand at all times a good supply of the best quality

WINDMILLS, PIPE AND PIPE FIXTURES

All kinds repair work solicited. You will find our prices right.

LATIMER BROTHERS

Santa Claus is Coming



Merry Christmas



Our Big Stock of Christmas Goods are now on display and Christmas Shoppers are all ready taking advantage of buying their goods before the crowds begin to come. If you could only realize the advantage you have of early morning shopping more people would do so. We are anxious to give efficient service during the Christmas rush, and if you will heed our advice you will be doubly repaid.

Come early while the stock is complete and select your goods from one of the best and most carefully prepared stock of Christmas goods you have seen in the Panhandle.

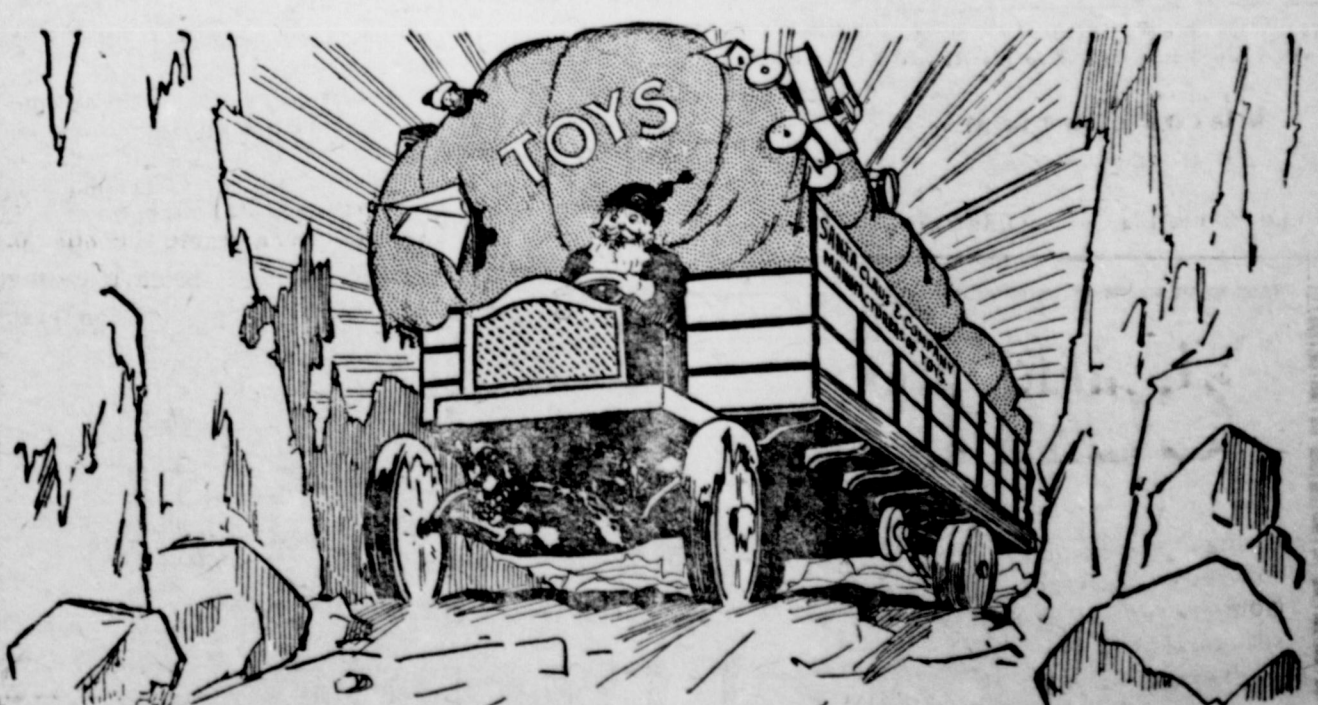
We want to see every heart made happy Christmas morning and if any one knows of a home where Santa will not visit, The CASH STORE will personally see Santa and see that such homes are visited and the stockings are well filled.

