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A Common Paper For Common People

Donley County's Court House Still Standing

Built In The Early Days Of County's History, The Temple Of Justice Holds Memories

Clarendon had stood in its present site from July 1887 until February 1890 with the old frame building for a Court-house. On the fifteenth day of February, the contract was let for the building of the present Courthouse; and with the arrival of spring, the work commenced. The contract price was an even \$30,000; a fabulous sum at that time; but the site of the county warranted the building of an imposing courthouse, for Hall, Armstrong and Briscoe counties were a part of Donley county.

The old courthouse was a long old frame building that stood about two blocks north of the present site of the depot. At the time that the old courthouse was placed, it was altogether uncertain which way the town would grow. When the present building was built, it was located in what was considered would be the center of the town; and to say the least, it was the center for all such attractions as the Fourth of July picnics.

At the time that the construction of the building was begun, B.H. White was county judge and H.W. Taylor, Robert Sawyer, Wm. Beverly, and Charles Goodnight county commissioners.

James Kilfoil was county superintendent. Bulger and Rapp were the architects and Troutman Brothers, of Trinidad Colorado, were the contractors. James W. Troutman, a member of the contracting firm, lost his life during the construction of the courthouse. As the building was nearing completion, a brick was accidentally dropped from near the top of the structure, Mr. Troutman was looking up at the time, and the brick struck him on the forehead about the edge of the hair, crushing his skull.

It is interesting to know of the awe with which the schoolboys used to regard the basement of the structure. For many years, the various compartments were joined by narrow passages as this rendered difficult the making of the completed round. It was a proud boast of a boy when he could pilot his companions through the entire number of passages.

Until about 1908, it was a custom of the graduating classes of High School to go to the courthouse the last thing and inscribe their names on the walls. Through the expanse of almost twenty years, the list of names had grown to be a large one. But with the inside repairs of the courthouse about 1908 and the painting of the walls, all of the names were lost to history.

Until a few years ago, the whole courthouse lawn was surrounded by a red board fence. Old fashioned stiles were placed at three places around the enclosure, and entrance thereto was effected in this way.

Recent repairs and additions have added very materially to the comfort of the courthouse. Only last month the installation of a fine steam heating system was finished. Now the building is equipped throughout with steam; so that the offices that were so nearly untenable on account of smoke during the high winds are now very comfortable.

To be sure, the old courthouse is not so modern as it might be; but it means a great deal to the old residents; it has been the scene of some famous trials, and at the time of its structure, was the finest in the Panhandle. It is an exceptionally good condition of repair, considering its age and today it serves its purpose well.

*The Clarendon News
December 15, 1921*

The Clarendon baseball team went down to Memphis Saturday and literally "eat up" the Memphis aggregation of ball tossers. The score was 21 to 7 in favor of Clarendon. John McLean was in the box and did some good work.

Banner-Stockman, August 5, 1904



The 1961 Saints' Roost Celebration Parade makes its way south on Kearney Street. Looking southeast, the vacant lot with the Shamburger Lumber Co. sign is the present site of the Clarendon Aquatic Center. The Clarendon Hotel building stood on the corner of Fourth and Kearney for many years until it burned in the mid-1980s. County Agent Flip Breedlove estimated the 1961 celebration was attended by about 10,000 people.

LEADER ARCHIVE PHOTO

Court Order Shuts Down Rodeo For 1949

Permanent Injunction Is Granted By Judge

School Board Blocked From Allowing Rodeos In Stadium

According to the records of the District Court proceedings in a hearing before Judge Luther Gribble Friday, the temporary injunction asking that the school board refrain from granting the use of the ball park (Broncho Stadium) for rodeo purposes, was made permanent.

It will be recalled that Bill and Mary Cooke asked for this injunction last season immediately prior to the annual 4th of July Rodeo, alleging that the cause of the close proximity to their home that such rodeo entertainment was objectionable because of stench, noise, dust, and other unpleasant features.

Since the school board has been enjoined from granting the use of the ball park for Rodeo purposes, plans are already underway that will insure a very successful rodeo feature and celebration next 4th of July.

*The Donley County Leader,
March 17, 1949*

July Fourth Dance Monday At Opera House

The only thing on the program here in the way of a celebration the Fourth will be a dance Monday evening at the Opera House, sponsored by the Clarendon Roping Club.

The usual Fourth of July celebration had to be cancelled this year due to inadequate facilities to hold a rodeo which is the big event of the celebration. Plans are in the making at the present time to hold a big one next year.

The dance Monday night is expected to draw a big crowd from all around as most people around here plan on a day of rest and picnicking. Roy Lee Brown, popular pianist of Goodnight, and his western band will furnish the music.

The admission charge will be \$1.50 per couple and \$1 for each single person. The dance will start at 9 p.m.

*Donley County Leader
June 20, 1949*

New Organization Is Named To Lead Outdoor Entertainment

Monday night of this week, officers and directors of the organization which was formulated several weeks ago met at the Chamber of Commerce office and decided upon a permanent name which will be well known all over this area in future years. The organization was named the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association, Inc., and will promote such entertainment as rodeos and other outdoor celebration events throughout the year. It was voted by the group to set membership fees at \$1 and yearly dues at \$1.

Everyone is eligible and also urged to join the Association. You may hand your \$2 to Mr. Clyde Slavin any time you see him or drop him a check by mail. This money will be used to get everything organized and to help promote events as they arise.

Officers of the organization are as follows: J.W. Murphy, President; Alfred McMurtry, Vice-President; R.S. Brumley, Secretary; and Clyde Slavin, Treasurer. Directors are Charlie McMurtry, Joe McMurtry, Lloyd Shelton, Bob Head, W.J. Lewis, Jr., and John Blocker.

