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LUBBOCK REGION SHOWS PROMISE

AMARILLO VISITOR LEARNS ABOUT OUR CITY AND WHAT IS BEING DONE

FAILURE OF CROPS NOT KNOWN BY OLDEST FARMERS

The Writer Tells in Brief of the Splendid Condition of Things Around Lubbock—Agriculturally Lubbock County Shows Up Magnificently.

"Judging from its prolific harvest series, My Lady Ceres herself has taken the Lubbock region into her personal favor and placed it under particular protection.

"The Lubbock region not only has a series of varied and prolific harvests, but these harvests are practically annually serial—a total crop failure being unknown. While there has been a year in which some crop or crops, did not mature. These fortunate farming facts being due to the combination of a fertile soil, a varied production and a generous moisture, Lubbock county standing second among the counties of the Panhandle and the South Plains in ten years of rainfall.

THE HARVESTS THEMSELVES

"Lubbock county harvests include milo maize, kafir corn, cotton, Indian corn, sorghum, Egyptian wheat, broom corn, cowpeas, alfalfa, feterita, Sudan grass, orchard, bush, and vine fruits, sweet potatoes, melons and garden vegetables.

WHAT THE HARVESTS YIELD

"Milo maize and kafir corn run from 30 to 50 bushels per acre; sorghum is of heavy average returns, as are also alfalfa, Egyptian wheat and cowpeas while cotton has recorded yields time and again of over a bale to the acre and will average year in and year out at least one-third bale.

"This season the county has about 9,000 acres in cotton from which 3,000 bales doubtless will be ginned. With cotton at its present prices and cottonseed shying at \$25.00 per ton, Lubbock county farmers are already assured of between \$70.00 and \$80.00 a bale, which means the cash counting this fall of over \$200,000 cotton dollars. Eastern money has long stood ready to erect at Lubbock a cotton oil cake mill as soon as county cotton producing conditions would justify the outlay. Agents of this Eastern money are keeping tab on the situation and it is possible that the mill will be built next year.

FEED AND FAT

"Last year Lubbock station shipped 600 cars of livestock and 280 cars of milo maize and kafir corn. The advent of the silo and an increased fattening and finishing of beef and pork on milo maize and kafir corn will, however result this fall and winter in a lesser shipment of milo and kafir and much heavier export of market meats.

PERHAPS SEVENTY-FIVE SILOS

"Silos are being rapidly added to with capacities reaching up to 300 tons, and an estimated operation this fall and winter of seventy-five of these great meat producers and dairy stimulants.

FETERITA

"This year a great many Lubbock county farmers have tried feterita, the new grain and forage crop, with the unanimous verdict. We have found what we have been long looking for. A verdict whose veracity is attested to by the fact that feterita under not too favorable moisture conditions weighs out as high as two tons of heads per acre, with a proportionately heavy forage yield. Feterita is a week earlier than milo maize; three weeks earlier than kafir corn; revels in a limited rainfall; laughs at dry weather and successfully withstands actual drought; is prolific in both grain and forage returns; and is loved of cattle and hogs. A love which is emphasized by the fact that its grain is exceptionally large and

irrigated acre with other irrigated vegetables in proportionate production and market sale. Mr. Lloyd now has on exhibition at the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce a Japanese brazier bean pod 14 inches long and 3-1-2 inches around.

\$10,000 WORTH OF MULES FROM ONE FARM

"Morton J. Smith, lately sold from his Lubbock county farm a drove of 90 young mules for \$10,000. The mule industry is well on its way to become one of the county's most valuable assets.

NEW SANITARIUM

"The new Overton Sanitarium will be opened in Lubbock in a few days. The institution will entirely occupy the former and larger Tremont hotel, the interior of the building being particularly rebuilt. The sanitarium will have thirty one rooms and will be of model modern equipment. The resident physician will be Dr. M. C. Overton, of Lubbock and Dr. Wagner, late of Chicago.

TO HAVE COUNTY FAIR

"Lubbock will hold a county fair on the first Monday of next month. An incident of which will be the hanging up of prize purses by the Chamber of Commerce."—G. R. Caldwell of Amarillo in Amarillo News.

GOOD ROADS PROCLAMATION

November 5th and 6th Designated as Good Roads Days—Road Proclamation

Austin, Sept. 20.—The governor issued the following proclamation today:

"Whereas, an adequate system of improved public roads is one of the great needs of our state and good roads lend powerful aid to everything good in modern life, while bad roads form an obstacle in the path of progress. Recognizing this fact, the people of Texas have taken hold of this problem with tremendous interest and it is now one of the foremost economic questions confronting our people, and much good work has been done throughout the state in the past few years in the way of improving our public highways.