With best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas.

Yours truly,

THE CASH STORE

O. H. BRITAIN, Prop.



Christmas Gifts for Children

AL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

OF THE 1ST STATE BANK

Hedley, State of Texas, at the
close of business on the 5th
day of Dec., 1911,
published in the Hedley Inform-
er, a newspaper printed and pub-
lished at Hedley, State of Texas,
on the 15th day of Dec, 1911.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral.	\$40,146.44
Loans, real estate.....	2,034.00
Overdrafts.....	2,612.69
Expense.....	5.95
Real Estate (banking house).....	2,500.00
Other Real Estate.....	875.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,664.66
Due from Approved Reserve Agents, net \$30,843.76	
Cash Items.....	934.71
Currency.....	4,395.00
Specie.....	1,778.25
Interest in Depositors Guaranty Fund.....	352.03
Other resources as follows	80.52
Total	\$88,223.31

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$20,000.00
Surplus Fund.....	5,160.00
Undivided Profits, net.....	1,304.66
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	53,996.11
Time Certificates of Deposit.....	3,800.00
Cashier's Checks.....	1,938.54
Bills Payable and Rediscounts.....	2,024.00
Total	\$88,223.31

STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Donley, We, W. T.
White as president, and G. A.
Wimberly as cashier of said bank,
each of us, do solemnly swear
that the above statement is true
to the best of our knowledge and
belief.

W. T. WHITE, President.
G. A. WIMBERLY, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before
me this 11th day of Dec. A. D.
nineteen hundred and eleven.
Witness my hand and notarial
seal on the date aforesaid.

W. E. REEVES,
Notary Public.

[SEAL]

CORRECT—ATTEST:

S. A. McCARROLL,
S. S. MONTGOMERY, Directors
R. H. JONES,

A. M. Sarvis, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon

Office at Albright Drug Co.
Phones: Office 27, Res. 28
Hedley, Texas

J. B. Ozier, M. D.

Physician and Surgeon

Office at Hedley Drug Co.
Office Phone No. 3
Residence Phone No. 45
Hedley, Texas

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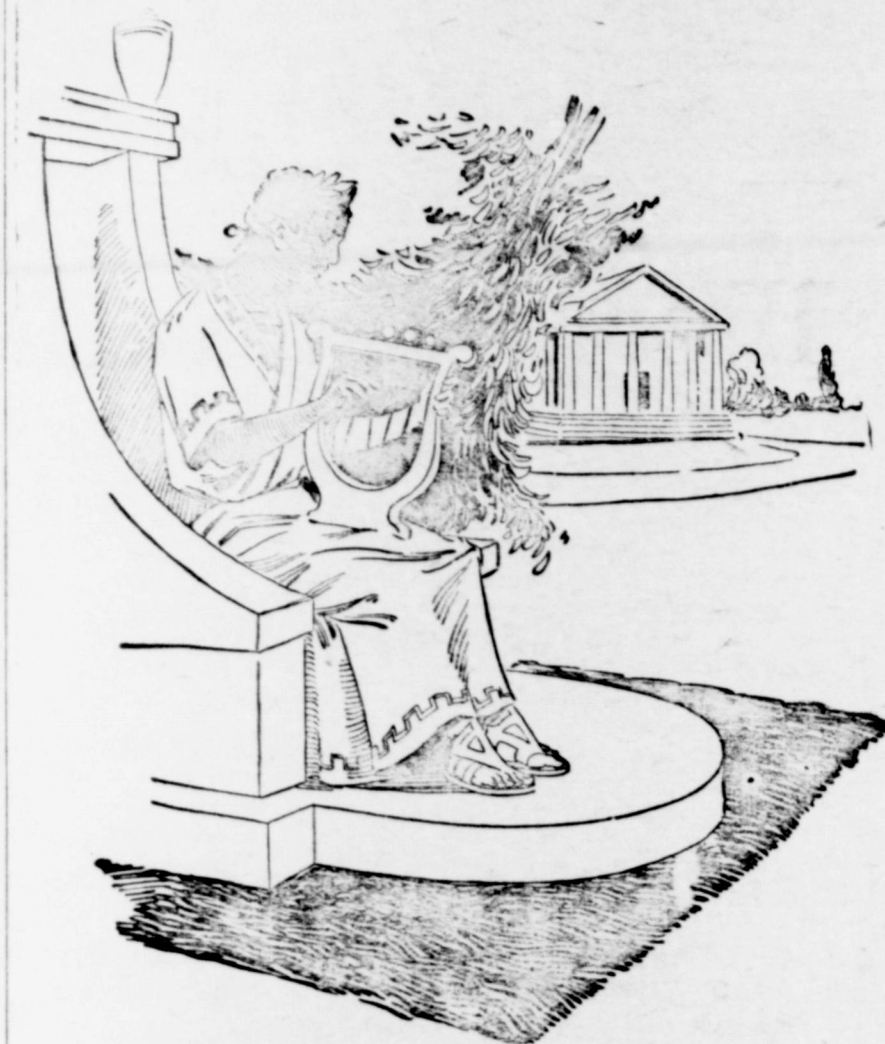
Clarendon, Texas

