

THE CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JAN. 20, 1911.

NO. 47

\$55,000 Worth Sold First Day

First Ten Lots Sold for \$11,250
Next Five for 950 dollars each
Total sales to date, \$75,000

Thursday, Jan. 12, 1911 will long be remembered in Cross Plains, for this day the new and sprightly road town of Cross Plains was in existence to take the place of the little, quiet inland town that all remember. On this day the outsiders and home people were given a chance to invest in Cross Plains real estate, on the new town, for the first time.

Very early the people began arriving in from every direction in wagons, buggies, autos, etc. The excursion train was due at 10:15 but owing to the overloaded condition was a little late. Conductor Wright told us there were between 600 and 700 passengers come in on the train. Standing room was at a premium and quite a number sat on top of the coaches.

As soon as the train arrived, and visitors and investors had been given time to look over the beautiful townsite and decide where they would locate, the Big Auction conducted by that prince of fellows and most excellent auctioneer, Col. Rufus J. Lackland began.

Bidding was very fast for the first lot and run to \$1,125. T. J. Hembree and associates secured the lot and bought lots 1 to 10 at \$1,125 per lot, or \$11,250 for the ten lots. The lots face east on Main Street, and understand the Farmers' National Bank will occupy the corner which will go up at the corner of Eighth. Mr. Powell and associates will begin in the afternoon on this block and the buildings will be brick.

Then began for second block was secured by Mr. Hembree of weatherford, a very fine choice was secured for the block and Mr. Cuteman and bought lots 1 to 5 in block 44 at that price per lot of \$4,750 for the five. The block which they are organizing on the corner just west of eighth street from the property. The entire five lots were covered with concrete buildings.

The following is a partial list of the property bought on that day which couldn't get the full list of the sales the first day of the sales to \$55,000.

W. P. Pulley, of Cisco, lot 12 in block 39, and three other lots on main street. We understand Mr. Eppler has let the contract for a brick building 50x70 on one of his lots and that work is to begin as soon as material can be shipped in.

W. W. Wright, of Cross Plains, lot 21 in block 60. Mr. Wright is passenger conductor on the DeLeon to Cross Plains run, and has the utmost confidence in the Terminal City. He has selected this as the residence for the train crew.

Geo. B. Swan, of Cross Plains, lots 1 and 2 in block 37, lot 2 in block 59.

W. R. Wagner, of Cross Plains, lot 1 in block 59.

S. C. Barr, lot 3 in block 49.

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The general opinion, expressed on the ground that day, was that Cross Plains would be the fastest growing town in West Texas.

Several reasons were given for its prospective growth; but the foremost among these are: 1st. Cross Plains is the terminus city of the of the Texas Central railroad. 2nd. We will have a first class \$10,000 water works system with an adequate water supply for both fire protection and use of the citizens.

3rd. The town of Cross Plains is surrounded by the very best farming country in the state. It is already developed ahead of the coming of the railroad, and is very thickly populated by happy and contented farmers.

All things considered we have the very best prospects for a live, growing town of 2500 people within the next twelve months.

A little over \$75,006 worth of lots have been sold up to the present.

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Callahan county is of satisfactory size and of regular and convenient shape and entirely satisfactory to its citizenship; the taxable property of this section have already its obligations to meet in the way of indebtedness due by Callahan county which it could not be relieved of by placing the same into a new county, and its citizens do not care to add these burdens the additional burdens which the great expense of a new county will necessarily entail upon them; they oppose it because they oppose a higher tax rate; because we have satisfactory roads from and to our county seat as it is, and if Rising Star is made the county seat of the new county, which will be claimed as the logical location for it, then on account of the immense amount of sand existing in that vicinity, the county will be immediately put to the great additional burden of putting the roads to and from the county seat in shape that our citizens could conveniently go to and from the county seat.

We oppose it because we reverence and love old Callahan county, and will not allow our selves to take any action that would encourage the severance of our homes from the old county in which we have so long resided.

