

TERRY COUNTY

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GOMEZ, TERRY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, APRIL, 22, 1904.

LANG, Prop.

THE BIG SPRINGS TAILORING CO

Make the best fitting, put in the best trimming and give the best satisfaction. Making new clothing, Cleaning, Pressing and Dying old clothes. Send "em" along.

Big Springs Tailoring Company, Western Hotel
D. B. AKIN, MANAGER.

Burton-Lingo Company.

LUMBER

Big Springs, Texas.

J. C. Galbraith, Local Manager.

The Western Land & Abstract Co.

Gomez, Terry County, Texas.
W. T. McPherson, Manager.

We can secure you SCHOOL LAND, and sell you "bonus" land or Patent land in Terry or adjoining counties. We are well acquainted with all lands in Terry county and can give you any information you may want. If you want school land Now is the Time to Get It.

Gomez' Greatest Grocers

Always To The Front.

Buy from the Big Store and save money

Our store is headquarters for Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware and Farming Impliments.

Our prices are right, and our goods are up-to-date in every respect. Give us a liberal share of your trade. We will give you your money's

W o r t h.

Everything in our store goes at Rail Road prices with freight added.

When in town make our store headquarters. We will be pleased to show you our goods, and will save you money on every bill of goods you buy and the expense of going to the rail road.

STOKES-WOLCOTT CO

When you need anything in the impliment line give us a call. We keep the J I Case Cultivator, Iron tooth drag harrow, Disk harrow, J I C Cotton and Corn planter and Canton disk breaking plow.

We want your patronage and will treat you right and make it to your interest.

Yours for Business,

Stokes-Wolcott Company.

GOMEZ, TEXAS.

No man can afford to neglect his town and those things which are important and necessary to it, any more than he can afford to neglect his home and things important and necessary to it. There is a duty owed by every man to his community as well as to his home. A clean, prosperous and progressive town is a credit to its citizenship, and in every citizen may find his ideal of all that is desirable in this world. It is not only thought the efforts of the biggest and best men that towns can be made and kept clean and progressive and prosperous but it depends on every citizen in every walk of life to make a town. There is none so small but that his assistance is important in making a town prosperous.—Denison Herald.

U. S. Mail Service.

Leaves from Gomez to Meadow Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Leaves Gomez 6 p. m.
Arrives 7 p. m.
Arrives at Meadow 12 a. m.
Leaves Meadow 1 p. m.
Arrives at Gomez 7 p. m.
Leaves from Gomez to Chicago Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Leaves Gomez 7 a. m.
Arrives 7 p. m.
Leaves from Chicago to Gomez Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
Leaves Chicago 7 a. m.
Arrives at Gomez 7 p. m.

It is stated that Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the president, recently took in a horse race, and made some winnings together with some others who had put up wagers. While she was making a display of her winnings in the crowd a photographer got her picture. Her father becoming apprised of the matter became very wroth, and confiscated the photos, and forbade the making of others. As a punishment Miss Alice was sent to New York. We may not agree with Teddy about the negro or in his politics, but he is eminently right in prohibiting his daughter from gambling on a horse race, and meeting out such punishment as a father deems proper. Such places as gambling resorts are not fit for our girls and boys, and our girls especially, and the president's daughter is not an exception. Miss Alice, we suspect, is like some other girls, rude and thoughtless, and the president may not find it an easy matter to restrain her, but he has our sympathies in his efforts to do so.—Ex.

Only a Dream.

Twinkle, twinkle, cotton sample, What a beautiful example, Up above ten cents so high, Like a gold mine in your eye, When the blazing summer's come And the weevil's boring some, Then you show your wings so light, Twinkle, twinkle out of sight. —Commanchie Chief.

What Might Have Been.

An undertaker and a certain girl were engaged to be married. For some unknow reason, like many cases of first love, they drifted apart, and both married in different directions. Years rolled on. One night the undertaker was officially sent for, and found himself in the home of his former sweetheart, who was weeping over the remains of her husband, who had just died after a long illness. He stepped softly to her side, and with hand on her shoulder offered his sympathy in the most serious loss that can befall woman. She cease crying for a moment, dried her eyes, looked up in his face and said: "Just think, Charlie, his might have been you."—Cleveland Leader.

Don't.