Home Phone 121 Office 179

TEXAS NEEDS GREAT MEN

XI. ENTERTAINMENT

WHEN Themistocles was asked by his host at a dinner party
to entertain the guests by playing the lute, he replied that
he "could not play the fiddle, but that he could make a
small town a great city." We have in Texas many politicians who
are good "fiddlers," but they cannot make a small town a great city.
We are overrun with orators who can play upon the passions of the
people, but they can't put brick and mortar together. We need
builders.



A FAVORITE PASTIME OF POLITICIANS.

Let those who hunger and thirst for power understand that
the highest glory of the statesman is to construct, and that it is
better for a man that he should build a public highway than that he
should become Governor of the State, and that he start a plow than
that he become the author of a law. The true test of statesman
ship is the plow and the hammer, and let those who would govern,
first build. Texas needs great men.

TEXAS APPLES BRING SPLENDID DIVIDENDS

NO PRODUCT PAYS ANY BETTER
TEXAS FIGURES SHOW.

5,000,000 TREES BEARING

The apple has always played an
important part in the history of the
human race. It was an apple rosy
and red that attracted the attention
of Eve and she gave to Adam, who
according to Holy Writ, "did eat"
and ever since that eventful day the
apple has been a favorite diet of man-
kind. It was an apple falling to
the ground that stirred the brain
of Newton and he gave us the laws
of gravitation. It was an apple tree
upon which grafters first plied their
vocation and so successful were their
operations that the profession has
since flourished so rapidly as to men-
ace civilization. It was a Texas
apple that was awarded the first
premium at the World's Fair in St.
Louis in 1904 and no State has ever
been able to wrest from us this un-
disputed evidence of our superiority
as an apple producing State.

It is the most obedient plant in
the vegetable kingdom and yields
implicitly to the genius of man; it
will change color, size, flavor, ma-
turity and durability at the touch
of a master hand. It is undoubtedly
the most universal, resourceful and
profitable of commercial fruits.

The northern tier of counties has
long been known as the banner sec-

tion in apple production, but is
now dividing honors with the Pecos
country and the Panhandle.

Some idea of the increase in the
apple industry in Texas may be
gained when we consider that the
number of trees in the State today
is more than five millions, while in
1870 there were less than 300,000
trees. The following table, taken
from the reports of the Department
of Agriculture, shows the progress
of the apple industry by decades:

1870.....	290,000
1880.....	550,000
1890.....	662,000
1900.....	1,485,000
1910.....	5,000,000

Texas offers to the orchardist a
soil and climate that will give vigor
and productive power to the trees.
color and flavor to the fruit and an
established reputation to the pro-
ducer.