We ask then you as our state Senator and our representative do all in your power to defeat any measure that may come up in the Legislature having for its purpose the establishment of the proposed new county.

A sweepstake race took place, we understand, last Friday night immediately after the dance. Two girls and two boys were the participants.

We don't learned who was winners.

RESOLUTIONS AGAINST CREATION OF ROSS COUNTY ADOPTED

At a meeting of the Commercial Club Friday night, Jan. 13th the following resolutions were adopted, and were mailed to our senator and representative at Austin.

Cross Plains, Tex. Jan. 13th '11
To Hon's. W. J. Bryan and T. J. Barrett, Senator and Representative, respectfully:

Whereas, at a meeting held by the Commercial Club of this place as well as a meeting of the citizens in general of this section, on the above named date, the matter of a new county of Ross to include Cross Plains and vicinity was taken up and thoroughly discussed; and whereas it is proposed by certain section of the proposed new county, which is to be cut out of Eastland Comanche, Brown, Coleman, and Callahan counties, that the new county be so divided that it will leave Rising Star near the center thereof; after a thorough discussion of the same, the following resolution was unanimously adopted and ordered forwarded to the above named State Senator and Representative for their guidance as to the wishes of this section of the proposed new county, as follows, to wit:

Be it resolved that it is the purpose of Cross Plains and vicinity to resist to the utmost the establishment of the proposed new county of Ross for the following reasons, to wit:

COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING

The Commercial Club held a very enthusiastic meeting last Wednesday night at the I. O. O. F. hall.

We had Col. Rufus J. Lackland with us on this occasion and he gave us some very excellent points on town building. The idea Col. Lackland wanted to impress upon us was that we must stand together, and work together for the advancement of our town and country. Let the farmer and merchant and banker all do their part when anything comes up and we will build a town here second to none in the state.

Next we had a talk by Mr. Cureton, one of the directors in the Cross Plains Townsite Company. He advised us to all stand together, forget our little troubles and grouches and work for a Bigger and Better Cross Plains.

Then we had talks from Col. Sharmon, President of the Townsite Co. Messrs Eppler and Pulley of Cisco, Rev. Carter of Pecos, Mr. Collins of this place, Rev. Smith, and others.

The idea expressed in all the talks was this; "We must get together and work together"

The meeting adjourned until next meeting night, Thursday, Jan. 26. We are requested to urge the presence of every property owner in and around Cross Plains at this meeting. We invite everyone, but more especially do we insist that the people

who own property be present. Any move for the betterment of the town will increase the value of your property. We are sure there are none in this country who want to act the "leech," sucking the commercial blood from your town and giving nothing in return.

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I. M. Bennett and son, of Cisco have moved to Cross Plains. He formerly lived in Lamesa, and reports from there say he is a "live one." Mr. Bennett is a real estate man, but he can't help that, and we are sure he will help us "Grin, Boost and Build."

Mr. W. E. Spencer, one of the Townsite men, says we will not miss him from our midst for quite a while now. Mrs. Spencer came back with him from Rotan Thursday night, and they are now citizens of the Terminal City.

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NO. 8583. REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FARMER'S NATIONAL BANK

at Cross Plains in the State of Texas, at the close of business, Jan. 7, 1911.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$48,166.74
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,084.12
U. S. Bonds to secure Circulation	6,300.00
Banking houses, Furniture and Fixtures	1,928.24
Due from National Banks	5,829.31
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, Saving Banks	547.90
Due from approved Reserve Agents	19,610.68
Checks and other Cash Items	737.33
Notes of other National Banks	430.00
Fractional paper currency, Nickels and Cents	36.24
Bills of Exchange	10,231.85
Lawful money reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	3,232.25
Legal-tender notes	3,769.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of Circulation)	315.00
Total	\$93,899.96

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock Paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus fund	1,750.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes Paid	2,066.91
National Bank Notes outstanding	6,300.00
Due to other National Banks	
Due to Private Banks and Bankers	
Due to approved Reserve agents	
Individual deposits subject to check	50,244.90
Time certificates of deposit	50.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	
Total	\$93,899.96

State of Texas, County of Callahan, I, S. F. Bond, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. F. BOND, Cashier.