Don't hurry.
Don't worry
Don't flurry.
Don't skurry.
Don't loaf when there's work to be done.
Don't chatter.
Don't scatter.
Don't flatter.
Don't smatter.
Don't saunter when time comes to run.—Commoner.

Read the new ads.

Sligo Dots.

April, 14, 1904.
Editor Voice:
We Sligo people are still moving along. Have lots of new comers and prospectors.
Well, we will try and give a short scetch of the news for the past few weeks.
The Kindrick brothers (Slim and Shorty) were seen working on their bonus last week.
Mr. Billie Connell was out on his ranch a few days last week, but business called him back to Midland.
North Gaines, south Terry and Sligo people enjoyed a four days mist la tweek, but a good rain would still be appreciated.
Messrs. Folk, Garrison and J. T. Gainer, of Gomez, spent one night with W. B. Gainer last week. W. B. gave them a hearty welcome and a bowl of nice selected acorns for supper.
Luther Denton of the Ellenwood ranch has gone to Midland after snppies.
C. W. Bickerstaff, of Gomez, is visiting W. B. Gainer and family this week.
Some of Mr. Harden's relatives of Wilbarger county are paying he and family a visit this week.
Mr. Pat McHugh carried the mail from Sligo to Siam this week.
C. W. Cheif called on W. B. Gainer one day this week.
W. B. Gainer and Clearence

Bickerstaff ate dinner with Cliff Patton of the Ellenwood ranch one day this week.

Mr. McClusky, of Gaines county, sold his bonus to Mr Harden's relative from Wilbarger county. We havn't learned his name at this writing.

Mr. J. T. Gainer past quite a nice compliment on W. B's. job of tanking while he was here, by saying that the dam was not half wide enough for any thing, much less a tank dam.

Well, we Sligo people are still watching every copy of the Voice closely, hoping to see where Terry county has organized and offered Yoakum a hearty welcome to be attached to her.

With best wishes to the Voice and its many readers.

I am as ever,
The Little Jap

Funny Advertisements.

Wanted, a servant who can cook and dress children.

Attention! The best brands flour for sale. Don't go to oth stores to be cheated—come here.

A lady wants to sell her pian as she is going abroad in an ir frame.

For sale, a fine writing de for some fellow with carved lo
A respectable widow wa washing.

For sale, a fine lot to build house on for some man 80 f long and 40 feet wide.

Dine here and you will ne dine anywhere else.

A boy wanted who can p flour with references.

Jones, the grocer, has a dog for sale. Will eat anyth —very fond of children.—E

To The Homeseeker.

We are offering in Terry and adjoining counties some of the best Bargains in Real Estate that has ever been offered by any real estate firm in Texas. In fact, we can sell a man a home in almost any county in the State. Below we will give a few of our many bargains.

No. 1 3 sections in block D 14. This is good land, and can be bought for \$2.00 per acre; 250 cash. Balance 6 annual payments at 8 per cent.

No. 2 4 sections in block D 11. This is fine land and can be had for \$2.50 per acre on long time.

No. 3 2 sections in block T. Fine land \$3.00 per acre. \$160 Cash per section. Balance in 11 annual payments, 8 per cent.

No. 4 2 sections in block T. At \$1.50 per acre. \$500 Cash, balance in 5 annual payments, 6 per cent. This is a bargain, a snap.

No. 5 6 sections all fenced. A ranch house, a small farm, fine well and wind mill. This is the best bargain in Terry county, at 2.00 per acre. 1.50 Cash, balance in 4 annual payments, 6 per cent.

No. 6 160 acres in block D14 section 11. Can be bought for \$2 per acre cash.

No. 7 4 sections A ranch house well and windmill small farm a good bargain price \$2 per acre.

No. 8 4 sections \$1.50 school land A good 5-room house, farm a fine well and windmill This is a well improved place and one of the cheapest Bonus in Terry county at \$3500

No. 9 4 sections solid body \$1.50 school land a small farm a dug out Bonus \$3500

No. 12 1 section \$1.50 school land and lease on one section all for \$800

No. 13 1 section patented land 5 miles from Gomez this is a fine section section and a bargain at \$2.25 per acre.

LYNN COUNTY.

No. 14 1 section in west side of the county fine section of land and I can sell you this land for \$1.50 per acre \$500 cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years time at 7 per cent

No. 15 3 sections 2 miles south of Tahoka this land can be had for \$2 per acre with one-fourth cash balance in 1, 2 or 3 years with 8 per cent interest

No. 16 2 1-2 sections 7 miles northeast from Tahoka this is good land and a bargain at \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance at 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent.