Donley County Leader, August 18, 1949

Fourth Celebrated In Grand Style

The 4th of July has come and gone, and the people of Clarendon celebrated the occasion in grand style.

Early in the morning the people began coming in from all directions while many had come the evening before. Also the morning train brought many from Amarillo and Claude and other points up the Denver.

By ten o'clock one of the largest gatherings ever seen in Clarendon were assembled in and around the courthouse, and all seemed to be on hand to enjoy themselves. The Clarendon brass band was on hand promptly at 11 a.m. and added much to the enjoyment of the day. Rev. Chandler, of Vernon, was the speaker for the occasion and while there was no effort at oratory he made a splendid talk.

A table 200 feet long, or more, had been arranged between two rows of trees and on this was placed food in abundance for all present. The meat was well barbecued; a trifle too hot with pepper, but in all we think it one of the nicest gatherings of the occasion we ever attended. We had perfect order and no disturbance whatever. The new well and tank furnished plenty of cold water and if they wanted more they could be accommodated at the many stands. After dinner, the people enjoyed themselves under the shade of the beautiful trees in the courtyard.

At 4 p.m., a match game of baseball between Clarendon and Childress was enjoyed by the crowd, there was no rowing as often is the case; and while the score stood 30 to 14 in favor of Childress, the Clarendon boys took it in good humor.

The day was especially noted as being free from those things that embarrass Christian people, making them feel they are out of their place by their attendance, and we want to congratulate those having the matter in charge upon their successful management.

*The Agitator,
July 6, 1899*

Cemetery Ladies Need Help

It is brought to the attention of the Banner-Stockman that the Ladies' Cemetery Association is in need of funds to enable them to carry out plans for the improvement and beautifying of the Citizens cemetery.

The ladies want to keep a man employed throughout the summer at the cemetery, and there will be found plenty of work for such a janitor. The weeds and grass should be kept mowed, the trees and shrubbery cultivated and watered when necessary, the windmill kept in repair, and many other things a tended to. With the funds at hand the association will not be able to do this, besides the windmill is broken and needs about \$15 worth of repairs right now.

It is suggested that those interested in this cemetery by reason of the fact that they have friends or relatives buried therein, at once contribute something to the support of this work. Contributions in any amount from one dollar up will be of great aid and will be gladly accepted by the ladies. Such contributions can be made through the Bauner-Stockman or the Citizens Bank, if desired.

*Banner-Stockman,
March 8, 1907*

Doherty Has Fine Peaches Again Near Hedley

W. P. (Red) Doherty, who has a mighty fine peach orchard 7 miles northeast of Hedley, has been going day and night for the past few weeks disposing of his fourth bumper peach crop in eight years.

Mr. Doherty has 2,500 trees, some of the early variety and some of a later variety. He stated that the early crop was about finished, but another crop would be coming on later.

We can verify the quality of Red's peaches, for he brought us in a big box full last week and those peach cobbler have been delicious.

*Donley County Leader,
July 7, 1949*



1979 Barbecue Crew

It took a big crew to prepare the barbecue for the 1979 Saints' Roost Celebration. Several men helped with the Al Morrah Shrine Club fundraiser. Shown here are barbecue cooks: (standing left to right) Wes Kelly, B.J. Land, Goodwin Bray, Pete Land, Hubert Rhoads, Herman Green, John Sarich, Emmett Simmons, Tex Selvidge, Luther Butler, Jerrell Martin, H.H. Rodgers, (kneeling in front) Mac Justiss, and Jerry Lohoefer.

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The Declaration of Independence
IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.
The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.—We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed,—That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.—Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.—He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.—He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.—He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.—He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.—He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.—He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.—He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.—He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.—He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.—He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance.—He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.—He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil power.—He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:—For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:—For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:—For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world:—For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent:—For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:—For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences—For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:—For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:—For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.—He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.—He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people.—He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.—He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.—He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people. Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.—We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do.— And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

* **TEMPLE OF TRUTH** *
* By the Apostle *



MISSING OUT

Every town in the Panhandle with a mudhole has staged a "regatta," or is planning one. These "regatta" affairs are merely boat races. Why not stage a regatta on the lake north of town? Congress won't do anything about it because when the drouths are on, the weather is too hot to race here. When it is raining, we have a lake without federal aid. On with the boats, boys.

CLAIMS NEW RECORD

A navy plane bogged down while going over Amarillo Friday. They claim five inches of rain fell over the week. Had it been ten, the whole navy plane aggregation would have been swamped in Amarillo.

CONGRESS TOO COOL

It is claimed that with the air conditioned Capitol and office buildings, Congress may be in session all summer. Members are not supposed to warm up until the heat of next year's campaign.

PANHANDLER CAN TAKE IT

Speaking of heat, how about the bodies of the three men slated for cremation down in Dallas? One was from Illinois, one from Missouri, and one from the Panhandle of Texas. The three bodies were placed in the crematory and the usual time allowed when the bodies would be reduced to ashes. When the door to the oven was opened, the Illinois man had burned up, the Minnesota man was burned brown, but the Panhandler was sitting up wiping sweat off his face and said to the man opening the door: "If this weather keeps up, the wheat crop is going to be practically ruined!"

MONOTONY

Like the old lady who said her son "never has been satisfied" down at Huntsville prison, the English over in Chine are never satisfied with the way the Japs treat them lately. Some are slapped, others stripped, while some are stripped, kicked, and beaten and then made to parade in the nude before an audience of their own men and women. No wonder King and Queen were looking for a place to light when they visited Canada.