"Now, therefore, realizing the necessity for a system of work along this line in conformity with my sense of duty in this matter, I hereby designate Nov. 5 and 6, 1913, as 'Good Roads Day' and call upon the people in every county and section of the state to make preparations for working the roads on those days and have meetings to discuss ways and means in the future for building good roads in the various localities throughout the state generally.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the great seal of Texas to be affixed hereto at the city of Austin, this, the 20th day of September, A. D. 1913.

"O. B. COLQUITT, Governor of Texas. By the Governor: F. C. Weinert, Secretary of State."

Canyon News

School has been suspended for a month of cotton picking. New interest is being taken in the Farmers' Institute. At the meeting Saturday night several new members were enrolled and much interest was shown in the discussion of the fall market.

Taylor Crim has purchased the farm of S. T. Lawrence. While we are sorry to see the Lawrence family leave, we are glad to welcome Mr. Crim into our neighborhood. We understand that Mr. Lawrence will move to town.

Choir practice was held at the home of M. Green Sunday night. Miss Callie Dean of the Ripley neighborhood spent Saturday night and Sunday with the Misses Warren.

Rev. Grumbles occupied the pulpit here Sunday afternoon. Following is the program for the Mothers' and Daughters' Club which meets Oct. 3rd.

Opening song "Help Somebody Today," by members. "Shall We Read Novels," led by Mrs. Burford, followed with general discussion.

Reading—Alice Williamson. Vocal Solo "When The Stone Is Rolled Away"—Mrs. Harris. Refreshments served by Mrs. Cline and Mrs. Harris.

TATLER.

MONEY IN BEAR GRASS

S. B. Oliver, Representing a St. Louis Firm Here to Investigate Quantity and Quality of Grass

S. B. Oliver, who was at one time a citizen of this city, and who is acquainted with a number of our people, arrived in the city, Tuesday afternoon from Logan, New Mexico, where he has been residing for the past few years. When seen by an Avalanche representative he stated that his mission to this part of the country was to try to interest the people in the shipment of bear grass to a St. Louis firm, who are buying all they can get, and are paying a very reasonable price for same.

He says this is becoming quite a popular and paying industry in his section of the Plains. There is large quantities of the grass in New Mexico, and many of the farmers are making a good living and some money by the sale of it.

He says it brings at his town \$7.00 per ton, and a person can cut a ton a day.

The preparation of the grass for shipment consists of cutting it down and splitting each bunch open so that it will dry. It takes about thirty days for it to season in ordinary weather. After this it is baled with a machine much the same in design as the broom corn baler and shipped to the mill in that way, where it is ground into pulp and made into paper.

Mr. Oliver says he believes there is enough of the grass in this country to pay farmers or others who wish to gather it to do so, and he expects to investigate the supply around Lubbock and further west and try to show the people who want to make a few dollars extra from their farm or other labors that they can do so over the bear grass route. He stated that there were some farmers in his community that cut the grass in the winter and baled it in the summer at odd times, and one man had in this way this year, aside from planting, cultivating and gathering a good big crop, marketed over \$400 worth of bear grass.

Mr. Oliver says they are beginning to cultivate this peculiar product in his locality as it can be cut and will produce a good crop every two years.

County Farmer's Institute

Following is the program for the Lubbock County Farmers' Institute to be held at the Canyon school house Oct. 11th at 8:00 o'clock p. m.

1st. Music, by committee. 2nd. "My method of raising poultry on the farm."—Mrs. W. B. Burford.

3rd. "My success with deep and shallow cultivation."—Victor L. Cory.

4th. Music by committee. 5th. "Best variety of cotton for this part of the plains."—Denis Warren.

W. B. Burford. Mrs. W. B. Burford. A. C. Buchanan. Committee.

W. J. Morris, who has been foreman of the mechanical department of the Avalanche for nearly five years has decided to break away from spaces and squads and the usual hum-drum of the print shop and take up ranch work, and accordingly turned his working tools over to another and is this week moving to the 06 ranch where he has employment. Bill was a splendid workman, industrious and faithful to his employers and it is with considerable degree of regret that the Avalanche Publishing Co. gives up his services. Competent and obliging help has been put in his place however, and we are in position to do your printing in a workman like manner as before.

Elder Foy E. Wallace came in Saturday morning from Georgetown. He is preparing to ship his household goods, etc., back to Georgetown, where he will make his home in the future. Mr. Wallace has the sympathy of this community in the recent death of his wife, whom he brought here hoping to benefit her health, afterward taking her to the coast where she died.

Mrs. L. N. Clawater, John and Ruth Hudson, were here Monday from Plains. They autoed over, and returned Tuesday.