No. 17 1 section southeast from Tahoka ten or twelve miles This is as fine section of land as Lynn county has and can be bought for \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years time This is a bargain

No. 18 2 sections 14 miles east from Tahoka fine land in good watered belt this land is \$2 per acre 1-4th cash balance 1, 2 and 3 years at 8 per cent.

No. 19 One section in south west corner of the county this is \$2 land on easy terms

No. 20 2 sections \$1.50 school land this is as good land as can be found on the plains Bonus price \$1200 will take some trade.

No. 21 1 section \$1.50 school land this section has a good dug out and as fine land as can be found in Lynn county and we want to say Lynn county has as fine land as can be found on the plains.

COCHRAN COUNTY.

No. 22 53 sections of patented land in Cochran county all fenced this ranch is known as the Harrison & Brown survey and is located in the southwest corner of the county This is a fine ranch well improved good house, farm, plenty of good water, this ranch is a bargain at \$1.75 per acre 1-2 cash balance to suit purchaser. This ranch has 1000 head of stock for sale also 1200 head of steers will sell these cattle with ranch or ranch with out cattle.

No. 23 25 sections solid body. This is as fine as can be found on the plains. Well watered, well improved. Can be had for 3.00 per acre on easy terms.

YOAKUM COUNTY.

No. 24 104 Sections of patented land in Yoakum county. This

land is as fine as there is in the county. This land is well located and can be bought for \$1.25 per acre. We can sell from one to as many sections as you want with 1-4 cash, balance in 4 annual payments at 8 per cent.

No. 25 9 Sections patented in Yoakum county. Good land at 75 cts per acre, 1-4 cash balance in 4 annual payments at 8 per cent. This 9 sections are subject to 5 years lease.

No. 26 1 section, \$1.00 school land, fine land. Bonus price 500.00. Also 1 section leased will sell lease for 100.00. This is the best bargain in the county.

No. 27 4 sections, 1.50 school land. Bonus price 2500.00.

HOWARD COUNTY.

No. 29 1 section one dollar school land 7 miles from Big Springs, a very good house, a good well and wind mill, 125 acres in cultivation, this is a fine little farm and ranch, and can be had for 5.00 per acre or will trade for unimproved land in Terry or Yoakum counties

No. 30 2 sections 1.00 school land, time lived out, 2 sections patented land leased, a good 4 room house, well and wind mill 40 acres in cultivation, this place is 12 miles from Big Springs and can be had for 3200

LAMPASSAS COUNTY.

No. 42 Here comes the bargain of bargains, 450 acres in Lampassas County; 225 acres in cultivation of rich level valley land; balance broken, good for grazing, plenty of wood, water and protection, and within one mile of a live railroad village with good school and churches. This farm is located in the artistic belt where plenty of flowing water can be had. This is a well improved place will sell for \$20 per acre or will trade for plains land.

Now my friends after looking over this list should you fail to find what you want write us for we have for sale other lands that are not on this list.

Respectfully,
Long & Glover,
Gomez, Terry county, Texas.

Subscription Price: One year \$1.00 Six months .50 Three months .25
A. W. L. G. W. L. Compositor.
County Offices, each 10.00 Justice Precincts 5.00

Entered at the Gomez, Texas Post Office as Second-Class Matter.
Friday April, 22, 1904

British officers are having the scars of face wounds removed by the use of light rays. The London Mail says: "The custom is rapidly growing of surgeons sending their patients to have the scars left by operations removed."

Have You?

If your uncle has an aunt who has a nephew whose wife has a cousin that is married to an old friend of your wife's sister, whose grandfather used to live in the same town with an old schoolmate of yours whose son-in-law is now in St. Louis, you should at once renew the acquaintance with a view of saving hotel bills while attending the World's Fair. This scheme can be worked successfully in many instances.—Colorado Clipper.

Pass It On Up.

A young daughter of Jesse McKillup of Lewiston, Pa., swallowed a watch chain. A physician named Darwin discovered the missing links.—Washington Post.

Suppose she had swallowed the watch?—Granger Tribune.

That's right. Then there would have been a case.—Houston Post
Case are no case, swallowing the chain enable the girl to get ahead of time.—LaGrange Journal.