HAVE A HEART

If you don't care anything about your own life, please spare the lives of others the 4th of July. If you have to get drunk, go to a canyon. If you have to speed, get in somebody's pasture. Please, please remember the little folks.

DARN NUISANCES

Here's hoping that diligent, sympathetic officers will see that fireworks are not thrown around the feet of women the 4th as has been done in the past. Women, many of them, are naturally nervous. Elderly women wear dresses long enough that the dress could easily catch on fire from a giant firecracker. Please bear this in mind and get off the main streets to celebrate with fireworks. Here's more power to officers who will protect our women and children. If they need any help to police the crowd, there's plenty for the asking.

COME TO SEE US

Following our usual custom, the Leader office will be open all fore-noon so that friends and neighbors may come in and rest a bit and talk. We will be glad to see you in that good old neighborly fashion formerly practiced over the whole Southwest. See you the 4th!
Donley County Leader,
June 29, 1939

**Four Courts
In Session
At Same Time**

**Courthouse Behive
Industry As Many
Matters Disposed Of**

Possibly it never happened before in the history of the county when four courts were in session here at the same time, stated Judge Lowe Tuesday. But such was the case Monday.

Judge Fires was busily engaged in grinding out divorce cases in the District Court.

Judge Lowe was hearing a dry check charge against an Amarillo party in the County Court.

The Commissioners Court was in session passing upon bills. Judge W. A. Davis was hearing a "fight" case in Justice Court.

As a result of all of the above court business, divorces were granted, a party charged with dry checking paid off, bills were allowed and the needy satisfied, parties to an 'affray' paid suits due the county for Infraction of the law.

Yep, it was a great court day in Donley county's capitol building about 11 a. m. Monday.

*Donley County Leader,
October 17, 1935*

Park Improvement Goes Steadily On

Recent Rains Show Little Damage When Creek Overflow Improvement of the City Park under WPA labor with A.C. Donnell in charge, moved forward the past week to a better showing. Rains causing overflow of the creek passing through the park did no damage due to well protection.

A tool house eight by twelve feet of stone construction is underway at this time. A crew is working on the stone retaining wall on the east and north sides with shoot a hundred feet completed.

Approximately ten men are employed on the job daily. Sixteen men were allotted from the WPA roll for this project.

*Donley County Leader,
June 29, 1939*

Sheriff Wright Warns BB Gun Toters

Sheriff Guy Wright reported yesterday that he had received a number of complaints in regard to youngsters who were going just a bit too far with their air rifle shooting. Stray BB's from the rifles have made contact with chickens, animal pets and a few people, the Sheriff stated.

He suggested that parents of youngsters, shooting these air rifles, check into their own situation at home and inform their youngsters as to what caution should be taken and the limitations of their hunting grounds as a stray bullet from on air rifle could very easily put out an eye or cause unforeseen danger to property.
Donley County Leader, March 17, 1949

Clarendon Insurance Agency

Bring the family to
Henson's
Turtle Race

Sat., July 6, at 1:30 p.m.
in downtown Clarendon

Register Daily at Henson's. Age group 0 - 14...FREE WIN PRIZES • Register turtles before 12:00 p.m. on July 6th

Adult Races ages 18 - 100\$5.00
Win 1/2 cash pot & 1/2 to charity

Extra Turtles? We'll take 'em

WATER TURTLES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RACE

Clarendon WELCOMES
All Pioneers and Visitors

As the oldest thriving town in the Panhandle, Clarendon has constantly been building upwards since 1878. Together we will continue to grow in the future and enjoy many July Fourth celebrations yet to come.

We extend a hospitable welcome to all guests of the City during the 147th annual Saints' Roost Celebration.

Clarendon TEXAS

Welcome to the Annual Saints' Roost Celebration & Rodeo!

CLARENDON VET HOSPITAL AND SUPPLY

Celebration Winners For 1979 Named

Getting the Saint's Roost Celebration off to a good start on July 3, 1979, was the Artist's Studio art show with the largest show with over 132 entries.

Fred Jonas, of Amarillo was the judge and the results were as follows: Still Life and Floral - 1st Vickie Wilhite; 2nd - Wanda Stevenson of Memphis; 3rd - Mary Martin. Animals and Birds - Kathie Holland of Hedley, 1st and 2nd - Lura Dell Helms, Hedley, 3rd. Buildings - Jeanice Weatherly, 1st; Wanda Stevenson, Memphis, 2nd and Tillie Anglin, 3rd. Seascapes - Edie Robertson, 1st; Karlen Cantrell, 2nd; Elva Davis, Hedley, 3rd. Landscapes - Juanita McAnear 1st; Virginia James, 2nd; Brenda McConnell, 3rd. Charcoal and Pencil - Roy Lee Helms, 1st; Teresa Hill 2nd and 3rd. Western art - Lura Dell Helms, 1st - Dessa Day, 2nd and Edie Robertson 3rd. Best of Show went to Vickie Wilhite and from other divisions; Lura Della Helms, 1st; Edie Robertson, 2nd; and Shirley Osburn 3rd.

Judges for the parade were Steve Smith, Virginia Browder, Delores Crump, and Sandra Mooring. Winners in the parade were: Outstanding Sweepstakes entry - Grand Prize Khiva Shrine from Amarillo and Spring Creek Ranch Group from Goodnight. Civic winners were Security State Bank, 1st and Lioness Club 2nd, both of Hedley. Commercial winners were Alderson Chevrolet, 1st and Tumbleweed 2nd. Auto Clubs, Amarillo Longhorn Model A Club, 1st and Amarillo Track and Trail Sports Riders, 2nd. Riding Groups were; Rolling Plains Mule Train, 1st and Boys Ranch Riders 2nd. Religious entries were Calvary Baptist Church, 1st and Nazarene Church of Clarendon, 2nd.