CORRECT—Attest:
J. A. Bann,
T. H. Vestal,
R. P. Odum, Directors.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 19 day of Jan. 1911.
A. J. MATHIS
J. P. and ex-officio Notary Public.

MRS. T. M. BROOKSKILLS SALES GIRL AT THE FAIR; REVOLVER HID IN MUFF

Ft. Worth, Jan. 18.—Mrs Mary Binford, an employee of The Fair store, Fifth and Main streets, was shot and instantly killed Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the suit department of that store. Five shots were fired and the bullet that ended her life entered her head.

Mrs. T. M. Brooks, wife of a well known lawyer, member of the firm of Brooks & Dunn, with offices in the Brooker building, Fourth and Main streets, did the shooting.

Mrs. Brooks wearing a heavy veil, and carrying a large muff, is said to have gone to the suit department of The Fair on the second floor and to have asked for Mrs. Binford. A saleswoman went to the fitting floor and informed Mrs. Binford that she was wanted. As soon as Mrs. Binford appeared in the suit room, Mrs. Brooks drew a revolver from her muff and fired five times, killing Mrs. Binford instantly.

Mrs. Brooks then left the building and went to her husband's office, at the corner of Fourth and Main, where she was found by officers. As soon as she stepped inside the office building she fainted and had to be carried upstairs to her husband's office and physicians called. Patrolman George Chapman arrested Mrs. Brooks.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STATE OF TEXAS.

AUSTIN.

January 13, 1911

Hembree,
Cross Plains, Texas,

In reply to your letter, in regard to the proposed new county I have conferred with the representatives of Eastland, Comanche and Callahan counties, and they seem to be against your proposition, and I shall oppose the same by a strong petition from Callahan county to support it.

Respectfully,
T. J. Hembree



LET'S GET BETTER ACQUAINTED

We'd like to meet, personally, every prospective Lumber Buyer in this community. Also every man or woman who has any surplus Eggs, Butter, Chix, Turkeys, Hides, Cotton seed, Etc. to sell. We want to buy everything you have to sell, and sell you your lumber and Building Materials, Paints, Oils, Etc. Remember, we pay you cash for everything we buy from you. When in town, come to see us.

When you have Produce to sell and want to buy Lumber, see SHACKELFORD.

"Trade With The Man That Trades With You."

F. P. SHACKELFORD

J. M. COFFMAN, MANAGER.

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BELMONT L. SHIELDS, EDITOR.

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FOUR ISSUES CONSTITUTE A MONTH

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS.

Keep your eyes on Cross Plains—The Terminal City.

\$55,000 worth of property sold in Cross Plains in one day. How is that for The Terminal City?

If you want to know anything about Cross Plains and the Cross Plains country, just write to the Secretary of the Commercial Club, Cross Plains, Texas.

\$10,000 waterworks another advantage Cross Plains will have over other towns. The Townsite Company will install the system with four miles of pipe.

We need more houses at once. Every hour we have applications for houses. There are lots of people who would move here if they could get a house. Build a rent house or two.

We have the advantage of every other town on the extension in one respect. And that is the fact that Cross Plains is the Terminus, and the train crews live here, and spend their money in Cross Plains. We will have a \$5000 per month payroll from the Central alone. Don't you want to live in The Terminal City?

The merchant who never advertises is a back number. Some claim they give the amount they should spend in advertising to their customers in lower prices, but they don't. The merchant who doesn't advertise is compelled to charge more for his goods than the merchant who does advertise, because the merchant who doesn't advertise doesn't make as many sales as the advertising merchant, and must, of course, make a larger profit on each sale. The merchant who advertises, and invites the people to trade with him will naturally have a large trade and will be satisfied with smaller profits on each sale. It will pay you to trade with the merchant who advertises in place

ference to the non advertising one. It a man didn't think enough of my business to invite me to come to his store I certainly wouldn't hunt him up to force business on him. It disturbs his quietude and if rushed too much he is liable to lose his temper.