Now, "wouldn't that stop your clock?"—Texas Cleaver.

Had she swallowed the watch that would have included the spring. Would she have been a "gushing" maiden now?—Thurber Journal.

In case she had swallowed the watch her charms would have been double, because she would have been two-faced.—Cisco Round-up.

And the works—would they have made her more industrious?—Merkel Mail.

But, would she have always been on time in case she had swallowed the works?

Back From Texas.

Just got back from Texas, Hank; Seen the Lone Star State. I'm a blasted, bloomin' Yank, But I say she great.
Rode clean through the whole durn zone; Took a week to go; Wound up down in San Antonio At the Alley mo.
Southern sun and atmosphere Make a feller lank; But the skies are always clear. Kinder suits me, Hank,
Durn these snowy, blowy days, With their ice and slush; Gimme life where Nature plays 'Mid a peaceful hush.
Saw most ev'ry thing that grows 'Neath the vaulted dome. Got a blosom on my nose That I brought back home.

All political matter, of whatever nature, will be charged for at the rate of ten cents per line.

Cash in advance is required for political matter—whether it be announcement, notices or cards.

We have nothing to do with making up the ticket and the fee paid us only covers the announcement.

All the announcements below for county office are subject to the general election, Nov. 8, in Martin, Andrews, Gaines, Terry and Yoakum counties.

For County Judge—
A. C. EIDSON
G. L. CAUDLE.
B. ANDERSON,
Re-election.

For Tax Assessor—
H. M. DAVIS,
J. H. EPLEY,
Re-election.

For County Clerk—
PAUL KONZ.
Re-election.

Cattle? Gosh, they's millions there!

Can't see many though, State's so blasted big I swear Don't seem like it's so.

And the crops they raise of 1ste Bigger are than lies; Biggest thing about the State Is its awful size.

And the women Hank, why, say Durn you, don't you grin! Fairer angels never stay Out of heaven or in.
—Chicago Drivers' Journal.

Hann's Pledge.

Joe Mitchell, editor of the National Magazine, was one of the intimates of Senator Hanna, and tells some stories of the senator's life hitherto unpublished. The following is worth every inch of space it occupies: "It was on his last Sunday that Senator Hanna related one of the most touching and tender incidents of his earlier years. He prefaced it by stating that he was past 25 years of age before he ever tasted intoxicating liquor of any kind. During those early days when he associated in Cleveland with such youths as John D. Rockefeller and others, his father's heart was apprehensive, as the heart of almost every father is apt to be for boys of that age. The elder Hanna was rigid and uncompromising in his total abstinence principles, and often said he would rather see his boys brought home in a coffin than staggering home drunk. For this season Marcus never has a latchkey but every time he came home late his father would get up and let him in, and surely no father ever watched over a son with more solicitude; but the younger Hanna rebelled and even appealed to his mother for a latchkey. 'Mother,' said he, you can trust me. Whenever I touch a drop of liquor, I will give you back this key. It is needless to add, says Chapel, that the key was never called for. He who runs may read the lesson: Teach the boy and then trust him fully. In the last analysis that is all that you can do. The mother's instinct in this case was better than the father's discipline.

Special Clubbing Offer.

A man who is fully alive to his own interests will take his Local Paper because he gets a class of news and useful information from it that he can get nowhere else.

STRONG-MINDED up-to-date men also want a good general newspaper in order to keep in close touch with the outside world. Such a paper is The Dallas Semi Weekly News. A combination of the Terry County Voice and The Dallas Semi-Weekly News is just what the farmers of this section need in order to keep thoroughly posted upon Local News, Home Enterprise, Personal Items, State News, National Affairs, Foreign Matters. In short, this combination keeps the farmer and his family up to the times on informations

For \$1.65 we will send the two papers one year—156 copies. The Farmers' Forum in The News is alone worth the money to any intelligent farmer or stockman of this locality, to say nothing of special features.

SUBSCRIBE NOW.

Send the Voice to an Eastern friend.

Just Give It a Thought.

How little it costs if we give it a thought, to make happy some heart each day! Just one kind word or a tender smile, As we go on our daily way; Perchance a look will suffice to clear The cloud from a loved one's face, And the press of a hand in sympathy A sorrowful tear efface.
One walks in sunlight; another goes All wreny in the shade; One trends a path that is fair and smooth; Another must pay for aid. It costs so little! I wonder why We give it no little thought; A smile-kind words—a glance—a thought! What magic with them is wrought.