In the Kids entries Little Khiva Clown of Amarillo was 1st and Kay and Tonya Bell, daughters, of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bell, were 2nd in their go-cart.

Creating considerable interest each year is the turtle race which always attracts a big group of entrants and even more spectators to the site on main street. The three winners of \$25 savings bonds were: 0-5, Chad Barnes; 6-10, James Lampier, and 11-15, Windy McCombs. Judges for the turtle race were Teal Bivens, Teddy Wagoner, Teddy Pool and John Grady.

Old Fiddlers Contest: Music and its appeal was evidenced on the Fourth of July by the crowd of persons who gathered to listen to the fiddlers and gospel singers at the courthouse square. The Radiance singing group from Perryton and the Calvary Cross Singers provided gospel singing during the afternoon. In the Old Fiddlers Contest winners



Jim Hayes of James F. Hayes & Co. and Bob Hay of Greene Dry Goods Co. stand with the saddle donated for the 1979 Saints' Roost Celebration.



Al Morrah Shrine Club President Emmett Simmons with Anna Moores Simmons at the 1979 barbecue.



1979 Rodeo Senior Queen Lori Skelton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Punch Skelton of Brice.

were Ray David, of Clarendon, \$150. and 1st place; Bat Raleigh, \$100, 2nd place; David Cunningham, \$75 and 3rd; and Jimmy C. Adams 4th and \$35.

A C.B. given away by YAC, Youth Against Cancer, was won at the 4 p.m. drawing by Allie Mae Maxey.

After three performances of the annual rodeo winners in the various events were Russell Seely, of Lefors was named All - Around Roper and won a saddle. The second saddle went to Rod Breech, of Guymon named All - Around Bronc Rider. Saddles for the events were donated by Greene Dry Goods Co., Riggs Farm and Ranch Supply, Knorpp Insurance Agency, Inc. and James F. Hayes and Co.

Other winners were: Danny Engleman, Perryton - Bareback riding - a buckle and money; Calf roping - Bob Clements, of Pampa - money and a

buckle; Barrell Race - Johnny Jarvis, of Stinnett - buckle and money; Saddle Bronc riding - Rod Breech, of Guymon, Okla., buckle, money, and saddle. Team roping; Dale Steel and Mike Darsey, of McLean buckle and money.

Bull riding Alex Bell, of Amarillo and Rod Breech. Stock was furnished by C&C Rodeo Co., Cordell and Cordell, of Childress. Donating the free beef given away in a drawing at each rodeo performance were Mrs. W.J. Lewis Jr., Shelton and Sons Ranch, and C.A. Cash Ranches. Those lucky winners of the free beef given away at a drawing each night of the rodeo performance were Mrs. Morris Crump, on Wednesday, July 4th, Kyle Hill, on Saturday night, and Brent Brandon, of Silverton on Friday night.

The Clarendon Press, July 12, 1979

Hundred-Hour Drive Is Closed On Time

The 100-hour drive that was held last week under the auspices of the Harman Motor Company of Amarillo and the Johnson-Mahaffey Motor Company of Clarendon was brought to a successful close Saturday afternoon at 2:20, just 100 hours after the drive had started on Tuesday at 10:20 in the morning. Mr. Hamilton came through the drive in fairly good condition, being removed to the ambulance unable to walk. He came near losing the drive late Friday night when the heavy fog shut down and made driving almost an impossibility.

The car used on the drive, a Pontiac Landau Sedan, was seemingly uninjured on the 100-hour journey. The car was driven 2,741 miles over all sorts of roads and driving conditions. That the car never heated is found in the fact that only one pint of water was lost after the car had been driven this seemingly great number of miles. Extreme speeds were tried in an attempt to make the car heat, but failed

miserably, the register on the motometer never reaching the "Driving Range" all through the 100 hours.

At the start, the crankcase was filled with oil and sealed and no further oil was added during the entire drive. At the end of the time, it was learned that two quarts of oil had been consumed. 126 gallons of gasoline were used during the drive, with an average of a little more than 21 miles to the gallon used.

Phillips' 100 per cent "66" gasoline and Phillips' Motor oil were used in the car and will be adopted by Mr. Hamilton on future drives of this nature. As the time for the close of the contest drew near, the lower end of Kearney Street was roped off and a parade led by the fire truck and the 100-hour car was made down the street. Twenty-five Pontiac cars were in the parade in addition to numbers of others.

A crowd that was variously estimated at 1,000 or more was

present at the end and space was at a premium when Mr. Hamilton was removed from the car and placed in the ambulance that was nearby. Following this, the seals on the ear were all removed, and the statistics found above were gleaned from the information found there.

During the night drives, Mr. Hamilton was accompanied by his wife. During the day, he drove with anyone who cared to ride with him and was always glad to have company of any kind. He had no company during the last few hours of the drive and spent the hours on the paved streets of Clarendon to make the drive easier. When placed in the window at Kerbow's store for a sleeping time, he was unable to compose himself for sleep due to the large crowd that gathered round the window to look at him.

This drive, completed, made the 54th that has been carried to a successful conclusion.

The Clarendon News, Dec. 6, 1928

Sheriff Issues Warning To Fast Drivers & Drunks

Sheriff Guy Pierce is calling attention to the fact that he is going to have two highway patrolmen here for the 4th, in addition to the extra police used by the city to avoid accidents.