What is said to be the largest farm in the world belongs to a Mexican named Don Louis Terrazas at Chihuahua. It comprises 8,000,000 acres, and a passenger train is more than half a day in crossing it. The proprietor of this ranch is a little uncertain as to the number of cattle he owns, but he guesses it at more than 1,000,000 head, while 100,000 horses, and his sheep number 700,000 head. Every year about 250,000 calves are marketed with his brand. At his own packing house near Chihuahua City, Mexico, there are slaughtered annually 250,000 cattle, about as many sheep and a great many more hogs. On his ranch live 40,000 people, mostly helpers while it requires a thousand cowboys to look after his cattle.—Colorado Record.

Don Louis seems to be pretty well fixed. But what does any one man want with so much botheration as millions of cattle, horses, sheep and hogs put upon owner? Why consider a man fortunate who has such a burden weighing him down by day and by night? Don Louis Terrazas is enormously rich, but he is not correspondingly happy. No man with tremendous responsibilities has time to be happy. He is merely a piece of machinery and may count himself lucky if his work is accomplished without friction sufficient to make him squeak. It Don Louis What-you-call-him were the owner of a modest half-section, upon which he brought forty fat beeves to condition every year, and was himself the custodian of the cattle from their calthood to the packing house pens, he would be a wealthier man than he is now, (philosophically speaking), although probably he wouldn't get his name in the paper half as often.—Dallas News.

A new industry for Hereford is under promise. Four boys, Willard Elton, Hal and Louis Taylor whose home is on 25-Mile Ave, have conceived the idea of raising fur bearing animals. The oldest boy, after reading a book on furs and fur bearing animals, selected the cat as the one most likely to serve their purpose. Their plans include the enclosure of a 5 acre block with a cat proof (and dog proof) fence. Small cat houses will be built in different

parts of the grounds. While the black cat fur brings the highest price this cat ranch will be stocked with spotted cats, brindle cats, white cats grey cats, tom cats, and blacks, from which the enterprising young manager, Willard Taylor, proposes to evolve a high-grade fur bearing cat. These boys will start with about 100 cats, which they expect to be contributed by their many good neighbors and a liberal contribution from the back yard fence chorus may add some special midnight prowlers to their collection. Once a year, the grown cats with good coats of fur will be killed and their skins prepared for market. The young manager expects to declare a dividend even the first year.—Hereford Brand.

"It is interesting to hear that Chairman Mayfield of the railroad commission and his associate, Mr. Williams, are opposed consolidation of the Katy and the Texas Central, which the Katy owns. It would be more interesting, though to hear just what the reasons of their opposition are. Is their opposition merely reverence for a precedent, or is it promoted by a consideration of hard and concrete facts? The Katy, according to the public understanding of the matter, owns the Texas Central absolutely. There appears to be no legal objections to that ownership. If, then, those things are true, what possible objections and there be to an arrangement which will permit the more economical management of the Texas Central, and which will result in a better and cheaper service; for, as has heretofore been explained, consolidation would have the effect of substituting single-line for joint-line rates. The two lines are not parallel and competing; on the contrary, they run almost at right angles. It is generally conceded, we believe, that the Katy is one of the best managed railroads in the country, and instead of opposing we ought to welcome the extension of that kind of management to the Texas Central. There is more than this to be gained however. It was stated some months ago that the Katy would proceed to extend the Texas Central almost immediately it was permitted to operate under a single management. Perhaps it will extend the northwestern end of the line but it is pretty certain it will extend it southeastward so as to connect up that isolated bit of track between Colmesneil and Terrell. When even that extension is made the Texas Central would at once become a very considerable railroad and usefulness would be materially increased. It would better serve those whom it now serves, and serve a largely increased number. Here are some of the concrete facts of the case. What, if any, concrete facts there are on the opposite side of the case, we confess ourselves unable to conceive, and should welcome any enlightenment from whatever source. The desire to consolidate the management of these two roads that are already consolidated in ownership is a very legitimate aspiration, and it is to be hoped that those who are opposing it will yield to the extreme application of a rule which, though good in itself, is subject to exceptions."—Dallas News.