When a Man Shops.

If you should happen to meet a man coming stealthily in at the side door of some big department store, with his coat tails hanging limply and a frightened, far-away expression on his face, do not imagine that he is one of the professional crooks who are pouring into the city at this time. Neither fancy that he has been stealing sheep nor that he is looking for a pawnshop. He is merely buying his wife a present. This is the hour of his discontent.

Use of Plaster in China.

The annual consumption of calcined plaster and wall paper cannot be estimated, but it is very large. Most Chinese houses are built of cheap brick, and are plastered both inside and out. Large quantities of plaster are also used for the making of Chinese graves, almost all of them being entirely covered with it.

Ice in Behring Sea.

Behring sea, on which Nome stands, is shallow, and owing to the fresh water which many rivers pour into it, the sea is brackish rather than salt. The result is that in winter ice readily forms and extends over the surface of the sea for 300 to 400 miles south of Nome, completely isolating the city.

GREW FROM A SWITCH.

Willow Tree in Maine that Had Interesting History.

The old willow tree at Fort Knox, cut down recently by W. F. Batchelder, has an interesting history. It stood on the John B. Pierce farm, sold to the government for the site of a fort. Seventy-five years ago last May, Mr. Pierce went on horseback to Belfast one day. On his way home he called on Squire Sam Shute, who kept an inn at the place now known as Stockton Springs. The old squire kept good old Medford, forty years old, and never doctored nor watered. After refreshing himself with a drink of this inspiring beverage Mr. Pierce had his horse brought around, and while waiting for him walked over to a willow tree and cut a small branch with which to encourage his steed. On arriving home he threw down the branch and one of the children took it and stuck it in the ground. It quickly took root and from it grew this great tree, now just cut down.—Lewiston Evening Journal.

Japanese Public Ovens.

In nearly every street in Japanese cities is a public oven where, for a small fee, housewives may have their dinners and suppers cooked for them.

Propagating Fish.

The United States has gone into the propagating business to the extent of hatching and distributing nearly 1,200,000,000 fish a year.

Courage.

Fear overcome by will spells courage. Courage born of ignorance, insensibility is an inferior quality.

To Honor Garibaldi

Buenos Ayres proposes to erect a monument in honor of the memory of Garibaldi.

Gomez Drug Store.

T. Deshazo, Prop.
Drug, Oils, Paints, Stationery,
etc. South Side Square.

Gomez, - - Texas.

**Dr. S. H. Windham,
Physician and Surgeon.**

Does a general practice over
Lynn and adjoining counties.
Calls from Terry County answered promptly.

Tahoka, Texas

**W. J. Head,
Barber.**

Remember when you need a haircut, shave or shampoo, come to my shop and you will receive first-class attention.

Gomez, Texas.

**W. T. McPherson,
Lawyer,**

Solicits your business.
Gomez, Texas

**Long & Glover,
Dealers in**

**Real Estate,
Gomez, Texas.**

**Dr. T. P. Gaines,
Physician & Surgeon.**

Calls answered day or night.
I have A Special treatment on
Catarrh, Cancer and Piles.

Gomez, Texas.

**R. B. Cannon and Co.
Land Agents,**

Terms to suit purchaser.
Big Springs Tex.

**J. N. Haney,
Attorney-at-Law.**

Will practice in courts at Gomez.
Tahoka, Texas.

Chicago Hotel

Meals and Beds 35 cents.
Barber chair run in connection.
G. W. MABRAY, Prop.

**N. J. Oquin,
AT
Chicago, Texas.**

Carries a nice line of Groceries and will appreciate your trade.

**J. T. GAINER,
Dealer in
Real Estate**

Gomez, Texas.
Terry County Voice
**Only
One dollar per year.**

Bargains! Bargains!

My store is crowded with many bargains in the dry goods line. Complete assortment of Ladies, Misses, Mens' and Boys' goods. My styles in dress goods, Trimmings and Novelties are the newest. All the new Weaves in the voices, seact Suiting and London twine clothes for ladies. Skirts and shirts waists--Figured lawns, Batistes and Domestic from the cheapest to the best grades.