The sheriff states that the 4th is a day of rejoicing and pleasure, and no one will be allowed to mar that pleasure. He calls attention to fast driving, drunk driving, and just plain and fancy drunks. All these kind of folks will be given a chance to see the judge just as soon as such foolishness is started, he says.

The Sheriff personally invites all the law-abiding citizens to come out and make a big day of the 4th.

Donley County Leader, June 29, 1939

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is Both Agreeable and Effective.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has no superior for coughs, colds, and croup, and the fact that it is pleasant to take and contains nothing in any way injurious has made it a favorite with mothers. Mr. W.S. Pellam, a merchant of Kirksville, Iowa, says: "For more than 20 years, Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been my leading remedy for all throat troubles. It is especially successful in cases of croup. Children like it and my customers who have used it will not take any other." For sale by all druggists.

Banner-Stockman, March 8, 1907

Notice: We will stand the following animals at the Drew wagon yard at Clarendon this season: A standard bred Kentucky stallion, and a young richly bred pacing stallion. Also two large well-bred Missouri jacks. For terms apply to E.T. Vanvoorris or J. West at Jericho, Texas. *Banner-Stockman, March 8, 1907*



Ft. Worth & Denver Depot

This 1910 photo of Clarendon's Ft. Worth & Denver Railroad Depot shows the building largely unchanged from its original 1887 design. The second story would later be removed, and the building would be remodeled several times before it was finally moved to the Saints' Roost Museum grounds in the late 1990s.

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Donley Fair Greatest In History Has Record Attendance

Goldston Wins First Prize In Community Exhibits;

Lelia Lake Is Close Second; Windy Valley, Giles And Martin Pressing Hotly For Honors

1921 Fair Shows County's Prosperous Condition

With one of the finest agricultural and livestock exhibits ever seen in this county, the three days county fair last week was an unqualified success. Successful farmers from almost every community in the county contributed the best of their products toward making the fair the success that it was; and, as great emphasis was placed on the community exhibits, the following exhibited as a community: Goldston, Lelia Lake, Giles, Windy Valley, Martin and the Clarendon Canning Club.

The first prize for the community exhibit was taken by Goldston, while Lelia Lake took a close second with Windy Valley third. The first prize for the best individual exhibit was taken by J.D. Brandon, a farmer of the Goldston community; while Clyde Bridges, of Hedley, was a close competitor, receiving the second prize.

The livestock exhibit was an excellent one, being composed of specimens of fine hogs, cattle and draft horses. The poultry exhibit was up to the standard of the rest of the fair; while everyone stood about with a hungry look as they surveyed the fine culinary exhibit.

The attendance at the fair during the three days is numbered in the thousands. Representatives of the large papers of this part of the state, as far east as Ft. Worth, as well as the representatives of other large concerns were present, as were also representatives of the A.&M. College.

The class of the agricultural exhibit was surprising to everyone notwithstanding the fact that we knew that our county is in far better shape than most part of the state. The farmers of the various communities donated the best of their products and the result was that everyone of these exhibits was so fine that it was with difficulty that the first and the second prizes could be awarded. The variety of the community exhibits may be conceived of in some degree when it is learned that one farmer alone, in the individual farm exhibit showed one hundred and three varieties of farm products. The showing consisted of every product of the field, the garden and the goods preserved by canning.

Watermelons that ranged around eighty pounds in weight, pumpkins the size of a washtub, and corn, cotton, cane and all other products of the agricultural science of like fine quality contributed toward making the Fair the wonderful agricultural exhibit that it was.

The booths arranged by the various communities were

in the Caraway Garage; the shelves on which the exhibits were arranged and the whole of each booth were tastefully decorated by the ladies of each community; while the men made ingenious arrangements of the products. It is of significance that the first prize both to the community exhibit and the best individual exhibit went to the Goldston community and to a farmer of the same community.

Any community that had a showing had one of such character that it would have been of great credit to the county and would have taken high honors it seems at the Dallas Fair. The individual farm exhibits were up to the same class, and every exhibitor won high honors finds himself with a variety of excellent products such as almost staggered the wildest belief.

The showing of hogs was also a fine one. Successful stockmen from all over the county showed their best types of hogs; and everyone from the smallest to the ones weighing half a ton was a fine specimen. The poultry and cattle and horses were also of a fine type. Eight boys and girls will be given trips to the Dallas Fair as a reward for their work in the various clubs for the year. The prizes offered to the club boys were divided into two classes; two prizes being given for the pig clubs and two for the work in the agricultural clubs.

A girl took the first prize that was offered which was for the best senior gilt; Miss Marie Bowers, of Martin, exhibited the best senior gilt; Chester Hodges, of Martin, will also receive a trip to the Dallas Fair as a result of his having exhibited the best junior gilt. Jeff, Tanner of Lelia Lake produced the best kaffir corn that was shown and will receive a trip to the Dallas Fair as will also Sam Blocker, of Goldston who showed the best Indian corn. Of these prize winners, George Ryan will pay the way of one to the Dallas Fair, Strickland and Story another, while the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce will pay, the ways of the other two. Frank Moreman offered two prizes of \$2.50 each for the best gilts exhibited by the boys of the Lelia Lake club. Jeff Tanner received the prize for the best senior gilt; from this club while Aaron Conner received the other prize for the best junior gilt in that club. Mont Wolford of Lelia Lake won a gilt from the W.L. Butler herd for the best senior boar. Clyde Bain, of Martin, received a gilt from the W.T. McBride herd for the best junior boar. The Jayhawker boar offered by the Silver Crest Farm was won by Raymond Mosely of Martin for having the second best senior gilt The boar given by W. B. Franklin, of Hedley was won by Willie Brandon, of Goldston, for having the second best junior gilt. M. B. Oates, of Ft. Worth, agricultural agent for the Ft. Worth and Denver Railway, judged the hogs in the open classes; and he, assisted by Oscar McFarland and L. M. Thompson, acted as judge of the

hogs displayed by the club members.