ONE MONTH OF SCHOOL IS PAST

AND A GENERAL AIR OF SATISFACTION PREVAILS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT

ENROLLMENT IS HEAVIER THAN LAST YEAR

New Pupils are Entering Every Day and the Total Enrollment For the term Will Exceed all Previous Terms—Patrons Visit the School—Society Well Attended.

This week closes the first month of the school with an enrollment of fifty more pupils than were enrolled the end of the first month last year.

Several new pupils entered school this week.

There are now twelve members of the senior class eight young men and four young ladies.

The football team under the management of Mr. Bowers is progressing nicely.

We read in the papers that a former history teacher of the Lubbock high school married recently, wonder what the present history teacher thinks about the matter?

A few children are late to school of mornings—parents please get them here on time.

The Mother's Club has ordered hitching posts put up at the school building. What would the school do if it were not for the Mothers' Club?

The rail road managers have offered to take all school children and teachers of Lubbock county to the Dallas Fair, round trip \$6.50 each. This would be a nice trip for the children and also educational.

The following ladies visited the school last week: Mesdames Honey, Hutson, Burns, Ivy, Reed, Hunt, Crawford, Posey, Slaton, Benson, Jasper and Craig, also Mr. Ivy. The teachers and children always welcome their friends and parents as it shows they have an interest in them and thereby encourages them. Come often.

We are glad to report that Leslie Faw is again able to fill

his place in school.

Misses Mable McLarry and Winnie Clayton of the senior class visited in Post last week.

Couldn't there be some plan devised by which the Ward building might be moved near the high school building? It is doing no good where it is, but if it were were on the high school campus we could use some of the rooms and rent the others.

The schools in Lubbock were never in better condition and the prospects for a very successful term were never better.

There are outside influences which keep worthy young men and women out of school. Would not it be complying with the Golden Rule, if you don't desire to go to school yourself to let those who do alone?

Wonder what is the matter with Aynes? Couldn't he stand the pressure?

Some pupils come to school only two or three days during the week and either loaf or work the remainder of the time. Such pupils had as well remain out of school entirely as they do no good here. In order to keep pace with your classes you must be in school every day.

Will Izard a pupil of the high school made a business trip to Tahoka last week.

The Literary Society last Friday evening was excellent. We find that we have some orators among the girls as well as the boys. Most of the grade teachers have also organized societies in their rooms, which means splendid gaining for the little fellows.

WOULD CHANGE BANKING LAW

State Commissioner Will Make Recommendations. Should Be Placed at \$25,000.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 17.—Commissioner of Insurance and Banking W. W. Collier today announced that he would recommend to the next session of the Legislature the passage of an act raising the minimum amount of capital stock necessary to the formation of State banks to \$25,000.

The present law allows the formation of banks with a capital stock of only \$10,000. Federal statutes require capital stock of \$25,000 for Federal banks and the Commissioner believes that the State laws should conform. This would place banks on a sounder financial condition.

J. M. Pullman and J. D. Earnest, Mrs. J. T. Gainer and Mrs. Tandy, composed an auto party that came over from Plains Monday. Mesdames Tandy and Gainer were taking subscriptions for the building of the new Methodist church at Plains. They succeeded very nicely we understand, and were feeling fine over the prospects of Plains soon having a church building. They do not have one at present, but the building they were taking subscriptions for is now under construction, and they hope to have it completed to such extent that they will be able to hold services in it soon.

Mr. E. R. Ivy was in the city trading Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham, of Lovington, New Mexico, were here Wednesday, and bought a nice bill of goods from our merchants.

WARNING TO STOCKMEN

Failure to Record Brand Might Bring About Serious Trouble — Other News Items

Yukon County News

At the last term of our district court Judge Spencer called the attention of the county to the fact that the law requires all brands to be recorded and a failure to do so on the part of a stockman subjects him to heavy fine. If any have failed to record their brands they should do so, as the grand jury will meet here on the 13th of October.

Rev. B. F. Dixon, will commence a protracted meeting in Plains the last of next week to continue ten days. He will have with him the Rev. S. F. Baucou, a well known revivalist, and his singer.

Mr. J. P. Long's folks received a letter this week from Mrs. Beal which gave the first particulars learned here concerning the death of Joe and Uncle Turk Beal. Roy and his family, Joe and his family and Uncle Turk and his family were on the road moving from Magdalena, New Mexico, to Silver City, that state when Joe died. They had stopped to noon, and Joe being seated a short distance from the others, was heard to utter a scream and then fell over and died before any one could reach him. After they had reached Silver City, Uncle Turk was out with his team and turned the wagon over on himself. At first his injuries were not considered serious, but on the 10th day complications developed and he died the thirteenth day after being hurt.

Mrs. S. I. Fausworth, of Lockney was here Wednesday, and bought a nice bill of goods from our merchants.