It appears to us that there are hundreds of school marm and girls of the North Atlantic States all in a sputter to marry Texas ranchmen and cowboys. They claim that the marriageable list up there consists almost entirely of dudes, tin horn gamblers, drunkards, fakirs, etc. They want the kind that can stand flatfooted and leap into the saddle or can take a bull yearling by the tail and throw him over the fence. Texas has the boys all right and there is no question about their being able to deliver the goods. Anything looking to increased population appeals to the true Texan, and we see no reason why this array of feminine sweetness should not be accommodated.—Comanche News.

The men who got in on the ground floor on Cross Plains real estate are very fortunate. Are you one of 'em?

1911

May it be the Best Year You Ever Saw
and
The worst You Will Ever See

Remember us for bargains in Dry Goods,
Groceries and Hardware.

Cross Plains Mercantile C O M P A N Y

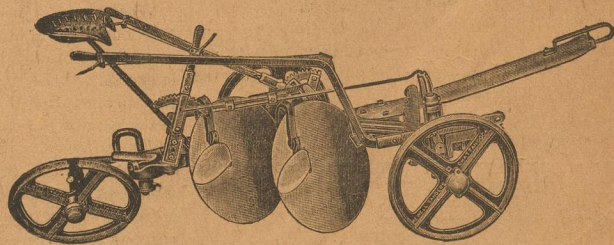
Here is Our Prescription for You and Yours

One million smiles
Today; no frown tomorrow.
One billion joys and
Not a single sorrow.

A bushel of fun—no hard luck,
A barrel of good cheer—lots of spunk.
A hogshead of happiness—no hilarity,
A whole New year of progress and prosperity.



J.A. Wagner & Son



SANDERS DISC PLOWS BETTER THAN OTHER DISC PLOWS

They weigh less, run lighter and do better work. They are simpler in construction, with no get out of fix. They are strong and rigid. Their frames are low down, so that they run close to the ground. Their levers are in reach of the driver. The tongue can be adjusted to any position. The discs are made of chilled iron and are oiled by means of compression grease cups. The rear end of the plow can be raised or lowered as occasion may require. Large bolts are used throughout.

WE GUARANTEE OUR PLOWS to do good work in any kind of fallow land and to stand for a year. We guarantee discs against splitting on the edge of the furrow.

SEWELL AND FOX
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CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS.

Keep your eyes on Cross Plains—The Terminal City.

We had a communication from Rev. Cal Wright, at Blackwell this week inquiring about his Review. He says "I don't like to miss a copy."

Drs. Gregg and Powell and Harry Berry were here from Baird Thursday.

S. L. Teague and Will Harlow have bought out W. E. Butler and will run the business under the name of 'Cash Grocery Company'. They ask their many friends to give them a share of their business.

FOR SALE;—400 young peach trees. 200 of them Elbertas and 200 are the Early Wheelers, nice choice trees. Must sell at once if at all. P. Smith, Cross Plains.

NOTICE;—I have bought a car of feed and will be in the feed business strictly. I believe I can sell you the same quality feed for just a little less than the other man. I will move into a warehouse as soon as I can get one built. J. F. Bryson.

Bernice, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Hailey, is very low with Pneumonia.

In the Free Lot Contest Jan. 12th Mrs. Payne of Cottonwood, Mrs. Fisher three miles west of town, and Irma Haily, son of Lon Hailey, were the lucky persons.

A Mr. Jones, of Comanche, who is working on the townsite and boarding at John Farr's is quite sick. It was thought at first he had small-pox, but county health officer, Dr. Greggs, of Baird upon being called in by Dr. Nelson pronounced it a severe case of chicken pox. This is very fortunate, as a case of small pox at present is not very desirable. Dr. Nelson is doing everything possible to prevent it getting scattered, and his action is much appreciated by the citizens of Cross Plains and surrounding country.