A specialist from the A.&M. College connected with the extension department, Mr. Hays judged the agricultural exhibits. He was complimentary of the quality of products shown.

An interesting feature of the fair that was not fully developed was the educational booth. In this were charts showing various methods for upbuilding the soil and charts on kindred subjects. Visitors who had attended other county fairs in other sections of the state as well as in the Panhandle declared that the Donley county agricultural exhibit was by far the best that they had seen; and ventured the assertion that with a fair ground and other attractions the Donley County Fair could be made the biggest county fair in the state.

A feature of the fair that was in a way different and interesting as well was the baby show conducted by Miss Ella Yeager, the Donley County Public Health Nurse. During the entire fair she weighed and measured about two hundred babies. On Saturday morning sixteen babies were entered in the baby show. Ethel Drennan, of Lelia Lake, received the first prize among the girl babies; C. W. Akard Jr., of Clarendon, was judged the finest baby boy.

The culinary exhibit was one of the best features of the fair; for it represented the household sciences at their best. The fine arts display and the textile showings were of high class and it was oftentimes with difficulty that the judges were able to award the prizes. An excellent feature of the fair was the work of the Girls' Clubs of the county. This work consisted of canning club work, and of general exhibits. Fine inducements were offered for the general exhibits, as two of the girls were given trips to the Dallas Fair for their exhibits of the general club work.

Merchants and the Chamber of Commerce co-operated in every way possible with the Fair Association in putting on the Fair successfully; and the farmers of most of the communities of Donley made possible the wonderful success that the fair had by contributing the best of their products.

George Ryan was the director of the Fair Association and he worked constantly toward making the fair what it was—the best that Donley County has ever known.

Music was furnished by the Hedley Band. This organization is only a few months old, yet it does well considering its age. Much was added to the work in rounding up the demonstration work for the fair by the presence of Miss Bess Edwards, district home demonstration agent. Miss Edwards had been here sometime before the commencement of the fair, and so impressed was she with the plans that she decided to attend the fair. She helped with the usual care, and her presence was worth much

toward making the fair the success that it was.

Various athletic games lent to the interest in the fair; those who attended had the opportunity of seeing good games of both football and baseball.

The Clarendon News, Sept. 29, 1921

Hedley Lions Club Elects New Officers

The new officials of the Hedley Lions Club will be: Clifford Johnson, President; L. D. Messer, 1st Vice Pres.; Edward Boliver, 2nd Vice Pres.; R. W. Alewine, 3rd Vice Pres.; Jerald Sims, Sec.-Treas.; W. C. Bridges, Lion Tamer; Jap Shaw, Taitwister; James Willett, Song leader; Miss Anita Bain, Lion Sweetheart; and F. M. Murray, Roy Jewell, Carl Morris, and W. H. Moffitt, directors.

These officers and directors were elected at last week's meeting and will be installed at the regular meeting on July 14.

Donley County Leader, June 20, 1949



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Memorial Services By Clarendon People For Mrs. C. Adair

People From All Over The Panhandle Attend Services Here.

Services Are Conducted By Rev. L. L. Swan, Episcopal Rector

Memorial service for Mrs. Cornelia Adair were held at the Methodist Church in this city Monday afternoon at three thirty o'clock led by Rev. L. L. Swan, rector of the Episcopal Church in this city. Just previous to the commencement of the service, the employees of Mrs. Adair filed in and took the seats reserved for them to pay their last tribute of love to the one whom they loved so well.

The solemn service was commenced by the dirge which Miss Betts played on the pipe organ. Rev. Swan then announced the purpose of the service to pay tribute to Mrs. Adair, following which the choir sang "Asleep in Jesus," and as the beautiful notes filled the church, the audience sat with the stillness that bespoke their love for the departed soul whose deeds they delighted to recall. The response was then rendered; the choir then sang "Just As I Am."

Rev. Thomas Milholland then read impressively the New Testament lesson. Following the singing of "Jesus Lover of My Soul," Rev. Swan then delivered the sermon. He related little of the life of Mrs. Adair, saying that that was already well known to the people of Clarendon; but he declared that Mrs. Adair was not dead, but that her beautiful life and deeds would live forever.

Mrs. Adair was a member of the Episcopal Church, in fact, having worshipped in the Episcopal Church in this city in days gone by.

Clarendon in particular feels indebted to her; such gifts to the citizens as the Hospital which bears her name and of the Y.M.C.A. building will cause the love for her to live forever.

It was indeed, an impressive sight to see the employees of Mrs. Adair as they took their places in the church for the ser-



Cornelia Adair portrait by Eduardo Tofano SAINTS' ROOST MUSEUM

vices. She knew almost every-one of them personally, and there were almost a hundred of them at the service.

Mrs. Adair died at her home in London early Thursday morning. A deep sadness came over her many friends all over the world, in Texas in particular, as the news was over the wires that she had gone to meet her Maker in the Great Beyond. She had attained the age of eighty-four years.

Mrs. Adair was born in Ireland. In 1877 her husband, John Adair, met Col. Charles Goodnight in Denver, and the latter sold Mr. Adair approximately two-thirds of the Good-night ranch property in this state which property then approximated one million acres. Mr. Adair, accompanied by his wife, moved to Texas. Mrs. Adair went with her husband on most of his trips, and was very much interested in the cattle business.