TEXAS PEACH CROP SELLS FOR \$7,000,000

The Texas peach is the King of
Fruits and the fruit of kings. It is
invited into the parlors of the great
and is welcomed in the hovel of the
poor of both hemispheres. It has
met its rival at home and abroad
on most every table on the globe and
by its natural beauty and delightful
personality it has conquered all com-
petitors and today its appearance in
the market is an annual event of
importance in every household in
America and its disappearance is
the consumer's regret. Public in-

terest is so deeply centered in its
arrival at the market that it travels
in special trains running at full
speed in order to relieve the anxiety
of the waiting public and its welcome
is so cordial that cold storage plants
have been erected in order to pro-
long its stay in the community.
Canneries and evaporating plants are
run day and night during the peach
season in order to preserve its eat-
ing qualities for the table of the
nation during the entire year.

The family peach tree can be
found in most every county in the
State, but the commercial peach belt
is confined largely to East Texas.
The exact number of bearing peach
trees in the State is not of record
but competent authority estimates it
at seven millions. During the peach
season of 1910 we shipped to the
market 4500 cars of peaches and sup-
plied our local wants as well as run
our canneries during the peach
season.

The peach industry has been pour-
ing into the channels of trade a
golden stream of wealth. The farm
value of the peach production in
1910 is estimated as high as \$7,000,-
000. The rapid growth of the in-
dustry during the past decade and
the wide extension of the commer-
cial peach belt has been one of the
marvels of our development.

At first the Texas peach entered
the market under an assumed name
masquerading as a California pro-
duct, but it soon threw off its dis-
guise and like all native Texans
outstripped its competitors and today
it is master of the world's trade.

City Directory

Every 2nd and 4th
Thursday nights
W. E. Brooks, C. C.
S. A. McCarroll, Clerk

Every 1st and 3rd
Monday nights
John D. Waldron,
Consul
A. N. Wood, Clerk

I. O. O. F. Lodge
meets every Sat-
urday night.
W. H. Deboard, N. G.
J. H. Richey, Secretary

A. F. & A. M. Meets Saturday
night on or after
the full moon.
W. R. McCarroll, W M
S. A. McCarroll, Secretary

DONLEY COUNTY OFFICIALS

Judge, J. H. O'Neal
Clerk, Wade Willis
Sheriff, J. T. Patman
Treasurer, Gus Johnson
Assessor, G. W. Baker
Surveyor, J. C. Killough

Commissioners:
G. A. Anderson, Pct. No. 1
R. E. Williams, " " 2
J. G. McDougal, Pct. No. 3
Roy Kendall, " " 4

Justice of the Peace Precinct 3,
K. W. Howell
Constable Pct. No. 3, J. W. Bond

District Court meets third week
in April and October.

County Court convenes 1st Mon-
day in February, May, August
and November.

CHURCHES BAPTIST, Jas. A.
Long, pastor
First Sunday in each month.

PRESBYTERIAN every Third
Sunday. J. P. Kidd, Pastor.

METHODIST, G. H. Bryant,
pastor. Every Second Sunday
morning and evening.

BAPTIST, J. W. Hembree, pas-
tor. Every Fourth Sunday
and Saturday morning before.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Bible School 10 a. m. every
Lord's day at the school house.
Lord's Supper after Bible school.
J. H. Richey, Supt.
Preaching every First Sunday,
Rev. Holmes, Pastor.

SUNDAY SCHOOL every Sun-
day morning. J. B. Mat-
thews, Superintendent.

PRAYER MEETING
Every Wednesday evening.

TIME TABLE

North bound	
No. 1.....	7:10 p. m.
" 7.....	9:35 a. m.
South bound	
No. 2.....	9:05 a. m.
" 8.....	9:05 p. m.

COAL

AND LUMBER

WE HAVE A GOOD SUPPLY OF SMITHING COAL

Phone No. 8

Cicero Smith L'b'r Co.

S. A. McCARROLL, Manager