Elmer and Earle Ford, of Brownwood, were here Monday visiting their Cousin, Less Wells.

J. P. Hailey, father of our fellow citizen Lon Hailey, died at his home in Prattville Arkansas, Jan. 11th. Deceased was over 90 years old and had been in very delicate health for quite a while.

Found;—A watch. If owner will call at the Cross Plains Wholesale Drug Store, and describe the property and pay for this ad, they can get it.

FOR TRADE;—I have a good wagon to trade for a buggy. Call at the Review office.

Miss Virgie Henderson, of Gorman, visited her sister, Mrs. Smyre, last week.

Frank Hartgraves, of Carlton, Texas was here to attend the Townsite opening and bought 2 lots on Main street. He said as soon as he could get his house up he would be on the ground with a full line of builders hardware, shelf and heavy hardware and would run a tin and plumbing shop in connection.

FOR SALE;—Two good milk cows. Cash or good note. Apply to Jim Rone.

R. D. Baum of Grandbury, writes to see why his Review doesn't come. Says he is just "growing up in ignorance".

Jim Kone, one of our progressive farmers, was in last week and subscribed for the Review to go to Bud Anderson at Garland, Texas.

Judge Mathis is quite busy these days writing deeds. He is the only Notary Public in Town.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, of Cisco came in this week. Mr. Elliott is depot agent here. They couldn't get a house, so they are living in the box car which brought their furniture here.

If the preliminary calculations of the census bureau turn out to be correct, it will be found that the center of population has moved about fourteen miles westward in the last decade, settling it, perhaps, in Brown County, Indiana, somewhere near Nashville, the County seat.

The "center of population" is the center of gravity of the population of the country, each individual being assumed to have the same weight. It was first located in 1790 at a point about twentythree miles east of Baltimore. The movement since then has been almost uniformly west, with a slight trend southward, which almost took it across the Ohio River at Cincinnati in 1880. The longest step it has taken in any decade was eighty one miles from a point three miles southeast of Parkersburg, to a point twenty miles south

of Chillicothe, Ohio. That was in the period from 1850 to 1860, and was its first entrance into Ohio from West Virginia. Ohio held the center of population until 1890, when it went from a point eight miles west by south of Cincinnati to a point twenty miles east of Columbus, Ind.

SEVERAL CITIZENS OF RISING STAR HAVE GONE TO AUSTIN AND WILL NEVER RETURN

The Bulletin learns by phone from Cross Plains that a delegation of Rising Star citizens headed by Rev. M. C. Bishop, left this morning for Austin, and the purpose of the visit is to secure the organization of a new county, of which Rising Star will be the county site. Members of the delegation upon leaving home said they were going to remain in the state capitol until they had accomplished their purpose and when they returned to Rising Star would bring back that county.

While the Rising Star delegations are busy with their new county movement the citizens of the surrounding country are likewise busy with counter petitions, which have been sent to the districts affected. If the new county is organized it will be over the protest of half the people in some four or five counties and with this opposition it is not believed that the legislature will grant the request for a new county. It is pointed out that the cost of forming a new county is an unnecessary burden upon the people living in the outer edges of the counties which are divided in order to form the new one. In Brown county there is no outstanding indebtedness and the citizen who stands for the organization of a new county is but soliciting a debt which he will have to pay. Brownwood has been opposed to giving up a slice of the north end of the county because the county is already small enough.

The Rising Star delegation will be watched with closest interest.

Melvin J. Prentice, of Brownwood, is the new typographical artist at the Review office.

Carter & Kennedy are receiving several car loads of merchandise per week. See their ad. on back page.

S. F. Bond, and W. R. Wagner were in Baird, Friday, on business connected with the buildings to be erected on the lots bought by T. E. Powell and associates.

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