Mr. Adair died in St. Louis

in 1886, and Mrs. Adair took control of the ranch. In 1887, the Adair-Goodnight partnership was dissolved, and Mrs. Adair became the owner of two-thirds of the famous ranch. Richard Walsh, who recently died in Ireland, managed the ranch for Mrs. Adair for eighteen years. During this time the herd of cattle came to be one of the finest in the United States; and today the ranch contains approximately a half million acres of land and twenty-five thousand head of cattle.

The old stone house, which was the home of Mrs. Adair on the ranch, is furnished with the conveniences of the city; and there Mrs. Adair delighted to visit every year. Of late years, ripe years and frail health have not allowed Mrs. Adair to make extended visits. But the old stone house has been the scene of entertainments for distinguished persons both of the United States and of Europe aa

well.

Mrs. Adair was the daughter of Major General James S. Wadsworth of Geneseo, New York. United States Senator James W. Wadsworth of New York is the nephew of Mrs. Adair; and for many years was the manager of the JA ranch interests, living on the ranch in Clarendon at the time. At the present, T.D. Hobart, of Pampa, is the general manager, and J.W. Kent, of this city, is the manager of the ranch properties.

Mrs. Adair is loved for her donation of the Adair Hospital and of the Y.M.C.A. building. The hospital is kept up by a fund which was set aside for that purpose by Mrs. Adair.

Mrs. Adair, it is said, was visiting with relatives in England at the time of her death.

The ranch is one of the largest in the world and has had a very successful operation.

As was emphasized by Rev. L.L. Swan in his memorial sermon, it is beyond words to speak the praise of Mrs. Adair such as she deserves; but the host of friends that she made by her beneficence will always honor her memory and look forward to the time when they will meet her in the great beyond.

The Clarendon News, September 29, 1921

Noted Musicians To Perform at Opera House In Clarendon

Waldteufel, the greatest waltz composer of the present day, Dudley Buck and other noted musicians have written some fine selections especially for the peerless Schubert Lady Quartette of Chicago.

You will enjoy every minute of their entertainment on Feb. 18, at the Opera House because it is bright and entertaining from beginning to end.

Clarendon Chronicle, February 6, 1903

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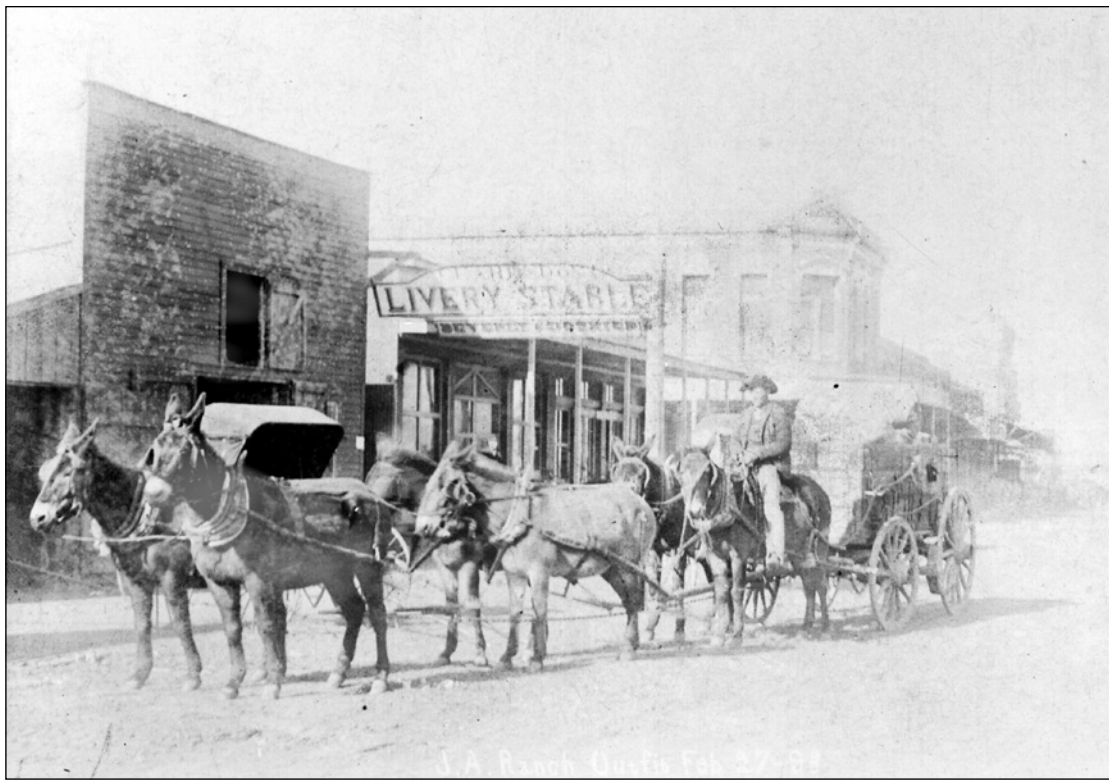
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This 1890s photo of the JA Ranch wagon team was taken on Kearney Street looking north towards what would today be the US 287 intersection. A livery stable was located about where the vacant drug store and Ramblin' Ranch Boutique is today, and the two-story First National Bank building can be seen where the REFZ Sports Bar & Grill parking area is now.

Leader Archive Photo

Old Times In Clarendon

A Clarendon Editor of Long Ago Tells Tales of Early Days When he Was a "Booster."

We take the following article from the Daily Panhandle of Amarillo, and agree with the editor of that sheet in his disagreement with the writer of the story. It is a case of two editors agreeing to disagree with a third pencil pusher.