Waisting in Tussa Silks and Silk Oxford \$1.50 to \$2.50 per patern. Trimmings in Valenceennes Laces, Wood Fiber and Yak Bands, Mens' and Boys' clothing going at a great **REDUCTION.**

Shirts! Shirts!!

Mens' \$1.25 Shirts at 65c,
\$1.00 Grades at 50 cents.

Large stock of Shoes for Ladies, Misses, Men and Boys.

Don't fail to visit my store. I will not be undersold.

Remember,

I have the only exclusive Dry Goods house in Big Springs.

Yours for Business,
**J. M. Munday,
Big Springs, Texas.**

W. J. Peveler

has a
First-class Wagon Yard and Feed Stable with all accommodations. Feed for sale by wholesale or retail N. E. corner sq, **Gomez, Texas.**

**Dr. J. H. McCoy,
Eclectic Physian.**

Special attention given to Chronic diseases. Lost manhood restored. Guarantee cure for Piles, Cancers, old sore legs.
OFFICE IN J. S. WELLS, STORE,

TAHOKA, == TEXAS.

Groceries! Groceries!

I have just recieved a nice line of Fresh Groceries, which I have displayed in the Post Office building. My prices are as low as the lowest, and my groceries as good as the best. I also have Stationary in Connection.
I Solicit your patronage.
Amos Blankenship.

Gomez, Texas.

Stanton,

Mesdames

Ambler & Gainer.
Millinery and Dressmaking
Also latest in Neckwear,
Belts and Dress Goods.

Gomez, - - Texas.

LOCAL and PERSONAL.

Yesterday was San Jacinto day Mr. Noah Bell and wife from north Terry, were in town yesterday.

Rev. J. N. Smith delivered two excellent sermons to the Gomez people last Sunday.

The subscription school closed last Friday night. The school children gave a concert, which was an interesting affair.

Miss Lottie Jones, from Big Springs, is here visiting at her uncle's, Mr. Gus Jones.

C. C. Hays and family, from Childress, have moved in our little village.

Mrs. Brooks and daughter, Miss Vina, and Mrs. Brooks' mother, from Dickens, moved to Gomez last week and are occupying the Brock residence.

LOST—One Polanchina pig, 3 months old. Any information, appreciated.—S. H. McPherson, Gomez, Texas,

Charlie Boston returned last week from the Mallets. He and others have been on a wolf hunt, but they failed to catch.

J. R. Hill, of Brownfield, was in town Wednesday swapping words with Gomez people.

Wasn't the sand storm yesterday alright, but a good rain would have been much better.

Stoks-Wolcott Co. and J. M. Munday have had their ads changed. Notice the change that's been made.

J. E. Reeves, Sam Peveler and Lester McPherson, went to the railroad this week after freight.

Harvey Jones, returned Tuesday, from a visit down east. He reports everything very flourishing in the section of country he was in.

The dance at R. W. Glover's last night was reported to be an enjoyable event.

Rev. J. N. Smith is out this week putting up a windmill for Mr. Bellah, five miles north of town.

Messrs. Bell and Guest of near Meadow passed through Gomez last Saturday week with lumber to build a school house in their section of country.

Hugh Bostick from Big Springs has opened up a shot and r l inch stand in the iron house on east side square.

Mr. and Mrs. Deshazo have charge of the hotel this week.

The sad news reached Mr. S. M. Tow and family late Monday evening, pronouncing the death of his daughter, Mrs. Lydia Holly, who resided in Scurry county. Mr. Tow and family left Tuesday morning for his daughter's home. We extend sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

opening Wednesday week was quite a success. A nice line of hats were displayed by Mesdames Ambler and Gainer, which made the store a beautiful scene.

W. B. Gainer and family, of Youkum county, were the guests of his father's, Mr. J. T. Gainer, last Sunday.

Amos Blankenship has recieved a nice line of groceries, which is displayed in the post office building. He has also papered and ceiled the building, which makes everything in an up-to-date order.

Denis Peveler and W. B. Long left last Friday for the rail road. Denis goes after feed stuff for the grain house and W. B. goes to board the train for Mills county where he will make his home.

Mr. Walter Patty, one of Big Springs enterprising young men has accepted a position in the store of Stocks-Wolcott Co. at this place. He takes the position Mr. L. P. Seitz' held

Floyd Pyeatt and Lawson Bess left yesterday morning for the Brownfield ranch to drill a well for Mr. Brownfield.