That the Panhandle is rapidly coming into its own, no person who is in anywise posted as to conditions, doubts, for a minute, and the Rockwall editor should take a trip up into this country just to note the difference between the Panhandle of the present and the old Panhandle of his day. Mr. Kenyon conducted a newspaper in Clarendon in the old days when beer checks were legal tender as printer's wages and might often be found in the contribution plate at church; when the only source of revenue for anyone was that derived from the cattle business and the salaries of the railroad men who lived here. He writes of the great changes time has wrought, but even as he writes he cannot begin to realize the extent of these changes. However, his article will be of great interest to all the old-timers, and we present it for what it is worth:

In the Rockdale Reporter, published in Milam county, Texas, the editor and proprietor, Mr. W.K. Kenyon, who was in the 1880's editor of a paper in Clarendon, tells of his experiences and those of his friends in this city and the Panhandle country, which reads like fairy stories to those of us who are on the ground at the present time. Kenyon was a pioneer and like most of the pioneers in a new country, moved on, and this is his story. He predicts that the drouths will return and that all of us will hit the trail for the black lands or other portions of Texas or other states sooner or later. While we are interested in Bro. Kenyon's story of the early days of journalism in the Panhandle, yet we do not agree with him as to the future of the Panhandle, for we believe that the turning of the native sod, and cultivation of the soil of the vast plains, changes the climate, as it did in Nebraska and Kansas and that the prosperous years we are having now, are just the beginning of what this country will experience in the near future.

However here is Brother Kenyon's letter:
"Our old friend R. F. Cates is making a newsy paper of the Bartlett Tribune. Back in the '80s, Cates and the writer did some pioneer newspaper work in the Panhandle of Texas. When out there we called it God's own country, but it got drier and the grass got shorter as the years went by and Cates, who was located at the windy city of Amarillo, the metropolis of the

staked plains, the home of the H's - Hollicut, Hardwick and Holland - was not so fortunate as the writer, as we were located in the beautiful city of Clarendon. Seasons were more propitious and we enjoyed a prosperous season of about five years. Cates left earlier. His town went kerflunk and he came to a country that does not need to be boosted by everyone.

After Cates left Amarillo, Hardwick, the prince of hotel men, gave up the Amarillo Inn and went to Ft. Worth. Holland left for other pastures, but we believe big headed Hollicut remained for some time boss of the X.I.T. ranch. After that time there was little to attract people to Amarillo. Bats were the principal guests at the Amarillo Inn 'till the seasons returned in 1896, since then that town has resumed its proud place as mistress of the plains.

Clarendon was a peach. Being the division point of the Denver road, we never dried up, but we did get a little parched long in '96. Clarendon, once a gambler's paradise, is quite a different town now. Then it was an all-night town. Three saloons, whose doors had no shutters, were in full blast 365 days in the year. For several years the usual layout of gambling paraphernalia was located in the back end, or a sideroom of each saloon. There existed a sort of rivalry between the two proprietors of the leading resorts, Jim Cain and Frank Borchers. Each furnished his place in elegant style, and the brands of goods handed across the bar were the best. Clarendon was then a city of churches. Everybody then and now, living in the Panhandle towns, were boomers, and Clarendon boasted of more churches and finer saloons than any town of its size in Texas. But the town has changed, some, we are told.

It commenced long about 1894 when W. R. Butler, (now of Temple) was county attorney. He made the saloon men move their gambling devices out of their buildings. He waged a warfare on gamblers so relentlessly that most of the fraternity skidooed. She was a live town then. Lots of good people there. Al Gentry, of the Tennessee stock, was sheriff. He was succeeded by Charley Beverly, one of the whitest boys that ever lived. There was Billy Grigsby, an old Quantrell man, and Phil Omahondra, a brilliant boy from old Virginia. Tom Martindale was county and district clerk, and he seemed to have the job cinched until Bill Cooke entered the race.

Clarendon was the home of honest Jim Browning, ex-lieutenant governor and now district judge of the Amarillo district. Judge H.H. Wallace was district judge then and Capt. B.H. White county judge, and it was concluded that these two were the peers of any judicial officers in that great country.

Then there was old Buck Ramsey and the railroad boys who made headquarters at his store. Big Fred Dewey, Billy O'Brien, the engine mail, Jeff Trent and scores of others, and Morris Rosenfield, the dry goods

man. Most of them gone, like ourselves, to pastures greener where the grass grows taller. But some of them are still there. A. M. Beville, the political fighter, who was the only Democratic postmaster the town ever had, is still there.

The town is not what she once was. The railroad shop has been moved to Childress and instead of a railroad town, it is now a college town. The Methodists and Roman Catholics each have prosperous colleges located in beautiful Clarendon under the plains. The huge cattle ranches have been encroached upon by the man with the hoe and it is now as we told the people it was then, a great agricultural country, and is blooming as the rose.

I wonder if Cates ever thinks of the lies that we told about the great country we were booming? Well, don't fret, they were not all lies, as some predictions are coming true and the land we could have bought for \$1 bonus per acre, had we bought enough of it and held it until now, we would have been in the swim. Those boys are still at it, however, and are telling the same old stories we used to tell then and are inducing some of the good citizens here to sell their rich black land and locate in that same "God's country." But we know another thing. There will be a time coming when the seven years' drouth will hit them as it did us and they will hit the road for the great black land belt again.

Banner-Stockman, March 8, 1907

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Have a safe and happy Fourth.

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Courtroom Music

A music class is set up in the District Courtroom of the Donley County Court House in this undated photo, which was probably taken about the turn of the 20th century. Oil lamps can be seen hanging from the ceiling.

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The Clarendon News, November 14, 1918

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