Joe Lane, while helping load a disk plow on a wagon last Monday morning, happened to the accident of letting it fall on his left wrist, making a very ugly gash.

A Texas Ranger was in town to-day.

Wouldn't be a Printer.
Yesterday evening a little boy came in the Voice office, and was ask if he would like to be a printer; and he replied: "No, I would have to wait too long for my pay; I wouldn't be a printer and wait a year for my money."

**Notice of First Meeting
Of Creditors.**

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas.

In the matter of { No. 76 in
Ware & Wolf, } Bankruptcy
Bankrupts. }

To the creditors of Ware & Wolf a firm composed of H. L. Ware and W. M. Wolf, and members of said firm individually of Gomez in the county of Terry and District aforesaid, bankrupts: Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of January A. D. 1904, the said W. M. Wolf and on the 9th day of April, D. 1904, the said H. L. Ware and the firm of Ware & Wolf were duly adjudged bankrupts, and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of the referee in the City of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas, 27th day of April, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, which time the said creditors should attend, prove their claims, point a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such business as may properly be before said meeting.

Abilene, Texas April 9,
Liabilities \$12,000, assets subject to debt reported about \$10,000.
K. K. DEGET
Referee in Bankruptcy

of Richard
 a magistra
 cards dur
 service.
 When the p
 read the
 prayers he took the
 Those
 who had Bibles too
 them out,
 but this soldier had neither Bible
 nor common prayer book, but
 pulling out a pack of cards he
 spread them before him. He
 just took out one card and then
 another. The sergeant of the
 company saw him and said:
 "Richard, put up the cards;
 this is no place for them."
 "Never mind that," said Rich-
 ard.
 When the services were over
 the constable took Richard before
 the mayor.
 "What have you brought the
 scoldier here for?"
 "For playing cards in church."
 Well, soldier, what have you
 to say for yourself?"
 "Much, sir, I hope."
 "Very good, if not I will pun-
 ish you more than man was ever
 punished."
 "I have been," said the sold-
 ier, "about six weeks on the
 march. I have neither Bible nor
 common prayer book. I have
 nothing but a pack of cards, and
 I will satisfy your worship of the
 purity of my intentions." And
 spreading the cards before the
 mayor, he began with the ace:
 "When I see the ace it reminds
 me of one God.
 "When I see the deuce it re-
 minds me of Father and Son.
 "When I see the tray it re-
 minds me of Father, Son and
 Holy Ghost.
 "When I see the four spot it
 reminds me of the four evangel-
 ists, Mathew, Mark, Luke and
 John.
 "When I see the five spot it re-
 minds me of the five wise virgins.
 "When I see the six spot it re-
 minds me that in six days God
 made heaven and earth.
 "When I see the seventh, it re-
 minds me that on the seventh
 day he rested from the great
 work he had created and hallow-
 ed it.
 "When I see the eight it re-
 minds me of the eight righteous
 persons that were saved when
 God destroyed the world, viz.;
 Noah and his wife, three sons
 and their wives.
 "When I see the nine it re-
 minds me of the nine lepers that
 were cleansed by our Savior.
 "When I see the ten it reminds
 me of the commandments which
 God handed down to Moses on
 tablets of stone.
 "When I see the king I am re-
 minded of the King of Heaven,
 which is God Almighty.
 "When I see the queen I am
 reminded of the queen of Sheba,
 for she was as wise a woman as
 Solomon was a man."
 "Well," said the mayor, "you
 have given a good description of
 all the cards except one."
 "What is that?"
 "The knave," said the mayor.
 "I will give your honor a de-
 scription of that, too, if you will
 not be angry."
 "I will not," said the mayor,
 "if you do not turn me to be the
 knave."
 "Well," said the soldier, "the
 knave I know is the constable
 that brought me here."
 "I do not know about that,"
 said the mayor, "but he is a
 fool."
 When I count how many spots
 there are in a pack of cards, I
 find, three hundred and sixty
 five, as many days as there are
 in a year. On counting the
 number of cards in a pack, I find
 there are fifty two, the number
 of weeks in a year. And I find
 four suits the number of weeks
 in a month. I find there are
 twelve picture cards, represent-
 ing the number of months in a
 year. And I find on counting
 the number of tricks that there
 are thirteen, the number of
 weeks in a quarter. So you see,
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 Bible, an almanac and a
 prayer book."—E.

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